Hope campus marred by acts of discrimination

Recently, two acts of racism have affected Hope’s community

Courtney Klein  
Campus Beat Editor

Muhammad Karimuddin ('02), a resident of Cosmopolitan Hall, is a practicing Muslim here at Hope College. However, on Thursday, October 25th, Karimuddin also became the victim of a theft.

"Two copies of the Quran and a prayer rug were stolen from my room. Both the Quran’s were in the top of the Arabic copies. Yet these two were stolen. The prayer rug was stolen from my closet and I had another inexpensive one sitting outside on the table," Karimuddin said. It was also unknown to Karimuddin’s roommate where the specific prayer rug was located.

Last Thursday, Karimuddin was at lab when these things were taken. It was also unknown to Karimuddin’s roommate who is investigating this case. Mike Lafata, who plays a role in searching out those at fault, knows the difficulty that comes with leaving a door unlocked.

"Many incidents happen because doors are left open and you can’t tell which items were taken. Many people just walk through an unlocked door," Lafata said.

Regardless of having a door locked or unlocked, Karimuddin doesn’t understand how these specific items were taken from his room.

"I wish I knew why these things were stolen. It does not seem like a prank either. Like I said someone who knew that I had a prayer rug in my closet must have done this, but I am positive that no one knew about this," Karimuddin said.

Most people can identify with some sort of theft, but these items which we stole hold extreme sentimental value to Karimuddin.

"I don’t care who would do I just want these things back. They hold a deep sentimental value for me. The two Quran have been circulating in my family for about 20 years now, and were given to me by my father to be passed on to someone else. The two Quran are both light green in color. One is a smaller copy whereas the other is a large one. The prayer rug is off-white and light blue in color," Karimuddin said.

Police investigate GHB

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Since the incident regarding the date rape drug GHB, as reported in last week’s Anchor, Holland police have concluded an investigation of the alleged drugging on Elizabeth Bennett.

The Holland Police Department has declared the case closed and labeled it as suspicious activity, but not marked with drug involvement.

The Holland Police Department has also turned the case over to the West Michigan Drug Enforcement team.

"There have been no other reports of GHB on campus, but the bad thing with GHB is that it only lasts up to eight hours in urine and up to six hours in blood. There have been some cases where we have seen GHB in the body for up to ten hours, but that was a very rare case," said Mike Lafata, Public Safety patrol sergeant.

The Holland Police Department takes over all off-campus cases from Public Safety.

Joseph Soto is the police officer in charge of the investigation.

"We believe it occurred over at Parrot’s, and since Parrot’s isn’t on campus, it becomes our jurisdiction. Just because we don’t know exactly who did it doesn’t mean we can’t cover certain areas. We have undercover and they can ask questions and target specific areas. The officer at Public Safety who Bennett spoke to immediately after she suspected she had been drugged, had no information to offer her in regards to GHB.

"What the officer told me was, ‘Well, I’ve never had any experience with date rape drugs, so I don’t really know what to tell you, I don’t really have any information,’” Bennett said in last week’s Anchor.

Mike Lafata agreed with Bennett that the officer’s response to her complaint was inappropriate, and Public Safety is taking the first step towards dealing with date rape drug incidents.

“We are now getting together some people who can offer help. The incident wasn’t handled correctly, but we are doing what we can to offer help in the future. The officer should have offered to take her to the hospital, but considering that this happened off-campus, we would have turned it over to the Holland Police Department anyways,” Lafata said.

Public Safety is not the only group of people working to raise awareness of date rape drugs and their effects.

Richard Frost, Dean of Student Services also taking steps to help Hope students deal with GHB and all date rape drugs.

"He [Frost] is supposed to be getting a speaker at the end of November, who is a woman who goes to Western and was drugged and assaulted, but I am still waiting for an email back from Frost,” Bennett said.

In cases where GHB has been ingested, it is important to take immediate, active measures to ensure that GHB has in fact been used.

"Say if someone went home at midnight and woke up at noon, there really isn’t anything left. I mean, if a friend suspects something, you can get tested in the middle of the night," Karimuddin said.

This bulletin board in Cook Hall featured a letter written by Tom DeMeulenaere, in response to his bulletin board about the Islamic faith being torn down. This act joins two other discriminatory acts against the Muslim faith.

Students lose interest in current events

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Student Congress to examine environment

New task force will address Hope's environmental policies, aims to improve recycling programs

Matt Cook

This year's Critical Issues Symposium has inspired one group on campus to find ways to help the environment.

Matt Scogin, Hope's environmental policy task force, said, "We thought it would be appropriate for Student Congress to address the issue.

The first goal of the task force is to find a way to recycle or replace the plastic foam containers used in the Kletz. Scogin and other members of Student Congress noticed their increased use this year.

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In the future, the task force will be looking for more ways to help out the Hope College environment. One of their ideas is to improve the dorm recycling program.

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Although this theft happened last Thursday, Karmaddinn is hoping that word will be passed around campus as to what happened.

"It will be very difficult at best to find the people that did this. Hope college has a 20% clearance rate which means more other schools, so we (Hope) can't be any better or worse. It is hard and frustrating, and it would be really nice to find these items. We are not sure how we will handle it," Lafata said.

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It cannot be said why these specific religious items were taken from Karmaddinn, although it can be speculated that the theft was discriminatory against the Muslim faith.

Another discriminatory act regarding the Muslim faith on campus occurred last week, when a flyer was found on campus.

Richard Frost, dean of students, released a statement last week regarding the flier and it's effects on Hope's community.

Frost also expressed his personal belief of how he thinks the flier has affected Hope's community.

"On the poster and the statement that was written by hand on the bottom of it, really reflects, I hope, a misunderstanding," Frost said.

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Not thinking about other people's feelings also reflects that whenever something is new, we have a natural tendency to want to shut that out.

The acts against Karmaddinn and the flier found recently are all proof that discrimination and stereotyping are occurring on Hope's campus.

"In this case it really reflected that sense of stereotyping, that all people who are Islamic are all going to hate us, and that really is ignorant," Frost said.

Spring Concert Survey

Name ___________________________ Student
ID# ______________________________

Please indicate the band which reflects the genre of your interest:

Yes!  Maybe  No!

Jars of Clay  Ben Folds Five  Rusted Root
Caedmon’s Call  Lifehouse

Please return this survey to the Student Union Desk, or email a response to concert@hope.edu. Thanks!
Varying levels of interest in current events

Erica Heeg
Infocus Editor

Some Hope students follow world news closer than others

As it would on any college campus, student interest in current events at Hope varies. But currently, as our country fights a war on terrorism, the closeness with which students follow worldwide happenings comes into question.

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However, Toppen admits that not all students are attuned to current events.

"People have quite different experiences. There are certain people who kind of get into that world and don't pay attention," Toppen said. The lack of free time for the average college student may make it harder for some students to follow current events.

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Toppen agrees that time can be a factor.

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No tolerance for intolerance

I don't know the answer to the question, "What is Al Qaeda?" Only terrorist group that we are currently at war with. in New York and Washington on September 11. Al Qaeda is the terrorist group responsible for the thousands of deaths that we are currently at war with.

In Afghanistan would be upset if you skipped a homework assignment to learn who the war is against. If you are going to make the decision to support the war or to oppose the war, you should at least take some time to watch the morning news and learn what he or she is doing over there.

It seems the movie ridicules people of all races, ages and social classes. So perhaps everyone should be insulated and proceed to stomp out John Hughes with wooden doigs, or maybe we should learn how to pick our battles. Maybe we should understand co-medication and not desire to overdramatize a harmless PG movie.

Other wise, what other movies could get banned from campus? Can we tamarh some classics like "The Godfather" for its portrayal of violence, "Braveheart" for the British and Scottish, "Schindler's List" for Germans and "West Side Story" for Puerto Ricans? While we're at it, why not eliminate any film with conflict of substance? We can all relax to a soothing episode of "The Care Bears" or "Rainbow Bright." Because the fact remains that there is not one movie out there that could not be considered offensive to someone. Does this mean that we should live in a constant state of apologistics for filmmakers' choices? Not at all. May I suggest a much simpler solution. If you are offended by a movie, don't go to see it. I know that seems profound, but trust me.

Fred Neubert

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I just noticed you haven't been attending Anchor meetings. Just in case you forgot, here are the times:

Wednesday, 9 p.m. Sunday, 6 p.m.

In the Anchor office.
Art proceeds go towards Marathon

Maureen Yonovitz
Senior Staff Reporter

On Friday November 2, from 6-8 p.m., those interested in seeing some original artwork by the students, faculty, and surrounding community coming together to donate time, money, and energy for the children and families throughout West Michigan. The auction will be held from Friday, March 8 at 7 p.m. until Saturday, March 9 at 7 p.m. Dance Marathon is an entirely student-run event sponsored by Holland Area Arts exhibit presented with Tulipanes

Alicia Abood
Staff Reporter

The Holland Area Arts Council, in conjunction with the Tulipanes, is hosting “Las Calaveras: Dia de los Muertos,” an exhibition celebrating the day of the Dead. The exhibit includes pieces from artists statewide.

A street art instructor Jan Probst conceptualized a work that involved her students and their reflections on the September 11th tragedy. Other professional artists exhibiting artwork include Jose Narezo, Margaret Vega, and David Caballero.

David Lubbers is a photographer from Holland and his photographs were taken in Mexico during the actual holiday. The Tulipanes Art and Film Festival poster, by Efrain Sandoval, will also be on display. Jose Narezo was the curator for the show, and brought in various artists with various styles of work, all which are representations of the holiday. Such artwork includes “Ofrendas,” which are installation or altered type figures, and original broadsides by Jose Guadalupe Posada.

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Deborah De La Torre of the Hope College faculty is in charge of the Tulipanes Art and Film Festival. She notes that the collaborative exhibit at Holland Area Arts Council has had a very high response and turnout.

The exhibit, “Las Calaveras: Dia de los Muertos,” is at the Holland Area Arts Council until January 5, 2002.

WHAT’S UP?

Hope Happenings:
Knickerbocker Film Series, “The Road Home,” 10/26-11/1, 7 p.m. & 9 p.m.
nightly, Knick Theater

Dance Marathon Art Auction, 11/2-6 p.m.
Mass Auditorium

Orchestra & Wind Symphony 11/2, 8 p.m.
Dinten Hall

GPS: Chamber Music Soc. of Lincoln Center, 11/9, 8 p.m.
Dinten Chapel

Cool Beans Coffee House Wednesdays, 9-11 p.m.

Out & About:
Auditions for All College Sing (last day) 11/1, 9-11 p.m. sign up at Student Union Desk
Senior Recital, violinist Josiah Dykstra, 11/2, 6 p.m.
Wichers Auditorium

67th Annual NYKer Competition, 10/3, 8 p.m.
Holland Civic Center

Faculty Recital Series 11/4, 4 p.m., Wichers Aud.
All College Sing 11/10, 8 p.m.
Knick Theater

Arts editor

In the name of silence

One week ago tonight, I attended the Visiting Writer’s Series to hear Ranselle Burton read her terrifically beautiful fiction, and Li-Young Lee to read his sacred poetry.

Unfortunately, I was a little late. I had struck a deal with my ceramics Prof to attend the first part of our two hour class in order to catch some of the reading. Normally, this would not faze me. The solace of my night was something to look forward to, and as long as I could lounge in the Knickerbocker seats, even for a little while, underneath the dim and with original-sounding words running thinly through my ears, everything was going to be OK.

BUT - I had to sit in the balcony. And I am too good for the balcony.

No. Not at all. Here is what degraded my experience. Picture me, sitting down, in the only empty seat on the aisle. Now hear the voice next to me. “You didn’t miss much,” says the voice. “I don’t even know who these people are.” I do not hold my breath.

Fortunately, the reader makes the decision to continue reading instead of answering questions from the crowd. I am thoroughly grateful because of what I’ve already missed.

“Jesus H. Christ!” groans the voice behind me.

I feel like I am surrounded by the den of sinners who do not read the Anc- hor. You may also argue that I am an English major, and my interest in VWS is naturally greater. Still, I’ve taken Encounter with the Arts. And I think I remember learning to be respectful at plays, concerts, and the like.

My request is simple: respect for the renowned, professional writers that our English department goes through the great trouble of bringing to our college campus.

They deserve it, even more than the listeners do.

As a matter of fact, these writers choose to come within handshaking distance of us. We can eat breakfast with them if we’re so inclined to. And we’re going to belittle their shared talent with disdain and crude remarks?

This is not just a plea directed towards the balcony sitters. This is a plea for the balcony and the main floor sitters.

Do not attend if you can’t find some respect for two people bearing their soul’s word.

If it is required of you to sit, and if you forego your respect, displease your professors that you would be a disgrace to a community of art- istic supporters, and that you rather not do them the disservice of your presence.

Li-Young Lee mentioned in his reading that silence is as imp- ortant as language to the poet.

The breath at the end of words meant as much as the colors, the textures, and the rhythms of lan- guage. So as poets, as readers of poetry, and as subjects of poetry, we owe honor to the necessary silence.
Sleep disorders take their toll on students

Students experiencing sleep disorders can be treated, but it starts at home.

Jen Troke
Spotlight Editor

Sleep disorders can be very serious, but usually, among college students, they are easily correctable, but usually, among college students, they are among college students, they are easily correctable, but usually, among college students, they are easily correctable, but among college students, they are easily correctable, but among college students.

A major problem among college students is the difference in sleep patterns during the week and on the weekend. Students usually wake up much later on weekends than on weekdays, and this can damage the body’s readiness to readjust again on Monday.

McKay says that these problems should be treated naturally if possible.

"Try to find the root of the problem and treat it — not with drugs," McKay said.

Gray says that the Counseling Center also advocates natural treatment methods.

"What we recommend for students who seem to have gotten their sleep patterns messed up, but where it isn’t affecting them in a really significant way yet, is that they work to develop healthy sleep habits," Gray said.

Alleviating Sleeplessness:
1. Cut down on stimulants like caffeine and nicotine.
2. Avoid rousing activities before bed.
3. Don’t treat the problem with self-medication.
4. Develop constant healthy sleep patterns.
5. Try to avoid long naps during the day.

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John Rodstrom
Senior Staff Writer

The sound of gunfire rattling the windows is an uncommon phenomenon around the Hope College campus. In fact, it is a regular occurrence in several dorms. This is the result of a common computer video game known as "Counterstrike," which is gaining popularity at Hope, especially among freshmen.

Counterstrike is a multiplayer first-person shooter video game played on the local network. The game features a realistic theme, and incorporates real weapons and scenarios.

It involves players being divided into two groups, terrorists and counter-terrorists, in a shoot-'em-up melee. Players earn money by winning rounds and are able to buy different weapons with different advantages.

Often there is an additional objective, such as planting a bomb or rescuing hostages to make the game more challenging.

“If I play Counterstrike, it’s not like I’m just playing a computer. It’s more realistic because it has real scenarios and realistic characters,” said Murry Burgess ('05). Counterstrike provides a sense of competition, in some ways. “It gives me a way to relieve stress and forget about school for 4 or 5 hours a day. I’m addicted, but it’s better than being addicted to alcohol or cigarettes,” Burgess said.

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Hiephong Tuong
Photography Editor

Students and video games: another disorder?

ANCHOR PHOTO BY CLARISSE GREGORY

Helpful steps to alleviate sleep problems include bed time rituals, cutting down on napping, exercising earlier in the day and relaxing before going to bed.

"If you can’t sleep in your bed, go to another place," McKay said. However, this should be a temporary change of environment.

If the problem continues, students should seek help from professionals instead of trying to fix the problem with medication. When sleeplessness is caused by depression or other neurological disorders, both the Health Center and the Counseling Center refer students to higher levels of medical help such as the sleep facility for sleep studies at Holland Hospital.

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Students and video games: another disorder?

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Helpful steps to alleviate sleep problems include bed time rituals, cutting down on napping, exercising earlier in the day and relaxing before going to bed.

"If you can’t sleep in your bed, go to another place,” McKay said. However, this should be a temporary change of environment.

If the problem continues, students should seek help from professionals instead of trying to fix the problem with medication. When sleeplessness is caused by depression or other neurological disorders, both the Health Center and the Counseling Center refer students to higher levels of medical help such as the sleep facility for sleep studies at Holland Hospital.

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The sound of gunfire rattling the windows is not an uncommon phenomenon around the Hope College community, in some ways. Video games have been a source of entertainment for college students, particularly Counterstrike.

“Counterstrike provides a way to have a friendly rivalry between dorms instead of one based on pranks and vandalism,” Burgess said.

Video games have been a source of entertainment for college students since their creation. However, at Hope, students, especially freshmen, are playing video games more than ever, and the effects are spilling over into their real lives. These games affect not only the players, but the other students in the dorms.

“I hate Counterstrike because it gets played too much. It drives me nuts when people are screaming down the hallway at each other over a video game in the middle of the night,” said Mark Thompson ('05), a resident of Scott Hall. “Most of the people on my wing are addicted to some sort of video game.”

However, not all Hope freshmen have succumbed to the temptations offered by video games, although they may be affected by them. “Once in a blue moon, I play some sports video games, such as Madden Football or NHL hockey. I hate it when I walk on my floor and it looks like Vietnam,” said Matthew VanDerve (Wendy) ('05).

“Around a third of my friends are addicted to video games, and I can see it affecting their social lives.”

Still, there are some who see merit in playing video games, particularly Counterstrike.

“It gives me a way to relieve stress and forget about school for 4 or 5 hours a day. I’m addicted, but it’s better than being addicted to alcohol or cigarettes,” Burgess said.

Many freshmen students’ grades have suffered due to their video game addiction, but there are some exceptions.

“I always study before playing games, but it is the opposite for most of the people I’ve seen,” said Thompson.

Regardless of the consequences, Counterstrike, and video games in general, can be considered either a boon or a bane to one’s college experience. The only certainty on the issue is that these games are here to stay.
Encountering racism at Hope

The first thing that comes to my mind when I hear a woman was raped is, “What a complainer?” Or when a child is being abused—are people. Is it fair for people to have to face judgment over the sins of slavery? No, of course not. But just because Caucasian people today shouldn’t be blamed for our country’s debilitating past, doesn’t mean that we should be biased to what is going on today. There has been an uproar on Hope’s campus lately over HAPA’s (Hapa’s Asian Perspective Association) letter to SAC about the movie “Sixteen Candles.” As a member of Hope’s student body, but also as a member of HAPA, I have to say that I am appalled at Hope College’s reaction to the issue of “16 Candles.”

In the movie, there is a Chinese character named Long Duck Dong. To some people, that name sounds funny and “authentic.” To students of Asian descent, it brings up pain from the past. The movie was made in the 80s, when there was racial tension all around, and a lot of anger towards Asians. But as Asians were seen as the “model minority,” no one complained. But when I was growing up half-Caucasian, half-Korean, I went home in tears day after day, because of classmates spewing their eyes upward and saying things like “ching chong dong” while laughing at me. It made me feel inadequate and guilty for no reason. When my mother walks into a store, people either ignore her or assume that she is deaf and dumb. So for people to say that SAC shouldn’t have apologized for the movie is downright cruel. Just because they have not had to encounter racism and prejudice doesn’t mean that other people don’t.

The Social Activities Committee is a representation of the student body of Hope College. If they play a movie degrading Asians, or any other group, what does that say about our student body? What does it say about our student body when people can’t speak up about something that offends them without people ostracizing them? Kieu Tran, HAPA president, has been the victim of many glasses and hostile comments regarding the issue. If people want issues of racism to go away, then we need to act as a community to erase them. They will never go away if we ignore them. It’s hard to try and get over previous pain and grudges, but we will never move past hate if we don’t try. Even because there will always be someone in the world and things will never be perfect, doesn’t mean we shouldn’t try to move past the present evils.

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Backup quarterback Jason Helsen ('04) finished off the Bulldogs in the fourth quarter, completing 3 of 4 passes for 19 yards. Running back Dan Bloomers ('04) ran for 58 yards on 9 carries and one touchdown, while Josh Storckh ('04) ran for 15 yards and one touchdown as well. The offensive line allowed no sacks for the third straight week.

Hope receivers were the big story, though, as the duo of Gle and Brian Adloff ('02) both set records on the day. Gle caught 8 passes for 108 yards and was a 2-touchdown hero. Dan Bloomers ('04) had 11 touchdowns on the season, a Hope record. Adloff caught 11 passes for 123 yards and one touchdown. Already Hope's all-time leading receiver, he tied his previous record of 51 catches in a season, set by 2002 graduate Austin Arney, for 2,452 yards, which are both records.

"I knew I had the ability to do this (touchdown receptions)," said Gle. "I didn't come into the season expecting that I would do it, but it feels great. My main goal was just to continue the plays with the team, and I'd feel really disappointed if we weren't at the point we are right now." After the big game Butler praised the play of Gle.

"Gle comes out here every day and he works really hard, and he doesn't care about records," Butler said. "I knew that he needed two touchdowns to get in the books, and I'm glad to be the guy that got him there. He really deserves it." The shutout of Albion marks the first time Hope has blanked an opponent since the 1997 season.

"It was really great," Randy's son, Ryan (Hope defensive coordinator) did a great job working our defense this year," said Dean Kreps, Hope head coach. "Bloomers did a great job of getting open. He's quick and he runs low, and I like his running style. They had a pretty good offensive line, and their defensive line was pretty solid as well."

Hope never let the Bulldogs into the game. In the first quarter on Adrian's first possession, Pat Warren ('02) recovered a fumble to set Hope up on their own 44-yard line. Hope would drive into Adrian territory and then Butler hit Gle from 36 yards out to make the score 7-0.

In the second quarter, Hope's defense came up with a big play when defensive back Vinnie Harmamba (’02) picked off a pass on the Hope 25. Harmamba also forced a fumble, had a pass breakup, and had 12 tackles. He was named the MIAA Defensive Player of the Week.

After the interception Hope went 75 yards on 13 plays as Dan Bloomers ran it in from a yard out. The PAT was blocked and nearly returned to keep the Dutch at 13-0. After forcing Adrian to punt one more time before the half, Butler hit Adloff in the endzone from 23 yards out for one more score. The two-point conversion was intercepted, but Butler made a spectacular tackle to stop the defender from scoring to hold the score at 19-0 when halftime began.

A silent third quarter would end with 4:24 left as Hope drove 81 yards in 16 plays to punch in a successful score on a one yard run. The PAT was good, and Hope increased their lead to 26-0. As the clock and the Bulldogs wound down in the fourth quarter, Butler found a wide open Gle in the endzone to give the Dutchmen their final score of the game, along with Gle's record setting TD.

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The Hope College men's Cross Country team finished a strong second at the MIAA Championships last Saturday behind national powerhouse Calvin College.

Calvin won the team results with 44 points, Hope had 88 points, Albion 78, Kalamazoo 109, Alma 116, Adrian 176 and Olivet brought up the rear with 183 points.

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