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Markham, who resigned to become
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Nyenhuis has been a member of the
Hope College faculty since 1975, serving
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Nyenhuis has been a leading
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Nyenhuis is a graduate of Calvin College
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received
the
Ph.D. in classics from
Stanford
University.
He
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He
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admissions, Jim Bekkering, says he has been able to learn of no one at Hope who was contacts with the admissions office. Bekkering says the Gourman report contains "hard evidence: objective data gathered by respected institutions on the basis of research in the community." These data include the recent Wooester study which analyzes the academic effectiveness of institutions on the basis of the number of graduates who go on for Ph.D.s and ranked Hope 25th out of 867 colleges. Hope's inclusion in the New York Times Select 1980/81 list of the high number of National Merit scholars attending Hope (in 1982 more than at any other institution in Michigan) also attests to Hope's position to graduate and professional schools.

Three faculty members have authored books which were released this spring, making their addition to Hope's strong standing in faculty research and publication.

Since 1977, faculty members have published 38 books, more than 450 articles—half of which were in refereed journals—and numerous chapters and papers.

The Human Connection: Hope People. Charles E. Price, Brewer, Price, and David Myers, Hope professor of psychology. Released by InterVarsity Press, the paperback, which is priced at a mere $3.95, contains insights from social psychology to Christian beliefs and practice. It is the result of seven years of study to understand the dimensions of the religious life; the first is the negative side of the sacred, its tendency to terrify and repel. The second is the dimension of the religious life, which fulfills itself and as a means to various human ends. It is the third dimension, the instrumental value of the religious life that, in the book's major focus.

Examples from the writings of Kierkegaard, Freud, Hildebrand, Nietzsche, and Tolstoi, among others, illuminate the author's thesis that guilt and death are the central problems of human existence. Religion offers salvation to them by promising salvation through belief in the sacred. Westphal shows the priority of these concerns to all religions, drawing wide-ranging conclusions from the texts and rituals of the biblical, Indian, African, Confucian, Egyptian, Greek, and Roman civilizations.

Westphal is also the author of History and Truth in Hegel's Phenomenology. Published in 1973, it was written by William J. Tynan, and translated by Peter F. Schulte, professor of English, has been published by William B. Eerdmans Publishing Company.

The book is the first study to explore fully the role of Lewis's final novel, Till We Have Faces, in the development of his thought and art. It examines Till We Have Faces as a close irony of Faith in the Pagan world, a novel that breaks the reader through the plot, clarifying its themes as it questions structure, symbols, and allusions.

The second part of the book surveys Lewis's works, tracing the tension between reason and imagination. It shows how reason is emphasized in such early works as The Problem of Pain, which introduces a question of ultimate values to predominate in such later works as The Chronicles of Narnia and Till We Have Faces. Previous publications include The Longing for God, 1976, and the forthcoming, Finding the Human in the Beast: A Study of the Chronicles of Narnia, and The Poetics of Fantasy: Beyond the Development of a Poetic Style.

The promotion of 11 members of the faculty has been approved by the College's Board of Trustees. Promoted to the rank of full professor were: Harvey D. Binkowsky, biology; Wayne G. Black, religion; Robert E. Elder, Jr., political science; Mike Fikr, English; Norman Glick, philosophy; Raymond E. Smith, physical education; and Paul Van Fossan, biology.

Promoted to the rank of associate professor were: Albert A. Bell, Jr., classics/history; Anne E. Irwin, physical education; and Sharon Mahood, communication.

Four members of the faculty recently participated in the 5th Annual Intercollegiate Linguistics Association (GLiCA) foreign language conference at Albion College.

Linda Dall, associate professor of German, presented three papers on contemporary language at various levels through active participation. The presentation included video tapes prepared by Verna Gerbergan, visiting instructor of French.

Ruth Taff, assistant professor of classics and art history, and associate professor of German, gave a joint presentation. "The Ultimate in Integration: The Golden Age of Cologne and Two Souls of the Cologne Cathedral." Martin Wellmer, professor of Spanish, gave a demonstration of SPANCOM, a computerized instruction program in Spanish he developed.

Marc Baer, assistant professor of history, has been awarded a grant by the National Endowment for the Humanities for his new Travel-to-Collection Program. He spent May in England to research the changing expressions of political culture in 18th and 19th century England.

Robert E. Elder and Jack E. Holmes, associate professors of political science, presented a paper, "Economic Cycles and the American Foreign Policy," at the 25th anniversary meeting of the International Studies Association in Atlanta, Ga.

James B. Heisler, associate professor of economics, has been selected a fellow in a year's seminar at the Institute for European Studies in the European Economic Community (EEC) in June.

The seminar will bring together 17 university faculty and five business executives, selected on a competitive basis, for a two-week study of the impact of the Common Market on business and trade in Europe and the U.S.

George Kraft and Jane Mason, program director and director/curriculum coordinator of the Dow Village/LandDesign Education Project, recently presented a paper titled "Politics and Procedures That Work in Facilities Operation" at the National Convention of the American Alliance of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance in Anaheim, Calif.

Susan Langejan, a resident for three years, has been named to the position of director of student activities.

Bruce Himebaugh, director of financial aid since 1970, has been appointed director of Hope's new Office of Human Resources. In addition to this new position, he will coordinate personnel programs for the College's 400 employees.

Ruth Klungel has been named assistant director of human resources with responsibility for coordinating the student employment program.

Phyllis Hooyman, a member of the Hope staff since 1974, has been promoted to director of Developmental Services.

Gail Smith, who joined the staff in 1977, has been named associate director.

Bruce McCombs, associate professor of art, is featured in a new book, A Century of American Prints, 1850-1960, by James Watson. Reproduced in the book is the prize-winning intaglio, "Bridge," Works by McCombs have recently been exhibited in Birmingham, C. D. Belgium; Taiwan and elsewhere. One of his etchings was featured in The Washington Post.

Two Hope poets, faculty member Jack Reid and senior Tom Andrew, are among the entries chosen for inclusion in Michigan Poetry: recognized at the eighth annual Michigan Poetry Festival in Detroit in April.

The eight "New Poets" were selected from more than 100 poets throughout the state.

Ruth, associate professor of English, has gained extensive recognition for her poetry in recent years. Her poems have been published in such prestigious journals as Georgia Review, Southern Poetry Review, Illinois Review, and Saugatuck. Ruth is a philosophy major graduate student from East Grand Rapids, Mich. He began writing poetry two years ago and has already won the well-known poet William Stafford at the Cranbrook Writers Conference last summer. Reid's poetry is featured this month in the Chicago Reader.

In two orchestras. "Tossing Headlocks," 1977-78, received national recognition at the University of Michigan for its performance in the University of Michigan Orchestra League and the American Bandmasters Association. Reid's poetry is featured this month in the Chicago Reader.

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EVENTS

Admissions
Exploraton, July 29-Aug. 4; a chance to “try on” college. For details contact Admissions Office, (616)392-5111, ext. 2200.

Academics
Summer School ‘84
The summer session will begin Monday, June 18 and run six weeks thru July 27.
There will be several courses offered in biology, business administration, communication, computer science, education, English, history, mathematics, philosophy, political science, psychology, physical education, recreation, Spanish and theatre.
A course listing may be obtained from the Registrar.
(616)392-5111, ext. 2200.

August Seminars ‘84
—see listing under “Community & College,” this page.

Calendar 1984-85

Fall Semester (1984)
Aug. 25 Residence Halls Open
Aug. 25-27 Freshmen Orientation
Aug. 28 Late Registration
Aug. 28 Classes Begin, 8 a.m.; Formal Convocation (evening)

Sept. 3 Labor Day Classes in Session
Oct. 5 Fall Recess Begins, 6 p.m.
Oct. 10 Fall Recess Ends, 8 a.m.
Oct. 19-21 Homecoming Weekend
Nov. 2-4 Parents’ Weekend
Nov. 22 Thanksgiving Recess Begins, 8 a.m.
Nov. 26 Thanksgiving Recess Ends, 8 a.m.
Dec. 7 Last Day of Classes
Dec. 10-14 Semester Examinations

Spring Semester (1985)
Jan. 6 Residence Halls Open, Noon
Jan. 7 Registration for New Students
Jan. 8 Classes Begin, 8 a.m.
Feb. 15 Winter Recess Begins, 6 p.m.
Feb. 20 Winter Recess Ends, 8 a.m.
March 7 Critical Issues Symposium (classes not in session)
March 21 Spring Recess Begins, 6 p.m.
April 1 Residence Halls Open, Noon
April 2 Spring Recess Ends, 8 a.m.
April 5 Good Friday, Classes Dismissed at 12:30 p.m.
April 26 May Day, Classes Dismissed at 12:30 p.m.
April 29-May 3 Semester Examinations
May 4 Alumni Day
May 5 Baccalaureate and Commencement
May Term (1985) May 26-June 2
June Term (1985) May 28-June 15

Summer Session (1985)
June 17 Registration & Payment of Fees
June 17 Classes Begin at 1 p.m.
July 4 Classes Not in Session
July 26 Summer Session Ends

Arts

Art exhibit.
“The Book: Kalabari Cut-Thread Cloth,” Nigerian textiles, June 23-July 29, De Pree Center Gallery (hours, Mon.-Sat.: 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sun., 1-5 p.m.).

Hope Summer Repertory Theatre
July 6-Sept. 8 (see ad p. 24)

Community & College
August Seminars
Aug. 6-10 9 a.m.-12:15.
Courses available for audit, one or two hours of undergraduates credit, or one hour of graduate credit. For more information, contact (616)392-5111, ext. 2200.

The Poetry in Children
An illustrated course in learning poetry in children, using seminar participants and children as subjects. Prof. Red Jelliff, University of Maryland.

Prospects and Disrupters. Live in a Shakespeare
A comparative study of As You Like It and Othello exploring Shakespeare’s treatment of the greatest human emotion.

BARGAINS: Village Square, Aug. 3

In a tragedy and comedy. Prof. Henry ten Hoor
Writings in a Suite of Stages
A study of South African short stories and novels reflecting both on the words as literature and on their place in South African society. Prof. Neil Sutin

Coming of Age in 1984; George Orwell
A timely consideration of George Orwell’s attitude towards language and reality in Animal Farm, 1984, and selected essays. Prof. Barry School.

Holler’s Rise to Power
A survey of the political, economic and social conditions in the 1920s and 1930s, focusing on the emergence of Adolf Hitler as a political force. Prof. G. Bloem van Dijke.

Harden, The Netherlands

Elderhostel
Two sessions of Elderhostel will be held on the Hope College campus this summer. Elderhostel is a network of more than 500 educational institutions which offer special short-term, residential, academic programs for older adults. The aim of Elderhostel is to provide intellectual stimulation and the adventure of new experiences.

The first session of Elderhostel will be June 17-23, and the second July 8-14.
First-session courses will be: “Why Touch Your Nose,” “The Dutch Connection” and “What’s in Your Food?” The second session will substitute “When, Where, Everywhere...” for “What’s in Your Food?”
The cost per session is $180, including room and board. For further information contact Elderhostel, 300 Boylston St., Boston, Mass., 02116.

Summer at the Dow Center
Facilities include three basketball courts, running track, weight room, swimming pool with diving area and modern fitness studio. Lockers and showers available. Individual and family summer memberships offered. The following summer programs for youth will be offered:

Swim Program: July 1-31, 10 a.m.-noon; Boys and girls, 5-6th grades.
Basketball School: July 9-20. Boys entering 5th-12th grades.
Soccer School: July 30-Aug. 3, Boys entering 4th-9th grades.

For more information, phone (616)392-5111, ext. 2200.

25th Annual Village Square
Friday, August 3
Food, entertainment and handmade bazaar items are all available at this annual, day-long event which is sponsored by the Women’s League for Hope College.

Sports
Football ’84 (see ad p. 23)
Sept. 8 at Olivet, Nazarene, Ill., 1:30 p.m.
Sept. 15 DEPAUW, 1:30 p.m. (Community Day)

Sept. 22 at Carthage, Wisc., 1:30 p.m.
Sept. 29 WABASH, 1:30 p.m.
Oct. 6 ALBION, 1:30 p.m.
Oct. 13 at Kalamazoo, 1:30 p.m.
Oct. 20 ADRIAN, 1:30 p.m. (Homecoming)
Oct. 27 at Alma, 1:30 p.m.
Nov. 3 OLIVET, 1:30 p.m. (Parents Day)

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NEWS FROM HOPE COLLEGE, JUNE 1984
May 5 & 6. When alumni status was celebrated. By Linda Bechtel '84 and her mother, Harriet Van Heest '60 Bechtel. By members of Hope's 119th graduating class who postscripted commencement with celebratory whoops and a mortarboard toss-up. By the 19 who became Hope's first bachelor of science in nursing degree-holders and awaited pinning ceremonies. By the honorary, the Rev. Dr. Eugene Osterhaven and departing Provost David C. Marker. By the hundreds who returned for cold-plate reunions and a Chicken Supreme alumni banquet. As always, there were lots of hugs and tears and pictures. Lots of stock images. Lots of once-in-a-lifetime shots.
ΦBK: grad’s key to success

by Eileen Beyer

This spring 36 seniors were inducted into the Zeta of Michigan chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, thus achieving the highest recognition of scholastic achievement available to an undergraduate.

The formal induction, held the week before graduation, was for most the first occasion to build on a sturdy academic knowledge — initiates frequently admit to little more than a vague awareness that Phi Beta Kappa exists and that it is prestigious.

For all, induction was the first and only required meeting; the group would never again assemble. After the dessert had been devoured, the solemn promises of a lifetime of faithfulness voiced and recorded, and the decision made to shell out the cash for the expensive opportunity to purchase the key symbolizing a membership that is, in some cases, a mere membership badge — after all of that, except for those who eventually become college or university professors and select new members, the group will be marked simply as a notation on a resume.

Is membership in Phi Beta Kappa then much ado about nothing? Does this self-advertised “ancient and honorable fraternity” (a designation which seems to strain a bit under a 208-year history) really provide the privileges and opportunities its claimants (it is simply a class and grade version of Mensa; a high I.Q. society which acknowledges itself as the achievement of having status genes? Phi Beta Kappa makes no bones about the fact that it is first and foremost a society for recognition. In the induction ceremony initiates are told, “The success of Phi Beta Kappa continues to lie in what it is, rather than in what it does.”

As such, Phi Beta Kappa stands as much as status-seeking as Cainshire and country clubs. (Indeed, the original organization at the College of William and Mary was a secret society, its members required to hold “invocations such privileged knowledge as the nature of the special handclasp.)

But two factors elevate the society of today. First, it is committed to something other than itself; namely the ideal of liberal education: it holds up as models those who have been educated broadly and challenges them to serve the human race with their intellectual abilities.

Secondly, its members are chosen on the basis of what they’ve done and what they might do in the future: it’s the grade point average, not the I.Q., that qualifies and this is merely the entry point rather than the sole determinant.

ΦBK members must hold a minimum grade-point-average of 3.6 and this can be calculated only on the basis of a required number of courses in “liberal studies” (excludes courses intended to develop skills or vocational techniques, such as accounting or studio courses in the arts). Beyond that, students are evaluated on the basis of their academic maturity and indications of ability to contribute to their chosen disciplines.

The society requires that members also be of “high character,” but, according to Robert Klay, assistant professor of economics and retiring president of the ΦBK chapter at Hope, that is a more consideration unless the candidate has erred flagrantly in this regard.

The process of selecting new members is arduous, particularly so because at Hope (there are only nine ΦBK faculty members; including one, Marc Brown, assistant professor of computer science, who was inducted into Hope’s Zeta Chapter as a senior), Klay estimates that each member puts in about 20 hours each spring researching candidates who are then considered by the total group. This year, for instance, 132 seniors qualified on the basis of grade point averages alone; only 36 were actually selected. Obviously, there was a lot of thinning — made more difficult by the fact that there was nary a weed among them.

“We are authorized to take up to 10 percent of the graduating class, but we usually don’t go that high. We would rather feel very, very certain about the ones we’re taking,” says Klay.

Not that the task is all drudgery. The Phi Beta Kappa faculty members (they, not the College, hold the charter) meet together four or five times during the spring semester to review evaluation forms. Frequently, the sessions bear resemblance to a group of grandparents haggling out their brag books.

“It’s such fun talking about these students because they’re so inspiring in what they’ve accomplished,” notes Klay. “There are always some students whose grade points and accomplishments are so high on the scale that they really don’t warrant much discussion — it’s pretty much assumed that they’ll get in. But we can’t restrain ourselves, even at the top. We have to talk about them so we can ooh and aah.”

The evaluation for Phi Beta Kappa membership differs from that for Mortar Board, Hope’s other national honor society not tied to a specific discipline, in that grades are considered in the process, not simply as initial qualifiers. Furthermore, Mortar Board deliberations are made on an anonymous basis.

ΦBK faculty members involve department heads in their assessments and use a standard form for each student. Although there are rarely any questions about the people selected, there are sometimes questions about the ones passed by. Most frequently these gripes are heretical to the national criterion which requires high performance in what ΦBK defines as “liberal studies.” What this means is that students major in fields that have heavy requirements for skill development, such as the arts or physical education, rarely have managed to accrue the ΦBK-required number of hours in “liberal studies.”

“I don’t know of anyone at Hope who’s graduated with a Bachelor of Music and is selected for Phi Beta Kappa,” says Stuart Sharp, chairperson of the department of music. “I feel a little guilty when a fine, brilliant student with a perfect record graduates from our program and we have nothing to offer them in the way of recognition.”

Sharp adds that Hope has made application for a charter from the national music honorary society, Pi Kappa Lambda. Although this recognizes achievement, it has no street clout compared to ΦBK.

If ΦBK is widely recognized, what does it do for the student? Although an assessment of scholarship potential, the invitation for membership comes too late in the year to influence graduate school acceptances.

There are some ΦBK scholarships available for graduate work, but these are at the dissertation level and thus cannot be claimed for several years. Although ΦBK membership may indeed be what Klay claims.

What’s the difference between a ΦBK and a latchkey kid?

The Phi Beta Kappa key is derived from the symbol, a square medal, which was adopted by the original society founded in 1776 at the College of William and Mary in Virginia. The lower stem, converting the medallion to a key, was added later by the branch at Yale.

On the reverse side of the medal bears the letters S.P., the initials of the Latin words Societatis Philosophiae. On the other side are the three Greek letters which form the society’s name and, in Greek, the motto “Love of wisdom—the guide of life.” In the upper left corner are three stars symbolizing the principles of the society: friendship, morality, and literature. A pointing hand in the opposite corner symbolizes aspiration.

Wearing the key is one of the privileges of membership. “It should be worn only by the recipient,” the ΦBK Handbook cautions. The key can be purchased only by application to the chapter secretary or to the United Chapters. Prices range from $16.50 (1 1/4" 10-karat gold) to $72 (1-1/4" 10-karat gold).

SIX NEWS FROM HOPE COLLEGE, JUNE 1984
'Justified of her children'

Phi Beta Kappa's literature claims that the organization's offspring bespeak the worth of the institution. Hope's first PBK initiates, graduates of the Class of 1971, have had 13 years to get settled. Sixteen of the 22 of them have earned at least one advanced degree and seven have completed Ph.D.'s. Here's where they are today.

1 Laura Mumford, M.D.
   Chicago, Ill.
   faculty member,
   Pritzker School of Medicine,
   The University of Chicago

2 Hendrika Vande Kemp, Ph.D.
   Pasadena, Calif.
   faculty member,
   department of psychology,
   Fuller Theological Seminary

3 Linda Provo Fulton, Ph.D.
   New Orleans, La.
   geologist with Exxon Co.

4 Christine Wendling Grant, M.S.
   Battle Creek, Mich.
   profession unknown

5 Adelheid Holthuis Noyes, M.A.
   Westland, Mich.
   mother and homemaker

6 George Bishop, Ph.D.
   San Antonio, Texas
   faculty member,
   department of behavioral sciences,
   The University of Texas

7 Carol Ludwick Powers, R.N.
   Iron River, Mich.
   nurse

8 Janet Hildebrand, Ph.D.
   Fort Worth, Texas
   faculty member,
   department of German,
   Texas Wesleyan University

9 Linda Dethmers Sittser, M.M.
   Orange City, Iowa
   faculty member,
   department of music,
   Northwestern College

10 Barbara Michalak Murphy
    New Haven, Conn
    profession unknown

11 David Huang, M.D.
    Wichita Falls, Texas
    orthopedic surgeon

12 James Koert, M.S., M.B.A.
    Vadnais Hts., Minn.
    marketing researcher,
    Cardiac Pacemakers, Inc.

13 Thomas Brown
    Martinsville, Va.
    computer programmer/ system analyst for
    Pannill Knitting Co. (sweatshirt manufacturer)

14 Joyce Newell, M.A.
    Lansing, Mich.
    statistician

15 Susan Maxwell Graham
    Mt. Clemens, Mich.
    high school teacher

16 Judy Roos Carter
    Canyon Country, Calif.
    mother and homemaker

17 Thomas DeCair
    Washington, D.C.
    director of public affairs,
    U.S. Justice Department

18 Mark Van Dort, Ph.D.
    Pleasant Hills, Calif.
    chemist,
    Dow Chemical Co.

19 Barry Schreiber, Ph.D.
    Duluth, Minn.
    faculty member,
    department of psychology,
    The University of Minnesota

20 Travis Kraai, M.A., M.A.
    New Era, Mich.
    public school principal and teacher

21 Drake Van Beek, J.D.
    Libertyville, Ill.
    attorney specializing in international law

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   Holland, Mich.
   high school teacher

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NEWS FROM HOPE COLLEGE, JUNE 1984
“Whoever gives heed to instruction prospers... Understanding is a fountain of life to all who have it...”

from Proverbs 16

Grade-A students tell about life at the top

by Eva D. Folkert

King Solomon had it right. The desire and need to study are a student’s destination. At the same time, most also pay heed to other words of wisdom which foster the folly of all work and no play. Universities are a backdrop for the framework of college academics who extend past the normal boundaries and reach for the top. Their perfect and ultimate attainment is an unblemished A average, a straight 4.0.

The levels of commitment and discipline of this select set are as varied as the different courses they take. For some, intensity depends on involvement in outside activities, their needs for release. What makes some students tick out of class is what makes them click in class. They are others who rely almost totally on the learning life-support system. Academics are a very big part of their world. They enjoy absorbing all the wisdom and knowledge tossed their way and record the best grades to prove it.

Whatever the case, Hope has various types of 4.0 students. They are not strange bookbells, just scholars of a different breed. A few of these few are featured here.

Once I’ve studied, that’s all I can do.

Rhonda Bean has committed her life to something much bigger than academics—her religious convictions.

The daughter of the Rev. Gordon and Mrs. Elaine Bean, Rhonda’s first priority is to her lifestyle in Christ. Included as prior commitments to her book-loving habits are a Bible study and sessions with TCA (Fellowship of Christian Athletes), which meets at least weekly.

Although the personable young freshman confesses to spending usually five hours a day studying, she makes sure she appropriates enough time to spend with people.

“It’s important for me to be with others if they need me or just want to spend time with me,” I will put them before my homework and academics.

I believe it ties in with my Christian life. You can learn a lot from books but people can teach you so much more and they are what is most important.”

Bean also spends time with friends playing intramural sports and is a member of the women’s committee for the Social Activities Committee (SAC). Involvement in a tap dance class last semester has created a new hobby. She can occasionally be found practicing her own floor routines, a sure stress-reliever.

A stand-out at Hope more for her slight East Coast accent and vocabulary (snores instead of snoring and soda instead of pop) than her study habits, Bean was the fourth-highest student in her class from New Wilmington High, a small rural school in Pennsylvania. Even though she held an outstanding academic record in high school, Bean was still surprised when she achieved a four point average at Hope.

“I wasn’t really confident that I was ready to go to college, handle the academic pressure and adjust to being away from home. I thought it would be harder for me than it was first semester. But this semester I’m working harder.”

Learning toward an English major and psychology minor, Bean is still in the experimental stages of finding the best way to study. She uses different mediums, tries the library, any different atmosphere that provides a change of pace.

In college, Bean is in a “clammer” or “all-nighter.” She will sit all she can into the few hours before a test. But unlike many “clammers,” she doesn’t get nervous before an exam.

“I figure once I’ve studied, that’s all I can do,” I’ll just go into the test and do my best. I keep telling myself I’m as ready as I’m ever going to be.”

The pressure of preserving a perfect grade-point does not make her nervous either. In fact, Bean admits she does not closely track her grades. The value of her education, she says, is not placed on the recorded output but on the overall challenge of learning and the enjoyment derived from that challenge.

Rhonda marvels and is thrilled by the attitudes her professors take toward challenging a student.

“I’m really impressed by my professors. The overall attitudes they take toward teaching is enlightening.” They really appear to enjoy what they do and take an interest in how I’m progressing as their student. That’s important to me.”

This freshman knows that every horn-rims offer no protection to rose-tinted glasses. She realizes college won’t be easy. To continue getting the most out of her classes and persist in meeting new people is what this 4.0 wants most.

There’s always a long way to go.

“I love to study in an easy chair, preferably in a window so I can just look back and do a little reading. I’ll pause once in a while and gaze out the window to take everything in. It makes it easier to internalize my reading, to reflect on it, understand it. I like to study in a relaxed way.”

Thoughtful and insightful.

“This year I’m involved in theatre. I’m playing the part of a psychiatrist in ‘Eve’s.’ I think my beard was a persuasion to typecast.”

Involving and artistic.

David McWatters has no intentions to being bound only to books. A diversified sophomore, McWatters balances the demands of academics and the necessity of a social life.

“I know I have to get out and put the books down every once in a while just to stay sane,” he comments.

Finding an outlet from the rigor of his academic load, the affable young man spans his range of interests all over campus.

His involvement in theatre took him to four or five two-hour practices a week. His activities in Young Life, a high school youth ministry, bring him in contact with teenagers at least once a week.

His role in Student Congress reveals his talent for leadership and concern—and takes up some more time.

And on the side, what there is of it, he occasionally swims and plays to stay in shape, maintains his love for movies and musical theatre and stays true to Maze and Blue football.

Time left to study seemingly comes between breaths.

A top 10 graduate of Grandville (Mich.) High, McWatters cannot pinpoint the amount of time he spends studying each day or week. He could be classified as an organized student, the type who writes over his notes after every class to stamp the facts.

“By the time the tests come around, I’ve been taking all the studying in steps. And over time, the information becomes more internalized, something that is deeper in the memory. So the night before a test is basically just a quick read-through of what I’ve been studying all along.”

A transfer student from Kalamazoo College, where he also maintained an average, McWatters is attending underclassman, taking upper-level courses in history, political science and philosophy, along with the ever-present core requirements.

He does not plan to follow ready-made guidelines for a particular major. McWatters is composing his own composite major, in drama and political science. A career that hopes to eventually place him into law school (The University of Michigan, first choice). Negotiating what he wants from college is important to him.

“The need to stay within my objectives, to pursue what I want from college is the most valuable education for me. I don’t feel that choosing a certain major is bad because you necessarily learn a lot. But for me, variations with certain departments would give me what I need and want.”

He also keeps the pressure of managing a remarkable grade point in perspective. He confides he feels no pressure from anyone else but himself. In fact, encouragement and support are staples received from his parents, Donald and Marie McWatters. And there is no pathological need to make his grade point an only means to an end.

“It’s easy to say. ‘No, I’m not striving for a 4.0,’ when I’m not exactly sure if that’s true. And it’s easy to say, ‘It really doesn’t bother me if I don’t do as well as I’d hoped,’ because I haven’t been disappointed in the past.

“It’s like someone saying winning isn’t everything. Well, that’s easy for someone to say who has been winning and is on top, and can’t really feel being too locked in. The pressure is always there to do the best I can. I have to realize there’s so much more going on out there.”

The expectations and dreams of an ambitious scholar aiming for a career in politics can be high, they are certainly attainable. For McWatters keeping a wider perspective in this smaller world is what keeps his love for politics intact.

He knows there are some things the political world can’t control. He has come to terms with whatever we have to come to terms with.

I hope I will become better as I come more to terms with myself. I see more and feel like I can do more—there’s always a long way to go. Always.”

This personal need to do well.

Being a student has become a way of life for senior Kirk Weller. His academic seems to nurture him.

The joy derived from doing well, making progress and becoming a better thinker is Weller’s reward. He likes being a student and truly enjoys sitting with a book and pen in hand. The status of being a scholar, stepping on the welcome carpet before many doors, is appealing to him.

“I made the decision before I started college to concentrate on my studies and achieve a certain amount of discipline and determination,” he says.

Although Weller carries senior status and could have graduated in May, he has decided to remain one more year at Hope College to fulfill the requirements for a secondary teaching certificate.

A graduate of Mona Shores (Mich.)
High School and the son of Leonard Weller and Marilyn Pickle, he first attended Muskegon Community College and after a couple years transferred his perfect 4.0 to Hope. Despite the switch in schools, the pressure to continue doing well remained, perhaps increased.

"I have this personal need to do well. There is nothing outside that tells me I have to do it. And it's something that goes beyond the grade. I have to be good at what I'm doing. I think we all should strive to be the best we can. The problem is I go overboard and I haven't learned a proper balance."

Grasping with the question of how to keep the scales between his academic and social lives in balance is something Weller has been struggling with for years. He sees abundant opportunities to learn, his favorite thing to do, but wants the luxury of having his cake and eating it with others.

The devoted student believes he studies quite a bit, some days seven to eight hours, others four to five. He says he must work hard at his studies, sinking a lot into his brain by brute force.

"I actually will not give up. I believe it is a matter of priority. I was finding I had to spend more time studying than I did in high school. But more work, harder work, made me find a natural trend. Suddenly I was keeping things in focus."

Weller will habitually stay in one place to study, most likely seated on his bed with a book on his lap and a piece of paper on top. Anywhere else is too distracting for him.

Like any other students, however, Weller finds himself fighting periodic bouts of apathy in which he feels free "to be lazy, sit around, watch TV and eat out too much." He's quick to correct himself though.

"It bothers me when people perceive of me as being hopelessly grade-conscious. If I were grade-conscious I would do just enough to get by because that's how I perceive grade-consciousness. Sure, I have to be grade-conscious to get to this point. But when I'm working beyond what I need to in a particular class, there is no grade-consciousness on my part. I'm working that hard because I enjoy it."

If it seems like 95 percent of Weller's time is spent studying or in class, then the other five percent is enthusiastically channelled to selected diversions.

Dressed in University of Michigan garb and sporting the beginnings of a scruffy beard, Weller admits he lives and dies by Wolverine football on Saturday afternoons. Baseball has always been a favorite spectator sport for him also. It only seems fitting for a man who loves calculation to be interested in a sport so dependent on statistics and percentages.

Music is an intrinsic part of Weller's life. In high school he placed his emphasis on playing the trombone rather than academics. He keeps the old brass polished by playing in Hope's Jazz Band, which practices twice a week and gives a couple concerts each semester.

Weller also volunteers his time to be a "big brother" to a four-year-old, whom he sees a few times a week. "I read to him, we wrestle and go to the Dow Center. It's really been a very good relationship."

And he is a member of PI MU Epsilon, the math honor fraternity. But studying is the center of his schedule.

"I really feel that my purpose as a human being and student is to be adequate at a cognitive level. At this stage in my life I seem like a selfish person because I want to develop myself first. Until I've done that I'm not ready to do much else."

NEWS FROM HOPE COLLEGE, JUNE 1984
League crown caps thriller year

by Tom Renner

The expected and the not-so-expected highlighted end-of-the-year sports action at Hope College.

It hardly came as a surprise when Hope captured its fifth consecutive Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association (MIAA) all-sports championship which is awarded to the college with the best cumulative sports program in the nation's oldest college athletic conference.

It is only the second time in the 50-year history of the all-sports award that a school has won it five years in a row.

Hope crowned champions in five sports (track, men's basketball, women's swimming and women's tennis).

Hope ended with 130 all-sports points, followed by Calvin with 121, Adrian 106, Kalamazoo 73, Adrian 65 and Olivet 59.

The spring sports season was filled with pleasant surprises—the first no-hitter in baseball in two decades, a league batting championship for the second year in a row, an undefeated championship for women's tennis team, three NCAA national qualifiers in men's track and a rare league upset in men's tennis.

WOMEN'S TENNIS: Unbeaten Champs

The Flying Dutch captured their second MIAA championship in three years thanks to posting a rare undefeated season.

It marked the second time this year that a Hope athletic team had gone through the season unbeaten. The other was the 22-0 men's basketball team.

Coach Tanja Shire's Flying Dutch posted a 14-0 dual meet record that included six shutouts and won both the Great Lakes Colleges Athletic Association and Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association tournaments.

Freshman Kim Baxter of Hastings, Mich., Hope's first flight singles player, and junior Cathy Work of Vandalia, Mich. were voted to the all-conference team.

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BASEBALL: Catcher Captures Kudos

Junior catcher Randy Cox of Kalamazoo, Mich., was voted the MIAA baseball player of the year for the second year in a row.

Cox captured the league's batting championship for the second year in a row. He marked the first time in MIAA history that a player won back-to-back batting crowns.

Cox won the championship in dramatic fashion by getting a hit in almost every game. It raised his season average to .430.

Along with Cox, who was voted the most valuable player by his teammates for the second year in a row, received all-MIAA designation along with his teammate Dewayne Motts, a senior from Holland, Mich.

The Dutchmen finished in third place in the MIAA standings and were 13-20 overall. They were 12-11 during the regular season, including 7-3 in their home field.

Junior John Kooner of Grand Rapids had a no-hitter in a 10-0 victory over Hope. It was his first no-hitter by a Hope pitcher since 1965 and only the 11th in the MIAA over the past quarter of a century.

Freshman catcher Matt Nelson with 3.9 GPA was voted to the Academic All-America first team as catcher.

WOMEN'S TRACK: Dark Horse Brightens Season

The Flying Dutch were a solid second-place finisher in the MIAA standings.

Hope crowned three league champions at Field Day, and Hope was more remarkable than the race run by sophomore Ariana Low of Gross Pointe Shores, Mich., who captured the 3,000 meter run gold medal with her first-ever victory in collegiate competition.

Sophomore Paula Smith of Penfield, N.Y., repeated as league champion in the long jump while sophomore Cathy Fox of Kalamazoo won the MIAA long jump crown.

Smith, who was voted most valuable by her teammates, Fox was voted to the all-MIAA team along with senior Debbie Heydorn of Elizabethtown, Mich., and junior Amy Renteria of Kalamazoo, Mich.

MEN'S TENNIS: Second to One

Sport behind small-college tennis power Kalamazoo College is not all that bad.

The Hornets of Kalamazoo have won every league tennis crown since 1935, with only a dual meet upset loss to Hope in 1982 spilling a 289-2 record.

After posting a 3-2 record against more seasoned opponents, the Dutchmen finished a solid second in the MIAA tournament and enjoyed the rare distinction of crowning a league champion: Senior left fielders of Midland, Mich., won the fifth flight singles crown to become the first non-Kalamazoo player in five years to win an individual championship.

Junior Randy Smith of Holland, Mich., was voted to the all-MIAA team for the second year in a row. Senior Derrick Welt of Grand Blanc, Mich., was voted the team's most valuable player, by his teammates while Plomer received the distinction as the most improved.

SOFTBALL: Out of the Cellar

The Flying Dutch improved a notch in the MIAA standings, finishing fifth in the six-team conference race and 4-2-3 overall.

Senior pitcher Robin Pfeiffer of Grand Haven, Mich., set a league record for endurance as she was involved in all 10 league decisions and came within an out of the NCAA Division III MIAA mark for most pitches in a season.

Pfeiffer and junior third baseman Anne Hendricks of Grand Rapids, Mich., were voted to the all-MIAA second team.

Hendricks was the team's leading hitter in conference play with a .363 average and tied the MIAA record for doubles in a season with four.

Pfeiffer was voted the team's most valuable player by her teammates while sophomore Shelly Folkerts of Hamilton, Mich., was selected the most improved.
Putting away childish things, except for...  

by Doug Holm

It happens every spring. No, I’m not talking about the melting of the snowpack, or the blooming of flower bushes, or after another long winter’s sleep. Nor about the funny season of love at first sight. No, sir. What I mean is why the kids at the local elementary school, in order to get their allowance, invent a new pastime: “turning” baseball cards—those cheap pieces of cardboard that your neighbor used to stuff into the back pocket of his jeans, in order to transform it into a monochrome, “That punk.” Mom took such joy in throwing out the unprotected cards that gaudy card your little brother taped on his bedroom wall. The arrival of baseball cards at the local stores was written in stone: spring was here and that summer, long-awaited, was not too far off.

I suppose I could blame my brother Jeff for all of this. He was of card-collecting age (which is about second or third grade) when I was a toddler and, like most toddlers, I was a bother. My brother would give me his “doubles,” (the name given to duplicate cards, which everyone has) to prevent confusion, he would mark a big X on the back of the card. I must have been a bother, because before I could read I had amassed a tidy pile of cards. To this day, I have several cards of 1967-68 vintage marked with red X’s.

One of the beauties of baseball cards, I guess, is that they capture an image, not unlike a snapshot, and that image doesn’t change. Neither do the names they are printed on the cards forever. X’s.

This value of time-frozen, of course, was not important to us at the time. What was important, however, was doing something with our cards. Leave it to my brother to think of some thing. With a ploy of the right sort of card building blocks and eighteen baseball cards he invented the “baseball card game.” He played it with three hands, but I was too young. I too participated. What we did, when Mom and Dad weren’t home (Game Rule #1), was transform the living room into a ball park. We set up the ball diamond (as best we could anyway), allowing for obstacles we couldn’t move, like walls and, finally, placing the cards at their respective positions on the “field,” using the cards for support. The person whose team had been victorious in this field would be the pitcher, the other of course, the batter, with the batter being the baseball card of the player due up. I don’t know what we played “play-ers” in the field. They couldn’t move. In fact, they usually just got in the way. The standard baseball rules applied to our game. With one exception: hitting your opponent (anyone) with the ball as he desperately tried to move his base-mates was the primary problem. It involved plenty of crying, yelling and rolling. It was especially tough if a player were “out” and one had to get to first base, then the card already at first had to be transported to second base (imagine if the bases were loaded) Several ridiculous scores were made over the game. Once those were out, the team in the field had to be collected and the other team had to be positioned. A lot of times, it took longer to prepare for an inning than to play it.

The most important part of the game, however, was choosing the players. We normally chose the players, but one time a draft was actually held and the players were bought with pennies. It never occurred to us that all the cards were the same. A card portraying Willie Mays was really Willie Mays, and thus, he was expected to hit a lot better than a card picturing Ray Oyler, who also got a lot of attention to make up the batting order. You had total control over the players and felt like a big-league manager. It was a great game.

But people do grow older, and my brother was no exception. As a result, I found myself the owner of all of my brother’s cards and the baseball card game became extinct. For the next few years I conscientiously upheld the tradition of collecting cards every spring and summer. Although it was still fun, it wasn’t the same.

The spirit was restored, however, when Paul moved into the neighborhood. We became friends and baseball soon became a main part of our lives, with the collecting of baseball cards just an aspect of it. From 1976 to 1984, Paul and I were avid buyers, traders and collectors of baseball cards (not to mention expert bubble-gum chewers).

One of our favorite things to do was to hop on our bikes and pedal furiously to Wonder Drug and buy five, ten or twenty packs of baseball cards. In this manner, you would receive the entire year’s set of cards. About $10.00 or so, a pack was priced in the mail— and that was it. We thought it was great. We never really thought of buying this way were depriving ourselves of the best part of collecting cards: buying a few packs at a time, sorting and weeding out the doubles and trading, those processes which had taken an entire season to evolve were now compressed into one day. Suddenly, the old goal of completing a season’s set weren’t just in reach, but easily attainable. And because of this, for a while, collecting baseball cards was more fun than it had ever been.

Our collections became more sophisticated— three-ring notebooks and plastic sheets (with little pockets to hold cards) replaced rubber bands and shoe boxes. Checklists that were printed on the cards themselves weren’t as much as a welcome gift along with baseball cards worth money. The condition of cards was now important, meaning that a card in “mint condition,” a card with no tears or folds, was worth much more than a “pressed card.”

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Doug Holm is a sophomore from Waterford, Mich. His essay begins an occasional series which will present student writing on a variety of topics.

NEWS FROM HOPE COLLEGE, JUNE 1984
Reunions renew ties


Row 4: Geo Forston, Barb Forston, Vernon Konin, Larry TerMeulen, Don Paarburg, Nick Lamming, Carol VanderMeer Bechtel, Ron Becker '58, Carl Van Beek, Al Bursma, Don Knopp

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TWELVE NEWS FROM HOPE COLLEGE, JUNE 1964
CLASS OF 1949

Row 1: Ted Boeve, Muncie Vande Wege Boeve, Alice Modenaar Tyler, Shirley Leslie Dykstra, Barbara VanDyke VandeVaa, Julianah Schiap Barton, Russell Horton, Martin Kraay, Elizabeth Weaver Kraay, Edgar Chandler, Carolyn Ingham Chandler, Joan Sheel Dekker, Marion Heiman Agee, Iris VandeBunte Myaard, Shirley Knol Leslie, Judith Mulder VanZanten


Row 3: Donald Rinkus, Frances Scholten Rinkus '52, George Zuidema, Joan Houman Zuidema '52, William DeMeester, Marian Eduard DeMeester '54, Edward Kassig, Betty Kassig, Joan Mossiner Kope, Owen Kope, Susan Irish Bennett '54, Bill Bennett, Betty DeRyke Besaw, Kenneth Besaw '52


Row 5: Bernard Scott '55, Lois DeKleine Scott, John DeHaan, Jr. '55, Peggy Bruns DeHaan, Bob van Orsland, Isabel Bishop Vanderlaan '56, Lillian Wygarden Van Slot '56, Andrew Van Slot, Elise Hinkamp Van Hoest '56, Donald van Herst, Goose Lemmen Kraay '56, Russell Kraay '56, Max Borsman '56, Connie Hinga Borsman, Herman Ridder, Lenora DeBoer Ridder '59, Jay Werner, Jean Wierama Weener, Ernie Mercur, Jeri Uppleger Meursen '56, Ann Dykstra, Bill Dykstra, Amy Koning Kleinschmit, Bob Kleinschmit '51

Row 7: Jack French, Margorie Lucking French '56, David Hogerreedy, Carol Hogerreedy '56

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FOURTEEN

CLASS OF 1954

Row 1: Marilyn Smith '56, William Smith, Laurence Barkel, Marge Barkel '56, William Helder, Leonore Racen Helder, Janet Baird Westep '58

Row 2: Ruth Bloodgood Hascup, Jack Hascup '58, Lois Hinga, Byron Aldrich, Anne Edna Helmhaan, Sue Zuermer Visser, Mary Foster Simons, Frances DeValois Schramm, Dorothy Webster '58, Neen Webster

Row 3: David Angus, Gertha Angus, Bob Dolthme, Shirley Finger, Helen Van Loo, Ruth Headriss Martin '58, Jeananne Borchert Thomas, Elaine Ford Coffin, Richard Coffin, Nance Carpenter Lubbers, Donald Lubbers, Joyce Bierens French, O. Nathan French '59


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NEWS FROM HOPE COLLEGE, JUNE 1984
Distinguished alumni lineup rewarded
The call of the swamp

by Eileen Beyer

"We leave at 1:30 in the morning and drive north, near Marion. We get to their breeding ground before dawn and sleep down a cup of coffee with a sandwich. Or a cookie."

"The blinds are out, maybe 100 yards and we walk to them. What we're doing is experiencing the dawn. Before it starts to get light, you can hear the courtship flight of the males—it's an aerial display and their tail feathers make a whistling sound so you hear this 'piisssssh,' but you can't see them. It's so dark.

"A little bit later you start to hear the Savannah sparrows—this insect-like buzz—and you're picking up all the sounds of dawn before you can actually see them.

"And then, finally, you get the sound of the prairie chicken—this low booming that comes from your gut, and you start to see a little movement. And it develops until you can be able to say for sure, 'Aahh, that's a chicken.' But you still can't really make it out.

"Then finally you see them, along with American bitterns, marsh hawks, short-eared owls.

"We watch them all and observe the behavior of the chickens. And then we go into Marion for one of the world's best breakfasts and get back in time for the 11:30 a.m. class.

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Eldon Greij is describing one of several field trips he makes each year with his ornithology class. As is always the case when he talks about birding, there's so much drama and high adventure, the students are not surprised at the rest of the people off their throats. It sounds like blowing over a Coke bottle. Or like an oboe.

"Finally, your eyes start playing tricks on you, and your eyes are big and you start to see a little movement. And it develops until you can be able to say for sure, 'Aahh, that's a chicken.' But you still can't really make it out.

"Then finally you see them, along with American bitterns, marsh hawks, short-eared owls.
A tweet-talking guy

by Laurie J. Brown

Why do birds sing? A simple question, but the answer is complicated. Bird songs may be Mother Nature’s spiring Muzak to mates, but Donald Kroodsma ‘68 can’t bear it when people try to make sense of bird songs.

Kroodsma, a professor at the University of Massachusetts zoology department in Amherst for the past four years, has an international reputation as a birding expert.

His melodic study has discovered that even a simple brown thrasher can sing as many as 2,000 songs. Kroodsma amplifies the standard “tweet-tweet” definition of a birdsong into a “a one-to-three second flourish separated from the next by a pause.”

Kroodsma’s interest in songbirds was spurred after being “driven from the lab,” he said, as a chemistry major. His senior-year project in vertebrate zoology clinched it as he studied birds in the marshes of Windmill Island at 6:00 a.m. with his later-to-be-wife Melissa. Hope professor and ornithology expert Elton Greij speculates that it was “love in the work.”

While working at the Michigan Field Station for graduate school at Oregon State University, he learned to identify birds by their songs. This, he said, “sowed the seeds” for his present research in bird songs.

The zoology professor uses a special machine called a sonograph to graph tape-recorded songs of birds around his home and on the UMass campus. The sonograph makes note of frequency, intensity and duration of sounds. Kroodsma’s complex study also involves many long hours of pointing over graphs, banding baby birds, and observing adults and their singing patterns.

Kroodsma’s many claims to fame is that he was featured in the 1961 Ripley’s Believe It or Not, for bringing to light the brown thrasher’s repertoire of 2,800 distinctly different songs.

Kroodsma’s specialty and favorite bird is the wren. Wrens can sing 100 to 200 different songs. Kroodsma has 500 songs, each with a unique meaning.

Kroodsma is studying environmental effects on 25 of some birds. By keeping to light, and to harmonies and creating controlled days, he can control how various hatching stages affect the sounds and songs of the young. Birds are 15-hour days, for instance, thinking it is mid-fall, singing long and lusty.

It is a challenge to try and satisfy my mental curiosity as well as others’ curiosity about birds.”

“Toward me how they have little brains control such complex vocalization.” Kroodsma

Birds are widely interesting. Greij. Photo by Louis Schadel

NEWS FROM HOPE COLLEGE, JUNE 1984

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This summer is your chance to expand your circle of Hope friends, provided you plan your travels within the Hope Hospitality Network.

In our past two issues, we asked readers in the business of serving people's leisure to tell us about their hospitality businesses.

Since the editor's request for an extended vacation to check each spot out firsthand was denied, we advertise these businesses with no recommendations other than our alumni director's assurance that the nicest people in the world run them.

Several respondents have offered to prove their Hope spirit by offering discounts to visitors who present the coupon on this page.

So, find your scissors, your suitcases and sunglasses and keep an eye out for the Hope welcome mats ahead.

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Holland, Mich. 49423
(616)392-7479

"Black River Gallery is a co-operative gallery run by the artists. It is four years old and the only permanent sales gallery in the Holland area. Numerous artists are represented. Downtown main street location on street level. Wide variety of arts & crafts, e.g., abstract & representational, functional, ceramics & sculpture, woodwork, stained glass & fibers, etc. The following alumni artists are represented: Dennis DeWitt Jr., Lincoln Schroeder, Joe Salters Jr., Margo Baker, Keith Vanderhulst, Ken Vanderhulst, Paula Vanderwall Jr."

Beacon Restaurant
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"Our large VOS is a 75 ft. Dutch Kipper which has been refitted as a deluxe passenger barge for charter to parties of two-six passengers. In summer 1984, she will operate on France's southern Channel. She is skippered by British Mike Repper, who has run a boat on the continent since 1971 and is one of Europe's most experienced and knowledgeable waterway captains. Mike's wife, Jane, and two other crew members are represented. Contact: Mike Repper, 61 Leestma, (312)944-2779."

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1721 Hope Street
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Contact: Nancy Stroshine, 183 Van Pernamend
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"Our business is the old 'Kitchen Kupboard.' Three years ago my husband, John, and I spent two weeks restoring the building and turning it into a successful business. We sell gift baskets, special orders and sectional rates. Our specialty is the 'turtle sundae.' We also sell Hudsonville Ice Cream. The only ice cream store in town; it's a soft served cream. We are open year-round. We sell a variety of items, such as ice cream, coffee, tea, soda, and other special items. We are proud of our business and all the hard work we have put into it. We are also very proud of our customers, the young people and staff of Camp Geneva. We are clean, there are benches and a picnic table outside and a small lunch bar inside. There is nothing like a hot turtle sundae and a stroll on the beach!"

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Hope College, Holland, Mich. 49423
ALUMNI NEWS

alumni beat
by Vern Schipper

"A Gathering..." "The Art Event," "Gallopathon," "Ad Hoc Committee," all of these and many other words describe a new and exciting event planned for the weekend of June 29, 30, and July 1. It's the assembling of graduates of the 60's, 70's, and 80's for a special campus weekend organized by Rich Williams '75, planned by the "Ad Hoc Committee," including Hope faculty.

starting with dinner dance on Friday evening and culminating with a special worship in the pine grove under the leadership of former Chapel Hill Will Hillsbein on Sunday morning, it promises to be a weekend of renewed friendships and great fun.

Location letters and reservation forms have been sent out to a list of persons given to the Alumni Office by the committee. If you do not receive one and are interested, please contact us. The committee is anxious to hear from you. They have done a terrific job of planning this event for you.

"Alumni Day 1984 was very successful. More than 500 alumni participated in reunions on Friday night and Saturday with the Alumni Banquet attending 600. It was great to have such a large turnout on a beautiful weekend. It was amazing to see how many alumni are parents of 1984 graduates.

Three regional meetings were completed in the month in April. Jan Haithceter '57 and Kay Newell Brown '62 arranged a very unusual meeting for Long Island, New York City and north Jersey alumni at "The Stadium Club" at the Meadowlands Sports Complex. More than 140 alumni, parents and friends enjoyed dinner and saw the new Hope film "Citizenship." Meetings followed in Philadelphia and Washington, D.C. Fran Hooper '75 of the Washington Club helped arrange the Philadelphia meeting. Vice President Del De Young and Director of Development John Nordstrom represented the college.

A new regional meeting is being held in St. Louis on May 15. Chaired by Cheryl 77 and Lester 75 Hill, it brings together members of our Hope family for the first time in this location.

Southwest Michigan and northern Indiana alumni will meet on June 23, in the historic Studebaker Museum in South Bend. Set aside the date today and be prepared for a great evening with the Hope family. Wisconsin alumni, parents and friends, please reserve Saturday, July 21, for an exciting day at Green Lake in the heart of Wisconsin's western lakes. Dave DeYoung and Alice Pyle have planned an event that includes a boat trip, fishing, swimming and a box of activities during the afternoon. We will gather for an early dinner.

The Alumni Board met under President Marjorie Lucking's leadership during Alumni Day/Commencement weekend. A new constitution and a set of bylaws for the Alumni Association has been completed. A final approval is scheduled for the fall meeting in October with submission to the annual meeting in the spring of 1985. It's another forward step for our Alumni Association and provides groundwork for broader participation from the region and for you to tell your classmates and alumnae to submit the names of worthy candidates for the Distinguished Alumni Award.

A special word of thanks to all reunion chairpersons and committees for planning excellent reunion class programs. These groups gave the needed leadership and assured our Alumni Day of success.

Already plans for the Fall Homecoming Weekend are underway. The H-Club Board has met and a noon luncheon for October 28 is set. Class reunions for the 5- and 10-year classes will begin at 9 a.m. on the 20th. The class of 1954 is co-sponsored by Sharon Moncey Schrander and Cathy Welsh-Joyzd, Class of 1975 by Harold and Donna Bredt Dehls. Each group will be meeting during the summer months to plan a gathering for these 5- and 10-year classes.

I join the Alumni Board in expressing appreciation to the more than 300 Hope alumni who have submitted nominations either by personal contacts with students accepted to Hope. The enrollment potential for all is bright and these persons have a significant difference.

Remember, our summer golf outing is set for July 17 at the Holland Country Club. Chairman Tim Huxley promises this will be the "best ever." Make your plans to be in Holland to meet your Hope friends.


news about Hopeites

Please use the space below for news that you'd like to communicate to your fellow Hopeites. Tell us about appointments and promotions, expressions that haven't been meaningful to you. Before that have come your way, travels, hobbies, or ideas that you think are worth sharing with others. This column should be used to inform us of marriages, births, and advanced degrees. If you have recently been featured in a local newspaper or other publications, please attach clipping.

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news notes:

Frieda Grote '45 Weissman received the Distinguished Service Award from the Advocates for Appropriate Education at the Oak Harbor (Wash.) Chamber of Commerce.

Vince Van Lam '66 is the president of the Holland (Mich.) Economic Development Corporation.

Kenneth J. Waller '48 has been elected chairman of the Board of Directors of the N.E.C.A. President's Commission. Ken is president of Central College in Pella, Iowa, and has been active in the N.E.C.A. since 1977.

Harold Dykstra '50 has retired after 14 years as pastor of the Presbyterian Community Church in Silver Lake, Grandview, and Qumode. Harold was one of the first circuit-riding preachers of the West.

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Mary Berard '50, retired emeritus professor of health and physical education from Lock Haven University, moved to Blasenpole, Bay at Weller in Naples, Fla. Mary is enjoying golf and tennis.

Everyone was pleased to see the annual state-wide "Outstanding Special Needs Educator" award given by the Michigan Occupational Special Needs Association. Rose has coordinated Zeeland. (Mich.) High School's special needs program for 22 years.

William Delwisch '50, director of management operations for the National United States Department of State, and a former ambassador to Mozambique, gave the keynote address at Hope College's annual Model United Nations.

Robert De Young '30 and his son, Robert Jr. '78 work in their family run business, Fulton Foods. Robert Sr. 's father started the business in 1912.

Gerrit Berk '44 has retired as assistant professor in the department of biological science at Hope College.

Ted Rycenga '51 will retire as supervisor of spring Lake school district on June 30. Ted served the district for 35 years, the past 12 as chief administrator.


Jack Hasmukh '53 represented Hope College at the inauguration of the new president of Princeton Theological Seminary.

Arend Lubbers '55, president of Grand Valley State College, has been named to the newly formed NCAA President's Commission.

Harvey Lugten '54 will retire as superintendent of Byrner Center school district in June. Harvey served the district for 25 years.

Jane Baker '57 is a clinical professor of pathology at the University of California Medical School at Irvine.

Richard Rhem '57 has been on a sabbatical leave from Christ Community Church in Springfield, Ill. During May and June he will be at the University of Leiden in the Netherlands.

Jack Welbenbach '57 is the pastor of the First Presbyterian Church in DeLand, FL.

Everett Nieman '58, professor of chemistry and forensic science at Ferris State College, is the recipient of a Michigan Association of Governing Boards of Michigan Colleges award. The award was recognized for his "outstanding contributions to chemical and forensic science education which have stimulated and inspired the many students whom he has taught."

Aileen McCollock '58 Redeker spoke on child abuse at the Tri-Cities Churches Ministries Forum monthly luncheon in Grand Haven. Mich. Aileen also spoke as an executive board member of PNCA Support Group Abuse and Neglect.

William Bagate '59 is the mayor of the Borough of Bloomsburg, Pa.

Send to: College Relations, Hope College, Holland, Michigan 49423

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NINETEEN
day, are veterans in Chicago, Ill.

Douglas Deutsch '82 is in the Air Force. He has
been studying Russian at the Defense Language
Institute. This summer he will be in 1983 at

Susan Harter '82 is an associate marketing
representative with American Express Services in
Lansing, Mich.

Aan Hartney '82 is a field execut of the Silver
Sage Girl Scout Council serving southeastern Iowa
and in July Ann will be transferring to the council
headquarters in Boise.

William Hoekstra '82 is attending Emory Uni-
versity in Atlanta, Ga. William is working on a
graduate degree in organic chemistry.

Nancy Mackthor '82 works in public relations
and development for the National Institute for
Music Theatre in Washington, D.C.

Molly Marksby '82 works for Hawaii Products in
Grand Rapids, Mich.

Amy Purvis '82 is a second year fresh water fish
researcher at Corps volunteer in Kari Ocelot.
Zen, Africa.

Susan Rankin '82 will be graduating from Amer-
ican College's emergency medical service program
this summer.

David Rhein '82 will be working this summer for
the law firm of Lansdowne, Laymon, Lathrop,
Chain and Roble in Muskegon, Mich.

Claire Jefferies '82 Sheppard is a research
room teacher in South Cayuga Central School Dis-
trict in Auburn, N.Y.

Jackie Staub '82 works for BDO Chicago adver-
sing agency in Chicago, III.

Yasuhiro Sugimaki '82 is a systems analyist at
the Systems Products Division of IBM in Austin, Texas.

Susan Wiseman '83 Allport is a specialist 4 in the
U.S. Army stationed at Ft. Riley, Kans.

Tim Arnold '83 is the art teacher at Hamilton
Mick Community Schools.

Craig Yer '83 is a missionary associate in Japan,
travelling at Konan Gakuen High School.

Philip Rausch '83 is writing and producing com-
mercials at WRG-TV in Colorado Springs, Colo.

Jeanne Bonnette '83 is a ninth grade special educa-
tion teacher in Denver, Colo.

Richard Kennedy '83 is the midshipman for
WOQT and weekend personality for WQCD-FM in
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The job market has become a little brighter this year for college graduates, reports Dale Austin, director of placement services.

At the same time he emphasizes that the improvement is in comparison to last year's market, which most analysts say was the worst since World War II, with nationwide hiring down 30-50 percent.

In comparison to last year, hiring appears to be up at least 5 percent and perhaps as much as 24 percent, say several early studies.

The new crop of Hope graduates has been particularly successful landing jobs in computer science, accounting, and sales, says Austin. In contrast, job offers in humanities and social-sciences-related fields are scarce.

There has been no significant increase in average starting salaries, but they have remained stable, Austin notes.

Obviously, getting the right job is still no means an easy process for college graduates, says Austin. He favors the term "pro-active" to describe the attitudes successful job-seekers should adopt.

Austin is buoyed by the fact that 68 percent of this year's senior class has established credentials files or come in for placement counseling.

"I feel that's very good especially when you consider that 20-30 percent of our seniors go on to grad school and might not have immediate use of our services," he notes.

Furthermore, a survey of Class of '83 graduates which was conducted last fall by the Alumni Office showed only a three percent unemployment rate among respondents.

Austin aims for high visibility among students, contacting all juniors and seniors by letter several times and conducting a number of campus-wide workshops each year. The keynote is, he says, to make students aware of the options and resources available, but the bottom line is the student's initiative.

"The sharp ones see me in their junior year and start sending out their resumes the following summer. This is important not only because it means that their resumes are being reviewed by the desks of the person hiring, but it also shows the hiring that this person is present and planning ahead," Austin says.

Austin advises that seniors devote at least 2-3 hours per week to their job search. It is not unusual to spend over 100 resumes, he notes. Establishing personal contacts within one's chosen profession is "critical," he says, noting that half of all hiring results from networking.

Students are also advised to be flexible in their choice of jobs and willing to relocate to other areas of the country.

But can a history major really be happy managing a K-Mart in Nebraska, one asks.

"Sure," says Austin, especially if that major is "fairly practical" and was the field he wrote out of personal interest rather than professional commitment.

With the Department of Labor predicting a 2-3 million surplus of college graduates entering the labor force this decade, students must come to terms with the fact that they may not find their first jobs in the occupation of choice, experts say.

Austin is revving up for the times by investigating four primary regions in which to market Hope graduates through strong personal contact with personnel people, studying the possibility of converting to a computerized file system to speed up transactions and taking steps to set up a broad-based alumni consultant network.

Does Austin frequently feel as if he's one hand holding the bag of liberal arts education?

Never, he responds. In his view breadth still wins over shorter-lived marketability.

In purely practical terms, a college education is still worth it, Austin says.

"Absolutely," most experts say.

"The money and the most highly regarded careers will belong to the educated, even allowing for economic change and the difficulties that many workers in many fields will have in finding jobs," concludes a New York Times analyst.
marriages
Fr. Riley, Kan.
Holland, Mich.
Bryan Austin and Mary Mathison, '80, Apr. 9, 1984.
Smith, Ga.
Jeffrey Cash and Donna Davis, '63, Feb., 1984.
Tampa, Fla.
Evan Davis and Joan Bolman, Apr. 13, 1984.
Zelien, Mich.
Louisville, Ky.
Douglas DeWitt and Barbara Gruber, July 2, 1983.
San Antonio, Texas.
John Gibson and Jani Teleskis, '80, April 21, 1984.
Zelien, Mich.
Cortland, Ind.
Webster, N.Y.
Tarpon Springs, Fla.
Seth Johnson and Sue VanderNacht, July 23, 1983.
Williamston, Ill.
Holland, Mich.
Holland, N.Y.
Andy Robinson and Kathy Seekers, '80, April 20, 1983.
Berea, N.H.
Grand Rapids, Mich.

Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.
Bruce Smith and Jeanne Porter, April 14, 1984.
Canonsburg, N.Y.
James VanDeWeers and Sandy Talmage, April 7, 1984.
Burlington, Mich.
Garrett VanDeWeers and Sandy Wieland, May 7, 1983.
Madison, Wis.
Hato Rey, Puerto Rico

advanced degrees
William Berger, '66, M.D., Vanderbilt University.
Anna Friis, '76, B.S.W., The University of Michigan, May, 1982.
Dawn Richardson, '77, B.M., social education,
University of Tulsa, Dec., 1983
Ellen deJonge, '82, M.D., Adelphi University.
Janet Williams, '72, M.S., University of Nebraska.
Robert Gusto, '80, M.E., chemical engineering,
Steven's Institute of Technology, May, 1984.
Bruce Guzz, '75, Ph.D., University of California, Dec., 1983.
Richard Hine, '72, J.D., Arizona State University.
Sharon Buck '81, C.A., finance, Indiana University.
May, 1984

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JULY 6-SEPT. 8
The musical blockbuster by Frank Loesser, Jo Swerling and Abe Burrows.
The Broadway underworld comes to life in this lively love story with such favorite songs as “Luck Be a Lady,” “A Bushel and a Peck” and “Sit Down, You’re Rockin’ The Boat.”

The Taming of the Shrew
JULY 13-SEPT. 5
A lusty battle of the sexes by William Shakespeare.
This rousing tale of love and conquest sets strong-willed Kate against determined Petruchio in the fast-paced and decadent world of Padua.

CANDIDE
JULY 27-SEPT. 7
This unique musical fantasy follows the exhilarating escapades of the noble youth Candide in search of “The Best of All Possible Worlds.”

Children of a Lesser God
AUG. 3-SEPT. 6
An illuminating love story by Mark Medoff.
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