Service in memory of professor John T. Quinn

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Hope College professors dressed in cap and gown processed down the aisle of Dimnent Chapel Sunday afternoon to honor the memory of Professor John T. Quinn. The sight of over 100 long, dark robes was as solemn as the mood of the people wearing them, but the occasion merited the formal regalia. A vibrant member of the Hope community, Quinn was only 45 when he passed away suddenly while running on campus June 19.

The Service of Praise and Thanksgiving began with the rolling chords of the organ and unfolded in an hour of song, prayer, and heartfelt words from a few of those who were closest to Quinn. In attendance were nearly 30 members of his family, including his mother Jean, and his two sisters, who traveled from Holland to the Chicago area. In the pews behind them sat a collection of students and friends from the local community.

As they spoke, the image painted was of a man overflowing with passion, both for work and for pleasure. For example, Quinn enjoyed updating his daily garden journal with details on each plant and preparing gourmet desserts for the friends who attended frequent readings in his home.

But above all Quinn had a passion for languages, the classics and teaching itself. For instance, such was his love of the classical (but dead) Roman language that he created a course in conversational Latin that met weekly over coffee one year. Over the course of his life he studied over a dozen languages and worked constantly on translations and related studies. Anecdotes told of an office door that was always open and a professor who would answer the phone at 2 a.m. if a student had a question.

“It was delightful to see a seasoned teacher at work, both in what he taught and how he interacted with students,” said former colleague Kelly Osborne.

Osborne delivered a meditation overflowing with personal stories and thoughts on working with Quinn. He described him as an innovative professor, one always eager to improve his courses and design new ones to engage the students.

REMEMBERING DR. QUINN— Former Hope College classics professor Kelly Osborne gives thanks for the life of John T. Quinn at the professor’s Memorial Service on Sunday. More than 100 of Quinn’s colleagues dressed in full academic regalia and sat together in Dimnent Chapel to honor the passionate teacher.

Safety measures urged following armed robberies

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The Hope College community was shocked on Aug. 27 when crime struck very close to home. Around 10:05 p.m., three people at the Fifth-Third ATM on 9th Street were robbed at gunpoint.

The masked man approached the driver’s side window of two cars holding a handgun. He demanded money from the victims’ checking accounts. The cars’ occupants spoke to the Holland Police Department.

The Holland Police Department assumes that the trail left by the suspect to 10th Street before the trail disappeared. Police assume that the suspect entered a waiting vehicle to flee. Earlier this summer, on July 26, a comparable crime was committed at the Macatawa ATM on 16th Street. Police are uncertain whether the two crimes are related, but there are certain, unmistakable similarities between them.

In both incidents, the suspect was described as a Hispanic or tanned Caucasian male in his early 20s. A third robbery occurred Monday, Sept. 1, near the Amtrak depot on east 8th Street at about 8:45 p.m.

Despite these crimes, Hollands criminal statistics remain far below the national average. The robbery statistic in Holland is, in fact, 97 percent lower than the national average. Still, it is important to remain aware at all times. These crimes have reminded the Hope community that disaster may strike in even seemingly safe places.

Then Hope administration is doing everything possible to make Hope’s campus a place where its students can feel safe once again. The Office of Public Relations published a warning on KnowHope: “Recently there have been three serious incidents (robberies) in the vicinity of our campus. Campus Safety, Dean of Students and Holland Police Department are all engaged in the conversation of what happened and discussing ways to make the community as safe as possible.”

Hope’s administration reminds students to make use of the college’s many safety precautions. The Shuttle Bus system runs from 6 p.m. until 2 a.m. each night. The shuttle offers a much safer opportunity than walking alone after dark.

Also, campus doors are locked to prevent strangers and unwelcome visitors from entering dormitories and other college buildings. Administration reminds students never to prop open locked doors and always to carry identification cards.

The Office of Public Relations also asks students to avoid being out doors alone at night. “Running is great exercise, so take a friend! Don’t wear both iPod ear buds so you can hear traffic and other noises, and always know where you are going,” writes Public Relations.

The Hope Community is generally a very safe place. However, students must remember that crime may strike in even well-protected areas. The Holland Police Department asks that students report any suspicious persons and activities until the perpetrator of the ATM robberies is caught.

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excitement of his students. Clayton Orr (’08) spoke as one of many students deeply impacted by Quinn’s enthusiasm not only for classical studies but for the people around him. “I worked with Professor Quinn for three years, and I say I worked with him because no one really worked for the process of buying textbooks “more transparent...”

also less than bookstore prices. Also, Chegg is an environmentaly friendly organization and claims to plant a tree for every textbook rental.

used books—Dr. VanderVeen helps students battle textbook costs.
Political ads go negative; campaigns exaggerate claims

Rob Guilmond Guest Woman

Nearly $177 million has been spent on political ads so far as the accusations continue and the race for the oval office heats up after the party conventions. About $160 million of that has been focused on what are characterized as negative ads.

In one of his televised campaign ads, Barack Obama accuses John McCain of receiving $2 million from "Big Oil." McCain’s campaign has released ads outlining Obama’s connection with a convicted felon. The Obama campaign then ran ads linking McCain and President George W. Bush, characterizing McCain as too in line with Bush policies. McCain’s campaign responded by likening Obama to Paris Hilton, framing him as a celebrity. These claims, attacks, and counterattacks have run thick since the beginning of the race. Each new ad brings a storm of blogs, interviews and stories about the validity of such and such an argument. But validity may not be the ad’s goal. "Strategists and political ad analysts generally agree that negative ads work because negative opinions linger with voters longer than positive opinions,” said an article in USA Today. "It works only in the narrow sense. In the long run what it does is create a tremendous amount of distrust in the process," says Ray Seidelman, a professor of politics at Sarah Lawrence College who has studied political advertising and voter turnout.

"He is the biggest celebrity in the world, but is he ready to lead?" asked a McCain ad as images of Paris Hilton, Britney Spears and Barack Obama floated across the screen. Nancy Pfotenhauer, McCain’s senior policy advisor, talked about the "Celebrity Ad" that started running July 30 of this year. She explains the ad isn’t about demeaning Obama. See ADS, page 4

Negative ads work because negative opinions linger with voters longer than positive opinions. —USA TODAY

Hurricane Gustav hits Louisiana; Katrina’s legacy prepares FEMA for response

Colton Wright Guest Woman

Hurricane Gustav breached the shores of southwest Louisiana on Sept. 1 forcing millions of residents to brace for what New Orleans Mayor Ray Nagin described as, ‘the mother of all storms.’

Just before reaching Terrebonne Parish, La., the storm that devastated much of the Caribbean islands, subsided to a Category 2 hurricane and dropped to a Category 1 within four hours. The casualties and damage sustained by the weakening storm have not been confirmed, but several sources indicate from $8 billion to $10 billion worth of damage — a fraction of Hurricane Katrina’s $40 billion.

With winds approaching 145 miles-per-hour and listed as a Category 4 hurricane by the National Weather Service, Hurricane Gustav eerily resembled Hurricane Katrina whose wind speeds exceeded 140-miles-per-hour as it drew near Louisiana’s shoreline. On the three-year anniversary of the costliest and deadliest hurricane in the history of the United States, nature seemed determined to repeat itself.

Officials and residents, on the hand, were determined to be prepared. In wake of the criticisms for their lack of coordinated preparation for Hurricane Katrina, the federal, state and local governments

Why all the media fireworks about the missing Florida girl?

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O.J. Simpson. JonBenet Ramsey. Laci Peterson. Casey Anthony. What do these people have in common? Something everyone has in common. JonBenet Ramsey was found dead in her Denver basement on the morning after Christmas in 1996. Her case is still open and unsolved, though her parents have to face many accusations for recent years including DNA tests confirmed that they were not involved.

Laci Peterson, the pregnant California wife who disappeared on Christmas Eve in 2002 and was found in the nearby bay area several days later. Her husband, Scott Peterson, was eventually convicted for her murder and is now on death row in San Quentin.

Then, there’s Casey Anthony. Her daughter, Caylee, was abducted in mid-June, and Anthony failed to report it to the police for a month. Since that surfaced, there has been a media firestorm surrounding Anthony, who has already been arrested and released twice in connection with the case. Most recently, she was just re-released on an anonymous $500,000 bail on Saturday.

With all of the media coverage here, it makes it seem like this was the only abduction this year. In fact, according to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, there are 797,500 children reported missing every year. On average, 7 percent of that number are taken by family members. So why all the media fireworks about this one case? Not to say that it isn’t important, that it isn’t newsworthy. But there are other issues in this country, in the world, that should have precedence over this particular case.

In this day and age, media is a part of everyday life. Not a day goes by where we are not faced with newspapers, magazines, television, and internet. The truth of the matter is that the media does not know the truth. Whether the story is damaging or informative, opinionated or objective, the media is always going to be there, making news. Freedom of speech is, of course, in the Bill of Rights. We make use of it in this country, exploding stories to catastrophic degrees, and the general public eats it up. It is what they want to hear, so the media gives it to them. As long as we continue to fall for this outrage, things will never change.
Prep for Gustav a success

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The evacuation of nearly 2 million people, the largest in Louisiana history, was made possible by the Transportation Security Administration’s organized 700 buses transit system, the Department of Transportation’s management of the interstate highway contraflow system and the insistence of local police and firefighters that all residence leave the area.

During the massive evacuation, no “locations of convenience” - the Louisiana Superdome, Ernest N. Morial Convention Center, and Reliant Astrodome - housed evacuees. Unlike these locations, the locations used to care for Hurricane Gustav evacuees were well equipped at the hands of FEMA. These locations housed more than 2.4 million liters of water, 4 million meals, 478 emergency generators, 141 truckloads of tarp, and 267 truckloads of blankets and cots.

The rampant looting and ensuing mayhem following the evacuation of New Orleans for Hurricane Katrina were issues addressed by officials this time around. Louisiana Gov. Bobby Jindal ordered the call up of all 7,000 Louisiana National Guard members to patrol the streets along with police. After the mandatory evacuation went into effect anyone still roaming the streets would be summarily arrested for curfew violation - a stark contrast to the indifference of law enforcement with looters following Katrina.

Although it will be several weeks before the exact extent of the destruction is tallied, officials remain confident that the systematic preparation for Gustav was a success. Some residents even grumbled that the government owed them the evacuations, but emergency officials argued it is better to be safe than sorry.


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but instead it is “trying to acknowledge the fact that he is a world celebrity.” She wanted to point out that “Senator Obama attacked Senator McCain on the campaign trail every day. His campaign launched the first negative ad.”

Obama responded to the “Celebrity Ad” during a speech in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. He said, “You’d think that we’d be having a serious debate,” then asked, “Is this the best that the best that (McCain) can come up with?”

Both camps try to focus on single instances to define the opponents or to show something positive about their own campaigns. Factcheck.org is a nonprofit organization that “aims to reduce the level of deception and confusion in U.S. politics.” On the website, there are recent postings of corrections to speeches and other false news, and there are places to post questions and get quick facts about the campaigns.

For example, in McCain’s acceptance speech, he claimed that Obama wanted to implement a health care plan where small businesses would wind up suffering. In fact, Obama’s health care plan is exempt for small businesses, so McCain’s claim holds no validity. On the other side, during Obama’s acceptance speech, he said that McCain was “far from being a maverick who’s broken with his party,” because he voted with Bush 90 percent of the time. But Obama, a true democrat, voted with other Democrats in Senate 97 percent of the time, also proving his claim invalid.

All of this year’s campaign ads can be found online at various websites, like Youtube. For more information, campaign ads, positions, and candidates’ statements, information can be found with fact researching organizations, like Factcheck.org or Project Vote Smart (votesmart.org).

U.S. military strike kills civilians in Afghanistan

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — The U.S. military said Sunday it has new evidence about civilian casualties from an American airstrike attack that Afghanistan says killed scores of women and children and is it sending a senior officer to the country to review its initial finding that no more than seven civilians died.

The military did not say what new information had emerged. But Afghan and Western officials say Afghanistan’s intelligence agency and the U.S. both have video of the aftermath of the Aug. 22 airstrike on Azizabad village showing dozens of dead women and children.

“In light of emerging evidence pertaining to civilian casualties in the Aug. 22 counter-insurgency operation in the Shindand District, Herat province, I feel it is prudent to request that U.S. Central Command send a general officer to review the U.S. investigation and its findings with respect to this new evidence,” Gen. David McKiernan - the senior U.S. officer in Afghanistan and the commander of the 40-nation NATO-led mission - said in a statement.

“The people of Afghanistan have our commitment to get to the truth,” he added.

The attack has further strained relations between Afghanistan’s U.S.-backed President Hamid Karzai and the foreign forces operating against the Taliban and al-Qaida in the country.

An Afghan government commission has said 90 civilians, including 60 children and 15 women, died in the bombings, a finding that the U.S. backed in its own initial report.

But an initial U.S. investigation released Tuesday said only up to seven civilians and 35 militants were killed in the operation in the western province of Herat.

A U.N. official who has seen one video of Azizabad told The Associated Press it shows maimed children. The official became highly emotional describing rows of bodies.

Although the U.S. said Tuesday its investigation of the attack was complete, the military at that time appeared to leave open the possibility that photographs or video from the scene could emerge. Pakistan privately last week that they were aware photographic evidence apparently existed, but that they did not have access to it.

“No other evidence that may have been collected by other organizations was provided to the U.S. investigating officer and therefore could not be considered in the findings,” the initial U.S. report said.

On Saturday, a statement attributed to McKiernan to Azizabad said: “We realize there is a large discrepancy between the number of civilians casualties
All For One gets kids off the streets with dance

Central in Holland and will be teaching at Zeeland East High School with her field placement this semester.

All For One Dance Program is a growing program and Hornbach is eager for more people to get involved and enjoy the art of dancing. As a parent, Hornbach is excited to see the progress her students have made. "It's wonderful to see how much the students have grown," she said. "The program is helping them to develop their characters and learn the importance of hard work and dedication." 

Hornbach emphasizes the importance of arts education in schools and believes it can have a positive impact on students' lives. "Arts education can help students to develop their creativity, critical thinking skills, and problem-solving abilities," she said. "It's important for students to have the opportunity to explore their passions and pursue their interests, and arts education can provide that opportunity." 

Hornbach is passionate about making a difference in the lives of students and is committed to providing them with the best possible education. "I want to make sure that every student has the opportunity to reach their full potential," she said. "Arts education is an important part of that process and I'm proud to be working with students who are committed to making a difference in their communities." 

In Art

Monday, September 10

SAC Movie: "Ironman"
8:15 p.m.

Tuesday, September 11

SAC Lecture: "The Wild Bunch"
8 p.m.

Wednesday, September 12

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8 p.m.

Thursday, September 13

SAC Event: "The Wild Bunch"
8 p.m.

Friday, September 14

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In this week in art, there are several exciting events planned for students to enjoy. On Monday, September 10, SAC will be showing the movie "Ironman" at 8:15 p.m. This film is sure to be a hit with fans of action and adventure.

On Tuesday, September 11, SAC will host a lecture about "The Wild Bunch." This lecture will be an in-depth look at the popular 1969 film and its impact on popular culture.

On Wednesday, September 12, SAC will provide another lecture on "The Wild Bunch," this time focusing on the film's historical significance and its influence on Western cinema.

On Thursday, September 13, SAC will host an event featuring "The Wild Bunch." This will likely be a special screening or presentation related to the film.

On Friday, September 14, SAC will once again host an event related to "The Wild Bunch." This could be another screening, a discussion, or a related activity.

These events offer a diverse range of entertainment options for students, allowing them to explore different genres and appreciate the art of film and literature. Whether you're a fan of action, adventure, or Westerns, there's sure to be something for everyone this week at SAC.
A DROP OF HOPE

There is hope for those who suffer from water insecurity. Organizations such as the World Health Organization, UNICEF and World Vision are actively working to improve water quality to developing countries. A group at Hope has even made a significant difference across the globe. A Hope Chapter of Engineers Without Borders USA has teamed up with the nursing and health departments to instruct villages how to purify their water supply in Nkuv, Cameroon. Since beginning their work, diarrheal and dehydration-related deaths have decreased to zero.

According to World Bank, this number represents the total amount that is not just consumed bodily, but also used for watering lawns, washing clothes, flushing toilets, brushing teeth, and washing hands.

The numbers are added up, it is easy to see how much water each person can truly consume in a single day. Think on this fact: each person in the U.S. was to shorten their shower time and use one gallon less of water, this country could save about 85 million gallons of water per year. Dishwashers at American households consume 55 to 72 gallons of water in each regular cycle. An average of four toilet flushes a day, per person in the U.S., would equal 15 billion gallons of water. With one less flush, the amount of water saved could fill a hole that was 1 mile long, 1 mile wide, and 4 feet deep, every single day.

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Water pollution is a significant threat to global health, particularly when it comes to disease. Malaria and diarrheal diseases alone account for almost 2 million deaths each year. Other diseases caused by unsafe water are cholera, hepatitis, scabies, ringworm, trachoma, typhoid and Guinea worm disease.

Along with drinking and cooking, water is vital for sanitation. Sanitation plays a major role both in keeping people healthy as well as giving them dignity, and this is suffering due to the global water crisis. For example, the World Bank reports that in Angola, only 53 percent of people have access to water. However, of this 53 percent, only 31 percent have access to sanitation facilities. This trend is typical, as more people have access to some sort of water than access to sanitation. UNICEF counsels that it is not just sanitation facilities that are needed, but also the practice of hygienic behaviors. However, without water, none of it is possible.

WATER WATER EVERYWHERE, SO LET’S HAVE A DRINK!

Water, from a global perspective, is ultimately a health issue. While affluent countries such as the U.S. model their worry about their water supply, nations all over the world struggle to provide safe water for their people to drink. To begin with, much of the earth’s water supply is saltwater, which people cannot drink, rendering 90 percent of it unusable.

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Beautiful feet

By Bryant Russ

Power of words

I’ll never forget the feeling I had after seeing “Star Wars: Episode I” in theaters as a little kid. My cousins and I spent the following weeks fighting epic battles, using anything we could find as light sabers. We jumped around the house like kangaroo’s, talked about our favorite parts from the movie and, of course, tried to move anything we could find as lightsabers.

Amanda Gernentz

Because I care

Matt Oosterhouse

What to do about death

The summer of 2008 was no different than the three summers before it. For the past three years, sudden deaths in the Hope community have marred Hope’s joyful reconvening during the month of August. The hurt and pain is still freshly etched onto the minds and hearts of many at Hope College. Try as we might we cannot shake from our minds those we lost; their memories will continue to linger in our hearts.

Not a day goes by that those who had we were young? Think of the great stories you know, like “Star Wars,” “The Lord of the Rings” or “Harry Potter”; compared to them our world is nothing. We have a forest set on fire by a small spark. The tongue is also a fire, a world of evil among the parts of the body. It corrupts the whole person, sets the whole course of his life on fire, and is itself set on fire by hell. All kinds of animals, birds, reptiles and creatures of the sea are being tamed and have been tamed by man, but no man can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison.”

My first response is, Come on James, aren’t you exaggerating just a bit? But then the unseen truth sets in. Think of the kid getting picked on at the lunch table, stories of depression and suicide, and even the nightly news as another school shooting is reported. In how many sad situations like these are cruel words flying in slow motion, leaving us with the assumption that we are a relatively boring and powerless people.

Amanda Gernentz

If you’re ever taken Christian Feminism with Lynn Japinga, you know that feminism simply put is a social movement that advocates equality, both between the genders and between the races. But somehow that’s not how feminism sounds.

Close your eyes, wherever you are, and think of the word “feminist.” What comes to mind? Be honest. I bet even the most open-minded of you thought of a woman. Maybe even an angry woman. Maybe even an angry feminist. I bet even someone holding a sign that says “men are evil.”

But by definition, a feminist is just someone who is interested in women’s rights in the world. Dr. Quinn was a feminist. Who isn’t? Who doesn’t advocate gender equality? I don’t think I know even one man who wouldn’t want the women in his life to be paid a dollar for every dollar a man makes, instead of the current 75 cents. Sure there are some jerks in the world, and I guess there are probably a few of us who really are into topl ess riots and female domination, but most of us respect our friends and coworkers and hope for equality. Therefore, Most of us are feminists.

So how can we change the fact that no one wants to admit that? Is there a way to revamp the negative connotation of “feminism”? Is it doomed to forever come in images of anti-establishing and hurling lipstick at passing male pedestrians? Perhaps the problem lies not with the movement, but with the word. I admit I’d have a hard time association on board a movement called “masculism,” regardless of its meaning.

The fact of the matter is, while “feminism” is supposed to be inclusive of all genders and races, it’s called because I care

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Darcy. Sam. Karen. Dr. Quinn. Each had something particular that made them unique. Paul’s fraternity brothers can attest that he had a soft heart and was able to connect with almost anyone in the last few weeks of her life. Darcy had a passion for God that was unshakable and amazing to see. Sam loved joking around and making people laugh. Karen had a tremendous ability and capacity to love and care for everyone around her. Dr. Quinn loved teaching others (and he did it well) what he was passionate about: the classical languages of Greek, Latin and Coptic. Death, especially that of a young person, always stirs something within my heart. I believe it to be a mixture of genuine sadness that wrenches my being and an awareness of a life. That thing that we’re always trying to figure out, yet so few of us ever do. In its essence, it should be easy to find, but it is not. So many of us struggle to find meaning in our lives. What am I here for? What does living really mean? We ask ourselves these questions, more often than we realize it.

And yet, that answer is so easy to find, and I know that the wonderful people who I mentioned before had found it. Each one of them shared something in common: They found meaning to life in the person of Jesus Christ. They found it in the love that Christ offered them. They found it in the praise they were able to offer to their creator. It is through the death of Christ on the cross to pay for our sins and his resurrection from the dead that they found forgiveness and eternal life, and I firmly believe that they are in Heaven with God right now.

Katie Bennett

Lipstick wars

Earlier this semester, as I stood in line at Meijer with my cart full of the basic necessities—bread, meat, produce, chocolate—I heard the woman behind me say to her friend, “I’m not a feminist or anything, but...”

It’s not the first time I’ve heard someone preface his or her opinion that way. I’ve done it too, to make sure people don’t write me off as a militant and bitter. There’s something in the term “feminist” that has a scary ring to it.

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But by definition, a feminist is just someone who is interested in women’s rights in the world. Dr. Quinn was a feminist. Who isn’t? Who doesn’t advocate gender equality? I don’t think I know even one man who wouldn’t want the women in his life to be paid a dollar for every dollar a man makes, instead of the current 75 cents. Sure there are some jerks in the world, and I guess there are probably a few of us who really are into topl ess riots and female domination, but most of us respect our friends and coworkers and hope for equality. Therefore, Most of us are feminists.

So how can we change the fact that no one wants to admit that? Is there a way to revamp the negative connotation of “feminism”? Is it doomed to forever come in images of anti-establishing and hurling lipstick at passing male pedestrians? Perhaps the problem lies not with the movement, but with the word. I admit I’d have a hard time association on board a movement called “masculism,” regardless of its meaning.

The fact of the matter is, while “feminism” is supposed to be inclusive of all genders and races, it’s called “feminism”. It’s prefix means “woman.”

Hardly fair. In my opinion, the term has run its course.

If we advocate equality, we advocate both men and women, so I propose we zoom out: “humanism.” Both feminists and humanists work for the cause of people struggling under oppressive circumstances. Humanists just get fewer dirty looks. Let’s do another experiment. Close your eyes and think of the word “humanist.” What mental image does that conjure? People. Good. Now let’s work on getting that 75 cents up to a dollar.

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From the inside out

James Ralston

Don’t read this if you already know every…

Dear Freshmen:

I realize the last thing you want right now is more advice from anyone, but you’ve got it all figured out, but you’re go-
ing to get it anyway…so deal with it. If you don’t want to keep reading just stop right now and I will be none the wiser (al-
though, I suppose, neither will you). Oh, one other thing, if you are not a freshman you can read this too, although you might have figured some of this stuff out already.

Moving quickly along, I am going to at-
tempt to present at least one helpful thought here, please be patient. I’m just going to throw some thoughts out there—if you like it, take it, if you don’t, send it right back.

1. Take risks, you can look at this how-
ever you want, but being complacent is just boring.

2. Listen to those who are talking, but don’t be afraid to talk right back at them. There are a lot of talkers and supposed ad-
vice givers (like me for example), some might actually be competent enough to throw something about your way that is some-
what useful. Your job is to weed through your intuitions utilizing a professional driver. The goal was to provide

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U.S. military miscalculation ends in tragedy

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"reported" and McKiernan would continue to “try to account for this disparity.”

The New York Times reported on its Web site Sunday that one of its reporters had seen cell phone video in Azizabad of at least 11 dead children among some 30 to 40 bodies laid out in the village mosque. The Times also said Azizabad had 42 freshly dug graves, including 13 so small they could hold only children.

Karzai has for years warned the U.S. and NATO that it must stop killing civilians in its bombing runs, saying such deaths undermine his government and the international mission. But the Azizabad incident could finally push Karzai to take action.

Shortly after the Azizabad attack, he ordered a review of whether the U.S. and NATO should be allowed to use airstrikes or carry out raids in villages. He also called for an updated “status of force” agreement between the Afghan government and foreign militaries. That review has not yet been completed.

Ahmad Nader Naderi, spokesman for Afghanistan’s Independent Human Rights Commission, has said a villager named Reza, whose compound bore the brunt of the attack, had a private security company that worked for the U.S. military at nearby Shindand airport.

Villagers and officials have said the operation was based on faulty information provided by a rival of Reza. Aziz Ahmad Nadem, a member of parliament from Herat, has told the AP that the rival is now being protected by the U.S. military.

Afghan officials say U.S. special forces and Afghan commandos raided the village while hundreds of people were gathered in a large compound for a memorial service honoring a tribal leader, Timor Shah, who was killed eight months ago by a rival, Nader Tawakal. Reza, who was killed in the Aug. 22 operation, is Shah’s brother.

The U.S. investigative report released Tuesday said American and Afghan forces took fire from militants while approaching Azizabad and that “justified use of well-aimed small-arms fire and close air support to defend the combined force.”

The report said investigators discovered evidence that the militants planned to attack a nearby coalition base. Evidence collected included weapons, explosives, intelligence materials and an access badge to the base, as well as photographs from inside and outside the base.

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**SPORTS**

**Women’s golf tops tournament ranks**

Karen Patterson  
Assistant Sports Editor

As the school year marches on, Hope College’s sports teams continue to show talent and promise; the women’s golf team is no exception. After winning their opening matches against Cornerstone University and conference rival Calvin, the Flying Dutch went on to place second in the first of their conference jamborees on Sept. 4.

While the Flying Dutch are a young team this year — one junior, two sophomores and eight freshmen — Coach Eva Folkert knows that her team has what it takes to contend in the MIAA.

Key to the team’s success will be junior captain Cassie Sneller (’10). Sneller was a medalist in three of Hope’s matches last season and finished 17th overall in the MIAA.

“Cassie gives the team depth and experience,” Coach Folkert said.

Also crucial to performing well will be returnees Katie Blodgett (’11) and Jori Niemann. (’11). Blodgett finished 15th in the overall standings at the end of the fall season last year and is hoping to help the team give another strong performance this year.

Unlike most sports at Hope, the golf team has both a conference fall and spring season. The fall season will determine the winner of the MIAA championship while the spring season serves to determine the MIAA qualifier to the NCAA Division III Championships.

Having a dual season works as an advantage for a young team like Hope, giving the new players a chance to find their stride, then really come back and compete hard to help the team qualify at the end of the year. This will be especially important for the Flying Dutch as four of their current starting five are freshmen.

While some teams may look at having such a young team as a weakness, the Flying Dutch choose to see it as an advantage.

“I think that we’re going to be strong this year. We have a lot of freshmen who are really talented,” Blodgett said.

 Already the freshmen are contributing to the team’s success: during their opening matches, Caitlin McDougall (’12) of Flint shot the first hole-in-one of her collegiate career.

Another part that will be critical to finishing well in the MIAA will be the team’s performance at the jamboree tournaments. Throughout the season there are four of these tournaments where all the teams in the MIAA come to compete against each other.

In addition to these four tournaments, there is a 36-hole championship round at the end of the season. The team with the lowest score at the end of six rounds is determined as the winner of the conference for the year.

While each of the jamborees will be away matches for Hope, they host the flying Invitational on Oct. 7 at Macatawa Legends Club.

After a great start to the 2008 season, the Hope women’s golf team is looking to keep pushing ahead and contend for the MIAA title.

“I think we’ve just like any other team here at Hope: we want to put forth our best and just make some noise in the conference,” Folkert said.

It would appear that the team is definitely fulfilling this goal and will hopefully continue to as the season progresses.

**CLOSER LOOK— Cassie Sneller (’10) lines up a putt at a recent tournament.**

**Men’s soccer steps up in early season play**

James Ralston  
Sports Editor

Although only four games into the season, the men’s soccer team is showing its potential with a 3-0-1 start. The season started with three straight wins, followed by a 1-0 minute scoreless battle against Wheaton College.

“We’re trying to set the tone at the beginning of the season,” John Herbert (’10) said. “By coming out strong at the beginning we set the tone for the regular season.”

The three wins were capped off by the strong defensive game against Wheaton. Herbert accounts the success in the long Wheaton game as well as the others to increased conditioning.

“We have been working extra hard,” Herbert said. “The extra conditioning saves us when the game is close in the end.”

Coming up for the team is a two-game tournament in Wilmington, Ohio. Following that tournament is two more away tournaments over the next few weeks.

“It’s tough (playing away from home) because you have to leave on Friday and find a way to stay mentally and physically prepared as you sit in a hotel room with nothing to do,” Jack Abe (’09) said.

Abe pointed to the game against Kenyon College as a key matchup over the weekend.

“We are playing Kenyon who is traditionally a very strong team,” Abe said. “They should give us a challenge and make for a good game.”

Despite the difficult upcoming schedule and the prospect of the MIAA season ahead, captain Chris Harrison (’10) emphasized that the team doesn’t want to look too far ahead.

“We see every game as something we need to take seriously,” Harrison said.

“We’ve started to figure out our strengths and that hard work is important from everyone. Success will come through hard work.”

**Men’s soccer receive league honor**

Karen Patterson  
Assistant Sports Editor

Four athletes earn MIAA player of the week status

Also being honored as the MIAA defensive player of the week was football linebacker Chris Batterbee (’10) for his contribution in the Flying Dutchmen’s close loss against Illinois Wesleyan on Saturday. He helped hold Wesleyan’s offense back by contributing 10 tackles, eight of them solo and also intercepting a pass.

**FOOTBALL**

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**WOMEN’S SOCCER**

From the women’s soccer team, Courtney Erin (’11) was recognized as the defensive player of the week for her effort in helping the Flying Dutch win their first game against previously undefeated Sienna Heights. Key to the team’s success was Erin’s ability to stick with Sienna Hecht’s top scorer, weakening the team overall.
**Women’s soccer aims high early**

**Athlete profile: Jake Manning**

*Photo by Jason House*

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Staff Writer

Most people don’t know Jake Manning as the physical education and psychology major he hopes to become. They probably do, however, recognize the savvy third-year starter as the leader of the 2008 Hope College Flying Dutchmen football squad.

After throwing for 2,459 yards and 22 touchdowns last season, it’s no surprise that quarterback Manning (’09) was named as one of the team’s captains this season. The Dutchmen finished 6-4 en route to their co-championship in the 2007 campaign and have no desire to do anything but more of the same.

“Our goal is to get three in a row and have fun doing it,” Manning said in reference to their MIAA championship in 2006 season.

This year’s squad was, in an unconventional way, voted as the MIAA favorites once again. Although Hope received fewer first-place votes than other schools in the conference, they remain favorites because of the way votes are cast, but Manning and the rest of the Dutchmen have hardly noticed.

“So far I don’t think we have thought much about it. We try to only look one game at a time, and if we keep winning we’ll be in contention,” Manning said.

The team has responded to his leadership and is looking forward to the chance to grow as the season goes on.

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