The odd-year song girls work on their routines in the basement of Dimnent Chapel. The 69th Nykerk Cup Competition will be held at the Civic Center at 8 p.m. on Saturday. This year’s competition will pit the Class of 2007 against the Class of 2006.

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ARTS EDITOR

For 69 years, Hope females have been coming together to prepare, practice, and produce one of Hope’s most long-standing and popular traditions, Nykerk. The tradition will continue at 8 p.m. on Saturday in the Civic Center as a part of Parents’ Weekend. Admission is free.

Although tradition is a major part of Nykerk, some slight modifications will be made to this year’s ceremony. In the past, the committee has been introduced at the beginning of the ceremony, but due to public criticism, this event has been moved to the end of the program.

“We are hoping that by moving this ceremony to a time when our audience typically mills about we can cut about half an hour out of the ceremony itself,” said Kristi Creswell (’04), Nykerk general chair.

The bulk of the Nykerk tradition, however, will remain intact, featuring, as it always has, the freshman and sophomore classes in song, play, and oration.

Nykerk song requires the musical talents of both the coaches and song girls. Three even-year participants, Suzzy Lockwood (’06), Jess Schmidt (’06), and Rachel Vandegiessen (’06), made additional arrangements to this year’s song, “Diamonds Are a Girl’s Best Friend.”

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Mutations aren’t only found in comic books or movies; they’re also genetic changes and shifts that can cause disease, including cancer. They can be caused by various environmental factors and are specifically what James Gentile, dean of the natural sciences, researches. Gentile has been elected as a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) in recognition for his contribution to both undergraduate science education and his research in genetic toxicology and mutagenesis.

According to Gentile, he was surprised and humbled by the honor of being selected as a Fellow. "It was an honor I never anticipated receiving and, in fact, did not know I was even nominated for," said Gentile.

The AAAS was founded in 1848 and is the world's largest federation of scientists. The advancement of the well-being of humans is it’s foremost objective and is accomplished through various programs, projects, and publications. The AAAS also publishes the journal Science. Gentile has been a member of the AAAS for years and has published in Science, but, according to him, has not been very active in the organization.

“ar their recognition is evidently not limited to service components, and that makes it even nicer that they somehow identified me out of the broader pool of scientists,” said Gentile. Gentile has been recognized for his research by various organizations, including the National Academy of Sciences, the National Research Council Life Science Board, and the International Association of Environmental Mutagen Societies. According to James Beckins, provost at Hope College, Gentile’s various contributions to science both at Hope and nationwide make his selection as a Fellow well-earned.

It is recognized nationally by his peers, and his many activities have helped bring national recognition to Hope’s science programs," said Beckins.

“I think this (honor) reflects well on Hope College. While I am being recognized for things I have accomplished, it was Hope College that provided me with the opportunities to work with students on research and then promoted ways in which I could find the time to be involved in the national activities in teaching and research,” said Gentile. Gentile will be officially honored on February 14 in Seattle at the AAAS meeting.

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entered it via the window and stolen a computer.

“The main thing here is to lock your doors,” Wolters said. “When you leave your bedroom, think of it less as a bedroom and more like an apartment. Make sure your room door is locked and the windows are secure. The college will make sure the buildings.

Camps Safety and the administration are trying to work out a system that will ensure the safety of the Hope College community while remaining open as well.

“The security and safety of students is the highest priority of this college,” Frost said. “We’re trying to work out how we strike the balance of having an open, inviting campus while remaining secure. This is the most difficult part, but cause we want to be inviting, but that’s not always the safest for the students. The issue is still being discussed, and hopefully we’ll come to a resolution quickly.”

Wolters and Frost said that, even before the incidents, discussions were in progress about securing residential buildings.

“This ongoing conversation (about security) is something we have been following all along,” Frost said. “We’re not being reactionary. We’re just trying to take the right steps to ensure security.”

Frost noted that some residential building have more stringent locked hours than others and that with this new heightening of security, Hope will try to bring up to date the buildings that are more secure.

For instance, Cook Hall, the newest residential hall on campus, is supposed to stay locked at all times to those without access cards, except for the front door.

Wolters said one suggestion would be to keep all halls locked at all times, with entry only through student access cards, which, between 11 p.m. and 10 a.m., would only function for a student’s own home.

“Last week we were talking about locking the secondary doors 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, but now we are rethinking things,” Wolters said.

Frost asked that students be aware of suspicious situations, such as the presence of people who don’t belong on campus, that students lock their doors, and use common sense.

“As a community, we constantly need to be aware of things we need to improve,” Frost said. “We are taking steps to secure residence halls even more.”

For now, although these issues are worked out, all secondary doors of all residential halls will be continually locked. Starting today, Durfee, Voorhees, and Phelps will be excluded from this policy due to classes held in the buildings and Phelps Dining Hall.

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The second Visiting Writers Series event of this year will feature Native American writer Simon Ortiz at 7 p.m. in the Knickerbocker.

The wind symphony prepares for its 8 p.m. Halloween concert.

Wind symphony clarinetist Laura McLaughlin (’06) and flutist Cari Chapin (’05) agree that music can terrify the human spirit. “I think the audience might be shocked at how frightening this music is,” Chapin said. “There will be some people that will get a chill up their spine at this concert,” McLaughlin said. In addition to “March to the Scaffold” the symphony will be presenting “Dreams of a Psychopath” by Michael Francis and “Presto Barbaro” by Leonard Bernstein. The organists will be playing “Toccata in D minor” by Max Reger, “Toccata in B minor” by Eugene Gigout and the famous “Toccata and Fugue in D minor” by J.S. Bach. According to Steven Ward, wind symphony conductor, the concert will be rather short and something fun to come to in between trick-or-treating.

“Dreams of a Psychopath” is a musical representation of a psychotic man who temporarily regains his sanity, only to go insane once again. Ward commented that the music makes use of some very intriguing devices, such as a section where the entire ensemble improvises in order to represent the complete chaos of the man’s psyche.

Concertgoers will have the chance to hear Dimnent Chapel’s very large Skinner organ. Organist Heidi Dykema will be performing Max Reger’s “Toccata in D minor” which she describes as a “wild” piece.

This is an incredible organ we have here at Hope,” said Dykema. “I feel we play something scary, and this organ definitely has the resources.”

The audience is encouraged to wear costumes to this special night of scary music.

**VWS continues Thursday**

Simon Ortiz shares his words and culture with Hope community

Jordan Wolston

In ancient times, those who wished to read would do so out loud, to an audience of others who had gathered there to gain wisdom and experience. It was not until much later that reading changed and experience. It was not until certain authors have an opportunity to share their works with an audience of attentive listeners. One such opportunity is fast approaching in the form of the Visiting Writers Series, which is brought to the Netherlands by native American writer Simon Ortiz at 7 p.m. on Thursday in the Knickerbocker Theatre. He will be reading selected pieces from his works.

Ortiz, an Acoma Pueblo Native American, was raised in the Acoma village of Deetseyamah, a part of the Eagle clan. Ortiz grew up speaking the Acoma language, which is peppered with English and “Acamedian” Spanish. After serving in the army for some time, he was accepted into the University of Iowa. While there, he was accepted as a Fellow in the International Writing Program.

Ortiz has published 10 different books containing poetry, short stories, and essays. Some of his more recent ones include “Men on the Moon: Collected Short Stories,” and “Telling and Showing Her: The Earth, the Land,” a collection of poetry. He has won many awards for his unique works, including a Literature Achievement Award from the Native Writers Circle of America.

“Simon Ortiz has given us indelible proof that the written word is indeed an effective weapon,” as is written in the literary anthology Western American Literature. Others have commented on his work as well, including writer Joseph Bruchac, who said, “It would be hard to find a better poet known by other American Indian people.”

The reading will be heralded by a poetry reading by Liberian poet Jabbeh Wesley. In addition to reading her poetry, she will share stories about her struggles in war-torn Liberia. The event, taking place at 7 p.m. on Nov. 6 in Maas Auditorium, is free and the public is invited to attend.

Born and raised in Liberia, Jabbeh Wesley left her home to pursue graduate studies at Indiana University. A few years later, she received a master’s degree in English education. However, after obtaining her degree, she returned to Liberia, which was currently in the midst of a bloody civil war. She was forced to flee rebel fighters for an area that was controlled by Charles Taylor. It was in this area that she and her family were tortured.

Jabbeh Wesley lost many family members and all her belongings during the civil war. She and her remaining family members moved to the United States in 1991. After returning to the United States, she worked on a Ph.D. in English and creative writing, finishing her degree in June 2002.

Jabbeh Wesley has penned two books of poetry about her experiences: “Before The Palm Could Bloom: Poems of Africa” and “Becoming Ebony,” the latter of which recently took second place in the Crab Orchard book competition in 2003. Her poems have garnered much praise as well. Writer Stuart Dybek said, “Wesley epitomizes the poet as (a) compassionate witness.” Poet Allison Joseph agreed, calling the works “fearless, eyes-opening, breathtaking, and compassionate.” She also referred to them as “...political poems in the best sense of the word—wise, necessary, undeniable.”

Poetry reading will be only one part of this event. Fred Johnson, professor of history, will give background information on the civil war to aid the audience members in their understanding of the poems. Fatu Kamara (’04), a fellow Liberian, will share her stories about living in Liberia during the war.

“Like many immigrants to the United States, Patricia Jabbeh Wesley, Fatu Kamara, and other students at Hope have had to flee a war-torn country,” said Kim Douglas, adjunct assistant professor of English and coordinator of this event. “I think students are often amazed to discover the harrowing life stories of other students and some of their professors.”

The poetry reading is just one of many things that Jabbeh Wesley will do during her time at Hope. On Thursday and Friday, Nov. 6 and 7, she will visit some of the First Year Seminars, the International Club, Women’s Studies classes, and the Encounters with Cultures classes.
SAC provides on-campus activities

Something Every Tuesday’s Holiday Baking theme drew students and community members to the Kletz Tuesday night.

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Let's Talk About... Politics

Part 2: Liberal viewpoints at Hope

INFOCUS

Katie Taylor
Senior Staff Reporter

While last week's article outlined the political views of the conservative side, it is now time to focus on those of the liberals. From this November, voters will have exactly one year until it is time to vote for president, and having adequate information about both parties is key to making an informed decision.

One of the major issues that Democrats have with President Bush is the sluggish economy. Julie Wilcox, co-student leader of the Hope Democrats, feels this concern pertains directly to college students. She realizes that upon graduation, many people will be competing for jobs not only with other recent graduates but also with middle-aged professionals who were laid off from their previous jobs due to the bad economy.

"It'd be nice if we knew there was some kind of social program in place to help support us as we hunt for a job, but those were slashed in order to provide Americans with the recent tax cuts," Wilcox said. "The majority of those cuts went to the wealthy, which doesn't seem to have helped the economy."

As a Democrat, Wilcox also said she believes there are other areas in which Bush has failed to do his job effectively. One of these concerns is the environment. The liberal's list of Bush's offenses against the environment includes pulling out of the Kyoto Protocol, pulling back clean-air and clean-water standards, working to open the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge to drilling, and making it easier for companies and factories to pollute.

Another area is education; public, inner-city schools in particular. In the liberal opinion, Bush is contributing not to such schools' improvement but to their demise. In last week's article, the Republicans praised Bush's No Child Left Behind education program. However, Wilcox said she believes he has under-funded the program and also done his best to undercut the popular preschool program Head Start.

"While I'll concede that, aside from his Head Start debacle, President Bush has not done anything to severely damage education, he certainly hasn't helped it. Perhaps if he put $87 billion into public schools rather than into a preemptive war, we'd be able to make some progress," Wilcox said.

It is clear from that comment that Wilcox, along with most liberals, does not support Bush's actions in Iraq. She feels the war has had many negative consequences on our country. First of all, U.S. occupation in Iraq is a huge financial burden, costing an estimated $4 billion a month. Wilcox noted that Bush currently is appealing to the United Nations for assistance but is not finding many countries ready and willing to offer help.

"As a result of this war, we have lost all credibility with our former allies and haven't exactly endeared ourselves to countries in the Middle East by preemptively attacking one of their nations," Wilcox stated. However, many Democrats such as Wilcox want to make it clear that they didn't support Saddam Hussein's rule in any way. In fact, they are glad he is gone. Yet Wilcox noted that the genocide in Iraq was actually occurring during the 1980s and feels that was the time for war based solely on human-rights concerns. She also worries that the war in Iraq has set a new foreign policy doctrine for the United States. "Considering how full the world is of cruel dictators—many of who are just as vicious as Hussein—our country could be busy with wars for years to come."

While few doubted that the United States would prevail militarily, the fears of war skeptics, such as Wilcox, are coming true. "We've won the war, but we are losing the peace," she said. "As a whole, Americans don't like fighting unnecessary wars, they don't like to alienate allies, and they don't like their troops to be gone for months at a time. They especially don't like it when their troops start dying—which they are, every day." Many people want answers to these casualties from Bush before they reflect him. If answers are not given, Wilcox is sure Bush will be replaced.

The Hope Democrats are just as busy as the Republicans are when it comes to preparing for the 2004 campaign and making their beliefs known. Members of the Hope Dems plan to attend meetings with U.S. Senator John Kerry, retired General Wesley Clark, and former Vermont Governor Howard Dean.

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Hope Democrats

In the past, members have participated in voter-registration awareness, door-to-door campaigning, and phone-bank sessions. Wilcox said they also hope to find events in which members can meet one or a few of the candidates. Yet once the Democratic candidate is chosen, they will throw all of their support behind that candidate.

Wilcox said she is confident that sometime before the 2004 election Americans are going to realize that there are a lot of problems in this country that are not being addressed under the Bush administration. She believes it is possible for a president to protect his nation from outside threats while still addressing the country's domestic problems. In Wilcox's opinion, President Bush has proven himself unable to do this, and thus in November, the people will elect a president who can.

One of the most important ways Hope students can become involved in their own futures is to brush up on their politics.

Get involved!!

Check KnowHope (www.hope.edu/ knowhope) to find out how to contribute to the Hope community. Events are listed for each day along the right-hand side of the page.

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Anyone but Bush

With the race for President beginning around the nation, I have been thinking about the upcoming election and what my vote may be.

Until recently, I did not believe that politics were important. I did not vote in the last election, not because I thought that my vote wouldn’t matter, but because I thought that the President couldn’t possibly screw everything up so bad that I would mind. I was wrong.

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Thank you for making Relay For Life a success

To the editor:

First and foremost, I would like to extend my congratulations to each and every person who participated in the first annual Hope College Relay For Life. We were able to raise over $35,000 that will go directly to the American Cancer Society to help fight cancer. Members of 34 teams took turns walking throughout the night, even through the rain, to support this cause. These people should be applauded on all of the effort they put into this first time event here at Hope. However, I felt recognition was lacking in some respects, primarily, on knowhope. This event happened on Friday night through Saturday morning. When scrolling through knowhope on Saturday afternoon there was no mention of Relay for Life. When I looked on Sunday there was a small section with a report of the grand total of money raised and a request to thank those involved. I expected much more. I was very disappointed that there were no pictures present or elaboration on the event itself. I believe that the students that participated in this event deserve to be recognized for everything they did to fight this disease. Personally I commend everyone that participated on a job well done. I hope to see you all back next year for another fantastic night.

—Lynn Cargill ('06)

Make campus-wide safety updates the norm

To the editor:

I am writing to express my appreciation for Dean Frost’s campus-wide email that addressed the “suspicious incidents” occurring on campus this week.

As the campus lockdown was instituted, 1—and apparently many other students—began hearing rumors of what scary events may have sparked the new security measures. Dean Frost said that his email, which gave the student body accurate information regarding the incidents, was in response to these rumors. While I am thankful that the campus authorities decided to share this important information with the student body, I worry that such procedures are not more often the norm at Hope College. For example, in the previous lockdown this semester, students were given little more information than to carry their access cards and to be wary of a college-age man in a blue jacket. Although I understand that there are probably some legal barriers that prohibit full disclosure of the circumstances, I think that the college could have been more informative in regards to what incidents had occurred, and therefore how we may be more aware and protective of our safety. As a 20-year-old woman who often confidently walks alone around campus at night, this information would have been quite useful to me. And as many of us have been taught, it is knowledge, awareness, and preparation that are most effective in reducing the risks of “suspicious incidents.” The students depend on the campus authorities for the information that makes such preparation possible. Without an accurate and reliable information source, a breeding ground for rumors—and more suspicious incidents—is formed.

It is for these reasons that I am grateful for Dean Frost’s campus-wide announcement. I simply hope that it was not an exception to Hope College’s policy on disclosing safety information to the students, but rather that it set a precedent for the future. As Dean Frost noted, “The safety of our campus is a responsibility we all share… the conversation about the safety of the campus has been, and will continue to be, an ongoing one.” I hope this means that the conversation will continue to be two-sided, with the campus authorities holding up their end of it. The students’ safety depends on it.

—Katrina Baker ('05)

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You! Have you ever wanted to see your name on the front page of the paper? Here is your chance! Come to our meeting tonight at 8:00 p.m. in the Anchor office...it's in Dewitt behind the radio station and Student Union Desk. Come find out what it takes to be part of a newspaper staff!

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Ankh staff: Please be sure to come to the meeting tonight. We need to conference. -Anjey

D- Let's work on that laugh, okay? Sounds great. -A

JK- Say hi to Iggy for me. Sounds like she's getting cuter every day now. -OL

N- Well, it looks like everything is finally coming together. Thanks for staying. -A

Reils- How's about we meet in front of BHT or Kalsbeek for a good political debate soon. eh? I miss you lots. -Angeline

K- Tell me everything about K and J over coffee today. I'll meet you after class if I am back on campus by then. -A

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Hockey takes second in Indianapolis

Calvin and Hope both go undefeated, championship cancelled

Andrew Borozan

The hockey team traveled down to Indianapolis this past weekend for a trying test in this early hockey season. Teams from Georgia, Florida, California, Indiana, Tennessee and Michigan gathered at Fischer Forum right for the rights of the Division Three Showcase crown.

The first trial for Hope came on Friday from Florida Atlantic University. Florida Atlantic struck first in the opening period, but Hope's Andy Phillips ('06) and Dan Olsen ('07) scored two goals in the first half with another goal by Geoff Meyer ('06) in the second half to defeat Tri-State 7-0. Stefanie Haba ('06) #11 leads the unmerciful attack against the Thunder as Hope improved to 9-1-0 in the MIAA, three points behind Hope.

The Dutchmen then played College of the Canyons, a small school located just outside Los Angeles. Assistant captain George Dickson ('05) notched two goals for the Dutchmen and the solid play of Jordan Windfield ('07) propelled Hope to the 5-3 victory.

The team is heading in the right direction. "Overall, it was a good week-end," Folsom said. "It was a rough start but we recovered and came back and played well on Saturday. The team is heading in the right direction."

The team is expecting the next weekend to be a trying test in this early hockey season. Both games are at 9 p.m. and will be played at The Edge ice arena. Hope hockey fans await the rest of the season with the same excitement and anticipation as Folsom.

"We can beat any team if we just play to our potential," said Folsom. Both GVSU and Lansing won their last games in Holland.

Dutch strike back at Thunder

After tallying two goals in the first half with goals by Geoff Meyer ('05) and Dan Olsen ('05) (picturred with the ball), Hope tacked on four more goals in the second half to defeat the Tri-State Thunder 6-0. The Dutchmen now hold a 7-1-1 record in the MIAA, just one point behind traditional foe Calvin which holds an 8-1-0 record. The Dutchmen will have three days off until they hit the field again to host Kalamazoo Saturday at 2 p.m.

The Dutch rebounded from a tough 1-0 loss to Aquinas back on Oct. 20 in a big way defeating Tri-State 7-0. Stefanie Haba ('06) #11 leads the unmerciful attack against the Thunder as Hope improved to 9-1-0 in the MIAA, however, they remain only one point in front of rival Calvin for the conference lead. The Dutch will play today at Alma who is currently in third place in the MIAA, three points behind Hope. Kalamazoo will visit Holland Saturday to take on the Dutch at noon.

Upcoming Hockey Games

Oct. 31 vs. Grand Valley State 9:00 p.m.
Nov. 1 vs. Lansing CC 9:00 p.m.
Nov. 7 @ Jackson CC 8:30 p.m.
Nov. 8 @ Lawrence Tech 9:10 p.m.
Nov. 14 @ Central Michigan 8:00 p.m.
Nov. 15 @ Oakland University 8:30 p.m.
Nov. 21 @ Muskegon CC 8:00 p.m.
Nov. 22 vs. Lawrence Tech 9:00 p.m.
Dec. 6 vs. Northwood 9:00 p.m.

Home games are played at The Edge Ice Arena in Holland.

2003-04 Hope varsity basketball rosters have been announced

Men (Year)
Matt Taylor ('04)
D'aage Griffeth ('05)
Jack Klunder ('05)
Greg Imimm ('05)
Jeff Carlson ('06)
Stephen Orange ('07)
Andy Phillips ('06)
David Ellis ('06)
Kyle Kleenmeyer ('05)
Deezer Overbeek ('07)
Jason Mejeur ('04)
Nate Weaver ('05)
Joanne Stewart ('07)
Megan Noll ('06)
Kelly Taylor ('05)
Brian Elbers ('06)
Allison Rapaport ('05)
Ashley Plowman ('05)
Kendra Scanlon ('07)
Lauren Jensen ('04)
Gracia Ramps ('05)

Women (Year)
Joanne Stewart ('07)
Kendra Scanlon ('07)
Sarah Junck ('07)
Kyle Nevenzel ('04)
Ashley Plowman ('06)
Stefanie Haba ('06)
Sara Haba ('06)
Kelly Taylor ('05)
Brian Elbers ('06)
Allison Rapaport ('05)
Ashley Plowman ('05)
Kendra Scanlon ('07)
Lauren Jensen ('04)
Gracia Ramps ('05)

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