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Safe and sound?

Hope and Holland communities gather to show support for area homeless.

JULIE GREEN staff reporter

With white stick candles pushed through the bottoms of paper cups, a small group gathered under the pavilion in Centennial Park on Thursday, Nov. 12.

A variety of children and adults lit their candles to begin the Third Annual Candlelight Vigil, in hopes to raise awareness of homelessness.

The vigil began with a prayer and a small discussion on homelessness. While most people may realize it exists, many may not realize how prevalent it is. At this time, all of Holland’s transitional housing and emergency shelters are full. During each night in Michigan, more than 10,000 people sleep in emergency shelters. Possibly the most shocking fact of all is that the average age of a homeless person is nine.

Two families, both with small children spoke to the group. Both families had been previously homeless. The first woman, Gegina, had two small kids and had recently gotten back on her feet.

"With all that we’ve been through," Gegina said, "they still keep up their good grades and do all they can to be good kids."

Gegina addressed the common myth that most homeless are drunk, or lazy, or both.

"We are out there struggling just a little bit harder to make ends meet," she said.

Loretta, a single mother with four small children, agreed with Gegina.

"I didn’t want to think of myself as homeless, because I didn’t want to put me and my kids in that position," she said.

With closing words, Gegina challenged the small groups holding the glittering candles before their faces.

"If we can help those all the way more VIGIL on 3 more SCHOLLAR on 3.

Prime cuisine. Oskar Monakhmammad ('01) and Muhammed Hameduddin ('01) served a variety of ethnic foods at the annual International Food Fair on Saturday, Nov. 14.

Sorority angered by recent theft

SARA E LAMERS campus beat editor

While on-campus crime has been relatively low in comparison to past years, its effects were recently felt by the Kappa Delta Chi sorority.

On Sunday, Nov. 15, residents of the Kappa Chi house returned from an off-campuses formal to find several items stolen.

"There was no evidence of the break-in from the outside of the house," said Kappa Chi President Teresa Musselman ('99). "We found the items to be missing as soon as we entered the house."

May items were discovered to be missing that were related to the specific sorority, such as pictures.

Safe and Sound is not determined who is responsible for the incident, the investigation will continue.

Upon the initial investigation, some of the items found to have been stolen from the cottage.

"Some items are still missing to the investigation will continue," said Tom Renner, Director of Public Relations.

None of the residents’ personal items were involved in the missing or damaged.

Renner stressed that one of the leading theories behind the theft is that it is a possible fraternal prank. He also said that the general sentiment was that more KAPPA CHI on 3.

First Year Seminars undergo review

DANA LAMERS infocus editor

Those involved in the first semester of required First Year Seminars are stepping back to take a look at their experiences.

The addition of First Year Seminars (FYS) was the most significant curricular change of the 1999-99 school year.

The class is aimed at developing skills in students that will more ad

equately prepare them for college-level thinking. The seminars are two credit hour courses, taught by each students’ academic advisor.

"This class came out of the recognition that the kinds of skills we expect students to have, they didn’t, but that is because students didn’t have a chance to develop them," said Maura Reynolds, director of Academic Advising and FY5 Coordinator.

Like any seminar, the classes are discussion-driven, with emphasis on writing, exploring the college’s resources and critical reading and questioning.

"It’s a good way to integrate into college life," said Kelly Smallegan ('02), who is enrolled in "The Wilding of America" FYS, taught by Don Ludlum, of the sociology department.

A pilot year of First Year Seminar was implemented last fall, with only sections of seminars available for students who chose to enroll in one.

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New program hopes to increase campus diversity

TIFFANY RIPPER staff reporter

As Hope begins to make changes toward the promotion of cultural diversity on campus, a new program will go into effect in the fall of 1999.

The Phelps Scholar Program was recently approved by the Board of Trustees as part of a larger plan to increase minority status on campus. It is designed to further the awareness of students on campus toward racial and cultural diversity. As Hope College itself is committed to the understanding of cultural diversity and its value to the students on campus.

In addition to living together in a specific residence hall, which has not yet been chosen, the freshmen students enrolled in this program will be required to attend one of three First-Year Seminars. These seminars will be specifically related to cultural diversity. In the spring of their freshman year, they also must take the IDS 200 course entitled "Encounters with Cultures." Throughout the year there will be regular workshop meetings related to the seminars and cultural classes that the students are taking.

In the fall of 1999, perspective Hope students will be given the opportunity to apply for the Phelps Scholars Program.

"According to the most recent draft of the Phelps Scholars Program, "Rooted in this commitment, the Phelps Scholars Program is an ethnically diverse community of students, supported by members of the faculty and staff, who are preparing themselves for productive and rewarding lives of leadership and service in a culturally diverse society."" Although students of cultural diversity will be targeted, it will not be a matter of segregation.

"Some students don't find a niche where they feel like they belong," said Charles Green, Director, of the Phelps Scholar Program. "This is not a program for just students of color. Expect a majority of these students to be majority students. The students involved will have made a conscious choice to be involved.

Green also said that students will be especially targeted for the new program if they are interested in Hope College, they like what they see at Hope, believe Hope College has real opportunities and they want a real emphasis to be on cultural diversity.

"We are trying to provide the opportunity for students to get to know those who are different from them," Green said. "We will talk about some basic transition to college, and we will also be talking about intercultural communication."
Campus Beat

Fallen Greek Week event raises money for charity

LESLIE MERRIMEN

staff reporter

Going once, going twice, sold! The Date Night Auction was the final event to wrap-up Greek Week. The event was sponsored by Panhelicon and the Inter-fraternity Council.

$330 was raised at the event. All proceeds will go to Women in Transition, a local charity.

"We decided it would be beneficial to give it to a local group so that we would know where the money would be going," said Panhelcon President Sara VanHoose ('99). "We feel great we could give to someone who needs it."

David Coleman, otherwise known as "The Dating Doctor," was the Master of Ceremonies and kept the audience laughing with his jokes.

"Dave Coleman did a great job and I'm really glad that we could raise so much money," VanHoose said.

The auction director wanted to give him a pick-up line that he could not finish. For everyone pick-up line that he did not know, Coleman added a $5 dollar donation.

Two members from each sorority and fraternity strutted their stuff, danced to their favorite song, and revealed how they would wine and dine their highest bidder.

Girls doubled-up and were auctioned to a lucky suitor. The highest bid went to the dynamic Delphi duo which raised $35 dollars.

Ceceanums Chris Angelpin ('99) kept the excitement rolling and the audience roaring as he danced and removed his multiple layers of clothing. Nevertheless, "Darro" was only bought for $10 dollars by Michael "Norm" McCune ('99). The Knickerbocker fraternity, was purchased for $30 dollars by a " mystery lady" in the audience.

Lastly, the highest bid went to Brent Rowe ('99) and ('01) Drew Mackey, the shirtless Cosmopolitan fraternity brothers. They were purchased for $50 dollars by a "mystery lady" also.

The highest bidder won a night out to Hope's Vegas Casino night with their purchased dream date. Gift certificates were donated by local restaurants such as Rosta's, Alpen Rose, and JP's Coffee.

Vegas Night to provide a mix of cash, prizes, and entertainment

JULIE GREEN

staff reporter

The colors green and purple will begin the transformation of Phillips Dining Hall into a Mardi Gras town to celebrate this year's Vegas Night. On the night of Friday, Nov. 20, Phillips will host casino games, fake money and big prizes.

"It was started as a large event for the campus to have to promote activities, a way to have fun without alcohol," said SAC Student Director Jenny Trask ('00).

The tickets will be sold at the door, and the winner will leave with the organization of the even event. Tickets for Vegas Night can be purchased at the Union Desk for $7 per person and $10 per couple, or can be bought at the door for $8 per person and $12 per couple.

An apology and an invitation

We wish to apologize to students using our Allergy Clinic this semester for any inconveniences caused by our change in Clinic days. Although the Clinic will continue on Wednesdays for the rest of the semester, we will return (by popular demand) to a Tuesday morning Allergy Clinic. We invite you back!

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SAC honored for its achievements

Hope's Social Activities Committee (SAC) recently received several awards and recognitions at the Great Lakes Regional Conference of the National Association of Campus Activities which was held from Oct. 29 to Nov. 1.

SAC received first place in "theme publicity" for its 1997 Orientation program theme, first place for "multi-color poster" for its promotion of the 1997 Las Vegas Night event, first place in "non-poster publicity" for its advertising mag-

ets. "It's always been Anne's philosophy, and SACS's as well, that we don't do things for awards but for personal gratification and the idea of helping others," said Jenny Trask ('00), Student Director of SAC. "It is nice to be recognized though."

Former Director of Student Activities Anne Bakker-Gras was also awarded the NACA "Hall of Fame Award" for her work with SAC.

Tickets on sale for annual Vespers

Tickets for the annual Christmas Vespers will go on sale to the public on Saturday, Nov. 21 beginning at 9 a.m. at the Student Union Desk in the DeWitt Center.

Those interested in attending the event are encouraged to buy tickets early, due to the fact that they tend to sell out early.

Education department accredited

The Education Department recently received accreditation from the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education.

"This accreditation shows that we have met a very demanding external standard and have demonstrated the quality of learning and preparation for teaching that our students receive," said Dr. Nancy Miller, Dean for the Social Sciences. "Beyond that, it's an indication of the high level of professionalism and expertise of the education faculty."

Approximately 500 schools have received this accreditation after meeting the requirements set up by the organization.

Such schools must ensure that subject matter content is a priority, that students can use technology in instruction, and must prepare them to teach students from diverse backgrounds.

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Hope prepares for next presidential era

Campusbeat Editor Sara E Lamers had the opportunity to speak with presidential candidate Dr. James Muyskens during his recent visit to campus. He shared some of his thoughts about Hope’s environment, college life, and what he would contribute if chosen for the position of president.

What are some of the characteristics of Hope that either drew you to Hope or have interested you since your visit?

I went to Central College, which is a small liberal arts college that is similar to Hope. I feel it gave me a wonderful start on my life. It helped me see the many possibilities before me and encouraged me to seek out a career that would suit me. It is my hope that students here would do the same thing. I think that Hope provides them with many opportunities and I feel that these are similar to Hope. I feel it gave me a wonderful start on my life.

What do you feel are some of the important issues on Hope’s campus, or that affect all college students in general, that you hope to address?

It is my hope that students here would do the same thing. I think that education gives will help students relate better in unfamiliar or unexpected situations. Such education also prepares students by teaching them how to read texts carefully, to read for understanding, to be flexible, and to work in teams. This is important because the work force is looking for interdisciplinary people that are familiar with many areas.

Many students on campus are concerned with how their viewpoints and ideas affect the decision-making process at the administrative level. How do you hope to include students in this process?

In my opening address to the campus, I stressed the importance of communication and I would echo that here. The importance of conversation is that everyone should be included. I feel that a liberal arts college can become a sort of conversation itself. I feel students voices need to be heard and I hope that occurs at the college.

Are there any final thoughts that you would like to share?

The biggest problem is they have no where to send their kids, they said. “We take things for granted-how much we pay for school, how much we have. These kids are so little and they are so happy.”

Wanting to help the community, Escott has come up with some ideas.

“I think it would be great if we could have a day care [at Hope]. It would be an example and connect Hope College to the Holland community.”

Milestone staff responds to delay in ’98 book publication

This is not the first time that the Milestone has been late in arriving at Hope. In 1991, the Milestone did not arrive until spring. In 1990 and 1977, the yearbook was almost a year late in both cases.

The process of putting together the Milestone is a “long, complicated, specialized process,” Johnson said. The staff edits each page before it is sent to the publisher. All of the pages are scanned into a computer and sent, page by page, to the publication company. After the publisher receives the last page, it takes ten weeks for the Milestone to get the proofs. Then, the staff must go over every page again to make last-minute corrections and correct errors that were not fixed on the first round of editing. On average, the yearbook staff spends five to ten hours on each page.

The 1998 Milestone suffered from a combination of faulty planning and tough lay-outs which caused much backtracking during the work process. “If one person tries to do all of the work, it screws up the whole organization,” said Amanda Black (99), co-editor of the Milestone. This pushed back the date when the book was sent to the publisher, and this resulted in the delay of the book until the spring semester.

The yearbook staff reports that the 1999 Milestone is on schedule, and should be out next fall.

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It was not done by someone outside of Hope’s campus, although this will not be ruled out. “One of the theories that Public Safety will explore is that it is in response to a prank done to a fraternity who had a flag stolen over the summer,” Renner said. “There have been similar pranks between Greek organizations with various organizations stealing signs and letters throughout the fall. Public Safety is trying to be very sensitive in dealing with this issue.”

Muselman emphasized the serious nature of the incident. “We are not treating this as a prank,” she said. “Since this happened we have gotten a new deadbolt on the back door of our cottage and a new code on the front door. Members of our organization consider this to be a serious issue.” Public Safety stressed they will continue to conduct as thorough of an investigation as possible.

“We take several people’s viewpoints and weight the incident into consideration,” said Duane Terepna, Director of Public Safety. “We combine this information together and that is where we begin our investigation.”
An Uncomfortable Issue

The Hope student crawls into bed in the comfort of a heated residence hall, curled up with the homework that's due tomorrow. It's snowing outside, but the student never notices. They're too caught up with what's due the next day, who to eat lunch with, which pair of jeans will look good with that green sweater.

The only exposure to the cold and rain they receive is from the short trip from hall to classroom, and back. And this walk is made with the brand new ski jacket mom and dad just bought with matching Hope College mittens.

Rarely on that walk to class do we notice those in passing. Occasionally, a greeting is made to a friend or acquaintance. We duck our heads to those we don't know, curling our head into the jacket and pushing our hands further into those pockets.

In Holland, this is the general practice. Hope is a fairly affluent area, and the Holland area is really no different. Holland has heated streets during the winter, and sidewalks and roads around the college are plowed regularly. Rarely does the heat in the residence halls faller, and a hot shower is always near.

It becomes all too easy to complain about the food in Phelps or the cramped bathrooms in the morning. Rarely do students realize that there are those in the area, for whom showers and a regular, hot meal are luxuries.

Homelessness is not so in your face issue in Holland, as it is in larger areas like Washington D.C. There are homeless in the area, and the Holland City Mission never receives a day off.

It becomes so easy to forget that the problems of the world exist as close as Centennial Park. As students jog by the park, they forget that the night before a cold, hard bench served as a bed and home to an individual.

Habitat for Humanity exists to aid those in the area that cannot afford adequate housing or are looking for any form of assistance. But as last Thursday's vigil proved, it never seems to be enough.

The idea that children run around without shoes or that some individuals live paycheck to paycheck, escapes the grasp of Hope students. We are too busy lacing up our Nikes, and cashing Grandma's birthday present.

Homelessness is an issue that is too uncomfortable for most students to deal with. But rather than stepping over them, All people from En-

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DANCING MACHINES: The department of dance presented a student-choreographed concert Monday and Tuesday at the Knickerbocker Theatre. The concert featured original works choreographed and danced by Hope students. Above Jennifer Spalding ('99) carts around Erin Mayer ('99) in a piece called "The People Make the Cart G Round." Amy Veralka ('01) also performed in the work, that was choreographed by MaryBeth Marchionda ('99).

Anchor photos by April Greer

Opus nearing debut issue

KATIE JEN
staff reporter

The first issue of Opusculé, Hope’s literary magazine, is scheduled to come out by the first week in December. Opusculé, which means small book, is a collection of Hope writing and artwork. In past years, the Opus staff has produced only two issues a year, but this year they plan to put together four.

"It's taken us a little longer to put it together than we had planned on, but I am really excited about it," said Opus editor, Sally Smits ('01). "It is full of strong writing."

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Leading the Way

Although the details are a little fuzzy, I remember my first day of kindergarten fairly well. I had waited anxiously for this day for weeks—carefully arranging my pencils and crayons in their bright plastic carrying case, mentally preparing myself for that first bus ride, and finalizing my plans for the perfect ensemble as I prepared to enter into the new world of discovery and enlightenment.

My usual nervously parent nervously snapped pictures of me toting my backpack and holding the hand of my big brother close to my side. I seemed to be nearly as excited for this day as he was.

My brother, on the other hand, was anxious about the situation. He wasn’t sure what we were doing and was nervous about the presence of other people in the room. He was particularly concerned about two qualities that were important to him. First, he hoped that others would see these qualities in him and adopt them in their own lives. Second, he looked forward to the opportunity to express these qualities in my presence.

To him, I was a leader. His two-year-old world was crushed and he was not yet able to reach the conclusion that I would return safely each day.

Though I was only a mere five years old, I had already made a strong impact upon my younger brother. Looking back, I realized that I considered myself a symbol of consistency and stability and a source of comfort and belonging. To him, I was a leader.

Recently I was able to attend the annual Leadership Conference which was presented by noted keynote speaker David Coleman. An Imman of Grand Valley State University, Anne Bacher-Gress (86) of Walworth Publishing, and Kevin Randall (86) of Umbrella Productions Inc.

The conference was packed with hands-on activities and motivational speeches tailored to fit Hope’s student leaders. Throughout the day I was encouraged to "grab a hold of that which you have a passion for and run with it" by Randall and "value the contributions of others" by Bacher-Gress. I was reminded of that my potential to excel at what I enjoy can impact others as I allow my interest to shine through.

Randall drove into his audience the two qualities that cannot be taught, integrity and charisma. He went on to say that he hopes others will see these qualities inside of him and then strive to adopt them in their own lives. Randall also reminded me that I can have upon others, as well as that which they have upon me. It is easy to feel that the work we do goes unnoticed and that few people are influenced by our presence in their lives. But often the biggest differences we make are the result of our simplest actions. The conference reminded me that leadership is not solely based upon management skills, but rather on personal skills as well. By carrying ourselves in a positive manner and striving to validate the presence of other people in our lives, we can impact others in numerous unexpected ways.

Gospel choir praises through music

The words of the popular Chapel song, "Clap Your Hands," may have never rung more true for a group of students than for this year’s energetic Hope College Gospel Choir.

The choir, directed by Darnisha Taylor, is composed of 150 students who became members through an audition process in early September.

"As first, we had about eight members. It’s amazing to me to see how it has grown. This year as the director, it’s been near for me to see almost a type of metamorphosis as the group comes together to truly praise and worship God," Taylor said.

The goal of the Gospel Choir is, first and foremost, to lift up the name of Jesus," Taylor said. "It also gives students an opportunity to experience black gospel worship music, and to grow together as a group of believers. Even though we have different experiences and different backgrounds, we can all come together through this music."

Rachel Hakevoets (99) said that the Gospel Choir is her favorite of all choirs at Hope because she felt she could express how she feels about God through music. "When people see our love for God when we sing, they get excited and that encourages us as we perform," Hakevoets said. "This is a praise choir and it’s all for the glory of God. If we’re not centered on Him, then we are nothing."

The group meets every Monday from 7 to 9 p.m. for practice.

"The practices begin with an opening prayer and choir members sometimes have special prayer requests or pray during practice," Taylor said. "Then I run through the announcements and then there’s some time to get focused before we start with rehearsed and review."

Gospel choir is unlike any of the other choirs at Hope. "One of the unique aspects of Gospel Choir is that we don’t use any music when we learn songs," Taylor said. "We teach the words and they repeat it. This always works remarkably well. This teaching method goes back to the black slave tradition. They weren’t all-lowed to learn to read, so music was passed on orally."

The songs performed are characterized by their charismatic manner. "The songs don’t take very long to learn and once we learn them, they’re so much fun to be able to move around and get into the songs," said Julie Norman (92).

The Gospel Choir has performed at Chapel as well as in many Holland area churches such as Calvary Memorial and Faith Christian. In previous years, the group has traveled as far as Traverse City and Chicago.

"We keep up our enthusiasm by focusing on Christ. It’s through his spirit, not our own strength that we are able to do this," said Taylor.

Response to the concerts varies from audience to audience. "We’ve heard lots of positive comments about our performance in Chapel. I think that sometimes people are a little surprised by our energy," Hakevoets said.

The gospel choir’s next performance at Hope will be held on Martin Luther King Day, January 18, 1999.
Matt Cook
staff reporter

Hope College is now in the 133rd year of its official existence, but even after so many years, across a
globe that once was a worthy American education
institution, Van Raalte's presence remains strong on campus and in Holland, Michigan as it was in 1866.

One man looms overhead, nearby but far away. His watching eye gazing across a
chasm created by the distance
and his creation, and his words resonate.

"This is my Anchor. This is his story. Van Raalte. Albertus C. Van Raalte.

A.C. Van Raalte: The Legacy Continues?

Many students are genuinely interested in the history of the college and Holland itself.

"It's amazing to learn where the roots of Hope College really lie," said Carolyn Emmers ('99).

Whether interested in discovering if Van Raalte's ghost really does haunt Van Vleck hall or indifferent to the history of the college, Hope students are affected by A.C. Van Raalte, if nothing more than attending the college he founded. The legacy of Van Raalte influences the students, faculty, and staff in ways they'll never know, and often times, not even recognize.

The Early Years

Albertus Van Raalte was born in October, 1811 in Waarperven, the Netherlands (at the time under the control of Napoleon's France). His father was a minister in the State Church of Holland, and although he hoped his son would become the same, Albertus first set out to the goal of becoming a medical doctor. He too would feel the call to enter the ministry. He received his higher education at the University of Leiden in Holland, and then attempted to become ordained as a minister.

This was not an easy task for the young Van Raalte. At the time (1835), there was a great religious schism occurring in the Netherlands. A group of Dutch religious leaders were lashing out against changes in the State Reformed Church that tended toward liberal beliefs and went against things that Dutch protestants had believed for centuries.

This splinter group formed their own counterchurch organization called the Dutch Reformed Church in the Netherlands. Van Raalte was drawn in by these separatists in 1836 after his
marriage to Johanna Douwes, a sister-in-law of a sister-in-law of a sister-in-law of a sister-in-law of a member of the group. The next few years were full of hardship and persecution. The government did not feel it could do to make it hard for the new churches. Freedom of religion was not granted by the Dutch monarchy, and Van Raalte was often arrested, jailed and fined, as well as verbally abused and censured upon by others. Dutch law also forbade the integration of Christian faith in education, for this reason churches were not able to set up their own schools.

Van Raalte saw this as an indispensable part of being raised with faith. He would later realize his vision in Hope College.

Due to this, and to massive suffering because of a potato blight in Holland, thousands of church members left Holland for places like North America (especially Michigan and Iowa), what was then the far western reaches of the country. In response to this, in an effort to provide an education to church members, spread widely all over the globe, Van Raalte established an "immigration society" with the goal of moving a large group of his followers to North America. This was despite the fact that he had just gotten over a life threatening illness. So on Sept. 24, 1847, Van Raalte and his family, along with several colonists boarded a ship called The Southwind and set sail for America, originally intending to settle in Wisconsin. The seven week ocean crossing was harsh and stormy. It resulted in three deaths among the 180 colonists on board.

The New World

Life did not get easier for Van Raalte and the colonists. First they settled in New York and the Great Lakes and spent the winter in Detroit. Though Van Raalte was still determined to push on to Wisconsin, his family had convinced him to first find a place to settle in Michigan. On Feb. 9, 1847 Van Raalte emerged from the wilderness on the shores of the Black Lake (later Lake Macatawa) and set up camp. Soon almost 800 colonists would come to the settlement in its first year. Early life was hard. Disease and harsh weather claimed many colonists who were not prepared to deal with the unforgiving wilderness. Van Raalte remained a beacon of strength among them, encouraging them to persevere in their faith no matter what hardships their one first buildings constructed was a church. Van Raalte wanted to be sure that he was building a Christian community. Once the commune got on its feet, Van Raalte turned his attention toward education.

Hope Begins

Immediately he set up a public school, but he was dissatisfied with it because a public school can not be taught with a Christian viewpoint. So, Van Raalte hatched a plan for setting up a private school system called the Pioneer School that focused on his dream of providing a useful education to young people, while remaining in the context of the Christian faith. The Pioneer School ultimately would be able to educate these elementary students, through college. Van Raalte's dream of both religious and educational freedom was coming true.

In 1857 with the support of the Dutch Reformed Church (a large group of reformed churches that Holland churches joined), the Holland Academy, a secondary school that prepared students for seminary or to be teachers, was set apart from the original school system. Van Raalte appointed Rev. John Van Vleck to be the head of the school. Van Vleck hall became the first building on campus.

During the Van Vleck era, men would graduate Holland Academy and travel to Rutgers in New Jersey to receive their higher education. In 1859, Van Vleck left the Academy, and Rev. Phillip Phelps Jr. took his place. Van Raalte worked closely with Phelps in converting the Academy into a college, Holland College, rooted in the Christian Faith. This was highly successful. By 1862, Hope college's first freshmen class of six students arrived. It was officially recognized and chartered by the Reformed Church in 1866.

After this, a great civil war was tearing the nation apart. Everyone was affected by it, even Van Raalte in his dream city of Holland. Mich. Van Raalte was a staunch supporter of the Union during the war, in his writings, his speeches and in his policy in running the town. He even sent his two sons to war. One of them lost an arm in the conflict. Van Raalte had come to love his adopted country. Probably because it had been such a blessing to him and his community in allowing them to pursue freely their beliefs without persecution, and for recognizing their educational system as a worthy American education system.

The Later Years

With the chartering of Hope College, Van Raalte must have become restless. Maybe he felt the need to use his skills and experience to spread his dreams all over the country. He did in Holland. In 1868, he retired from preaching and moved to Virginia to start another colony. Unfortunately, this one was not nearly as successful and he soon returned to Holland.

Back in Holland, Van Raalte was still a very influential leader. He oversaw important changes in the city. He guided them through the tragedy of a fire; he helped bring the railroad to Holland, and thus open it up for expansion; he brought a major tannery to Holland, sparking the local industry, and he invented the game of frisbee golf on the Hope campus, a sport in which he still holds the record. On election day, 1876, A. C. Van Raalte died: 28 years after founding the city of Holland.

YOU'VE COME A LONG WAY, BABY: Hope College has changed a great deal since Albertus C. Van Raalte's time. The college has gone from being housed entirely in Van Vleck hall to a modern, multi-building campus that houses nearly 3,600 students.

Photo Courtesy Hope College Collection of the Joint Archives of Holland

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The Anchor

Spotlight

SOCIOPATHIC LEANINGS
Andrew Lotz:

A Propagation of the Species

Every time you turn around at this college, someone is complaining about something. The weather, the huge chunk of ham they found floating amidst the sauce of their vegetarian pasta, the atmosphere of religious intolerance, the guy down the hall who insists on listening to his Journey's greatest hits album at decibel levels that put the take-off of a 737 to shame, and most of all, the lack of diversity at Hope College.

As a minority student, I notice the lack of diversity at Hope on a daily basis. I look around myself in class or at the cafeteria, and see precious few people who look like me. People in the majority don't understand what it's like to look out at a sea of people who don't match up to the person I see in the mirror. At times, I feel alone and isolated simply because of the color of my hair.

Red-heads go through more persecution and isolation at Hope than you would imagine. Being called Carrot Top, Fire Crotch, Red, Orie, or any of the other derogatory terms for those of us who possess Auburn hair is uncomfortable. The archives has been able to graviate more researchers our way.

Hoping to become more accessible in the future, the staff is willing to help those interested in the past of the community and its surrounding areas. With Wagenaar, collections archivist Geoffrey Reynolds and secretary Lori Trelhewey and many volunteers, the archives is open during business hours and willing to help with those questions.

"The people down there are great," said DeYoung. "The archivists, the secretaries and the volunteers are very friendly." For DeYoung, the archives has been a learning experience. "I have learned an awful lot about Hope College and the Holland area," he said.

Tired of dating your Nintendo 64? The cable not treating you right?

Spend this Friday at Scott Hall.

There are lots of pathetic guys just looking for friends (and a few lonesome girls on the first floor). So go, hang, and get to know someone new. Plus you get to sit on that snazzy Scott Hall furniture.

“Hey, look at that red-head!” You could have fallen out of the ugly lie and hit every branch on the way down, but if the hair is red, it becomes not so much an issue of “does she have her rabbit ears?” but rather an issue of natural selection. Red hair is recessive, and the wrong marriage could end a beautiful strain of red in an instant.

But red hair is not always a necessity. We also genealogical clues. If someone is descended from a known red-haired family, yet lacks the red hair themselves, they are a prime candidate for the reckoning of an allele in danger of being wiped out forever.

And to ensure the continued existence of our species, as well as easing our tribulations of finding a date for Friday night, the Hope College Multicultural Life Board, who has long ignored our minority status on campus, needs to change this. Run our pictures in the guidebooks, to show redheaded perspectives that people like them are on the campus and enjoy life at Hope. Minority scholarships should be granted and a more active role in the social scene should be taken by Admissions. Only by making Hope a more inviting place for persons of red-haired descent can we truly feel confident that generations from now, there will still be red-heads in this world.

Hayworth of the 1900s

This catalog from the Michigan Furniture Company is one of the many original Holland texts preserved in the Joint Archives.

A one of the major driving forces behind the creation of the Joint Archives was former religion professor Elton Bruins. As an informal campus historian, Bruins guarded the treasures of the College's past. He led the committee who created the archives from three separate institutions.

Each of the institutions had their collections in different states of preservation.

"There was no professional care," said Wagenaar. "The [Holland] museum's records were stuffed in a vault in city hall and Western's were in a storage room. The college's were the most accessible," said Wagenaar.

Once the institutions gathered their historical items in the archives, it was possible for the archive to open the documents to the public.
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If anyone has found a gold necklace with a cross and an anchor pendant on it, I would really appreciate it if I got it back. I realized I had lost it while in class in VZN. If found, please call Katie at 6572.

Hope Hockey team needs people to usher at home games. Call Paul at x6558 or x6559 for details.

To the other Reservior Dogs: I miss inhaling paint fumes and freezing to death in that stupid garage. -Mr. Pink

Sweet Angel. Do you have a restraining order against me? -Nuff StressieB- See you at O'Hare? Here's hoping. Have a great Thanksgiving. Kiddo-Thaybunz

DRINK VARNISH!

Chef Erin- When are you going to teach me how to cook? Have I told you lately that I hate my major? SeaWorld here we come!

Anal Retentive Students: When your day isn't going great, sometimes all you need is a good poop. -Batman.

Get excited people! Don't follow the rules the rest of your life! If all of us went to bed on time we'd miss those sacred moments of intimacy. -Batman's cousin.

Bush Spice: When do I get the official tour of Old Navy? I am definitely looking forward to 90210 and PotS. The end of the week is going to kill one of us. We should rejoice and eat nachos. Because I owe you one. -Burnt popcorn.

Honey: It seems as though your shoulder is doing ok. This weekend must have been fun for you. We need to go out and push people on Meijer's carts more often. -Your ex.

Bek: Do you live at home anymore. I miss you being on top all the time. You need to stop galavanting around all the time. And remember I am watching and I know. -Z.

Housemates: Let us not fret over burned popcorn. Let us rejoice in the lighted glory of the fishbowl. Someday they will be gone and so will we. What are we supposed to do then? the fifth wheel. -the fifth wheel.

Dear Friends: Thanks for picking up pennies for me. Someday when I'm in the streets of Vienna I'll be thanking you, again. (And I'll be wearing that black skirt I really couldn't afford.)

Hey Pookie: Keep Homer in line for me. Tell him that he has to teach me to speak some German before I can go to Austria this summer. Go Hudsie High School. Everybody yell EAGLES!

Hope College Hockey at the Edge Ice Arena off of U.S. 51 Friday 7 p.m. vs. Calvin Saturday 7 p.m. vs. Grand Valley Cheer the Flying Dutchman to victory!

Gel well soon my dear A.J. Next time the fire drill goes off, just pull up the covers and say: "Screw it."
Dutchmen lose their footing in a heartbreaking loss

MIKE ZUIDEMA editor-in-chief

It was not the way the Flying Dutchmen expected to end the football season. Tabbed as the favorite to repeat as Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association champions, Hope ended their season with two consecutive conference losses.

"The Flying Dutchmen had walked through the first four games of their conference schedule, and entered their game with Albion looking to top the last undefeated rival. But the Britons clinched the MIAA title by crushing Hope 44-0," head coach Dean Kreps said. "We just had a series of stupid mistakes, and it's my job to fix these.

"If this doesn't motivate people to get better, than I don't know what will," he said.

Defiance scored on a 29-yard pass to Tara Hosford, who received second team honors, scored 337 points and pulled down over 200 rebounds in a season.

"My hope is that we make it to the tournament anyway we can," Zeh said. "If we beat Calvin, that's fine. But I don't think it's our main focus. Getting into the tournament and winning as many games as we can is our main focus."

Dutchmen Go Down: Saturday, Hope got showered by rockets as they lost to Defiance in their final season game 9-7. Here Dave DeHommel ('99) is swarmed by the opposing team on a special teams kick return.

Squirrels like nuts from trees so don't waste trees, recycle.

The Life of the Mind Notice: Following their role models in the NBA, the characters of The Life of the Mind are on strike and will not be appearing this week. Do not panic, we ask you instead, view our Women's Life of the Mind. You will see that as female cartoon characters can compete at the same level as their male counterparts.

Women's basketball eyes NCAA tournament

EMILY DUBOIS staff reporter

The Flying Dutch began a new season following last year’s conference championship and first round loss to Baldwin Wallace in the NCAA Division III Tournament.

The women’s basketball team will return seven players from that NCAA team, that dropped to Baldwin Wallace, 75-71 in the first round.

It's with these players that the Flying Dutch will attempt to capture their first Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association title under head coach Brian Morehouse.

"A big strength is that we have a veteran group of players," Morehouse said. "We have five people that have started for Hope in the past - Lisa Hockstra ('99), Kristin Koenigsknecht ('00), Renee Morehouse, ('99), Tara Hosford ('99), and Darcy Zeh ('99)."

Three of these players received All-MIAA honors for their efforts - Hockstra, who received first team honors, also broke a single season points and pull down over 200 rebounds in a season. Hosford, who received second team honors, scored 337 points and led the defense with 61 steals. She also had 41 assists.

It was also only the second time in Flying Dutch history that three players scored over 300 points in a single season.

"The team is fairly young. There are five or six girls who have never played varsity basketball," assistant coach Kristen Carlson said. "The four keys of success will be rebounding, improving our field goal percentage, decreasing opponent's field goal percentage, and team chemistry," Morehouse said. "If we can accomplish these four goals, we should have a good season."

The Flying Dutch were selected to finish second in the league by MIAA coaches, behind rival Calvin College.

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Hope will play nine of their first ten games at home and close out the season with seven of eight games on the road. The team will host the season opening Hope College Classic this weekend.
Flying Dutchmen hope to continue past success

MIKE ZUIDEMA
editor-in-chief

For the first time in years, the Hope College men's basketball team is not favored to win its fifth straight conference title.

In preseason Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic League rankings, the Flying Dutchmen were ranked in second place, behind rival Calvin College.

Despite early season doubters, the team feels it is in position to compete for another league championship.

"I think it’s going to be a scramble for the top of the league," said head coach Glenn Van Wieren. "The team that builds momentum right in the beginning will be in pretty good position."

Hope will look for a quick start from nine returning players from last year’s team, that finished number two in the nation. While the team graduated four players, several returning individuals played major roles.

The lone returning starter from a year ago is Pat Stegeman (’99). Stegeman averaged 11.5 points and four rebounds a year ago.

Other veterans who started at various times include Todd Coman (’00), Kevin Van Trimmeran (’00), and Chris Vonder Sloik (’99).

The team had an early opportunity to develop chemistry as they traveled to the Netherlands for six games in August.

"At this point we don’t lack at things to work on or in practice, but the guys are working real hard to fix things," said Van Wieren. "I think they need to really commit as a unit. There’s no room for error; every guy has to go out and make a significant contribution."

Hope will begin looking for contributors this weekend, as they will play in the Cornerstone Classic Friday and Saturday. The Flying Dutchmen begin play Friday against Grace, Ind. at 6 p.m.

Van Wieren enters his 22nd year as Hope’s head coach, with a 410-128 record in the Division III coach with a 410-128 record. He currently stands as the third all-time winningest Division III coach.

"I’d describe the team as solid, that’s the one word that would describe it," said Van Wieren. "We have a group of guys that have been watching the action for the past few years, and are now in the position of being watched."

Hope will follow up the Cornerstone Classic one week later with the Old Kent Classic at the Van Andel Arena. There, the Flying Dutchmen could face rival Calvin in a glimpse of what may be the MIAA championship.

The team is confident of its improvement from last year is Calvin.

Friday night at 7:00 p.m. they will have the chance to do it, christening only the second game in their new season with one of the biggest division three rivalries in the country.

"We’re going to approach this like any other game, but play a little harder because it’s Calvin’s," said defenseman Chris Campbell (’02). "I think they need to really commit as a unit. There’s no room for error; every guy has to go out and make a significant contribution."

The addition of the Hockey team has added to the spark already ignited between Hope/Calvin sports teams.

"This adds to the rivalry Hope has with Calvin in other of the other sport competitions," said first-year coach Jeff Chappell. "I expect it to be pretty intense."

The rivalry itself affects nearly every part of the game, especially crowd support.

"Every time we’ve played (Calvin) we’ve had at least 1,000 fans. They’re the loudest, most exciting game we have played," said forward John McDonald (’01).

The Flying Dutchmen, with a 1-1 record, approaches the contest coming off an 8-2 loss to Saginaw Valley last Saturday. Calvin lost to Saginaw Valley 5-4 last Friday night.

The team hopes to improve on its performance of last week.

"We need to improve on playing more consistent, more defensively sound," Chappell said.

Practice for the team have been composed of drills focusing on skating and conditioning. "We’re concentrating on skating and conditioning," Chappell said. "We’ll try to outwork them."

The team is confident of their ability to outlast the Knights.

"We’ll skate, skate, and skate some more and won’t slow down," McDonald said. "My Coach says hustle can neutralize talent any time."

The doors to the Inside Ice Arena, located on Racem, east of 31, will open at 6:30 on Friday night.

"We have to have every body show up at the game, play as a team, and do better in the defensive zone," Campbell said.

Like last year, with three solid lines of offense. And Scott Heis in playing superb at goalie," McDonald said.

The team plans to improve on some aspects of their game.

"We have to work on movement around the net in the offensive zone," said forward Ryan Pettersen. "Keeping constant movement in the high slot."

The team is confident of its improvement from what is disappointing two wins last season.

"We have three solid lines; un-