Tim Kelly, a senior midfielder, searches for open teammates downfield during Hope's Saturday home game against Kalamazoo. Hope won 6-1, making their record 6-1-1.

Kurt Koehler

For Ben Manting ('06) and Julie Wiant ('05) running for student congress was a great way to get involved in the Hope College community.

"I've always been interested in stuff like this. Back in high school I was involved in student government. It is a good way to get involved in the Hope College community. It was an awesome way to get involved in student-faculty committees. Manting is really working hard on finding a good system to do online elections. We're working with computer science professor Ryan McFalls, who's done an excellent job, but we're trying to find a way to phase him out a little bit so we can run it by ourselves, so we don't have to ask a professor to help us out each time," said Rimmke.

Pull prep almost done

Hope classes of '06, '05 do battle in 105th even-odd struggle.

Rebecca Hillyard

"We want agreed. "I thought it would be a good way to get involved and represent my dorm," said Wiant.

"Student congress elections were held Monday and Tuesday. The elections marked the third time that students have voted for their representatives on-line. The newly elected representatives will attend meetings of student congress and serve on student-faculty committees. Manting was eager to get to work. "Once I get on a committee all the ideas will start to flow. I'm interested to see what committee I'll get," said Manting.

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Soccer breaks K-zoo at home

Men's soccer scores huge conference win

Ben DeHaan

Sports Editor

"It's almost impossible to pick the MIAA winner after only two conference games. However, when you're able to beat the defending conference champion and your arch rival in the same week, it certainly will improve your chances of being on top. This is exactly what happened to the Hope men's soccer team on Saturday. Coming off a thrilling overtime win over Calvin last Tuesday, Hope took on Kalamazoo College, the defending MIAA champs at Boy's Field on Saturday, looking to score another huge win. "After beating Calvin there was a lot of emotion for us at practice for the rest of the week," said Steve Smith, head coach for the Dutchmen. "When we walked on the field for the game on Saturday, I think our guys were more ready than they've ever been."

Even after letting up the first goal, the Dutchmen not only came back, but dominated for the rest of the game, cruising to a 6-1 victory and claiming the outright lead in the conference in the early season. "Kalamazoo had been playing incredible lately, and it was a surprise to see them playing the way they were on Saturday," Smith said. "They played in the same Ohio tournament that we played in a few weeks back, and I thought they played better than us in it. They were really hurting emotionally, which is disappointing, because every team in the conference knows they're better than that."

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Student Congress representatives elected

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Hope ranks high in research

Undergraduate research is essential to college experience.

Jen Troke
Counselor for Student Research

If studying the effect of angiotensin II on the metabolic rate of rats after hemorrhage sounds interesting, check into undergraduate research.

"It shouldn't be too difficult to find an opportunity, since Hope recently tied for fourth in the nation for undergraduate research by U.S. News and World Report."

Lisa Hardy (03) was interested in the rat question because physiology relates to her field, pre-med. (Research) showed me that there are several unconstantly asbestos that required flexibility and patience, two qualities that will be necessary in my future as well," Hardy said.

Janet Andersen, professor of mathematics, received National Science Foundation support for her joint case-studies-based with Greg Murray, professor of biology.

"What I unique about these courses is that we are attracting an audience of math majors who don't know much biology and biology majors who don't know much math and having them work together in teams," Andersen said.

Chavez lecturer challenges apathy

Valde Garcia touts rewards of hard-fought battles

Kurt Koehler
Chronicle Director

Valde Garcia, Michigan state senator (St. Johns), knows all too well the challenges that face Hispanics aspiring to hold leadership positions. Prior to his first campaign for the state legislature, Garcia was told he had no chance of winning.

"People said, 'Valde, you can't win in this area.' It was rural, mostly white and very conservative. And what happened? I won. All I said is, 'This is what I am, and this is what I believe. And you can either join me or get out of my way.'" Garcia said.

Garcia represents Michigan's 26th district that includes Livingston, Shiawassee and Clinton counties. He is one of the first two Hispanics ever elected to the Michigan legislature.

Garcia was the keynote speaker of Wednesday night's fifth annual Cesar E. Chavez address. Garcia spoke about empowering Hispanic leadership and why Hispanics should aspire to lead.

"Why do you want to be a leader? Leaders get shot at all the time; verbally, everybody always criticize them; they always work hard -- why do you want to be a leader? Most of us have a built in sense of justice. We want to make things right," Garcia said. "You can't do that from the sidelines. If you want to be a leader in your community, you have to be willing to step out and be willing to take those hits. If you don't help make the rules some one will make the rules for you."

In his speech, Garcia outlined two keys to his leadership knowledge and persistence.

"I've been unemployed. I had low-paying jobs. I started from the bottom and worked my way up. You never quit. That's how you empower Hispanic youth -- no matter what color you are, you have the right to participate in the process, to have a voice in what goes on, and to be a leader," Garcia said.

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Vance, an '05 moraler, responded, "Heart. It's more heart than any kind of physical strength."

The joined commitment can form strong bonds.

"It's truthfully like nothing you've ever done before, and it's the hardest thing I've ever done. You create really, really close bonds with everyone involved in the team," said Adam Rodriguez, '05 Puller.

Pull alumni, also current students, act as coaches. The teams consist of members from the freshmen and sophomore classes, with more experienced coaching freshmen and sophomore coaching sophomores. The coaches can become more than commanding faces, however.

"They're more than just our coaches: they're role models and the parents of our Pull family," said John Hecksel, '05 Puller.

Other Pullers can vouch for the familial feeling.

"I'm closer with my Pull family than my actual family," said Mike DevYoung, '06 coach.

Pullers often become close friends and spend time together outside of Pull activities. Coaching freshmen and sophomore classes, dorms and other student activities.

"Pull teaches you to work cooperatively with others in order to reach a common goal," said Mike Ross, '06 coach.

This year's Pull has been moved back an hour.

"We moved Pull from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. this year because the football team is playing Wheaton, Ill., at 1 p.m., and we want students to be able to attend both events," said Diane Bercloe, director of student activities.

This year's Pull will take place on Saturday, September 28 at 4 p.m. at the Black River.

Parking can be confusing, so spectators are encouraged to plan ahead.

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get twenty-five signatures. It's much tougher to do that than if you're living in Durfee and you just have to walk down the hall," said Runke. "We were really excited that four people turned in petitions for off-campus spots. I would think that would be a hard one to get petitions turned in for."

Turnout for the election was normal for a fall election, but a little higher than the 18.1% that voted last fall when on-line voting was only used in the Scott, Cook, and campus districts.

"Turnout seemed to be what it normally is for an on-line election which is much higher than it is if we're sitting around a table asking people to vote," said Runke.

French Consul General on campus

The address "France and the U.S.: Two Worlds at Odds?" will be presented by the Honorable Dr. Dominique Decherf, French Consul General in Chicago at 4 p.m. on Tuesday at Hope College in the Maas Conference room.

"The public is invited; admission is free. Students, faculty and administrators will read in 10-minute segments. More than 100 readers will participate in the estimated 17-hour duration of the marathon."


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"Fellowship of the Rings" reading

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## Wind Symphony and Symphonette present concerts

**Ensembles to perform first concerts of the season on Friday**

**Maureen Yonovitz**

Music is in the air with performances coming up by the Hope College Symphony and Wind Symphony.

This Friday, 27 is the performance of the first two concerts, beginning with the Symphony. The group will perform in Dimnent Chapel at 8 p.m. "I think overall it's a very strong ensemble, even and well balanced," said Richard Pippo, Symphony conductor. "They've been working really hard."

Pippo is looking forward to "showing students a variety of music" from the Baroque period to the 20th century.

"The Symphony (is) performing works many students have probably not heard," Pippo said. He believes that this concert will be valuable in "expanding their horizons in classical music."

The Symphony concert program includes "Carnen Suite No. 1" by Georges Bizet, "Elegy For Orchestra" by John Corigliano, "Concerto Grosso in D Minor Op. 3 No. 11" by Antonio Vivaldi, and "Symphony No. 103 in E Flat Major" by Franz Joseph Haydn.

"Concerto Grosso in D Minor includes a solo performance by violinists Joe Deller ('03) and Tien Mureau ('04), and cellist Nicholas Toben ('03)."

"It's a very rewarding experience to be able to play with close colleagues of mine," Deller said.

Pippo explained that "Symphony No. 103 is nicknamed the 'Drum Roll,'" because Haydn was "trying to find new ways to do things so he opened the symphony with a drum roll," something unusual for this type of piece.

"I try to tell my friends about all of the concerts that we put on," Deller said. "I think it is a thrilling experience to witness people that you know and share your lives with performing such great music."

The Wind Symphony's concert will take place at 8 p.m. on Tuesday in Dimnent Chapel.

"This is the most freshest we've had in this group," said Steve Ward, Wind Symphony conductor. They're playing really well and I think it's going to be a terrific concert."

The Wind Symphony will play five pieces for the concert, including "Commando March" by Samuel Barber, "Prelude Op. 34 No. 14" by Dmitry Shostakovich, "Slavay!" by Leonard Bernstein, "Prelude, Siciliano, and Rondo" by Malcolm Arnold, and "In evening's stillness" by Joseph Schwantner.

"We're going to be doing some really exciting music for the concert which I think will be a lot of fun to listen to," Ward said.

"There's a lot of variety in the pieces we are playing."

Jeremy Davis ('03), who is in his fourth year of playing bass and contrabass for the Wind Symphony, agrees.

The combination of classical and modern works that we play should give every audience member a new symphonic experience every concert," Davis said. Admission is free and all are invited.

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**VWS Season Begins**

Elizabeth Berg brings talent and life experience to her work

**Maureen Yonovitz**

Elizabeth Berg wasn't always a writer, but now, having completed five national bestsellers after winning a "Parents" magazine essay contest, she is taking her work to a wide variety of people who buy books and read fiction.

"Berg's novels grip readers with the story of the human condition and the struggles of humanity," said Waalkes, "04, student leader of VWS. "Her novel "Talk Before Sleep" is one of the most touching and captivating books I have read. Berg is a human writer."

Like in "Talk Before Sleep," a story about a woman's battle with breast cancer, and "Range of Motion," Berg's novels often deal with issues common to women, but have drawn a wide male audience as well.

"I am looking forward to hearing Berg's perception of the gender roles and complicated relationships between men and women in her novels," Waalkes said.

Carla Visser, this year's VWS coordinator, especially enjoys Berg's novels because of the portrayal of the characters in the writing.

"They're vivid, believable, and accessible—the sort of characters you feel you might've met once in real life," Visser said.

In her book "Escaping into the Open," Berg shares this talent with others in her explanation that "It's not so much the description of the murderer killing someone that demonstrates his evil nature, it's the flatness in his eyes as he does it, it's the way he goes and gets an ice cream immediately afterward."

Beside having won numerous awards, Berg's novels have been chosen for Oprah's book club, and one of them, "Until the Real Thing Comes Along," was adapted into a major motion picture. Visser offers "one reason for their popularity, "Elizabeth Berg's novels are highly readable," Visser said. "That is, they appeal, in a good way, to a wide variety of people, who buy books and read fiction."

Waalkes agrees, adding that along with the appeal comes a deeper sense of meaning for characters and readers alike.

"Berg's writing is accessible and fun," Waalkes said. "Her novels have childish energy, combined with adult sensibilities."

The reading will take place this Thursday, September 26 at 7 p.m. in the Knickerbocker Theatre. Admission is free and all are welcome.

Berg's reading will be preceded by a performance from the Hope College Jazz Ensemble at 6:30 p.m., and will be followed by a book signing immediately after the reading.

A question and answer panel will be held that Thursday at 3:30 p.m. in the Maas Conference Room. There will also be a salon discussion of the reading on Thursday at 9 p.m. in the Lubbers Loft.

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**Theater faculty take to the stage**

**Anjey Dykhuis**

Two-person play features work by Jean Bahle

Anjey Dykhuis

Three-time award winners Those who have never seen a one or two-person show will get their chance when two theatre department faculty members take an original play to the DeVitt Studio Theatre.

On Thursday and Friday, Jean Bahle and Hope Theatre Department Chairperson Daina Robbins will be presenting "America Herself," written by Bahle.

In "America Herself," Bahle and Robbins perform as various immigrant characters in the play, including parents, grandparents, and two sisters, Bascha and Drusha, from childhood to adulthood.

About four years ago, Bahle and Robbins found similarities in their families' immigrant pasts. Bahle's play began to take form after this conversation. There have been several readings of the play so far, as well as two performances this past June. It has been a work in progress ever since, going as far as working for an entire year with Fred Sebulsky, director of the Actors' Theatre of Grand Rapids.

"It's highly theatrical, delightful. You put an actor on the stage and a light on the actor and they just create," said Sebulsky, who is directing Bahle and Robbins.

"It's a story about immigrants in a non-specific way, it's a story of sisters," Bahle said. "But it's not autobiographical in any way."

The narrative is mainly fabricated, with loose ties to the assumptions about immigrants that we as Americans tend to make, and the assumptions we inherit from those who have come before us.

The story written in "America Herself" is both humorous and serious, it is written with irony, yet without cynicism.

"It's a mix of humor, irony, wryness, it's not cheap, but witty—I love that about it. It's about something, not just a funny situation or being funny," Robbins said.

The Thursday show will be held at 9 p.m. and the Friday show at 8 p.m. Admission is free and open to the public. After each performance will be a short discussion of the play.

"After all," said Bahle, "it is a work in progress."

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**THEATRE**

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The Symphonette practices in preparation for this Friday's concert.

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Elizabeth Berg

PHOTO BY ANNEKE MEETER

Theater faculty members Daina Robbins and Jean Bahle go over their lines for the two-person show, "America Herself."
Tell me about what you do

Overall, I don't mind the Pull. I may think that it is silly, and people make too big of a deal out of it, but I know that I participate in many things that other people don't understand or appreciate. What do I mind most about the Pull, however, is some of the attitudes of participants.

Ask any Pull participant what it is like to be a part of this long-standing tradition, and you will get one response: "You just can't understand it unless you are a part of it." Now, I understand this argument completely. I would say that you cannot fully understand Nykerk or the Anchor if you are not directly involved in those activities either. But when somebody wants to get a better feeling for what these events are like, I do my best to give them an accurate picture. Why can't this be done with the Pull? My negative opinion comes from a lack of knowledge about the event. If anyone is ever to change my views, then I must learn more about the Pull.

Another attitude that bothers me is the overreaction to any talk about the Pull that isn't singing its praises. When you say something about the Pull besides how great it is, it is viewed as a negative opinion, and you are seen as an enemy to the organization. For example, last year, the Anchor ran an investigation of negative opinion, and you are seen as an enemy to the organization.

To the Editor,

In response to James Plasman's ('03) letter (Anchor 9/18), some questions I hope James and others will consider:

1. Why do we need to join the rest of the country (I'm assuming he's mainly referring to colleges) in their viewpoints on homosexuality or other issues he feels Hope is perhaps backwards with? Why can't this be done with the Pull? My negative opinion comes from a lack of knowledge about the event. If anyone is ever to change my views, then I must learn more about the Pull.

2. Because everybody does it or believes a certain way, does that make it right or the best or what we should choose? My boys want to wear baggy jeans with no belts to school. My children are not allowed to wear jeans in school because we feel what you wear affects your study and work. When we asked why they want to wear those clothes it's because "well, everybody does it and it's no big deal." Because everybody does it and because they don't see the effects, doesn't make it right or the best.

3. Hope's a CHRISTIAN liberal arts college and therefore a certain number of students, faculty members, staff members, investors, etc., expect something different than a general liberal arts environment.

4. The Board, President Bulman, etc., have very strong convictions for their stances. They haven't come by them lightly. They are very aware they aren't necessarily the "popular" view but feel they must hold firm to these convictions.

5. Because it's not the most popular or accepted viewpoint, does that make it wrong? Hitler's viewpoint became very popular, did that make it right? Is there a chance that the majority supports isn't the best or the right choice? If you are a scholar of the Bible, did not God state many times you will be persecuted for your beliefs, that Christianity will not be necessarily the "popular" choice? Who is the Bible for? Christ's stances weren't popular at that time and yet look at the impact he made and is still making on the world.

6. Why must Hope join "contemporary thought"? Why is it important to be popular or part of the majority-accepted views?

7. I've heard the argument that Hope is "alienating many students and alumni and discouraging future contributions." I'd like to see numbers, statistics to support this. I believe the lower contributions are mostly because of the state of the economy, not Hope's viewpoints.

8. Is our goal to have the nation accept us, not see us as the laughing stock? Is our goal to please the greater or the smaller or stand firm to our convictions, even if they may affect us in numbers, contribution dollars, etc.?

9. Where would you like to see the President and Board of Directors lead us? Your way only and if not, they're out? Just because they are leading in a direction you don't agree with, does that make them poor leaders?

Just some questions I've wondered for a very long time and finally was convicted to address them.

Pamela Valenza, Religion Department Secretary

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Exploring science through the eyes of children

Area elementary students spend their weekends learning about science
Nicole Lantz, News Editor
David Gutierrez, News Editor

If you’re ever walking through Pea on a Saturday morning, it’s likely that you’ll find yourself in the midst of some very intelligent kids. Although the majority of Pea’s use goes to Hope students, these facilities are not reserved for Hope students alone. Many of the college’s professors and students take time to reach “out to the kids of the community and around the United States.” Knute Knapp, the Little Science and Extreme Science Clubs, the basic premise of these programs have been active at Hope for over 20 years. A former women’s basketball coach, Todd Gutierrez, chemistry lab director, said these organizations around the same concepts as his summer camps.

“We have used to have summer basketball camps, now we just do those only in the science arena,” Gutierrez said. “It’s not something I invented, I just borrowed ideas from other people.”

The organization provides science programs to get kids involved and enthusiastic about all different sciences from an early age.

“Getting them excited about science is probably the primary focus, and then exposing them to as broad of a [science] background as we can is the second,” Gutierrez said. “We are continually offering different subjects, because if I only offered chemistry, chances are I’d have a much smaller population that would be excited about science than if I offered a broader background.

This brainstorming process is aided in part by the Club’s advisors. “The professors help with ideas and oversee the whole process,” Lenon said. “They guide us through and give ideas and suggestions for the upcoming sessions.”

Numerous Hope students like Julianne Lenon play a large part in the programs by assisting in the planning and implementation. Run in part by the Chemistry Club, various students involved with chemistry, biology, physics, and education participate in the classroom sessions.

“You don’t need to know a lot of science to help...it’s kind of open involvement,” Lenon said. The program is also particularly helpful for training prospective teachers on how to run field trips and providing evidence in writing lesson plans.

One aspect of the science programs that has recently seen expansion is the biology section. Students interested in biology can come for a tour in Hope’s animal museum, also known as the “Zoo.”

“I first let the kids look around at the things in the cabinets, and the bones, and the stuffed animals and the stuffied birds and then we start taking live animals out one by one,” said Lori Hertel, director of biology laboratories, Hope College.

The age groups dictate each session’s level of technicality. Different age groups learn about different areas of biology. The most important, however, is that all kids get hands on experience.

“Exploring the few places around where kids can actually touch stuff rather than going to a zoo and looking at animals in a cage, here they can hold it,” Hertel said.

In chemistry, many different demonstrations are done for the kids; making liquid nitrogen, smashing a racquetball, turning air inside of a balloon into liquid, and pounding a nail into a board with a banana are just a few.

“I’ve probably done [the demonstrations] a hundred times and I still enjoy it myself,” Gutierrez said. One of the sections, the Extreme Science Club, hands on the more simple concepts and enables the students to go in depth with projects like building robots and even crude microscopes.

Originally, the program started out small, but has been growing at a rapid pace.

“A lot of it started just with friends of kids ‘preschools’, ” Hertel said. “We’ve had groups coming for a long time. It’s grown just by word of mouth among teachers. Last year I had over 1,800 visitors.”

Students and professors alike love the program.

“It’s extremely fun spending time with kids who are excited about what you’re doing,” Gutierrez said.

With thousands of elementary students participating each year, the Little Science Club and Extreme Club look as though they may have a bright and fulfilling future here on the Hope College campus.

Julianne Lenon ’03 helps a student create his crocodilia habitat.

David Gutierrez

Ready for a commitment... almost

Instructor Editor

“I was glad I was already ready to spend what could be the rest of my life with you, unless something better comes along.”

Why would anyone feel the need to do these to their significant other when all these thoughts and emotions could be summed up as small, 001 karat “diamond,” or more fittingly in western Michigan, pearl ring?

The engagement to possibly be engaged can take place in the Midwest in a concept that I don’t understand, or support. It’s a waste of time, energy, financial resources, and emotions that only set up a couple for disaster because they’re not ready to fully commit. It’s merely a partner layaway program in ring form.

Although I wholeheartedly mock the ridiculous promises of promise rings and pearls, I wish I would have come up with the idea. It’s a great business endeavor that plays off of the delicate emotions that accompany love. It’s as if the money-mongering jewelers of the world came together in secret to discuss new marketing techniques for the upcoming quarter, and this was the result. Much like the recent creation of Sweetest’s Day, October’s “jewelry day” to Valentine, October this year is another dense American practice that drains money from the pockets of the naive.

A second problem I have with the pseudo-engagement is the underlying purpose of the ring itself. To use it seems as though this “symbol of love” serves as a deterrent, perhaps a guilt mechanism for the recipient. If the wearers find themselves in a situation to take a moment and analyze their condition. If I what I have written has no relevant application to your situation, feel free to disregard what you have just read. However, if you find yourself asking questions, maybe you should think the circular application of an advertisement through your daily interactions is a far greater gift than any piece of jewelry.

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Dance Marathon

Tuesday nights call Papa John’s and order a large pizza and mention Dance Marathon. 20% of the profits will go for Dance Marathon. Offer is good from now to Dance Marathon.

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V-ball dominates St. Mary's

John Rodstrom
Sports Editor
The Hope College women's volleyball team improved to 2-0 in MIAA play and 3-0 overall by narrowly defeating Kalamazoo College 2-1.

The Dutch came through with a 30-16, 30-22 win over the Hornets to start the match, however the second game was all Kalamazoo, with the Hornets winning 30-28.

"The win was the Dutch's second in a row, with both wins by a score of 2-1. The Dutch defeated arch-rival Calvin College just Wednesday in a come from behind victory."

Against Kalamazoo, the Dutch trailed after only 6 minutes of regulation had passed, with Kalamazoo holding the 1-0 lead for most of the game. Despite the one goal deficit, Hope kept the offensive pressure up, hoping to catch a break.

"That break came with 15 minutes remaining in the game. Negen Mashghati ('06) knotted the score at 1-1 off a 1 vs. 1 breakaway. Dawn Gillam ('05) followed shortly afterwards with the go-ahead goal off of a free kick."

The Dutch ended the game with a 15-1 edge in shots on goal, while Hope Goalkeeper Mary Ayres ('03) chalked up 6 saves.

"Saturday we played okay, although I feel a lot of credit should go to Kalamazoo, who really stepped up their game."

The Kalamazoo game was a tight contest, and almost certain elimination to use this win as a catalyst for the season, and almost certain elimination to use this win as a catalyst for the season, and almost certain elimination to use this win as a catalyst for the season. It seems that whenever Hope is ousted in a game, we never lose: we bow. It seems that whenever Hope is ousted in a game, we never lose: we bow. It seems that whenever Hope is ousted in a game, we never lose: we bow.

Despite coming into the game full of emotion, the Dutchmen were unable to get on the scoreboard first, as Kalamazoo's Nick Houdek netted the game's first goal minutes after the opening whistle.

"That would be the only lead that Kalamazoo would see all day, though. Hope would recover quickly and add a second goal.

Just minutes after Kalamazoo's goal, Bryant Loomis ('03) would tie the game up with about twenty minutes left in the first half, off an assist from Ed Huebner ('04)."

The momentum would carry the Dutchmen even further, as Loomis scored again only a few minutes later, this time off an assist from Dan Olsen ('05). The score would give Hope a lead that they would never lose to the Hornets.

Hope would continue the scoring trend, and this time, it was Tim Kelly's ('03) turn to mark his name on the scoresheet, as he netted the ball past the keeper off an assist from Adam Chafee ('03). The Dutchmen now held a 3-1 lead over the shocked defending MIAA champions.

Hope's last goal of the first half would come from David Gonthier ('06) with less than ten minutes left in the half to increase Hope's lead to 4-1.

Down by three goals going into the second half, the Hornets knew that they would have to play a game of "catch-up" before they could even think about defeating the Dutchmen on their own pitch. However, the Dutchmen wouldn't even give them time for such a thought.

"We only have three minutes passed in the second half, Loomis would take an assist from Tyler Basler ('05) and knocked in his third goal of the game, and giving Hope an almost insurmountable lead of 5-1."

"But Loomis wasn't pleased with just a hat trick. He proved that he could give back to his teammates as they had given him, when he found Basler on a cross with over twenty minutes left in the game. Loomis booted the ball in the back of the net, finishing off Kalamazoo with a sixth goal. The goal also gave Basler, along with Loomis, of recording a game scoring both a goal and an assist.

On the Dutchmen defensive unit, Marcus Voss ('03) and Jeremy Roburg ('06) split time in the net, and only needed to make a combined three saves on the day.

Hope was also the dominant team on shots on goal, outshooting the Hornets 14-4.

"The win also catapulted Hope in to the top five teams in the national rankings. Hope is currently ranked fifth in the nation."

"This win really braves us a lot of positive energy," said Smith. "But if we have to go for an overall win from here on now, there is absolutely no room for error now."

"We're just going to take it one game at a time," Tyler said.

The Dutch will return to their home pitch to take on Albion College in an undefeated MIAA showdown this Saturday. Kickoff is at noon.
**Football team is back on track**

**Dutchmen score first win in Platteville over Pioneers**

**Ben DeHaan**

Sports Editor

Better late than never, but especially when you're picked to win your conference.

The Dutchmen football team was able to break their two-game losing streak last Saturday as they defeated new opponent Platteville (W) 32-20.

"We both played hard, so it was really a nail-biter," said Dan Kreps, Head Coach. "We knew that we were going to have to score some points."

The game was literally a passing shootout between Hope quarterback Tom Stetzer ('04) and Pioneers quarterback Tori Setter. Butler's passing arsenal consisted of completing 34 of 55 passes for 441 yards while the Pioneers were 34 of 62 passes for 427 yards.

Platteville would score first in the game in the opening quarter, driving 85 yards and ending with a 23-yard touchdown pass to create a 7-0 for Hope.

The Dutchmen would answer immediately on a two play scoring drive, with Butler finding Joe Versheyen on a 44-yard touchdown pass to cut the lead to 7-6. Hope would eventually make up for the point in the second quarter. With 12:04 left, the Dutchmen drove 12 plays down the field, and Jamie Blythe pushed the ball in for the score. Another failed extra point left Hope with a 12-7 lead. Platteville would score on the next possession with a one yard run and failed to convert the point after to regain a 13-12 lead.

The Dutchmen managed to sneak in one more score before the half, though, as they ran a two-minute drill that was capped off with a Joel Solomon ('03) touchdown reception, and a two-point conversion left Hope with a 20-13 halftime lead.

In the second half, the Dutchmen were able to draw the first score.

Hope took an interception from their own two-yard line and Butler hit Devin Quinn ('04) on a 23-yard pass for the score, posting a 26-13 lead. The Pioneers would close the gap on their next possession, driving 64 yards and finishing with a six-yard score. With twenty minutes left in the game, and the score 26-20, it still appeared to be anyone's game.

But Hope would seal the game in the next possession, and Butler threw his third touchdown of the day, a 10-yarder to Quinn. Hope's defense would preserve the 32-20 lead for the remainder of the game, giving the Dutchmen their first victory of the season.

Hope will host Wheaton University on Saturday, kickoff is at 1:00.

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**Men's ultimate gains experience at sectionals**

John Rodstrom

Sports Editor

It's a well known theory in sports that if a team wants to take their game to the next level, they must compete against better teams.

The ultimate team took this dogma to heart this weekend, running into stiff competition at the Michigan open sectional tournament. A vast majority of the other teams at the tournament consisted of grizzled veterans on highly competitive club teams. Despite coming away with a 1-4 record on that day, Hope fought to the end and ended up with three games determined by 2 points or less.

The Flying Dutchmen opened the tournament with a narrow loss to Ann Arbor United from the eastern side of the state, falling late in the game by a score of 13-11. Hope quickly rallied in the following game to defeat another club team, Grey Area, 13-9. The Dutchmen faced their toughest challenge of the day in the third game, Slipped.

In the last game of the day, the Dutchmen had a rematch against Grey Area. Although Hope easily defeated Grey Area earlier in the day, they were again unable to finish the job, falling short and losing 13-10.

"Hope College ultimate has a psychological barrier that it has yet to overcome this season. It has the tendency to lose games after being ahead late in the game," Shen said. "It's all due to our lack of experience."

"Our team needs to look at its priorities and our goals for the season," Shen said.

This spring Dutchmen will be forced to compete with scores of Division I teams that have the facilities and committed players to practice everyday, all year round. Vying for the same national qualifying spots are teams such as Ohio State, Michigan, Illinois, Michigan State, and Indiana. Each is one of the best teams in the country and no stranger to nationals.

At the highest level of ultimate, it is not uncommon to see teams with over 20 completely dedicated players, a luxury that Hope cannot currently afford.

"We need to practice more, and we especially need a commitment from 10 guys who will practice at least 4 times a week," Shen said.

As the Flying Dutchmen continue to reevaluate their goals and priorities and prepare for the Spring season, they are constantly teaching beginners the basics of the game and accepting new members to the team. In addition to practices that are open to anyone willing to play, casual pick-up games are held twice a week, on Sundays at 3:00 pm and on Wednesdays at 6:30 pm.

"We're always welcoming new players even if they don't have any experience," Shen said.

If you’ve got two legs and two arms, you can play this game."

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**Hope golf teams place at tourney**

Ben DeHaan

Sports Editor

The men's and women's golf teams entered separate MIAA tournaments on Saturday. The men's team, which holds the top spot in the conference standings, looked to hold on to their spot, while the women's team hoped to take the meet victory and still be recognized as a contender for the MIAA title.

Playing at Calvin, the women's team was able to pull out a third place finish among the rest of the MIAA. Saint Mary's walked away the winners, followed closely by Albion and Hope.

The Dutch's top golfers on the day were Emily Colenbrander ('03), and Brittany Philo ('06), who both shot an 86.

The men's team was unable to come out victorious at their meet in Calvin. The Knights claimed their home tournament, shooting 308 as a team. Calvin was followed by Olivet with 307, Alma with 308, and Hope with 310.

Even with the fourth place finish, Hope still leads the conference by a slender two strokes over Calvin.

Hope did manage to take the medalist honor, as Alden Hoksbergen ('06) shot a 71 to win the tournament. Hope was also led by Justin Spyker ('05), who recorded a 77, and Kody Taylor ('05) and Ryan Sheldon ('05), who each recorded an 81.

The Dutchmen will compete at the Ohio Invitational on Saturday, while the Dutch will host the next MIAA tournament on Saturday at the Winding Creek Golf Course.