Cottage residents air gripes with maintenance

by Pamela Lumborg
staff writer

According to residents of various cottages across campus, maintenance is not up to par. Crispell Cottage residents seem to be having the most problems getting things done. They have tall bushes that are engulfing their front porch, causing an eyesore and a safety hazard. They have gone through the usual process of filing request forms after request form to get maintenance to come and trim the bushes.

"Since I do not have the facilities to undertake the trimming of the shrubbery on my own, I took my concerns to Mr. Marty Strang," said Julie Grutter, the Crispell Cottage R.A., in a letter to Fred Coates, director of Hope College maintenance. "After explaining my position to him, he made it clear that he was unwilling to assist me in making the cottage a safer environment because he was too busy and had other things to take care of that were more important."

The letter, written September 1, still has done no good. The residents are upset at the condition of their house because the bushes cover the front porch and the the living room windows. As a result, easy access is provided to their house by strangers.

Jill Hough, a Crispell resident, in a Letter to the Editor, said, "In light of the heightened awareness concerning the safety of Hope's students, I have found the apathetic attitude of Hope's maintenance crew very disturbing."

Another incident involving a cottage versus maintenance dispute involves the members of the Black Coalition and their habitation of Meyer Cottage last year.

Samantha Gano, president of the Black Coalition, said that Meyer Cottage was in such a state that it should have been condemned. There were many repairs that needed to be done. Among the larger of these repairs were the falling apart front porch and a hole in the living room wall. The smaller repairs were done on time, but the larger ones, with the porch problem being considered an emergency by the residents, were put off for one year. These repairs were completed this summer after the residents had relocated to a cottage across campus.

"We didn't want to move, but the place was in such bad shape, we didn't want to pay money to live there," said Samantha Gano. When the residents of Meyer Cottage spoke with the Housing and Maintenance Departments about a reason for the delay, no excuses or apologies were made.

The residents believe that they did all they could with filing 30-40 request forms and going to department heads. They are satisfied now with their new house, but they would like to have had the repairs done when they asked for them.

Maintenance Director Coates said that it is possible for students to get work done on their cottages, but the length of time required for these repairs to be completed varies with the complexity of the job and the time of year in which it is requested. Students should submit a request form through their R.A. and minor repairs should be done immediately after that. If students request major work in the fall, especially of this year, they may be forced to wait. This is not, according to maintenance personnel, because maintenance views the problem as unimportant or because they are uncaring. In the fall, there are many jobs that must be finished before winter, such as landscaping and the completion of VanderWerf. Most maintenance people are already committed to finishing a job like one of the above, so there simply are not enough people to go around.

When confronted with the problems at Crispell Cottage, Coates said, "There are only four grounds people, but it will get done this week." He felt that all students should be getting all that they need, and that these two incidents are exceptions.

Derek Emerson, Director of Housing at Hope, was also unaware of any serious problems between maintenance and students. He agrees that they are swamped this time of year and feels that that must be the reason for the delay at Crispell Cottage.

Emerson said that a solution to this problem would be to have students contact him, after filing a request, if the work is not done. Another solution, said Emerson, would be for maintenance to make a priority list to decide what things should be done first. This will help the department have some criteria for determining what is an emergency and what is not. Emerson agrees that safety deserves top priority.
Legislators discuss mandatory community service

(CPS) An impressive collection of scholars and politicians gathered on a nearly deserted Stanford University campus Sept. 8-9 to "air and thrash out" ideas for drafting students to become one president Bush's "thousand points of light.

The conference unfolded as Congress prepared to debate creating a "national service" corps, in which young people would serve as volunteers in the armed forces, hospitals, schools or other public institutions in exchange for college aid or help buying a house.

The conference promises to be one of the most important student issues before Congress this fall.

Nine U.S. senators and 11 representatives have introduced "national service" bills since then-candidate George Bush spoke of volunteer service as a "thousand points of light" at the Republican convention in 1988.

Some of the highly controversial bills required students to volunteer in order to get financial aid.

While such ideas have been debated in Congress at least since the 1930s, one proposal -- a $330 million plan co-sponsored by Sen. Edward Kennedy (D-Mass) -- stands a chance of becoming law in 1990, some observers say.

"We're really hopeful that it will be enacted this session," said Kennedy legislative aide Shirley Sagawa. "It's got very broad support. Conservatives like (Sen. Sam) Nunn are for it and liberals like Kennedy are for it.

Student and anti-draft groups in particular have criticized the idea, saying it smacks of involuntary servitude, could be unfair to poor students and doesn't recognize how often students volunteer already.

"We support volunteerism wholeheartedly, but not in the many ways that ask their country could do for them," said Rep. Dave McCurdy (D-Oklah.), co-sponsor of the Nunn-McCurdy plan that would require students to volunteer to get college aid, at the Stanford conference.

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Williamson Evers, who chaired the conference.

Yet students, who ultimately will be the ones affected by any law, were not included in the air- ing out. The forum was closed to the public and held on an unpopulated campus where classes hadn't even begun.

Participants included former Rep. Pete McCloskey, (R-Calif.), Lutheran theologian Richard John Neuhaus, political scientist Benjamin Barber, Cato Institute senior fellow and former Reagan adviser Doug Dowd, McCurdy and conservative economist Milton Friedman.

The Kennedy national service bill -- which the senator describes as a compromise that "includes the best features of all the bills" and that has a "price tag within realistic constraints" -- would give volunteers academic credit, stipends, job training, tuition aid and help buying their first home.

Many at COOL, though, are afraid the bill might force students who need financial aid to volunteer, Robinson Ward said.

At first glance the bill looks like a good avenue to college, Lieberman said. The problem is that it manipulates low income students who need aid.

"We've had to benefit the most when they go straight from high school to college because their retention is greater. The last thing we want to do is pull them away from school," she said.

The most dangerous thing about a national service bill which pays for college for students who volunteer, Lieberman maintained, is that it will draw money away from already "under-funded" programs like Pell Grants. As a result, the people who need aid the most probably wouldn't get it.

"A single mother going to college certainly isn't going to have time to volunteer in order to get some financial aid," she said.

"By putting a GI Bill-type grant in place of student loan programs, youth service widens access to higher education," maintained Northwestern University Prof Charles C. Moskos, one of the conference participants.

Friedman, who teaches at the University of Chicago, attacked it as "utterly unnecessary" and having an "uncanny resemblance" to the Adolf Hitler youth corps.

"Strictly voluntary programs, like the Red Cross or Boy Scouts are splendid, but these national service proposals aren't voluntary as far as the people paying for it," Friedman said in a statement released to the press.

Lieberman, who was not at the conference, agreed. "You shouldn't have to bribe people to volunteer. It's an oxymoron.

Many students, however, don't see alarm as the prospect of serving in a national service corps.

"The bottom line is that it provides money for students to go to college," said Idaho State University senior Anir Bau.

"There is some criticism that it will create elitism, but we already have that because poor people can't afford school Education is the great leveller," Baud said.

"This would help more than one person," said Ball State University student Mike Allen.

"It would give students money for college and some work experience. At the same time, they would be helping someone."

Hope professors publish paper on best and worst presidents

(HOPE) - Two members of the Hope College political science faculty, Robert Elder and Jack Holmes, have had an article examining the success of United States presidents published in the Summer, 1989, issue of the "Presidential Studies Quarterly."

Elder and Holmes coauthored the article, entitled "Our Best and Worst Presidents. Some Possible Reasons for Perceived Perfor mance."

They divide 36 American presidents into three groups of 12 based on ranking of historians. The top and bottom groups are compared by using 36 indicators. According to Elder and Holmes, most often high-level governmental experience and general background items do not test as significant. Top presidents generally differ from bottom presidents by publishing more books before assuming of fice, enjoying more political consensus and prosperity during their terms, being more assertive on foreign policy issues, and having a positive outlook.

According to the study, the 10 most successful presidents were Abraham Lincoln, Franklin Delano Roosevelt, George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Theodore Roosevelt, Woodrow Wilson, Andrew Jackson, Harry S. Truman, John Adams and John Tyler.

The 10 least successful presidents were Warren Harding, Ulysses S. Grant, Richard Nixon, James Buchanan, Andrew Johnson, Franklin Pierce, Calvin Coolidge, Millard Fillmore, John Tyler and Zachary Taylor.

Of the four most recent presidents, George Bush and Ronald Reagan were not evaluated, James Carter ranked 25th and Gerald Ford ranked 13th.

Robert Elder, professor of political science, has been a member of the Hope College faculty since 1969. He earned his bachelor's degree at Colgate University and holds master's and doctorate degrees from Duke University.

Jack Holmes, professor of political science and chairperson of the department, has also been a member of the Hope faculty since 1969. He earned his bachelor's degree at Knox College and holds masters and doctorate degrees from the University of Denver.

Current Hope students who helped with research for the article and are mentioned in the results include Robert Birdsell, a senior from Midland; Chris Flaugh, a senior from Benton Harbor; Rusi Gomuru, a junior from Grandville; Joe Murray and Tom Ter Maat, both seniors from Grand Rapids; and Karin Wiesemann, a junior from Franklin Lakes, N.J.

FCA fails to budget

by Mpne Gakissa
news editor

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes (F.C.A.) has been spending money they don't have, according to Student Congress Comptroller Andrew Stewart.

F.C.A. failed to submit their budget during the budget proceedings appropriation time because of "not being aware of the budget proceedings," said Stewart.

Stewart further explained that the F.C.A. subm itted their budget at Sunday's appropriations committee meeting "and everything was straightened right there."

According to Stewart, a small amount of money was spent on tennis, using the "very small college" which put the group into a slight debt.

The submitted budget will be presented to the Student Congress on Thursday to be approved.
More News

Presidential Lecturer to highlight French Revolution

(HOPE) - The Hope College Presidential Lecture Series will open its second season Thursday, Sept. 28, with a lecture on the French Revolution by Dr. Victor Brombert, Henry P. Slaton University Professor of Romance and Comparative Literature at Princeton University.

Brombert will present the address "From the Eiffel Tower to the Bastille: The French Revolution in Retrospect" at 7:30 p.m. in Winants Auditorium in Graves Hall. The public is invited, and admission is free.

The Presidential Lecture Series was established by Hope College President John H. Jacobson as a way to help the college's academic departments bring to campus speakers who have distinguished themselves in their disciplines. The series premiered in February, 1989, and featured three speakers during the 1988-89 academic year.

"Dr. Brombert is one of the most respected scholars in 19th century French literature with a special emphasis on authors such as Hugo and Flaubert," said Dr. Anne Larsen, associate professor of French at Hope. Larsen and Dr. Judith A. Motiff, associate professor of French and chairperson of the department at Hope, are coordinating Brombert's visit.

Brombert was educated at Paris and at Yale University. He taught at Yale, chairing the department of romance languages from 1969 to 1975. Since then he has taught at Princeton as director of the Christian Gauss Seminars in Criticism. He has received numerous fellowships, honors and awards, including the title of "Chevalier de l'Ordre des Palmes Academiques." He is the author of 10 books, including the well-known "The Intellectual Hero" (1961), "The Novels of Flaubert" (1966), "The Romantic Prison: The French Tradition" (1984) and "The Hidden Reader" (1988). He is a contributing author to 12 books.

In addition to the public lecture, Brombert will be meeting with Hope classes to discuss the French Revolution. The college's French department is marking the 1789 Revolution's bicentennial by integrating units about it into course curricula.

Tanis lecture to center on Dutch revolt

HOPE - A scholar of Dutch history, Dr. James Tanis, will speak at Hope tomorrow, Sept. 28.

Tanis, professor of history and director of libraries at Bryn Mawr College of Bryn Mawr, Pa., will present "Luther in the Mouth of Hell: Netherlandic Print and the Dutch Revolt" at 8 p.m. in Cook Auditorium of the DePree Art Center and Gallery.

Tanis' lecture will center on his research on the iconography of the beginning of the Dutch revolt. His presentation will include slides or related works of art as well as details of a hitherto unknown 1570 Netherlandic print given to Bryn Mawr.

His publications include "Dutch Calvinistic Piety in the Middle Colonies," "Reformed Piety in Colonial America," "The Dutch Reformed Clergy and the American Revolution" and "The American Dutch, Their Church, and the Revolution." He is a member of several learned societies and professional organizations.

Tanis has also held positions with Harvard Divinity School, Yale Divinity School and Yale University. During the 1950s he was co-pastor of Grace Presbyterian Church in Elizabeth, N.J.

He holds a bachelor's degree in history from Yale University, a master's of divinity degree from Union Theological Seminary and a doctorate of theology from the University of Utrecht in the Netherlands.

The public is invited to the lecture and the admission is free.

Counseling center offers support group for children of alcoholics

(HOPE) - A support group for students from families with alcohol problems is available through the Hope College Counseling Center. Students who have experienced personal struggles related to their parent's excessive use of alcohol are especially encouraged to join. More information can be obtained through Darrell Shregardus, counselor, at x7945.

DePaul job fair to offer over 90 interview opportunities

(HOPE) - Over 90 businesses will be interviewing for various professional opportunities at the Illinois College Job Fair, Friday, Oct. 27, at DePaul University in Chicago. Students wishing to go should register with Career Planning and Placement by Oct. 10.

MBA programs and accounting firms to interview at Hope

(HOPE) - Upcoming on-campus interviews by employers and graduate schools include the Air Force (Oct. 3), Michigan State University's MBA program (Oct. 10), Crowe Chizek Public Accounting (Oct. 11), BDO Seidman Public Accounting (Oct. 11), and University of Illinois MBA program (Oct. 20).

Alpha Phi Omega starts fall rush

Alpha Phi Omega, the national service fraternity, will begin its fall rush tonight, Sept. 27. A euchre and pizza night will be held at 8 p.m. in the basement of Kollen Hall in the APO room.

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"Because We Care"
Hope Profile:
Archives blends three historical resources

by Rahm O'Shinsky
staff writer

The Joint Archives of Holland, located in the basement of Van Wylen Library, is a treasure trove of information. While all of the collections are of an historical nature, the Archives is not just for the history major. The materials cover the early social and political development of the Holland area, the origins and growth of the Reformed Church in America, and the changing attitudes of the college over the years.

The Archives contain primary sources which allow a researchers to draw their own conclusions. The Archives is unique in that it is a joint organization, housing the materials and operating under the supervision of three institutions: the Holland Historical Trust, Hope College and Western Theological Seminary.

The collections of the Holland Historical Trust contain items ranging from 1871 to the present. Not only are there administrative papers like the minutes of the council of Hope College dating from 1866, but there are also student papers, scrapbooks and records from every major Hope organization. Recently, this collection uncovered the papers of Calvin VanderWfer, president of Hope College from 1963 to 1970.

The Western Theological Seminary (WTS) section of the Archives holds papers related to both the seminary and to the Reformed Church of America (RCA). Contents range from the WTS weekly bulletin to minutes of the Classis of New York from 1771.

Not long ago, Jeannette Veldman, an RCA Missionary in China and the Middle East, made a gift of some of her papers to this collection. The Archives facility is state of the art. The climate control system is totally separate from the rest of the library. The reading room is kept at a temperature of 70 degrees, and the stacks are kept at 60 degrees. The humidity level is kept around 40 percent.

These conditions are to help combat the deterioration of the collections. Another protection device is the fire extinguishing system. The Halon system stops fires by evacuating all of the oxygen from the room, which avoids water damage.

When asked about past and future projects, Larry Wagenaar, head archivist, said "One of the relatively short term goals is to get a grant funding to build a full-time associate archivist to do automation and processing."

The first step in the automation was completed this summer with the accessibility of the "Guide to the Collections" on the library catalog terminals and with phone modems. Larry Wagenaar said that he would like to get a more detailed guide on to On-Line Computer Library Center (OCLC), a national database that brings together information on collections from all over the country.

The Joint Archives of Holland is open to researchers Monday through Saturday, 1 to 4:30 p.m.

Sonoma Star wins back autonomy

(CPS) - Journalists at Sonoma State University won back a bit of autonomy from the Publications Board, which oversees the student newspaper. The matter was dealt with last spring, and said it would restrict access to the Star to those who sign up for an accompanying class, backed off after staff staffers printed a strongly worded Sept. 12 editorial blasting the move as a "vigilant attack" of censorship, and won support from the university community.

Staffers now are not required to enroll in the class. Students saw the move as an attempt to give the student administration editorial control over the paper by placing it under the guidelines of the U.S. Supreme Court's "Hazelwood decision" in 1969, which said school officials could censor student newspapers run as for-credit classroom "laboratories."

"They certainly don't want any bad news," said Sonoma Star editor-in-chief Alan Ben Barbour. "The best way they can stop that is to stop the newspaper."

The enrollment requirement was a move to give students "a total sense of the workings of the newspaper," said Publications Board member Marty Blaze. "But we found out we can't do that."

The Star has in the past reported on health hazards on campus and the university's role in contaminating an on-campus pond with chemicals, which eventually destroyed the marine life.

In a similar case, California State University at Los Angeles (CSULA) officials, who had censored the student university Times' coverage of a death on campus was compromising CSULA's legal defense against a lawsuit, moved to make the Times into a "laboratory newspaper" in 1988.

The hotline will cover some upcoming events like the All-College Sing and other traditional events. The hotline is open 24 hours a day and can be reached at 7X865.
Editorial

National volunteer service program reeks of elitism

During the 1988 presidential campaign, George Bush spoke of a "thousand points of light" in reference to his plans to rekindle the spirit of volunteerism in the United States.

In the proceeding months, a number of bills have been brought to the floor of Congress, hoping to capitalize on this attention upon volunteer activities.

One such idea is to tie college financial aid to a "national service program" which will require students to work as volunteers for a year in order to receive any federal financial aid.

While the "anchor" believes students should be willing to volunteer their time to noble causes, it is appalling that Congress should attempt to manipulate into mandatory service those who cannot afford to pay for college the moment they step out of high school. It is disgusting that backers of such plans should call this form of coercion, holding financial aid hostage, voluntary.

The system as it currently exists is tough enough on the lower- and middle-class student and the stench of "elitism" reeks from this proposed replacement. The national service programs would keep lower- and middle-class students out of college while upper-class students would be free to concentrate on Plato.

Economically, exact figures on the cost of such a program are unknown. But consider that for such a program to work, it would have to compete with the natural job market. If it cannot provide as good an offer, students will take jobs in factories and other industries. Considering what two of the most prominent proposals are offering in terms of compensation ($100 per week and $10,000 per year), it is highly likely that they would. Hence, the idea of financial aid for higher education is destroyed and the upper-class celebrates another victory while the lower classes must continue to struggle to break the barrier - a barrier against which education is the prime weapon.

Finally, the national service program would be based on the idea of changing the attitude of a me-first, materialistic generation. However, to call such a program "voluntary" is to manipulate the language. To be coerced is not to volunteer. Voluntarism is an attitude, not a policy. It must come from the heart, not from the knees. How can the attitude of a generation be changed by a "voluntary" program which is mandatory (and only to the less-fortunate) and offers materialistic gain as a reward?

The "anchor" has serious doubts as to the fairness, practicality and basis for such a program. It would further the position of the college as an institution for the financially elite, would likely not work and would only reinforce the very attitudes it wishes to change.

Letter to the Editor

Pull and Nykerk don't need to be sexist

Dear Editors,

It is the time of year when the attention of Hope College turns to the activities of Pull and Nykerk. This will be my third year of witnessing these events, and every year there have been polls in the anchor that ask, "Is the Pull Sexist?" I was appalled last year when every person interviewed said that the Pull is only for men, but then, women get to do Nykerk. Don't you realize that Nykerk is just as sexist, if not more so, as Pull? No woman can participate in Pull and no man can participate in Nykerk.

Another argument states that at the morale girls are an integral part of the Pull, but it cannot be denied that the women's role in the Pull is that of supporter, not competitor. The message given is that men are big and strong and should do the dirty work, and women should put on white gloves and navy skills and smile for the judges. It only gives men a chance to show their strength and women to show their performance skills, enforcing stereotypes which are demeaning to both sexes. Aren't women athletic, and don't men have acting ability?

Pull and Nykerk are imporant traditions at Hope College, and I am not saying that either should be abolished. However, I do feel that it is important that we make some changes, in Pull and Nykerk to make them more equal for men and women. With Pull we could require that a certain percentage of the team be comprised of women. It would be even easier to incorporate men into Nykerk. Women could stop portraying men in the plays and the songs would be great with added tenor and bass singers. I think that it is necessary to make changes such as these rather than condone the current activities. Most importantly, we need to realize that, as they are now, both Pull and Nykerk are undeniably sexist.

Laura Huntington Wyss
Junior
Photostory

The spectators wait in anticipation while the '93 Pull team struggles to regain rope. In the end, the '93 team lost to the '92 team by 10 feet. (Photo by Caty Kehs)

Jason Elmore, '93, scrambles to pull in the slack. (Photo by Caty Kehs)

The '92 anchor, Chris Briggs, looks to the crowd for added support. (Photo by David Sweet)

Heather Cole keeps her pullers going. (Photo by David Sweet)
Steve Major, a '92 puller, gives it his all as Gretchen Speice relays the signals. (Photo by David Sweet)

Kris Visser, '93, Encourages Matt Smit to push (Pull!) it to the limit. (Photo by Scott Kaukonen)
Some things I think I think:

...Putting up an eight person tent is a lot harder than it should be. Last weekend some friends and I tried to do it. Inevitably, there either aren't enough tent stakes or as we found, there isn't any metal loop to attach the top of the tent to the poles. We finally did get it up, but it looked like it was severely dehydrated. The fire was easier.

...Why does maintenance cut the lawn outside of Lubbers during my Modern British and American Drama class every week? I sometimes find myself ducking waiting for the jet to come over.

...I know, the lawn needs to be cut, huh?

...There is something profound about listening to Pink Floyd's "The Wall" while writing. The choir is singing, "We don't need no education. We don't need no thought control. No dark sarcasm in the classroom."

JIM MONNETT

SLIP OF THE MIND

Things I think I think

SCOTT KAUKONEN

The Belt Meal Plan

IN PLACE OF SLEEP

Every year, someone, if not everyone, complains about our beloved Phelps cafeteria. Some reduce their meal plan, others drop it, but most stay on board and survive. Few alternative solutions have ever been proposed.

Yes, I suppose they could always build a new cafeteria, but they expanded Phelps not too long ago, and many of the complaints have to do with the quality of the food, anyway. It just can't compare to Mom's.

The other day my housemates and I were fortunate enough to partake of raw chicken patty—breadcrumbed raw chicken—during lunch at Phelps. This incident led us to look for alternative ways of finding the necessary amount of nutrition to insure we would be able to study without passing out or emptying our wallets.

The obvious plan would be to take ourselves off the meal plan. We are perfectly capable (maybe imperfectly) of cooking for ourselves. We've done it before, even for lady friends, and it has worked fairly well. We live in a college-owned cottage which comes equipped with an oven, a full-size refrigerator and plenty of cupboard and counter space. Last year, we bought a dishwasher for $30 which is hooked up in the basement and actually works (though we're out of dishwashing soap) and a cheapest possible microwave which also works (though it takes nine minutes to pop a bag of microwave popcorn).

So why don't we? Are we just a bunch of lazy males? While that may be true, the reason that we don't is that we simply do not have the time.

The one benefit of Phelps is that if I'm in an absolute hurry, which is 90 percent of the time, I can do dinner in 15 minutes. If I have to cook a decent meal for myself, I can expect to spend at least 45 minutes to an hour. And my cooking comes with the same guarantee of quality which Phelps offers.

Hence, our cottage has decided to take the following action. We are accepting applications for a cook (or hostess or maid or house-mom). She (or he—though I think the guys would prefer a lady—more trust in her abilities in front of the oven, I suppose) would do our shopping for us, make sure bread and sandwich materials (meats, cheese, Miracle Whip, etc.) and chips and drinking and what not were laid out for lunch. For breakfast, she would merely have to make sure she purchased Pop-Tarts, Fruit Loops and orange juice, which we could grab from the cupboard as we walked out the door.

Her largest responsibility would be to cook us a nice, hot meal for dinner each night. Nothing fancy—just what a nice normal family would do. Of course, we'd be eating at a variety of times depending upon individual schedules, but that could all be worked out.

The rational is thus. Each of the nine guys in my house is on the 15 meal plan. The cost per semester is $896 per person. For nine guys over the cost of the school year, this costs $16,110. If we weren't on the meal plan, that is how much money with which we would have to work. We would then take that money to pay for our own food and with the remaining money, pay our cook, maid, whatever. Undoubtedly, we could save money on the cost of food. With the above plan, we certainly could get by on less than seven: and a half dollars per day (the cost for a weekday lunch and dinner at Phelps) on average for food, especially by pooling our resources.

The benefit to us: almost home cooking. The benefit to our cook: a chance to make decent money for cooking six or seven meals and going shopping once each week.

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Poet Zimmer to read works

(HOPE) - Poet Paul Zimmer, who has read at close to 200 colleges and poetry centers across the U.S., will read in the Art Gallery of the DePree Art Center, tomorrow, Sept. 28, at 7 p.m.


Zimmer has recorded his poems for the Library of Congress and has been awarded Writing Fellowships from the National Endowment for the Arts in 1974 and 1981.


Zimmer's poems have been widely anthologized. He was from 1977 to 1997 the director of the University of Iowa Press and current president of the Iowa University Press.

Despite five often many, always human books over the past quarter century, Paul Zimmer remains one of the better-kept secrets of contemporary poetry. This is a mystery, for his intelligence, humor, warmth, whimsy, and genuine feeling make him one of the most accessible and universally appealing poets around," said "Booklist."

Zimmer, whose book can be purchased at the Hope-Geneva bookstore, appears under the sponsorship of OPUS, the college literary magazine, and the English Department. The reading is free and open to the public.

Comics get attention in film

(HEP) - The billion-dollar comic book industry will be the focus of the film "Comic Book Confidential," which opens at the Hope College Knickerbocker Theatre on Friday, Sept. 29.

"After more than 50 years, comic books are starting to get some attention," said Holland Mayor Phil Tanis, manager of the Knickerbocker Theatre. "Not only is the biggest film of the year, 'Batman,' based on a comic book character, but more adults are discovering that comics aren't just for kids anymore."

Through interviews with more than 30 artists, and examples of their work, "Comic Book Confidential" draws a picture of the history of adult comics in North America and highlights some of the best work being done today.

One of the artists featured is Frank Miller of "Batman" fame. Others include William M. Gaines of "Mad" magazine, Jack Kirby and Harvey Kurtzman.

"Comic Book Confidential" will run for one week only. Show times are 7 and 9:15 p.m. nightly, with matinees at 1 and 3:15 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 30. Ticket prices are $4 for adults and $3 for senior citizens and children.

The Knickerbocker Theatre, owned and operated by Hope College, is closed Sundays.

The Alarm's new album 'change' has edge on sound

The fifth album offered by the Scottish group The Alarm is entitled "change" and the name certainly fits. The change being new producer Tony Visconti who has taken the group's sound and given it much more of an edge.

The Alarm has always been known as a straight ahead rock n' roll band. Recently, however, they have been moving towards a more commercially accessible sound. The "Eye of the Hurricane" album even gave us a dance mix to the song "Rain in the Summertime." But on the "change" album, they seem to have taken a step back to the rough and raw sound of their first two albums "Declaration" and "Strength."

Ironically, this may make the band more accessible than they would have been, had they continued to refine their sound. Musically, "change" is the strongest album offering yet. The opening song on the album (and first single), "Sold Me Down the River" is the band's hardest rocking song to date. The song features a strong bass line and drum arrangement, which is something that has been lacking on the most recent Alarm offerings. "Sold Me Down the River" reverses this trend, and proves that the Alarm can rock with anyone.

Visconti also has turned loose Dave Sharp -- the band's guitarist -- and he delivers with some of the sharpest guitar riffs since the Cult's Billy Duffy. Sharp is at his best on the tracks "Devolution Workin' Man," "A Town Once Stood," "Frontiers," and "Sold Me Down the River."

One place the Alarm could be criticized in the past was for their somewhat easy sounding bass and rhythm lines. Though they still seem somewhat held back, Eddie Macdonald and drummer Twist offer their best material. Twist especially shines on the tracks "The Rock," and "Black Sun," as he finally seems to have been able to transfer the energy he has live into the studio.

Very few rock singers can match the vocal skills of Mike Peters. The man has a strong voice, and can deliver a song with more passion than most of today's vocalists. Peters' singing on this album rivals that of Bruce Springsteen. They acclamation "Joshua Tree" album.

After four musically strong, but not commercially successful albums, the Alarm appears ready for a breakthrough.

The new album "change" is, simply their best work to date, and the first single, "Sold Me Down the River," is already getting extensive air play on album rock stations.

The album is not perfect, however. The band at times seems to be trying to be U2 instead of the Alarm. The album's cover looks very much like U2's "Joshua Tree," and Sharp sometimes comes off sounding very much like U2's Edge. While this is all well and good, we've both seen and heard this all before.

The album's strongest track is "A New South Wales." Always a band with a conscience, the Alarm wrote this song about the state of affairs in their hometown, New South Wales, Scotland. Peters & Co. are frustrated with the treatment the town is receiving from the coal companies. Perhaps the strongest inclination of that come in the first refrain when the band sings "Great is the rape of the fair country/to Botany Bay for my great grandfathers/deportation sailed..." Great is the need for a New South Wales. "The song features the Welsh Symphony Orchestra and the Morriston Orpheus Male Voice Choir on background vocals. It's a gutsy arrangement, but it works, arguably making the song the best the Alarm has ever done.

Since the Alarm is a much better live band than in the studio, the question one should ask of any Alarm album is "What kind of concert material will it make?" While the best track on "change," "New South Wales," probably could not be done live, there are 13 other tracks on the album that will certainly yield some great concert material when the band hits the road this fall. Watch for them.
Sports

Foul weather causes severe damage at regatta

by Greta Kennedy
staff writer

Being cold is not one of the world's most comforting experiences. Combine that with being wet, and you'll know how the Hope Sailors felt as they sailed around Gull Lake during the Western Michigan Regatta last Saturday, September 23.

Fortunately, none of these harsh elements seemed to phase the sailors as they sailed some very difficult races.

Winds charging about at

ON THIN ICE

Stop laughing

BILL MEENGS

This week I'm going to be totally serious, no jokes, no smart-aleck attitude. This is just me, what I feel and what I believe. You see, last week two close friends of my family were killed when they were hit head on by a drunk driver, and I really don't think there is anything funny about it.

How long are we going to continue to tolerate these people who drink past their limits, and then feel they're in good shape enough to drive home? It's time something else is done, and we can start in the sports world.

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After every incident, Petr would say he had changed, but around 20 knots lent to quite a few mishaps during the races. Perhaps the most damaging one occurred when one University of Michigan sailor happened to sink the boat on which he was sailing. The boat was recovered and no injuries were incurred. As a result of this accident, coupled with two fallen masts and a ripped deck (same U of M sailor), the regatta was called off after only a few races.

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Look at Reggie Rodgers, the former number one draft choice and defensive end of the Detroit Lions. He was in an accident in which he was injured, and the people in the other car were killed. Rogers had been drinking, and he ran a red light. There was talk that the driver of the other car had been drinking too. For weeks afterwards, the sports pages ran stories expressing sorrow for what happened to Rogers. But what about the people he killed, shouldn't we feel sorry for them? Should we even feel sorry for Rogers? After all, he chose to drive; he chose to drive. Do you think those young people chose to get hit by him?

What about Bruce Kimball? Do you really think that those young people chose to get in the way of his speeding car?

What about all those beer advertisements on TV? Should we allow these? They often take retired sports heroes and put them into cute skits designed to sell the product. Many times they're funny, and I've laughed at them myself. But should we continue to allow them? I'm not sure myself, but one thing I am sure of is that I no longer think there's anything funny about alcohol. And it's high time that we take stronger steps to eliminate the problem of drunk driving. Maybe if we stop laughing at the drunk, and start being more responsible, a few lives could be saved.

Men's soccer loses in overtime

Hope lost an overtime decision to North Park College in Chicago 3-1. Hope's goal was scored by Scott Quoss. Hope is now 3-4 overall for the year.

Calvin wins golf tournament

Calvin College won the league's third tournament with 406 strokes. Hope was one stroke behind at 406, but they held a 32 stroke lead over the rest of the field with four rounds remaining. Hope sophomore Dave Edmunds was runner-up at last Saturday's tournament held in Alma.

Field hockey splits two, 3-0, 0-3, with Kentucky schools

Hope gained a split with two teams from Kentucky. Hope blanked Central College 3-0, but lost to Bellarmine College by the same 3-0 margin. Sue Spring (2) and Cindy Phelps (1) had the Hope goals.

Volleyball loses first match

Hope lost its first match of the year, losing in the quarterfinals of the Illinois Benedictine College Tournament at Lisle, Ill. Hope won their first three matches to extend to 15 their season-opening win streak, but they were then eliminated by the University of Wisconsin at Osh-Kosh by the score of 15-4, 16-16.

Women's soccer remains undefeated with weekend wins

WOMEN'S SOCCER

Hope remains undefeated in MIAA play with a 1-0 win over Alma Saturday. Kamal Perkins got the lone Hope goal. Hope held Alma to only four shots on goal, while racking up 26 for themselves. Hope's overall mark now stands at 3-1.
Flying Dutch beat Denison 17-14 in 300th win

by Bill Meengs
sports editor

Hope College earned their first win of this football season and their 300th of all time, with a 17-14 defeat of Denison University last Saturday at Holland Municipal Stadium.

Hope had been mired in a five game losing streak. This streak, which dated back to last year, was the longest by a Hope football team since the 1961 and 1962 seasons. But Hope used strong defense and all-around good team play to snap the losing streak and possibly build some momentum heading into the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association (MIAA) conference schedule.

Denison had been undefeated going into the game, having defeated Waynesburg, Pa., 17-0 and Mt. Union of Ohio 24-21. Hope, on the other hand, was 0-2, having lost two close games 20-13 to DePauw and 12-6 to Michigan Tech.

Strong performances by senior defensive back Tim Lamie and junior Jim Myers on defense, and strong running by senior back Chris Duryee, helped get Hope into the winner's bracket.

Duryee rushed for 139 yards on 23 carries and had a 38 yard run for a touchdown. Lamie had many strong defensive plays and provided strong leadership for the defense. Meyers scored a touchdown by recovering a blocked punt in the endzone.

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