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Phelps gives tour de force in world cuisine

Matt Oosterhouse
CHANCE NEWS EDITOR

The Hope College community will be able to travel globally via their taste buds by indulging in an array of international foods from the countries of Mexico, Japan, France, Argentina and Ukraine on Friday, Nov. 16, from 4 to 7 p.m.

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Student named AmeriCorps ‘Member of the Month’

(HOPE) - Jon Van Wyngarden ’09 of Holland has been named the AmeriCorps Member of the Month for October for the state of Michigan.

He has received the honor from the Michigan Community Service Commission (MCSC), which funds the state’s 19 AmeriCorps programs.

Van Wyngarden is beginning his second year as a part-time AmeriCorps member with Good Samaritan Ministries’ “Faith in Youth” AmeriCorps program, which is a mentoring program serving children from the area’s middle schools. His service site is Calvary Reformed Church, where he works with youth in the after-school program. He has been praised for his commitment to the families—children and parents alike—who live in the community and attend the program.

Van Wyngarden’s involvement blends his career interest in working with children with his commitment to applying his faith to making a difference in his community. He is pursuing an elementary and English composite major at Hope, intending to teach in an area where he hopes to make a difference outside the classroom as well.

“I’m hoping to go on to some sort of urban, at-risk teaching in the future,” Van Wyngarden said. “I’m really passionate about Christian community development.”

The “Faith in Youth” program operates out of five area churches, including Calvary Reformed in Holland.

Photo credit: Steve McCurry

Nepali dinner raises funds for school in Ramche

Laura Stritzke
STAFF WRITER

After a trip in 2003 to the rural village of Ramche in Nepal, Christopher Heun felt motivated to do something to help the poverty-stricken country. In 2006 he started the Santi School Project, named after the Nepalese word for peace. The goal of the project is to raise $20,000 to build a school in the village of Ramche, where children don’t even have the opportunity to go to primary school.

Recently, Hope students have held several opportunities to become familiar with this cause. Hope senior Vidhan Rana, who is from Nepal, met Heun in April during his Washington D.C. semester. Rana is part of the National Service Scholarship Program that was founded by alumna from his high school in Nepal that currently live in the United States. This program has partnered with the Santi School Project to raise money to help build primary schools in Nepal.

Rana hosted a Nepal-themed Oct. 26 to raise money and awareness for the situation in Nepal. About 60 students and community members attended the dinner.

“I knew a lot of students would be interested in helping...but the response has been terrific. I didn’t know people would be so interested in learning about the situation,” Rana said.

At the dinner Rana gave a presentation about the poverty in Nepal, where the per capita income is less than $300 per year.

“People were really surprised by the harsh reality that exists in Nepal...with a lot of my friends it’s hard for them to imagine such poverty without ever seeing it,” Rana said.

“This is a great opportunity to imagine such poverty without ever seeing it.” —Vidhan Rana (’08)

“‘It’s hard for (people) to imagine such poverty without ever seeing it.” —Vidhan Rana (’08)
Event transports diners ‘Around the World in 180 Minutes’

Nepal project raises funds

Student recognized for youth service

In Brief

GREAT AMERICAN SMOKEOUT COMES TO HOPE

For the first time at Hope College, Relay For Life will be sponsoring the Great American Smokeout on Thursday, Nov. 15. A national event, the Great American Smokeout’s goal is to get smokers to stop smoking for one day, as well as to raise awareness for the options that smokers have to help them quit smoking. According to the U.S. Surgeon General in 1990, people who quit smoking, regardless of age, live longer than people who continue to smoke, and quitting smoking substantially decreases the risk of lung, laryngeal, esophageal, oral, pancreatic, bladder and cervical cancers.

At Hope on Thursday, Relay For Life will be offering Quit Kits available outside the entrances to Phelps Dining Hall during lunch and dinner. Smokers are urged to call the American Cancer Society’s Quitline, free counseling program, at 1-800-ACS-2345 or visit the website www.cancer.org/greatamericans, which features a Quit Clock and a Stopping Source, as well as other resources.

HOPE TREE RAISES FUNDS FOR LESS FORTUNATE

During the 2007 Christmas season, Student Congress is sponsoring the HOPE Tree, a new initiative to reach beyond the campus and work with a local charity organization.

This year, Student Congress will work with City on a Hill Ministries to raise funds for the less fortunate in the Holland community. Student staff and faculty can participate by purchasing ornaments (at a cost of $3) and bows (which range from $25-100) from Frutillar’s. The ornaments vary in style, including Christmas trees, poinsettias or rings. The money raised will be presented to the City on a Hill Ministries, which will use it to benefit individuals and families in need.

The bows and ornaments will then be used to decorate a 15-foot Charity Christmas Tree that will be placed in the middle of the second floor Rotunda in the Martha Miller Center and be a symbol of God’s love during the holiday season.

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Team — comprised of other Resi-
dential Educators, Neighborhood Coor dinators and Student As-
sistant Resident Directors — will encourage students to think about other countries and cultures and allow students who have lived in different cultures to become involved in teaching their peers what they have experienced.

Tipton is optimistic that “Around the World” will not only be an entertaining event, but edu ca tional as well.

“I hope the students will have fun, and I hope they will learn something,” Tipton said. “I hope that seeing other cultures and hav ing questions will make people have questions of their own about ours and other cultures.”

Tipton emphasized the multi-
cultural learning opportunity that “Around the World” presents.

“I hope that people will see the beauty that can be had in different cultures and traditions,” Tipton said. “I hope that by the students seeing aspects of other cultures, they will start to be able to recog nize their own culture, because in order to become aware and inter ested in other cultures, one must first determine their own, and of ten we don’t even realize we have one at all!”

Emily Hall, Residential Life co ordinator of Dykstra Hall and Tipt on’s Resident Education advisor, hopes that the event will become an annual occurrence at Hope.

“I hope that this will be such a success that we will be able to re peat it in the future and represent other countries, allowing more students to share their experi ences from their home countries or countries in which they have studied,” Hall said.

“Around the World in 180 min utes” is free and open to the Hope College community, who can come at any time from 4-7 p.m. and still participate fully. Accord ing to Tipton, participants will re ceive a “passport” which they can get stamped at each “country,” and enter for the chance to win prizes. There will also be study abroad information available per taining to each country.

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and includes several full- and part-time AmeriCorps members who in turn work with community volunteers in mentoring approximately 200 youth across the sites. The overall goal is to improve the children’s academic achievement and promote a sense of well-being, particularly for youth at risk due to isolation or poverty.

Van Wyngarden noted that the pro gram at Calvary Reformed has two primary components: a tutoring program and a mentoring program, both of which served about 20 children last year, beginning in November and Jan uary respectively.

He has found Hope a ready source of volunteers, and has recruited several peers to serve as tutors and mentors. He and a group of friends are even living near the church, the better to be a part of the neighborhood and interact with the children the program is serving.

“I decided to move off-campus with a few of the guys to be near the kids next year,” he said. “There are just kids over at our apartment all the time.”

He has appreciated seeing the dif ference that the mentoring program in particular has made in the children’s lives. “That’s been probably one of our best programs,” Van Wyngarden said. “Even just a semester’s time, we’ve seen such a huge improvement in their attitudes and social.”

During his freshman year at Hope, Van Wyngarden worked with youth and outreach programs at Montello Park Christian Reformed Church before taking the AmeriCorps position at Calvary Reformed.

AmeriCorps is a national service program that strengthens communities particularly for youth in service to meet local challenges.


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Hollywood writers strike over pay for online episodes

Gary Gentile
AP Business Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Hollywood writers struck Nov. 5 for the first time in nearly 20 years.

Writers Guild of America President Patric Verrone drew loud cheers when he announced in closed-door session the night of Nov. 1 that the union could strike as early as Nov. 4, several writers told The Associated Press.

The WGA board met Nov. 2 to approve the strike and set a time for the first picket lines.

Union members’ negotiations are focused especially on the key issue of paying writers when TV episodes are sold or streamed over the Internet.

Nick Counter, president of the Alliance of Motion Picture and Television Producers, said that while he has faith in his domestic pharmaceutical manufacturers’ abilities to test the quality of drugs, an influx of counterfeit ingredients through organized crime presents a problem. He commented that consumers might be surprised by the strike announcement that the FDA’s Foreign Drug Inspection Program is not license or regulate chemical manufacturing.

The FDA centers on the foreign factories, pharmaceutical companies are sponsored by a local marketplace, von Eschenbach said.

The stakes are high for writers, actors and directors. While the revenue generated by Internet sales and rentals of films and TV shows is minuscule compared to DVDs, the guilds say Internet revenue eventually will become dominant.

Consumers are expected to see WGA, page 10
Musharraf declares state of emergency

Brian McClellan
Senior Staff Writer

On Nov. 3, President Pervez Musharraf declared a state of emergency in Pakistan, saying that the country was at “a critical and dangerous juncture – threatened by rising tensions and spreading terrorism,” according to CNN.

Hope College Professor of Political Science Jack Holmes said that a likely reason that Musharraf made this declaration was because “he was worried about things getting out of control given his democratic opponents and Islamic fundamentalists.”

In addition to the state of emergency, Musharraf declared martial law, suspended Pakistan’s constitution, delayed national elections and had the leader of the opposition party arrested.

Regardless of reasons Musharraf may have had for initiating a state of emergency, there was an immediate outcry from all sides. Pakistan’s Supreme Court declared the state of emergency imposed by Musharraf illegal.

According to CNN, “shortly afterward, government troops came to (Chief Justice Iftikhar Mohammed) Chaudhry’s ward, government troops came to (Chief Justice Iftikhar Mohammed) Chaudhry’s office and told him the president had dismissed him from his job.”

In addition, leaders from the United States and other nations stated their disapproval that Pakistan was taking steps away from democracy. Several Americans said that they were reviewing the aid they provide.

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Arab-Israeli conflict continues

Jonathan Parrish
Staff Writer

The history of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict is both long and complex, dating back to the late 19th century. During this period and in response to growing persecution, a group of Jewish individuals known as “Zionists” began to call for a permanent homeland for their people.

Finally in November of 1917, the British government declared the Balfour Declaration, pledging to support the foundation of a Jewish state in British-controlled Palestine without violating the civil and religious rights of non-Jewish communities.

In addition to backing the Zionists, the British government continued to support the Arabs in the region. According to Hope College history professor Dr. Janis Gibbs, since these native Arabs were also promised their own land, Palestine is sometimes referred to as the “Twice-Promised Land.”

While the initial hope was that Israelis and Palestinians could share the land they both so desperately claimed, decades of war have proven otherwise.

Currently, the Israeli government is in the process of negotiation with Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas. The most recent attempt at a peace conference was thwarted due to an Israeli checkpoint which mistakenly stopped President Abbas on his way to the meeting last Sunday. An international Middle East peace gathering is expected to take place in Annapolis, Md. in coming weeks.

As of Nov. 2, 90 years have passed since the historic Balfour Declaration. These nine decades of bloodshed and violence have seen almost perpetual conflict in the Biblical land of “milk and honey.” While many have tried to find a fair and equal compromise that would bring peace to the region, very little long-term progress has been achieved.

Despite the repeated failures of the past, Dr. Gibbs said that a lasting peace is possible for the Middle East. Gibbs said that the vast majority would like to find a peaceful solution to their problems. However, frequent intervention from both Palestinian and Israeli radical groups have so far blocked any attempts at peace.

“Extremists make a lot of noise,” Gibbs said. If peace is ever going to be feasible, both sides must “endorse a determination not to let the extremist veto work.”

HOPE COLLEGE THEATRE presents...

By the Bog of Cats

by Marina Carr

“...this auld bog, always shiftin’ and changin’ and coddin’ the eye.”

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Final Performance: Dec. 1 at 9:30pm
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NATIONAL
November 14, 2007
Pakistan, Middle East draw global attention
Peter Havlatka
Guest Writer

“We’re late, but we’re worth the wait,” Carrie New (‘11) and Maria Vidoni (‘11) claim, referring to their radio show that has just hit Hope’s campus this fall.

When their show, “Anything Goes With Maria and Carrie,” kicks off every Tuesday at 11 p.m., folks tuning in should prepare themselves for two hours of music, as well as topics that are as vast as they are varied.

“We talk about what’s on our mind, because anything really does go with Maria and Carrie,” Vidoni said.

“There’s always interesting conversation and mishaps that are going on, so we have to roll with the punches. No show is the same because we do what we want to do when we want to do it.”

“Anything Goes with Maria and Carrie” features two special segments entitled “Carrie’s Time” and “Maria’s Time,” respectively. During Vidoni’s portion, she teaches the audience a new Spanish phrase or saying, such as, “¿Dónde están mis pantalones?” or “Where are my pants?”

During “Carrie Time,” listeners learn fun tidbits, like the fact that McDonald’s employees are told by their superiors to put out small fires with the fries.

Although the show mainly focuses on alternative rock, the pair plans to incorporate different genres of music, such as show tunes, into their two-hour slot. New is logged into AOL Instant Messenger (screen name: Miss-CarrieAgmus) and/or Facebook during the time of their show so that listeners can request songs. The songs cannot contain any explicit material, however.

“There is no naughty fun on WTHS,” said DJ Evan McLean (‘09).

“We have to roll with the punches.”

— Maria Vidoni (‘11), WTHS DJ

In the future, the duo plans on doing “Accents Day,” where the DJs will imitate different people from around the world.

“We’re pretty excited,” Vidoni confessed. “We have some solid accents lined up.”

New has high aspirations for the future of the show.

“I want it to be something where people get their homework done early so that they can listen to us,” New said.

The duo has even come up with a catch phrase describing the quality of their show: “We’re late, but we’re worth the wait.”

WTHS has done a number of things to increase listening among the Hope ranks.

“Well, they hired us,” New said. “Plus, Maria and I are going to put up posters everywhere.”

The station has also placed DJs in the homecoming parades and has “stickers all over campus.”

With new shows, such as “Anything Goes With Maria and Carrie,” starting this year, along with the increased advertising effort, WTHS has the chance to reach new levels of popularity.

With the efforts of New, Vidoni everyone else involved with the station and the increased listening among the student population, WTHS could truly become “The Voice of Hope College.”

ON AIR—WTHS DJ Evan McLean (‘09) hosts his weekly radio show “Technical Difficulties.” The show airs Tuesdays from 9 to 11 p.m. and also features co-host Joe Ceglarek (‘10).

Theatre to present ‘By the Bog of Cats’

(HOPE) — Hope College Theatre Department will present “By the Bog of Cats” by Marina Carr in the DeVitt Main Theatre. Performances are Friday and Saturday, Nov. 16 and 17; Wednesday through Friday, Nov. 28-30 all with an 8 p.m. curtain.

There will be a special final performance at 9:30 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 1.

“By the Bog of Cats” weaves the story of Hester Swane, a woman born in the bogs of central Ireland who swears to never leave her homeland. Abandoned during childhood, she is determined to stay until her mother returns to the bog. Hester, once promised to marry Carthage Kilbride, the father of her 7-year-old daughter Josie, now faces a man who has fallen in love with a woman younger and wealthier.

The play takes place in one day, the wedding day of Carthage to his newly betrothed, Caroline Cassidy. Carthage plans to live with his intended in the house that has been home to Hester during her daughter’s life, but Hester will have none of it. Threatening and ominous, Hester vows to keep her dignity in the face of lost love and lost social reputation, and she will stop at nothing to achieve her goal. Afflicted by the words of persons past and present, Hester
Abigail DeVuyst reviews ‘Fred Claus’

• CATS, from page 5

Have you seen?
The glittery farce “Fred Claus” may leave the viewer wondering if they have seen it before. Santa’s seedy older brother Fred (Vince Vaughn) is a troubled soul who exploits his good-natured brother whenever he can. A Repo man living in Chicago, Fred is called to the North Pole when a business opportunity requires him to work for Santa (Paul Giamatti) to raise $50,000. However, everything is not well in the north and a number of botched jobs lead to the uncertainty that Christmas will continue. Vince Vaughn, in “Wedding Crasher” form, uses his quick fire verbal rambles to baffle not only small elves but sometimes the audience as well. A soundtrack of constant Christmas cheer accompanies the film, and a chorus of “Ho, Ho, Ho,” is painfully overused. The beautifully constructed computer generated gingerbread town is hidden beneath the fakest snow imaginable and the elves played by John Michael Higgins and Ludacris are noticeably computerized. Surprisingly, this film does deliver in terms of acting. Giamatti paints a sincerer and loving St. Nick and Vaughn fits his rough and tumble character to a tee. Making an appearance as yet another villain, Kevin Spacey adds an almost dark edge to the story. Some may find it hard to see past the plot flaws and a wandering focus, but if you’re looking for a movie that’s easy to process, this one would serve the purpose. Most of the underlying lessons are lost in a sea of slapstick and easy laughs, but there are a few moments when true comedy does shine through. A trip to a Siblings Anonymous meeting and a quick glance of Hanukkah almost make this movie a worthwhile trip. However, if you’re not quite ready for carols, cookies and snow, then it might be better to wait until after Thanksgiving to see this film. Or, to risk sounding like a Scrooge, you might just want to save your money and wait for the rental.
Ready for icy roads?

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Driving in the winter can be challenging and dangerous even for those who have braved icy, snow-nipped roads. According to the Michigan Department of Transportation, about 40,000 winter weather-related vehicle accidents occur each year in Michigan. Here is a checklist to help you prepare before you hit the road.

Know your car. Front-wheel, rear-wheel, all-wheel and four-wheel drive vehicles handle differently and each requires unique precautions to ensure safety. If you have not tested your car in inclement weather, it is a good idea to take your car to a large, empty parking lot without any poles and see how your car handles, suggests National Public Radio’s experts at “Car Talk.” Practice corners and purposefully put your car into a slide to practice maneuvering out of it. By practicing these situations before they occur on the road, you will increase your confidence and safe driving skills.

Remove all snow from your car before driving. Keep an ice scraper in the car so you can scrape off all the windows, mirrors and lights before you take off. A shovel can also be helpful in removing the mountain of snow from the top of your car and the hood. Do not just leave the snow because it will fall off or blow off as you drive, potentially obstructing your view or the visibility of cars around you.

When driving on icy roads, never accelerate, turn or stop quickly. If you need to stop quickly and you have anti-lock brakes, do not slam on the brakes; ease them down gently. If they lock up and you feel a jolt, turn on your anti-lock brakes, do not slam on the brakes; ease them down gently.

Give snow plows plenty of space. As with all large vehicles, snow plows have limited visibility. Avoid passing plows unless you absolutely need to. Remember that the road conditions in front of a plow are usually worse than behind it.

Drive slowly. Wherever you are going, give yourself plenty of time so that you do not need to rush.

Everyone should allow more time to get around all winter long,” said MDOT Director Kirk T. Steudle. “It creates a much safer transportation network if motorists drive responsibly.”

It is also important that your car is in top shape and ready for the winter storms ahead.

Check your tires to make sure they are appropriate for the snow. Tread depth is an important factor of what makes up good tires (see sidebar).

Have an auto mechanic look at your radiator; also make sure your antifreeze is filled. The mixture should be half water and half antifreeze. Most service stations and repair centers will inspect this for free.

Test your antifreeze. Ask the mechanic to test your antifreeze with a hydrometer. This device will measure how cold your antifreeze can get before it freezes. It should be able to withstand about 30 degrees below the coldest temperature in our region. Frozen antifreeze can crack an engine block, which is expensive to repair.

Replace your windshield wipers if necessary. Windshield wipers are a driver’s best friend during winter months. They will protect you against not only freezing rain and snow, but also against the salt and sand road crews will be putting on the road.

Fill your wiper fluid. Wiper fluid is just as important as the wipers themselves. This fluid helps clear away salt and mud residue and melts frost off of your windshield. If your fluid is low, be sure to fill it with wiper fluid, not with water. Water will freeze—wiper fluid will not.

Check your brakes—the winter months are not the time to let your brake pads grow thin.

Wash your car on a regular basis during the winter. Salt can be corrosive to your car’s exterior, causing rust if left on your car too long. Waxing your car can help shield your paint from the salt and allow you to go longer between washes.

Spraying the underside of your car with a non-stick spray can be costly, but this is the area that faces the most wear and tear from snow, salt and ice.

In addition to all of these suggestions, the most important precaution drivers can take this winter is being careful on the road. Preparing yourself and your car for the season can make winter driving safer and worry-free.

Thanks to NPR’s “Car Talk,” Michigan DOT and about.com.

Put the junk in your trunk: Essentials for winter driving

ALSO HELPFUL—
Call phone and phone charger
Ice scraper
Pocket change for a pay phone
Tow straps and hooks
Kitty litter or sand for traction if you are stuck.

STURDY SHOVEL— A shovel is essential for winter driving, whether it is for shoveling the snow off the top of your car or digging yourself out of a ditch.

FLASHLIGHT— If you are stranded at night, a flashlight will help you locate essentials without running down your batteries.

EXTRA MONEY— Having a little extra cash on hand never hurts, especially if you run out of gas and have forgotten your wallet or purse.

WINTER CLOTHES AND BLANKET— Staying warm while you wait for assistance is a must!

BOOTS— For those who often drive in sneakers or heels, keeping a pair of warm boots in the trunk is a wise decision.
In pursuit of knowledge

Evelyn Daniel

Finding the time

It’s the time of year that’s approximately 35 degrees and raining with a 30 miles-per-hour wind. The pervasive darkness of the season leaves me with an incredulous urge to curl up under the covers and stay there until Christmas break.

Unfortunately, I have two books to finish, two papers to write and too many hours worth of emails to answer. I can’t go into hibernation just yet.

After all, most of us know better than to put off schoolwork completely. School is the reason we’re here; we (or our parents) are paying thousands of dollars, and going thereby putting off schoolwork completely. School is the reason we’re here; we (or our parents) are paying thousands of dollars, and going through this to get a college degree. For years, hundreds, if not thousands of students have taken some, but will not admit it anywhere.

However, when the world watched the documentary a few days later, CNN had twisted his words to make him sound as if he might have taken some, but will not admit it anything. (For more info check out www.com)

Over the course of years, CNN has been doing exactly the same to a lot of news reports, from the Palestinian case, to war on Iraq, to environmental issues and many more.

Take for example the Palestinian case; CNN reports the news from a biased point of view. CNN, with their style, reports the truth that turns the Israeli aggressor to the Israeli oppresor, and vice versa for the Palestinians. It reports one and rarely both sides of the story. It publishes incomplete and altered truths about Palestine and rarely strolls into the story. It reports the news from a biased point of view.

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Lack of respect, sheer lies, fabrications of the mind and the alternation of words are the methods that CNN reports its news to you America. Internationally and locally, never do they report the news justly.

— George P. Khoury (’09)

Weekly Sudoku

Sudoku is a popular logic-based puzzle. It is a number placement puzzle. The goal of a sudoku puzzle is to fill in all of the empty squares such that each column, row, and three-by-three grid includes the numerals one through nine.

Each week a new puzzle will be printed along with the past week’s solution.

Solution for Nov. 7 Puzzle

9 6 2 5
8 1 7 4
5 4 1 3
3 7 8 9 2
4 9 2 1 3
6 2 5 8
2 7 6 1 9
3 8 7 5 4
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Where the wind still blows

Stephen Cupery

Tramping to other places through unwritten pages

A November sky slid away in ease today, tossing one last fading glimpse of October’s destruction.

-- Some recently observed, some distantly

I looked deeply above endless waters at an intangible horizon atop my perch on dune

Rumbleweeds

Jeremy Benson

Medical history

It’s November, Doomsmonth, and I’m sick.

Two and a half months of climbing into bed at 3 and grumbling out at 8 has finally caught up with me. I’ve been fighting it for the last week or so, sacking down zinc candies and vitamin C capsules like I was doing it for a grade.

I don’t want to write about being sick, I really don’t. It’s just all I can think about at the moment, with this pulsing above my left eye, the jelly in my veins and the clouded foam. I tried to imagine what butt

cavities.

Last Sunday I shared a cup of water with a friend who had a cold. She told me not to tell her actual words were, “You’ll die.” She was exaggerating, of course, and I drank anyways, sneezed, and scratched my throat. I know it will not be an infection that finally does me in. It will be from within: a mutated cell or a leaky artery.

Except for my great-grandpa, who died from the poisoning of boiling chemicals, there has never been a cancer-free death in my mom’s family.

I remember when my grandpa had cancer. We spent that Christmas in California.

I have an image, a few frames of movement, of Grandpa Lowe grasping the edge of the table and lowering himself down onto the piano stool draped in egg carton foam. I tried to imagine what butt

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sleeping mats, pillows; using it as the
desk, like banging your elbow on a

I remember at the train station, right

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From the inside out

Nicholas Engel

Freedom beyond Colbertrica

It’s old news by now, but (just in case you haven’t heard yet) Stephen Colbert’s shot at the 2008 presidency derailed a couple weeks ago when the South Carolina Democratic Party ruled him an unviable candidate.

Sad day. Maybe the presidency is a bit out of reach. But there might yet be a chance!

The blow hasn’t dampened the enthusiasm of his Facebook constituency, which still numbers over 1,400,000 supporters from across the nation. If

he’d just ask them to move to South Carolina, the state where he was born, and ask his viewers to vote to christen a Hungarian bridge in his honor, then for sure he could at least pull off Governor.

But there’s more, right? The Free State Project has already got some 5,500 Libertarian-minded folk signed up to move to New Hampshire and burst onto the political scene once they get a few more names on the roster. They’re only 11,500 people short. But once they get that... watch out, America!

There’s no doubt that the Free State Project is a tiny and basically irrelevant political group (regardless of what Ron Paul has to say). Chances are, they won’t ever be successful.

But the truth is, FSP is a lot more than just another echo of the anti-establishment.

And to how much more can beauty move one than an irrevocable comedian with unusually dexterous eyebrows?

A Colbertian might say in response that Colbert is actually a positive force for democracy: he brings our attention to the myriad problems facing U.S. citizens today.

But as to that, there’s not even a question. Everybody who has seen a sec
dition of those swirling lenticular

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Islamic states need ‘return to stability,’ Holmes says

Pakistan, from page 4

Even so, Pakistan is still not completely politically stable. Opposition leader Imran Khan said, “just lifting the emergency (order) is not good enough for us.” According to opposition sentiment, any officials who lost their jobs during the state of emergency should have them restored.

In addition, Pakistan is considered a key ally in the War on Terror, so the question has been raised as to whether the current instability will affect Pakistan’s contribution to worldwide efforts to combat terrorism.

“This could affect Pakistan’s contribution. How much it does will depend on how the situation is resolved,” Holmes said.

Hollywood writers strike

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“‘It’s sad, but I’ve got to support my union. At this point it makes sense.’

— Janis Hirsch, TV writer

WGA, from page 3

spend $1.64 billion on DVDs this year, according to Adams Media Research.

Studios could generate about $158 million from selling movies online and about $194 million from selling TV shows over the Web.

“Every incremental window of distribution has added revenue and profitability to the business model,” said Anthony DiClemente, an entertainment analyst for Lehman Brothers Equity Research. “Digital is likely to be a positive thing for the studios.”

Producers argue that it is too early to know how much money they can make from offering entertainment on the Internet, cell phones, iPods and other devices.

Producers are uncertain whether consumers prefer a pay-per-view model over an advertising-supported system. They want the economic flexibility to experiment as consumer habits change in reaction to technology.

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Hockey defeats Division II GVSU

The Hope College men's and women's swimming and diving teams defeated Albion College on Nov. 10. The men's team won 151-121 by winning both relays and 13 individual events.

The women's team was victorious 167-109 by winning both relays and 12 individual events. Both teams are 2-0 in the MIAA and will compete against Kalamazoo and Carthage College on Nov. 16 and 17 at 6 p.m. and 11 a.m.

TRESSSLAR VOTED MIAA MVP

Dan Tresslar ('08) was voted MIAA MVP in men's soccer. Also, Tresslar is an All-MIAA first team honoree for the third year. Joining Tresslar with All-MIAA first team honors were Kevin Bartosek ('10), James Trebilcock ('10), and Mike Amerman ('08).

VOLLEYBALL PLAYER NAMED OUTSTANDING DIII FRESHMAN

Hope College's Sara VandeGuchte was named the outstanding Division III freshman volleyball player in the Great Lakes Volleyball Coaches Association. The region includes NCAA teams Division III teams in Michigan and Ohio.

VandeGuchte led the MIAA in hitting percentage with a .370 average and led Hope in kills with 304. Hope finished with a 14-2 MIAA record and 25-9 overall.
Flying Dutch ranked 12th nationally in DIII polls

Jonathan Kinsey
Sports Writer

The women’s basketball team opens its season with the Tip-off Tournament this Friday and Saturday. The 12th-ranked Dutch come into the season looking for positive results right away. Last season, the Dutch finished second in the MIAA.

“We expect to play hard and win one game at a time. We are looking at it as an opportunity to win our first championship of the season,” captain Jordyn Boles ('08) said.

The off-season regimen has prepared them for the success they are looking for, and the coaches have kept the girls busy during practice.

“Our team has been very dedicated to preseason training this year, which involved 6:30 a.m. workouts three days a week along with open gym twice a week and shooting on our own time,” said Captain Kaitlyn Kopke ('08). Last season the Dutch were 24-4 and finished second in the conference tournament en route to their first round playoff loss. This year expectations are high and the team believes that they have what it takes to rise to the top.

Van Wieren, who was a player at Hope, said, “I’m looking forward to the Dew Crew, the joy of coaching and teaching, working with my assistant coaches, and another great year with the men of Hope.”

The team has been ranked 13th in the nation in Division III heading into this season. Rich Calvin is ranked 13th. With these rankings going into the season and the historic successes of basketball at Hope, the team has big shoes to fill, and coach Van Wieren sets his bar high.

“I want to repeat as league champions. I want to see great team chemistry. I want us to be our best at everything on and off the court. And I want us to represent ourselves and Hope College in a positive way,” Van Wieren said.

The team will be led by co-captains and forwards Ryan Klein ('08), Jesse Reimink ('09), and Marcus Vanderheide ('08).

Vanderheide believes that the team is doing well on the court as well as off.

“Off the court we are trying to be active in the community and show everyone how much we appreciate their support,” Vanderheide said.

The varsity team will consist of six seniors, four juniors, one sophomore and four freshmen. Nine of these members are returning letter winners, the other six are not.

“There is a gap between those that are experienced and those players with less experience,” coach Van Wieren said, “One of our challenges this year is to narrow that gap.”

Vanderheide felt the same way about the team’s wide range of experience.

“All of us seniors came into college just like them and needed to learn the difference between the high school and college basketball game,” Vanderheide said. “It’s a lot different and it’s our responsibility to bring them up to that level. All it is going to take is encouragement and game experience.

The men will get their first game experience on Friday, Nov. 23 at Cornerstone in the 2007 Hall of Fame Classic. Hope will play Aquinas Friday night at 6 p.m. and Calvin will play Cornerstone at 8 p.m. The tournament will conclude on Saturday with a consolation game at 6 p.m. and a championship game at 8 p.m.

This, however, is not on the forefront of anybody’s mind.

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“If we get into the tournament and get the chance to play on our home floor, it will make it that much more special.”

The women are looking for a successful season, but at this point, they are taking it game by game, one step at a time.

“I think the main thing we will have to overcome this season to be successful is all the outside talk in regards to the amount of talent on our team this year and the fact that the MIAA championship is being held at the DeVos,” Kopke said. “Obviously one of our goals is to be playing that final game, but we must focus on getting better every day whether it be the next practice or game instead of looking down the road. It’s all about the journey right now, not the destination.”

Men’s basketball: Experience is key for 2007

Grace Denny
Sports Writer

After finishing last year’s season with an MIAA championship title and advancing to the Elite Eight of the NCAA Division III tournament, Hope College’s men’s basketball team is back on the court in preparation for the 2007-2008 season.

This season marks 30 years of coaching the men’s basketball team for Glenn Van Wieren who has led the team to 16 MIAA championships, five appearances in the Sweet Sixteen, three showings in the Elite Eight and has taken the team all the way to second in the nation twice in 1996 and 1998.

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