Hope enters political fray as Bush visits

Neil Simons  
Senior Reporter

Hope College's campus is not immune to crime. The start of a new school year also brings problems such as assault, larceny, and parking infractions within the sometimes-burred Hope community. Perhaps one of the most prevalent crimes affecting the Hope campus is that of bicycle theft. With dozens of bikes stolen every year, there is still relatively little being done about the problem. "It's not something we really keep tabs on," said Brandon Fannon, member of the Holland Police Department. "We have on occasion set out a bike— but we can't be everywhere," said Chad Wolters, Campus Safety Sergeant. "There have been about five stolen this year, and we typically get a report every week or so." With the prevalence of this type of larceny and the lack of preventative methods from surrounding authorities, it is left to the students to ensure that their bikes are properly secured. There are numerous bike racks located around campus, and most dorms have bike rooms where students can further secure their bikes. Wolters suggests making use of all of these resources as well as having a high-quality bike lock. "Bike licenses are required in Holland and it definitely helps get your bike back if it is recovered," Fannon said. Bikes that are not claimed are auctioned off by the city.

Community to celebrate Hispanic Heritage

Shannon Meo  
Senior Reporter

The nationally recognized dates for Hispanic Heritage month are Sept. 15 through Oct. 15. Hope will begin the festivities Thursday. Locally, many activities are planned to commemorate Hispanic contributions to the community. Activities ranging from speakers and performers to exhibits and even a local festival will take place. Some of these activities will take place on campus and others will be spread throughout the community. "It provides tools by which the community can improve," said Miguel de la Torre, professor of religion.

To kick off Hispanic Heritage month, Hope is hosting a Latino Food Festival today from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. in both of the college's dining halls (Phelps and Cook). For those on a college meal plan, admission is free; for all others, the cost is $5 at the entrance. The next event will be the seventh annual Cesar E. Chavez address, given this year by Cristina Garcia. Garcia's address is titled "Living Beyond the Hyphen: Identity in the Age of Multiculturalism." This event will take place at 6 p.m. Thursday in the Knickerbocker Theatre, and admission is free.

Also happening in conjunction with Hispanic Heritage month is an exhibit at the De Pree Art Gallery entitled "Two Eyes on Mexico, Josephine Sacabo and Mariana Yampolsky."
STAFF REPORTER

Johnson was selected during the past spring. The crew is working around the clock to provide campus ministries, a behind-the-scenes operation. However, there is more to their work. Heaven has seen the campus ministries team in action. Hope students with a unique spiritual experience.

Johnson arrives? Plenty! We have a great staff this year, so until he comes in January, we will continue as we have for the past year. In the Gathering, we’re really focusing on the Old Testament. We’re really trying to bring the Old Testament into students’ lives,” said Paul Boersma, chaplain. A new ministry partnership is also being formed. Hope will be teaming with Jubilee Ministries to complete an “Extreme Home Makeover” in the Holland community. The goal of the partnership is to encourage students to serve in the community and live out their Christian faith.

Student Congress hall reps chosen

Lindsey Mathieu

The school year is now in full swing, and Student Congress has hit the ground running. On September 8 and 9, students voted for delegates for Student Congress from each of the residence halls on campus.

The results are in and the new officers will begin their duties on Tuesday at the first Student Congress meeting of the year. Most of their work occurs behind the scenes, but Student Congress does play an important role at Hope. Congress acts as an intermediary between the student body and the administration and also appropriates money from the Student Activity Fund to all the campus clubs and organizations.

“I wanted to see what Student Congress was like,” said Mike Lanza (*07), Phelps Hall representative, about why he wanted to be involved. “I’m a political science major and I want to go into politics, so I think this will help me get a feel for what it’s like.”

With a new year come new goals. While Student Congress accomplished many things this summer such as increasing student parking spaces and placing the DVD machine in Phelps Hall near the elevators, this year their goals are slightly different. We would really like to improve our communication with students and students with this year,” said Jen Yamaoka (*05), vice president of Student Congress.

“We have some goals in place already, but the best ideas we didn’t know yet because they will come from students,” Yamada said.

The best way to contact Student Congress is by email at studentcong@hope.edu or at the representatives’ individual emails, which can be found in Know Hope.

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Other Hope students attended the speech with a different purpose: come to show their support of the president while others displayed their disagreement of Bush’s policies. Protesters lined the street outside of the fairgrounds’ gate, waving banners and quoting phrases of disdain.

“I respect him being here, but obviously, I’m just trying to get my voice heard,” said Brianna DiSalvo (*05). “I don’t believe in anything Bush stands for, especially civil rights and I don’t think we should have ever gone to war (in Iraq).

“The most important thing is the credibility of the President’s speech,” said Bunte (*05). “Anyone who steals a bike is a person who could lose his job. We’re doing something to improve students who may not have cars.

Having a bike stolen is often a frustrating experience for college students who may not have cars. “Anyone who steals a bike is committing a crime against the environment,” said Fordy VandeBunte (*05). “This past week has also brought up issues regarding student attacks. Last Saturday, four Hope students were victims of an assault. “What began as a verbal exchange escalated into a physical assault,” said Wolters. This serves as a reminder to students not to provoke a situation that could precipitate into potential danger.

“If something like this happens, just be a good witness, don’t be provocative, and get good information,” said Wolters. She said the crime is still being investigated by HPD, but there are no leads yet.

Wolters also added that students should be reminded that ticketing for parking violations will begin this week, and cars should not be parked on the grass.

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SAC brings Musician Ari Hest to Hope

Popular Musician performs as part of "Up and Coming Artist Series"

Evelyn Daniel

September 15, 2004

Musician Ari Hest live at Michigan State University.

Amanda Zoratti

"Unfold" by the Nai-Ni Chen Dance Troupe, performing Sept 15 and 16.

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Students can pick up their free tickets from the Student Union Desk with their Hope ID. The concert is $10 for faculty, staff, and the community. As the theater has a limited number of seats, no one will be admitted without a ticket.

Distinguished Artists Awards concert to showcase new talent

Hope students show off talents, compete for scholarship

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Amnesty International takes an interesting stance as an activist grassroots organization; they do research and take action against the abuse of people's mental and physical integrity.

Members also work worldwide to promote freedom of conscience and expression and freedom from discrimination. The primary method used to affect change is writing action letters to political leaders. Every two weeks, the Hope chapter receives an Urgent Action letter detailing human rights violations.

"These letters list people in trouble, describe the situation, describe background information, list what we should say, so the context isn't misinterpreted, and give us addresses to send the letters to," Guess said.

Some of Urgent Actions deal with people who, according to Amnesty, have been wrongly imprisoned, often for voicing dissenting political opinions.

These victims are referred to as "prisoners of conscience" within the organization. Letters sent about this issue may touch such topics as unjust treatment and torture of prisoners, as well as protest against unconfirmed arrests.

"Besides our letter-writing meetings, we hold the occasional petition drive outside of Pilps, send Christmas cards to 'prisoners of conscience' and sponsor a focus week where we pick an issue or two and try to get the campus involved," Guess said.

For many members of Amnesty, standing up for human rights is not a hobby, but rather a duty and possibly even a calling. Amnesty International was founded by Peter Benenson, a British lawyer. Benenson was inspired to take action by the horror he felt when he heard of two Portuguese students who were sentenced to prison for giving a toast to freedom.

The organization has grown to include over 1.8 million members in 150 countries across the world. These members strive to promote human rights and freedom of conscience and expression, and fight against the abuse of people's mental and physical integrity.

Through violations of human rights in the U.S., may not be as severe as in other countries, it is important to know that the U.S. is not immune to such problems and controversies—gender and racial discrimination, abortion, and the right to proper healthcare and education regardless of economic status.

Amnesty International addresses current human rights scandals and other topics on their website, www.amnesty.org. The site also provides information about how the average person can help out. Hope's chapter can be reached by email at amnesty@hope.edu.
Student political groups gear up for election season

INFOCUS

Holly Beckerman
Staff Reporter

With a presidential election approaching, the Hope Democrats and Republicans found their first meetings of the year packed. “We anticipated a larger crowd of about 35 students, but were surprised when around 100 showed up,” said Ryan Lincoln (’07), president of the Hope Republicans. “The room was so cramped we had to look for a larger room for future meetings.”

The Hope Republicans meet weekly on Tuesdays at 9 p.m. in Winants Auditorium in Graves Hall. The Hope Democrats also had a record turnout, nearing 50 students. They meet weekly on Wednesdays at 9:15 p.m. on the first floor of Lubbers.

Both groups plan to educate students at their weekly meetings, drive registering students to vote and absentee ballot information available for all the states. The parties on campus will also hold an open debate at the end of October. Lincoln said they plan to have three students representing each side of the presidential ticket. The debate will be judged by the International Relations Club and Pre-Law Club.

Leaders of both party organizations on campus agree that the upcoming activities are geared to help educate the student body and encourage students to vote. “Our goal is to inform and educate voters in a highly volatile election year,” Brown said.

Jodi Toppen, professor of political science and faculty advisor for the Hope Democrats, said it has never been easier for college students to gain quality information and have the ability and time to investigate issues like these.

“Some of the best ways students can educate themselves and become an engaged citizen is to read a quality newspaper daily,” Toppen said. “For those who want to know basic information about the two candidates go to the nonpartisan website, vote-smart.org or npr.org. Those are the least biased.”

Jack Holmes, professor of political science and faculty advisor for the Hope Republicans, said to check out the National Journal at the library or C-SPAN for neutral coverage. He also said to check out each of the candidate’s website where one can look at both sides to find a medium.

While the media is available to educate students, the interactive organizations on campus join students together hoping to inspire them to vote and participate in society. “Civic participation is a part of the liberal arts project,” Toppen said. “We aren’t trying to learn about the world in order to be isolated from it, but rather to be more fully engaged in it.”

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During my Spanish lectures, whenever my professor asks a question and no one answers, he will often say, "I feel like John the Baptist preaching alone in the wilderness." John the Baptist is probably best known for his preaching to the people about the coming of the Messiah. He wasn't alone then, but where were the people before this time? Most likely at home or working in the fields, taking care of their families and their own personal affairs. Much of the rest of the time John the Baptist probably was alone in the wilderness.

As both the editor of the student newspaper and a student at a small, isolated Christian college, sometimes I can't help but feel the same way.

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knows, the President of the United States came to Holland this past Monday. President Bush's visit was a main topic of conversation among many of the students and professors I encountered throughout the day. Whether they were going to protest, listen attentively to the President's every word, or simply watch from afar, almost everyone had something to say about it.

But where is this spirit every other day? Are we truly interested in what is going on in the world all the time, or do we pay attention only when something good comes up?

Before I went to Wyoming this summer, my research group was given a safety lecture. One of the topics discussed was making sure we were drinking enough water while working out in the heat all day. We were warned that we would often become so dehydrated. After that there was a running joke between us that no matter where we were or what we were doing, if someone started "zoning out," we would tell the person to drink some water.

A lot of times we get so busy trying to get things done that we start to zone out without even realizing it. We're so used to the sugared coffee that is handed to us at work and we don't pay attention to what is really good for us. It is at these times that we have to be able to see things a little more clearly.
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Dutchmen pull off big win over John Carroll

Hope grabs its first victory since ’93 in a season-opening thriller.

Shannon Mee  

**Starr Reporter**

The Flying Dutchmen earned their first season-opening victory since 1993 on Saturday, defeating the John Carroll Blue Streaks 21-20 in an exhilarating game seen by 3,410 roaring fans.

Head Coach Doug Kreps was pleased with the way the team played.

“We haven’t won an opener since 1993 so I couldn’t be more pleased,” Kreps said.

New quarterback Joe Schwander (’06), a transfer from Tri-State (Ind.) University, completed nine of 24 passes for 139 yards, including two touchdowns and one interception. Jake Schrock (’05) scored all three touchdowns for the Dutchmen, including a 23-yard TD reception in the fourth quarter that put Hope in the lead to 2-0. Wabash came back to take the lead in for a 1-0 lead, thanks to a goal by Tyler Baxter (’05).

The second half started on a good note for Hope, as a header by Geoff Meyer (’06) extended the lead to 2-0. Wabash came back, however, and scored to cut the Dutchmen’s lead in half. But it was all Hope from then on, as goals from Barn Rumpler (’07), Karter Klingsberg (’06), and Devin McNeil (’06) iced the game for the home team. The Dutchmen out-shot Wabash 26-10 and were looking ahead to Otterbein.

The loss in the first quarter came via special teams, as John Carroll hit a field goal for a 3-0 advantage. With 5:54 left in the second quarter, Hope’s Jake Schrock did two jobs at once, both scoring a touchdown and being a blocker. The extra point was good, to bring the score to 4-3. A JC score brought the score to 14-0, but Hope managed to block the extra point to go into halftime with a 14-0 lead. The third quarter included a touchdown by the Blue Streaks with a 50-yard run 3 minutes into the second half. The kick was good, putting the Dutchmen behind by only 3 points. In the fourth quarter, the Blue Streaks’ quarterback was intercepted by Hope’s Andy Snyder. He returned the pass down to the 22-yard line.

Schrock then scored a touchdown three minutes into the quarter from that setup. The score was then 21 to 17 with 12:16 left in the game. With less than seven minutes left in the game JC scored a field goal leaving the score at Hope 21 and JC 20. From there Hope managed to run the clock out for their first season-opening win since 1993.

Schrock credited the entire team, but gave special praise to the defense.

“It was a total team effort, but the defense played especially well,” Schrock said. “I’m ecstatic to get my first opening-game win at Hope and it’s really nice to get one for Coach Kreps.”

The Dutchmen’s next contest will be an away game against the Depauw University Tigers on Saturday.

However, the junior varsity squad was not so lucky, as it lost its opener 34-33 to Olivet on Monday.

Dutchmen have impressive race at Bowling Green Inv.

Men finish runner-up, and women turn in a third place finish.

David Yetter and  

Brad Vanderberg  

**Starr Reporters**

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Sports Wrap-Up

Men’s Golf from 9-8-04  

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Leader: Justin Spyrer (’05) 78

Women’s Soccer from 9-8-04  

Hope 1, Alma 0

Next game: today vs. Olivet at 4 p.m.

Men’s soccer goes 1-1 at tourney

Team overlooks second opponent and learns from loss.

Travis Ransom  

**Starr Reporter**

The men’s soccer team came away with a split this weekend at the Cal Bergsma Memorial Tournament. They clubbed Wabash on Friday by a score of 5-1, but lost on Saturday to Otterbein in a 1-0 heartbreaker. The loss was Hope’s first at home since the 2001 season.

The tournament, held at Hope, is dedicated to Cal Bergsma, who died in a tragic car accident on July 7, 2001. A plaque was presented to the Bergsma family at halftime on Saturday, honoring a dedicated father, husband, and coach.

Friday’s game was a hard fought contest, at least during the first half. Both teams played well and Hope went into halftime with a 1-0 lead, thanks to a goal by Tyler Baxter (’05).

Saturday’s game turned into a battle for both teams both physically and mentally, as neither squad could score for the first 89 minutes. Hope again out-shot its opponents, this time 20-10, but it would not be enough as Otterbein’s Drew Pilzer scored a goal in the game’s final minute.

With prospects still high, even after the hard loss against Otterbein, the team’s goal is to win their league one game at a time.

The loss was Hope’s first in its last 25 games at Boy’s field.

The team hopes to rebound this weekend in a tournament at Ohio Northern. They play John Carroll on Friday at 3 p.m. and Ohio Northern at 3:30 p.m. on Saturday.