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Kasich visits Holland at Herman Miller

Presidential candidate visits Ottawa County at one of its most successful businesses

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Last Friday, republican Presidential Candidate Governor John Kasich paid Holland a visit on his tour of the Midwest in preparation for yesterday's voting primary. The location was one of Holland's most successful businesses, Herman Miller furniture. The location was in the greenhouse, essentially a warehouse. It created a small and intimate environment for the rally. A few hundred people gathered inside and surrounded a podium for the governor.

Kasich immediately began by saying that the state of Michigan is on a rebound thanks to its governor Rick Snyder and its lieutenant governor Brian Calley. Kasich then went into describing the state of affairs he faced when he was younger growing up in a coal mining town in Pennsylvania. His point of hard work even when things seemed bleak res-

onated with his father digging coal hundreds of feet below the surface and with the economic hardships Michigan has faced.

Kasich then addressed what the American people fear the most when it comes to the economy. "The American Anxiety" Kasich described is the fear of what a poor economy can do to the American citizen. "Job security and downsizing are major concerns of the American people. Is money truly safe in the banks? Why are there college students still living in their parents' houses?" Kasich wants to fix these by creating a balanced budget at the national level. This is a task that he has completed at the state level in Ohio and noted that governor Snyder had as well in Michigan. Kasich had a running calculator of the national debt, and as it increased rapidly during his speech. He referenced this by asking the audience, "What could we do with just a fraction of that?"

Research was the route Ka-

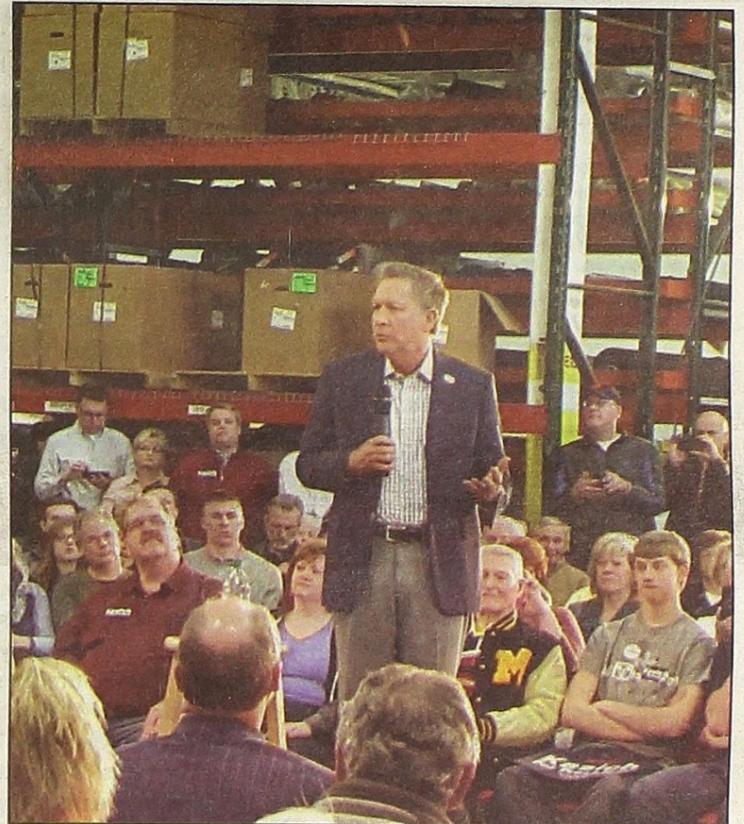
sich went; Alzheimer's, cancer or any research funded by that fraction of national debt could bring us closer to finding a cure. Along with balancing the budget, Kasich noted that the last president to do so was Bill Clinton and added that Hilary is using her husband's success to bolster her own campaign.

Kasich then looked at how the balanced budget could help the country. "If we don't hang together, we will hang separately."

Kasich referred this to the American people that we need to all be in this fight together to keep a balanced budget in order to prevent job loss. Michigan, as of recently, is a perfect example by being 20 percent in excess of budget.

Kasich then took questions from the audience. First a man asked what will [Kasich] do to rebuild the trust between the government and the people.

"We need to be amongst the



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APPEALING TO THE PEOPLE — The Ohio governor made a statement when he spoke about keeping a balanced budget if elected to the presidential office.

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Swapping out the signs, no more Dutch 'Welkom'

City of Holland does away with old greeting, favoring a modern touch

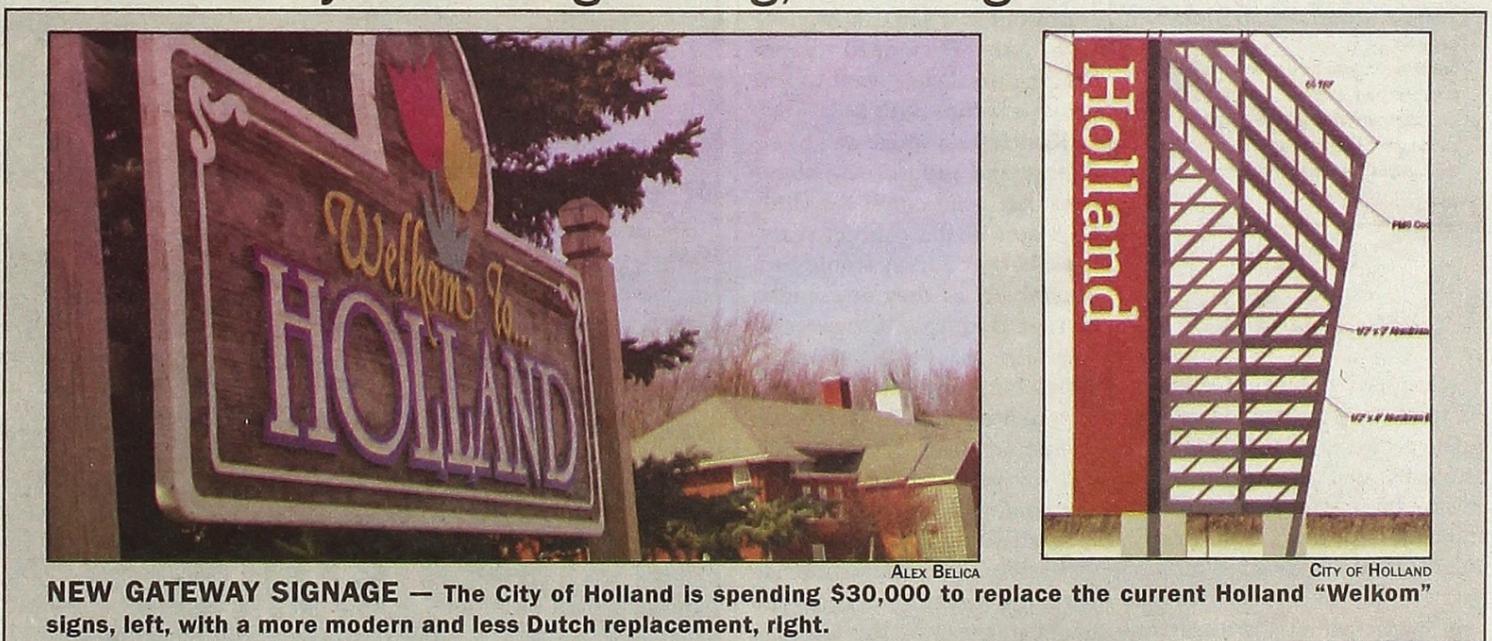
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After nearly 30 years, visitors entering Holland, Michigan, may soon receive a decidedly less Dutch welcome to the city.

The current large gateway signs with the word "welkom" in Dutch will soon be replaced by a more modern alternative. The Holland City Council approved a \$30,000 contract to order the first four new gateway signs to be positioned along roads entering the city as part of a larger rebranding campaign.

The new signs, which differ dramatically from those currently in place, will stand nearly 13-feet tall. The new signs have the name "Holland" written vertically in a modern script, while the right side of the sign contains a crisscrossed pattern that is meant to symbolize both lines of tulip fields and windmill blades.

In an interview with Wood TV 8, Brian Burch, the Third Ward Holland City Councilman who served on the commission that designed the new signage,



NEW GATEWAY SIGNAGE — The City of Holland is spending \$30,000 to replace the current Holland "Welkom" signs, left, with a more modern and less Dutch replacement, right.

praised the changes.

"The new signs are cool. They're modern. They're contemporary," he said.

The change, however, is not without controversy.

Following the announcement of the new sign plans, many area residents took to social media to speak out against the change they see as undermining Holland's Dutch

heritage while also eliminating cherished local landmarks.

Wood TV 8's website recently hosted a poll, asking people's opinion about the sign change that soon garnered thousands of votes. Of those voting, over 82 percent favored keeping the old designs in place while only 8 percent favored the new design.

Burch seemed somewhat taken aback by the outpouring

of criticism against the change.

"We're not forgetting. We're not ignoring or leaving that Dutch heritage behind," he told Wood TV 8. "We're doing what we can to preserve that and create it in a way that leaves it open to a bit of interpretation."

Burch noted that officials considered just restoring the existing signs but "it just didn't seem to fit in with what we were

doing."

Burch noted that over time he feels people will begin to accept the new signs slated to be installed this spring.

"There's going to be a strong mix of acceptance," Burch said. "And what we found is most people will learn to love something over time."



ARTS

Faizullah and May

Two poets tag-teamed this past week's Visiting Writers Series.

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Spring Break Tunes

If you're looking for that playlist which will perfect your long road trip, check out ours.

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Basketball Fouls Out

Both men's and women's basketball teams suffered losses over the weekend.

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THIS WEEK AT HOPE

Wednesday Mar. 9
S.T.E.P. resource tables and t-shirts
 Come take a look at resources for empowering your peers and It's On Us t-shirts will be on sale. Tables open at 8:30 a.m. in the Schaap Science Center.

Thursday Mar. 10
Summer experience fair
 If you're looking for a summer job that will add valuable hours and experience to your resume, come to the summer experience fair. The event starts at 3 p.m. in the Maas Center and auditorium.

Preparing your poster
 For those who have to present a study at the end of the semester, come to a presentation devoted to perfecting your poster. The event begins at 7 p.m. in Van Wylen Library, room 202.

Dance 42
 The second segment of Dance 42's performances begin on Thursday at 7:30 p.m. The performances will be in the Knickerbocker Theatre. The show will perform through Saturday at the same time.

Friday Mar. 11
Women's and Gender studies lecture
 Alexis Brenner ('18), will present, "Transgender at Hope College: Elevating Voices and Suggestions for an Inclusive Community." The presentation starts at 1:30 p.m. in Schaap Science Center, room 1008.

Biophysics Week
 Coming to the tail-end of the first biophysics week, "Snapshots of Biology with a Femtosecond Camera" will be presented at 4 p.m. in Schaap Center, room 1000.

Tuesday Mar. 15
Living and working in Grand Rapids
 Seniors, you are invited to take part in a networking event at Founder's Brewing Company this Tuesday. The event will feature connecting with alumni working in the area. The event begins at 6 p.m.

IN BRIEF

DANCE MARATHON

One of Hope College's biggest fundraising events is almost here. This Saturday, students will dance the night away for a grand total of 24 hours. Starting at 7 p.m. Friday night and ending Saturday at 7 p.m., over 900 students be participating as dancers, moralers or other support staff. The proceeds of the event will go to Helen DeVos Children's Hospital. Over the past 15 years, Hope Students have raised over \$1.4 million for the hospital.

THE WINDING STREAM

On Monday, the Knickerbocker Theatre will be showing "The Winding Stream: The Carters, The Cashes and The Course of Country Music." The feature documentary looks into one of the first major unions between country stars, Johnny Cash and June Carter. The movie begins at 7:30 p.m. and is \$6 for Hope students.

Kasich visits Herman Miller at Holland

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people. My cabinet and I will go to various communities and spend days with them, learning about them, and it won't be an easy task to rebuild, but a long-term future can be accomplished."

Next a doctor from Holland Hospital asked if there will be irreversible effects on American healthcare from Obamacare and if there was a solution.

"No one should be bankrupted because they get sick. I want complete transparency between the healthcare system and the government. I want to know all the statistics there are on hospitals, costs, benefits, hours, success rates in surgery. We all know some doctors charge more and some less, I want there to be a system where if you are charging less but still have a higher quality than those that make more, the government should give them a bonus for their effective work."

Another asked Kasich about his foreign policy, particularly involving Russia and China. "Putin needs to understand that if they take any aggressive action toward NATO, we will stand with NATO, if they become involved. As for China, we have many friends in the South Pacific, and we will send a message to China, if they take control of it. They cannot have all of Asia. They need to stop hacking us, if they want to improve relations with us."

Kasich then spoke on key alliances and progressing countries that will benefit the United States in the coming years. He said that Turkey would be a crucial ally as they are unique in that they split Europe and Asia and that it is the crossroads between each. He also commented that if Mexico can overcome its corruption, it will become a major power in the coming years and another long-standing ally.

Kasich left the audience with the belief that everyone has a purpose in this life. He added that whether it was to heal, to lift or lead, we must work together in order to create the changes needed to keep this country running.

Kasich ended his speech, and the room erupted in applause.

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PERSPECTIVES
Journaling useful to stay intentional in building Christ-centered relationship

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Clare Martin is a sophomore at Hope College who can be found with a journal on her lap during Chapel and Gathering services. She scribbles notes from the comfort of the Dimment Chapel pews.

Her small group Bible study leader in high school introduced her to Bible journaling. At meetings, Martin remembered her leader jotting notes down to reflect on later.

When Martin asked her about her journal, her leader explained that it creates a good reference point for tough times or as a reminder of how much a situation has changed.

"It's a really good way to look back and realize 'Oh, look where I am now as compared to earlier!' So that's kind of what inspired me to start wanting to journal," Martin said.

She's been taking notes at Hope's Chapel and Gathering services ever since she came to Hope because of her small group leader's influence.

"I don't know if there was a talk recently about journaling or something like that, but

I feel like here and there I have noticed more people doing it," Martin said.

Bible journaling has been around for a long time. However, more and more, students take notes at Hope's own services. The pews are filled with women and men jotting down what strikes them as important during a sermon, a prayer that they want to write about or a verse that means a lot to them.

To take part, all that's needed is a small notebook or blank journal that can slip in and out of a backpack or pocket easily. From there, students write down whatever resonates with them.

Madeline Scott is a senior at Hope and said that she participates about half the time, only when she remembers to bring her notebook. Scott finds that even if she doesn't look back over the notes she takes, they still help her focus during services.

"I usually do bullet points of really key sentences that the pastor says, versus sometimes, if the pastor says something really good and then it sparks another thought, I'll kind of journal for a couple seconds about

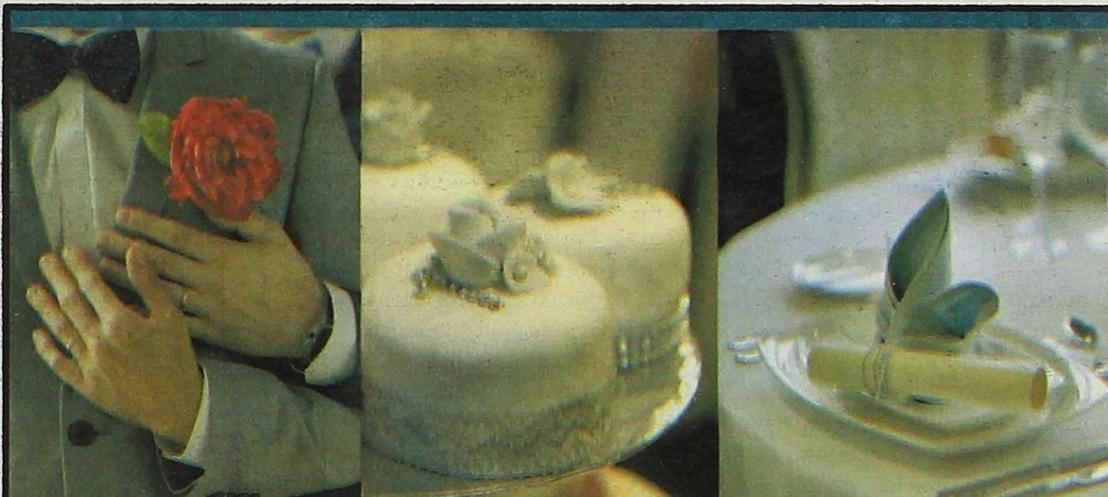
that. Because the way I journal is normally to God, sort of like a prayer. So sometimes I pray in a way through my writing," Scott said.

Kristen Garret, a senior at Hope, journals only during the Gathering. In the beginning, Garret said it didn't necessarily help her because she did a lot of doodling instead of taking notes. Over time, she began to enjoy the sermons more and became more thoughtful about them.

"I think it happens because we're such an academically Christian university, and it makes sense to be taking notes like you are almost in a class, like you're attempting to learn in a class. But I don't think it affects the worship style of anyone," Garret said.

Clare Martin enjoys the reflection that comes with Bible journaling and having an inner map of her faith thought process all laid out on the pages in front of her.

"Don't be discouraged if you don't do it everyday or forget because that's okay, just as long as it's something that you want to be doing. Don't make it feel like it's a chore," Martin said.



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Heroin epidemic grabs national attention

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WORLD Co-EDITOR

A national epidemic of heroin use has been catching many off guard as the highly addictive drug claims thousands of lives nationally.

Nationwide, 78 people die each day from overdosing on heroin or perspiration pain pills. A recent abundance of heroin in both urban and rural areas has been making for a cheap but deadly high.

Michigan is not immune to the increasing use of heroin. State data released this week shows that deaths from drug overdoses increased 14 percent during 2014 and claimed 1,745 lives within the state. Experts note that heroin and other pain killers are to blame for much of the increase.

State officials asked for the public's health in dealing with a crisis that they note affects both poor and wealthy communities.

"We are coming together to reverse this trend that is hurting Michiganders across every geographic and demographic category," Lt. Gov. Brian Calley said in a statement announcing the new data. "No family is immune from this, so all families must come together to fight the stigma of addiction and know



AP IMAGES

OVERDOSE-FREE RESTROOM — Cities nationwide are installing more transparent public restroom kiosks, which show if someone has passed out and fallen due to overdose.

that it's okay to ask for help." According to experts, individuals often become addicted to heroin after starting out on a prescription pain killer and finding the that such drugs are expensive to obtain on the street. Heroin is a cheaper, and often times even more deadly, alternative.

Heroin is an opioid drug that is synthesized from morphine, a naturally occurring substance

extracted from the seed pod of the Asian opium poppy plant, creating a powder that users either inject or inhale. In the brain, heroin triggers the opioid receptors giving the user a high but also impairing bodily functions such as breathing.

The increasing epidemic is challenging both public and private organizations to adapt.

Individuals desperate to inject heroin often turn to public

restrooms as a private place to quickly get high, meaning that businesses and organizations that operate such facilities often are forced to make difficult choices to prevent individuals from overdosing in their restrooms. Such bathrooms can quickly become a legal liability for their owner if a drug user leaves contaminated needles lying around.

Christ Church in Cambridge

Massachusetts, for instance, decided to close restrooms that for years had served the homeless community over heroin concerns.

The city of Cambridge ultimately found a solution to the problem by opening a public restroom kiosk in nearby Harvard Square. The new kiosk is not heated and contains slats along the base of its walls that allow police and passersby to see if anyone has passed out on the floor of the facilities.

Law enforcement officials have also adjusted their drug enforcement strategy to better target heroin dealers who are spreading the drug.

"The increase in drug overdose deaths has certainly grabbed our attention," U.S. Attorney Barbara McQuade told the Detroit Free Press.

According to McQuade, the agency has increasingly been targeting heroin dealers with stiff penalties: up to life in prison for sales that lead to an individual's death. Prosecutors are banking that the prospect of life in prison will be enough to persuade dealers to leave the heroin business.

However, unless the recent trend abates, it seems that heroin sales will not be dropping dramatically in the near future.

New sanctions passed against North Korea

Dictator Kim Jong Un threatens military response to new round of economic measures

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North Korea has been a giant question mark for the rest of the world for many years, especially since Kim Jong Un took his father's seat as the country's leader. Countless movies have been made, documentaries filmed and articles written on the topic. In the absence of reliable information about the country, the public has turned to such sources in an attempt to understand what is largely a closed box.

South Korea and the U.S. ran a joint military exercise to test their defenses against a possible North Korean threat. North Korea wasn't happy about this exercise and threatened the U.S. and South Korea with a nuclear attack.

After the exercises began, the Defense Commission of North Korea released a statement protesting them. "As the joint military exercises to be staged by the enemies are regarded as the most undisguised nuclear war drills aimed to infringe upon the sovereignty of the DPRK, its military counteraction will be more preemptive and offensive nuclear strike to cope with them," the statement said.

It was also reported that North Korea's leader Kim Jong Un said the country's nuclear warheads are ready to use at

any time.

This is not the first time that military exercises have upset North Korea, so in many ways it is not surprising that the North Korean government has once again ratcheted up the rhetoric.

North Korea's actions surrounding nuclear weapons have been getting a lot of negative attention lately. After the country's recent nuclear and missile tests, the UN decided to take action by unanimously approving sanctions in the Security Council because of North Korea's disregard for treaties the country had previously signed.

The resolution that the United Nations Security Council voted on aims to cripple the part of the country's economy that supports the nuclear weapons and ballistic missiles program.

The U.S. ambassador to the United Nations, Samantha Power, said to the Security Council that North Korea mistreats its own citizens and noted that the DPRK is the only country to run a nuclear missile test in 21st century. "With each nuclear test and launch using ballistic missile technology, the DPRK improves its capability to carry out a ballistic missile attack not only in the region but a continent away," Power said. "That means having the ability to strike most of the countries



AP IMAGES

SAMANTHA POWER — U.S. ambassador to the UN successfully sought the approval of a Resolution on new sanctions to be put in place against The Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK).

sitting on this council. Think about that."

President Barack Obama praised the resolution. He said, "Today, the international community, speaking with one voice, has sent Pyongyang a simple message: North Korea must abandon these dangerous programs and choose a better path for its people."

The North Korean administration was clearly not happy with the resolution and called the sanctions

"unprecedented and gangster-like."

According to the Korean Central News agency, Kim Jong Un said, "Under the extreme situation that the U.S. Imperialist is misusing its military influence and is pressuring other countries and people to start war and catastrophe, the only way for our people to protect sovereignty and rights to live is to strengthen the quality and quantity of nuclear power and

realize the balance of power."

The Pentagon promised that it would continue to closely monitor the situation: "We are aware of the reports. We are closely monitoring the situation on the Korean Peninsula in coordination with our regional allies."

Even though it's believed that these threats are likely empty, it's also known that North Korea is an unstable country, and they have nuclear weapons, so these threats also

THIS WEEK IN NEWS

US AIRSTRIKE KILLS 150

Captain Jeff Davis reported that the United States successfully targeted an al-Shabab training camp. Al-Shabab is an affiliate of al-Qaida. Davis said, "We knew they were going to be departing the camp, and they posed an imminent threat to U.S. and African Union forces." An estimated 150 terrorist fighters were killed in the attacks. The camp was known as Raso Camp, 120 miles north of Mogadishu, the capital of Somalia.

PENSIONERS WEALTHIER THAN MILLENNIALS

A study from the largest database of international incomes in the world, the Luxembourg Income Study: Cross-National Data Center, has investigated wealth divisions across Australia, Britain, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Spain and the United States. They have found that those under 30 are now poorer than retired people. Millennials lost a number of wage gains even before the 2008 financial crisis. The general trend, reported by The Guardian, is that "prosperity has plummeted for young adults in the rich world."

DROUGHT SPURS SUICIDES

A drought so severe in the normally wet, rain-shadow region of Marathwada, India has left only 6 percent of the dammed water remaining. Sanjay Jadhav, in Latur's Ujni village had to take out a loan of three lakh to pay for losses incurred by the massive drought. He was already one lakh in debt due to his father's cancer treatment. He ended his life with poison. His brother-in-law staid, "We feed the entire nation, and we ourselves are starving. The entire nation eats what we grow, and here we die. No. Actually, we don't kill ourselves, the government is killing us."

HONG KONG RESIDENTIAL HOME SALES PLUMMET

Home sales plunged 70 percent, reaching a 25-year low. Economic uncertainty across much of China and the globe has led to greater fear in investing, subsequently deterring potential buyers. Only 1,807 homes were sold in Hong Kong during the month of February, whereas a year ago 6,027 homes were sold.

3RD GLOBAL BLEACHING EVENT UNDERWAY

Although coral reefs only take up 0.1 percent of the ocean bottom, it provides a habitat for a quarter of the world's fish species. Subsequently, they help provide food for some 500 million people worldwide. The first dying (bleaching) event occurred in 1998, and then only 6 years ago in 2010. Now, during the El Nino season, where temperatures worldwide have skyrocketed, a third event is taking place.

ISIS indoctrinating children

Terror group attempts to train younger, purer mujahideen fighting force for battle

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It is well known that ISIS's terror tactics have very few boundaries. They have burned people alive, beheaded captives (much like Saudi Arabia enjoys doing as a form of capital punishment) and have been known to rape and murder hordes of captive women particularly if they are not Muslims themselves or the "wrong kind" of Muslim. They inspire fear, terror and hatred around the globe, but particularly in the west. And, recently, their indoctrination programs have been discussed by a think tank of researchers.

Quilliam is an organization based in London that primarily aims to help reduce anti-democratic ideals as well as promote thought, democracy and pluralism. They specifically focus on discussing, understanding and countering the multifaceted and multidimensional landscape that is extremism and terrorism.

They recently took up the task of understanding how ISIS recruits children. Their report, titled Children of Islamic State, suggests that as many as 50 British children are currently



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MEMBERS OF ISIS LINE UP — Brandishing the flag of ISIS along with pistols, men display a show of force and solidarity that young children will hopefully follow.

in ISIS-controlled territory. The report has already been supported by the UN and is set to be published in Parliament on March 9.

The authors from Quilliam state, "The organisation ... focuses a large number of its efforts on indoctrinating children through an extremism-based education curriculum and fostering them to become future terrorists. The current generation of fighters sees these children as better and more lethal fighters than themselves because rather than being converted into radical ideologies, they have been indoctrinated into these extreme values from birth or a very young age."

It is thought that because the children have spent the majority of their lives under a purely Islamic rule, free of the fetters of secularism and its subsequent impurities, that the children represent a purer brand of Islam. As per the report, an estimated 31,000 women are now pregnant within ISIS controlled territories. The children are thought to be indoctrinated early on and learn to fight for ISIS.

The study states that the children are saved from the corrupting influences of Western society, including atheism and separation of church and state, thus "making them stronger than the current mujahideen [fighters] because they have a

superior understanding of Islam from youth and from school curriculum and are better and more brutal fighters as they are trained in violence from a very young age."

Researchers from Quilliam have also analyzed the number of children involved in propaganda by ISIS. Between Aug. 1, 2015, and Feb. 1, 2016, a total of 254 events or statements were issued by ISIS that included children in order to supposedly protect the image of the state. ISIS has also been attempting to normalize brutality by making it commonplace for the children to kick decapitated heads. A recent video showed a young boy detonating a car bomb that killed four people trapped within the car.

A spokesperson for the Romeo Dallaire Child Soldiers Initiative, and a contributing author in the study, said that the events taking place in Syria are "one of the gravest situations for children on Earth. It is hoped that this report will provide a critical perspective on the plight of these children. That will then create essential reflections for policy makers, child protection agencies, governments, multilateral organizations and those concerned with ending conflict in Iraq and Syria."

Young star found via radio waves

Ten strobe-like bursts following initial signal thought to be from 'new' pulsar

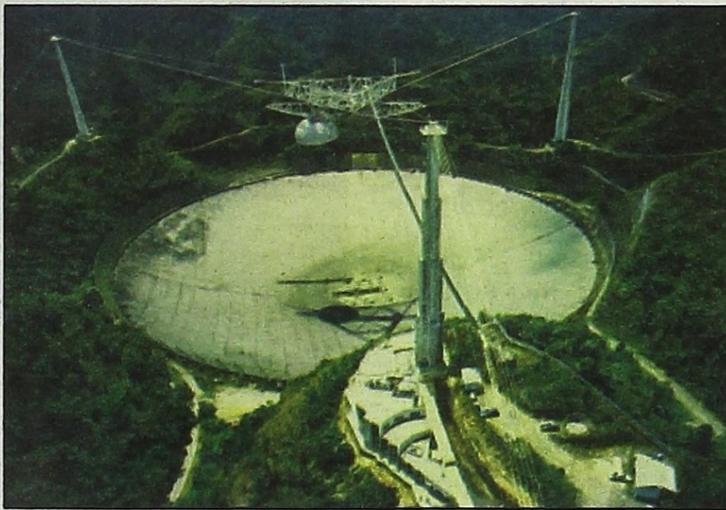
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On August 15th, 1977, the Big Ear radio telescope in Ohio detected a strong radio signal from a seemingly empty region of space northwest of the Messier 55 globular cluster. The researcher on shift was so surprised by the 72-second long signal sequence that he red-penned "Wow!" in the margin of the printout, earning the signal the name the Wow! signal.

Some imagined it to be the initial sign of life from the void, but it has been an uninterrupted broadcast of silence ever since. Many have searched for the source to no avail, with many hypothesizing that it was the reflection of an Earth-borne signal off of space debris. A recent paper proposed that the signal may have been caused by the passing of comets in that region during that night in 1977.

Now, almost 39 years later, radio signals have been detected from an unknown, extragalactic source. Moreover, researchers did not just record a lone signal; they detected the emission of multiple signals, known as fast radio bursts (FRBs), from a single point in space.

These observations are the first instance of repeating FRBs, which last only a few milliseconds each. Theories concerning the origin of these signals have included supernovae (the



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ARECIBO RADIO TELESCOPE IN PUERTO RICO — The vast machine makes use of a 1,000-foot radio telescope and is the world's largest single-aperture telescope. It is used in radio astronomy, atmospheric science and radar astronomy.

explosive collapse of a massive supergiant star that leads to the formation of neutron stars), magnetars (neutron stars exhibiting powerful magnetic fields) and pulsars (magnetized and rotating neutron stars that emit strong electromagnetic waves). However, multiple signal sequences indicate that the source cannot be from a single cataclysmic event, such as a supernova, so the list of possibilities is becoming smaller as more data arrives.

The international research, based at the Arecibo radio telescope in Puerto Rico, identified 10 bursts following

the initial signal, labelled FRB 121102. Spitler et al. (2016) wrote, "Although there may be multiple physical origins for the population of fast radio bursts, these repeat bursts with high dispersion measure and variable spectra specifically seen from the direction of FRB 121102 support an origin in a young, highly magnetised, extragalactic neutron star."

Essentially, the data points to the origin most likely being a young pulsar, since its emissions decrease in strength as it ages, making it difficult to detect later on in its lifespan. The strobe-like emissions of pulsars are caused

by the angular difference of their spin and magnetic axes.

The next step is locating the source's host galaxy. Researcher Jason Hessels said, "Once we have precisely localized the repeater's position on the sky, we will be able to compare observations from optical and X-ray telescopes and see if there is a galaxy there." Last month, another team identified the source of a single FRB as elliptical galaxy six billion light years away. For comparison, the closest galaxy to Earth is approximately 2.5 million years away.

The Arecibo telescope has also been the source of a number of SETI (Search for Extra-Terrestrial Intelligence) searches. It functions as the main source of data for a number of research projects from the University of California, Berkeley and was utilized for the SETI Institute's Project Phoenix observations. More than 20 pulsars have been identified by the Einstein@Home distributed computing project from Arecibo data.

In 1974, the Arecibo Message was transmitted in an attempt to communicate with extraterrestrial life toward the globular cluster Messier 13. It contained a 1,679 bit pattern that included stick figures, chemical formulas and a crude telescope image.

Hope welcomes poetry duo Dance 42 kicks off

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On Thursday, March 3, the Jack Ridl Visiting Writers Series welcomed poets Jamaal May and Tarfia Faizullah for its second event of 2016.

Now that VWS events have been moved from Winants Auditorium in Graves Hall to the Recital Hall at the Jack H. Miller Center for Musical Arts, the audience was welcomed into the event with some improvised jazz piano, which created a more sophisticated yet casual atmosphere that couldn't have been easily achieved in Winants.

Furthermore, the dim lighting and acoustics of the new recital hall made the night's event seem like a more authentic poetry reading; the stark fluorescent lights and the bright openness of Winants had been unable to fully capture this atmosphere.

The first guest writer of the night was Jamaal May. May was born, raised and still lives in Detroit, Michigan. May is a member of six national slam poet teams, which heavily contributed to the power with which he delivered various poems.

One of his collections, "Hum," is a nod to his hometown. Its title references the imagery he uses about the relationship between the past, the present and the presence of technology that creates the human connection, which at times can literally hum.

Despite a few stutters and mistakes, May soon had the audience captivated with his beautiful imagery and unique alliteration and rhyme scheme. The hum and rhythm of his poetry was palpable. He used humor as soon as he stepped onto the platform in order to make the audience feel more at ease, es-



SAM COLE

POETS SLAM INTO HOPE — Tarfia Faizullah and Jamaal May prove to be a true power couple through their readings of poems laden with heavy imagery and beautiful messages.

pecially since some of his poems had darker themes. However, the humor could overpower the flow of the poetry at times.

May read from both his published collection "Hum" and the collection "The Big Book of Exit Strategies," which is on track to come out next month. Both works have received raving reviews. In fact, May has been compared to Keats and Wordsworth in the way that he uses imagery, and those comparisons are completely justified.

After May read his works, Tarfia Faizullah took the stand. She was small in stature compared to May, so small that she was almost hidden behind the podium, but her voice was powerful. The messages she shared held even more power than her voice. She was born in Brooklyn to Bangladeshi parents and raised in Texas.

Her first poem, titled "Fable of the Firstborn," held so much emotion, I almost could not believe she chose to open with it. And the emotions only continued to increase from there. She recited poems about seeing her sister die and about the culture in which she grew up. Faizullah

also used humor to lighten the mood of her dark poetry, but the messages were so powerful, it was not needed. Even her poem that was supposed to be humorous, "Shout Out to the Other Brown Girl in my Weightlifting Class," held messages of feeling ostracised because of skin tone, even in a place as diverse as Detroit, where she currently resides.

Faizullah read from both her collection "Seam" and another collection "Register of Eliminated Villages" that is expected to be published some time in 2017. She switched back and forth between the two, and it was nearly impossible to tell when she transitioned unless she outright announced it.

Unfortunately, it looks like this might be the last event for the 2015-2016 season, since the reading with Tiphonie Yanique has been cancelled. However, Hope students can look forward to more visiting writers in the upcoming fall. In the meantime, consider perusing more works by the poets and writers that have visited Hope this school year.

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Dance 42 opened this past Friday and Saturday, each night packed with nearly a full crowd. Hope College's Dance Department's annual dance performance, Dance 42 features choreography from a wide range of artists, including faculty members Matthew Farmer, Crystal Frazier, Linda Graham, Steven Iannacone, Julie Powell and Angie Yetzke. The performance also includes choreography by guest artists Nic Lincoln and Sharon Wong. The performances' styles range from contemporary and contemporary ballet to jazz and hip hop, and the overall performance incorporates more than 60 students.

Lincoln, who was recently named "One of 25 to Watch" by Dance Magazine, described his new work that he specifically created for Hope as a "theatrical movement essay with wit, style, curiosity and fearlessness" and "a non-linear story that takes its cues from contemporary art and culture."

Iannacone recreated "Bolero" in celebration of the work's 15th anniversary. Following its premiere at the Knickerbocker Theatre in 2001, "Bolero" was performed in Japan, Mexico, Belgium and throughout the United States. Iannacone describes "Bolero" as a "dark, bold and questioning work filled with images of unity and singularity, man and machine, conformity and disharmony, reality and the imagined." He said that images in the work suggest "time and place as endless, repetitive and monotonous in a taut balance with bursts of individuality, identity and self-awareness."

Another highlight of the concert is "Hidden Knick," Graham's original work for six dancers, which offers an unconventional, playful exploration of live performance, space and audience

perception.

"This was my first year in Dance 42, and it has been such a rewarding experience," Katie McMorris ('17) said. "I am in Linda Graham's piece titled 'Hidden Knick,' which is a sight-specific work that explores the Knickerbocker Lobby. We held most of our rehearsals in the lobby, and a lot of our initial rehearsals involved simply playing in the space and discovering what we could do. Dance 42 has a great variety of works by talented choreographers; I would highly recommend going."

The Hope dance faculty will also honor department founder Maxine DeBruyn, the Dorothy Wiley DeLong Professor Emerita of Dance and winner of the prestigious 2015 National Dance Education Organization's "Lifetime Achievement Award" in October.

"This award recognizes Maxine's significant contribution to dance education and the dance community," Farmer, an assistant professor of dance and current department chair, said.

Farmer also announced the launch of a new International Dance Fund during the Dance 42 festivities. Money raised will fund off-campus opportunities for Hope students, beginning with participation in the 2016 Edinburgh Fringe Festival in Scotland, which is the world's largest arts festival for dance and theater. More information on the International Dance fund can be found at crowdfunding.hope.edu/dance.

Dance 42's final performances will be March 10-12 at 7:30 p.m. at the Knickerbocker Theatre. Tickets are \$10 for regular admission, \$7 for senior citizens, \$5 for students and free for children 12 and under and can be purchased online or at the ticket office in the Events and Conferences Office located downtown in the Anderson-Werkman Financial Center.

PERSPECTIVES

All Sons and Daughters lead a night of worship

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I became a fan of All Sons and Daughters my freshman year at Hope College. I was worshipping during Groovin' in the Grove the night before my first college classes began. The Hope worship team started singing a song I would later discover was All Sons and Daughters' "Rising Sun." It was the first song that made me truly worship. I put up my hands for the first time. I closed my eyes. It was a great way to start my college journey.

Flash forward to March 4, 2016, and I was now standing in front of the stage in Dimnent Chapel, awaiting the singers of my first real worship song to

take to the stage. The All Sons and Daughters concert was sold out, evidenced by the hundreds of people packed into rows and aisles. The audience was made up of several students and Holland community members excited to see the Christian duo.

All Sons and Daughters, made up of Leslie Anne Jordan and David Alan Leonard, originated in Franklin, Tennessee in 2009. The pair is known for its acoustic and folk-style Christian worship songs and has released three albums, "Season One," "Live" and "All Sons and Daughters." The duo continues to lead worship at their nondenominational church in Franklin, while recording and touring their music on the side.

It was evident from the be-

ginning of their concert that the night would not be focused on them. With a single guitar and keyboard onstage, both Jordan and Leonard told the audience that the next hour would be about worship. They encouraged the audience to do whatever needed to enter into a time with God, whether it be sitting down, raising hands or kneeling.

The band sang a set consisting of original songs, covers and hymns. It was obvious to me that the audience had entered into that time with God from the very first song, "Oh How I Need You." Audience members were bowing their heads, stretching out their arms and singing loudly with the band.

The praise continued throughout the night with the

help of All Sons and Daughters' variety of songs. Well-known tunes, such as "Come Thou Fount" and even "Rising Sun," were received well by the audience. The band also premiered new material, such as a song based on the prayers of Saint Francis. The duo's lyrics were shown on a screen behind them, so it was very easy for me and many other audience members to follow along.

Occasionally the group would take a break from singing and read scripture to the audience. They allowed this time for audience members to reflect on the Word and to listen for God's voice. I felt that this was a great way to continue keeping the focus on worship.

Overall, the night felt less like

a concert and more like a worship service. With a simple stage and two musicians, the performance was able to shy away from distractions, allowing me to focus on entering in to a time with God.

I could also see that All Sons and Daughters did not want the attention when I went to the lobby after the show. I wanted to purchase a t-shirt, but it turned out that they weren't selling any. It was just another reminder that the night was not about Jordan and Leonard. Instead, it was about filling Dimnent with the Holy Spirit and allowing a collection of people the opportunity to worship. I feel that All Sons and Daughters accomplished their goal well.

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Destinations

Spring break is less than two weeks away. The Anchor staff has come up with road trip locations both near and far for anyone looking for an adventure during break! The approximate amount of time it takes to get to the destination is based on leaving from Hope College.

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16 hours

Smoky Mountains National Park, Tenn.
10 hours

Seattle, Wash.
33 hours

New York City, N.Y.
12 hours

Myrtle Beach, S.C.
15 ½ hours

Dallas, Texas
16 hours

Chincoteague Island, Va.
13 hours

Harrisville, Mich.
4 ½ hours

Nashville, Tenn.
8 hours

Leland, Mich.
3 ½ hours

Valley of Fire State Park, Nev.
27 hours

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 "Country Roads" by John Denver
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 "Start Me Up" by The Rolling Stones
 "One Last Time" from the musical "Hamilton"
 "Start Wearing Purple" by Gogol Bordello
 "48 Roses" by Mariachi El Bronx
 "A Whole New World" from "Aladdin"
 "All Star" by Smash Mouth
 "Olivia" by One Direction
 "Wonderwall" by Oasis
 "Jessie's Girl" by Rick Springfield
 "Sweet Caroline" by Neil Diamond
 "Baba O'Riley" by The Who
 "All These Things That I've Done" by The Killers
 "Heroes" by David Bowie
 "A Head Full Of Dreams" by Coldplay
 "Metropolis" by Owl City
 "Torn" by Natalie Imbruglia
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Words of hope: Service with an open heart produces joy



Julian Morrison
Guest Columnist

Many of you have probably heard some version of the candle quote. You know, the one without an official author that goes something like, "I may just be a little candle in your life. I may burn out and melt after a while, but I wish within my time, my light touches your heart ... even for a while." Whenever I run into this quote, it reminds me of the people in my life who may have done or said something small that has changed my perspective, challenged me to modify a

behavior or simply to experience joy yet again.

At Hope College, I feel that influences like these often take the medium of spoken word; and like light marks the film of a camera, these words reveal a beautiful image upon perceptual development. Allow me to share a glimpse of what I mean within the context of Hope.

I work at the Dow Center a few times each week, and within this routine, I begin to get to know the people I engage in small talk each week, a simple pleasure in itself. However, sometimes small talk can have a big impact. I have gotten to know a very kind man by the name of Bob DeYoung (if you have met him, you know just how kind he is). Every time Bob sees me, he starts with simple small talk, progresses to a more personal topic and always leaves me with the same question. He looks at me and says, "You know how to have a good day, don't ya?" and

we say together, "You give one!" Since Bob first said that to me, I have found truth growing in the idea that service produces joy. Not happiness, no. Happiness comes from happenings, but joy, which seems to be truly revealed in humble service.

Wise words can also come from students. I have a friend named Katrina who graduated from Hope in the spring of 2015. She is a great listener and an excellent problem solver, so naturally I wanted to ask her what she had learned about trying to grow in different roles throughout her time here. Of course, everything she said was both simple and more helpful than she realized. Yet, one of these simple ideas stood tall in my mind, like a deep-rooted tree. She said, "dissonance is good." She went on to explain that while everyone seems to be fighting their own battle with fine China balanced on their heads, without our struggles we

cannot grow. This is reflected in the way our brains need to fix mistakes in order to develop a more reliable circuit of neurons we often dub "muscle memory" and the way our bones and muscles grow from resistances we fight against while we run, jump, lift or throw. It is mentioned in the Bible as the first step towards hope and in history books as the catalyst for building up a community. It is a simple and obvious concept, yet I think we often forget to be as thankful for our struggles as we are for our triumphs.

The last glimpse I have to offer may be familiar to many of you. Every time the Doxology is sung at The Gathering, I am reminded of a specific Sunday in which Trygve dove into the effect of singing in his own perspective. While doing this, he kept repeating, "When you sing, you pray twice," a phrase often credited to St. Augustine. He went on to describe what

it means to him to hear our voices ring off the chapel walls. Now, while I love this phrase, it is not the point of this glimpse. You see, in revealing his joy in hearing our voices, I realized that by doing something we enjoyed with a posture of thankfulness and passion, emotion was passed on to those around us. This planted a challenge in my head to be thankful for all the activities I get to participate in and to do them wholeheartedly, knowing that in doing so, activities become a blessing to both you and I. In other words, let your love for what you do become a contagious joy.

These are just three moments in which a "candle" burned long enough for the light to expose a beautiful scene. So, what have the candles in your life revealed? I encourage you to keep the light reflecting. Realize that you are also a source of light.

Avoid getting a pre-spring break tan



Taylor Bennett
Guest Columnist

With this warm weather right now, I am sure all of you are extremely excited for spring break and the chance to finally (finally!) get some much-needed rest and relaxation! In preparation for a spring break near the beach or somewhere really warm, you know exactly what to put on your to do list: pack your swimsuits, shades and flip flops. Start your count down and get ready to say a sweet sayonara to Michigan!

But there are also some of you who will add, "Go to the tanning salon" on that to-do list as well. You believe this is healthy, that it will prevent you from getting burned later on your vacay. This leads me to the question: Is there a safe amount of tanning? No, there's not.

I know what you are all thinking: practically everyone goes to the tanners before spring break, and it is safe, if you get a little color before heading to the beach.

Contrary to popular belief, there is little evidence that sug-

gests going to the tanners before hitting up that much needed sandy beach does not prevent bad sunburns. Even spray tans don't stop you from getting burned on a sunny day.

However, there is a lot of evidence backing up the fact that those desired tanning beds can lead to skin cancer and premature aging of your skin. Your sun-kissed body may look great now, but wait until you get to your parents age or perhaps earlier than that. You'll eventually see the damage of the ultraviolet radiation.

I'm not saying you shouldn't spend time outside and get your healthy dose of Vitamin D; that is completely fine. But there are many ways to protect yourself from the sun's harmful rays and from wasting your vacation in pain from a nasty sunburn.

Wear a sunscreen that is SPF 30 or above and apply every few hours. You don't want the sun to cause permanent damage to your skin. Wear hats to prevent your hairline getting burned and to shade some of your face from the rays.

If you really desire to have a little bit of color before spring break, researchers suggest self-tanners as a healthy alternative. One suggested self-tanner product is Jergens Natural Glow + Protect, which really gives you the best of both worlds; you get that enviable glow you desire, plus you are protected from the sun's harmful rays. Other self-

tanner products are Ceremony by Designer Skin and a sunless tanning product called L'Oreal Sublime Bronze Pro Perfect Salon Airbrush Medium Natural Tan.

Remember that it is vital to research a self-tanner, if you are unsure of it's effects or if it will protect you. There is also important information regarding protecting your eyes, nose and mouth from inhalation of the spray. Be careful on how much self-tanner you use and follow instructions very carefully. You don't want to show up to that long-awaited vacation looking like a Cheeto in a bikini.

Don't forget that self-tanners are not a substitute for sunscreens. Make sure to use a self-tanner and sunscreen as an ultimate glow and protection duo.

When I was a very fair skinned child, I used to absolutely hate having to apply so much sunscreen and wearing hats to prevent sunburns. Now, as I research tanning more and more, I realize why my parents were so cautious of my brother and I out in the sun. I can't believe how much I didn't know about tanning and the sun in general!

If you're packing your suitcase and pondering about what else you have left to fit in there, don't forget to bring your sunscreen! It will save your skin now and may just save your life.

Why are Christians increasing their support for Trump?



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Religion in the presidential primary season this year has shocked me. The fact that Donald Trump has such high support confuses me, as well as every other person I've asked about it. There are some sane Republican candidates running alongside him, though, who are mortified by the fact that he is gaining support, let alone running for presidency, injuring their own campaigns and reputations by taking shots at Trump to try and enlighten the country. They have bashed his mockery of a mentally challenged reporter, yet even evangelical and other Christian support increases in his favor. Mitt Romney even announced that he'd step into the race to stop Trump from being nominated as the Republican candidate. Trying to understand

this phenomenon, I turned to my politics class.

The overall proportion of non-religious people in our country has surprisingly risen within the past two decades. Trump is overtly non-religious, calling the Bible "a good book". Although as a Christian this is a humorous statement, it is a reflection of the state of our country. Religious denominations have declined in recent years, and those who are religious mainly are Christian. They consider themselves Christians, though, because they know being religious is considered good, due to our nation's religious foundation. They believe in a God who's there to watch over us, but really only intervenes when we need him, and believe that we should treat others the way we want to be treated.

This "religion", however, is not Christianity. It is called moralistic therapeutic deism: being good to others makes us feel good about ourselves thus we will get us to heaven because of it, essentially. That's the jist of what the majority of the American youth believe in, and many people at Hope, including myself, can find

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A voice to empower: Immigrants are a blessing, not a burden



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It is difficult to speak of a subject which I am deeply passionate about. I run the risk of speaking for too long, saying too much, or not saying enough. As a white, middle class, female I hope to lend my voice to those who are unable to speak, who do not have the resources, or who have been deemed as a burden

“It is hard to imagine what life would be life if all people looked the same...”

to society based on their country of origin. This campaign has touched me deeply, and I want to share the message with all of you that immigrants are not a burden but a blessing.

It is hard to imagine what life would be like if all people looked the same, thought similarly, spoke only one language, ate the same food, and celebrated the same cultural traditions. I first became passionate about the creation of diversity in my freshman year by surrounding myself with people who were racially and ethnically different through the Phelps Scholar program. It was during my freshman year that I realized that through the reconciliation of my ignorance, I found my passion and a burning personal need for the formation of multicultural understanding. After several instances of displayed cultural and racial incompetence, I recognized the importance of ownership and change of my thoughts and actions. Through this realization, and my natural curiosity, I began to dissect the relationships I had built through the Phelps Scholars in order to better understand their significance in my life and ultimately in the lives they will

affect along their journeys.

As I pinpointed qualities within my friends, I found that they all had one trait in common—they were born in a different country; A beautiful soul from Ethiopia, a model of humility from Sri Lanka, a woman of love and grace from Honduras, a genuine and authentic embodiment of kindness from Mexico City, and a force of nature from the community of Huandacareo Michoacán, Mexico. Each of these humans have so much to offer as individuals, students, professionals, and friends and all have made me passionate in pursuing the promotion of diversity throughout my daily life.

When I first heard of the campaign “Immigrants Are a Blessing Not a Burden,” I immediately knew that I wanted to be a part of bringing its message to Hope College. If not only to dispel my own ignorance on the subject, but to fight for people such as my friends to be treated as humans with a voice and opinions that need to be shared. While I have been blessed by many immigrants throughout my lifetime, including those in my own family from Ireland, Italy, Sweden, and Germany, I had

not been deeply moved by the importance of immigration until meeting my dear friend Maria Garcia the first day of freshman year move-in; my mom introduced us because I was so nervous.

“I am not sure she understands how impactful her story and friendship were on my life, but I am sure that without her, I would not be engaging in this campaign today.”

This young woman is a force to be reckoned with, her bright smile, genuine kindness, and humility all drew me to her and began a friendship that I will forever remember as life changing. I am not sure if she understands how impactful her story and friendship were on my life, but I am sure that without her, I would not be engaging in this campaign today. Maria and her family immigrated to the United States when she was only six

years old. She had to learn a new language, adapt to a new culture and be away from her grandpa, her best friend.

While I will never fully understand what it means to be an immigrant, to leave one's home and start over again and feel like an outsider, I do know that without immigrants, our country would be all the poorer. Without the continual influx of people like Maria and her family, our country will never know the beauty of change, diversity, and blessings that immigrants have to bestow. Maria has shown me what it means to be fearless with my dreams, humble with my actions, and powerful with my privilege to help others. She, along with all immigrants, do not need to save the world to be considered a blessing. She just is a blessing by the nature of who she is as a person. People like Maria Garcia are the reason I implore you to change the conversation on immigration in the United States. I challenge you all to find the places in your own lives where immigrants have impacted you in the past, to pledge to support, and to defend those who will impact your communities and country in the future.

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Chase away stress, and take a break



Taylor Jones
Staff Columnist

Here I am in the window bar at JP's Coffee, seeing people walk by cuddled up in coats and hats, frost covering the window, and the fireplace across the street by Kilwin's is ablaze. Sounds peaceful, right? Well the truth is, I am sick of this darn cold weather scene. I would rather see the fire turned off and people in shorts and t-shirts. I don't know about all of you, but I am ready for vacation. Each year before spring break, professors seem to make us work extra hard. Maybe it is just because they want us to be satisfied on break, but how am I going to survive these next couple weeks before spring break

with so many things to do? Simple, taking time for myself. Who has time for that, right? Wrong. We do! Our brains are constantly busy as college students, and it is hard to focus. Breaks are the perfect time to recollect our sanity before getting back to work.

One of my favorite types of breaks is a coffee date! This is the perfect time to catch up with a friend and enjoy a nice cup of coffee! So many times I will coop myself up in the library, and after awhile the isolation starts to take over my thoughts. This is the best time to call up a friend and hit up Lemonjello's or JP's. Honestly, there is something about cradling your hands around a hot cup of coffee and enjoying a nice conversation.

Another break that relieves my mind is doing something active. This could be many things for me, but it is mostly shooting baskets at the Dow or going on a walk. I have always been a basketball girl, and there is something relaxing about just messing around shooting some hoops. It takes my mind off of

everything. When I am not in the mood to shoot baskets, I like to go on walks. Breathing in the outside air is refreshing, not to mention there is a lot of beauty in Holland to see, with spring around the corner.

The last break I enjoy taking is reading a good book. I like to take an hour to myself, cuddle up in my bed, light a candle (I live off campus) and read. For me, reading takes me into a whole new world. It takes my mind off of everything so that I can focus on what happens in the story. Currently, I am re-reading the Twilight Saga. (I promise the books are better than the movies.)

I know that this next week and a half will have everyone anxious with spring break coming up. Just don't forget to take time for yourselves, and give your mind a break. Find something that relaxes you like some of the things I mentioned. Keep working hard. We are so close, Hope College.

♦ Trump, from page 8

themselves falling victim to into these generalized beliefs at times. Those statements compose a faith too loose to create any real commitments for what it truly means to be a part of a religion. Organized, denominational religion in the U.S. is on the decline, thus the support of unusually nonreligious candidates is a current representation of our religious convictions as a country.

Forgive me for my broad answer to this question, but I believe that evangelicals are supporting Trump because he's not afraid to say what everyone is afraid to hear. Realize that there are two interpretations of that statement, too.

We are all well aware that Trump is blunt and does not apologize, or ever regret his actions, quite frankly. But that is the only reason that I can imagine that has caused strong evangelical support: they don't want a president who sits back

without major changes from the previous presidents' policies. They want a candidate who is (quite literally) going to build a national wall of security.

But maybe it's the opposite. We may be thinking that Trump is the lion that is going to roar and scare away the threats to our safety. It is human nature to “fight or flight” when we are in fear of something, so maybe American evangelicals are afraid of our country's struggles and just want a drastic change as they run out of logical options. Supporting Trump may just be our security blanket. Even if it's not admitted, it is happening due to subconscious fear.

Mark Galli of Christianity Today mentioned it in his article: “Politics is partly about morality and partly about effectiveness.” The preaching of effectiveness and that mental security must be more appealing than that of their morals or religious convictions in the United States currently.

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Sporty Spice: 'Welkoming' change in Holland



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There has been quite a lot of hoopla about these new Holland signs (see page one for full coverage). If you look at Wood TV 8's Facebook post about it, you'll find some very opinionated, and often comical, comments about how the city is falling to pieces because they're rebranding. The new design is far more modern than the wooden "welkom" signs, causing a traditional community to pour out criticism.

I'm going to go on the books and say that I'm in the minority. I like the new signs.

It amazes me how fired up a population can get over changing a few signs. Is this really the most important thing in your life right now, to worry about what visitors will see when they enter our city?

The old signs are just that: old. Brian Burch, a City of Holland Council Member, said that the sign will represent all groups of people. "There are a lot of people,

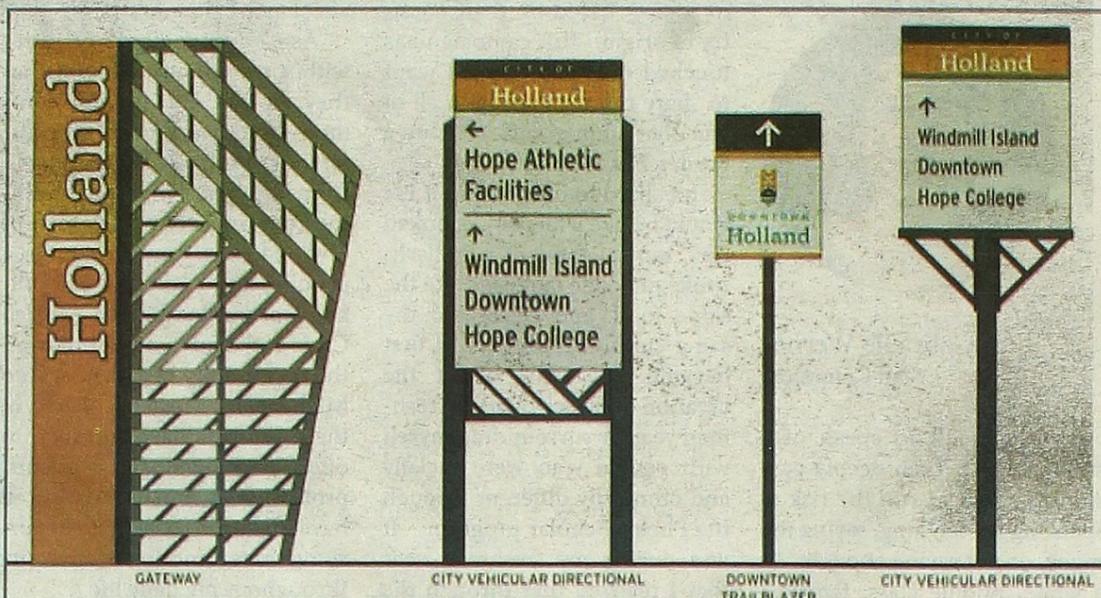
myself included, who are not of Dutch heritage ...we are a diverse community. The part of town I represent is heavily Hispanic and they're bringing with them their ideas and traditions."

I can understand where Burch is coming from. Holland, while founded by Dutch settlers, is hardly the same as it once was. There is an increasingly growing minority population in town and we should be considerate of that.

The new signs aren't even that bad looking. Yes, they're huge, but they're not bad. Take away the hurt feelings of traditions being pulled up from the ground and look at them with new eyes. They're not that bad.

There has been one comment that I find kind of ridiculous, but keep hearing: "These don't look like the real Holland." Yes, actually, they do. Google The Netherlands. It's a pretty modern place. Now look at the pictures of all the proposed signs. These signs look exactly like they could be on the streets of "our homeland," seen by countless people peddling by on their bicycles.

These new additions will not harm how many people come to Holland for the Tulip Time Festival every year, as some have complained. That's ridiculous. The thousands of people who flock to downtown Holland every May do not come to see our signs,



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BRAND NEW LOOK — Modern signs will soon replace old ones in favor of promoting diversity.

they come to see our parades and shows and tulips.

Will the regular attendees be disappointed in the lack of sign? Maybe. Maybe it stops them from having another photo opportunity. But that's it. No one's going to actually protest Holland because they got rid of something outdated. That's like all of these Americans who say they'll jump ship and move to Canada if Donald Trump were elected. They're not going anywhere.

What's wrong with being a modern society? We don't need tulips on everything to know that we have a lot of tulips. I'm from

Traverse City, a place whose National Cherry Festival is even bigger than Tulip Time, and I can tell you, we do not have cherries on all of our signs. Yes, you'll find them sprinkled here and there, but the point is, when you think of Traverse City, you already automatically associate it with cherries. The very same thing happens with Holland. You already automatically associate it with tulips. You don't need an arguable kitschy sign to show that.

And what's wrong with wanting to include everybody? Ask around and anyone can tell you

that West Michigan is a highly Dutch populated area. Just like with the tulips, people inherently know this. What they don't know is that there is also a vibrant minority scene here, one that is greatly underrepresented and not discussed enough.

Not that I'm a minority, but I'm not Dutch. Maybe it's just me, but the constant push of the "Dutch agenda" is kind of nauseating. It feels as if Holland was always trying so hard to make people understand that the city is Dutch, as if the name "Holland" wasn't enough. We got it. Now they're moving on. Why can't we?

Habitually Hope: Doors of opportunity



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Clichés permeate the English language. As an English major and writer, I am constantly told to avoid using clichés at all costs, which is understandable. We need originality and diversity in language.

One of the most common clichés used during times of transition is, "When one door closes, another opens." For the many students looking to transition into a summer job, full-time employment or graduate school come May, I am sure you have already had at least one person say this to you in the past month.

For students returning to Hope College in the fall, transitioning into the summer might be less worrisome, knowing you will be returning when summer ends. But for those of us who are graduating and leaving this place we have called home for the last four years, transitioning out of Hope will likely result in saying goodbye to people you will never see again. For myself,

this won't be the first time I have had to transition away from people I love.

When I was 11 years old, my mom got married, and we moved away from friends I'd had since birth. These were friends so close to me that I often forgot that they were not my own family members. When I look back on that period of my life, it seems like there is no way that it actually existed.

The memories feel like they are part of a book series I read a long time ago - a series I treasured but do not enjoy to re-read because remembering the characters and plots forces me to also acknowledge that I will never see most of those people again.

It is absolutely ludicrous to me that our lives can change so quickly, that after a seemingly small event, you can transition into a completely new life, full of new people and new places.

I often find myself saddened after reminiscing about people who are no longer a part of my life, whether they are people I moved away from or people who have passed away. Recently, however, a friend reminded me about the importance of being thankful for our memories.

I have made some really great memories at Hope with some amazing people. I've gone on a few donut runs, spent afternoons on the beach, laughed harder than I thought possible

and may (or may not) have broken into Dimnent as a freshman. And I have made some pretty awful memories here, too. I've gotten into arguments, wrestled with my faith and made and subsequently lost some friends along the way. The fact that I have even had the opportunity to make these memories is remarkable to me.

I believe that God lays out a plan for each and every one of us. I was lucky enough that His plan involved me coming to Hope. I am in constant awe of

the people He has placed in my life from before, I was born to now.

But it's still hard sometimes to think about the people I no longer talk to who were so influential in my early life from ages 0 to 10. Yet, if I had not moved and made that significant transition at the age of 10, I would never have met the amazing people and made the same life-changing memories that I have in the last 12 years.

I probably wouldn't even be at Hope, preparing to make an-

other transition that will snowball into many more to come post graduation.

Though I am saddened by the thought of leaving so many influential people behind, I am equally as excited to meet the new people I believe God will place in my life.

I may be at the start of finalizing another volume in the series of my life, but I can look ahead at the impending transition of graduation with hope and joy, knowing that where one door closes, another will surely open.

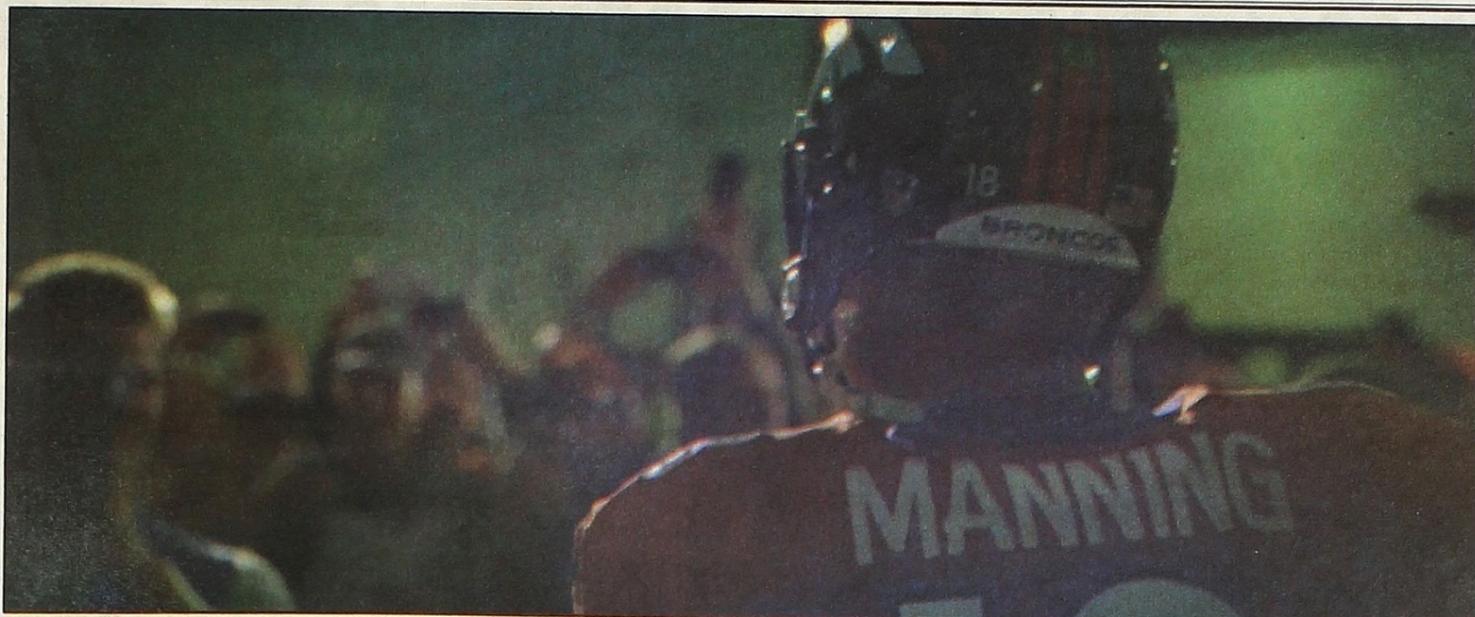
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'Sheriff' Manning turns in his badge

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The 1997 Heisman ceremony starred three players that would go on to have amazing NFL careers. Randy Moss took the fourth place spot, Ryan Leaf took third, Peyton Manning took the second place spot and Charles Woodson claimed victory. Moss would go on to garner seven Pro Bowl appearances, Offensive Rookie of the Year and has the record for most touchdowns in a rookie season as well as the most single-season, touchdowns for any year player. Leaf held a 14-36 touchdown to interception ratio while playing for four teams. Woodson and Manning continued playing until this year when both players recently announced their retirement.

Woodson garnered a lot of success in his 18-year career. He began playing with the Oakland Raiders, where he continued until the 2005 season. During his first season in 1998, he was named as the Defensive Rookie of the Year by the Associated Press. After his time in Oakland, Woodson headed to Green Bay to play with the Packers until 2012. With the Packers, Woodson recorded his only Super Bowl win when the Packers beat the Pittsburgh Steelers 31-25 in Super Bowl XLV. Woodson headed back to Oakland in the 2013 season where he would eventually end his career. Woodson was named to the Pro Bowl nine times during his eighteen year career and led the NFL in

interceptions twice.

The player that almost every person in America is familiar with - Manning - was drafted by the Indianapolis Colts, where he played with Hall of Fame running back Marshall Faulk and Hall of Fame receiver Marvin Harrison, who was named to the Hall this past vote. During his rookie year, Manning set his first ever NFL record, putting up the most interceptions by a rookie in history, a record that he still holds, despite his joking that his little brother Eli might have taken that title. Manning continued to play under Jim Mora, famous for his "playoffs" speech, before Mora was replaced with Tony Dungy, a coach who was also named to the Hall of Fame this past voting cycle.

Manning played under Dungy until the 2011 season, in which he sat out the entire season due to spinal fusion surgery. Before this season, Manning had started 208 regular season games, which was bumped up to 227, including playoff games. Without Manning, the Colts would go 2-14, the second season since Manning's rookie year that the Colts didn't have at least 10 wins. Because of his injury, increasing age and a strong rookie draft class, the Colts released Manning and took Andrew Luck with the first overall pick of that draft.

Manning then signed a multi-year contract with the Denver Broncos after General Manager John Elway showed great interest in the player. In his first year

back to football, Manning led the Broncos to the playoffs, was named the AP National Football Year Comeback Player of the Year and was named to the 2013 Pro Bowl. The next year Manning and the Broncos took off again, heading all the way to the Super Bowl on a high octane offense, but lost to the Seattle Seahawks. Manning was only the third quarterback to make the Super Bowl with two different teams, following in the footsteps of Craig Morton and Hall of Fame candidate Kurt Warner.

The next year Manning would pass Hall of Fame quarterback Brett Favre for the most touchdown passes in a career and lead the Broncos to yet another playoff appearance. The following year, 2015-16, Manning led the Broncos to the fourth consecutive playoff appearance, taking them to win the Super Bowl in what would become his last season in the NFL.

In his career, Manning made it to the playoffs fifteen out of eighteen seasons. He was named to the Pro Bowl fourteen times, putting himself in a tie for the most Pro Bowl appearances in a career. He was named AFC Offensive Player of the Year eight times, and garnered 27 AFC Offensive Player of the Week awards. Manning holds multiple NFL records, some of which include the most passing yards in a career and season, most touchdown passes in a career and season, most consecutive games as a starter and is the only quarterback to record 200 wins,

the final of which was the final game of his career, in the Super Bowl. Manning also recorded four games with a perfect quarterback rating and was the first quarterback to defeat all other 31 NFL teams in the regular season. Along with an insane amount of playoff appearances, Manning also leads the NFL in the most playoff losses by a quarterback, with 13 playoff losses.

Monday, March 7, the world of football lost its golden boy when Peyton Manning announced his retirement from professional football. Though Manning played one of his statistically worst seasons in professional football, he was able to make his comeback during the playoffs and end his career as a hero. When he announced his retirement, Manning's speech led to many tears, both from himself and viewers at home. Most expected his retirement, but Coach Gary Kubiak remained open and ready if Manning may have wanted to return.

In his retirement announcement, Manning said, "When someone thoroughly exhausts an experience they can't help but revere it. I revere football. I love the game. So you don't have to wonder if I'll miss it. Absolutely. Absolutely I will."

With a love of football in his heart and an almost one way ticket to the Hall of Fame in five years, big number 18 retired after 18 years. A retirement heard around the world. Peyton Manning: The Sheriff, hung up his pads.

THIS WEEK IN SPORTS

Thursday Mar. 10

Men's lacrosse

vs. Hiram College at 6 p.m.

Friday Mar. 11

Women's lacrosse

vs. Davenport University at 4 p.m.

IN BRIEF

HERRMANN TO REP HOPE, MIAA ON NATIONAL STAGE

Hope College's women's track team will be represented at the NCAA Division III Indoor Track and Field National Championship meet by none other than stand-out junior runner Erin Herrmann ('17). She will be the first Hope runner to represent the team at an indoor national championship contest.

Herrmann qualified for the 3,000-meter run during her gold medal performance at the inaugural MIAA Indoor Track and Field Championships this year, where the women finished second overall. This season was the first time that the MIAA has held an official indoor track and field championship. The NCAA meet will be run this weekend in Grinnel, Iowa.

Herrmann is one of two runners to represent the MIAA at the big dance, the other hailing from Trine University.

MIAA PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

Men's Lacrosse:
Gunnar Elder ('19)
Offense

Women's Lacrosse:
Hannah Van Alst ('19)
Defense

HOPE COLLEGE ALL-MIAA FIRST TEAM ATHLETES

Women's Track and Field
Emma Ropski ('16)
Erin Herrmann ('17)
Rachel Satkiewicz ('18)
Rachael Webb ('18)
Sarah Neumar ('19)

UFC booming after tumultuous upset weekend

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This weekend at UFC 196, the world of ultimate fighting was turned upside-down once again. Viewers watched in shock as two of UFC's most popular and prolific fighters, Connor Macgregor and Holly Holm went down to two of the leagues grittiest.

After scuffling at the weigh-in and guaranteeing victory multiple times, the flame wore out in the second round for Macgregor. He was taken down by the much heavier Nate Diaz.

Macgregor, in an effort to throw his hype train into light speed, bulked up two weight-classes in order to challenge Diaz.

Holly Holm, still riding her career high after upsetting Ronda Rousey, came into her fight with Miesha Tate a heavy favorite.

These two fought for the bantamweight divisional belt, which Holm took from Rousey in their highly publicized bout at UFC 193.

Tate worked down the technically superior Holm into the

fifth round before grabbing a late round submission.

Fans of UFC are delighted as the dynamic athletes at the top are being challenged by up and coming fighters. The sport seems to be skyrocketing in popularity as the narrative drama surrounding its characters reaches soap opera level.

Before UFC 196, Macgregor had a stranglehold on the world of ultimate fighting, his brash demeanor and punishing fighting techniques forged him into a star atop the league before they even knew who they were deal-

ing with. After his upset, Macgregor has to rededicate and learn what it means to be an ultimate fighter and how to balance the stardom with athleticism. This loss will serve as motivation for Macgregor, further fueling his supernova rise to the top.

Tate vs. Holm was reminiscent of old heavy weight boxing title matches. Everything was on the line for Holm, for whom a win could seal her reputation as the best woman in the octagon. With an easy win over Tate, she would be able to focus on the fight everyone wanted to see, the

Rousey-Holm rematch.

Calling back to the days of Tyson vs. Holyfield, this rematch of titans will have to wait. UFC president Dana White told SportsCenter that Rousey will be next up against Miesha.

The UFC is seeing some of its most popular days in history as of late due to its current cast of characters. It has turned what a few years ago was an obscure, violent and graphic fighting scene into can't miss, pay-per-view television. Jump kicks and roundhouses are booming and so is business.

A season of domination comes to an end

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The curtain fell on the Hope College men's basketball team on Saturday after a 96-80 defeat to the No. 1 seed Augustana University in the second round of the NCAA division III tournament. The Flying Dutchmen ended their season with a 24-4 overall record.

Hope took down Mount St. Joseph University in the first round of the tournament with a definitive 98-87 victory. Their momentum unfortunately did not carry over into their second round play.

The Dutchmen did not see the lead for the entirety of their game against Augustana.

Dante Hawkins ('18) lead the way for the Dutchmen with 20 points. Behind him was Ben Gardner ('16) with 15 and Chad Carlson ('17) with 14. Gardner made the most rebounds for the team with four.

Gardner totaled 1,295 career points as a Dutchmen, a feat that

is high enough to put him in the number 17 spot for most points ever scored within a player's career. The highest was left by Floyd Brady ('68) with 2,004.

Also finishing his career with high markings was Benson whose total points add up to 1,050. That's enough to give him the 32nd spot on the list of records.

It was a tough battle for a team that captured the hearts of Hope fans everywhere with their stellar performances throughout the season, including two wins over rivals Calvin College.

"Obviously disappointed with the result," Coach Mitchell said in a post-game interview. "Congratulations to an outstanding Augustana team. They shot the ball exceptionally well. It's a hurting bunch right now. When you invest that much, and you believe, when it ends, it's very, very difficult."

Augustana were 60.9 percent shooting from the field and had an 85 free-throw percentage to bring them a winning perfor-

mance.

Hope shot 40.6 percent from the field and 87.5 percent from the foul line.

Hope is graduating five seniors: Brock Benson, Alex Eidson, Gardner, Sam Otto and Stephen Wittenbach.

"I couldn't be more proud of our resiliency and toughness," Mitchell said. "There was never a moment we didn't believe and that's what we are all about. We're a team of guys that loves to play together and (not doing that is) the hardest part."

Hope's women's basketball team bowed out for the season in the first round of the NCAA Division III Tournament with a nail-biting defeat to Carnegie Mellon University 73-72. The winner was decided with 5.5 seconds left on the clock.

"Despite the ending, I still feel like we had a phenomenal year," Paris Madison ('17) said. "Lots of people were skeptical of how we'd be this year with the loss of so many seniors and coming off of the way things went for

us last year and we didn't let that distract us from what we wanted to accomplish."

It seemed that the Dutch needed a miracle from the start of the night. Being down for most of the time, Hope brought resilience to the court and fought to even out the scoreline, often coming back from 10-plus point deficits.

A final quarter push put the two teams tied at 70-70 with 45 seconds. Angelique Gaddy ('17) made a layup to give the home the lead. All they needed to do was keep the visitors from scoring.

Carnegie Mellon made a jump shot for two points and tied the score again with just 5.5 seconds left. A foul by Gaddy gave the opponents a chance to win the game – and they did when they successfully made their free-throw.

The women's team is graduating two seniors: Maura McAfee and Autumn Anderson.

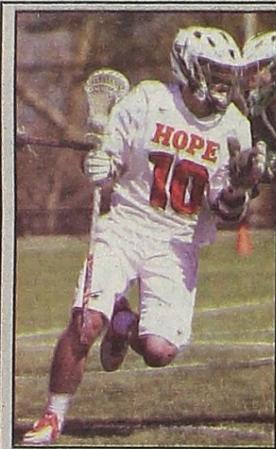
"We did something that was very difficult; we lost on a very

public stage," Morehouse told the Holland Sentinel. "That's why this game is very difficult. People know what our failures and our successes are. They read about them, they watch them; they're not private at all... today, we unfortunately came up one point short of passing this exam."

The Dutch end their season with a 26-2 overall record. Their only other loss this season was to Calvin in their last regular season game.

"I think this season we learned the importance of focusing on what you have in front of you at the moment," Madison said. "We had a lot of good things that could have been a distraction to us had we not kept ourselves grounded in a way, like (Coach Morehouse's) 500th win, (McAfee's) 1,000th rebound and points. Are we happy to celebrate those things? Absolutely. But at the same time, we have to make sure we get what we need done to be able to fully appreciate those special moments."

Spring athletics cradle, swing and serve up a fresh season



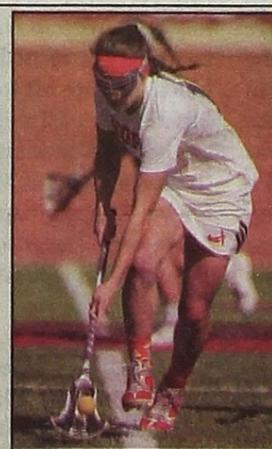
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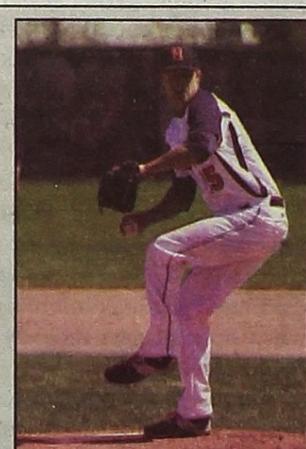
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SIX WAYS TO PLAY — Hope will field teams in men's and women's lacrosse, baseball, softball and men's and women's tennis this spring as varsity sports. These six teams are all looking to find themselves back at the top of the conference and begin that campaign soon.

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With winter sports winding to a close and national tournaments and contests completed or looming, Hope College's spring athletes are getting their seasons underway. Blustery winter training and indoor conditioning has given way to outdoor events and the warmth of MIAA rivalries being renewed on the lacrosse fields, ball diamonds and tennis courts.

The men's lacrosse team is suffering from a little sea-

son opening blues. They have dropped their first three outings to non-league opponents. The Dutchmen are looking to improve on their 6-10 overall and 2-4 MIAA record from last season.

"We want to return to the MIAA Tournament," head coach Mike Schanhals said in an interview with Hope Athletics. "We know we're close, but not quite there yet."

Junior stand-out Gunnar Elder ('17) is looking to follow up his prolific underclassmen campaign with a few of his own

scoring records on the line. Elder and his fellow co-captains Taylor Dever ('16) and Will Dommermuth ('16) lead a team made up of 15 freshmen, seven sophomores, four juniors and five seniors.

Through their first four contests, Elder leads the Dutchmen in points with 16 (10 goals and six assists). The men's lacrosse team takes the field again on Thursday for their first game at home against the Terriers of Hiram College.

On the women's side of the field, the Flying Dutch lacrosse team got off to a hot start last week, winning their season opener over Otterbein University.

Dana Kym ('17) led the Dutch with four goals, all assisted by a different teammate. Five players are tied overall in assists after the first game with one each. Abigale Cassella ('16) chipped in two goals alongside Hannah VanAlst ('19), who also had two.

The women's lacrosse was ranked third in the MIAA coaches preseason poll and looks to legitimize that ranking. After a 9-9 overall record last season and a third place 5-3 finish in the MIAA, the women are

looking to build on the success of head coach Kim Vincent's first season.

The Dutch get a shot to stay undefeated Friday, March 11 against Davenport University at home.

The tennis team's spring seasons are in full swing, but the player's arms are not quite calibrated. The men are off to a 0-6 start dropping all six Feb. matches. They will look to get back on track over spring break when they travel to Orlando.

The women are following just behind with a record of 0-3. While both teams have yet to open MIAA play, they have not performed well against non-league opponents. The women will accompany the men on their spring break Orlando adventure in an attempt to right the ship.

On the diamond, Hope softball finished just two votes behind Alma College for third place in the preseason MIAA coaches poll. The Dutch sluggers received one first place vote to Alma and Trine's four votes each.

The softball team will defend a 2015 campaign that featured a 29-11 overall record and a regional final appearance in the

NCAA Division III Tournament.

Hope returns two All-MIAA First Team players from last season: centerfielder Autumn Anderson ('16), who is coming off an incredible 26-2 season with the basketball team, and outfielder Sammi Adams ('17)

The team opens the 2016 season on Friday, March 18 with the first two of 12 games in Clermont, Florida. Their home opener comes against Aurora University with a double header on March 28.

The Dutchmen are utilizing every inch of their extra space in the outfield. They finished second in the preseason coaches poll behind heavy favorite Adrian College, capturing a lone first place vote.

This is a step up the ladder for the Hope baseball team who finished third in the conference last season, posting a 23-19 overall record. Like their fellows on the lacrosse field, the Dutchmen selected a young roster for the 2016 campaign featuring 10 freshmen out of 31 total spots.

These young players and other across the spring sports look to step up and take home an elusive MIAA title with the support of veteran players behind them.

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