Bultman organizes Task Force on sex

Goal of Task Force is to evaluate treatment of sexuality issues on campus

Jen Troke
Spotlight Editor

As previously reported in the Anchor, a sexuality Task Force has been initiated by Jim Bultman, Hope College president. The committee was formed to look at broad issues, including where Hope stands as an institution on issues of sexuality. However, the Task Force was not created to consider changing Hope’s position on such issues as homosexuality.

"What I’m concerned about with this committee is not the college position on homosexuality, I think that’s very clear, and this committee is not set up to change that," Bultman said.

The committee has met twice so far, and they plan to meet again this afternoon. The group will start posting minutes of the meetings on knowhope.

"Most of the time our last two meetings has been spent discussing our charge and what we want to accomplish," said Matt Scogin (‘02), Student Congress, president and Task Force member. "We don’t have a lot of time."

The task force consists of Rich Fenlon and Freeda Fox, members; Alfredo Gonzales, associate provost; Kristen Gray, director of the counseling center; Lynne Hendrix, a board member; Tim Brown, dean of chapel; Patricia Roehling, associate professor of psychology; Jim Piers, professor of sociology; James Kennedy, professor of history; Steven Hoogerwaart, professor of religion; James Herrick, professor of communication; Colleen Evans (‘03), Student Congress vice president, and Scogin.

Everyone Bultman asked to join the Task Force agreed to do so, and Herrick accepted the request to chair the committee.

"I think Jim Herrick is the most skilled at group process of any person on campus. [The committee] needs a very strong leader who will make sure all sides are heard and will keep the group moving forward," Bultman said.

The group has begun interviewing people who have already expressed their concerns about sexuality issues.

According to members, they plan to look at the issues of sexuality on Hope’s campus from an inclusive viewpoint that takes into account biblical principles, other college’s experiences and the opinions represented by members of the Hope community. They will also assess previous experiences of homosexual members of the community, and they hope to accomplish this in a caring, mature way.

Dialogue on Race Series educates Hope’s campus

Series included panel discussions and video presentations.

Angela Matusiak
Features Reporter

Several important racial issues were discussed in this semester’s dialogue on race series, sponsored by the office of multicultural life. The series ran from September 26 to November 14, concluding with “In Whose Honor?” a discussion on the Native American figurines in the sports arena in America. Other topics have included property issues in minority neighborhoods and the struggles of immigrants in the United States.

Each dialogue presented a video that was followed by a panel discussion.

Glinda Rawls, interim director of the office of multicultural life has been very pleased with the student turnout to these events.

“We’ve seen about 140 people at the dialogues, and covered a gamut of issues,” Rawls said. Rawls has also been especially pleased with the level of eagerness and emotional responses that she has seen from the students. Last Thursday, the discussion featured Forrest Pluto, a video about the life of a Korean adoptee, Deann Borshay Liem, and the struggles she met trying to come to terms with all the different identities she had to play in her life.

A panel discussion followed the video with Korean adoptees Keisha Pifer (‘04) and Emily Croskite (‘04) representing the adoptive side of cross-cultural adoptions, while Margaret Kennedy Dygas, professor of music, Glary Camp, director of admissions, and Debra Swanson, professor of sociology, presented the parent’s viewpoint. Croskite commented: “I thought it went really well, and it was interesting to see how both parents and students viewed these issues.”

Tuesday night’s dialogue featured Sharon Detz as a guest facilitator. Detz is from the Anishnabe-Quay Turtle Clan of the Ottawa Indians. She has been a former coordinator of the Institute of Healing Racism for the Roman Catholic Diocese of Grand Rapids, and is currently the Director of Native American Music here. The film examines the justification of using cultural images in athletics, and raises awareness of the issues of degradation that Native Americans are plagued with because of these images.

The Dialogue on Race Series will continue again in February, with “Black Union.” March and April will feature “Ancestors in America” (a film about Asian contributions and history in America), “Twilight” and “Journey Toward Peace.”

Rawls is also excited about these upcoming discussions. She hopes to get more faculty involved in the discussions, and is trying to get more guest facilitators. Although Rawls has been pleased with the turnout this fall, she hopes that next spring there will be an even bigger student interest. She commented

WIO posters, table tents removed, written on

Phelp cafeteria asked to replace the items they removed.

Courtney Klein
Campus Beat Editor

Women’s Issues Organization put up posters and a poster table in Phelps last week, only to have them removed by the Phelps staff.

"Apparently the table tents were taken down immediately. They were broken down and put in the compactor. The table tents were destroyed by staff in the cafeteria," Rachel Gazda (‘02) WIO President said.

According to Gazda, the table tents were like the posters, but in a table tent form, and that the table wasn’t advertising issues, although there was an explanation of what the issue was.

Gazda believes that the tables were removed by the staff because they were too nacy. After the disposal of the table tents, they complained to Sarthe to Richard Frost, dean of students.

Frost called them [Phelps workers] and told them that the posters needed to go back up.

He was pretty supportive," Gazda said. "There hasn’t been any hard feelings because Phelps paid for the reprinting costs and put the tables back up."

Phelps however, was not the only place where conflict over these posters arose. Heather Verbecke (‘03), WIO member, reported that in Voorhees Hall, comments have been written on the posters there.

"For all I know, the posters were put up in Voorhees. We put ours up, and the next day there was a message written next to each of them," Verbecke said.

So far, some of the messages written throughout Voorhees hall have included: “Not all those with eating disorders are models, they are not all stick-thin, they are not all women, they are people, be more considerate.”

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Habitat for Humanity sponsors Sleep Out

Wednesday's event aims to raise awareness about homelessness problems

Courtney Klein
CAMPUS BEAT EDITOR

Habitat for Humanity will be hosting a Sleep Out in the Pine Grove on Wednesday, November 14th at 11 p.m. The Sleep Out is held every year in order to raise awareness about homelessness.

This event is open to the entire campus. Students who choose to participate in the Sleep Out will bring only their sleeping bags, and will sleep in boxes provided for them. Habitat for Humanity hopes that having students sleep outdoors will help the issue of homelessness.

In a press release, Kami King ('03), Habitat for Humanity Publicity Director, shares information about Habitat for Humanity.

"Inadequate housing is a worldwide problem even if it can't be directly seen in Holland. Habitat for Humanity builds on the principle that all of God's people deserve a decent place to live, and that our community is a safer, stronger place when that occurs," King said. "Habitat for Humanity relies on donations from individuals, churches and organizations, and welcomes the involvement of all who support its mission."

"The Sleep Out is not only about inadequate housing. "Hopefully this experience will bring people together as a group, and that will motivate people to work," King said.

The Habitat for Humanity program is headed by Andrew Vanover ('02), President, and Lynee Powe, faculty advisor.

"Right now we have three houses going up in the Holland area, and Hope students in 1996 actually funded a house," King said.

For the next several months, Hope students will work every other Saturday on houses mostly within walking distance of Hope.

RACE from 1

WIO from 1

Club teams get new policy that also affects team sports

Policy says club members will consume no alcohol in season

Rand Arwady
SPORTS EDITOR

The campus life board of Hope College implemented a new rule for club sport teams at Hope College during their meeting last Tuesday. The club teams affected are hockey, lacrosse, and ultimate frisbee.

"The new policy is that club teams have to sign the same drug/alcohol policy that regular Hope sports teams have to sign," said Matt Scogin ('02), Student Congress president and member of the campus life board.

The drug/alcohol policy that the players have to sign says that they will not do drugs or consume alcohol while their sport is in season.

This also goes for the players on the team that are 21 and older.

The cause of this new policy has to do with these club teams receiving money from the Dow center for their club sports.

"Ray Smith (men's athletic director) and [Dow administrators] felt that they should be treated the same as regular sports teams because they are getting Dow money," Scogin said.

Captains of club teams that we're interviewed have accepted this new policy without complaints, and understand that it's best for the team.

"The lacrosse team has had problems with team members drinking in the past, but now recognize the problem as we renovated a new facility," said Billy Norden ('04), lacrosse co-captain. "We feel that a healthier more conditioned team will raise our level of competition for the upcoming season.'

A possible problem with the new policy is the ultimate frisbee team, and their lack of a solid roster.

"We have our regulars of 6 to 7 guys, but a lot of the other guys on the team vary week to week," said Brad Johnson ('03), ultimate frisbee cocaptain. "We have about 40 people on our mailing list, but we only send about 15 to each tournament."

Scogin said the ultimate frisbee team was a big topic of discussion in the committee meetings.

"The only issue at our committee meetings was if the ultimate frisbee club team should be treated as equal athletes to those on the football or the hockey team," Scogin said.

Most club teams are looking ahead to becoming regular Hope College teams at some point in the future, and this policy is to help make that transition easier.

"Most of these teams don't want to be club teams forever," Scogin said. "They're on track to become a real sports team at some point in the future."

The exception is the ultimate frisbee team.

"I don't see us being a varsity sport," Johnson said. "I don't think there's a ultimate varsity team east of the Mississippi."
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Under Review:

Nykerk & Tradition

Sexism and traditions examined in Nykerk

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It has been sixty-five years since the first Nykerk competition was held in 1936. Since that time both Nykerk and world around it have changed a great deal, causing many to question the tradition on which Nykerk is based.

The first time a male challenged Nykerk gender roles was in 1990, when male student asked to participate in Song, but because of the nature of the song that had already been chosen, the Nykerk Committee deemed it inappropriate for him to participate.

Richard Furst, Dean of Students, said that in the early nineties there was quite a bit of discussion regarding gender roles in both Pull and Nykerk.

It was decided that because of the leadership capabilities that Nykerk provides for women, the current system, with women being in the majority, should stay in place. Individual interests of men were weighed against the overall spirit of Nykerk," Furst said. "However, it was also decided that if guys wanted to put on a musical or theatrical performance it would be allowed alongside the competition, but it would not be included in the competition. It was also encouraged that if men would like to compete in Song, Play, and Oration, they should start their own separate event.

In response to challenges, during the 1996-97 school year, the Nykerk Committee wrote the first ever Nykerk Constitution, which was last amended in February 2000. It maintains that, "In keeping with tradition and to maintain the majority women's leadership of Nykerk, the participants of Song, Play, and Oration will be female and the Morale participants will be male.

All coaches for Play, Song, and Oration, as well as executive committee members will be female, and all Morale coaches will be male.

The constitution also states that, "If a female wishes to participate in Morale or a male wishes to participate in Song, Play, and Oration, they must participate in the first year and then must make a formal petition to the Nykerk committee, in the semester following Nykerk, to be allowed to participate where they would like."

In 1999, Josiah Dykstra ('02), who participated in Play Morale his freshman year, wrote and submitted a formal petition to be allowed to join Song his sophomore year. "I really thought that this was something that needed to be done, and I thought that it would be a good representation," Dykstra said.

"Nykerk is based on the principle in the '50s that women didn't have fair competition, but things have changed since then. Women have opportunities that they didn't have before. More than half of the music majors at Hope are women, more than half of the theatre majors at Hope are women, all but one dance major is a woman. They obviously have the majority now," Dykstra said.

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"Nykerk has never been at its core a sexist event. The participants and leadership have strived to place women and men in non-traditional roles and foster community," Dykstra believes that males are hurt by not being allowed to display their talent.

"Nykerk definitely tries to put people in a position. It's not sexist in that there is a spot for men, but that they dictate what that spot is. I thought that I could better represent my class and better display my talents in music," Dykstra said. "If they are going to have Nykerk for students for a long time. You have to have the same opportunities for both men and women. So if they want to keep their tradition, I would like to see them incorporate it."

Meredith De Avila, the '04 Ora- tor, believes that if Nykerk is sexist, then harm is done. "I don't think that Nykerk is sexist in the demeaning sense. I didn't come out of Nykerk thinking that I'd been put in my place," De Avila said. "And, maybe it is old fashioned and sexist, but it is fun to have guys shower you with flowers and candy."

De Avila thinks that it is just part of the fun. "Nykerk from what I have seen and what I've heard is a celebration of women. It is a display of strength in a way," De Avila said. Dykstra still believes in his cause. "There's a lot to be said for tradition, but there's a lot to be said about adapting traditions," Dykstra said. "I think that some boy should always keep persuing this until it happens."

Nykerk Competition. Morale guys support, encourage, and keep their girls smiling.

Photo courtesy of Nykerk

Sarah Pedley, plays the role of Hope Romeo in '01's Play during Nykerk 1997

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Renee Mursch ("88) Song girls are helped up the stairs, a Nykerk tradition, by their Morale in the 1988 Nykerk Competition.

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Opinion

Controversy not “media driven”

In his comments in the story about the Sexuality Task Force in this week’s issue, (Campus Beat 1), Matt Scogin (’02), Student Congress president and member of the Task Force, said, “The issue of homosexuality over the last few years has been a media-driven controversy, and it’s kind of gotten out of hand at times.”

Unfortunately, this has been a common complaint over the past few years. As a representative of the most read member of the Hope College media, I have to disagree with that statement.

The role of the Anchor, as the staff sees it, is twofold. One, to inform the students of Hope College of what is happening in their community. If there are people in this community that disagree with the college’s stance on sexual issues, then that is news, and we are obligated to report it.

The second role of the Anchor is to engage the students in thinking about the news. We use our editorials, columns and letters to the editor to present opinions about the news. Students may then choose to agree or disagree with the opinions expressed. Either way, they are engaging themselves in the news, and our mission is somewhat accomplished.

It’s true that without the media the homosexual controversy would probably not exist, but that is not our fault. If it were the media, the students would not be aware of what decisions were being made at this college. Whether they agree or disagree with the decisions is not in our control.

Take advantage of the arts

Read this week’s Arts and Spotlight section, and you’ll see that there are a whole bunch of things going on in the Hope College art world. There is a play, a Visiting Writing Series, a presentation by a courageous group of women, foreign films at the Knick and as always, a ton of recitals and concerts coming from the music department.

One thing I have always been impressed with at Hope College is the quality of the arts. Those in the arts departments are some of the hardest working and creative people at Hope College, and I really appreciate their efforts.

If you’re looking for something to do or feel like being expanded, you don’t have to drive very far. Just check out the latest arts event at Hope College.

The Anchor Staff

First Impressions

Video Game Wars

The biggest match-up of the year is not Michael Jordan and the Wizards taking on the Lakers. It isn’t even the US government taking on the Taliban rebels. The only place that you can find this match-up is on the shelves of video game software—and that’s even if you can find it.

As we showed in the Anchor two weeks ago, video games are a huge part of college life. With two new game systems being released soon, I decided to take it upon myself to weigh the pros and cons of these devices.

The battle consists of Microsoft teaming up with Sega to create Microsoft’s premier system: the X-Box. In the other corner lurks a system from Nintendo, known as the GameCube. Both of these systems are expected to send gamers into a new dimension of play.

The X-Box enters the battle as the slight favorite. The system was created with the help of over 5,000 gamers and game testers. It includes an Intel MHZ 733 processor and an Ethernet port for incredibly fast on-line gaming. The large processor heavily improves the gaming graphics, which are rumored to be over three times sharper than any other console. The Box also holds plenty of memory with the processor, so you won’t have to sacrifice your save game of Tekken for your season settings of Madden Football. X-Box also boasts a CD burner, so you can listen to your favorite CD instead of having to listen to that cheap gaming music. Finally, X-Box is capable of playing DVD’s.

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Something may have happened on Thursday

**“No comment,” say college officials**

**Chatie Sims**
**Princess Ernie**

After a long bout of complete and utter boredom, Dope students thought that there might be something happening, but their hopes were quickly squashed by the administration.

“I was so excited,” said Donald Neep ('04). “Everybody was talking about how something was happening on Dope’s campus. I even stopped watching the grass grow in the Pine Grove, which was a hard thing seeing as how one of the pieces had grown 03 centimeters this week.”

The students expressed a lot of disappointment, however, when nobody would tell them what happened.

“All I know is that there were all these trucks driving around and there were some Public Safety officers in riot gear; I almost got knocked over by the scuba-wearers. There were some Public Safety officials, who always have been. Nothing ever happens around here, and pay no attention to the man behind the curtain,” Bultmanis said.

At about 9 p.m., yesterday night, Public Safety removed the yellow caution tape and the “Don’t worry, nothing is going on here, move along,” sign.

CAT also released a campus wide e-mail involving a spinning black and white spiral with the words “You will forget that anything happened today involving a cattle prod, a bucket full of jello and two circuit midgets.”

Despite administration assurances, some students are still skeptical.

“I don’t care what the administration says,” Neep said. “I’m going to find out what happened, and what it has to do with my Barry Manilow CD’s getting covered with shortening. Copa Cabana hasn’t sounded the same since then.”

**Rancher drops F-bomb**

F-word in print sends innocent Dope student into intensive care

**Flat Book**
**Brombeer in Chief**

The Dope College administration reacted with anger last week, as the last student on campus never to hear the “F-word” was exposed to it in the pages of the Rancher, Dope’s student newspaper.

“I am outraged,” said Jumbo Bultmanis, Dope College president. “After all we’ve gone through to protect her, including the white noise and the soundproof rooms, it’s hugely disappointing to see it all ruined with one printed word.”

The student, Irene VanDumm ('04), was quickly whisked away for immediate hypnosis.

“We can only hope that it wasn’t too late to brainwash her,” Bultmanis said.

The loss of VanDumm’s innocence could have drastic consequences for diversity at Dope. The ratio of f-word students to non-f-word students has dropped to zero, placing the campus that professors are using it in class. For his course, Advanced Thermo-Nuclear Synthesis Seminar, George Scoorums, associate professor of chemistry, has changed over from the usual letter grading system to a system in which the best possible grade is “[expletive] brilliant,” and the worst is “[expletive] up.”

“I just thought the students would be able to understand me more if I used profanity,” Scoorums said.

Bultmanis does not plan to sit back and let the f-word destroy his vision for Dope College.

“I’ve had enough of this [expletive],” Bultmanis said. “It’s time to form a task force.”
Minervian frat kicked out of campus house

Fraternity suspected of Advanced Dungeon and Dragons

Chattie Sims
Phoenix Editor

The Minervian Fraternity received a letter this summer from Dope College saying that their organization would be suspended when school began and no longer be allowed to live in their on-campus house. During the summer Richard Snow, dean of students, entered the Minervian house and examined photographs, Dungeon Master guides, character sheets, and video tapes all in connection with Minervian pledge activities.

“The college charged us with violations on new member education, involving hazing, late night gaming, and the use of a random number generator rather than real dice.” Said Teddy Pinkerton ’02, Minervian president. “I met with [Snow], who should have known that our battle with the vicious storm giants of Velkempt would have lasted until two in the morning?”

Snow declined comment, but he did deny being in league with the Demogorgon’s Goblin Horde.

“Under our new sanctions we have to notify Dean Snow of every activity beforehand, especially Dungeons and Dragons,” said Lewis Honeycutt Jr. ’03, fraternity member and dungeon master.

Jimbo Bultmanis, Dope College president, practices for the role of Stonewall Jackson. The campus production of “the Civil War” begins in March.

“But I can’t stand his Elven Cleric and its sword of Dicletian; everyone knows that clerics can’t use swords.”

The current location of the character sheets and rule books are unknown at this time.

“Without our character sheets we can’t do anything,” Pinkerton said. "My half-flaming elf, Gubbins the Grand, will not be able to use the bubble horn that we captured in the Ice Dragon’s cave.”

T. Pinkerton

As of yesterday, the Minervians filed a complaint with Geek Life over the suspension, loss of house and illegal seizure of role playing materials.

“Other Geek groups have gotten in trouble for pledging violations,” said Honeycutt, “but none of them lost their house or had their Dungeons and Dragons books taken. I’ll bet the only reason they took them is because the Board of Trustees can’t find any first edition books for their meetings now that the third edition is out.”

Amy Harrison, director of Geek Life, does not intend to act on the Minervian’s complaint.

“We understand that the Geeks on campus are going to drink, but the Minervians were involved with role playing games. Our campus is a non-role playing campus and we have zero tolerance for that kind of devil worship.”

Despite the events that have come to pass, the Minervians say that they are optimistic.

“This whole situation reminds me of the time that we returned to Melphore’s castle with Firxan’s cloak of featherfall,” Honeycutt said. “Melphore tried to put us in prison for touching the Sacred Sphere Sermox. We cast Tasha’s uncontrollable laughter on him and escaped. I think this might work on [Dope College President Jimbo] Bultmanis.”

Bultmanis declined comment.
**Student puts his trust in Csonka & feels the light**

**CSONKIN’ IT:** The great and powerful Larry Csonka. (This image appeared to Beeman and fortunately he was able to photograph it.)

Chattie Sims
The Deep One

Student Jeremy Beeman’s ’03 life was totally changed by reading a command to “Feel his presence” written on the stairs to the Dim Witt Center this Tuesday.

“Well, I was walking up the stairs and I read the message in side walk chalk,” said Beeman.

“Suddenly I felt that my life had meaning. I could feel his presence, the wonderful presence of my favorite football player Larry Csonka.”

Students noticed a change in Beeman from the start.

“I was trying to walk to class today,” said Abe “Winke” Dixon ’01. “I saw this guy writing Feel Larry Csonka on the sidewalk. It was then that I knew that Larry Csonka was the answer to that emptiness inside of me. Save me oh great St. Larry Csonka.”

After Beeman finished his side walk commands there was a resurgence of faith in Larry Csonka.

**K-ZOON’ IT:** This man once graduated from Portage High School. His whereabouts are currently unanswerable.

Contact the Rancher if you find him at 395-7877 (it works.)

**Dating rumors found on the Dope College campus**

**Bob Mantra**
The Real Slim Shady

An email was sent out from Campus Clearwater Revival regarding a rumor that two or more students may have been involved in the dangerous act of dating.

The email reassured students that the campus was completely celibate.

“We’re doing everything we can to preserve the purity of the student body in general,” said Spoon of the Chapel Dr. Pink.

According to a frantic call made to Public Chastity Monday night, two shadowy figures were seen within each other’s personal space.

“We received the call and responded, but by the time we arrived the suspects had fled the scene,” said Sergeant Strong of Public Chastity. He also believes that vaccination hours may have been broken as well.

Dr. Pink expressed his concern about the gradual decline of students morals over the years.

“It’s a shame how this younger generation swings. Girls showing their arms? That would earn a lass a rap on the knuckles with a ruler,” Pink commented.

And where do they get their wear-ing pants? My female parishioners always wear hose-length dresses.

**LOVIN’ IT:** Susan Peeps ’03 and Wally Ferguson ’02 are rumored to be dating just for the fun of it.

The email contained some tips to help you avoid the dangers of dating.

First, only talk to members of your own gender. Second, read the Bible, as all other books are heresies. Third, purchase and use the XBOX, as it prevents you from having a life. Following these guidelines will guard you against the evils of dating. If you must get married, Campus Clearwater Revival urges you to have your parents arrange your marriage to benefit your family by acquiring land and prestige.

The Counseling Center as well as Campus Clearwater Revival are available for students who may feel defiled by the recent events.

**Student needs to ask themselves, "Did I disregard gender characteristics when I chose that grilled cheese?"**

Choose said. “With open minds we can make the most traditional meal an equal opportunity experience.”

**Gender rolls; it’s not just a pun anymore**

Biff Farmer
Marchen Editor

After so many years, Dope College students who eat at Flips cafeteria three times a day, continue to choose dinner rolls with gender characteristics in mind.

“I’ll admit it. I pick the roll that looks heartier,” said Bob Parker ’03, an avid eater of dinner rolls with slathered butter. “I like to pretend I’m back home on the farm, and there can’t be any discrimination in an old-fashioned family dinner.”

The Flips staff is divided on the gendering issue. Steven Year, a traditional employee, finds nothing wrong with the roll placement in the basket.

“If we were in that basket as long as they were, we’d depend on each other and become one solitary unit,” Year said.

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“I stand behind the salad bar and just hope that students will look past that designated ‘sandwich roll,’” Erens said. “The division has lessened, since I’ve begun testing, but there is still that societal placement.”

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**THE REAL SUM SHADY**

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Dr. Pink expressed his concern about the gradual decline of students morals over the years.

“It’s a shame how this younger generation swings. Girls showing their arms? That would earn a lass a rap on the knuckles with a ruler,” Pink commented.

And where do they get their wear-ing pants? My female parishioners always wear hose-length dresses.

**Lovin’ It:** Susan Peeps ’03 and Wally Ferguson ’02 are rumored to be dating just for the fun of it.

The email contained some tips to help you avoid the dangers of dating. If you must get married, Campus Clearwater Revival urges you to have your parents arrange your marriage to benefit your family by acquiring land and prestige.

The Counseling Center as well as Campus Clearwater Revival are available for students who may feel defiled by the recent events.
John Paul II makes visit to Dope College

Pontiff overbooks heaven
Sonja Kuznova Shpekin
The Bass Player

Ever since Pope John Paul II visited Dope College last week, many people have been complaining. It could be asked why people would complain about a visit from such a blessed man as the Pope, but it turns out his visit caused more controversy than good.

"It's just a cryin' shame," said Billie Jo Smith ('05).

During his visit, the Pope held a special service in Dimwit Chapel, which was open to the community. The focus of his message was twofold: First, he encouraged the attendees to reach out to all people with kindness, and secondly, he encouraged them to repent from their sins.

"In such a time as this," he said, "it is important that we all look within ourselves and allow ourselves to be cleansed from our unrighteousness."

However, the controversial part of his visit occurred when, at the end of the service, he offered to the congregation pardons from their sins.

"I couldn't believe it," said Father John Miller, of the Delland area diocese, "The Pope knew full well that there aren't enough spaces in heaven for all of the people he freely handed pardons to. There's going to be an overflow issue."

The chaplain's office declined to comment.

According to estimates, there were over 1500 people attending the Pope's service, and it is only logically possible to offer 1000 pardons per congregation, but the Pope extendees to reach out to all people with kindness, and secondly, he encouraged them to repent from their sins.

"Many regular attendees of Dimwit chapel are concerned that there will only be a certain number of spaces in heaven, and, because of the limited spaces, they might have to be penalized."

"I got pardoned a long time ago, and the mere fact that I'm an upperclassman should assure me a secure place in the kingdom. However, with the surplus of [pardons] to heaven, I'm worried my spot won't be reserved for me when I need it," said Daniel Vandenschmaazma ('02).

Vandenschmaazma is among a group of students who are suggesting the Pope not pardon freshmen.
"Freshmen don't need to get into heaven," Vandenschmaazma said. "I know I didn't when I was a freshman."

Don't forget your ID card
Payzly Matters
Eric Ferrow

Several students have been complaining about the dramatic decrease in the friendliness of the Phelps cafeteria card scanning ladies. There have been numerous reports of degrading gestures and degrading remarks, from the workers, about the student ID photographs.

"I was walking into Phelps early, at around 4:35 for dinner. I was alone when I gave my card to the lady to get scanned. As she handed the card back to me, I overheard her muttering something about me having a 'fat ugly face' with 'nappy hair.' When I went to confront her, she just turned to me and said, 'have a good one' with a grandma-like smile," said Susan Peterson, ('05).

The sporadic hazing by the lunch workers doesn't stop at the degrading verbal remarks and rude gestures towards random student ID photographs.

"I got up to the scanner and real-ized that I was a moron and had forgotten my lunch card. I was just starting to ask the lunch lady if I could just give her my student number instead of walking all the way back to my room, when she started screaming at me. She slammed me on the ground, knocked the wind out of me," said Kim Tirkman ('04).

The lunch ladies say that they know nothing of these attacks or verbal hazing and are very offended by these false accusations.

"The students are probably just trying to stir up some action in the food service department again. It's not like we need anymore, things are always really exciting over here," said the lunch ladies. "However, we are sick of being called lunch ladies. After all, we also serve breakfast and dinner."

Though there have been many complaints regarding the lunch workers actions, none of these occurrences can be proven. For safety reasons, students are advised not to go to eat at Phelps alone. Use the buddy system to its full advantage and do not forget your meal cards.

Lunch staff becoming violent towards students

Photo Courtesy: Public Gyraitions

COMBIN' IT OVER: Cara! Larac was the presenter this Monday for the Distinguished Lecture Series in Hair and Scalp Care.

Have you ever gotten your feelings hurt by a fellow Hope student?

Mean & Nerd

"Yeah. This one time at Anchor Band, this boy called me 'Mad Dog.' I went after him."

--Delora Wiper ('05)

"No. Hope students are nice to me. But my football coach called me a sissy."

--Vinny P. Vinsira ('05)

"Yes."

--Eugene Royce Hänerhoff III ('05)

[ Eugene refused to comment further on his experiences. He was overcome by his own emotions.]

"Yes. Sometimes people snicker at me when I pass them. It makes me feel funny, and I really don't like it at all. Do you think that you could make them stop? My twin sister (Ura) never gets any snarks."

--Ira Pig ('05)

"I don't get my feelings hurt. But those fricks with mullets sure get it around here."

--Sally Vanderveen ('03)

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Hope theater offers challenging adaptation

Maureen Yonovitz/Staff Reporter

The Hope Theater Department has a reputation of accepting challenging play adaptions, and then using their directing and acting tools to alter it. Their second performance of the season will be no different. On Friday, November 16, 2001, Peter Raby's adaptation of Nikolai Gogol's comedy, "The Government Inspector," will make its debut.

Continuing performances are Saturday, November 17, and Wednesday through Friday, November 21, beginning at 8 p.m. A final performance will be Saturday, December 1, at 2 p.m. All performances will take place in the DeWitt Center Main Theatre.

Originally written as "The Inspector General" in 1836, this particular adaptation takes place around the turn of the 20th Century. The fact that the play centers around a subject that is often a corruption of bureaucrats who hear of an upcoming surprise visit by a government inspector is very interesting," said Kathy Cleaveland ('02), who will be playing the director of charities.

The play is a comedy about a group of corrupt bureaucrats who hear of an upcoming surprise visit by a government inspector. In the midst of their attempts to please a man they believe is the inspector, they are interrupted by a message from the real inspector.

There are twenty-six cast members in the show, all who are looking forward to the audience's response to this humorous, yet complex, play.

"I can't wait to perform before an audience," said Peter Beck ('03), who will be playing the role of the mayor. "It is difficult to determine if people are going to fall asleep or if they will even find it remotely funny. Beck is confident, however, that the audience will find this play both funny and entertaining."

"It is really going to be a kick and I hope that we get a lot of good energetic audiences because they are getting to be treated to a really great show," Beck said.

But according to John Tannini, director, this play isn't all about the laughs. It is very complex and has been described as "one of the most difficult plays in the world."

"It's both funny and it's dark," Tannini said.

Dancers to showcase talents

Ashley North/Staff Reporter

Dance students will have full reign over the 2001 Fall Student Dance Concert, making intricate, artistic choices. At the Knickerbocker Theater on Monday and Tuesday, November 19 and 20 at 8 p.m., this unique opportunity for dance students will further explore choreographer, performance, and production elements, while entertaining the Hope community.

Dance majors and minors are strongly encouraged to take part in the show.

The student choreographers are responsible for signing up for rehearsal space and for coordinating their cast. They conceive and rehearse their work with assistance and guidance from the departmental chair and other assigned faculty.

The students are in charge of every detail, from costumes to lighting plots.

Before a piece hits the stage, faculty members glimpse an informal show further in the semester. Sam and Melissa Huron ('02), who were invited to the reading and book signing with the writers in the Knickerbocker lobby, have been asked to look at the work and events surrounding him within the context of a larger, though sometimes wrenching, grace," VanRegenmorter said.

Lan Samantha Chang's recent publication, "A New World of Poetry," has been read in "Poetry Review, " and "TriQuarterly." He won the California Book Award.

"Communicating both inspiration and inspiration, the work and integrity we have put into our pieces makes it very important for dance students to build performance skills," Lutz said. "The honest work and integrity we have put into our pieces makes it very important for as us as well."

Both nights of the concert are "a truly joyful experience." Chang is currently the director of the creative writing program at DePaul University in Chicago, Illinois and the founder of "Poetry East."

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Both nights of the concert are open to the public. Admission is free.

WHAT'S UP?

Hope Happenings:

Guirlia Girls
11/15, 11 a.m.
DeWitt Center

VWS: Jones & Chang
11/15, 7 p.m., jazz 6:30
Knickerbocker

Senior Vocalist Quincy Marr
11/17, 8 p.m.
Knickerbocker

Women's Chorus
11/19, 8 p.m.
Dimnent Memorial Chapel

Student Choreographed Dance
11/19-20, 8 p.m.
Knickerbocker

Coffee House, Kletz
Wednesdays, 5-11 p.m.

Out & About:

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The task force is not going to be a closed conversation; it’s going to be a conversation with lots of different people,” Frost said.

Bultman feels that the Board of Trustees has already publicly stated their position on homosexuality. “They feel their position is parallel to that of the Reformed Church in America. They make a distinction between homosexual orientation and homosexual practice, which they think is contrary to Biblical teaching.”

“As the issue about the Gay Straight Alliance made its way through the committee system last year, it just seemed to me that there was enough discussion about this issue that it would be helpful to have a group focus more directly on the issue of sexuality,” Bultman said.

Scogin and Evans were chosen to serve on the committee because they are the two highest elected students on campus. Although there are only two students in the group, Scogin did not feel that this would be a problem. “I am moving forward to stopping hurtful disagreements and approaching issues such as homosexuality from a more compassionate standpoint than before.”

The Task Force will report to the president on its findings in March. The Task Force is to make a recommendation to me, and I would envision that there would be some helpful suggestions as to how we can best treat the campus community with the care and compassion relative to issues of sexuality,” Bultman said. “I don’t think that it’s too long a time; it may be too short.”

According to members, they will endeavor to serve the community through looking at all the viewpoints on behalf of community members. We need the prayers and support of the entire community,” Frost said.

Evans shares Scogin’s views of the Task Force. I feel that this Task Force is not only valid but also necessary. Taking a closer look at the basics of Christian sexuality will benefit the Hope students as well as the entire Hope community,” Evans said.

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Guerrilla Girls fight inequality in arts

Abby Stauffer
Staff Reporter

A group of masked feminists will address racism and sexism in the art industry tomorrow morning in the Dewitt Studio Theater.

The Guerrilla Girls, a band of female artists who are famous for their unorthodox methods of activism, will speak at 11 a.m. about the group's efforts to fight discrimination.

They will also be available for a question and answer period in a Women's Studies class, according to event coordinator Rachel Gazda.

"A big misunderstanding is the assumption that the art world is immune to discrimination, because it is seen as liberal and progressive," said Gazda, Women's Issues Organization president.

The group was invited to appear at Hope to address these issues.

"Being aware that discrimination exists even in the art industry is important," Gazda said.

The Guerrilla Girls have been challenging the art world for over 15 years; they will be at Hope this Thursday.

There is only one way Hope College students can fly over 40 feet in the air without a parachute and still not break a bone: the Hope Water Ski Club.

"The idea [of the club] is to represent Hope in the collegiate tournaments," said Scott Robertson ('04), a club member.

The club members compete in tournaments across the Midwest during the fall and spring seasons. So far this year, they have participated in the Ball State Pong in Van Wert, Ohio, the Dual Conference Meet at Purdue University and the Great Lakes Conference Meet. They competed against major universities such as Western Michigan University, Purdue University, the University of Michigan, Michigan State University, and Ohio State University. Although the team is not always at the top when it comes to winning tournaments, the club is more about developing skills and having fun.

"Though competitive in nature, the Water Ski Club is about fun. We don't care how we do overall as long as each member goes out and tries their hardest and comes back on shore with a smile," said Steve Van Dyk ('03), the team captain.

Although the idea of forming a water ski club had been attempted several years ago, the response was limited.

An informational meeting was held last spring for anyone interested in joining, and about 20 students showed interest.

The Water Ski Club is now made up of Van Dyk, Robertson, Timothy Speyer ('04), Jack Klunder ('05), Josh VanNamen ('05) and several other guys for the male team. Kayleen Vannette ('04) is the women's team. Typically, each team member owns his or her own equipment, and each participates in the three traditional events of the competition: Slalom, Trick, and Jump.

"Slalom competition is scored by the number of buoys a skier rounds at different speeds and rope lengths. Each skier has a maximum speed, and once that is reached, they begin to shorten the rope until the skier can no longer ski around all six buoys," Van Dyk said.

The jump event is an effort to fly as far as possible off a five-foot ramp.

"Trick competition is scored by the tricks a skier does on specially designed skis. Tricks vary from 360's to flipping over boat wake. "When you are out competing, it is an individual performance, yet the team gets scored as a whole, much like a track or cross country meet," Van Dyk said.

The team is scored together, and each member contributes.

"It's halfway between individual and a team tournament," Robertson said.

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The only possible obstacle Van Dyk sees is the fact that the tournaments are held on weekends, which means participants must compete on Sundays.

"I think [weekend] long tournaments are a good thing because we get to stay down there all weekend and kind of be away from college life and just relax and ski and hang out," Klunder said.

Students interested in the Water Ski Club should call Van Dyk at 772-7228 or Speyer at 6640. They will contact the students when the seasons starts again this spring.
Swimming sweeps Alma

John Rodstrom

Both the Hope College men’s and women’s swim teams posted victories over Alma College last Saturday in a dual meet. The men won by a score of 127-82, and the women came out on top 126-112. The men are now 4-0 on the season and 3-0 in the MIAA, while the women improve to 2-2 overall and 21 in the conference.

“We went into the meet with the mentality of swimming hard and having fun,” said Gary Albrecht, Hope men’s co-captain. “It was a routine meet, and I think everyone swam really well.”

On the men’s side, nine different Dutchmen touched the wall first in an event. Leading the Flying Dutchmen over Alma College last Saturday in a dual meet. The men won 126-112. The men are now 4-0 on the season and 3-0 in the MIAA, while the women improve to 2-2 overall and 21 in the conference.

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