SAC Wins Award

The Social Activities Committee at Hope College, has again won the “Excellence in Programming Award” from the Mid America Region of the National Association for Campus Activities. Hope was also recognized in 2002 and 2004.

Criterias for the evaluation included effective use of resources, promotion of the program to students, student involvement in planning and implementation, clarity and achievement of the program’s goals, and effective program evaluation.

The award recognizes SAC for its 2005-06 programming year, when the directors of SAC were Jenny Shuck ('06), Kristi Orange ('07) and Ryan Lincoln ('07).

CIS Topic: Immigration

The 2007 Critical Issues Symposium will examine immigration.

“It is often noted that we are a nation of immigrants, yet there are few issues which divide us more than immigration. Recent figures suggest that more than 11 million illegal residents are in the U.S.; more than 200,000 are now residing in Michigan,” said Derek Emerson and Alfredo Gonzalez, CIS 2007 co-chairs.

Do we have an obligation to people wanting to be part of the U.S.? Do our porous borders allow terrorists to enter and harm this country? Can our nation’s health care and educational systems provide for the needs of this rapidly growing population? Will immigrants take jobs from current residents? Do other countries bear responsibility for illegal residents in the U.S.? Should we be building a wall between the U.S. and Mexico? How do our policies affect our relations with other nations?

The 25th CIS is Oct. 2 and 3, 2007. Look for detailed information before the end of April.

Shoeboxes Spread Gifts, Gospel

Emily Westrate

Christmas is quickly approaching, and Hope students can find many ways to help brighten the holidays for others. In conjunction with Samaritan’s Purse, Campus Ministries and Volunteer Services are involving Hope’s campus in Operation Christmas Child.

The premise is simple. Students can pick up a shoebox at the Student Union Desk, the Keppel House or Dimnent Chapel. Another option is to buy a small plastic container, so the child can keep that as well. The participant chooses whether the gift will be for a boy or a girl and selects an age group of 2 to 4, 4 to 9 or 10 to 14 years old. Boxes can be filled with school supplies, hygiene items and various toys. A personal note or letter can be included as well, sometimes spurring a response from the child.

Hope has been involved with Operation Christmas Child for nearly 10 years. Each year, students turn in an average of 500 boxes, with a record high of 700 boxes. A higher goal was set for this year’s collection.

“We are hoping to be able to collect 800 boxes,” Barb Oshburn of Campus Ministries said. These boxes will be brought to Grand Rapids to be collected by Samaritan’s Purse and dispensed throughout the world. According to their website, more than 7.6 million boxes were distributed to more than 95 countries last year.

“This donation is something that is doable for students. It’s more fun than simply giving money,” Oshburn said. “It also allows students to have a piece of Christmas, even though they’re not at home.”

Not only do the children receive unique gifts, but also included in the shoeboxes are messages of the Gospel. The gifts are distributed through a local church and the message is written in the child’s language.

“It’s not just a handout of a gift. It serves the local church as well as the families,” Oshburn said. The due date for returning the filled boxes is Nov. 15.

WINTER HOPE — Mulay Kefene ('07) and Vidhan Rana ('08) perform a traditional dance from Nepal during Images Saturday.
Supreme Court hears abortion cases

The Supreme Court hears two cases this term, Gonzales v. Carhart and Gonzales v. Planned Parenthood, which deal with the constitutionality of a federal ban on late-term abortions, also known as partial-birth abortions.

“They’re essentially a replay of a case in 1999 when the court struck down a state ban on partial-birth abortions,” said David Ryden, the political science department chair. The Supreme Court’s 5-4 decision in this case was made on the grounds that the ban was “unduly burdensome.” In other words, for this case, there was no exception in the ban for the health of the mother. The current cases deal with a similar statute, but it is a federal ban instead of a state ban.

“These cases are held on the same grounds,” Ryden said. “There is no exception (in the ban) for the health of the mother.” In Ryden’s opinion, the Supreme Court could rule one of two ways. In the first possibility, the Supreme Court could follow the precedent set by the previous case, that the ban on partial-birth abortions is unconstitutional because it is “unduly burdensome” to the mother.

In the second possibility, the Supreme Court could strike down the precedent, reversing the 5-4 decision made in 1999. This is a possibility, said Ryden, because of changes in the members of the Supreme Court between then and now. Chief Justice John Roberts is likely to vote to uphold the ban, which is how his predecessor, former Chief Justice William Rehnquist, voted in 1999. However, Samuel Alito, the other new Justice on the Supreme Court, is thought to be more conservative than his predecessor, Sandra Day O’Connor. He could potentially reverse the 1999 ruling on partial-birth abortions, making the Supreme Court’s decision 5-4 in the opposite direction.

According to Ryden, “Conservative justices are more supportive of precedent,” and could therefore feel bound by the six-year-old ruling, and the ruling could remain the same, with the court declaring the federal ban on partial-birth abortions unconstitutional. A ruling on this matter is expected before July.

Mexico City passes gay union law

Mexico City’s assembly passed a law on Nov. 10 recognizing same-sex civil unions. The new law grants Mexico City’s gay couples, who register their union with civil authorities, access to some of the social benefits extended to heterosexual couples. The law, which still needs the mayor’s approval, also allows unmarried heterosexual couples to register for benefits.

The law does not allow adoption by same-sex couples, and further federal reforms would be needed to allow the extension of public health and pension benefits.

The bill was approved by a vote of 43 to 17. It was backed by the left-leaning Democratic Revolutionary Party (PRD) party, which controls the city’s legislative assembly and was opposed by the more conservative National Action Party and the Catholic Church.

Martí Barrés, the leader of PRD in Mexico City, described the move as a first step which could lead to a national debate on same-sex unions and similar legislation being approved in other parts of the country.

While the Mexican officials cast their ballots, opponents and supporters both demonstrated just outside the assembly building. David Sanchez, an openly gay congressman, welcomed the bill. “These reforms are going to cause a snowball effect that no one will be able to stop,” he said.

Alejandro Encinas, the mayor of Mexico City, is expected to ratify the law. Gay civil unions have yet to be approved by local legislators in any other part of Mexico. If the mayor approves the law, Mexico City will join Buenos Aires, Argentina and Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil as one of the only places in Latin America that recognizes same-sex unions.

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**Dance concert features student work**

*Ballet Club*

**Courtney Roberts**

**Arts Editor**

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**Ballerina Boogie — Ballet Club members jazz it up in rehearsal for next week’s Student Dance Concert.**

*Arlo Elami*  *Staff Writer*

The DePree Art Center is exhibiting drawings by children from the Darfur region of the Sudan, where according to the BBC News some 200,000 people have died and two million made homeless as the result of genocide since the war began.

The exhibit, which runs through Nov. 17, is being coordinated by the Holland Peacemakers, a group headed by Pam Nordhoff.

“We learned of the availability of the exhibit and contacted Professor William Mayer,” Nordhoff said. “He was gracious in allowing us to use the DePree Art Center to showcase it. He provided the expertise in hanging it for best effect.”

The drawings were made in 2004, yet the terrors of the conflict continued to this day.

“People think of war as being fought by armies,” Nordhoff said. “Soldiers die and are wounded. They often overlook the fact that children also suffer and will carry the trauma for years. Their lives are interrupted in the most horrible way.”

“These drawings will remind people of this fact better than any words can convey,” Nordhoff said. When asked about the message she hoped the drawings would bring, Nordhoff responded, “There is futility in using war to solve political problems. This war is especially futile as it is targeting civilians. War has a devastating effect on the lives of children and we should all work to end it.”

People are encouraged to visit www.africaaction.org to find out what they can do to help.
Naoki Miyakawa
Short Writings

In celebration of culinary diversity, the Asian Food Festival and International Food Festival were held in Phelps Dining Hall on Nov. 8 and 11. Held annually, the meals are typically hosted during different months. Dining Services usually collaborates with students to develop the menu and purchase authentic ingredients for each recipe. This fall, however, both of the food festivals were scheduled to occur in the same week, costing the culinary staff essential time and funding. By budgeting the meals modestly and coordinating the menu solo, the Hope College Food Service Center brought flavors from around the world to Phelps Dining Hall.

At the Asian Food Festival on Nov. 8 mostly Thai dishes were prepared. In the past, cuisine such as sushi had been served, but due to budget decreases the dining staff was unable to hire a sushi chef or train employees to roll the Japanese culinary favorite.

“We knew there were a lot of demands for sushi,” said Bob Willey, a production manager at Phelps.

Tom Hoover, a chef manager at Phelps added, “Usually these two events are not in the same week, so we didn’t have much time to prepare sushi.”

Although Hope’s Asian Perspective Association submitted a sample menu for the Asian Food Festival, the dining staff was unable to meet many of the students’ requests due to expense.

Willey added, “We offered to change the schedule of Asian Food Festival to January, but too many events were scheduled then.”

However, Willey promised that in April they are planning to serve sushi at Phelps in response to high demand.

On Saturday, the International Food Festival gave students the opportunity to sample global fare and speak to international student representatives. Diners could test their palate with dishes such as kahrahi w/couscous, buligogi, chimichurri shrimp, sweet potatoes and pineapple, ethiopian ginger vegetables and nicoise salad.

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Congressional Corner

Student Parking Permits

Beginning this week, until Dec. 15, students with cottage parking permits are able to park in any student lot on campus between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. This is a result of the Van-Hammersveld Parking Proposal that was passed by Student Congress Oct. 17. The proposal calls for an increase in the charge for the cottage-parking pass with the added privilege of parking anywhere on campus. Campus Safety is running this as a trial to determine the impact of allowing cottage residents to park in student lots and will review the proposal in response to high demand.

Photo Courtesy Debby Li

Fiona Eraud, a French TA at Hope College, created a poster board to introduce culture to the college community.

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Cherry Blossoms Wait in the Wings — Tomomi Sawa, Ayako Chiba, Debby Li and Emi Iwamoto rush from the International Food Festival to perform in Images.

Benjamin A. Crumpler ’08 sampled many foreign flavors.

“It was the best food Phelps had served for a long time,” Crumpler said. “It was like being able to go to a Greek, Ethiopian and Chinese restaurant all at the same time.”

Students from Pakistan, Uruguay, France and Japan introduced their cultures by displaying photographs of their nations and details about international lifestyles.

Fiona Eraud, a French TA at Hope College, created a poster board to introduce facts about la France de pays. Eraud taught passersby that France is the most popular international tourist destination in the world, receiving over 75 million foreign tourists annually.

“I would like others to know about the diversity of France, different areas, landscapes, big cities and the country,” said Eraud.

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Casting a broader net: Ethnic and Asian studies offer new opportunities

Emily Pappel Staff Writer

Many Hope students view cultural heritage courses as the downfall of liberal arts education. Dread comes with the thought of actually attending classes, requiring them to learn how to read difficult text and trudging to the bookstore to purchase the heavy load of books. The thought of actually attending class is unbearable. This is all about to change; noting the importance of these courses, a new curriculum has been designed with an appealing look to students.

These are not the first changes the cultural heritage curriculum has seen. In recent years, the program has seen many changes due to the increasing multiculturalism of the United States. One major change was brought to the Academic and Liberal Studies department, the classes requirement became an interdisciplinary course, the classes requiring courses in history, politics, psychology and sociology.

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Evelyn Daniel Features Editor

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Cultural heritage revitalized

Meaghan Lewis Staff Writer

This spring semester, a new upper-level English class is being offered at Hope: ENGL 371– Irish Literature. This four-credit class, taught by Professor Julie Kipp, will satisfy the same requirement as British Literature I.

Kipp has been teaching at Hope since 1998, and while she specializes in British Literature and romanticism, she plans on “bridging Romanticism and Irish literature” with this course.

Kipp also has close ties with Ireland; while doing graduate work at Notre Dame, Kipp had the opportunity to work with scholars specializing in Irish studies. Also, Kipp has traveled to Ireland many times to visit her friends and attend conferences.

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If I had quarter for every time someone said to me “I don’t get modern dance,” I could do laundry for the rest of the year. I readily admit that “modern” is an ambiguous term. In fact, if you approach any dancer and ask, “What is modern dance?” I’d bet my tuition money you’d get a different answer from each one.

Believe it or not, this is not on purpose. There is no all-powerful dance consortium perched on high plotting against the average dance enthusiast (or dancer’s boyfriend) to punish them through utter confusion and/or boredom. However, the term has a history and an intent. When Isadora Duncan and Ruth St. Denis (pioneers of modern dance) began traipsing about the stage free of traditional conventions, the public had no clue what to do with them or their art. Their movement was an evolution; new ideas based on old principles. It was modern. So that’s what they called it.

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Hope's community is special

To the Editor:

People often ask me why I chose to attend Hope College over all the others schools that I was considering. My answer to that question is the people. I believe that the people of Hope College make it the school of excellence that it is. As I was taking the “prospective student tour” two years ago, this was very evident to me. I saw people stopping others on their way to class, most of them laughing or smiling. I was greeted several times by students, faculty and staff who asked me how my visit was going. There was a genuineness that I saw in Hope’s community.

I have yet to see the Hope spirit fade or dwindle. I continue to see my fellow Hope community members happy to see one another on a day-to-day basis. I constantly see hugs given out, and kind words being exchanged wherever I go. Everyday, I hear genuine laughter come from deep within the lungs of my Hope-mates. Daily, I am greeted by the smiles of those around me. Being a student is not easy.

Often, it is one of the most stressful times that a person will encounter during his or her life. The excitement and energy that I see everyday on Hope’s campus constantly renews my spirit and gives me energy to keep pressing on during this tough time of my life. I believe in Hope’s people. I believe that they are special. I see the unmistakable joy and love for life and others that Hope’s community has. I have chosen Hope College, and it has made all the difference.

Matt Oosterhouse ('09)
Israel’s security wall illegal, ‘destroys’ Palestinian lives

To the Editor:

In light of recent activities concerning Palestine and questions arising from the Hope College community, and in ultimate disgust to a French minister, I have decided to write this brief letter to push forward the awareness of the apathy wall being built in Palestine.

For the last five years, the terrorist state of Israel has been building a 400-mile wall around the West Bank, annexing and stealing 50 percent of the land for its own benefit. While doing so without any remorse or sympathy, they destroyed houses, buildings and villages to build this wall, anything in its path has been destroyed and leveled.

The wall is being built according to well-organized plans that benefit Israelis, and destroy the lives of Palestinians. The wall starts not north of the West Bank, and goes along a “zigzag” line inside the Palestinian territory, engulfing illegal Israeli settlements (that are occupying Palestinian land) on its way before going on to engulf some environmental resources (water wells and agricultural lands) and continues until it reaches Jerusalem before going on down to the south of the West Bank.

In Jerusalem, it goes around local neighborhoods and annexes more land. In doing so, they do not care if your office and house are on the same side of the wall or not, leaving most of the Palestinian population in huge residential problems. The wall does the same with Hebron, while it besieges Bethlehem from the rest of the world.

So, in the end, the wall encumbrances more than 4 million Palestinians in 13 percent of the West Bank; in other words, it is the world’s largest concentration camp with the highest density per square mile.

It is supposed to have doors every 500 feet; however, in some areas, their work times are not defined and permission to pass through these doors would require 3 to 5 years of paperwork, even if it is to go out and talk with your father who is somewhere else in this world.

The effects of this wall are lethal and devastating; lost agricultural fields are leading to increased poverty rates, workers not able to travel to their work places is leading to huge unemployment rates, and the theft of agriculture land is threatening their education.

There are other consequences to the Palestinian people: in some places, the most direct and relevant are these:

This wall has been deemed illegal by the International Court of Justice (ICJ), the EU and the U.S. The UN and many other groups have been acting in vain side by side with the nations of the world to stop this atrocious terrorist behavior. However, it is almost finished and no one stop it is talking about it.

You thought the Berlin Wall was bad; this is even worse—25 feet high and 5 feet thick concrete. I encourage you to help us fight back this wall by becoming more aware and making your voice known to the world and to your politicians. This website will give you more details: http://stopthewall.org.

George-Philip Khoury (’09)

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In light of recent activities concerning Palestine and questions arising from the Hope College community, and in ultimate disgust to a French minister, I have decided to write this brief letter to push forward the awareness of the apathy wall being built in Palestine.

For the last five years, the terrorist state of Israel has been building a 400-mile wall around the West Bank, annexing and stealing 50 percent of the land for its own benefit. While doing so without any remorse or sympathy, they destroyed houses, buildings and villages to build this wall, anything in its path has been destroyed and leveled.

The wall is being built according to well-organized plans that benefit Israelis, and destroy the lives of Palestinians. The wall starts not north of the West Bank, and goes along a “zigzag” line inside the Palestinian territory, engulfing illegal Israeli settlements (that are occupying Palestinian land) on its way before going on to engulf some environmental resources (water wells and agricultural lands) and continues until it reaches Jerusalem before going on down to the south of the West Bank.

In Jerusalem, it goes around local neighborhoods and annexes more land. In doing so, they do not care if your office and house are on the same side of the wall or not, leaving most of the Palestinian population in huge residential problems. The wall does the same with Hebron, while it besieges Bethlehem from the rest of the world.

So, in the end, the wall encumbrances more than 4 million Palestinians in 13 percent of the West Bank; in other words, it is the world’s largest concentration camp with the highest density per square mile.

It is supposed to have doors every 500 feet; however, in some areas, their work times are not defined and permission to pass through these doors would require 3 to 5 years of paperwork, even if it is to go out and talk with your father who is somewhere else in this world.

The effects of this wall are lethal and devastating; lost agricultural fields are leading to increased poverty rates, workers not able to travel to their work places is leading to huge unemployment rates, and the theft of agriculture land is threatening their education.

There are other consequences to the Palestinian people: in some places, the most direct and relevant are these:

This wall has been deemed illegal by the International Court of Justice (ICJ), the EU and the U.S. The UN and many other groups have been acting in vain side by side with the nations of the world to stop this atrocious terrorist behavior. However, it is almost finished and no one stop it is talking about it.

You thought the Berlin Wall was bad; this is even worse—25 feet high and 5 feet thick concrete. I encourage you to help us fight back this wall by becoming more aware and making your voice known to the world and to your politicians. This website will give you more details: http://stopthewall.org.

George-Philip Khoury (’09)
Women’s basketball preview

Nick Hinkle

Last season’s 30 consecutive wins, 14 straight home wins and six NCAA tournament wins led to a victory at the NCAA Championships in Springfield, Mass. Now, the Hope women’s basketball team enters its 2006-2007 season as defending national champions.

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STARTING OFF

Hope vs. Davenport
• The team’s first game will be at the Tipoff Tournament in DeVos Nov. 18. In the first round, Hope will play Davenport.
Coach Morehouse’s thoughts: “Davenport is a strong team. They were 28-5 last year and qualified for the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics Tournament. They shoot a lot of threes.”

Hope vs. St. Mary’s
• Following the Tipoff Tournament, Hope will play at home against Saint Mary’s on Nov. 28. Last year, the Dutch beat Saint Mary’s 77-38.
Coach Morehouse’s thoughts: “Saint Mary’s has a new coach, so it’s hard to know what style they’ll play. They return very good players with Alison Kessler (’08) and Bridget Lipke (’07).”

Hope vs. Carthage
• The College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin/MIAA Challenge at Wheaton, Ill. will feature Hope vs. Carthage on Dec. 1. Last season, Hope defeated Carthage 71-42.
Coach Morehouse’s thoughts: “Carthage is a well-coached team that has improved a lot over the last three years. They always have good athletes and play with intensity.”

Dan Toren

Newcomers and returning players will be key for the Dutch this season. Three of the four starters from last year will be back, as well as seven of the top eight scorers and nine of the top 10 rebounders.

Men’s Soccer preview

Emily Westrate

Start Winter

After winning the MIAA Championships, the men’s soccer team turned its attention to the NCAA tournament. On Nov. 11, Hope competed against Ohio Wesleyan in the first elimination round. It was the fourth time the two teams have met in post-season play and like past confrontations, Ohio Wesleyan came out on top.

The regulation time ended with a score of 1-1. Throughout the two rounds of overtime, neither Hope nor Ohio Wesleyan could advance its score. The game was decided by a penalty kick shootout, which Hope lost 3-5.

“Everyone on the team played very well. With a couple of different bounces, it could have been a different result,” Patrick McMahon (’07) said. “I’m proud of the team and what we have done this year.”

Morehouse said. “We practice every day as hard as we can only to prepare for the next opponent.”

Morehouse believes this coaching method keeps the team fresh, wears the opponent down, and prepares teammates to step in for players with injuries or foul trouble.

In confronting different players, coaching strategies and scenarios, Hope sticks to the fundamentals for each game. (Hope) always focuses on the same things in games — rebounding the opponent, holding their field goal percentage down, and keeping our turnovers to a minimum,” Morehouse said.

NCAA TOURNAMENT RESULTS

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Volleyball

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Volleyball concluded another strong season with a loss in the regional semi-final match to Calvin on Friday. Hope finished the season with a 25-10 overall record and solid showings in tournaments. This includes winning the Hope portion of the Midwest Challenge, which Hope co-hosted. Hope finished second behind Calvin both in the regular season standings and in the conference tournament but was still awarded an at-large NCAA Tournament bid.

Hope upset higher seeded Ohio Northern in the first match of the national tournament 3-1 but fell to Calvin in the next round 1-3. MIAA coaches gave Deena Van Assen (’07) and Amber Hoeeze (’07) All-MIAA first team honors and Nora Sleek (’09) All-MIAA second team honors. Stephanie Pol (’07) was awarded coaches’ honorable mention.

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FOOTBALL

The football team finished its regular season with a victory against Wisconsin Lutheran 26-7 on Nov. 11. The victory was the third in a row for the 10-2 Dutchmen. Mount Union in the first round of the NCAA playoffs on Nov. 11. Defensive end Matt Rugenstein was honored with the MIAA defensive player of the year award.

WOMEN’S SOCCER

Four hope players were honored with All-MIAA status. First team honorees were Alii Van Beek (’09) and Sarah Coughran (’08). Receiving second team honors were Holly Nestle (’07) and Ellen Molenaar (’09)

CROSS COUNTRY

The men’s and women’s cross country teams competed in the NCAA regional cross country meet at Berrien Springs, Mich. Nov. 11. The men’s team finished tenth and the women fifth. Ryan TerLouw (’07) and Seth Weener (’07) qualified for the NCAA finals meet Nov. 18.

HOCKEY

The hockey team continued its strong season with two victories over Oakland University 4-3 (OT SO) and 11-1. The Dutchmen face defending national champion Wright State this weekend.

Friday and Saturday vs. Wright State 9 p.m. The Edge

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