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Despite low turnout
‘Time to Serve’ a success

Gretchen Baldwin
Staff Writer

On Saturday Sept. 11, around 200 students ventured off campus to work in the Holland community as part of Time to Serve, an event at Hope that un-officially marks the start of the year’s orientation events.

In the past, the event has grown upwards of 400 participants, however this year’s turnout was unusually low having about 150 less people than years past.

There is speculation as to what made this year’s event different. This year was one of the first years that it rained on the day which likely deterred students. Along with that, this year’s date was moved a week later than in years past which could have influenced student’s desire to participate.

For those who did participate this year, Time to Serve was a successful and fulfilling morning of volunteering.

Marc Tori (12) says about his 2010 experience, “I had a great time and I’m sure others who came did as well, but as a leader I was disappointed that only one of the seven students assigned to my group showed up. Those who didn’t show missed out on a real opportunity to serve the community.”

In some cases, the turnout was disappointing for some leaders and group members.

When asked how he felt about the participation, Tori said, “90 percent of life is showing up and we all miss out when we don’t honor our commitments. Next year I hope students realize what an important event this is and I hope those students that went this year continue to serve.”

Wilma Hart, Coordinator of Volunteer services said “Despite the weather and date change of the event, the students who did participate worked extremely hard at their sites and made an immense impact in the community. I have been flooded with thank you notes and calls from the different sites saying how grateful they are that Hope students were willing to spend a Saturday in the rain volunteering.

There was even a group of 10 students who went and painted a site on Monday because the team was unable to complete the project in the rain on the actual day of Time to Serve. I am continually impressed how students see a need and are so readily willing to respond to it.”

New Mellon Scholars Program embarks on humanities research

Chris Russ
Assistant Sports Editor

The 2010-2011 school year marks the first year Hope College students will be participating in the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Scholars Program in the Arts and Humanities. The purpose of this program was stated succinctly by director Dr. William Pannapacker.

“It is a program to enhance scholarly research in the humanities.”

Pannapacker explained that the program is inspired off a number of other academic programs around the nation, including the History of Literature honors concentration, which exists at Harvard, where Pannapacker taught for five years.

At Hope, the program is being funded by a $200,000 three-year grant from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation. The foundation is a non-profit organization based in the state of New York and it was formed in 1969.

Its assets most recently were estimated to total $6.5 billion and it makes approximately $286 million a year. Hope first applied to the foundation in 2009 and after obtaining the funds, worked for a year to construct and organize the program. Although the funding is for three years, Hope is intending to re-approach the Mellon Foundation with hopes of continuing the program.

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‘Hunger and Happiness’ author to speak on campus

Madalyn Muncy
Assistant Campus Editor

Dr. L. Shannon Jung, author of “Hunger and Happiness: Feeding the Hungry, Nourishing Our Souls,” will speak in a pre-Critical Issues Symposium event in Dimnent Chapel at 7 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 20.

Jung, a professor at St. Paul School of Theology in Kansas City, Mo., cites a motivation to educate others over a concern for social justice as basis for his book. Jung’s book centers on the moral issues surrounding food-related social policies and personal decisions.

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Mellon Scholars pursue scholarly research in humanities

Wednesday  Sept. 15
Red Cross Blood Drive
12:15-4:55 p.m., Maas Auditorium, sponsored by Alpha Phi Omega, History Dept. Colloquium
4 p.m., Maas Conference, “Democracy and Religion,” presented by Prof. Fred Johnson

Friday  Sept. 17
Biology Seminar
3 p.m., Science Center 1039, “Human M ycotic Infection, or Why Do These Fungi Want to Replace Us?” presented by Dr. Dennis Babbel, Mycology Consultants Laboratory
Comedian Butch Bradley
8:30 p.m., Maas Auditorium, presented by SAC

Saturday  Sept. 18
Senior Sequence Workshop
9 a.m.-2 p.m., sponsored by Office of Career Services, register by Tuesday, Sept 22
Hope Way 2.0 Event
8 p.m., Nappel House Parking Lot, both men and women are invited.

Sunday  Sept. 19
Red Cross Blood Drive
8 p.m., Dimnent Chapel

Monday  Sept. 20
Shannon Jung Lecture
7 p.m., Dimnent Chapel

IN BRIEF
“FOOD INC. TO BE SHOWN ON CAMPUS

The Hope Campus community is invited to a free screening of the film “Food Inc.” on Friday, Sept. 24, at 7 p.m. in Winants Auditorium, Graves Hall. The film examines today’s food industry in the United States and features interviews with Eric Schlosser (“Fast Food Nation”) and other experts in the field. The presentation is scheduled as part of a three-day conference organized by Journey, Center for the Church’s Learning, a program at Western Theological-Seminary, which will run Thursday-Saturday, Sept. 23-25. The film relates to this year’s Critical Issues Symposium, which opens Tuesday, Oct. 5.

VANDERSTOEP APPOINTED TO LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Dr. Scott VanderStoep, professor of psychology and chairperson of the department, has been chosen to participate in a year-long Senior Leadership Academy conducted by the Council of Independent Colleges and the American Academic Leadership Institute. Only 42 faculty or administrators at higher education were chosen for this opportunity. The academy will prepare faculty for senior leadership positions in any division. VanderStoep will attend two seminars, one this fall, the other next spring, and he will participate in a mentoring program, experiential learning projects and a series of readings and case studies as well.

available group of students in order to find the best possible applicants.

The applicants were then asked to submit two letters of recommendation, two essays and their transcripts. One of these essays was a letter of intent while the other was the liberal arts reflective essay that every Hope student is required to write during their freshman year.

The three-year program combines with a sophomore seminar in which 10 faculty with different areas of expertise assist in teaching. As the students move on to their next year of study, they will begin a junior tutorial and project that involves one to three students working with a single professor. This project begins to focus on the production of original works of scholarship. The capstone of the program takes place in the form of the senior tutorial and project.

One of the key aspects of the program is the high level of faculty involvement and the one-on-one student-faculty interaction the Mellon Scholars receive from a number of different Hope professors.

At the present, we have 57 faculty members who are designated tutors for the program. I would anticipate by the end of this year we’ll have at least 80,” Pannapacker said.

Pannapacker explained that these tutors are chosen based on an interest in both scholarly research and prior history in mentoring students.

Shayna Moon (’13), a member of Hope’s inaugural class of Mellon Scholars, spoke on why she decided to pursue the program.

“I’ve always had an interest in a wide variety of subjects. I feel in that the Mellon program I’m going to be able to explore all of these in a new and interesting way. Also, the idea of being in a program where the application process was very selective appealed to me. Going through the public school system, I always felt that there was always a pressure to not appear too smart. In the Mellon class, I feel like I’m finally in the company of my peers, people my own age who are as serious about their education and about discovery as I am.”

Beyond improving upon the academic experience for a number of Hope students, the Mellon Scholarship has even more far reaching goals in mind. Namely, the focus of the program is to alter higher education. Dr. Pannapacker summarized this greater goal.

“We’re looking in Mellon and with these other related projects, to create arts and humanities entrepreneurs. This is an era of radical downsizing in the arts and humanities. So increasingly, scholars are not going to be able to rely so much on institutions to provide a safe harbor. They’re going to have to go out and gain support for what they do based off of its own merit.”
**Russia, Israel sign treaty**

Lacie Rawlings  
**Guest Writer**

This week, in what could be a change in the dynamic tension in the Middle East, Russia and Israel announced the signing of a long-term weapons trade agreement. Russian defense minister Anatoly Serdyukov told Russian news sources that the agreement is expected to “give a new boost to bilateral relations.”

The new contract is the next in a series of contracts started in April 2009. In the first, Israel delivered 12 intelligence aircraft to Russia, costing about $53 million. Russia has expressed a need for increased intelligence aircraft after suffering from unreliable intelligence during the 2008 military conflict with Georgia over South Ossetia. The second contract will deliver $100 million worth of Israeli drones to Russia later this year.

The contract signed last week will supply another $300 million worth of drones to Russia. In return, Russia will provide Israel with laser and space technology, including satellites.

While this agreement will ensure long-term trade, it appears that Israel is hoping for more than just a trade partner with mutual interests against terrorism. A daunting fact looming over Israel is that earlier this year Russia also traded fighter jets, air defense systems and armored vehicles to Syria, an enemy of Israel. Furthermore, one of Syria’s closest ties and one of Israel’s closest foes, Iran, has also dealt with Russia to obtain S-300 surface-to-air missile defense systems.

Israeli defense minister Ehud Barak’s recent visit to Moscow is part of an ongoing attempt to build a strong partnership with Russia in hopes that Russia will limit military trade with Iran and Syria.

All this comes only a month after news broke that Russia would assist Iran in the launch of Buheiba plant, Iran’s first nuclear power plant. This concludes a $1 billion contract that Russia and Iran signed in 1995. Analysts suggest that this project’s long duration, 15 years, was an attempt to slowly ease the world into accepting Iran as a nuclear power, something that still strikes concern in many.

In recent news that sparked worldwide attention, it appears that since May, Iran has increased production of low-enriched uranium by 15 percent. According to the U.N., this means Iran currently possesses around 2.8 tons of low-enriched uranium.

“The IAEA’s latest report on Iran again demonstrates that Iran is refusing to comply with its international nuclear obligations,” said White House spokesman Tommy Vietor in an official statement. “Iran continues its efforts to expand its nuclear program and move closer to a nuclear weapons capability.”

Iran continues to insist that their uranium will be used for something other than weapons. This comes each time Iran defies U.N. sanctions and crosses a new threshold in nuclear technology. As Iran has objected to the latest round of IAEA inspectors, Iran says that the enriched uranium that they are currently working with is needed for researching radioisotopes used for medical purposes.

However, according to one analyst, Meir Javedanfar, “Iran has now overcome the biggest hurdle in its enrichment process. The distance between 20 percent, which can be used for both civilian and military purposes, and 90 percent enriched uranium, which is for military purposes only, is very small.”

**California gas blast kills four**

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**Co-National Editor**

Federal authorities are investigating potential causes of a natural gas explosion last Thursday in San Bruno, Calif., destroying 38 homes and killing at least seven people.

Witnesses interviewed by KTVU news agencies say the explosion shot a fireball nearly 1000 feet into the air and flames roared to 100 feet as the inferno consumed the neighborhood. The heat was intense enough to melt the taillights of cars several blocks down.

Some 50 people were injured, and at least seven more homes significantly damaged. “It was pretty devastating,” San Bruno Fire Chief Dennis Hag told area reporters. “It looks like a moonscape in some areas.”

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**Devastation in San Bruno**

— Crews battle a fire fed by a natural gas explosion that destroyed 38 homes and killed at least seven people Sept. 9.

Photo: Governor, Associated Press

**South African unions, government negotiate**

Mikella Bryant  
**Guest Writer**

Hospitals scrambled, schools shut down and many other jobs came to a halt when 1.3 million of South Africa’s public workers went on strike in early August. Aug. 10 marked the beginning of a three-week strike whose unrest lasted until Sept. 6, yet the unions have rejected the government’s latest offer of a wage increase.

Although the strike has been suspended and personnel have returned to work, unions continue negotiation with the government. In an official statement, the government is now offering a 7.5 percent pay increase, a $104-per-month housing subsidy and back-pay for the days they were on strike. Yet strikers continue to refuse, demanding an 8.6 percent increase and $130 for housing.

During the strike, hospitals were paralyzed as employees refused to work. The government sent 4,000 soldiers to 62 of South Africa’s hospitals to help aid with staff shortages. Education was also suspended, with many senior students fearing that they would be unable to graduate.

For three weeks, workers faced assaults from police, ranging from stun grenades to rubber bullets. Although most have returned to work and settled, the negotiations began, many still continue to strike. These include automotive retailers, filling stations and public workers. Some professions, such as platinum miners and car workers, are still planning their own strike.

This strike highlights the wage inequality in South Africa. Since apartheid ended in 1994, the gap between the rich and the poor has continued to widen. Public sector workers make significantly less than private sector employees and also work in inferior conditions.

“Our demands are genuine, the inequalities in this country are vast, and they need to be closed,” said Thobile Ntola, president of the South African Democratic Teachers Union to reporters.

The SDTUU has decided 21 days to either receive or reject the government’s offer, hoping to resolve member dispute by then. “Our leaders are sell-outs, we don’t want to accept the agreement,” said one anonymous teacher in an interview with area reporters.

“The 21 days is for unions to consult their members and explain the offer,” said government spokesman Thembekile Masemo in a statement. “We want to resolve this matter as soon as possible and hope to hear from the unions before the 21-day sector.”

South African President Jacob Zuma has been under much scrutiny in dealing with these issues. Support for his party has declined dramatically since the strikes began, according to political analysts. Zuma became president by promising jobs and increased services, yet the people have seen only further deterioration in working conditions. As negotiations continue, Zuma, the unions and the workers will all be under pressure to resolve South Africa’s unrest.
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Burn notice

Stimulus: Reclaiming the American dream?

Matthew Lee
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GAINESVILLE, Fla.

Officials were relieved on Sept. 11 that the news coverage would be focused on remembrance rather than the burning of the Quran. As the nine-year anniversary of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks approached, Florida pastor Terry Jones had threatened to burn the Muslim holy book in an attempt to influence the decision on the proposed Islamic center blocks from ground zero.

On Friday, Sept. 10, Jones put an end to the worries at a press conference held by ABC and NBC, as he said he would not go through with his plans. In the weeks leading up to Sept. 11 top intelligence and military officials were concerned that such an act would pose a huge threat for national security and also our soldiers overseas.

Amy Alivio
Societal Sour Wonk

On Sept. 6, President Barack Obama proposed a $50 billion investment in key sectors, roads, and airport runways. This past week Obama traveled to Milwaukee and Ohio to talk about the economy and future jobs. This infrastructure plan still needs approval from Congress, so jobs will not be made available until at least next year.

Obama's job proposal, if passed, includes six-year funding authorization with a $50 billion accelerated first year of funding. Wisconsin is high on the list in ongoing funding, funding for the Federal Aviation Administration's "next generation" air traffic control system and a national infrastructure bank that would leverage private investment.

On Sept. 8, Obama spoke at Cuyahoga Community College in Parma, Ohio about his vision for the economy. In his speech, Obama talked about unemployment, tax cuts and small businesses.

Job growth between 2000 and 2008 was slower than it had been in any economic expansion since WW2; the nation's transformation from a time of prosperity to deficiency. This step from record income to record deficit in the United States is influenced by payment for two wars, decreases in wages and income, and increases in the price of healthcare and tuition.

Obama emphasized that the nation needs a strong, growing middle class in order for there to be a strong, growing economy.

However, the small business bill is still before Congress. This bill is said to be fully paid for and will not add to the national deficit. In 2011, all businesses in the U.S. would be allowed to write off the investments that they do that year, if the bill passes.

Obama emphasized that the future generations should not be burdened with the debt that is already in place, and that we should refuse to cut back on investments that will help with economic growth (e.g., exporting goods from the U.S., innovation and ingenuity, clean energy production).

Obama closed his speech with words about how parents, grandparents, and great-grandparents have helped build our country into strength through their perseverance and sacrifice.

"That's who we are. That's our legacy. And I'm convinced that if we're willing to summon those values today, and if we're willing to choose hope over fear, and choose the future over the past, and come together once more around the great project of national renewal, then we will restore our economy and rebuild our middle class and reclaim the American Dream for the next generation."

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BARGAINING DEAL—Pastor Terry Jones speaks at a press conference at the Dove World Outreach Center in Gainesville, Fla.

Some feel the damage has already been done. For Muslims the Quran is the word of God and they are deeply distressed that such a treasure be treated with respect.

According to Fox News, Clark County, Wash. Pastor Rushi Hashmi told 1,000 worshippers attending Friday morning prayers in Indonesia, the world's most populous Muslim country, that Jones had already "hurt the heart of the Muslim world."

Jones claimed in his press conference to have met with Imam Muhammad Musri, the President of the Islamic Society of Central Florida, and said that a bargaining deal was reached and Jones would not burn the Quran as long as the proposed ground zero mosque was moved. Musri denies this claim, telling Fox News he never promised to change the mosque location and Jones "talked [his] words.

The imam in charge of the proposed Islamic center in New York also denied the cloth that was made. Musri reaffirmed this claim to Fox News on Friday.

Moving the mosque is not why Jones ceased his book burning, Musri told Fox News. Instead, Jones ceased his book burning, claiming to Fox News on Friday.

"The run is a statement — a statement of hope for our world and reflects the better values of humanity, mateship, camaraderie and self-sacrifice. — TOUR OF DUTY RUN "

"The run took them through New Orleans, Chicago, and Washington D.C., before ending in New York. The runners were split up into three teams and each team ran for six hours in relay, then took 12 hours off. Each morning at 8:46 the runners stopped for a brief dedication ceremony.

"It's just awesome," Archie Gibson of Levittown, Pa., told MSNBC. He stood on the side of Route 413 and waved to runner Daniel Steffens of the New York City Port Authority.

Upon arriving in Manhattan, the runners were greeted by 180 pipers on the Brooklyn Bridge where they began their walk of remembrance to ground zero.

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Grande Romanza duo to perform Sept. 16

Stefano Tanchietti crouches low in anger and clutches the air with a taut fist, begging to the woman laying on the ground. Nina Tanchietti, propped up by one arm, glares up at him with an air of superiority. He brings himself to eye level with her, raising his voice. She swiftly rises to her feet and sings her bold reply.

This is a scene from Act IV of “Carmen,” put on by the Tanchietti duo called Grande Romanza. The two specialize in Broadway, opera and operetta style performances.

They will be performing at Wycherly Auditorium in Nykerk Hall Thursday, Sept. 16, at 7:30 p.m. Admission is free, and the public is welcome.

The duo began performing together in college when they acted as Marco and Gianetta in “The Gondoliers” by Gilbert and Sullivan. They’ve been together ever since, using their strong chemistry to their advantage on stage.

According to the Barton College website, Stefano always loved singing; even as a boy, he showed serious potential. He attended the University of Virginia. Ridl stresses, “He’s a five-year-old traditionalist. He teaches at the University of Virginia.”

Nina grew up with a greater passion for dance, but when they both received scholarships to Boston University, she tuned her passions to match his and their successful careers began.

Broken Social Scene — ‘Forgiveness Rock Record’

Nebulous Canadian supergroup/collective Broken Social Scene’s first album as a full band since their 2005 self-titled masterpiece, “Forgiveness Rock Record,” proves again that Broken Social Scene sound like anything they want and consistently impress. A leaner, tighter set of songs than any they’ve done before, this album moves fast and transforms quickly, but maintains an urgent mood of catharsis and hard-earned joy throughout.

The National — ‘High Violet’

The National’s newest album, “High Violet,” contains 11 nervous, explosive, emotional and captivating songs. Frontman Matt Berninger’s voice is haunting, wild and raw. It perfectly captures range in moods, the paranoia and the helplessness he may be feeling. This is by far one of the best albums released in 2010.

The Tanchietti perform solos, duets and dances in their pieces. In some instances, they put on a concert type of performance, which is typically accompanied by a piano or symphony. Their shows can be customized for audience needs. Their acts can feature Broadway and operetta, Broadway and opera, operetta and opera, orffino or classic Broadway routines.

The two formed Grande Romanza with intentions of pleasing the audience, as well as highlighting their best abilities. They compiled the list of their best routines, some operettas, some operas, and then added a twist to conventional sound usage. “Because their voices do not require microphones, theatergoers are able to experience the thrill of live voices coming directly at them, something only heard in the Opera House and on the Broadway Stage of the past,” said the Grande Romanza website. “Grand Romanza performances are totally unique events that should be experienced by everyone.”

At Nykerk Thursday, the duo will perform scenes from George Bizet’s “Carmen,” Giuseppe Verdi’s “Otello,” Andrew Lloyd Weber’s “Phantom of the Opera” and more.

Wealth of the Arts

School of Seven Bells — ‘Disconnect From Desire’

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Nina and Stefano Tanchietti

Maps and Atlases — ‘Perch Patchwork’

Maps and Atlases sound very smart. Touring for years behind widely acclaimed EPs of catchy math-rock, their debut album shows that they’ve learned to reign in their instrumental mastery and allow their songs to breathe. Their pop guitar arpeggios and jazzy rhythms accentuating robust, nuanced songs. Not many bands can play this astutely without sacrificing their songs’ quality to bloated self-glorification. Maps and Atlases can, so they’re a band to watch.

In Brief

The Film Series at the Knickerbocker Theatre was announced for the fall 2010 season. Showing this fall will be “Tulpan,” “Mid-August Lunch,” “Get Low,” and “Vision: The Life of Hildegard VonBingen,” four independent, critically acclaimed films.

“Tulpan,” a film about a Kazakh family, starts the series on Monday. Delivered in Kazakh with English subtitles, the film centers around a family making the most out of their rough circumstances. “Tulpan” will run Monday, Sept. 20, and Wednesday through Saturday, Sept. 22-25 with showings at 7:30 p.m. each night. Tickets are $6 for adults and $5 for seniors and children under 12. Head over to the ticket office in DeVos Fieldhouse to purchase tickets.

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The Jack Ridl Visiting Writers Series begins Tuesday, Sept. 21 with poet Wayne Miller. Miller will be honoring Hope College graduate Tom Andrews in his poetry session. The reading will be held at the Knickerbocker in downtown Holland. Miller’s repertoire consists of two collections of poems and a translation of an Albanian book of poems. He teaches at the University of Central Missouri.

Miller’s tribute to Tom Andrews is a five-year-old tradition. Andrews began writing poetry at Hope College as a junior in a play-writing class. He attended graduate school at the University of Virginia. Ridl stresses the importance of remembering such a talented poet.
Fall 2010 TV Previews

Elena Rivera

Guest Writer

Each fall season, the big four networks attempt to impress viewers with the most innovative and hilarious new shows. This fall, that means superheroes, sexy spies, courtroom dramas, Will Arnett and twitter-inspired comedies. As overwhelming as fall TV seems, most of these shows won't last past midseason. Which ones are worth watching, and which old favorites are worth revisiting? Here's a handy-dandy guide to help you make those tricky decisions.

‘Undercovers’ (NBC, Sept. 22, at 8 p.m.)

‘Undercovers’ is a familiar twist on the spy genre: two married spies, retired from the business of rescuing diplomats, are called back into action when one of their old buddies goes missing. This, of course, is just the thing they need to spice up their marriage and get them out of their mid-life funk. Boris Kodjoe plays Steven and Gugu Mbatha-Raw plays Samantha, the two protagonists of ‘Undercovers. It is worth noting that ‘Undercovers’ boasts two African-Americans as its protagonists. Critics who have seen the pilot applaud J.J. Abrams’ return to his spy roots (he created ‘Alias’, that little show that rocketed its protagonists. Critics who have seen the pilot applaud J.J. Abrams’ return to his spy roots (he created ‘Alias’, that little show that rocketed their mid-life funk. Boris Kodjoe plays Steven and Gugu Mbatha-Raw plays Samantha, the two protagonists of ‘Undercovers. It is worth noting that ‘Undercovers’ boasts two African-Americans as its protagonists. Critics who have seen the pilot applaud J.J. Abrams’ return to his spy roots (he created ‘Alias’, that little show that rocketed their mid-life funk. Boris Kodjoe plays Steven and Gugu Mbatha-Raw plays Samantha, the two protagonists of ‘Undercovers. It is worth noting that ‘Undercovers’ boasts two African-Americans as its protagonists. Critics who have seen the pilot applaud J.J. Abrams’ return to his spy roots (he created ‘Alias’, that little show that rocketed

‘Community’ (NBC, Sept. 23, at 8 p.m.)

Returning for its second season, ‘Community’ is a quirky mix of pop culture parodies and Joel McHale’s abs. Set at the fictional Greendale College, ‘Community’ follows a misfit crew trying to navigate the waters of higher education. The show cleverly mocks current television (‘Glee’ is a common target) while revering old classics. For example, there was a whole episode based on ‘The Godfather’, while another episode mocked the action movie genre by having the cast participate in a college paintball tournament. ‘Community’ boasts seasoned veterans of comedy (Chevy Chase, Ken Jeong) as well as up and coming comedians (Donald Glover, Danny Pudi). Overall it is Joel McHale, as Jeff Winger, the show’s deeply narcissistic and sarcastic main character, who ties the show together. A little under 5 million viewers watched ‘Community’ last season, but with upcoming guest stars like Betty White, hopefully the little comedy that could become NBC’s biggest hit.

‘The Good Wife’ (CBS, Sept. 28, at 10 p.m.)

This show follows Alicia Florrick, wife of Chicago state’s attorney Peter Florrick. In the first episode of season one, Peter is indicted for misuse of his office (and like all politicians in the post-Eliot Spitzer era, prostitution rings and dirty money). To support her kids, Alicia returns to work at the law firm of Lockhart & Gardner, where she is a junior member working cases alongside people 20 years younger than her. ‘The Good Wife’ addresses issues of ageism and sexism in the workplace. It emerged as the most feminist show on television today. Don’t let the word feminism scare you, though. ‘The Good Wife’ is littered with strong, decisive female characters. The (possibly) bisexual Kalinda is a private investigator who soon becomes Alicia’s only ally in the narrative. Diane, who begins the show as a villain, but soon softens to both Alicia and the audience, is only another example of the new generation of women on television. The show is a mix of many elements: an intriguing law drama, a show focused on tense family dynamics, a romance. There’s nothing like it on TV, which is why in its first season it garnered not only Emmys and Golden Globes, but upwards of 14 million viewers a week. The sophomore season promises more moral dilemmas as well as fantastic acting from the whole ensemble, especially Julianna Margulies and Chris Noth as Alicia and Peter, respectively. The question on everyone’s mind is who will Alicia choose: her cheating husband, Peter, or Will Gardner, her boss and former college sweetheart? In the midst of reality TV trash and formulaic comedies, ‘The Good Wife’ stands out as something truly innovative.

‘Glee’ (Fox, Tuesday, Sept. 21, at 8 p.m.)

‘Glee’, last year’s show to watch, is back with a new season full of pop culture gems from Ryan Murphy and new guest stars, including Carol Channing, Britney Spears and Javier Bardem. This show is for people who knew Matthew Morrison from ‘The Light in The Piazza’ and not the Disney-approved version of ‘Once Upon A Mattress’.

‘Conan’ (TBS, Nov. 8, 11 p.m.)

On a little known cable channel, famous for reruns of ‘Sex and the City’, Conan O’Brien will make his triumphant return to late-night television. O’Brien (or Coco to his supporters) gained notoriety due to NBC’s seemingly harsh cancellation of O’Brien’s “The Tonight Show” after only a couple of months. The cancellation seemingly happened to allow Jay Lenono (the host of “Tonight” before O’Brien) to take back the reigns of the late-night show. This unconventional situation led to bad blood between Lenono and O’Brien. Many late-night hosts took sides and Lenono was mercilessly mocked throughout the entire process. O’Brien, eventually parting ways with NBC, finally signed a contract with TBS to return to late-night. Hoping to put this ugly debacle behind him, O’Brien’s show will maintain the zany hilarity his viewers know and love. Expectations have never been higher for a new show premiering in the fall. All TV critics will be looking at the Nielsen ratings very closely, trying to figure out if O’Brien’s grassroots following will turn on their TVs en masse to support him. Whether his TBS show gets 10 million or 2 million viewers, it’s nice to have Coco back.

‘Nikita’ (CW, Thursday, Sept. 9, at 9 p.m.)

‘Nikita’ is an update of the famous 1990 French film of the same name. Maggie Q is Nikita, a Sydney Bristow-esque spy femme fatale who discovers the government agency she is working for is evil. Armed with that knowledge, she attempts to take down the agency while running from her own past.

‘Gossip Girl’ (CW, Monday, Sept. 13, at 9 p.m.)

Oh mon dieu, c’est Paris! The first couple of episodes of ‘Gossip Girl’ fourth season find Blair and Serena, the princesses of the Upper East, trying to get over their significant others in the land of fashion and Christian Dio. The scene, created by Josh Schwartz, seemed to be reinvigorated by the change of scenery, but it is no surprise to say that ‘Gossip Girl’ has a lot to prove from last year’s uneven college season. Hopefully Schwartz and his scribes will continue to give the fans of the show what they want: rich, entitled white people living lives of luxury and sometimes having human emotions, all while being incredibly enthralling.
Stay safe at the beach!

Believe it or not, there is a lake near Holland named after this great state. It is so large in fact, that you can’t see the shore on the other side. However, with a great beach comes great responsibility. Here is how to stay safe while still having fun.

**Wear sunscreen**
Yes, everyone wants that Jersey Shore-like tan, and the temptation to wear 1 SPF sunscreen is immense. This is, however, a terrible idea. Everyone knows by now that being out in the sun without protection can lead to things such as skin cancer and other dangerous side effects. Do yourself a favor and put on sunscreen so that you don’t have to worry about your skin in the long run.

**Leave valuables in the car/at home**
Don’t bring your very expensive purse filled with expensive cell phones, wallets and credit cards down to the beach. If you plan on going swimming, you’ll have to leave it behind where someone can easily snatch it. Bringing only a few dollars of cash and leaving it in the car along with your phone will alleviate a lot of potential problems.

**Go with friends**
It is much easier to keep track of your stuff and avoid creepy beach people when you are with friends. While the more courageous of individuals will still come up and say hi to you and your friends, it will deter the more harmful.

By John Rebhan

Photos by Holly Evenhouse
What happened to parenting

Most things come with instructions: TV stands come with building instructions, boxes of macaroni and cheese come with cooking instructions, even some toothbrushes come with brushing instructions. Unfortunately, one thing that doesn’t come with instructions is being a parent. Much to the dismay of millions of parents, there is no real instruction booklet for parenting. Sure, thousands of people have attempted to create parenting guides, but most of them are the parents in half of the things parents encounter while raising their children.

In my almost 21 glorious years on Earth, I have noticed (and recorded) many examples of superb parenting. On the flip-side, I have also noticed many, many examples of terrible parenting. We’ve already established that there is no complete guide to parenting. So, unless those great parents have read numerous parenting books, they learned how to become a great parent on their own (or maybe from their parents). What does this say for the bad parents? Not much.

I’m not a parent. I have no business criticizing people for their parenting style. But, I’m going to do it anyways. You know why? Because it’s ridiculous how bad some people are at being parents.

Two stories.

First, a person very close to me (let’s call her Phyllis) is a babysitter. One of her newest “clients” is a 14-month-old baby. Her mother doesn’t want Phyllis to tell her daughter “no.” Instead, she is supposed to say “uh-oh” when the little girl does something bad.

Let’s just sit and think about how silly that is for a second. How hard would it be to say “no”? It’s what you have been saying since you could talk. Is this mother trying to shelter her child from ever having to face something negative? Is she afraid that her daughter hears the word “no” she is going to spontaneously combust? Regardless of what the mother’s rationale is, it’s ridiculous. Funny side note about the situation: the other kids Phyllis watches tell the baby “no” anyways so, in the end, justice is served.

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The answer to that is mixed. But the harder question to answer is always tagging right along because you hit them, just ask people you know if they were weren’t punished for it, well, let’s just say they are either still roaming the streets and weren’t punished for it, well, let’s just say they are either still roaming the streets or weren’t seeing those streets for 10-15 years. Obviously you don’t have to beat your child into remission. However, if your child is getting a little lippy or rebellious, a little tap on the bottom seems to change their attitude quite quickly. And if you are worried about negatively affecting your children, I would say you are doing well. Sometimes, it’s slippery. People shout, but they’re still hard to hear. Everyone needs to fart but nobody does.

Exciting at first. But on the ten thousandth trip the realization is that ten thousand people have made the same up and down journey to the second floor ten thousand times. And no one farted. These are the reasons don’t make it to class. Give me a jungle vine or a Red Vine or a fine French vine to expedite my travels. But that’d be asking too much, too big of a step. Those stone stairs are going to be there forever. Those sad steps.

Imagine the vine, though. Swinging in the air, breaking through the glass. You’d land in a room made of bean bags. Not latacitc, padded-wall bean bags, though. Well, if you want. For me, they’d be sky-blue pink, not ivory or orange or blue. Soothing color.

There would be tables of junior bacon cheeseburgers, 34,000 of them. There’d be spaghetti eating contests and pick-up games of “Chue.” Cherry pit spitting contests, too. I’m not sure Norgay would be there, ready to lead an expedition to the third floor. It would smell like ground leaves in the woods, the woods in autumn. Grover Cleveland would be there.

Sometimes, the room would explode with noise like at the Rainforest Café. But the noise would just be whales singing. Lovely voices, whales. And all the whales in the room would get up and dance. And then, all the other animals would follow their lead. The dancing stops, and Fleetwood Mac comes on the radio. But they don’t play music. They introduce the bands that people want to hear. There would be swimming, pools of jello and peanut butter and Oberon and that. I mean whatever you want.

This is a big room on the second floor behind that glass, Room of Requirements sort of thing. Threll’d be yoga, but everyone doing yoga wears Big Bird costumes. But everyone can do headstands, anyway. The bean bag ceiling emits a soft light like the stars in the big dipper. The bean bags on the walls turn into beach balls if you touch them, and they smell like baked-bun sunscreen.

Okay, stop imagining. And school has started.

Rob: “orange juice” is a pretty word in cursive.

I don’t know who I am. Sometimes I think I’m a happy-go-lucky girl living it up at Hope College. No worries. Everything is perfect. I don’t need or want anything. I know where my life is going, and I like what I see. But sometimes, that’s not it at all. Sometimes, I’m not happy. I’m stressed, I’m confused, and I might as well be crossing the entire world in my backpack as I trudge from class to class. I have absolutely no idea what to do with my life, and all the little day-to-day busyness of papers and tests seems pointless in comparison with these big questions. They’re just taking up more of what little time I seem to have.

And it’s not just these two polar opposites: there’s a whole range of in-betweens that war for control of me, depending on where I am and who I’m with at the time.
**From the inside out**

**Grown-up clothes**

When I was little, my sister and I would always play dress up. I idolized my sister, so she always got first dibs on the dress up clothes and pretty much anything else she wanted. But I mean, she is my older sister, so that’s normal right? Usually, she would pick the wedding dress that came with the bridal veil and wearing some other eclectic combination of whatever old clothes we had left. I never minded that I got second pick; in fact, we have this picture of the two of us and she is wearing the wedding dress and I am wearing some awful looking black and green dress that is incredibly too big but I have this look on my face as if both of us were about to burst with laughter, as if we had just shared this silly secret joke that only the two of us would understand.

I loved dress up so much that we would actually try to put our baby doll clothes on our dog Pepper, who for a miniature schnauzer had a remarkable level of patience. She only nipped at me a couple of times, and only then because of my stubbornness to put my baby’s onesie on her, she simply relented. Then at her first opportunity ran safely out of my reach which was found in our family room under our green chair that has somehow made it with us through three moves.

Today, I played dress up again because this summer I bought grown-up clothes - the type of clothes that you see at stores with style names like “the Editor” pants. There are usually pintstripes involved, high-waisted bottoms and button-down tops. These new pieces, (apparently that is how grown-ups refer to individual articles of clothing, or so said the lady at the store) expanded my wardrobe that previously consisted of my favorite pair of jeans, men’s hanes v-neck shirts and cardigans.

I wore these clothes on my first day of my internship. This morning I woke up, showered (a feat in of itself) did my hair, put my grown-up clothes on and even had time to sip coffee in my lovely living room. I walked downstairs to find one of my roommates and good friends fast asleep on our couch with her books sprawled, lights on and in the same clothes that she wore the previous day. She had fallen asleep reading and never made it to her room, which was, ironically, less than 10 feet from our couch. I stood for a moment holding my coffee in my black octagon mug, standing in my grown-up clothes and my new grown-up shoes and saw a perfect image of what life is like in the time that we are in this perfect dichotomy of two realities.

The truth? I don’t know how to be a grown-up. I just had the clothes on, and for a split second, I looked the part. But underneath was a college student who is still trying to figure out life and what it means to be an adult, and not just a kid playing dress up in grown-up clothes all the while trying to stay awake while doing her homework on the couch.

Lindsey was able to pick out her grown-up clothes without the help of her lovely father and her grown-up shoes gave her blisters.
Hope enrollment tops 3,200 for fifth consecutive year

The Hope College campus continues to operate at capacity with enrollment above 3,200 for the fifth consecutive year. Hope has enrolled 3,202 students this fall, the fifth time since the fall of 2006 that enrollment has topped 3,200. Last year’s enrollment headcount was 3,201.8.

The student body consists of 1,267 men and 1,935 women. Of the total, 766 first-time and 29 foreign countries. The largest representation of 1,267 men and 1,935 women is: freshmen, 781 (812); sophomores, 739 (753); seniors, 877 (768); juniors, 877 (768); and sophomore teams, 45; California, 40; New York, 10 or more students include: Florida, 17; Texas, 12; and Pennsylvania, 12.

With the enrollment headcount remaining high, the college’s full-time-equivalent enrollment is tied for the second-highest level ever. The “full-time-equivalent” figures are a synthesis of full-time and part-time enrollment and help the college measure the demand on its resources. Hope’s total this year, 3,201.8, tied with the fall 2008 figure; last year’s total was a record-high 3,201.8.

The enrollment by class, with last year’s class in parentheses, is: freshmen, 781 (812); sophomores, 739 (753); juniors, 877 (768); and senior teams, 63 (77). Students transferring to Hope from other colleges and universities total 59, compared with 74 in 2009. There are 86 students in off-campus programs, compared to 111 last year.

The largest representation is from Michigan with 2,204 students. Other states represented with 10 or more students include: Illinois, 382; Indiana, 110; Ohio, 80; Minnesota, 47; Wisconsin, 45; California, 40; New York, 29; Colorado and New Jersey, 22 each; Pennsylvania, 20; Iowa, 19; Florida, 17; Texas, 12; and Maryland, 10.

Foreign countries represented in the student body include: Afghanistan, Armenia, Australia, Brazil, Burundi, Canada, China, Cuba, Ethiopia, France, Germany, Ghana, Honduras, India, Japan, Kenya, Korea, Mexico, Myanmar, Nigeria, Sierra Leone, Singapore, South Africa, Sweden, Taiwan, United Kingdom, Venezuela, Vietnam and the West Bank.

Hope College was chartered in 1866 and is affiliated with the Reformed Church in America (RCA). The college offers courses in 87 majors leading to a Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Music, Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree.

Women’s Golf

Wednesday, Sept. 15 - MIAA Jamboree at Albion, 1 p.m.

Thursday, Sept. 16 - MIAA Jamboree at Kalamazoo, 1 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 18 - MIAA Jamboree at Trine, 1 p.m.

Thursday, Sept. 23 - MIAA Jamboree at Adrian, 1 p.m.

Monday, Sept. 27 - MIAA Jamboree at Hope, 1 p.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 1 - MIAA Championships at Bed-

Swell Valley CC, 1 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 15 - at TPC of Dearborn Invitational, 9 a.m.

Saturday, Oct. 16 - MIAA Jamboree at Alma, 1 p.m.

Home tournaments played at Warsawkian Players Club

Cross Country

Saturday, Sept. 25 - MIAA Jamboree at Olivet, 11 a.m.

Saturday, Oct. 2 - at Lansing CC Invitational, 12 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 8 - at Bethel Invitational (South Bend), 4 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 16 - at UW-Oshkosh Invitational, 9:15 a.m.

Saturday, Oct. 30 - MIAA Championships at Calvin, 11 a.m.

Saturday, Nov. 13 - NCA A GREAT LAKES REGIONAL at River (near U.S. 31 and M-21).

Saturday, Nov. 20 - NCA A CHAMPIONSHIPS, Waverly, Iowa, 11 a.m.

Women’s Soccer

Friday, Sept. 17 - at Illinois Wesleyan, 7 p.m. CT

Tuesday, Sept. 21 - at Chicago, 4 p.m. CT

Saturday, Sept. 25 - NORTHERN ILLINOIS, 1 p.m.

Wednesday, Sept. 29 - at Adrian, 4 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 2 - OLIVET, 12 p.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 5 - at Kalamazoo, 4 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 9 - at Trine, 10 a.m.

Monday, Oct. 11 - at Saint Mary’s, 11 a.m.

Saturday, Oct. 16 - at Albion, 12 p.m.

Thursday, Oct. 22 - at Calvin, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 27 - at Trine, 7 p.m.

Sunday, Oct. 31 - at Trine, 3 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 6 - at Olivet, 12 p.m.

Men’s Soccer

Friday, Sept. 17 - at Illinois Wesleyan, 7 p.m. CT

Saturday, Sept. 18 - at Millikin, Ill, 2 p.m. CT

Tuesday, Sept. 21 - at Chicago, 4 p.m. CT

Saturday, Sept. 25 - NORTHERN ILLINOIS, 1 p.m.

Wednesday, Sept. 29 - at Adrian, 4 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 2 - OLIVET, 12 p.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 5 - at Kalamazoo, 4 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 9 - at Trine, 10 a.m.

Monday, Oct. 11 - at Saint Mary’s, 11 a.m.

Saturday, Oct. 16 - at Albion, 12 p.m.

Thursday, Oct. 22 - at Calvin, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 27 - at Trine, 7 p.m.

Sunday, Oct. 31 - at Trine, 3 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 6 - at Olivet, 12 p.m.

Volleyball

Friday, Sept. 17-18, at Wittenberg, Ohio (Border Battle)

Friday - vs. Ohio Northern, 1 p.m.

Friday - vs. Mount St. Joseph, 1 p.m.

Saturday - vs. Wittenberg, 12 p.m.

Saturday - vs. Heidelberg, 4 p.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 21 - at ALMA, 6:30 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 24 - at Adrian, 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 2 - TRINE, 11 a.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 5 - at Saint Mary’s, 7 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 8 - ALBION, 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 9 - at Olivet, 1 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 13 - CALVIN, 6:30 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 15-16, at North Central, Ill. Invitational

Friday - vs. Saint Mary’s, Minn.

Saturday - vs. St. Norbert

Saturday - vs. North Central

Tuesday, Oct. 19 - at Kalamazoo, 7 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 22 - at Alma, 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 23 - ADRIAN, 4 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 27 - at Trine, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 30 - SAINT MARY’S, 1 p.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 2, MIAA Tournament first round

Friday, Nov. 5, MIAA Tournament semi-finals

Saturday, Nov. 6, MIAA Tournament championship
Chris Russ
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

In the 2009-2010 school year, Hope College accomplished something that all Division III school had ever done. Hope led NCAA Division III in attendance for men’s basketball, women’s basketball and volleyball. Two factors appear to be responsible for this accomplishment. First, the fact that all of these teams now play their home games in DeVos Fieldhouse has caused attendance numbers to skyrocket. Second, the quality play and winning records from all three squads also resulted in an increase in fan support.

The men’s basketball program averaged 2,826 fans per game and topped Division III attendance for the eighth consecutive year. The Hope men edged out Calvin College who were second in attendance numbers, averaging 2,135 fans per game. Hope’s home attendance numbers towered over the average home attendance numbers for all Division III men’s teams which sat at only 409 fans per games in the 2009-2010 season.

In the five seasons the Flying Dutch basketball team has been playing alongside the men in DeVos, it has been the Division III leaders for three years. In its 2009-2010 campaign, they averaged 1,138 fans at each of 20 home games. This number almost matched their 2005-2006 season record of 1,329 fans per game.

There is currently a large gap between the national women’s basketball average of 227 fans per game and Hope’s current numbers.

Just six seasons ago, Hope averaged no more than approximately 300 fans at each game. These drastically contrasting numbers evidence the significance of quality athletic resources in drawing a fan base. The game that was most highly attended throughout the season was an surprisingly, one of the team’s contests against Calvin which drew 3,177 fans.

Hope also led the nation in Division III volleyball attendance. The 2009-2010 season was record-setting for the college, as the volleyball team attracted an average of 992 fans over the course of 15 home matches. Heidelberg Fieldhouse has resulted in NCAA Championship hosting opportunities in both women’s basketball and volleyball. In the 2008-2009 season, Hope hosted the Division III women’s basketball Final Four and drew more fans than the Division III basketball record of 2,826 fans per game.

University in Ohio was the next closest in attendance with 663 fans attending each of its home games.

Hope’s accomplishments in athletic attendance have resulted in even more attention for its athletic program and facilities on a national level. “We sell out in season tickets for basketball,” Tom Renner, sports information director for Hope, said. “There’s not other Division III school in the country that has a waiting list of people wanting to buy season tickets for men’s basketball.”

The addition of the DeVos men’s Final Four, a significance accomplishment. Hope will continue to build upon this tradition of hosting events on a national level when they host the women’s Final Four for a second time at the end of the 2012-2013 season, the same year in which they are scheduled to host the Division III volleyball Final Four.

The formula of high-quality facilities resulting in large attendance numbers is one that the college is looking to exploit once again upon the addition of their new soccer stadium. The Van Andel Soccer Stadium, which was first used by Hope’s men’s and women’s soccer squads in the second half of their 2009-2010 season, will be used for an entire season for the first time in 2010.

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“Our goal this year is to average over 1,000 per game,” Renner said. “We have had two home games so far and have come very close to that.”

The addition of new facilities has resulted in a few changes. Soccer games, which previously were free to attend, have moved to a paid-admission system. Other challenges the athletic department is considering include attempting to draw as many students as possible to home football games. Although Hope football averaged over 2,600 fans per game at its home contests, Renner spoke on the difficulties of drawing in even more fans.

“The challenge with students is that home athletic events are competing against everything else that happens in a student’s life, be it attending class or all of the various curricular activities,” he said. He also spoke on having to compete against the nationally televised marathon of college football every Saturday, particularly when poor weather would impact a fan’s decision to stay at home.

Renner also pointed out that the new athletic facilities has helped increase already impressive attendance numbers.

“Historically, while Hope has always had a good fan following, the addition of the new facilities really enhances the attendance,” Renner said.

Having facilities with the ability to hold more fans has also resulted in a positive environment for the athletes.

“Success breeds enthusiasm,” Renner said. “You don’t like to put too much emphasis on winning but people do enjoy seeing quality play and ultimately, victories.”

While much of the focus is drawn to the statistics, Hope relies on its fans not only for their presence, but also for the atmosphere they create when they attend athletic contests.

“Our Dew Crew is really the envy of Division III,” Renner said. “People can’t believe the quality, the numbers, the enthusiasm that the Dew Crew brings to athletic events. That enthusiasm has had its basis in men’s basketball and the goal is to engender that enthusiasm in other sports as well.”

Renner said that at a recent volleyball match that took place at 10 a.m. on a Saturday, he noticed 50 to 60 students in attendance, supporting the Flying Dutch.

He felt that this demonstrated a level of commitment on behalf of the students, to get out and support their team when most college students would still be sleeping. In 2008, both the basketball and the softball team played in non-completed stadiums.

With these new facilities, volleyball results

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This Week in Sports

FOOTBALL DROPS ANOTHER CLOSE GAME ON THE ROAD

The Flying Dutchmen football squad fell to 0-2 on the year as it lost a close 17-14 contest to the Warriors of Wisconsin Lutheran. The loss marks its 21st straight non-conference defeat, a streak that has lasted seven years. Hope scored twice in the last quarter to bring the score to 14-10. The Warriors scored on a 49-yard run with under three minutes remaining in the game to pull ahead for the victory. Hope’s final drive ended on a blocked field goal.

MEN’S SOCCER REMAINS UNBEATEN AFTER drawing

The men’s soccer team played two games over the weekend, both of which ended in a 1-1 tie. In its first game on Sept. 10 against North Central College, the Flying Dutch scored on a header off of a corner kick in the last minute of regulation. The goal was scored by David Whatha- ker (’12), first of the year. In its second game, on Sept. 11 Hope scored the first goal of the contest in the 30th minute. In the 79th minute, opponent Wheaton College evoked the score. After two periods of extra time, the score remained tied at 1-1. Following the weekend’s matches, Hope’s record stands at 2-0-2.

MIAA PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

Volleyball: Sara DeWeerd (‘11) Outside Hitter

Football: Zach Jones (‘11) Linebacker

VOLLEYBALL RESULTS MIXED IN WEEKEND MATCHES

The Flying Dutch volleyball team began its weekend Sept. 10 with a victory over Olivet College. The victory extended the team’s conference winning streak to 21 games. Sept. 11, the Flying Dutch fell to MIAA rivals Calvin. The loss brought Hope’s overall record to 5-1 and was its first of the year. Hope and Calvin were nationally ranked seventh and ninth respectively heading into the match. Hope now stands 2-1 in the MIAA standings.
Women's soccer records first win of season

Summer training pays off for cross-country teams

Chris Russ
Assistant Sports Editor

Hope's men's and women's cross-country teams began their seasons successfully with second- and first-place finishes respectively at the annual Vanderbilt Invitational.

While the teams have been training together on a near daily basis since the season began, their preparation for the season began long before they got to campus this August.

In fact, their goals for this season were laid out in April at campus this August.

“Obviously, we talk, encourage one another, and sometimes see each other over the summer, but actually getting the miles in is each individual's responsibility. All good runners know that they can’t just show up in August and start training then. The goal of summer training is to get in solid base training so that when you arrive on campus, you’re ready to handle the tough workouts.”

At one point during the summer, however, a number of Hope runners did get together to participate in a scrimmage race against Calvin College.

Both teams officially came together at the start of the school year to ready themselves for the fall season.

“When we come back to campus in August, we go to camp for four days at a nearby state park to get some good training in, have fun, and to get to know everybody.” Fischer said.

Once the season begins, the hard work continues on a near daily basis as Northuis works to build upon the work his team put in over the summer.

“The team came in better than they have in past years,” Northuis said. “I think it was a very productive summer and it was evident in the meet last week.”

Northuis also spoke on both team's daily workout routine.

“We do strength work and flexibility work prior to going out on a daily basis, then we load up on a school bus and we drive anywhere between 15 and 20 miles from Hope's campus. We get a lot of variety and it allows us to run on terrain or courses that are similar to the meets that we’re preparing for. Because really, cross country’s really nothing more than getting in shape on a bus, driving to some location and having to run fast. So we practice that on a daily basis.”

As the season continues, both teams have begun to focus on their goals for the year.

“There’s a lot of excitement about this season,” Fischer said regarding the women's squad. "We have all of our top runners back from last year and I think we have some talented freshmen thrown into the mix as well. Our team goals are to be ready to set a personal record, to win the conference and qualify for nationals.”

Kevin Hagan (’11), who serves as captain of the men's team along with Jordan Richardson (’12) and Kyle Love (’12), commented on the outlook for the Flying Dutchmen.

“We have a very young team this year, with over half of the team made up of freshmen runners,” Hagan said. “As a team, our ultimate goal appears to be making nationals, which would require a top three or four finish at regionals. This is something our team has not done in quite some time but it is certainly a Realistic goal for our team this year.”

Getting past Calvin in MIAA competition has been a tough task for both teams over the years. Calvin's men have won the conference for the past 23 seasons, and Calvin's women's team has won every year since 1990 when the Flying Dutch last won a conference title.