Kinesiology department reviews Title IX

DANA LAMERS
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Kinesiology professor Karla Wolters played women's basketball from 1969 to 1973 for Hope College. Wolters and her teammates played in a gym on a small court where the players often hit their back on the walls if they twisted following a layup.

This was the first chance many women had to play against other schools, and many had little prior experience with sports. The few spectators, usually a few parents and couple close friends, sat on wrestling mats on the floor. They had no trainer and were never covered by any newspaper or reporter. Wolters wrote up her own summary of the games and then called it in the local paper.

Before each game, the men's basketball game was fed steak and potatoes; the women ate cafeteria food. "We never understood why we didn't get the same treatment," Wolters said. "We always said, 'We're a varsity team, too.'" Wolters played four sports at Hope College, during her time on campus from 1969 to 1973: basketball, field hockey, volleyball, and tennis.

"It's important for people to realize how things have changed, but not say 'Let's stop here,'" Wolters said.

In 1972, landmark legislation was passed that banned sex discrimination in school, whether it be in academics or athletics.

Title IX states: "No person in the United States shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any educational program or activity receiving federal aid."

Although it has provided gains in academics and education for women, Title IX's most influential, more TITLE on 3.

Alumni share career insight

CARRIE ARNOLD
spotlight editor

Even as a freshman at Hope, Phil Tanis ('87) felt drawn to the political community.

While a student at Hope, Tanis was a member of the Holland City Council. The history major/political science minor was editor of the Anchor, a deejay on WTHS, and was also involved in Model UN. After commencement, however, Tanis was unsure about his future.

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Campus Beat

Senior Legacy, an organization which aims to build unity among the senior class, will hold its first event on Wednesday, Feb 3. The group will host Senior Night at the men’s basketball game against Albion at 7:30 p.m. Group members, who are nominated by faculty and staff, feel this will be an enjoyable evening for the Class of ‘99 and show their support of the team.

“Senior Legacy aims to involve seniors with their classmates during their last year at Hope,” said member Sarah Von Spronsen (‘99). “We provide activities in which seniors, who are nominated by faculty and staff, feel this will be an enjoyable evening for the seniors.”

Seniors will be encouraged to sit together in a block of reserved seats. Senior Legacy is currently in the process of solicitating items from area businesses such as the Gap Outlet, Old Navy, and DeW to be given away to seniors. They also hope to have a fashion contest.

Upcoming events will also include a reception with Robert Kennedy Jr. of the Student Congress Speaker Series, an alumni mixer, and the traditional Senior Banquet.

Pew Lecture to merge faith and learning

The History Department will present its annual Pew Lecture on faith and learning on Thursday, Jan 28. The event will feature George M. Marsden, Professor of History at the University of Notre Dame, whose speeches have been called the "Outstanding Idea of Christian Scholarship." The lecture will begin at 11 a.m. in the Biology Lab.

"Marsden will examine the relationship between one’s faith and who they are as a teacher or a scholar," said Dr. Robert Forstrom, Chair of the History Department. "The breadth of knowledge of the history of religion and higher education is explained by him with great clarity and depth."

Leadership positions this year and the concept students will take away are some of the things Forstrom said he hopes Ives will take away from this event.

Greeks welcome Bloom

January 27, 1999

Bush elected Student Congress Vice President

W. HADANEK

Student Congress elected Paul Bush (‘99) as their new vice president at the Thursday, Jan. 21 meeting. Bush fills the vacancy left when Matt Fretz (‘99) resigned at the end of the Fall semester.

"Swatted this position because I feel there’s something I can contribute," Bush said. "I’ve been in many leadership positions on campus, and I’ve enjoyed all the opportunities they have afforded. I thought I could do a good job in this position also."

Phil Haan (‘99) was elected a Board of Trustees Liaison. Ryan Barrett (‘99), an off campus representative, and Brian Porter (‘99), the Phelps representative, were re-elected to their positions.

When a representative leaves, Student Congress looks at the ballots from the previous election and ratifies the next highest vote getter to determine if he or she is still interested.

"Off campus rep spots are more difficult to fill because we have numerous applicants with the same number of votes," Marolt said. "This year, we called everyone who applied and those who still seemed interested, we interviewed and then selected who we thought would best fill the positions that were open."

Bush has many goals for his presidency.

"I want to set a presence right away with the President’s Office as to how we will relate to each other," he said. "I want him to know the school is here for the students. I also want to work with Matt Bramble (‘01) to publicize the spring election and find ways to increase voter turnout."

Congress is working things in place for the upcoming Speaker Series. This year Robert F. Kennedy Jr. will come to campus. Tentatively, dates for Student Congress elections for the Fall of 1999 will be held on April 22 and 23.

According to Marolt, student Congress hopes to re-energize the voting process and increase voter turn out.

As President, Marolt has many goals for the upcoming semester which include establishing a relationship with James Buhman right away.

"I would encourage him to have more one on one interaction with the students and faculty and community to build a sense of camaraderie," he said. "It’s a shame what’s lacking on Hope’s campus. With such a young Congress this year, we’ve really been thinking about who’s going to step up to the plate and take the positions and keep up the leadership once we leave. We want to build a solid foundation of leaders."

Scholar program strives to increase diversity

MERRIDET CARE

One of Jacobson’s main goals in his first months as president is to increase focus on multicultural life. In an effort to accomplish this, the new Phelps Scholar Program is scheduled to begin in the fall of 1999.

The program will also include 45 ethnically diverse first-year students in its inaugural year. Participating students will live in the same residence hall, and will be enrolled in courses that examine cultural diversity. Palesa Mazimba (‘01), an international student from South Africa, has been involved in some of the planning of the program.

"The fact that Hope will have this is very helpful because then there would be a group of students who are willing to address and look at the issues that are going on," said D. Wesley Poythress, Assistant Dean for Multicultural Life.

The Phelps Scholars will be enrolled in a fall semester First Year Seminar that will explore diversity-related topics. In the Spring, students will take an "Encounters with Cultures" course on racial and ethnic subcultures within the U.S. In addition, the students will participate in workshops and group discussions relating to living in a diverse world.

"We are trying to create a living and learning setting that serves as a model for students, regardless of ethnicity, that this is the way the world looks and the way the world is," said D. Wesley Poythress. Assistant Dean for Multicultural Life. "John Atkinson explained that the program is designed with both minority and majority students in mind.

"The program represents a significant commitment to producing an educationally valuable interaction between majority and minority students, and creating an environment in which the presence of minority students is helpful to majority students, and vice versa, and in which the goal of community can be realized," he said.

The program is a combined effort of the Office of Student Development, and the Admissions Office. Charles Green of the Psychology Department is the Program Director.

"Currently, the Admissions Office is recruiting students for the program. Every student who applies has an opportunity to participate in the program, regardless of ethnic background. We’re looking this semester for students of the class of 2000 who would be interested in participating," Green said.

Not only are the program coordinators concentrating on attracting interested students, but they are also trying to educate the community about the program.

"Faculty and students are still learning about the program," Green said. "We’re intending to have several presentations for students and others to learn about the program and address some of the questions and issues raised by a group of students who are trying to get an advisor who want to know more to contact me personally and attend these information presentations."

Although people are still learning about the program in its developing stages, the overall reaction to the program has been positive and supportive, according to Green.
and at times controversial, implications have dealt with its application to female athletes. When Anne Irwin was hired as women's Athletic Director in 1976 there were six women's sports compared to nine today. "Our growth has not been only the number of teams, but also the quality of our athletes," Irwin said. Before Title IX, in sports were not commonly encouraged in high school programs; thus much of college athletics involved the teaching of the skills combined with preparing for competition. As kids play and grow, they're encouraged to play sports, and to players, "We're looking at all ways that we travel, we want to make sure everyone is getting the same amount for shoes, for uniforms. We're not to the point in the study to draw any meaningful conclusions, but I hope that the studio will be done, said Ray Smith, men's Athletic Director. "But Hope has been proactive with equity in sports." Hope may be ahead of many colleges in the nation. The Women's Sports Foundation report that at the college level male athletes still receive $179 million more than female athletes every year. The most female athletes are pleased with the overall treatment at Hope. "I think that everything is fair as far as equity, with coaches, facilities, etc., has been along some," said basketball player, Kristin Koeningknecht ('01). The present study will take a closer look at the budget and all of its details. "Things pop up when you're dealing with budgets," Irwin said. "Things may change and be added during the season. Some athletes on our teams may have had more than they haven't been given a fair share." Keeping money distribution equal across the board is a main concern of those in charge of athletics. "My goal is to somehow create a way that all athletes and coaches can be given the same opportunities without hurting or penalizing the athletes," Irwin said. "I don't want to take from the 'haves' to give to the 'have nots.' Unfortunately a lot of the 'haves' have survived all the criticism," said Hockey player Todd Fleury ('02). "It has been a very necessary low. I don't think women's sports would be where it is today without the law. It is still needed and will continue to be needed." The Hope 1990-91 National Championship women's Basketball team affected women's sports in a variety of ways. "Fan support of the girls' team went from negligible to games where the Civic Center was packed," Smith said. "It was a turning point for women's sports at Hope. It cast a positive light on women at Hope, as anything else we were doing." But Irwin had to deal with both sides of the team's overwhelming success. "At the time it made a lot of people aware of the women and that was very encouraging. But on the other side of the coin, we had a hard time finding teams to play the next season, and we were dropped like a hot potato by fans when we were not as good as the next year. But it was a turning point," the she said. Women in coaching and athletic administration positions are also less common. "One reason is that as the salaries of coaches of women's teams increased with Title IX, male coaches began to displace female coaches," said The Feminist Majority Foundation's Task Force on Women and Girls in Sports. Title IX in Action at Hope

Although equality between men's and women's athletics can turn into a very controversial issue, several women athletes at Hope notice that things have diversified. In fact, many are grateful for what Title IX has done for women. "Women's athletics has gotten a lot more equitable," said Becky Schedel ('99), a Hope volleyball player. "Although the budgets might be a little different (between men's and women's athletics), but I don't think we've ever been treated unfairly," said Tobi Hill ('01), a softball player for Hope. "In high school, it was definitely obvious that the boys had more equipment and support, but it is definitely closer to being equal here at Hope than it was in my high school." Becky Timmer ('00) and Becky Schedel ('99) both say that the Hope cross country team, are a close example. "I don't personally feel that I've been treated unfairly. Looking back, the Title IX has done a lot for women in sports," she said.
An empty ballot

Apathy is a term that is often lumped with a college's student body, but rarely are there numbers to back this association. Student Congress conducted a vote to determine who would present during this year's Speaker Series, and only 130 students and faculty took part.

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The event was publicized, a site was created on KnowHope and ads were made. The blatant disregard for the request for such information can only be attributed to one thing: apathy.

There were only 37 people that voted for Robert Kennedy Jr. to speak at Hope. Alan Hobson narrowly missed that opportunity, garnering only 35 votes.

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Senior makes a call for action

To the Editor:

When you wake in the morning, what are your hopes for the day? Do you fear that you'll be late for your chemistry class or religion quiz are cancelled? That maybe the ice on the roads is finally bad enough to keep you out of class for the day? Once reality strikes and you realize you've just hit the snooze button for the sixth time, your thoughts are most likely centered on getting to class on time while retaining the fine points of things like nucleotide reactions and the illusory meaning of "Finnegan's Wake." Throughout the day, your greatest worries may center around getting into the graduate school of your choice, passing a test or finding identifiable food at Halls. Evenings are a little more complicated, balancing time between friends, homework and ER. Hopefully you find some time for meditation and reflection before you finally go to bed at 2 a.m.

But what if every day you wake up and pray that today might be the first day that people at Hope will treat you like a human being? That today you will be seen as more than your skin color, straight orientation or religion and can enjoy the same freedom to live your life as the non-Greeks. This is a sad state of affairs that I personally would like to stop. For the students who are not joining a fraternity or sorority, please do not put down or harass your friends about their decision. And for the new members, joining a Greek organization does not reduce your social circle to Greek life.

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Robert Ritsema stepped up to the podium to conduct the Hope College Symphony.

He reached for his baton, only to find it buried in a shish-kebab by some pranksters under his direction.

For Ritsema it was just one of the many pranks he’s endured over the course of his 32 years as a member of the Hope College music department.

“They were always taken in good fun,” said Ritsema. “They had the permission of the faculty, even the students. I’m just glad it didn’t happen to me.”

Over the years the college has grown and changed. Ritsema has seen positive things happening in the music department.

“It’s been a thrill to see the department grow,” he said. “That’s been the most rewarding thing for me.”

He’s also seen growth in the college as a whole.

“When I first came, I knew all the faculty in all the departments,” Ritsema said. “Now there are faculty in other departments where I rarely see and some I haven’t even met.”

Ritsema enjoys his tours with the symphonette, both here and abroad among his most enjoyable experiences.

“I figured that I’ve spent almost two years on buses with the symphonette,” he said. “They’ve been wonderful experiences.”

The relationships with his colleagues have also been fulfilling for Ritsema.

“Being able to work and play with outstanding musicians has been wonderful,” he said.

They have also been supportive of his professional pursuits outside the college. Ritsema has been the conductor of the Kalamazoo Youth Orchestra for 20 years and performs in the Early Music Ensemble. After retirement, he plans to keep up both these commitments.

“I’m going to keep playing and conducting,” Ritsema said. “It’s what I love to do best. I look forward to doing it because I want to, not because I have to.”

He and his wife also hope to do some traveling. They have a daughter who lives in England and will probably spend some time there.

All though Ritsema said he won’t miss things like meetings and filling out forms, there are aspects of teaching he will leave behind with some remorse.

“I’ll miss the interaction with the students,” he said. “I’ll also miss conducting. There’s no greater thrill than standing up in front and directing at the end of Vespers.”

Ritsema’s retirement involves some ironic timing. As he is leaving, his close friend and neighbor of many years, James Ballman, prepares to take the helm of Hope College as president. Even though he will no longer be involved in an official capacity, he plans to stay close to the college.

“The connection with Hope won’t go away even though I am leaving,” he said. According to Ritsema, the symphonette and orchestra are in great shape as he finishes his last semester.

“I’m leaving a strong program. It’s the best since I’ve been here,” said Ritsema. “The new director will be able to take it to the next level.”

For Ritsema, Hope has not only been a job, but his home.

“Hope has been my life,” he said. “There is something unique about this school. I wouldn’t have stayed if I didn’t feel that. There’s no other place I would have wanted to be.”

InSync takes stage

Matt Cook staff reporter

Innovation in contemporary dance is a continuous process, and on Friday, Jan. 29 and Saturday Jan. 30, at the Knickerbocker Theatre, the results of that process will be displayed by the InSync Dance Theatre.

The InSync Dance Theatre is a professional jazz and tap dance company. It is affiliated with Hope College through its dance department, which has contributed several current students and alumni to the company. An assortment of other professional dancers fill out the company.

This is the first InSync concert of the year, but they have been seen performing in different venues recently. As a professional for the Grand Rapids auto show, they featured their swing dancing, they opened for "Bring in Da Noise, Bring in Da Funk" at DeVos Hall, and gave a full concert on New Year’s Eve.

All the works to be performed in Friday and Saturday’s concerts are original pieces. The two directors, Terri Filip and Dawn McIlhargy-Winyard, collaborate and work with others on developing new pieces for the company.

Using traditional Irish music, the group will perform a piece choreographed by Don Smith of Grand Rapids. Smith has performed all over the world.

InSync will also perform an a cappella tap piece by Filip. Sandra Federmeier, Philip Leece (’98) and Kirsten Singer (’98), titled “Rhythm, Pattern and Sound,” was a finalist for the Michigan Dance Council’s choreography award.

The final piece in the program is a tribute to the legendary Broadway choreographer Bob Fosse. The music is from Fosse musicals, but the choreography is done by McIlhargy and Filip in reaction to his work. Selections included are: "Steam Heat" from Pajama Games; a cabaret medley from Liza With a Z; and the finale “All That Jazz.”

Cost is $6 for adults and $4 for students and senior citizens. Both performances begin at 8 p.m.
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Monday night fun ride... A, Sa, St, & V: Hey, poke the jelly. I just wanted to say hi!

Rapids area is 1985 graduate Lori Sigal Cook. Cook, a communication arts major, took advantage of the fact that Hope created an environment where she was "free to create what [she] needed" and created her own major. In Cook's case, her major was a combination of communications and theater.

During her time at Hope, Cook participated in the Hope Summer Repertory Theater and the Nykerk Cup Competition, as well as a study abroad at Cambridge University and the University of London. In 1991, however, WXMI, the local FOX station was looking for a director of children's programming. "There was a real need for that," said Cook. "But it has the same spirit." Other Hope graduates have found that the path of their lives took them down a different road.

Kristen DeWitt Gowman, a director of children's programming, recounted Cook. She has since become familiar to many West Michigan children as the TV personality "Miranda." Cook also manages the FOX Kids Club.

"The best [part of my job] is when I spend an hour in the classroom and just read to the kids and find out what's up with them," Cook commented.

"I hope students will consider if similar things are happening on Hope's campus," Poythress said. "Many people can talk about a lot of things but race is not one of them. It is an uncomfortable issue for many people."

While Hope had originally planned to broadcast additional shows in the series, a problem with the PBS links will not allow them to; although Poythress stressed they will continue to try to smooth out this dilemma.

"We focus on finding a speaker who all the students could relate or identify with no matter what their major or background is," she said. "A speaker who is also a role model and who can inspire and motivate people."

Kennedy believes in preserving nature, which is reflected in his speech "Our Environmental Destiny."

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DISCUSSION from I

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Third bundmate: What the heck? Don't you hear the snoring? I guess you won't have to worry about that much longer. I think we were setup for an arm wrestling contest. Live in fear. Or annoyance. Pillow case.

Aurora: You rock my world. I think I lost my tab collection. I guess you'll have to punish me. Thanks for always putting a smile on my face and listening to me. I'll try never cease to amaze me.--Nanook.

Anchor staff: Definitely the best issue of the year. Great job by each and every one of you. This is a paper you can be proud of. No matter what anyone else thinks. Know that you are the best. BigEd.

Piled for Jared!

In the past included Felix Justice, Danny Glover, and Joe Clark. With the topics changing each year, many issues have been addressed, such as multiculturalism, acceptability of others, and this year's environmental topic.

"We are trying to incorporate as much of the campus as we can," Marolt said that Kennedy's speech will be enjoyed by all.

While in China, Gowman taught English as a Second Language to college students.

Upon returning to the U.S., the Gowmans felt a calling to return to Asia. So in August of last year, they journeyed to Taiwan for a two year commitment. There, they teach ESL to high school students and are a Christian presence in the country.

"Living in China was more difficult...than the peace (in Taiwan) have wealth, so life is good. That makes witnessing much more difficult," Gowman commented. "It has been highly rewarding for me!"

In celebration of Kletz's Birthday and Graduation, Kletz's Sweetestheart Buffet for lunch is from 11:00 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. The evening buffet will be held from 5:00-7:00 p.m. The men will be dressed. Father and Son/Daughter Luncheon is being held at the Anchor staff and family to honor the graduating seniors. Father and Son/Daughter Luncheon is being held at the Anchor staff and family to honor the graduating seniors.

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Major Differences in the Liberal Arts

JULIE GREEN
spotlight editor

Deciding on a major is difficult for most students, but realizing how few people work at a job that is directly related to their major can be reassuring.

I talk a lot to a group of students who aren't sure about their career direction," said Amy Goess, a Career Counselor for Career Services.

"There are many career opportunities that don't require a specific major," Goess said.

Some employers are looking more for skills that are learned in college, not a person who knows about a certain subject, said Goess.

"That's the beauty of a Liberal Arts degree—its a jumping point," Goess said.

There are two ways in which people choose this path: take a course you like or decide on a career, and later choose a major depending on what they want to be, others, choose a major first, then a career.

"My philosophy of how to approach planning in general is to get involved in what really gets you passionate," said Dale Austin, Career Counselor. "Say, 'These are my interests, what might I be able to do with them.'

I also began to question what I wanted out of life. Was the life I had imagined for myself going to suit the person I had become? What was truly important to me? The things that had seemed so important to me in high school suddenly didn't carry any weight. At the same time, I also found new things that held that gained an unspeced meaning.

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The long run?"

For example, Philosophy majors usually don't end up in a philosophy field. "Most go into the business world," said Andrew Dell'Olio, Philosophy professor. "And some go to professional schools in medicine or law."

Having no specific career to enter into after college doesn't discourage most philosophy majors. "They do it because they like it. It helps them to think clearly about questions," Dell'Olio said.

There are many reasons students decide to or not to change majors. "They may not have explored careers options, or have gotten so far into their program that they want to finish. Or, they may be really passionate about a subject, but when interning they find another direction," Goess said.

Another reason students change majors is that they don't find them in the classroom what they expect.

Paul Kernstich ('00) switched from a chemistry to a business major. "I wasn't interested in chemistry anymore," Kernstich said, after talking to his career counselor. "I have some experience in the business field."

Kernstich didn't have a career in mind when he decided on this major, however, he also began to question what he was going to do with the person he had become? What was truly important to me? The things that had seemed so important to me in high school suddenly didn't carry any weight. At the same time, I also found new things that held that gained an unspeced meaning.

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"I really liked sports and medicine," Graham said, who started with a double major in sports medicine and biology. "We had to work, in a clinic a lot of hours outside of class for a sports medicine major. I didn't like it."

Graham decided to drop his sports medicine major and major in biology only. Graham believes he wants to go into pharmacy.

When changing majors to suit a career, "Goes said it's important to take many factors into consideration.

"In a career that they can enter with their [current] background. Everyone's situation is so different. A diverse background can make you that much more valuable to an employer," Goes said.

"The beauty of a Liberal Arts in sciences is that it can prepare you for a broad array of options," Austin said.

Most students change majors two to three times, and, on average, 27 to 38 percent graduate from graduate school, Austin said. For those who do concentrate in a specific program, such as teaching, more than 80 percent go into that field.
Josh Boss helps the Dutchmen compete for title

KRISTIN LAMERS
staff reporter

The transition from high school to college sports can be a large adjustment for many people, but Josh Boss '02 is not having much trouble.

Boss, a Jenison native, is having an incredible season in comparison to his high school career.

Last year in high school he could only place 50th in the breaststroke at the state championships and broke several records at Jenison High School. He is currently breaking records at Hope as part of the men's swimming team.

Last year Josh was the relay team, according to team mates and his coach.

"He's a good competitor and always trying to do the best he can," said head coach John Patterson.

John Patterson, "It's a coach's dream to have a kid on the team who has such talent, but is still very eager to learn and improve."

Lipsett also said, "He swam his own face, he doesn't let the pressure get to him or worry about the guys swimming next to him."

His team members agree and see him for more than just speed.

Josh Fike '01 said, "He's really into the team, he's always looking out for the other guys."

As a freshman, he is really making a quiet contribution, says other swimmers on the team and the coach.

"He doesn't really stand out in practice," Lipsett said. "He fits in very well and isn't a very dominant person. He's actually a very humble guy."

Although many would agree that he has had an incredible season, Josh strives to improve even more as the MIAA championships approaches.

"I just try to do the best I can, whether we win or lose," Boss said.

"People understood it was time not to have it anymore," former wrestling coach, and current Chairman of the Kinesiology Department George Kraft said.

Hope was one of the last MIAA schools to drop wrestling as a sport.

"The last year we had wrestling we had two league teams," Kraft said.

In the last years, Olivet, the only MIAA school that still has wrestling, dominated the league. Hope was one of the last private liberal arts school in Michigan to offer wrestling.

The decision to drop it had nothing to do with Title IX, according to Kraft. For the MIAA to have a sport, at least four teams within the league must sponsor it.

The fall at Hope College was once a time for women's field hockey. From the mid-60's until their swan song in the fall of 1991, women's field hockey was a competitive and spirited sport at Hope College, according to current field hockey coach and former softball coach Karla Walters.

"No more eager, enthusiastic players in any sport," than in field hockey," said Walters. Coach Wolters ran the team from 1988 until their end in 1991.

The team was "very competitive," according to Wolters. Two out of the four years that Wolters coached the Hope Dutch finished second. Their big rival was Calvin. In one instance, coach Wolters recalls that the team's leading scorer was forced to miss the Calvin game for a Biology lab.

The selection process for honors in field hockey worked a little differently than other sports. A player would get selected to a regional all-star team, and if they were skilled enough, they could be selected to play in a National All Star Game. Being selected to play in the national all star game was carried as about much weight as being selected an All-American in another sport.

One year, according to Wolters, the Hope goalie was selected to go to the national game. The national game was being played at Rutgers that year, and unfortunately for the goalie, it was on turf. Hope had not competed on turf all year, so they took her down to Kalamazoo to practice on an indoor soccer field so the goalie could orient herself while playing on turf.

Ironically, soccer helped lead to the downfall of field hockey at Hope. That, combined with the lack of high schools around the nation playing field hockey, led to Hope's elimination of the sport.

Field hockey was dying in America," Wolters said. The sport did have some qualities not found in all women's sports, according to Wolters.

"It was the first sport where women could be competitive, a place where they could get out their frustrations," Wolters said.

From 1952 until 1981, women's archery could be found as a varsity sport at Hope. While not being a dominant team in the league, Hope did have their highlights.

"Archery was a pretty serious women's sport for a while," Kraft said.

Twice, Hope had the individual scoring leader in the MIAA tournament. In 1978, Sue Abeln captured the crown and in 1976, Pat Winstrom won. The Hope women won the award in 1952 and 1978.

Josh Boss helps the Dutchmen compete for title

ANDREW KLECZEK
staff reporter

During the late 1960's, it was not unusual for Kollen Hall residents to be disturbed by a wrestling team running through the halls and up the stairs for conditioning. In 1991, the only hockey team at Hope wore skates and played their games on the grass of the baseball outfield.

Hope has even captured a Michigan Collegiate Athletic Association Championship in women's archery.

The changing face of varsity athletics at Hope

Throughout their existence, the Dutchmen have broken the record justment for many people, but Andrew Kleczeck, for the National Collegiate Athletic Association Championships in both events. With these times, Boss is a favorite to win both events.

Individually, Boss is a great as- set, but he is also a great help to the relay team, according to team mates and his coach.

"It's a matter of him having to do the relay," said Josh Lippett '01.

"He's nice to know that he is going to out there and kill the other person he is swimming against," Lippett said. "Because of the team's depth and Boss's times, the individual relay is doing well."

Boss's attitude is just as important to the team as his speed.

"He really is a good listener," said head coach John Patterson.

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"My goal for the MIAA championships is to not only win my own events, but to win as a team. All the guys are really good friends, almost like brothers," Boss said.

Hope will be hosting the MIAA championships this year on February 11, at the Kresge Natatorium in the Dow Center.