By Julie Blair

"It's not just a competition, it's a feeling," Nykerk General Chairperson Holly Moore told the audience before the 57th Annual Nykerk Cup Competition Saturday night at the Holland Civic Center. "It's an experience the joy and excitement all through the faces of the audience at the Nykerk Cup... All through the faces of the audience at the Nykerk Cup..." Moore said, "Nykerk is not just a sharing, learning and growing. It is said. "Nykerk is not just a sharing, learning and growing. It is said. "Nykerk is not just a sharing, learning and growing. It is said. "Nykerk is not just a sharing, learning and growing. It is said. "Nykerk is not just a sharing, learning and growing. It is said. "Nykerk is not just a sharing, learning and growing. It is said. "Nykerk is not just a sharing, learning and growing. It is said. "Nykerk is not just a sharing, learning and growing. It is said. "Nykerk is not just a sharing, learning and growing. It is said. "Nykerk is not just a sharing, learning and growing. It is said. "Nykerk is not just a sharing, learning and growing. It is said. "Nykerk is not just a sharing, learning and growing. It is said. "Nykerk is not just a sharing, learning and growing. It is said. "Nykerk is not just a sharing, learning and growing. It is said. "Nykerk is not just a sharing, learning and growing. It is said. "Nykerk is not just a sharing, learning and growing. It is said.

Nykerk, more than a tradition

By Julie Blair

An endowed $6,000 prize was given to the group that performed the best with "The September Daughter," a fantasy spoof about the perilous plight of an off-campus program in Philadelphia, Washington or anywhere else.

The Student Appropriations Committee will have $175,000 to work with during this school year from activities fee income, according to current estimates. This figure is up from the estimated make last year. At the end of last spring semester, $169,575 was calculated to reflect possible enrollments for the 1992-93 school year. The Business Office has estimated a number a couple thousand less than $175,000 to be on the safe side, protecting against over appropriation. Currently, $160,867 has been appropriated in the form of costume requests and budgets to 24 different campus organizations receiving funding through Student Congress including SAC (Social Activities Committee), WTHS, The Anchor and Milstones. Other funds were approved for the Center for Volunteer Service, a Spring Flings concert, a speaker series, an Acer computer payment and the senior class gift/event to the school.

The remainder is being used to fill ad hoc requests and appeals from student organizations and to serve as a safety buffer against over spending. Congress created a bylaw for themselves a couple years ago whereby they must set aside a contingency of at least $73,000 each year. This money is not to be touched except in the case of an emergency. ‘If a student organization goes in debt, this money protects all of student activities from going in debt," said Julie Meyer '95, Student Congress Comptroller in charge of student activities budgets. "It is basically an insurance policy.

Student Congress is now in debt to Hope $50,600, down from $73,000 in 1987, due to a number of organizations overspending their budgets during previous years. Hope put the debt in a separate account and agreed to forgive $8,000 each year the budget stays in the black.

"I think the school has been very generous," Meyer said. "It has made Student Congress leadership aware of a much more accountable processes. We want to end this school year with a balanced budget.

For the past couple of years, students have been alarmed over the current state of activities. With a few minor cases, kept within their budgets and have returned money back to the Student Congress fund at the end of the school year for future use by student activities. Currently, organizations are trustees to do the same.

"Overall, organizations this year have shown a high degree of fiscal responsibility," Meyer said. The Anchor calculated this year's income from the student's activities fee to be $175,000 by combining reports from the business and registrar's offices. Students enrolled at Hope for five or more credits must pay the $70 activities fee, according to the business office. Students enrolled for one to four credits have the option of paying the fee.

In addition, those enrolled with an off-campus program in Philadelphia, Washington or anywhere else
Clinton deserves respect
Stephanie Grier

The voice of America has been heard. Last week, the citizens of this country tied all of their aspirations for the future of the U.S. together and gave them to Bill Clinton.

When Clinton steps into the Oval Office this January, he will bear the weight of these aspirations. He will be expected to create a healthy economy, a fast-growing job market and a profitable place for the U.S. in the New World Order. Who would wish to be Bill Clinton now? Is there any who would envy his term as president in a time when this position implies so many expectations?

It seems inevitable that Clinton will disappoint the United States somehow. When the presidential honeymoon has ended and change is slow in coming, his effectiveness will undoubtedly be questioned.

This questioning, however, will not be the result of Clinton's ineffectiveness or of pulled-up campaign promises; rather it will be a result of the expectations placed upon him. These presidential campaigns have echoed with the noise of an unhappy nation, but these sounds will not fade as the unlucky winner takes his seat.

Beginning in January, Bill Clinton will face his countrymen in a jury of millions. However, the jury will not be those who are lying in wait for his first mistakes, and there are those who think that he was destined to fail. America's future can be found both in the glittering eyes of the anticipatory set and in the disillusioned minds of the true believers.

There is no way for Clinton to escape these expectations. He is a prisoner of them, since he comes to power at a time when the electorate has not held him accountable to the people. America is looking for him to perform, fast, easy solutions. However, most logically thinking citizens are aware of the fact that there are no easy answers to the troubles of America. There are going to be sacrifices involved, and the citizens of this country must be prepared to make them. Bill Clinton can't do it all by himself; he needs the support and understanding of his fellow countrymen.

It is unrealistic to place such great expectations on a single human being, since it is not he alone who has made the mistakes; it is we, the citizens, who have made the mistakes. He is also a congressman, a judiciary, and several million citizens who must take on a little bit of this job themselves.

There are no messiahs in politics. Each man gives what he can and moves blindly forward into the future like everyone else. Bill Clinton cannot save America from itself, he can only offer us what he knows to be the best presidency he can give.

It seems only fair that America should return the favor with understanding and respect, rather than widespread and futile expectations.

Voskuii named Blekkink professor

by Chaquta Walton

Dr Dennis Voskuil has been appointed the Event J. and Hatte E. Blekkink Professor of Religion. He was appointed to the chair by the College's Board of Trustees during its recent fall meeting.

Voskuii is a professor of religion, and the first person of the department. He said he was "over-optimistic" to be an honor to himself and the department.

The professorship was created in 1981 from a bequest of the late Event J. and Ruth Blekkink in honor of their parents. Church, Voskuil has served in the various campus committees, and has been named as a faculty representative to the College's Board of Trustees.

The event is the author of numerous journal articles, including the book "Mountains into Gold Mines," "Robert Schuller and the Gospel of Success.

An ordained minister in the Reformed Church, Voskuii has served churches in Waverly, Mass., and Kalamazoo.

During the 1990-91 and 1991-92 academic years he was interim senior pastor of First Reformed Church in Holland, including on a full-time basis while on a leave of absence from the college during 1991-1992.

He earned his undergraduate degree at the University of Wisconsin Madison, earned a B.D. at Western Theological Seminary and earned his doctorate at Harvard University.

The professorship is open to faculty members in the departments of education and religion. It provides financial support for a member of the faculty who is selected on the basis of a distinguished record as an outstanding teacher, for recognized scholarly contributions and for significant contributions to the overall mission of the college.

"Dr. Dennis Voskuii is an ideal successor to Dr. Elton Bruins as the Event J. and Hatte E. Blekkink Professor of Religion," said Jacob Nuyenhus, provost of Hope College and professor of classics. "He has a distinguished record as a teacher, as scholar and as servant of the college and the church. He therefore exemplifies all the qualities that should characterize a holder of this endowed chair.

Advisors a valuable resource for registration

by Dirk Joldersma

Features editor

For many freshmen, their first class registration is a time of great anxiety and tremendous pressure. They are well-aware of the need to select their classes wisely, for there are literally hundreds of number of opportunities for classes. Also, the course selection, one that is unfamiliar, sometimes incomprehensible, bureaucracy can stress even the most confident student.

But registration need not be a nerve-wracking process. Most freshmen are not fully aware of the possible help that an academic advisor can be. The advisor, to most freshmen, is simply "some guy I had to talk to when I came here." I know that sometimes in the next week I'm going to go and talk to him.

But the advisor really has a much more definitive role in the scheduling process. The advisor signs the permission slip that allows students to register, and most advisors are trying to help in more ways than just that.

The advisor, as the name implies, is a counselor to the student. And while advisors are happy to help students in understanding core requirements, major requirements and selecting electives. In addition, advisors often have valuable advice on what classes make good combinations. The advisor is the registrar's Office to exert a little pull in his or her department allowing a student to register in a normal course.

But, if a student's advisor is poorly suited to best address that student's individual needs, then there is a simple procedure for switching to a new advisor. A three-line form, available in the Registrar's Office, will, upon completion, assign the student to the advisor of his or her choice.

The advisor is also an important aid to the dental health care professional, in the Registrar's Office can be issued extremely sound advice, and if a mistake has been made in scheduling, here is where the student is normally corrected. Students can drop and add classes through this office. If there is where the student may someday go to take a class that is full. Class schedules are available here, and any changes to the schedule will be noted in the office.

One of the greatest tensions surrounding the registration process, especially for freshmen, is that as the school year goes on, the student has the chance to enroll in courses and not be able to enroll in some courses, and the loss of this class upsets a perfectly good schedule.

There are no ways to avoid this problem, but there are several solutions. The easiest way to resolve the conflict is to sign up on the waiting list and give. In through students drop to allow admission. But this is a particularly random and ineffective method. A better approach is to approach the professor teaching the class. If the class is for a prospective major, more often than not the professor will allow the student to enroll. This is also true in courses left open in main class enrollment.

Perhaps the best way to avoid missing a class is to make sure his or her name is on the health plan alternatives to each class. Though this takes time, it usually is not a problem, and is often at least some small form that causes much frustration.

BOSNIA
Pro-Iranian Lebanese groups have sent more than 50 guerrillas to train Muslim forces fighting in Bosnia. Guerrillas from the Shiite Muslim Hezbollah and the Sunni Muslim Tawheed group recently arrived in the former Yugoslav republic. In related news, Bush administration officials announced a peace plan that would solidify the Serb's grip on most of Bosnia.

GERMANY
About 100,000 Germans marked the anniversary of the 1938 Nazi "Kristallnacht" program that foreshadowed the Holocaust, staging rallies in dozens of cities to denounce rightful violence. In Rome, nearly 50,000 people took part in demonstrations against anti-Semitism and racism.

BRITAIN
Russia and Britain signed the first comprehensive treaty between the two nations since 1766. Russian President Yeltsin, making his first official visit to Britain, signed the pact with Prime Minister Major after the two leaders met for several hours. Yeltsin signed other agreements covering trade, defense, civil aviation and nuclear energy.

MEXICO
Mexico's ruling party landslide in a presidential election in a key state, prompting opposition calls for mass protests against alleged fraud in Sunday's vote. Officials in the northeastern state of Tamaulipas said that with seventy percent of the ballots counted, the Institutional Revolutionary Party had sixty-eight percent of the vote.

WASHINGTON, D.C.
The Supreme Court dealt a blow to employees who have AIDS. The court left intact a ruling that said self-insured companies doesn't bar a federal employee from obtaining health insurance coverage for AIDS patients. The justices refused to hear an appeal of a decision by a federal appellate court permitting the plan to exclude coverage as long as it is motivated by a desire to save money, rather than animosity toward AIDS sufferers.

WASHINGTON, D.C.
Arabs and Israelis resumed peace talks in a bitter mood due to the rocket attacks by guerrillas against northern Israel. Israeli's chief negotiator said, "if there is not security and quit on our side of the border, there will be no quiet for you either. Both sides walked angrily out of the meeting room after only a half hour.

NEW YORK
An 11-year-old boy won the right to take his court-appointed lawyer in his parents' divorce case. The New York state judge in Brooklyn reflects a new emphasis on children's rights.

ARKANSAS
President-elect Clinton said the economy was showing "very troubling signs" but he hoped an economic summit later this year would be able to come up with solutions. Separately, aides to Clinton said he is unlikely to press immediately for campaign-finance over haul and the line-item veto.

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Investigative journalist exposes psychics and faith healers

by Julie Blair and Tara Stollenmayer

The name "The Bridge" describes the essence of the store's mission. The Bridge is one of five stores in Michigan that gives 60-70 percent from every product sold back to the person who made it. Not only is it close as Mexico and as far as Sri Lanka and the Jordanian West Bank, their goods are bought at 18 W. Eighth St., College Ave., and are featured in many places, including Hebrew scriptures in their own original language. Korem opened the forum displaying magic tricks to illustrate the manipulative techniques used by faith healers. While explaining the techniques of these people, he slipped into a non-verbal speech allowing the mind of the audience to pick up the subliminal message. He threw out a ball of paper to the audience with the name of a color written on it and asked a student to color it. Korem then asked a spectator to name a color he wanted to put in his left hand. When the student guessed "blue," he was correct. Subsequently, Korem passed the word to the student telekinetically — this would have impressed most, but said, "It has been revealed that 12 of blue’s" into his speech pattern.

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Faith healing perspective needed

The people of Hope College certainly have the right to expect their community newspaper to be dedicated to truthfulness and accuracy. It may seem contradictory, then, when you see the corrections and clarifications in this issue. I want to take this opportunity to communique why.

Lagging for errors. Let me tell you, it's the worst feeling to see the paper Wednesday morning only to realize I forgot a key name in a front page story and cutline. This can really be debilitating because so much time and energy has gone into the issue.

The Anchor's policy is never to print a known error, but reality is that in the economy of time and resources, there will be errors in the paper. This is also true with any publication. Even the New York Times and Wall Street Journal print errors, but more are caught in these publications because they have the time and resources to double check that their stories are accurate.

Even though The Anchor will not be able to catch all errors before publication, I am committed to the correctness of the information printed and printing a correction or clarification as soon as errors are brought to my attention. I appreciate people bringing these to my attention as well as do I that can help the Hope community better understand the truth.

One example of how we have tried to bring clarification in is the instance of the activities fee story (see front page). When going to press with the October 21 issue, we felt that the information regarding the amount of income from the activities fee was correct. Soon after publication we began to hear questions as to the correctness of the figures.

It became evident that nobody, at The Anchor or anywhere else had calculated the total activities fee scientifically—it had only been estimated without concrete statistics.

Hope Student Congress didn't even know what they had to work with because of the intricacy of things worked. At that point, I began to do some digging and figuring to get the most accurate number possible. Thus, this led me to the Registrar's Office to ask a number of questions about budgeting.

I also had to communicate with the Student Congress comptroller in charge of budgets for student activities, Joe Kuper ('93). Student Congress President Ben West and I coordinated all the information and double checked it before publication.

What The Anchor is trying to do is bring information which is credible and trustworthy to an audience that deserves it. That is why I will do everything I can to be sure my leadings or inaccurate information is not published. When it is, I will do what I can to bring clarity and understanding to the issue through an entry in the corrections and clarifications box on the front page or a story which provides updated information.

Dedication to accuracy

Dear Editor,

I'm alarmed and concerned about something which I'm hoping that you or someone at Hope College—faculty, administration, students—might address.

WHY... with regular and frequent happening, do Hope College students in embarrassing large numbers gather for 'parties' on campus where the sole or primary activity is alcohol consumption?

Why do 'minor's' (under 21 years of age) pay big money to their older peers in order to drink illegally?

What meaning or pleasure is there in drinking, drinking until you purg and pass, profusely, then puke and eventually pass out, only to awaken the next day (often, afternoon) and go do it all over again?

Am I missing out on something in my middle-aged years? Is the stress and tension on Hope's campus so great that alcoholic beverages are the only relief? I'm talking about service beverages being the inebriated masses back to campus so drinking drivers are minimised.

But, come on, please—what gives with this behavior, anyway? Drinking alcohol just to get some drunk is stupid, in my estimation.

Can someone at Hope College enlighten me on the reasons or reas for this behavior? Thanks.

Respectfully bewildered,
Donald J. Hoekstra

Scott Runyon
editor-in-chief

Letters to the editor

Off-campus parties

Dear Editor,

I am writing this letter to inform the student body and the entire Hope College community of the recent hands-off change in the radio dial in West Michigan. Over the summer, WLV---96.9---took a nationwide format change in which many early radio stations changed their programming from 'Alternative' music. From our perspective, this was a good thing for the West Michigan area which until then was free of 'Alternative' music except for the variety of college-run frequencies, our own included. Witnessed was a growth in the number of '97 Radio Grand Rapids' bumper/window stickers as well as a seemingly increased listenership in the Holland area.

Over the course of tumultuous change were broadcast on WLAV starting October 26 were followed by an announcement that this change, the 'Alternative Rock' (or 'Classic Rock')—a sound that is surprisingly close to WKLQ---45.9. It is understandable that when a station makes a drastic format change it cannot expect abrupt change at WLAV that changes that concern us. After all, a change as drastic as Classic Rock is a formidable change. Perhaps the change will not have to occur, but rather come of its own accord. The ensuing confusion will result in an entirely different listening audience, which takes time to accumulate—and was accumulating for WLAV. A reverting back to the original is in the best interest of everyone. Without a doubt, we will not have to sacrifice listenership. The ensuing change to the middle of the dial in West Michigan, over the winter, WLAV---96.9---took a nationwide format change in which many early radio stations changed their programming from 'Alternative' music. From our perspective, this was a good thing for the West Michigan area which until then was free of 'Alternative' music except for the variety of college-run frequencies, our own included. Witnessed was a growth in the number of '97 Radio Grand Rapids' bumper/window stickers as well as a seemingly increased listenership in the Holland area.

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This year's Staley Lecturer, Dan Korem, was an unusual and unexpected choice. I enjoyed reading his book, Powers: Testing the Psychic and Supernatural, and was looking forward to hearing his Tuesday morning talk on faith healing. As a strong proponent of healing prayer, I am particularly concerned about the abuse of the healing ministry. But I was disappointed by his talk, I thought it was quite misleading and gave students the impression that all faith healing is invalid. I would like to take this opportunity to respond to several of the things that Korem said.

First, I would like to comment on Korem's statement that, even though he had searched, he had found no medically proven case of a New Testament faith healing today. Then I would like to address the issue of whether or not it is permissible to make unsubstantiated general accusations.

What is New Testament healing? Does it occur today? Korem defines New Testament healing as dramatic healing which cannot be duplicated or confirmed by medical science. He said that he had seen records which claimed that something miraculous had been healed, but that he had not found any cases where someone who was born blind or had a severe optic nerve had been healed by prayer. Because it was possible to explain the healing that he had found as spontaneous recoveries, they were not useful proofs that New Testament healings were happening today. But this is not a good definition of New Testament healing since it is not possible to confirm any miracles by modern medicine. Korem also pointed out that the New Testament healings were not mentioned in any of the criteria.

Are unsubstantiated accusations acceptable? Even though I did not agree with Dan Korem's criteria, there was no evidence of New Testament healings occurring today. I was still interested in hearing his discussion of fraudulent faith healing. I expected him to give the kind of case history he gave his other students about the experiences of psychic James Hydrick.

But all I heard were generalizations about "slimy" faith healers and unsubstantiated accusations about several men who claim to have healing ministries. It is one thing to show that a person can use tricks to give the impression of divine healing, but it is another thing to prove that a great faith healer does this. Instead of offering evidence to back up his accusations, Korem suggested that we should take his word for it. Korem did not want to present the evidence before he published his book. Even more disturbing was his generalization of all faith healers. He claimed that they were pedophiles and gays who came from dysfunctional families and were using their ministries to satisfy a need for power and control.

To their credit, most students were very upset about the nature of Korem's accusations. They not only pressed him for more evidence, they asked if the faith healers in question had a right to answer his accusations. The students who came to me were most upset about what Korem had said about John Wimber and the Vineyard after his talk on Monday night. (The Vineyard is a movement which emphasizes the ministry of healing in local congregations. It was started by John Wimber.) So I decided to investigate Korem's accusations myself. I talked with John Wimber and said no such thing.

I was not present Monday night, I talked extensively with three people who were, all of whom confirmed what he had said. I am not in any way connected to the Vineyard, but I was able to talk directly with John Wimber and he would like to present Wimber's answers to Korem's accusations.

Both Dan Korem and John Wimber state that the only time they have met was at a Vineyard conference where Wimber asked Korem about himself five years ago. At that time, Korem said that he was doing a story on faith healing and that he wanted permission to videotape the conference. Korem told students that this was the only time he had met a competent person about the Vineyard comes from Korem. Korem claimed that he was said to have heard the Vineyard's ministry was characterized by misleading claims about healing.

Wimber said that he and Korem actually talked about this at the conference. Korem said that he could not claim that there were no medically proven cases of healing, but Wimber has no idea what incidents Korem has in mind when he says Wimber makes misleading claims.

When one looks at what Wimber and Korem, it becomes clear that what they claim is going on is a conflict of interpretations. Since Korem thinks that in order to claim a healing has occurred one needs irrefutable evidence that something has happened which cannot be explained by modern medicine, he thinks Wimber's claims are false. But Wimber has a different understanding about what constitutes genuine healing, so he does not think that is being misleading when he claims that people have been healed.

In order to make the claims he makes, I think Korem needs to be able to prove that Wimber has repeatedly claimed healings which did not actually occur. Since Korem did not present evidence that this is the case, it appears that he is misleading people when he claims that people have been healed.

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'96 ORATOR (above left) Kari Liljehorn encourages the audience to realize their unique qualities.

KRISTA OSTEMA (left) breaks tradition by singing a solo during the '95 song.

'95 SONG ACCOMPANIST (below left) Wendy Murray gets help turning pages by a spiffily dressed morale guy.

'96 SONGIRLS (right) link together in the true spirit of Nykerk as they belt out their version of Cabaret.
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their taxes flapping about.

"We wouldn't have made it without the morale guys," Moeller said. "It kept our minds off our bums and backs."

The competition resumed twenty minutes later with the Class of '96 Song Girls performing Choral Highlights From Annie. For the first time this year, the song competition featured a soloist in Nykerk. The Song Girls backed down to the floor as Krista Ostema rose from the crowd to sing "Maybe."

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"It didn't really matter who won," Robbins said. "It was a play about looking beyond what people initially see," Playgirl Jamie Kalmbaugh ('95) said.

When adapting the play, coaches Miss. Black ('93) and Tanya Cail ('93) were sensitive to Kalmbaugh's character, Talking Bear, a Brit pretending to be an Indian. "That's a lot of the original dialogue when characters called Talking Bear "savage."

After the competition was completed—two hours and forty-five minutes after the event began—Moore called to the women, "You may now relax!"

Shrieks and yelps rose from the 300 women and their morale guys as the judges—an ex-cop to decide whom had earned the Nykerk cup. This year it was the sophomores' time to shine. As soon as Moore made the announcement, both sides ran to meet one another in the middle of the auditorium, screaming and laughing and hugging, meeting secret pals and morale guys.

"We were lov'n it," '96 morale guy Tom Slater said.

"The entire Nykerk production was very, very good," said song judge Kathleen Arnold. "We looked for polished productions—both '95 and '96 did a great job."

But the Class of '96, though a little disappointed, said Nykerk wasn't about the competition, but about the bonding between classes. "It didn't really matter who won or lost, just being part of the tradition was a neat thing," said '96 Playgirl Sarah Buckey. "We had the most amazing time doing it; we all had so much fun up there—that was all that mattered."

It was a lot of work but it was so worth it," said '96 Playgirl Rochelle Gauthier. "We became so close and had such a ball."

"The night before, we saw our set that the morale guys made for the first time," Gauthier said. "Not that they didn't do a good job, but they couldn't spend as much time as they wanted to, so we took matters into our own hands."

The night before Nykerk, the Playboys had a slumber party then spent from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday prepping the set. This meant trekking to the grocery store and buying kale and "planting" the vegetable bushes on the set.

"The paint was still wet when we went on," Buckey said.

Another Nykerk escapade involved ice cream. "The Playboys kidnapped us and took us blindfolded to Rustik Robbins," Kalmbaugh said. "They lead us around campus so we had no idea where we were. When we took off our blindfolds there was this family and kids looking at us funny."

"The togetherness was what made it really special," Liljehorn said. "Walking up there with my dad I whispered 'I can do this!'"

"I realized everyone was looking at me," Liljehorn said, "then I remembered the dedications and knew it wasn't my moment, I was doing it for everyone else."

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Acclaimed poet to share published works at Hope

Acclaimed poet Sharon Olds will read from her work on Wednesday, November 11, at 7 p.m. in the Mass Cultural Council Auditorium at the Hope College Chapel. Among her many literary ac-
ccomplishments, Ms. Olds has been published in nearly 200 novels, including The Atlantic Monthly, The New Republic, The New Yorker, and Paris Review. Olds' work has also appeared in more than 50 antholo-
gies, and she is the author of American Poetry, Gloria Steinem's Revolution from Within: A Book of Self-Esteem, Crude and All: Women Writers on Pregnancy and Birth. In The Making of Winter: Selections from the Literature of Mourning, she has been featured for her work in the Philip Roth and the American Poet series. "The best way to read Olds is to read her entire oeuvre," says her editor. "She is a writer who is able to)."

result is impossible to forget," critic David Leavitt has written. "Sharon Olds is enormously self-aware; her work is a testament to her own creativity and its power to move." Deep down, I have a fear that poetry is useless. I guess I mean it is poetry is useless...It's obvious that a writer at a shelter for battered women, or a tutor in a ghetto, is a more useful member of society," she said. "And yet my wild hope is that poetry is important, secret, matters as much as anything."—Hope College News Service

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Intentions, written by Ingmar Bergman, is a story of a family and a bygone era played out against a background of a Swedish stilled by a rigid class system in the throes of a General Strike. Poverty stricken young Henrik (Ola Elebring) meets a beautiful and vivacious upper-class girl, Anna (Tanja Boes), the real ruler of the family. With love and a little pain, Ingmar Bergman depicts his parents and their complex love story over a decade of upheaval — from 1909 when they first meet to the summer of 1918 when Bergman was in his mother's womb — about to embark on his own journey through life.

Columbus flick comparable to a bad case of seasickness

by Sarah Beth Robie

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The Life in Holland right now is called 1942. It should have been titled "That boring, long, long, movie about the end of the world, a really bad man." This movie seeks to explain why Columbus was evil by exploiting the natives and plunder-
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**Thanksgiving fast brings opportunities**

by Dirk Joldersma

Students are being called upon to participate in a Thanksgiving fast this year. This is a request for students to volunteer to assist the paper by not having food two days before Thanksgiving. There is money available if you do decide to fast. The money will go to the student who volunteers. If you are interested, please sign up. The fast will be held from 12:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 19th until 12:00 midnight on Friday, November 20th. The money will be divided equally among the people who fast.

**Peer counseling selling pizza to fund activities**

by Kristin Marrs

Peer Counseling is selling frozen pizzas on Friday, November 20th from 5:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. at the Extravaganza fund-raiser in the Zeitz on Tuesday, November 17th from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. The profits from pizza sales will be used to purchase training materials, video tapes, books, pamphlets and other references which address students' personal, social and academic problems and performance as well as health issues. The profits from pizza sales will be available in the Sligh library.

**State of the art electronic publishing center now open to patient students**

by Steve Shilling

State of the art electronic publishing center now open to patient students. Students are working on the project which will allow them to create their own publications. The center is located in Van Zoveren 142. The center is open 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. The center also has a computer lab that is open 24 hours a day.

**Stories from Japan**

**EDITOR NOTE: This article was written by Derek Voskuil who participated in the Meiji Gakken University May Term.**

**Sumo**

A refrigerator, truckload, stadium, a city of flesh finger-jello people stood inches from my face holding hands, waving, singing. *Watch us wiggle, see us jiggle.* I did. I memorized. I mean, this guy's butt was huge. Fields, rolls, stacks of fat did whatever they wanted, wherever. Forests of fat growing tall, proud. Fat valleys sweeping, dipping low. Fat mountains casting shadows on the Great Glenn Plains, affecting the weather on the other side. An ocean of fat disappearing to the East and to the West. This guy's butt. It bricked. It wan- dered. It glinted, It shimmered. Cellulose. Part of me wanted to just get the heck away. I knew that something this big could do something that big. Part of me was worried. I wanted to reach out and touch. I wanted to reach out and hug. I wanted to reach out and love. This is an article about the real world, and women. I can't write Occasional Papers and public relations pieces. The course then is applied to a project which may be a department newsletter or an Occasional Paper (a public relations tabloid). The course then is applied to a project which may be a department newsletter or an Occasional Paper. The course then is applied to a project which may be a department newsletter or an Occasional Paper.

**Meiji**

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Get a load of this guy. Fanatic. Quack. **Meiji-Sama Meiji-Sama Meiji-Sama.**

**Everything Else**

These are two stories from the Japan May Term. I have many more to tell. About shrines. Big Buddha's, Kyoto, Kammakura. The Big Buddha game-San Francisco. I pray away. I get places to go, Jack. **Meiji Sama. Meiji Sama. Meiji Sama.**

**Print Media student Sarabeth Robie** (93) agreed. "There's a lot of involvement involved as long as you're got patience," she said. "To get the hang of it you have to learn by doing mistakes." Robie added that although it is fun, it can be too. "You feel like you don't have enough time off, you finish one page after two hours and it make it almost as good as the The Anchor does."
**Sports**

**Flying Dutch wrap up season with 21-17 victory**

Hope finishes second to Albion in MIAA

by Paul Rosenbrook

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**#46 Toby Gruppen ('93) leaps high into the air against Olivet on Saturday to tip the ball as #25 Kelly Clark ('93) waits to intercept the pass.**

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**Hope Sports This Week:**

- **CROSS COUNTRY:**
  - Sat., Nov. 14
  - NCAA Regions at Albion

Hope winter sports will begin November 21. Stay tuned for upcoming winter sports calendar information.

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**Sports Hotline:**

394-7888

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**From the Cheap Seats**

Steve Shilling

**Hanging 'em up**

"I quit... hit my dinger and I hung 'em up."

—Crash Davis

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It happens all the time for all kinds of reasons, but unless there is a big party with some sort of gold watch involved, it goes unnoticed.

Retirement.

Call that if you will, but a lot of people have to give up their sport or profession all the time. And it's easy to see that if your name isn't Magic Johnson or Dan Marino, no one will notice your gone.

I know a couple of people at Hope College who had to make such choices within this past week.

Stephanie Crier is someone I consider a friend of mine. She used to be the Associate Editor for this paper and she did a damn good job. It used to be that she opened up page 2 each week and read her column and be enlightened about something in the world in a way that didn't seem to be as boring as the world can be at times. Now you can't do that anymore.

She had to resign (not quit) as the Associate Editor of our paper because she got a job in advertising with an ad agency, and for all purposes it's a hell of a lot more important than this.

"I don't want to do what I'm going to do," she said when I asked her how she felt (retiring)? "It's important to me that people know that I'm not a failure, it's just a decision I had to make."

I got to work with Stephanie on an article that we did together on the city mission and homelessness. Throughout the evening we got to talk about life and all the things that go about being who we are. What I learned to be was that she is not as far away from the quiet girl that I saw in the office on the first day who seemed to shy and reserved. I just felt goofy the other night when I realized that the reason she wasn't at the editor's meeting was because she never was going to be at one again.

"It feels funny," she said. "I'm getting back to the way things used to be."

Toby Gruppen is another person I consider a friend of mine even though I'm too embarrassed to tell him he's cool.

I met Mr. Gruppen in some of my communications courses as we always seemed to be in the same group together. Which was pretty good considering he's the only football player that I really know or at least would talk to.

When he's not communicating with the world, Toby starts at cornerback for the Flying Dutchmen. He happens to be a senior and this past Saturday was the last game of his career. I was in attendance and watched him play because it also happens that I play the same position that he used to play when I played football (I am hence, retired).

I got an opportunity to talk to Toby about how he feels now that he won't play another down of football.

"It didn't hit me until Parents Day," he said. "When we came out and told me to have a good game and gave me a big hug." Toby came off the field after a series late in the fourth quarter and he notice that I was sitting there and gave me a little nod hello. I watched as he sat on the end of the bench by himself and kept gaing into his helmet, kind of pickin' at it. I wondered if he knew it was almost over or if he was mad because he almost got burned for a touchdown on a previous play. He insisted it was the latter.

"(The receiver) said 'boy I had you smoked' and I said 'but you didn't score a touchdown did you?' And that's a lot of what Toby will miss, "the trash talk" but not the "cheap stuff, the kind that brings you game up and makes you play better," he said.

Toby also said that he is going to miss "the friends that you meet" as well as physical play or "structured physical contact" as he put it. And while he is far from being to knockin' on the door anymore soon Toby seems content in reserved.


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Cox

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"I taught at a small college in Santa Barbara for two years before moving on to the University of Victoria, in British Columbia," Cox recalled. "While I was there I received a special fellowship from Harvard, so I was able to go there and teach for a year."

It was while Cox was at Harvard that Hope contacted him. "I really liked what I'd learned about Hope from other faculty, and I appreciated the mission statement of the place," he said. "I'd also taught at a variety of schools, and I knew that I could contribute something to Hope."

Cox returned to Holland in 1979, and he has been here ever since. He currently teaches several English courses, with his specialty lying in the works of Shakespeare.

His area of expertise will be growing even further, however, as Cox is taking up a sabbatical term in the spring in order to study aspects of early English drama.

"I will be studying the development of devil figures from the Middle Ages to early Renaissance drama," Cox explained. "The devil has often been used as a metaphor for much more than just spiritual evil; it often represents what is going on in the society, too."

As John Cox sets off on this new venture, he takes the knowledge gained from his years at Hope with him. He will return in the fall with a new area of expertise and new ideas to challenge his students.

And, like the small model in his office, his ship sails on.

Korem

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Korem came to the conclusion Christianity is true.

Korem said he spends time on the road away from his family to help communities become less vulnerable and keep the innocent from being manipulated by evil frauds.

"My faith is something not to keep to myself," Korem explained. "It is our responsibility to make sure faith is kept alive. We do not need to be sheltered but must have the guts to speak out."

Pizza

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ending of relationships, sexual issues, dealing with people who have different personalities, and coping with friends who have a drinking problem. In addition, student counselors are taught basic empathy skills.

Counselors who are confronted with an issue beyond their training skills offer referrals to professionals both on and off campus. Students wishing to fill positions as new peer counselors can apply in the spring for the following fall semester.

Applications are available in the Slaug Building.

Kristy Inman ('95), a peer counselor at Hope, feels the service is worthwhile. "I have been a counselor for two years now, and as a group, we have really come together," she said. "We've learned a lot about ourselves and how to help others do the same."

Questions and concerns can be taken to the Peer Counseling office, room 112, first floor of the Slaug Center (x7945).

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