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Phelps, Van Vleck Projects Okayed

The Board of Trustees has authorized construction projects to expand the main dining room in Phelps Hall and renovate Van Vleck residence hall.

Both projects should get underway this spring with completion estimated for the start of the 1979-80 academic year.

The Phelps Hall project is estimated to cost $5 million. Almost all of the funds for the project have been raised, according to President Van Wylen.

"This renovation and expansion provide a unique opportunity for us to develop a dining environment which is functional and efficient, and which is conducive to conversation and fellowship, and growth in personal grace and manners," said President Van Wylen.

Exploration Gets July Dates

Hope College will sponsor its second annual Exploration program for high school students July 22-29. Exploration is intended for students who will complete their high school sophomore or junior year this spring. Participants live in a college setting for the week, enabling them to make decisions about what role college can play in their future.

Participants live in college housing, evenings are spent in classroom sessions where each student may register for two classes. Typical of classes to be offered are chemistry, theatre, religion, sociology, art and English. In addition to the classroom experience, students will meet during the week with various college officials to discuss subjects such as admissions, financial aid, career planning and placement, and campus life.

Free time will allow for trips to Lake Michigan, use of the college's new Dow Health and Physical Education Center, attendance at Hope's summer oratory theatre and other similar activities.

The cost for the week, including room, board, tuition, is $35. This year the program will be limited to 100 participants on a first-come, first-served basis. The week is being organized by Associate Chaplain Peter Serveny and Rob Pools, assistant director of admissions. A registration form can be found on page five.

Relevant?

A News from Hope feature explores the relevancy of fraternities and sororities on the Hope campus.

See pages 8-9.
From Jamaica to Greece

May Term, Hope's most popular summer session, will again offer this year a variety of courses ranging from on-campus introductory classes to tours around Europe.

May Term is its sixth year of operation and has emerged in recent years as the most popular of Hope's three summer sessions. May Term enrollments have been averaging 350 students, as compared to 300 for the June Term (identical in basic structure to May Term) and 200 for the regular summer school (six weeks beginning in late June).

Some students elect May Term, June Term, and summer school in order to earn nearly an entire semester's credit during the summer.

Most students enroll in May Term, however, to take advantage of the unusual learning opportunities or to fill in gaps in their academic programs.

Because admission regulations for May Term are flexible, students interested in participating may apply directly to the director of admissions. Students interested in participating in the program may apply directly to the director of admissions.

The May Term program offers a wide range of field experiences from which to choose, as well as the opportunity to participate in courses in Colorado, the West Indies, and Jamaica.

Off-campus May Term courses in the U.S. are based in California, New Mexico, and the Southwest.

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The Reformed Church will also provide the backdrop for a sociology course on race and discrimination, taught by Prof. Donald L. Stegenga.

Geology buffs will have wide range of field experiences from which to choose, as well as the opportunity to participate in courses in Colorado, the West Indies, and Jamaica.

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A four-day visit to recreational areas in Missouri and Kansas, sponsored by the American Heritage for Youth, will be included in the program.

An innovative chemistry course which will include the use of laboratory experiments will be taught by Prof. Donald L. Stegenga. The course will be taught by Prof. Donald L. Stegenga, who is also a member of the Hope College faculty. The course will be taught by Prof. Donald L. Stegenga, who is also a member of the Hope College faculty.
Chapel Choir Will Tour Europe

Totsie talk, Chapel Choir, Totsie talk (Dutch saying when friends depart). Instead of the annual US spring tour, Hope College Chapel Choir will be taking off on May 14 for a two-week concert tour of Europe. Fifty-two members of the local church choir, accompanied by Professor Roger and Mrs. Evelyn Rietberg, will tour the Netherlands, Germany, Austria, Switzerland, Luxembourg and Belgium.

This marks the second time a Chapel Choir has been to Europe. In 1978, the choir went under the direction of the late Dr. Robert Cavanagh, took a six-week tour of eight European countries. Rietberg made it clear that a European tour was no longer an annual event. The planning and costs involved are too complicated. "It's not even safe to say it may happen every other two years," he said.

During last year's tour, some choir members and Rietberg talked about a trip to Europe. "We decided on it. But Rietberg explained, "There was still great uncertainty because of the costs involved.

Last summer Rietberg had a preliminary meeting with President Gordon Van Wylen during fall semester. Choir members met with Van Wylen then reported back to the choir with appropriated itinaries and estimated costs. In December, the choir made a definite commitment to go.

It pleased me that only a few instances choir members couldn't go. I didn't want anyone to not be able to go because of financial reasons," said Rietberg. "I want everyone to have to take a May Term class or have other commitments.

Financially, the College is contributing the amount is normally budgets for the Choir's spring tour. The tour is costing each person \$789. Choir members must pay a minimum of \$400 with any payments to the minimum and same paying the entire amount. The choir is earning the remainder through some private and work projects advertised in the local church bulletins.

Choir alumni learned of the tour plans when they returned to sing with Chapel Choir during Homecoming Weekend. In some instances, choir alumni have made contributions to the European tour fund.

Viteri Associates of Ada, Mich is handling arrangements for the tour. Choir members will be staying in hotels and private homes. "We're setting up homes through Hope alumni in Stuttgart, Germany and Bessew, Netherlands.

The Choir will be performing sacred pieces including American folk tunes arranged by Alice Parker. Featured in the repertoire will be American composers John Berger, Edwin Fissinger and Daniel Chadin.

The concert engagements include some worship services, one at St. Jankerk in Gouda, a Reformed Church famous for its stained glass. Chapel Choir will also participate in the Internationalen Kinder und Jugendchorfe Festival (International Child and Youth Choir Days) in Essen, Germany.

When the final decision was made, Rietberg during a rehearsal, asked for a show of hands from everyone to go to Europe. According to Rietberg, the balance among voice parts was a good sign.

"I feel good about it," said Rietberg, "because everyone who really wants to go is going.

Physics Research Links Holland with Mexico

Over the weekend three students from the lab took me to Popo. We climbed at a 45 degree angle for 250 hours. It was so difficult to breathe, my heart was pounding, my feet slipped on the powdery volcanic dust. They finally reached us and we climbed up to the clear and smelted a piece of perfect sugar.

"It was fantastic," the student said, putting and easy emphasis on each syllable of the last word. He was describing both his feeling of camaraderie with his new friends.

Dr. Bryan Hichwa, a professor of physics, spent two weeks in January at the National Nuclear Energy Institute (NNEI) in Mexico City. His work there is part of a two-year research project sponsored by the National Science Foundation, for the purpose of studying the structure of an isotope of sodium (Na). With Hichwa are Spericy Darden from the University of Notre Dame, and Marcos Fernandez and Orlando Murillo from the NNEI.

In addition, a number of students are involved in that portion of the research being done at Hope.

The project includes several experiments, each of which is designed to measure particular properties of the isotope under study. In these experiments, the average amount of Na (neon), each atom of which contains 10 protons and 10 neutrons. The target is bombarded with protons to make the isotope called Na. The Na is a high energy state and quickly breaks apart again, leaving the target Na and the extra protons. A second beam of protons is used to detect the presence of and measure the energy of the released protons. The cross section and the energy polarization measurements from which a third, the angular momentum, is deduced. Once these data have been collected, computer analyses are required to deduce the target composition. The analysis of the data and his students carry out many of these analyses using the computer facilities at Hope. They are employing analysis techniques developed at Hope by Hichwa and his colleagues, Dr. Harry Frisoe and Dr. Peter Joffrette. On this recent trip, Hichwa developed a computer program which can be run using the facilities at NNEI for the analysis of data collected there.

To begin the work, Hichwa and Darden made the first of three trips to Mexico City in January. At that time they completed the first experiments involving the use of unpolarized protons. This January Hichwa began work with his Mexican colleagues on construction of a polarized ion source which will be needed for further experiments.

This work is made even more challenging due to the circumstances surrounding NNEI. Although the accelerator and facilities at the NNEI are comparable to those of major universities in the U.S., it is far more difficult for the Mexican scientists to do their work than it is for U.S. scientists, says Hichwa. The cost of the simplest equipment—a calculator, for example—is very high compared to U.S.

Fifth complications are introduced by bureaucratic and inflation problems. By the time the money to purchase a particular item has been approved, the price exceeds the approved amount. The Mexican researchers are often forced to make do and to rely on their inventive skills to construct what they need from available materials. On construction of the ion source Hichwa explains.

"Everything was there, but not stable. There was always some part breaking down. My job was to see why this was happening and to find out what was the cause.

Hichwa's enthusiasm was also evident as he detailed the progress of the research. "The trip was very profitable this time. The project was further along and for the first time we were able to make a good beam of protons. Polartizing the beam is the next step. We're working on that in Mexico now. I'm quite hopeful that the construction phase will be completed when we go back in August and that during future trips we will be able to do experiments with the polarized beam.

Hichwa concluded by likening the slow pace of research to climbing Popo. "You work hard for a long time before you get anywhere, but then in the end the results are very rewarding.

The trip was more successful than expected.
Joffrey Accepts Hope Dance Work

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An original ballet work by Hope teaching associate Rich Rahn and Ed Riffel has been accepted for the repertory of the concert ballet group of Robert Joffrey School.

Rahn and Riffel were informed that "Rituals" will be included in programs offered by the Joffrey dancers on tour.

We don't know when or where it will be performed, said Rahn, "but it will be included in their tour programs. We're very excited to know that our piece will be done professionally."

The selection was made after the ballet instructors were invited to participate in Joffrey's dance creation workshop last January. They spent 10 days selecting dancers from the school's concert ballet group and negotiating "Rituals."

Dr. Thomas D. Bickell is chair of the Joffrey dance school, and he selected the work as a lead dance role in "Rituals."

It was a wonderful experience," said Rahn. "We worked with some wonderful dancers and had an opportunity to talk with Robert Joffrey."

Rahn and Riffel were among eight invited to create works at the workshop.

"Two others had their dances accepted," said Rahn, "a man from Puerto Rico and another from Florida."

Rahn describes "Rituals" as a contemporary work, combining ballet and jazz.

"I believe that we were given special financial benefits from the honor of having "Rituals" in the Joffrey tour schedule."

"But indirectly it could result in our being asked to choreograph other things for other companies," he said. "We already have a marvelous letter from Edith D'Addario, executive director of the Joffrey school, which may be used as a letter of reference."

He said D'Addario also has asked if they would agree to have their name included among those who would recommend for choreography assignments around the country.

Rahn said the Joffrey school already has asked him and Riffel to return in May or June to offer another work.

"They particularly want Ed to choreograph a new piece de deux," said Riffel. "He handled that for our dance and I did the ensemble."

But they were very impressed with Riffel's handling of the dance for two."

He said that he and Riffel were present when the school's board members and Joffrey saw the work performed Jan. 16. It was included in a show of new works for booking purposes. An additional option was made to include "Rituals" in the repertory.

Rahn and Riffel toured as young dancers with Hope's Ballet in Cassino, Italy in 1965. They both taught in their own programs.

Since accepting teaching positions at Hope, the two have been asked to offer various workshops and classes.

Sculptor Brings TLC to Art Program

Bill Mayer, Hope's new addition to the art department faculty, has a favorite anecdote about a student who was doing some of his paintings by a man who turned out to be a doctor. The doctor enthusiastically praised the show—saying it was not merely an afterthought —that art was his own hobby, as well. "Oh really?" replied the painter. "Brain surgery is mine."

The popular notion that art somehow can't be a serious vocation, that it's proper place is to remain on the coffee table, is beginning to be dispelled in conversation with Mayer.

"Art today is a mixed bag," Mayer said, referring to the studio and the theatre becoming one, and a conversation complete with a whole array of images resembling an art site.

"That may have intrinsic kick appeal. However, it didn't relate to something as homely as vegetable soup."

"That art is separate from society. "Art is a camera for society. But it only predicts the obvious."

That can only be taught by doing.

"I do many things in my class, illustrating a variety of art of work. I try to show both what's done and why it's been done.

"The students do a lot of lecturing in my course. I try to have them know how to make qualitative judgments about their work."

"That will be an easy class to get through. "Art is not as easy a class to get through. My opinion is that if students do good work from students, you receive good work.

"Many students enroll in art to fulfill a core curriculum requirement, but as the semester progresses they find themselves being challenged. They discover that art is a serious endeavor."

Frederick M. F. A. program of Pennsylvania State University.

"Mayer holds the academic rank of instructor in art. He comes to Holland during the summer, accompanied by Gary, his unforgettable pterodactyl who now scampers about the studio as nonchalantly as if he'd been born there, instead of being, as Joffrey Mayer, from Minnesota's Twin Cities.

"Mayer served as a graduate assistant while at Pennsylvania, but at Hope he has settled into his first full-time teaching position. In addition to the faculty marked the end of a three-year period for the art department.

"During this time they had functioned without a faculty member who actually practiced three-dimensional art. As a result, the few years witnessed declining enrollments in sculpture and ceramics classes."

"Mayer says, the entire three-dimensional segment of the department's program was led under "some Tender Loving Care."

"Young, energetic and committed, Mayer seems ideally suited to his task of revival."

"The nicest thing about coming to Hope under these circumstances has been the opportunity to set things up the way I wanted," he notes. "In a sense, I was starting from scratch."

"Although Mayer is quick to admit that these are hungry times for would-be art teachers and that they can afford to be choosy about job openings, he is particularly happy about coming to a Christian-based college.

"I think there are many Christian artists who feel suffocated most of the time. Christian artists don't have to be evangelical. It deals with attitude and integrity, not simply with having Christian names in one's work. I feel there is a challenge here, a mission."

After arriving at Hope, Mayer devoted a month to cleaning out and organizing the first-floor Rusk Building studio.

"Although space is at a premium and the building is somewhat isolated from the rest of the campus, Mayer sees buildings such as Rusk, a former factory, as ideal art department headquarters.

"You don't want to have to work in the kind of place where a janitor is following close behind you with a broom until the next time.

"The College is looking into acquiring a larger former factory for the art department, and we're hopeful about that."

"Once the studio was organized, Mayer was better able to assess equipment needs. Space is a very important and often overlooked need for sculpture classes.

"Power tools are as essential a mixed-media sculptors as they are to carpenters. Although Hope dancers, according to Mayer, "have become experts in inventing their own technology, some equipment needs remain, including a table saw, disc sander, hood, bench grinder and foundry equipment."

"The school's recent enrollment indicates an increase in the number of students selecting ceramics, sculpture and three-dimensional art courses.

"Students need an energy source to draw from," Mayer says. "And he seems to be providing that impetus not only through course design, but also by way of example."

"Two shows opening in mid-March—one in Hope's DeVitt Center Gallery and one at Calvin College. Mayer has been accomplishing both works "at a fairly high level of work in a short time."

"Although the lights in his Rusk studio often burn until the early morning hours, Mayer clearly enjoys the challenge and is pleased with the art he's produced.

"I find that for one another and a certain degree of pressure—not anxiety—is good."

"The Calvin show consists of a variety of mixed-media sculptures which all employ at least one of the elements which they differ in mood from the classical, to almost something with a different quality to the sculpture is placed in its own work."

"The Show On My Mind," features ceramic sculpture.

"Where does he get his ideas?"

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"I like coherence. "I sometimes find that ideas free off of each other. I'll be working on one piece and I'd like another."

"Rahn says that fallow periods aren't so vital. "In between shows, do a lot of thinking. I get new ideas from small things, unique things or things I see in nature. I use the environment often as a stimulus for my work."

"Since coming to Holland, Mayer's eye has been caught by boats, and at least one piece in the Hope show reflects that intrigue."

"I'm doing something different in my work. I believe that work has to change. As a result, I've never really had a chance to develop a style."

"What does he consider to be the biggest problem in contemporary art?"

"Art has a rather strange place in any academic situation. In most cases, students are expected to think analytically, to think in terms of cause and effect. Art is creative. It depends on, feeling on what comes from the heart. But it is hard for students to cut loose from the analytical approach."

"Mayer enjoys music—"all types—"and travel, a love sharpened during an earlier short concert tour. He plays the panflute."

"During his academic training in art, he became skilled in glazing, as well as ceramics and sculpture. Although Hope presently lacks the space and materials to offer instruction in glazing, Mayer hopes to someday teach this art form, which he claims isn't as difficult as it appears."

"It's like working with any other material. You have to build up a kind of vocabulary and the larger that becomes, the easier it is to speak with it."

"With a grin, he takes a final occasion to dwell on one more art-related fallacy."

"Contrary to popular belief, glazing doesn't take a lot of wind and you don't get a pain in your side if you inhale."

"And his laughter convinces me of just about what he says.
Health Dynamics Diary: The Workouts Begin

This issue of News from Hope College continues with excerpts from the daily journal of Dick DeKroo, a freshman from Orlando, Fla., who, like all Hope freshmen, is entering the new Hope-Killing Health Dynamics program. Last semester participants received information on fitness and health during several weeks of lecture. In late October all students underwent extensive physiological testing in the Dow Center Health Dynamics laboratory. In late December the activity and cardiovascular component of the program began. During the second semester of Health Dynamics, students continue a regular program of exercise and new activities. Hope Health Dynamics professors believe that by exposing students to a variety of exercise activities and helping develop skills in some of these, students will be more inclined to incorporate exercise into their daily lifestyles. Here are the final entries of Dick DeKroo's journal which will be published. The next issue will feature an examination of the first year of Health Dynamics by Dr. Richard DeFerron, program director.

**ENTRY I**

Follow roll call today, Mr. Brewer briefly outlined details regarding results of the test we took. He gave each one of us a handout explaining facts and figures in relation to each test. From this information, we can compare our present health status with the norms. Towards the end of the week each individual will meet with an advisor in private consultation to discuss test results.

The scene for today's class was quite different from the usual warm, comfortable surroundings of the Dow Center. We met on Hope's outdoor track, a walk from campus. Because of the cold, brisk air, quite a few complaints were heard from students. But Mr. Brewer wanted us to use the track before the ground became covered with snow.

Following the long walk to the track, Mr. Brewer waited no time in getting class under way. We warmed up by running one lap around the track, then we ran four sets of 200-yard dashes. We constantly built up to the 100-yard mark, where we then tapered off to the finish. After this, we ran a quarter of a lap, walked a quarter of a lap, alternating for the entire lap. Then came time for our endurance run. We jogged around the track to the baseball diamond, around the perimeter of the baseball field, and all the way back to the center. For some people that's not all the way back. My only stop was to walk for a cross training. The strong winds made it difficult to walk, but on the whole, the exercise was good and the time went quickly.

**ENTRY II**

I had a private consultation today with Mr. Pattison. We discussed my test results. I reacted well in every test, including the cardiovascular test which I was worried about because I have slightly high blood pressure. But Mr. Pattison assured me that my test results fell in the average range. On all the tests, I placed either in the average range or above average range, which made me very pleased.

**ENTRY IV**

Mr. Brewer wasted no time in getting class underway today. He simply said to run 30 laps on the track, which was an average of three miles. With that, the class got to it.

As I began running, I thought three miles was pushing things a bit too far. But then I thought of the benefits which the running provided. And, looking at my own self, I surely needed it. Since I had stopped running outside of class.

Of course, lap after lap went by. As I finished the 26th lap I felt extremely tired and slightly weak. But I continued and decided to run the last lap with all the strength I had. I crossed the finish line feeling like dropping. My throat was so dry that after swallowing couldn't moisten it. My legs felt light with weakness and I was so glad to be through. Many runners finished ahead of me, yet many remained on the track as I left.

**ENTRY V**

In spite of running over two miles today, I wasn't tired. After I ran the final 12 laps, I felt in very good condition.
ODE TO AN EARTHWORM

As an earthworm emerging from its hole in the night,
and earthworm emerged using all of its might.

Head first, it crawled on the grassy terrain,
Pulling out the other end looking the same.

Resting barely a moment, it began to move,
With a motion quite base yet exceedingly smooth.

Extending, Contracting, Again and again.
The shape of the worm went from fat to quite thin.

Yet form did not matter, as this worm was quite bent
On going most everywhere, though nowhere it went.

At time it would stop, raise its head in the air,
Seeing nothing at all this worm could not care.

This earthworm had little, as it ineptly presented,
But with all that God gave it, was wholly contented.

by Mark Chockley, a senior

VERMILION FISH FESTIVAL

I never saw a fish there,
Garish lanterns lit the night—
Beef tents, Chick-on-a-stick, Goat’s milk fudge,
Lambrusco sno-cones, triple doused,
Blazing Accordion!

A crazy polka swung me in his arms and
Coves of cheap turquoise glared,
A cripple begged us with a slotted can,
Fat women grinned candy apple cheeks,
We kept on.

Our feet among popcorn, beer cans, and
Blue cotton candy.
A sausage rolled under my heel,
we spun around twice—twisted pretzels
By a tentful of clowns, ogres, leers,
Mouths laughing, too full of night,
We panted, too full of fear.

by Jane Visser, a senior from Plymouth, Mich.

NUMBER THIRTEEN

As we roll into town
The buzzard sings dirty ditties
Telephone poles, dressed in green
Spell out Merry Yuletide

Today’s the Fourth of July
Red walrus serves us beer
A pin-striped turtle appears
Does a tap dance and fades away

The sky hallows dead fish
While the earth vomits up alka-seltzer

An old man’s beard burst into flames
Hot water taps pour forth green slimes

My eraser turns into a bouquet of flowers
This sheet of paper has eyes

The earth opens underneath
And swallows me up.

Peter Warnock, a junior from Whitehall, Mich.
Dutchmen Lose All-sports Lead

The first Hope wrestler and swimmer ever to qualify for an NCAA national meet highlighted winter sports activity. However, Hope dropped out of first place in the MIAA all-sports race after finishing higher than fifth in any MIAA men's winter standings.

In women's basketball, the team enjoyed a winning season while the swimmers finished third in the MIAA in their first season of collegiate competition.

Through winter sports, Alumni leads the MIAA all-sports race with 48 points, followed by Hope with 46, Kalamazoo 42, Olivet 39, Alma 37, Calvin 31, and Adrian 29.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

A young team riddled with injury among backcourt players found competition. The team's 5-17 overall record was the worst for a Hope squad in 21 years and the 17 losses represented the most Hope defeats in a single season.

Bruce Vonder Schad of Willowbrook, Ill., the only senior on the squad, led the team in scoring at 13.3 points per game. Junior guard Vino Guare of Fout du lac, Wis., tied for first place in the MIAA among men's throw shooters with an 88 percent average. Junior Loren Schoenbrunn of Holland, Mich., was selected the team's most valuable player and captain of the 79-80 squad.

The jaunty team, led by Matt Neil, a freshman from Hinsdale, Ill., most valuable player and senior Ryan Lindquist, a freshman from Tonawanda, N.Y., as most improved.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

The Flying Dutch posted their first winning season under coach Anne Irwin even though the squad was comprised primarily of underclassmen. The team ended with an overall 12-10 record and was fifth in the first official NCAA women's basketball standings.

Senior guard Lara Hanson of Harrisonburg, Va., was elected most valuable player while junior Anne Mallie of St. Petersburg, Fla., was elected most improved player and the 79-80 squad. Hanson led the MIAA in free throw accuracy making 86 percent of her attempts.

Senior Susan Gebhard of St. Louis, Mo., was selected in the first Barbara Ellen Getting memorial award which is to be given annually by the women's basketball coaching staff on the basis of maximum overall contribution to the team. Miss Getting, a 1978 Hope graduate, died in an automobile accident last summer. She had been a member of the women's basketball team.

MEN'S SWIMMING

Hope's first season of collegiate swimming proved to be a period of development for the men's program. A squad of six members struck the Dutchmen finished fifth in the MIAA standings. Freshman Dave Moore of Grandville, Mich., was a double gold medal winner in the MIAA meet and earned an opportunity to compete in the NCAA Division III national championships in the 1,650 yard freestyle.

Moore, who was named by MIAA coaches to the all-league team, won the 500 freestyle and 1,650 freestyle events in MIAA record times. He was voted the team's most valuable swimmer.

WOMEN'S SWIMMING

Except for a lack of depth, you couldn't tell this was Hope's first season of intercollegiate swimming for women. The Flying Dutch finished a strong third in the MIAA standings and posted an excellent 6-3 dual meet record.

Senior Lynn Hall of Kalamazoo, Ill., won the most outstanding performance award and was named to the MIAA meet.

Because of the outstanding record in its first year, the entire team was elected most valuable. Squad members included Leslie Behrns, a freshman from Oregon, Mich.; Cynthia LA, a senior from Westland, Mich.; Linda Leslie, a freshman from Canton, Ohio; Denise Palladino, a freshman from Poughkeepsie, N.Y.; a freshman from Holland, Mich.; Nancy Vande Water, a sophomore from Holland, Mich.; Karen Weidman, a freshman from Madison, Wis., and Joan Wiltz, a freshman from Holland, Mich.

WRESTLING

A lack of depth hurt the Dutchmen in this season. As they were forced to forfeit several weight classes each meet. In head-to-head competition the Dutchmen frequently outperformed their opponents, but were unable to close the team score gap because of forfeits.

The Dutchmen finished fifth in the MIAA with a 4-14 record.

Junior Mike Kasten of Shelby, Mich., qualified for the NCAA Division III national championships, winning the 158-pound division at the MIAA tournament. Sutton lost his final match in overtime at the nationals. He was elected the most valuable wrestler by his teammates and captain of the 79-80 squad.

Trainer Gary VanDe Velde of Zeeland, Mich., was runner-up in the heavyweight division at the MIAA tournament while freshman Ann Cullen of Alpena, Mich., was selected most improved.
What are the criticisms you hear most often about the Greek system?

Button, Delta Phus: Cluelessness, Paine, Sigma Sigma: Cluelessness. I think the biggest, also, is the distrust of independents, by the Greeks, for the independents,

For many years, there's been something akin to a double standard when it comes to providing facilities for Hope's frats and sororities. The frats have houses and the sororities have rooms. Do the women wish they had housing? Do the men wish they didn't?

State of the Greeks

There are a lot of other things that affect the Greek system, your major, your college experience, and some fraternities have rooms. Do the women wish they had housing? Do the men wish they didn't? What's the worst thing you've heard about the Greek system? What's the best thing you've heard about the Greek system?

That's the biggest. Also, the distrust of independents, by the Greeks, for the independents, that's a problem.

How do you respond to those criticisms?

Scott, Fraters: I think in general it is a bad practice to divide frats and sororities. I think it is a bad practice to divide the Greek system into two separate groups.

Is it possible to survive socially on Hope's campus without being a member of a Greek society?

Butcher, Alpha Phi: I definitely think it is possible for any person to be socially active on the Greek system, without belonging to a fraternity or a sorority. A lot of my friends are in fraternities, but not a lot of my friends are in sororities. I really like the Greek system because it is a really great way to meet people and to have fun.

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plants are coming from the independent, not the
frenemies.

Enlighten: I think complaints come from parents if they find out their freshmen son is
going to put in a frat house. As for upperclassmen, if they want to live in a frat house they more than likely would have
pledged. It's hard to get upperclassmen to want to come and live in your house. So that leaves the freshmen.

Paine, Sigma Sigma: That's one aspect that we have really enjoyed—to be able to be active in a sorority and not have to live in a
sorority house. I think I can say that our group recognizes the right to apply for a
house, as the Delphes have done. That's great for those who would like that kind of living situation. It's just that we like spreading
out and interacting with others. That's our main choice, not something imposed on us.

What are the criteria used in deciding who rushes you as a new
member? Does each society look for a
certain "type"?

Scott, Fraternity: You take a look at who of the people that are in the fraternity, and decide if the
person rushing is the kind of person they want to be with. I guess it has to do with what kind of person is in the majority in the fraternity—they choose, in a sense, who will become them.

Watson, Cosmos: You choose people you can live with, stay in mental health with.

Enlighten: It may seem like a self-centered idea, but you must look at it from the other side too—
you must bring in people who will feel comfortable with you, not just people you feel comfortable with.

Paine, Sigma Sigma: We also have to look for people who want us, who want to be a part of

The purpose of pledging seems to elude everyone except the active members. Why
do you have it?

Watson, Cosmos: I know every year everyone catches a lot of flack about pledging.

How healthy do you see frats and
sororities being?

Watson, Cosmos: I think everyone here is
relatively healthy. The only thing I'm worried about is the quota thing with the fraternities. The majority of the Hope Greek
societies have been around since before 1900, so I don't think we're going to die out. Internally, we're strong. But the quota issue does put external pressure on us.

Kornekt, Kappa Chi: Survival is the issue for us. A small non-established society has to offer a little benefits, but possibly it can give more fulfillment. Many are worried about the work involved in joining Kappa Chi.

What are your channels of communication with the administration?

Watson, Cosmos: I'm fortunate— I happen to
know Assistant Dean Bruce Johnson and Associate Dean Dave Wandell very well. So when I stayed last fall, I told Bruce that there weren't any problems to just give me a call.

Mach of our communication is really informal. If a formal channel exists, it is through Pan Heleneic or Inter-Fraternity Council (the
governing agencies). But I think Pan Hel is a lot stronger when it comes to saying what the fraternity does, as compared with the BPA's influence on frats.

Would you like to have periodic meetings
with administrators? Do you feel your needs aren't being heard?

Wear, Emmies: We recently all met with
Dave Wandell at a leadership conference. It was quite helpful. We talked about the Hope Community problems on campus, and I think the sorority and fraternity members get out some of their internal problems. We all got to address problems we see at Hope, and I think we met a lot of help out of the experience.

Paine, Sigma Sigma: It was a very valuable experience because it wasn't just fraternity and sorority leaders; it was leaders from many organizations. Their input was very interesting.

Are there benefits to being local Greek
societies instead of national ones?

Wear, Emmies: The Emersonians looked into
becoming national. Our roots as a campus organization go back to the late 1960s, so we have a strong tradition base. For us to go national would mean to lose all those traditions and to adapt the traditions of the national Greek groups. For us, we didn't feel it was worthwhile.

Button, Delphes: Expense is another thing. National fraternalities and sororities are more expensive to join.

Scott, Fraters: One important thing is that
when you're local you get to choose all the people who will represent your name. You're national, there are branches all over.

There may be people in Chicago, or wherever, who could give the organization a bad name. Local, friends and sororities reflect the uniqueness of Hope. It's a lot different at a large state university, and maybe that's why we prefer to live local. We're more a part of the college community.

Does Hope need more of fewer Greek
societies?

Wear, Emmies: I don't think we need any
typically— the fraternities and sororities on this campus offer enough different views. We really don't need fewer either. We have a good spectrum and those interested in the Greeks have a good range of choices.

Button, Fraters: During rush, you have to go out and meet people. That's a very important aspect and you can't get too many organizations; you lose that opportunity.

How important is your fraternity or
colley to you? Do you feel ten years
from now it will mean anything to your life?

Scott, Fraters: Yes, I think it will. My mother and father both graduated from Hope and were members of Greek organizations. My mother has five or six close friends whom she met in her sorority. They're still her friends, and she's 53 years old. There's a lot more closeness with fraternity and sorority friends.

Button, Delphes: It's such a part of our
culture now that it can't help but mean a lot to us as we grow older.

Wear, Emmies: All of us are in leadership
positions. The frats or sororities offer us something special, and taught us skills to put us where we are now, so we have something to be thankful for and a reason to want to make sure they continue to grow.

Sell, Sibs: Also those skills we're learning now will be important to us ten years from now.

Paine, Sigma Sigma: I think it will be
interesting and exciting to come back at Homecoming and see how our group is doing. We have an alumni who attends practically all our alumni events, and she graduated in 1927? She's so enthused about the group, Kornekt, Kappa Chi. Sorority is fun, but not a top priority of my college life.

Watson, Cosmos: A major point I have
never heard anybody talk about yet in the
pledging experience. Personally, I suffered a challenge, and I think everyone here was
just to make it through that challenge taught me a lot. There are greater challenges waiting for us out there in the real world when we get out there and to the pledges experience was beneficial because I learned discipline and a lot of other things I didn't know I had inside of me.
Alumni Annual Fund Lags in Participation

The 1978-79 Alumni Annual Fund is on target for reaching its record $385,000 goal, but there is a lot of work ahead if the drive is going to meet its challenge of 5,200 donors, according to National Chairman Warren Kane. Through the end of February, the alumni had contributed $311,645 or 81 percent of the total goal.

The drive runs through June 30.

However, the number of alumni contributors is lagging behind last year. There are 3,573 donors against 3,606 for the same period in 1977-78. A record 3,480 alumni gave to the 1977-78 campaign which represents just over 40 percent of the alumni membership.

The last four months of the campaign is crucial in both dollars and participation, said Kane. "I especially urge the more than 1,700 alumni who made a contribution last year, but are not as yet on board this year to give. Alumni and officers will be mailed to non-donor alumni during April while several Phonathons will be held in Michigan, Wisconsin and Iowa. Kane paid tribute to three classes who have already surpassed $10,000 in giving this year. The leader is the class of 1964 which has contributed $12,493 under the leadership of Class Reps Gretchen and Larry Lemmens of Wyoming, Wisc. The other classes in this elite category are 1949 and 1970.

ANNUAL ALUMNI FUND GIVING TO DATE (through February 28, 1979)

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Corporate Support

A Giving Incentive

There are some 30 corporations who will match the gifts of their employees to Hope College. Corporate matching gifts are an important part of both the Alumni Fund and the Parent and Friends Funds.

Most of these companies will match the gifts of alumni, parents of present students, and very often they will contribute additional dollars to those who have already retired employees. There are some companies that will match—who—some double or even triple the amount of the employee's gift. If you are not sure if your company is one of those who support higher education through the matching gift program, your personnel officer will be able to give you the answer.

In order to have your gift matched, all you have to do is include your company's matching gift form when you send us your contribution. The Hope College Development Office takes care of the rest.

1979-80 School Year Begins After Holiday

The calendar for the 1979-80 academic year has been announced by Provost David

Residence halls for the fall semester will open Saturday, Sept. 1, with classes beginning Monday, Sept. 4. Teachers will be held from Sept. 5 to Labor Day.

Fall recess will run from Oct. 23-26 while Thanksgiving break will be Nov. 22-23.

The last day of classes in the fall semester will be Dec. 14. Other major dates during the fall semester include Homecoming, the weekend of Oct. 21-22, and Parents' Weekend: Nov. 2-4.

Residence halls for the spring semester will open Sunday, Jan. 15, with classes beginning Jan. 16.

Winter recess will run from Feb. 21-25 while spring vacation will be March 26 through April 7. The last day of classes in the spring semester will be May 2: Commencement in 1980 will be May 11.

Summer sessions in 1980 will be as follows: May 12-30; June Term, June 2-20; and Summer Session, June 23 to Aug. 2.

A complete calendar of events for the 1979-80 school year may be obtained by writing Office of College Relations, Hope College, Holland, MI 49423.
A highly successful antiude to Old Man Winter's activities was administered by the Alumni Association during Hope's second Winter Homecoming on Saturday, Feb. 10. After talking with people who participated and people who were involved in presenting the day's events, Winter Homecoming has been judged a success and plans are already underway for next year's event," reports Mary Kemper, assistant director of alumni and community relations. "All indications are that the number of participants this year doubled and we are hopeful that the event will continue to experience this kind of growth. Highlighting Winter Homecoming were five academic seminars beginning at 11:00 a.m. Prof. Paul Van Faeen conducted "The Jordanian Dignity," which covered the Hope exploration in Jordan which occurred during the summer of 1977. Van Faeen related the experience of the group from religious, scientific and historical points of view. The primary activity in Jordan was an archaeological dig near the village of Wadi to study the origins of man and the human family. This evidence would support biblical traditions that iron was mined so far back as King David's reign. Despite persistence and careful digging, the group was able to uncover evidence of iron mining dating back only as far as the late 1000s.

The second seminar was "Old Age: Parents, Teachers, and Tutors," held in the library. Prof. A. J. Schudt and S. K. Gaff-dkk discussed their recent breakthrough in the treatment of heart disease using laser surgery. Prof. J. Schudt and S. K. Gaff's team of researchers have successfully performed the first laser heart surgery.

Van Voorst, a former student of van Voorst, attended Hope in the late 1960s and early 1970s. He is now a successful businessman and has established a foundation to support students in need. Van Voorst's foundation is located in Hope's Alumni Office and is named in honor of his late father, Malcom van Voorst.

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The Rev. Rosee M. Gilbert '20 has retired from the Grace United Methodist Church in Rome, N.Y., and Presbyterian churches in New York.

Isaac Shepler '23 has retired as pastor of First Presbyterian Church of Holland, Mich.

William M. Raymond '23 has retired as pastor of the Grace Presbyterian Church in Grand Haven, Mich.

Theodore J. Paton has retired as pastor of the Calvary Church (Cong.) on the Aging. He helped to establish a local senior citizen center.

Phillip Engel '23 published a book of poems entitled Upon This Rock in November. Ann Wannke '23 wrote an article on the janitorial staff of Porter County.

Harold A. Seaborn '34 was re-elected as the council chairman of the Colchester (Cong.) Church. He has been a Cong. pastor for the last 30 years.

Henry Kuehne '20 retired in Ann Arbor to become the president of the Presbyterian Church in January. He was the senior pastor from 1962-1967. He has been at the Oak Street Church in that city since then.

George C. Neuman '23 was appointed as consultant for evangelism and staff development for the Lake Michigan Progressive Movement.

Cornelia Tyse '56 Hartough retired as an elementary teacher at Kennedy School in April.

Ed Aalberts '28, director of admissions and records for the Union Theological Seminary, was re-elected in December.

Bert Vandenbark '50 has retired from Hope College and is now a college president in the Iowa-Northwestern area.

William A. Withers '38 was appointed as the director of the Center for Clinical Education at the University of Michigan.

Harry Hoogevend '48 has been named as the head of the Department of Clinical Education.

John C. Godfrey '38 is now an elder at the LeRoy Presbyterian Church.

Harold A. Seaborn '34 retired in January, ending a career that spanned 18 years as 27th judicial circuit court judge of Wayne and Oakland (Mich.) counties. He has been on the bench since 1960. Harold enjoyed a 12-year career as Oakland County prosecuting attorney.

Heath T. Goodwin '29 is pastor of Chapel Hill United Methodist Church of Battle Creek, Mich.

Clifford M. Marcus '39 retired from public education after 34 years of teaching and school administration.

Albert Van Dyke '40 recently became the first president of First Reformed Church, ofsing.

T. Phillip Waddell '41 is professor of anthropology at the University of Mississippi.

He holds a joint appointment as professor in the department of anthropology and in the department of biological sciences.

He is in charge of a program in community health, who has clinical responsibilities in the Office of Community Health and in the Office of Preventive Medicine.

In addition, he is a member of the Board of the American Psychological Association and is a member of the Board of the American Anthropological Association.

Douglas Van Geest '24 was appointed as the vice president for finance. He is now serving as the dean of the School of Business administration.

The Rev. Kenneth Van Wyk '38 is minister of the First Reformed Church in Grand Rapids.

He has been a member of the Board of Directors for 10 years.

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The Hope College Development Office is seeking the names of alumni, friends and those who are employed by Beatrice Foods or one of its subsidiaries for a possible inclusion in a list of Hope alumni for a grant and any information regarding employees paid with a Hope affiliation will be helpful. Please contact John E. Nordin, assistant director, 517-388-2111, ext. 202 or write to the Hope College Development Office, Holland MI 49423.

Mike Cooper '76 is employed in the purchasing department at Immaculate Heart of Mary College in Los Angeles. (Calif.)

David J. Dazeby '76 is associate pastor at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church in Plymouth, Minn.

Sandra Nelson '76 is chief physician in a mission hospital in Tanzania.

Calvin Osterhaven '74 is attached to the staff of the University of Tulsa School of Medicine as an associate professor of otolaryngology and head and neck surgery.

Robert G. Graf '78 is a registered pharmacist at St. Francis Hospital in Oklahoma City, Okla.

Brian Meeusen '75 is co-founder and executive director of Cofesco Fire Rehabilitation Center in Fort Collins, Colo.

Karen D. Olsen '74 is the director of the Rehabilitation Center in Fort Collins, Colo.

Dave Schaeffer '76 is a social worker at a local hospital in Portland. Me.

Jim Schmachtenberg '73 has been transferred to Touchy Ross Co. in Chicago.

Douglas V. Schulte '79 has been promoted to assistant professor of personnel planning and development, Corporate Personnel Operations of General Motors, Inc., Hartford, Conn.

A. Hedrick '73 a contract administrator for Pecky Hills Co. in St. Louis.

Ronald J. Gest '74 is a social worker at Parkview Medical Center in Fort Collins, Colo.

Teresa J. DeJong '79 is a registered nurse at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics in Iowa City.

Shelley Mavridas '72 Cook teaches math, reading and middle school business skills at the University of Tulsa.

Lori Overton '74 has received her B.S. in education from Southern Nazarene University in Edmond, Okla.

Alumni news

Call Alumni Office for reservations, 616-392-3111, ext. 2060.
deaths

Stephen Bruggers ’76 is a longitudinal study of the effects of gender role during the development of young people. He was born in Washington, D.C., and attended Xavier University, where he received a degree in psychology. He served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War and later worked as a social worker in New York City. He is survived by his wife, three daughters, and two grandchildren.

Mike Carpenter ’76 has been promoted to the position of Senior Vice President at Frito-Lay in Dallas, Texas. He has been with Frito-Lay for 15 years and was previously a manager in the company’s Mid-Atlantic region. He is survived by his wife and two children.

Carol J. Cokl ’76 was teaching English at Temple University in Philadelphia. She was also active in local community groups. She is survived by her husband and two children.

Ann S. Donelson ’76 has been named Executive Director of the Philadelphia Gay and Lesbian Community Center. She is a former member of the center’s board of directors and has been involved in the community for many years. She is survived by her husband and two children.

Ruben H. Fernol ’76 completed Aviation Officer School and has been commissioned as a Navy pilot. He is a husband and father of two children. He died in a plane crash during training.

Melissa Furnari ’76 was a student at St. John’s University in New York City. She was a member of the women’s track and field team. She is survived by her parents and sister.

John T. Foss ’76 is a student at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. He died in a car accident. He is survived by his parents and two siblings.

Carol F. Hoffman ’76 was a student at the University of Illinois in Chicago. She was a member of the women’s basketball team. She is survived by her parents and two siblings.

John W. Hendley ’76 was a student at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. He died in a car accident. He is survived by his parents and two siblings.

Diane J. Huber ’76 was a student at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. She died of natural causes. She is survived by her parents and two siblings.

Robert J. Johnson ’76 was a student at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. He died of natural causes. He is survived by his parents and two siblings.

Charles E. Kees ’76 was a student at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. He died of natural causes. He is survived by his parents and two siblings.

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Let's Cut the Poortalk

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by David Myers and Thomas Ludwig

A debilitating idea afflicts American thinking. It is highly contagious, perhaps because people enjoy having it. Moreover, once it starts to spread, people quickly try to one-up each other to see who has it at its worst. The result can be very bad for the common good, for it is associated with stagnation and lessened progress.

It is an idea called poortalk. It is a kind of self-deception, or worse, that limits the possibilities for constructive action; for it is based on an extremely limited understanding of human motivation.

Poortalk is a thought process that limits the ability to adapt to one's environment. It is a mental block that prevents people from seeing the world as it is, but as they wish it to be.