President Bultman speaks regarding GSA

Matt Cook

James Bultman, Hope College president, spoke about the Gay Straight Alliance (GSA), Thursday night on Anchor 6 news. Hope's student news show.

As reported in the Anchor two weeks ago, the GSA was not allowed to meet on campus.

When asked about it, Bultman said that the decision not to allow the GSA to meet came from an earlier decision to deny the group official status. Without official recognition, groups are not allowed to reserve rooms or advertise on campus.

"That was a decision that I had personally supported publicly," Bultman said.

Bultman said that: "The college adheres to the same view on homosexuality as the Reformed Church in America. 'The RCA and the college believe (homosexuality) is contrary to God's plan for human sexuality and contrary to the teaching of scripture," Bultman said.

In an interview with the Anchor, Jeff Howard ('02), GSA president, refuted that is the RCA viewpoint, citing a 1994 statement from the General Secretary of the RCA stating that the RCA is 'committed to dialogue' on the issue.

In his TV comments, Bultman made a distinction between homosexual behavior and homosexual students. Bultman said he cares for homosexual students, but does not want the college to support homosexual behavior.

"The college does not officially recognize or financially support those groups or associations that include advocacy or legitimacy of homosexual practice," Bultman said.

Howard maintained that the mission of the GSA is not advocacy.

"We're not a sex-ed group, we're not an advocacy group, we're an educational group," Howard said. "Whatever stand you want to take on it is completely fine with the group. If we were an advocacy group, we wouldn't be willing to let people in with the viewpoint that homosexuality is a sin."

Bultman is in the final stages of putting together a task force to decide how the campus should further confront the issue.

"I hope the Gay Straight Alliance will gain this group the opportunity to do their work," Bultman said.

Howard agrees that the task force is a good idea.

"I'm actually looking forward to the task force and to giving suggestions," Howard said. "It's a step in the right direction."

However, Howard does not believe the task force should take the place of the GSA.

"There's no student input on this group," Howard said. "It's not a discussion group."
The focus groups will discuss a variety of environmentally related topics.

"Topics include environmental racism, literary environmentalism, urban development, how to work with different groups of people, and politics and the environment," said Bodenbender.

Related events include a concert sponsored by SAC, a seminar, and the San Francisco Mime Troop.

"We hope to bring attention to this issue and to encourage students to get involved with this cause," Bodenbender said.

The Critical Issues Symposium took the topic in its environmental issues for ten years ago. In 1991, we saw the environment suffering under the strain of our collective success. Through the enactment of legislation and the efforts of thousands of activists, the environment today is much better than it was ten years ago. Still, unless we do something to curb our national appetite for cars, new homes, recreation and industrial development, the environment will suffer irremediable harm in the years ahead," said Gonzalez.

"The quality of the environment will have a lasting effect amongst those who attend. We want to create a sense of hope for the future," Gonzales said.

"We want students to come away with an understanding of the idea encapsulated in the subtitle of the symposium, ‘daily decisions, environmental echoes.’ We want students to realize that commonplace decisions we make on how we live our lives have consequences for the environment," Bodenbender said.

The group added a note regarding the negative commentary that can be associated with events like Take Back the Night.

"There have been no negative comments yet this year. There are always people who are threatened by things like this, which I don’t understand. This is not about men-hating," Gazda said. "We have experienced negative aspects in years past. We would like people to respect us like we respect other student organizations.

The George Mason University Sexual Assault Services compiled rape and assault statistics from many sources. They found that every 21 hours, there is a rape on a college campus (USA Today). A survey of more than 6,000 college students found that 42% of women students reported some form of sexual assault, including forcible sexual contact, attempted rape and completed rape (Koss and Harvey)."
Is Hope a Christian college?

The third and final part in the series investigates the Christian commitment required of potential tenure track professors.

Jane Bast

**Editor's Note** Since 1984, Hope College has realized its commitment to hiring Christian professors. Under the leadership of then President Gordon Van Wylen, and with the input of the Board of Trustees, the decision was made to emphasize the importance of a professor's Christian faith as part of the hiring criteria.

"We have guidelines that we've followed since 1984," said Nancy Miller, interim Provost of Hope College. "Those guidelines list several criteria, including a commitment to the historic Christian faith. We've tried very hard to hire Christians for the past 25 years."

The list of requirements for professors includes effective teaching, evidence of scholarship, the ability to advance as a professional, the ability to contribute to multi-culturalism, a commitment to the goals of the liberal arts education, an integrated outlook on their discipline and a commitment to the historic Christian faith.

"We're looking for all of these things," Miller said. "Some candidates will be stronger in some fields than in others. But they must have all the requirements or else they do a disservice to the students."

When a department wishes to hire a new professor, it goes through a series of steps. First, it asks the provost and deans to permission to search for possible applicants. Then, it writes a job description which it submits to the dean, who then begins to advertise. When a potential professor reads job descriptions on the Hope College website, he or she will see the following statement:

"[Candidates must have] the ability to combine excellence in classroom teaching with scholarship, other appropriate professional activity, and commitment to the character and goals of a liberal arts education within a Christian perspective."

The chair of the department receives all the applications for the position and reviews them with a departmental committee in order to select the best possible candidates. Sometimes we establish additional criteria or guidelines for a department," Miller said. "One goal may be to increase the number of women and minorities within a department."

Once a department reduces the field to what Miller calls a "short list," a list of 5 to 10 applicants, the dean will either approve the list or tell the department to keep looking. Ultimately, we bring three applicants to campus," Miller said.

By the time a candidate makes it to Hope's campus for a visit, they have already had several conversations on the nature of the college.

"Once a person comes to campus, they have a lot invested in the job," Miller said. "We want them to be absolutely sure that Hope is a Christian school. We don't want anyone to have false ideas about Hope."

Miller personally calls candidates to talk to them about Hope's Christian character. They talk about the wide spectrum of Christian colleges and how Hope fits into that spectrum," Miller said. "I try to demonstrate that Hope walks a fine line between those schools that don't care about their Christian heritage and those that put it before academics."

Miller has the difficult job of having to probe into an applicant's spiritual life without being offensive.

"I want to know if candidates are excited about Hope's Christian commitment or just willing to put up with it," Miller said. "I have to try to understand whether candidates are in their journey. I try to affirm them for who they are."

While aspiring professors to be committed Christians may limit the application pool, Miller feels that it is important for potential professors to know what they are getting into.

"The more criteria you have, the narrower your funnel is," Miller said. "But we want candidates to be able to contribute in all areas of the college. They have to like this place and want to be here."

Miller feels that having a Christian faculty is important to maintaining the mission of the college. Before I hired a department, there one that would have a difficult status to maintain. If we value the Christian character of our school, then our faculty need to have a mature understanding of and commitment to the Christian faith."

Jane Bast

When Lou Gehrig discovered he had ALS, he decided to quit baseball.

"He ended his legendary career with a graceful appeal to his fans at Yankee Stadium. He stood in front of the roaring crowd, with tears in his eyes, and announced that even though illness forced him to say goodbye to the thing that had defined his adult life, he was still the luckiest man on the face of the earth."

With Lou Gehrig as his inspiration, I announce my retirement from the Anchor. After fall break, I'm done. I think the similarities between Lou and me are pretty strong. He suffered from Lou Gehrig's disease, a nerve disorder that slowly robs you of your life. I suffer from Jane Bast disease, a burnout related nervous disorder that slowly robs you of your will to live. Lou Gehrig had one of the most distinguished careers in baseball—he has the record for the second most consecutive starts and games. I hold the Anchor record for the second most consecutive farts (after former infaus editor Dan Lamers).

Lou Gehrig was surrounded by an outstanding collection of teammates, people like Babe Ruth. I'm surrounded by an outstanding collection of editors who enjoy eating Baby Ruths.

But the closest similarity between the two of us is that we both decided to quit while we were at the top of our game.

The Anchor defined the first two years of my college career. When I came to Hope, the Anchor stuck me in, befriended me, and gave me a way to express myself. The Anchor gave me an inside view on the life of the college. It's allowed me to meet professors, administrators and students that I never would have met otherwise.

But when any great activity, it can take over your life if you're not careful. The Anchor staff spends about 16 hours a week on the newspaper. That's the same amount of time as a four credit class—only Anchor employees don't receive any class credit. Anchor staff members get, on average, $13 a week for their work. That works out to about 30 cents an hour. The Anchor is a labor of love. That's why it's hard to remember that the Anchor is only an extracurricular activity.

Sometimes I feel like Max Fisher, a character from the movie "Rushmore." Max Fisher and participates in just about every extracurricular activity imaginable, but fails all of his classes. When an extracurricular activity becomes your life, learning becomes an extra circular activity—this is the reason I'm done. I need to realize that I love learning more than I love the Anchor. I love walking into a class empty, headed, and leaving it an hour later with my mind full. I see the presence of God in the faces of professors who challenge me to expand my limits my understanding.

Learning is the best way I know how to worship. It's my way of thanking God for giving me a brain.

The Anchor gave me a two wonderful years. I'm thankful to be able to leave it such good terms with my memories and friendships intact. I'm grateful to all the people who read and appreciated my writing. But I'm looking forward to having more time for my education. I feel like the luckiest woman on the face of the earth.

More RESPONSE on 10

**Jane Bast**
Collin, which is so hung up on its appearance, is sending out the message that it is the greatest nation ever, then why are we quickly raping all the seeds we have sown. So I can't say I am surprised at both the reactions of the government and a grand majority of U.S. citizens. The violence portrayed in our media is a reflection of a very real culture of violence, that breeds gun-toting school children and the like. And we are all under the leadership of a commander-in-chief who preaches that violence is the only acceptable plan. When we are the target, the violence is deplorable. When the ground attacked is precious U.S. soil, it is obscene. How can we make any justification for reacting in the same violent ways?

Rachel Gazda ('02)

US is greatest country, says student

To the editor:

We are now at a point when America should take decisive action in response to these terrorist attacks. Contrary to popular opinion in modern academia, these people do understand the kind of words; violence is how they communicate. We must attack and destroy governments like the Taliban that have no concept of human rights. They killed homosexuals. They don’t allow women to learn how to read. They imprison or kill any dissenters. We must reach out to the oppressed people of these lands and tell them that we are on their side—that we want to set them free. As the greatest democracy in the world it is our duty.

No such time fell you like you were being “pariotic” by pointing out the impenetrable facts from our past, I ask you to drive around the city of Holland and witness the patriotism, I ask you to sit down and watch a football game, to visit a shopping mall; to read accounts of the bravely shown by the firefighters in NY and DC. Microcosms of our greatness abound everywhere you look. After doing so, then tell me we’re not the greatest democracy in the history of the world.

Eric Ringnalds ('02)

Hope generosity lauded

To the editor:

We would like to thank the Hope College Community for their generosity towards the victims of the September 11th tragedy. As a campus, we have collected $1397.35 for International Aid to give to the victims and their families. It is truly wonderful to know that Hope is able to pull together and help out during our country’s time of need. Hope College should be very proud of their efforts.

With Appreciation:

Lori Brown ('02)
Jennifer Jury ('02)
Matt Scogin ('02)
Colleen Evans ('03), Volunteer Services and Student Congress
The thrill of victory
‘04 wins the 104th pull

Grip: Tim Kolnytis ('04) stays strong on the rope. Moraler Dina Vathanaphone ('04) watches the coach for all the call sets.

Celebrate: ‘04 congratulates each other after a long difficult Pull.

Down the Line: A look from the anchor pit on the even year side.

Dance: ‘04 kicks up water during the traditional victory swim in the black river.
SOLID: Todd Neckers ('04) grips the rope as moraler Emily Blake ('04) keeps him going.

ROLLIN' ON A RIVER: The Knickerbocker Fraternity continues their own tradition of watching the pull from a raft in the middle of the Black River.

FIRST IN LINE: Travis Ruch ('05), the odd year pit #1, holds on to the rope with all his might.
**REEL IT IN:** Even year takes in the Pull rope as is tradition for the winning team.

**ANCHORED:** Jared Gall ('05), odd year anchor, screams as odd year heaves.

**STRAIN:** Tony Cappa ('03), the odd year coach, gives the strain call, signaling the team to ready for an even year heave.

**ROAR:** Josh Fosberger ('04) screams in the middle of a heave as moraler Katie LaMonica ('04) cheers on.
...the agony of defeat

Erica Heeg
Staff Reporter

Although they lost, '05 pullers don't see themselves as losers.

As long as they live, it is not likely that the '05 Pull team will ever forget last Saturday. While the events of the day may not have gone exactly as they wished, the experience was in no way a loss for them.

"It was so worth it. The whole experience was amazing. It was about being part of a family," said moraler Katie Fields ('05).

Many of the pullers felt the same way.

"We did everything we could. We did odd year proud. We never gave up," said Matt Chatelain ('05).

After three weeks of practices and the absolutely exhausting three hour Pull on Saturday, the team, consisting of forty freshman men and women, had gone through a lot of pain together.

"You did something special, something no one can, or ever will take away from you," shouted an '05 coach at the end of the event. "You did yourselves and odd year proud. Hold your heads high."

Saturday probably did not mark the end of '04's pulling days. Many of them will come back next year to avenge their loss. Both Fields and Chatelain were ready to do it all over again.

"I feel a very strong desire to go back next year and beat even year," Fields said.

Reflections of a first time Pull fan

Even before coming to Hope this year as a freshman, I'd heard a lot about the Pull. From my understanding, it was an annual tug-o-war across a river between the freshman and sophomore class. Anyone could participate in it, it didn't last long, and whoever pulled the other side into the river first, won.

As I walked out to the site on Saturday, I could hear all this screaming. I was afraid that the whole thing might be over. It wasn't. I got up close to the '05 anchor. I stood there watching him for at least half an hour. I was horrified. I actually had to step away because I thought I was going to get sick just looking at him. I kept thinking why would you ever put yourself through this? These people are crazy!

But as the Pull progressed, I became intrigued by the encouragement that was going on between the pullers. The guys down the rope were constantly checking up on the anchor. I couldn't imagine thinking of anyone but yourself at a time like that.

Luckily, I was able to talk to some of the folks in the community who came out to watch. They were all so proud of the pullers and moralers and the tradition that they were upholding.

But, it wasn't until it was all over that I finally started to grasp what Pull is really all about. It isn't really about winning or losing, it isn't about pulling on a rope for three hours, and it isn't about upholding a tradition. As the '05 team and coaches huddled around the anchor at the finish, it made sense. It's about being part of a family and working together through blood, sweat, tears and hell to accomplish something. It's about not giving up.

When I was able to talk to a few members of the team at the end, I kept hearing the same words. All of that work was worth it. My team is so amazing. I am ready in a second to do it again. I am proud. These are not the words of a defeated team. I left the Pull site with a totally different perspective than when I first arrived. I left with an enormous respect for my fellow classmates who had participated in this great event.

STOICISM: Patrick Nolan ('05) shows little emotion as he fights for rope. His moraler, Melissa Pikaart ('05), looks on.
Artist to give introduction for Hope’s 21st symposium

Beth Lomasney
Arts Editor

This year the Critical Issues Symposium, “Earth Matters: Daily Decisions, Environmental Echoes,” will wrap up with a creative flair. Performance artist Jon Curmano will perform a piece titled, “Mack Minnow, the Gill Boy,” on Thursday, September 27, at 8 p.m. in the DeVos Center for Arts and Fitness. The piece has resulted from Curmano’s experience of swimming the length of the Mississippi River, a 2,367 mile journey from the source of the river to the Gulf of Mexico.

Curmano sees his swim as an environmental statement. “With the environment in general, pollution has been a subject in changes such as the deforested frog,” Curmano said. “The Mack Minnow concept came out of my time spent in the water, and the transformative metamorphosis that resulted from the swim.” A video portion off the piece comes directly from Curmano’s swim. The entire show contains musical, visual, and dramatic aspects. “It will be a full blown performance,” Curmano said.

Although the Critical Issues Symposium, (CIS), runs October 2-3, the topics will be addressed in events outside of the two days. Curmano’s works will also be featured in an exhibit at Holland Area Arts Council from Friday, September 28, through Wednesday, October 10.

Curmano supports his performance will be unlike other things Hope students may have already seen. “It has an adventure side to it,” Curmano said. “They will be able to get a handle of what my swim was like.”

The public is invited to the Thursday performance, and admission is free. Call 395-7893 for more CIS events.

Opus taking student submissions

Maureen Yonovitz
Staff Reporter

The time has come once again for student writers, artists, and photographers to put their work in print in Hope’s literary magazine, Opus. Editor in chief Christina VanRegenmorter ’03 is looking forward to the upcoming year. “I’m very excited to be the Editor in Chief of Opus this year. We have a large and dedicated staff already, and I can’t wait to get started,” VanRegenmorter said.

The tri-yearly published magazine is currently accepting submissions for its fall issue. Monday, October 15 is the final due date, but students are encouraged to miss the October deadline.

Submissions may be handed into the boxes in the English Department, or sent via email. Email submissions are asked to be sent in a Microsoft Word attachment to opus@hope.edu. All printed submissions should be in Times New Roman, 12-point font. Larger, three-dimensional pieces may be photographed and returned right away.

Required information includes name, title of artwork (or first line), and contact information. Typically, there are more poetry submissions than anything else, but visual artists are strongly encouraged to submit. There are no requirements for pieces to be considered, and anyone is allowed to submit.

“While it’s [Opus]’ foot in the English department fosters the skills of English majors to write, produce, and publish, it also gives students from all walks and majors a chance to share and appreciate the work of their fellow student,” said Josiah Dykstra, Opus staff member. Students are also encouraged to take advantage of Opus sponsored events, including the Opus Artscapes, which are gatherings welcoming singers, readers, performers, or anyone who wants to observe. Recording your guitar, your handmade lyrics, your aria from voice class, your brand new poem, your short story from 8th grade. It’s time for those students who want to share art to get together,” VanRegenmorter said.

For more information regarding Opus events or the Opus literary magazine, be sure to check out the bulletin board on the first floor of Lubbers Hall.

WHAT’S UP?

Hope Happenings:

Visiting Writers Series
9/26 free admission, 7 p.m.
Knick Theater

Jazz Chamber Ensemble introduces CIS
10/2-6, 6-6:45 p.m.
Dimnent Chapel

Vanderploeg auditions
9/26, 10-11:30 p.m., Wickers Aud.

The Years,” Hope Theater Fri., Sat. 9/28-29, Wed., Thurs. 10/5-4, Wed., Thurs. 10/10-13
DeWitt Studio Theater

Symphonette concert
9/28 free admission, 8 p.m.
Norton Community Center

Erik Muiderman concert
10/2 free admission, 10 p.m.
Knick Theater

Out & About:

Broadway Theater Guild “Swing” 9/25-30, DeVos Hall

DANCE: Grand Rapids’ newest dance club, Friday, 9 p.m.-2 a.m. 616-752-8159

Comedy Den, Grand Rapids Fri., Sat. 8 & 10:30 p.m. 616-949-9322

44th St. Village Inn Karaoke Thurs., Fri., Sat., 9:30-1:30 a.m. singers must be 21 and over

GVUS Shakespeare Festival “The Tempest,” 9/28-30, 10/5-7 $10-$55 students, $3-$20 groups

Writer’s Exchange, Barnes & Noble 7 p.m., free (bring samples)

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A new addition to the Hope College campus this year are two frisbee golf warning signs on either side of De Witt. As a service to you, the Anchor will be keeping a running tally of how many times these signs were either stolen or vandalized.

**NYKERK!!!**

Freshman and sophomore men! Do you want to make a group of girls love you? Do you want free food? If you answered yes to either of these questions, the come to the Nykerk Men's Rally at Phelps Cafeteria on September 30th at 7:00 p.m.!

Two ducks are swimming in a pond. One duck looks at the other, and says, "Fetch me the soap." To which the other duck replies, "What do I look like? Your Typewriter?"

Babysitter needed in my home 2 afternoons per week from 2:30 till 5:30. Call Stephanie if interested. 335-5210

Boy in the third row- When I talk to you, it's better than reading Emmanuel Kant in the original German. I also think you are cute. -Girl in the fourth row

Taras- Now that I have my relationship with God sorted out, I think we can start seeing each other again. How about the SAC movie on Saturday? -Steve

Anchor staff- Please turn off the waver before you leave the office.

Tooth Fairy

**Before they were big, they were on WTHS.**

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**RESPONSE from 3**

Christian and take the easy route by turning ourselves into a survivalist camp," Ridl said. "Were we a Christian college, we'd say to those who would challenge our welcoming faculty of other humane faiths and ways, "That's exactly why we are a Christian college."

Baer believes that the losses that Hope would incur great losses if its hiring policy did not include the aspect of Christian belief. According to Baer, Hope could not last as a Christian college unless it had Christian professors.

"It is pretty clear from the history of American higher education that within less than a generation, Hope would cease being a Christian college," Baer said.

**Where have you been?**

The Anchor meetings are on Wednesday at 9 p.m. and Sunday at 6 p.m. in the Anchor office.
Men's Soccer wins in OT over Calvin

Bryant Loomis ('03) scores game winning goal in overtime to defeat rival Calvin

John Rodstrom

Saturday's men's soccer match between archrivals Hope College and Calvin College is best summed up by the words of a fan who witnessed the event.

"That was an action packed thriller," said Brian Mulder ('05).

The Flying Dutchmen (7-0-1 MIAA) beat the Knights (3-3-2, 1-1-0 MIAA) in sudden death overtime. Hope player Bryant Loomis ('03) scored the game winning goal nine minutes into overtime.

"All I have to say is that the credit goes to the team. We got our possession game back today, which is what we wanted to do and I thought we were a stronger squad and fans. The noise those guys are bringing to the game and the enthusiasm, I think really brought us together as a team and every-" said Steve Smith, Hope College's head men's soccer coach.

The Flying Dutchmen also benefited from some exceptional fan support, particularly the "JAC" crew, an avid group of former players and fans.

"The home field advantage is awesome, they definitely make the game ten times more fun, and bring that emotion the game needs." said Coach Smith.

The Flying Dutchmen's next home game is Saturday at 1:30 p.m. against Olivet College. All are welcome to come out or two early to barbecue with the "JAC" crew.

V-Ball defeats Calvin

John Rodstrom

Nothing is bigger than the Hope-Calvin game. Nothing, except when both Hope College and Calvin College come into the match unde-feated. The Hope College women's volleyball team soundly defeated Calvin, 22-30, 30-25, 30-22, and 27-30 in the MIAA championship race.

Coach Maureen Dunn turned from maternity leave to lead the Dutch to victory.

"We're really happy with the way we played. We came out slow in the first game, but they got confident and aggressive and played well for the next three games. I was really pleased," Dunn said.

The players were also very happy with the team's play.

"I thought we played awesomely. I was just really happy with the way that we played together as a team and everyone stepped up," said Kara VanAssen. Hope team member.

After falling behind and struggling in the first match, the Dutch rallied to victory in the next three games as several players stepped up their level of play.

"Kara VanAssen had some kills that really got players pumped up, she really did a nice job," Dunn said. "She's a very strong, aggressive, very motivated player."

Amy Brower led the Dutch with 13 kills, 14 digs and four service aces. Martha Ludens had 12 kills while Katie Hall finished with 12 digs and setter McKenna Troyan chalked up 37 assists.

"Our goal is to win the MIAA and we also want to host the MIAA tournament that makes a big difference. The home court advantage is good for us," Dunn said.

The victory over Calvin was not just about winning the MIAA, it was about defeating an arch-rival.

"It's a huge rivalry, that's all I can say. As the years go on it just gets bigger," VanAssen said. "Upper classmen understand it more, and to beat Calvin, it's awesome."

The Dutch scored their fifth victory in a row later in the day against Cornerstone in an intense non-league match, 30-27, 27-30, 30-25, 28-30, 16-14. The win improved Hope's record to 5-0 in the MIAA, and 8-6 overall.

The Flying Dutch will host Saint Mary's Thursday at 7:00 p.m. in the Dow.
Hope Cross-Country women finish second; men third.

Andy Volk

This was the first time the cross-country runners had a chance to attack the new course layout at Buys Fields. The seven other teams competing at the Jamboree included Calvin, Adrian, Albion, Alma, St. Mary’s, Kalamazoo, and Olivet. Taking first place in both the women’s and men’s events were the Calvin Knights. The Flying Dutch filled the runner-up position after their long break from competitive running.

“I felt that our women’s pack ran well but were a little flat by not racing last weekend. It was nice to have Martha Graham back with us to lead the charge,” said Mark Northuis, cross-country head coach.

Top finishers for Hope women and men’s events were the Hope Cross Country team finished second place behind Calvin in the MIAA Jamboree on Saturday at Hope College.

Hope Cross-Country team and coaches were most impressed by the performance of senior Mike Doorna (’04), finishing at the 20:31 mark.

“I’m just happy with how everyone on the team pulled together and they all worked very hard. Conditions weren’t the best today, but they all showed effort,” said Graham (’04).

The men turned in an impressive third place performance in the 8k race. The top male runners this weekend for Hope all posted times under the 28min mark.

Dylan Wade (’02), team co-captain, finished with a solid time of 26:17, placing him third out of the eighty-six runners in Saturday’s event. Dane Splinter (’02), co-captain, crossed the line at the 27:49 mark, placing him in the 17th position.

“Our Captains, Dylan Wade and Dane Splinter, led by example and raced his best collegiate race to finish third,” Northuis said.

Weather and course conditions both seem to have played a mixed role in the results the runners posted. With the temperature being a bit warmer than forecasted, the runners reacted to that in many different ways.

“Conditions were a bit warm and very wet in areas. It usually takes around a half-hour to fully recover from the race in this heat,” said Leticia Grandia (’03) of Hope.

Though the temperature was very disorienting to the new location of running may have benefited the runners more so than last year’s course at Van Raalte Farms.

“Combined with the humidity, the racing conditions turned tough for the men’s race. If we had been on our normal course (Van Raalte Farm) it would have been very tough because of how the trails are carved through the fields. Buying tickets for some in the crowd to cool the runners,” Northuis said.

In Augustana, the next meet for Hope Cross-Country will be a division 3 invitational this Friday at 5:00 p.m.

PHOTO BY ROB ONDRA

RUNNING WILD: The women’s cross country team finished second place behind Calvin in the MIAA Jamboree on Saturday at Hope College.

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“Conditions were a bit warm and very wet in areas. It usually takes around a half-hour to fully recover from the race in this heat,” said Leticia Grandia (’03) of Hope.

Though the temperature was very disorienting to the new location of running may have benefited the runners more so than last year’s course at Van Raalte Farms.

“Combined with the humidity, the racing conditions turned tough for the men’s race. If we had been on our normal course (Van Raalte Farm) it would have been very tough because of how the trails are carved through the fields. Buying tickets for some in the crowd to cool the runners,” Northuis said.

In Augustana, the next meet for Hope Cross-Country will be a division 3 invitational this Friday at 5:00 p.m.

RUNNING MAN: Dylan Wade (’02) runs to a third place finish in the CC meet on Saturday with a time of 26:17.

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ANCHOR ALL-STAR

Mike Gle

Mike Gle (‘02) caught 4 touchdown passes as the Flying Dutchmen defeated Wheaton 33-26 on Saturday. He finished the game with 8 catches for 160 yards. His touchdowns were from 10, 27, 67, and 11 yards. Gle now has 18 touchdowns in his career, a Hope College record.