New Library Named for Van Wylen

The Hope College Board of Trustees announced at its fall meeting that the new library will be named in honor of President Gordon and Margaret Van Wylen. Construction on the new Gordon J. and Margaret D. Van Wylen Library will begin next spring.

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Leaves Rich Legacy
President Irwin J. Lubbers Dies At Age 89

Irwin Jacob Lubbers, the seventh president of Hope College, died Sept. 8, in Grand Rapids, Mich., at the age of 89 following a long illness.

"Many of the strengths Hope College enjoys today can be traced directly to the vision and leadership of Irwin Lubbers," said Hope College President Gordon Van Wylen. "This is clearly evident in the many outstanding campus facilities that were built during Dr. Lubbers' presidency. Of even greater significance, however, was the fact that Dr. Lubbers brought Hope into the mainstream of higher education in this country. Hope College owes much to Dr. Lubbers and is deeply grateful for the rich legacy he has left to the college."

A memorial scholarship fund has been established in Dr. Lubbers' name. Tributes were given to Dr. Lubbers at a memorial service held Sept. 15 in Dimnent Chapel. As a student, teacher, administrator, and trustee, he spent 50 years of his life involved in the activities of Hope. In these roles, he established a variety of relationships with friends and colleagues, of which four men paid their tribute to him during the service.

"Irwin Lubbers was a man endowed with many great gifts and he used these gifts for noble purposes," stated Dr. Van Wylen. "He had a gift of vision, of dreaming about better and nobler things, about a better campus, about stronger academic programs, about enhancing the reputation of the College."

Dr. John Hollenbach, professor emeritus of English, who knew Dr. Lubbers for the entirety of his presidency and retirement, called him "a modest man and a realist."

"He recognized that a college is a complex community. Purposes could be fulfilled only when all the members of the community performed their best, sustained by a vision and working toward goals that were worthy. Irwin's vision, for himself and his college, was deeply rooted in the Christian faith, the love to serve God and his fellow creatures. His task, he recognized, was to help all in the community of Hope come closer to becoming what they could be."

"No one's personal values reflected more fully the institutional values of the College," said his son, Arend Don Lubbers, the president of Grand Valley State Colleges. "Out of this understanding..."

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At their fall meeting, the Board of Trustees agreed to appropriately name the new library for Gordon and Margaret Van Wylen in recognition of their leadership and dedication to Hope.

"Hope has maintained its distinctiveness as a Christian liberal arts college because of the leadership of the Van Wylen family," said Board Chairman Victor Einicke. "They arrived here at a pivotal point in the College's history. We acknowledge the tireless efforts in their professional and personal lives on behalf of the College."

President Van Wylen will be retiring after the 1986-87 school year.

The new library will be located on the west side of the campus, along College Avenue between Tenth Street and Graves Place. The project has been estimated to cost $8.5 million.

The available space in the new library will be 92,000 square feet, capable of housing 300,000 volumes and equipped for modern library technology. Van Zorren will be renovated to house academic departments and the College's growing archival collections.

The new library has been designed by the Boston architectural firm of Shepley, Bulfinch, Richardson, and Abbott.

Enrollment for the 1985-86 school year at Hope College declined slightly from a year ago, according to Registrar Jon Huisken.

The headcount is 2,552 this year. Last year the Hope student body totaled 2,560. College officials project that the enrollment will decline slightly from the previous year but noted that the admissions goal of 900 incoming freshmen was met.

The number of students attending college for the first time totals 592 while the number of students transferring to Hope from other colleges and universities is 79. There are 49 students studying in off-campus programs.

The enrollment by class, with last year's in parentheses, is: freshmen 689 (720), sophomores 629 (594), juniors 444 (637), seniors 527 (393) and special students 235 (206).

Grateful Glimpses: President Gordon Van Wylen watches as his wife, Margaret, expresses their appreciation of having the new library named in their honor. The unanimous board decision is the first time in Hope's history that a building has been named for the president and his wife while they are still serving the College.

The student body is comprised of 1,122 men and 1,400 women from 36 states and 28 foreign countries.

Michigan has the largest student representation with 1,935, followed by Illinois 156, and New York 96.

A Task Force has been appointed by the Hope College Board of Trustees to determine ways in which the College can use its educational resources to address the issue of South Africa.

The Board of Trustees at its May meeting, in response to a request from the College's Student Congress, took several actions on the issue of South Africa, including appointment of the Task Force which has been charged with seeking ways to build bridges of communication with various elements within South African society, including churches and educational institutions.

The Task Force membership was determined by the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees, representing the Board of Trustees. Representing the Board of Trustees will be Marian Hughes of Albany, N.Y., Carl Ver Beek of Grand Rapids, Mich., and Carol Wagner of Oak Lawn, Ill. Faculty representatives will include Dr. K. J. Attoh, chairman of the geology department, Dr. E. E. Whitney, dean for the arts and humanities, and Evert J. and H. E. Bekker, professors of Religion, and Dr. N. S. Sabola, director of international education. Student representatives will include Beth French, freshmen; Rich Holm, sophomore; Whitney Leigh, junio from Chicago, Ill.; and Dick Zegeye, senior from Mattawan, Mich. Ver Beek will serve as chairman of the task force.

Hope College President Gordon J. Van Wylen serves as an ex-officio member.

The Task Force will be given latitude to extend its concerns to other countries where there are issues comparable to those in South Africa.

It is expected the Task Force will submit a report at the January, 1986 meeting of the Board of Trustees.

"We are all aware of the dramatic and tragic events that are taking place in South Africa," said President Van Wylen. "This makes the challenge of using our educational resources to address this grievous problem one of the most urgent and challenging ever. I sincerely hope that something very definite, very constructive, and very significant can come from the work of the Task Force."

Hope College has been awarded a grant by the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) to support "Paired Courses to Integrate Disciplines."

The $71,000 grant will help support this new concept in interdisciplinary studies, which will be implemented in the spring of 1986. The program takes required courses of related subject matter and structures them in pairs to reinforce one another during the same semester, according to Provost Jacob E. ten Hues."
will fund faculty salaries and visiting scholars, and support two three-week workshops for faculty members during the summers of 1986 and 1987. The workshops will serve as a vehicle for faculty members to become more familiar with their colleagues work in other departments.

Hope College has been selected for inclusion in the fourth edition of Peterson's Competitive Colleges, just published by Peterson's Guides. This is the second year in a row Hope has been selected by Peterson's.

This new edition of Peterson's Competitive Colleges presents comparative data on 316 colleges that consistently have more undergraduate applicants with above-average capabilities than they can accept. This group of colleges represents less than 10 percent of all American institutions of higher education.

A paper by Hope College political science professors Robert E. Elder Jr. and Jack E. Holmes was presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association in New Orleans.

Their paper, "U.S. Foreign Policy Moods, Institutional Change, and Change in the International Economic System," was part of an international relations panel on "Cycles of Domination: Hierarchy, Dependence, and the Basic Rhythms of Political Change."

The purpose of the panel was to explore Frank L. Klingberg's introverted-extroverted foreign policy mood and Arthur Schlesinger's liberal-conservative domestic political cycles.

The paper is the fifth in a series which builds on American foreign policy mood research by Holmes and Elder's background in research methodology.

A book by Hope College English professor Peter Schakel has been awarded the Scholarship Award for 1984 by the Mythopoeic Society of America.

The book, Reason and Imagination in C.S. Lewis: A Study of "Till We Have Faces," (Eerdmans) was praised by the society's journal because of its "acute analyses" and "revolutionary interpretations" of works by Lewis and called it "the definitive work on Till We Have Faces."

Schakel is Peter C. and Emaesan Cook Professor of English and chairman of the English department and has published two other books on C.S. Lewis.

Publication of the book The Organists' Manual by Roger E. Davis, professor of music at Hope College, has been announced by W.W. Norton & Co. in New York.

The book holds an international copyright by W.W. Norton and Co. and is being published by Stodart in Canada and is pending publication in London by Faber Music or Norton Limited.

The book provides technical studies for the manuals and pedagogy, together with information on interpretation and technique. It is meant for the beginning organist but is also for those experienced organists who wish to review organ technique. The book also includes a collection of well-known organ compositions for study and performance.

Many firsts (good and not-so-good). Todd Stewart (26) rushes the football during Hope's Homecoming defeat against Adrian, 21-14. It was the Dutchmen's first Homecoming loss in 20 years and first home defeat since 1981. The game was televised on a local station, making it the first NCAA III game in Michigan seen live on the tube.

Knowing the Value of Learning

Simply emitting his address, "Learning and Teaching," McKeachie said he found a variety of students who view learning in totally different ways. There are those, he noted, who rely on learning solely through the professor, those who suggest the need for a teacher's help and having self-discipline, and still those who learn totally through and in themselves. "All too many teachers and students view learning as essentially memorizing and reading and re-reading," continued McKeachie.

He explained that conditions should be provided and created where learning becomes meaningful rather than something that is just memorized and then soon forgotten.

"Most of our learning really is meaningful learning," McKeachie said. "We know that there is some degree to which we can relate things to previous knowledge and experience. Meaning comes into our learning when we've made it our own and constructed it for ourselves. That is the kind of learning which is likely to be retained and retrieved when we need it."

Over the past ten years though, McKeachie cited a change in trends in what students want to get out of college. In the early 70s, students were concerned with finding a philosophy of life and helping others. Today, found in recent studies, the number one concern for students is finding a good job and making a good living. To McKeachie, these are all laudable goals but there should be something more implied than just getting a good educational value.

"Learning values, the relationship and conflict between values and action, these are things you need to develop and a well-rounded liberal arts education will help you achieve that," McKeachie said. "Jesus said, 'I am the truth and the truth shall make you free.' Truth is not something out there that professors know and tell you. Truth is embodied in persons--in lives that express truth in personal relationships with the universe and other people. It's that kind of truth I hope you learn to achieve here at Hope College." McKeachie concluded.

Honorary degrees of doctor of letters were conferred upon McKeachie and Norbert J. Hinby, president of Aquinas College, during the ceremony.

Letters

My late mother, Margaret One '29, would have been 80 years old this year she died. As she died the day I was born, I never had an opportunity to know her, leaving a void in my life which increases each year.

I have been interested in preparing a memorial for her in the form of memories of her by those who would have known her during her Hope College days.

I would appreciate it very much if any of you might care to write something you remember about her during those years, and would also appreciate any photos or other Hope memorabilia (such as programs, etc.) you could spare.

My intention is to compile an album, then present the original to the Hope archives.
ADMISSIONS

Visit Day
For prospective Hope students, including transfers, high school juniors and seniors. Visitation opportunities and their parents are a typical day in the life of a Hope student. Ample opportunities to meet students, faculty and staff. Contact Pam Te Winkle in the Admissions Office for details.

Friday, Nov. 1, 1985
Friday, Nov. 8, 1984
Friday, Nov. 22, 1985
Friday, Jan. 17, 1986
Friday, Feb. 7, 1986
Friday, March 7, 1986
Friday, April 11, 1986

FOOTBALL YOUTH DAY - Nov. 2
Reformed Church senior high youth groups are invited to take a closer look at Hope and attend a football game. Contact Pam Te Winkle in the Admissions Office for details.

NEW JERSEY PLANE TRIP - Nov. 7-9
An opportunity to visit Hope College. $135 includes round trip airfare from Newark to Holland, housing with a current Hope student, meals, activity pass and entertainment. Contact Ken Neveel in the Admissions Office for details.

CHICAGO/Detroit Area Bus Trips - Feb. 6-8
Chicago and Detroit area high school seniors and juniors will have an opportunity to visit campus and experience college life. $30 includes round trip transportation, housing with a current Hope student, meals, activity pass and entertainment. Contact Kim Lubbers or Bill Bryson in the Admissions Office for details.

NEW YORK BUS TRIP - March 6-8
Bus leaves Wednesday, March 6 from Wappingers Falls, N.Y. and picks up riders along the New York Thruway. Students attend classes, academic seminars and stay with current Hope students. Fee of $89 covers transportation, food, lodging and entertainment. For details contact John Hensler in the Admissions Office.

HOLLAND AREA PROGRAM - April 11
This special program is geared particularly for Holland area students who have applied for admission at Hope. The program will give students the opportunity to learn more about "the college in their own backyard."

JUNIOR DAY - April 18
A day designed specifically for high school juniors and their parents to help them begin the college search process. Contact Kim Lubbers or Pam Te Winkle in the Admissions Office for details.

ART DAY - April 23
Special activities for high school students interested in art as a career. A chance to meet faculty and students and tour the DePree Art Center and Gallery. Contact Kim Lubbers in the Admissions Office for details.

MEDICINE AND PRE-ENGINEERING DAY - May 8
Special activities for high school juniors interested in becoming medical doctors or engineers.

EXPLORATION '86 - July 27-August 2
A "mini-college" experience for students who will be juniors and seniors in high school for the fall of 1986. For more information, contact Bob Van Wyngarden in the Admissions Office.

Admissions Office: (616) 392-5111, ext. 2200

THE ARTS
* Oct. 31 & Nov. 1, National Theatre of the Deaf: Great Performance Series; DeWitt Center, 8 p.m.
Nov. 1, Hope College Orchestra Concert; Dimnent Chapel, 8 p.m.
Nov. 7, Guest Recital: Deborah Lawson, Soprano; Wichers Aud., 8 p.m.
Nov. 14, Guest Performance: Sharon Lowen, Dances of India; Studio Theatre, DeWitt Center, 8 p.m.
Nov. 17, Faculty Chamber Music Concert; Wichers Aud., 4 p.m.

EXHIBITIONS

Print Invitational in the gallery of the DePree Art Center until November 24. A collection of works done in plate/ink form by 12 artists from around the country.

SPECIAL EVENTS

For High School Students

Science Day, Thursday, Oct. 31
Model United Nations, March 13-14

SCIENCE

Biology Seminars, Fridays, 2:30 p.m., Peale 050
Seminars on a variety of topics are presented by visiting professionals. For details, contact the Biology Department, (616) 392-5111, ext. 3212.

Chemistry Department Seminars. Friday afternoons
Research seminars by academic and industrial scientists. For details, contact the Chemistry Department, (616) 392-5111, ext. 3213.

Mathematics Department Seminars. normally Tuesdays, 3 p.m. Vander Weil Hall
Research reports and advanced topic presentations by visiting scientists, faculty and students. For details, contact the Department of Mathematics, (616) 392-5111, ext. 3001.

TRADITIONAL EVENTS

Parents' Weekend, Nov. 1-2

Nykerk Cup, Nov. 2

Christmas Vespers, Dec. 7-8

HUMANITIES

Colloquium, Nov. 21, 3:15 p.m., location to be announced. Students present their research papers.

Colloquium, Jan. 29, 3:15 p.m., Lubbers Loft, Sanford Schwartz, visiting associate professor of English, "Rethinking Literary Theory: The Old New Criticism and the New"
Tributes to the Life and Times of Irwin Lubbers

Whenever Dr. Irwin J. Lubbers comes to mind, I am reminded of his passion for education and his tireless work in the field. Dr. Lubbers was a student at Hope College, and his dedication to the college and its students was unparalleled.

Lubbers Leaves Rich Legacy

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Irwin Lubbers was a man of extraordinary talents and achievements. We often heard the expression, 'the right man in the right place at the right time.' Dr. Lubbers was exactly that for Hope College.

As one who worked with Irwin Lubbers during his years as president, both as teacher and administrator, I was repeatedly amazed and inspired by his vision and personal qualities that he demonstrated in facing these many challenges. After all, he had time to test his conclusions during his presidency at the end of his term as president of Central College, bringing in new ideas for survival and growth in the period of the Great Depression. What continued to amaze me were the personal attributes that were his great strengths.

In the corridor of the campus building that bears his name, Lubbers' name is a name for presidential couple engaged in a game of chess. On Irwin's face is a look of concentration and determination, his eyes are sparkling. The painting is revealing and symbolic. Irwin loved games. He entered them with zest. He was a competitor. He relished winning, but accepted defeat with poise, examining what he had done or not done to find the lesson on how to do better next time. These qualities were brought to his presidential tasks and to his life relationships as well as to chess on the board. Life was a grand game. Being president of Hope College was a great game, full of challenges, to be played with joy.

John Hollenback, Professor Emeritus of English

Irwin Lubbers saw a need for the Hope College alumni that no other president before him recognized. Dr. Lubbers knew that alumni held warm feelings for their alma mater, and he took that affection. As the first alumni director, it was my job, under the leadership of Dr. Lubbers, to supply our alumni with the information they needed and wanted to hear.

In 1957, when the Chicago Tribune rated Hope as one of the ten best co-educational liberal arts colleges in the nation, Dr. Lubbers was the proudest man at the College. He had called that Sunday afternoon to tell me what he had heard in the paper. His voice was full of excitement but had some tears in it when he said that he was happy his name was in the news because he knew Hope wasn't worthy, but because he had no idea this was going to happen. It wasn't something he had solicited. Making Hope one of the best was just part of his job, he said.

He was always well spoken and brilliant, yet in a soft way. That is not to say Dr. Lubbers couldn't get fired up when the condition demanded some extra fervor.

Dr. Lubbers once said, "Hope isn't just a place, it's an ideal. Once you get caught with it, you can't get out. It will change your whole life." How true! As a Hope College alumnus, president, and most of all, alumnus, he was well aware of the meaning of Hope.

- Marian Stryker, Former Alumni Director
A touch of class in a lunch bucket and painter's cap. That is what the West Michigan kickoff, "Construction Function," appeared to be on Sept. 19. With approximately 280 volunteers and administration filling the DePree Center parking lot, The Campaign for Hope was brought into its second phase with an event done like no other.

Because of several construction sites appearing all over campus, (new Maas Center addition to Phelps, Peale greenhouses and storage, the upcoming library), the West Michigan event, encompassing Campaign volunteers from Holland, Grand Rapids, Grand Haven, Muskegon, and South Haven, was a tribute to the continual effort to make Hope's campus outstanding.

The attendants were served from a black lunch pail and their equipment for the night was a Hope painter's cap, to get them in that building spirit. The food service people even joined in by wearing hard hats and lumber aprons. The Hope Jazz Ensemble provided the music for dining pleasure.

"This is absolutely great," exclaimed volunteer Dale Wyngarden '64, Holland City Engineer. "This is so different from your usual sit-down, talk-a-little dinner."

After the meal, the gathering moved to the DeWitt Center Theatre for the first screening of Hope's new multi-media show, "People of Hope."

Pulling his speech from a lunch pail before the presentation ("food for thought" he claimed) President Van Wylen reiterated how remarkable the response from volunteers and donors has been.

"This reminds us that the sense of ownership at Hope is one of the greatest assets we have."
A "Wunder"-ful Gift

Dr. Richard P. Wunder, art historian and museum administrator, had never heard of Hope College when he was deciding upon the disposition of his extensive library. But Hope graduate, John Dryfhout ’64, curator of the Saint-Gardens Museum in Windsor, Vermont and an old-time friend of Dr. Wunder, was well aware of the College's need to expand its holdings in art, architecture and history with the construction of a new library, then in the planning stage.

"I had been back to Hope last year and heard about the new library," says Dryfhout. "I was looking into the art history collection in Van Zoeren and found it to be a little weak compared to some other areas. And knowing the extent of Richard's collection, I saw how it could be a great educational tool for the College."

Dryfhout then urged Dr. Wunder to give first consideration to Hope, despite the fact that other institutions had also approached him for the gift of his library. Hope won out, and the results is "without a doubt the most significant gift of books added to the College library since Nathan Graves' gift in 1991," says Director of Libraries David Jensen.

"With this one gift," adds Jensen, "Hope has the best research collection of art history in all of West Michigan. Michigan State would have the closest equivalent collection. This is not just a bunch of best-sellers."

Dr. Wunder had moved from his spacious historic house in Vermont to an apartment in New York City, where the housing of 30,000 volumes was out of the question. Thus, for five years much of his library was stored in Vermont, although he had already moved a small portion to New York when Dryfhout contacted him.

Campaign Profile

Fresh and Bright: What It Takes

Like the lakefront atmosphere that permeates around her, Betty Miller offers freshness and vitality to The Campaign for Hope as chairperson for the National Alumni Division. A well-spoken and friendly leader, she adds balance and "a lot of enthusiasm to a cause that is so worthy of my time and thoughts."

A native west Michigander, Miller is a sailor at heart. Settled in an old New England style home overlooking Lake Macatawa in Holland, she reveals the type of compatibility that makes her blend so well with the environment — bright, refreshing, eloquent.

The College is asking Hope's 16,000 alums to contribute $4.5 million toward the $26 million Campaign goal and it is Miller's job to oversee that effort.

Prior to accepting her chairperson role, she also served on the Planning and Evaluation Committee and the Steering Committee in the early stages of the Campaign. Miller has been involved with the endeavor ever since the Development Office put a group of volunteers together to help think the Campaign through.

She is also a brand-new Board of Trustee member, elected this past spring, and has worked several years with The Women's League for Hope.

But when she was approached to participate as headship for the alumni, she was both flattered and willing but a little surprised.

"I'm not sure why Max (Boersma, Campaign Co-Chairperson) asked me to be an alumni chairperson," says Miller. "I suppose it's something to do with the fact that we're an alumni family and are in the area. But I let Max know I was eager to take part."

As a Hope family, Betty is a graduate of the class of '53, her husband Jack, president of Howard Miller Co., graduated in '54, and children Sue, Buzz, and Margaret, graduated in '81, '84, and '86 respectively.

"We've all found a different quality of life that is offered at Hope," says Miller. "It has such a wonderful academic reputation; it instills a good value system; it gives each person room to grow. It's simply a unique place. There's no challenging that."

Confident of reaching the goals the Campaign aspires toward, Miller sees the target well in Hope's grasp. She is not at all hesitant to sing the praises of the Campaign and its strong backbone, the College Development Office.

"If all the work depended on one person in the division," she says, "it would be impossible to reach any type of goal for this Campaign. The Development people deserve most of the credit.

"I also believe the stature of Hope College and the success of The Campaign for Hope are greatly enhanced by President Van Wylen. Wherever we go to make a call, we're well-received because of what Gordon has added to the dimension of Hope. It's been a terrific match. He will be dearly missed after his retirement."

As the breakdown of Campaign monies allocates $11.5 million to the construction and furnishing of the new library, Miller sees the endowment as an equally important result of the Campaign. With so much competition in the search for a college education today, Hope needs to maintain its facilities, scholarships, financial aid plus the salaries of the faculty, better than it ever has before, she adds.

"Betty Miller is very committed to Hope College," says John Nordstrom, director of Development. "She is competitive, like the rest of us, in the sense that she wants to reach our goal. This is very important to her. She knows what Hope means to her personally and to her children. She is really an articulate and talented lady."

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A Time for Peace Talks
by Renze L. Hoeksema

The problem arises in making a treaty and coming to a very sticky point which results in looking for language that both sides find agreeable. The sticky point is obfuscated, covered up, or gotten around. Later disputes arise over activity based on individual interpretations of the language which was put in to get around the sticky point in the first place.

Others hold that you "can't trust the Russians." Of course you can't. They are exclusively out for their own interests and we are out for our's. If American officials were not out for American interests, they would be disloyal to the United States and the taxpayers who pay their salaries. I have never run into a disloyal official involved in American foreign policy.

The trick, in dealing with the Soviet Union, is finding areas of common interest on which both the United States and Soviet Union can agree. It is in this area of common interest where agreements will be achieved. It is obviously in the interest of both nations to avoid a nuclear holocaust.

The United States and the Soviet Union should have been negotiating for all of the participants. War is no longer an option for settling our differences.

Some years ago, ships from United States and Soviet Union would race toward each other and miss contact by a few feet. Similar stunts were performed with aircraft. Finally, at one of the conferences between the two superpowers, an agreement was worked out to end this childish foolishness in the interest of peace, lives, ships, and planes.

It might come as a surprise that there are many points of view in the Soviet Union and those views might influence Mikhail Gorbachev at the summit. The various branches of the Soviet military, agriculture, science, and oil industry, just to name a few, compete for scarce resources in the Soviet capital-hist economy. Just as in the United States, what is spent for armaments cannot be spent for other things, especially in science, or welfare of the people.

We also tend to underestimate the degree of support the Soviet regime enjoys. Many Americans feel that all we have to do is rachet up the pressure and the Soviets will cave in because they do not have the support of their people. Nationalism is just as strong in the Soviet Union as it is in the United States. The Soviet people are proud of their world-power status. Soviet industry produces more material than they were under the czars, under Stalin, and his early successors. In the world of nuclear parity, no longer can one superpower dictate the policies of another superpower. Agreements usually take long periods of negotiations with summit meetings only allowing the main characters to assess each other.

Many also believe that the Soviet Union would always be run by old men who would die in office, in spite of warnings over the years that one day the style of Soviet leadership would change and younger, able, shrewder, and sharper negotiators would have to face the bargaining table. Today, almost as a fulfillment of that prophecy, we must negotiate with Mikhail Gorbachev, who tells stories, jokes, educates and propagandizes.

The assessment of former Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko in his nomination of Gorbachev for general secretary of the Soviet Communist Party is of more than passing interest. Gromyko said, "Comrades, this man has a nice smile, but he's got iron teeth."

It is very difficult to predict the substance of the Nov. 19-20 summit meeting, since it is difficult to predict what will evolve at the on-going Geneva negotiations prior to Nov. 20.

Yuk it up with Yakov

A Russian comedian? Surely you jest. Everyone knows Russian people are supposedly as dry as dust and as colorless as vodka. But Yakov Smirnoff is hardly dry and colorless and is fast becoming one of America's favorite young comedians.

Smirnoff performed at Hope on Oct. 8, brought in through the Student Activities Committee (SAC) at the end of fall break. For an off-weekend, the Phelps Cafeteria was filled to the limit in order to hear the performer who holds the record for "Laughter." SAC said this is the most significant entertainment act this year.

"You never think of comedy in Russia," said Smirnoff at a press conference at the college. "It's just an image in the Soviet Union that everyone is grim and never smiles. Which is true on the outside, but inside they're as human as we are. They need their portion of laughter, especially in a suppressed country."

The 34-year-old comedian said he's been performing since he was 15. One of his Russian assignments was entertaining on a cruise ship.

Gaining popularity with appearances in three recent feature films "Moscow on the Hudson. The Adventures of Buckaroo Banzai, Brewster's Millions" and television series "Night Court, Scarecrow and Mrs. King," Smirnoff immigrated from Russia eight years ago with his parents after applying for asylum in the U.S. Two years later, Yakov, the five-foot-four, 140-pound comedian was told to "Get out." He took the advice.

Said Smirnoff, "I had a week to pack my bags." He said he set about making a career in the United States. "It's tough, but I'm making it."

Smirnoff says he has no regrets about leaving the Soviet Union but he does miss the friends he had to leave behind. "There are a few other things I miss too — like plenty of parking spaces and always finding a place to park in a crowded country."

They say you can't go home again, but Smirnoff seems to think differently. He says he's going to take his act back to Russia. "I want to show them what the United States is like."

Professor Renze L. Hoeksema joined the Hope faculty in 1971 after serving 21 years as a foreign service officer with the U.S. State Department. He is mainly educated in Middle East affairs and in 1979 was a consultant for the peace talks between the late Egyptian President Anwar Sadat, former Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin, and former President Jimmy Carter. A graduate of Hope in 1946, Hoeksema holds his M.A. and Ph.D. from Harvard University where he was a classmate with former Secretary of State Henry Kissinger.
November 1984

Three cheers for FM: WHTS personnel joyously greet the arrival of their radio station on FM airwaves. The student-run station has been waiting approximately two years to make the connection official.

Finally FM!

Drum roll please. A cymbal clap would even do.

After two years of legal and technical delay, Hope College finally has a full-fledged FM station for the college community. With its first official broadcast on Sept. 27, WHTS 89.9 is on-the-air, student-run, non-profit organization.

The occasion for the opening was hardly a small event in the DeVos Student and Cultural Center studio. Flowers and streamers garnished the rooms. Without weeks of training disc jockeys and two test-broadcasts out of the way, WHTS studio was geared for the suit and balloon extravaganza.

Happiness hardly described the mood. Ecstasy was more the word.

Administration and radio personnel nodded about at least 15 minutes to airtime with the anticipation of an exciting day. "This is the birth of a new station," station personnel jubilantly stated.

Senior Dick Weeldreyer, general manager from Mattawan, Mich., said program director Steve Cooper, a junior from Rochester, Mich., got top honors to "man the controls for lift-off." A 10-second countdown to 2:30 p.m. put the new student station in operation.

"WHTS-Holland is now on the air," a pre-recorded cartridge rejoiced, which was appropriately accompanied by crowd-clapping sound effects.

A WHTS poll gave Hope students the opportunity to vote their favorite song into first musical airplay. At least 4,500 votes were submitted (they could vote more than once) and convincingly "Radio, Radio" was the top vote getter, a song by Elvis Costello. Another preferred tune was the "Hallelujah Chorus," appropriate for the feeling of finally getting WHTS on FM airwaves.

The idea to take WTHS to FM was originated in the fall of 1982 when an application was drafted to change WTHS AM 610 to FM frequency. Having solicited Student Congress for the funds to become a FM outfit, WTHS now owns equipment that "would, at least, rival any professional station in the area," says Engineer Francis Deck, a senior from Trenton, Mich.

The station operated for over two decades as an AM station in the basement of Kollen Hall and even did a short stint on FM cable. For two years however, a barrage of technical changes and Federal Communication Commission (FCC) regulations hindered the student station's progress.

"Everybody was disappointed when all these problems occurred," says Weeldreyer, "but not as disappointed as we were. It's been a rollercoaster for the staff and the d.j.'s. But right now it's great to see it become a reality."

"If the FM hook-up really involved a lot more than we anticipated, with the FCC, the lawyer, the guidelines," says Sue Langejan, director of Student Activities. "But today there's just great excitement and enthusiasm. This will provide a great deal of opportunity for students to come." The station will broadcast from 7 a.m. to 2 a.m. everyday. The new 1,000-watt station will reach a 67-mile area with its primary signal, according to Deck. The secondary signal should reach as far as 20 miles around the campus.

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The station will be a positive influence in the Hope community. Weeldreyer said, "But we can.

We want to cater to every student's taste and become the No. 1 station played on campus.

Tattered but not torn
Hope Receives Valuable Dutch Bible

The Van Zoonen Library recently acquired a very early Dutch Bible believed to be more than 400 years old, as a gift from The Rev. Marenede Visscher of Columbia, Ohio.

This Bible is especially valuable, since it predates any other Dutch Bible which the library has in its collection, according to David Jensen, director of libraries.

The history of Dutch Bible translations roughly parallels that of the English translations. Prior to 1610, there were many competing English translations, until the authorized version ("King James") replaced the older ones. So with the Dutch Bible translations, the church (Synod of Dordrecht, 1618-1619) and the government (The States General) together authorized a Bible translation, which was first published in 1637 as the famous Staten Vertaling. This translation replaced the older translations and remained dominant until the 1950's. The College library has several copies of this translation, dating from the 1600's.

"The Bible just acquired, however, is much more rare and predates the Staten Vertaling," said Harry Boonstra, professor of English. "It has an inprint date of 1613, and was printed in Amsterdam by Jan Evertsz. C-lenoppenburch whose bookseller" the Water, by the old Bridge."

The translation actually dates from the 1650's and was heavily indebted to Luther's German translation. It, according to Boonstra, originally also carried Luther's marginal notes, but these were replaced with notes from Geneva in 1581. Like the early Staten Vertaling, this Bible includes the Apocryphal books (which were dropped in subsequent reprints): the Apocrypha are prefaced by a "Waerschouwinge tot den Leter" — a warning to the reader that these books were intended for private use only. This translation is of great interest both because of the history of Bible translation, and because of Hope's Dutch heritage," said Boonstra.

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Lessons Learned...

"Oh, East is East, and West is West, and never the twain shall meet."
— Rudyard Kipling, The Ballad of East and West

Aw, contrar my dear man. Haven't you read the papers lately? Don't you see how the western and eastern worlds are starting to mingle and merge? We've expanded our geographical boundaries to encompass all worlds for the sake of a thorough educational enriching.

Japan, it seems, has commanded most of the western worlds curiosity. Lately, it has dominated the news with questions over trade imbalances, a 40th anniversary of the Hiroshima atomic bomb disaster and the growth of their technology and industry, which continues to inflate and conglomerate American business.

This country, these islands, cause us to wonder if it all makes sense for Americans. And as Japan remains covered in this mystical shroud, Americans have difficulty perceiving things from their religions to kabuki theatre to their caricature language.

Geographically, it's a little smaller than the state of California with a total population of 120 million, 97 million more people than are in California already. And only 20 percent of Japan's land space is habitable; the rest is rugged mountain terrain.

In many ways, Japan and the United States are alike. We both believe in the same political system and in free enterprise. But still we are two countries of contrast. Japan is antiquity, we are toddlers, they are culturally homogeneous, the United States is a teeming melting pot. A fascination between the two is bound to exist.

But effective communication does not. For that reason, three contingents, of Midwestern origin, departed for Japan "to seek a broader understanding of the country and its people through improved communication among businesses and governments of each country."

The 16-day trip sent among its people of prominence in the local community, Hope College Registrar Jon Huiskens. Chosen and sponsored by the Japanese American Foundation through Hope College, Huiskens was joined by Dr. Kenneth Harper, superintendent of Zeland Public Schools; Jerald Redeker, president and chairman of the board of Holland Old Kent Banks; James Riekse, public affairs director of WZZM-TV; and James Polet, of Trans-Matic Manufacturing. These five were also joined by groups from Delafield, Ohio and Richmond, Indiana.

"Unless one visits Japan, one may never be able to appreciate the country," said Japanese Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone in a 1983 Time interview. "It is a bit like tasting sugar. One says it is sweet, but unless one tastes it, no matter how many times it is explained, one can never know how sweet it is. So Japan may be a bit like sugar or salt, or one tries to taste it, one may never be able to understand Japan... I hope our foreign friends will pay attention."

Jon Huiskens, by documenting daily events and thoughts, has shown he's made the Prime Minister proud.

by Jon Huiskens

Sunday-Monday, July 7-8
Grand Rapids/Tokyo

The beginning of our 16-day excursion to Japan. We gathered at the Kent County Airport in Grand Rapids for a 7:45 a.m. flight, with a layover in Minneapolis to join other contingents. Finally onto Seattle for our connection to Narita Airport, close to Tokyo.

We spent the day chasing the sun. This was one day (two calendar days) when the sun didn't go down. Arriving in Narita at about 5:30 p.m., Monday July 8th, we lost a day due to the crossing of the international dateline, that "mythical line" which no geographer can explain.

Dr. Taro Fujiwara, provost of Meiji Gakuin University, who has held ties with Japan for more than 20 years, met us at the airport. Taro immediately introduced us to our first Japanese meal, tempura — what a delight, even in the eel.

Tuesday, July 9
Tokyo

International Understandings

Our first introduction to cosmopolitan Tokyo came when riding the elevator this morning. It was raining here, they are right at the end of the rainy season. When we entered the elevator, a very Japanese-looking man greeted us with a friendly "good morning. That should have been a clue, but one of our members asked him, nonetheless, whether they needed the rain in Tokyo. His reply came with a twinkle in his eye: "I don't know," he said, "but I do know that we need it badly in New York."

We began our education with a morning seminar led by Yoshio Date, director of the publishing department, Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO). The purpose of JETRO is to promote international understanding and, of course, deals with the two-way trade.

Date presented to us what is to be the Japanese economic plan for the future decades; the technopos, the Japanese version of Silicon Valley. Its aim is to get workers out of the big cities and back to where they came from. All 47 prefectures (states) were invited to submit proposals; 19 sites were considered, nine have been designated.

The issues and pressures are close to home. The issue is jobs, jobs for the next generation, jobs to prevent brain-drain to the larger cities. The pressure is to lobby the Ministry of International Trade and Industry (MITI) to locate the technopos in their parishes. It's all sounds very familiar. Tennessee could tell us all about the Saturn plant ordeal.

Whirlwind touring was the event of the afternoon, particularly hitting the historical highlights. One cannot help but be impressed with the size and sprawl of the city (11 million people). The mass and press of the people almost overwhelms you. Tokyo train stations alone have an average of one million people pass through it daily.

To imagine that once this city was literally flattened; and now, 40 years later, has been totally rebuilt! It is only recently that Tokyo has developed any kind of skyline. Earthquakes are plentiful here due to active volcanoes, the city has been put up with four or five different languages being spoken.

Wednesday, July 10
Tokyo

Educational Problems

His concern for what was happening in Japanese schools led Takayuki Fujikawa, a city councilman from Koganei, to begin his political career. Fujikawa sees a breakdown in traditional Japanese values and its reflection in the schools.

The reason for the breakdown, he said, is because of affluence and materialism. Prior to WW II, people were poorer so families had to work closely together to survive. But this is changing in post-war times. The schools, particularly the junior high schools, have become "blackboard jungles." Since city councils have asked to do with education, Fujikawa became involved.

"I cannot help but have sympathy for this fellow. Much of what he sees happening in Japan has happened here. He is an example of the strength where democracy has placed upon post-war Japan. They were given the frame, the structure, now they have to learn to live with the tensions that flow from the system, particularly the tensions between the group and the individual."

Thursday, July 11
Tokyo

Japanese Culture vs. Big Business

What's on the national agenda in Japan today? We asked our tour leader and professor from Earlham College. We talked from textbooks to defense. The bottom line is that there are so many issues which parallel our's. We find it easy to relate and understand.

The afternoon speaker, Sen. Nishiyama, absolutely wowed us. He is the special consultant to the president, SOMI Corp. and among his accomplishments is his simultaneous in Japanese of the landing on the moon by U.S. astronauts. He is a national figure and an articulate spokesman for Japan, crossing the need to continue and improve United States-Japan relations.

Nishiyama spoke on "Japanese Culture — Its Influence on Business," giving us valuable information to utilize over and chew.

First of all, he says, survival is a key theme for the Japanese people. The reason: 84% of all energy is imported, dense population in a limited area means competition to survive, and in past years, there was no chance for upward mobility. This meant that if you were to survive as a merchant, you had to be the biggest and best in your class. The Japanese are basically overachievers by American standards.

Secondly, in order to understand Japanese culture, we must understand the Japanese concept of "wa." There is really no English word equivalent to "wa," but this word embodies harmony, peace, tranquility, balance. It is manifested in group consciousness and identity, in consensus decision-making, in dependence upon each other, in language, and in social etiquette.

Finally, "wa"'s influence on business is expressed primarily in the priority business leaders place on the welfare of the workers, rather than the status of profits. There have been numerous incidents in which companies have taken over the buildings of other bankrupt companies, completely replacing the former industry, in order to preserve the jobs of the people. Japan has virtually no unemployment.

Nishiyama's recommendation to American companies that wish to do business here is that they had better understand the market and how the Japanese think and do business. The landscape, he says, is littered with those who haven't taken this advice.

This afternoon we went back to Meiji Gakuin University with Dr. Fukuda and four students to the middle of final exams. It was a delight to visit the institution that has sent so many students to visit or study at Hope.

Friday, July 12
Utsunomiya

Technology With The Rice Paddies

We traveled by bullet train to Utsunomiya.
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No Bridges Burned

a two-year stint and is doing well...

We left Usunomiya in the afternoon to visit Lake Chuzenji, a deep volcanic lake and the site of an important Buddhist temple. The scenery was spectacular, we're up in the mountains...10,000 feet. What a relief from the heat of the city.

Monday, July 15
Morioka

Herman Miller, Beans, And More Rice

What a day this proved to be. First an audience with the mayor of the city and again we are treated as dignitaries. Bailey makes sure that all the protocol is met. We met up with Zeeland, Mich. And Herman Miller Co. The further in the meeting room was definitely Herman Miller stuff.

We spent the morning inspecting two water dams, essential for rice cultivation, visited a cloth-dying shop, 17 generations old and still using some of the original wooden stencils, and stopped at a tofu factory which is operated by the Indiana and Ohio Bean Co. (I wasn't fooled; there had to be some Michigan and Minnesota beans in that place.)

This afternoon has been the highlight of the trip so far. We were invited to a home of a local rice farmer. The family has three generations present in the same house and the farm has been in the family for 13 generations. The 14th is coming soon.

The average Japanese farm is five acres so this particular farm is a rarity: a total of 30 acres of land - 10 of rice, 10 of vegetables, and 10 of meadow. Only 12 percent of Japan's land is cultivated which brings the significance of this farm into greater focus.

This family farms full-time, a vanishing breed in Japan. Many are now part-timers, working the paddies on weekends and evenings. This extended family is obviously very close, stemming from their shared home and vocation.

Tuesday, July 16
Morioka

Flip-Flopped Educational Structure

This morning was spent touring a local high school. Entrance is, of course, by examination. The pressure to succeed and the press for entrance is great.

In Japan, academic difficulty is the reverse of that in the United States. Kindergarten through high school are the tougher years and college is a breeze. This figures because students must pass difficult exams to enter college. So more prestigious a college, the tougher the exam. Students are driven to find their place in crowded colleges.

We had a significant discussion with the president of the Morioka Rotary at dinner. How he wishes that the language barrier could be broken by Americans so more meaningful discussions could occur. There is progress thought, but it is slow.

Finally we have a tour in the Embassy in Tokyo, we're fluent but it has been a long time coming.

Thursday, July 18
Ise/Kyoto

The Gods Are Watching

On the road again. This time to Ise to visit the two famous Ise Shinto shrines. The first site is where the gods and spirits of agriculture are worshipped. The second is a site of sun goddess worship. The emperor comes to worship here, who is supposed to be a direct descendant of this goddess. But there are political overtones to this shrine. There is no problem when the emperor comes to worship; he has no political power. But when the Prime Minister comes here to pay his respects, the Japanese raise the issue of the separation between church and state. Another international parallel.

From Ise we traveled to Nagoaya again, the second largest seaport, Toyota's home port, and then out of the bullet train to Kyoto. There is still no stop to population. Everywhere there is a flat space, there are villages and the cultivation of rice and vegetables. Surprisingly, we are one minute behind schedule as we reach Kyoto. It's one of the oldest capital cities and is the cultural center of Japan. Kyoto was spared bombing in WW II for this reason.

Friday, July 19
Kyoto

Machinery and Medicine

The Kyoto Works of the Mitsubishi Motor Co. was our activity for this morning. The tour was of special interest to the Richmond, Indiana group since they are in the running for a Mitsubishi plant. Engines and transmissions are produced here. The plant appears to be efficient and clean. Productivity is evident everywhere, but the pace seems to be comfortable for the workers.

The afternoon session was spent with Dr. Cho, a medical doctor, who talks us about health care in Japan. Medical costs are one third of those in the United States. The figure is significant in itself, but it takes on even more importance when one compares the average stay in Japanese hospitals is 40 days compared to the eight-day-average in the States. The overall rates are just cheaper.

Saturday, July 20
Kyoto

The Inexplicable Trade Imbalance

Sightseeing on Mt. Hiei was on the docket for this morning and a famous Buddhist temple, which is considered to be the center of the Tendai sect of Buddhists. We're about "templed out", but the view down the mountain upon Lake Biwa made the trip worthwhile.

Lake Biwa was one of the landmarks, along with Mt. Fuji, used by the U.S. bombers in WW II. We also encountered wild monkeys along the road. It seems as if they've beens to Yellowstone Park.

Still more shrines and temples in the afternoon. We encountered the first signs of protest to the "temple tax" (price of admission) which is being imposed by the government. The issue of church vs. state again.

The evening session began with a seminar by Dr. Takao Sakakibara, professor of economics, Doshisha University, Kyoto. Dr. Saki (as he is known here) was not only informative but entertaining. His topics varied but particular attention was given to the trade imbalance.

Dr. Saki puts things in perspective for us and gave the following pertinent facts: (1) Japan exports $40 billion in capital which goes to modernize American industry. This $40 billion more than offsets the $35 billion imbalance in trade. (2) America firms doing business in Japan are exporting to the States about $35 billion worth of goods. This problem, Saki says, is that the dollar has been too strong for Americans to compete well. (The dollar is now falling, as we can attest when we converted, almost daily, dollars to yen.)

But that's not the only problem, according to Saki. He believes that if American industry would view the Japanese as normal human beings who buy quality merchandise at a good price, they would do much better in Japan.

Case in point: The American automakers thought they could sell large expensive cars to the Japanese. If one would take all the cars in Japan (all small ones) and place them end-to-end on the highways of Japan, there would only be but six centimeters between them, said Saki.

Saki takes a healthy, optimistic view of the trade situation and is confident that the differences will be resolved. "Brothers often fight more than strangers," Saki concluded.

Sunday, July 21
Kyoto

Enough Temples Already!

Sundays are not pleasurable for me in Japan. I miss the opportunity to worship. My guess is that it is not easy to be a Christian in this society. Only two percent of the Japanese people call themselves Christian.

Today we suffered from "temple hang-over." Two stops more than the temple tour. The history associated with these sites is important to the Japanese since they go back to the shogun period.

The rest of the day was spent on the bullet train back to Tokyo. The tour is nearing its close. So many things have come at us so fast that it will take some time to sort everthing out. It is very apparent, however, that we have just scratched the surface.

Monday, July 22
Kyoto

Bridging The Gap

This morning's seminar helped sort out some of our experiences. A panel discussion focused on the differences between our two countries.

Toshimichi Hirai works for an American firm which does business in Japan. Since he is in the computer business he refers to American business people as digital and the Japanese as analog. And he is in the difficult business of trying to bridge the gap. Decision-making in Japanese business is very time-consuming (analog) but the implementation

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19. Numbers given out on the Soviet proposal of a 40 percent reduction in both superpowers' nuclear delivery systems and warheads, and the United States' 40 percent reduction, are “soft figures.” The “devil” is in the detail.

The Soviet proposal was described as requiring that neither superpower concentrate more than 60 percent of its arsenal in either land, submarine, or bomber forces. The overall strategic forces are divided among nuclear warhead-carrying submarines, bombers, and land-based missiles.

The overall Soviet strategic force is found primarily on land (based missiles). Almost 70 percent of its explosive force is carried by land-based intercontinental ballistic missiles (ICBMs). Roughly 30 percent sub-launched Soviet missiles carry the rest.

In the Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty (START) negotiations, the Soviets proposed to reduce the number of nuclear delivery systems. No specific limit was proposed for warheads but Soviet negotiators talked of “nuclear charges,” a category they said also included bombs, cruise missiles, the United States is ahead, along with ICBM warheads.

When you talk of a 40 percent or 50 percent cut across the board, this will still maintain the status quo, a situation the Reagan administration has said favors the Soviet Union. Both sides would like to cut the forces of the other side that poses the most threat to them. It is obvious that both sides must compromise if an agreement is to be reached, since at the present time the two sides are at odds about everything except meeting.

Recent talks between new Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze and Secretary of State George Shultz and President Reagan on Sept. 17 and 26 were described as frank. The word “frank” in diplomatic language means that there was no agreement. Both sides are talking, however, and making proposals and that is better than two years ago. Soon both sides will have to quit public posturing for serious bargaining.

This leads me to my last point, which will surely be controversial at the November summit. President Carter, in 1977, felt that anti-satellite weapons ought to be banned altogether. Carter reasoned that an American anti-satellite weapon would help the Soviet Union to agree to such a ban to dismantle its own anti-satellite weapons. Carter and senior military officials explained that anti-satellite weapons targeted against the Soviet Union, and visa versa, is an early warning and communications satellite could be destroyed at all times, giving the friendly ability to back away from an all-out war. During 1978 and 1979, efforts were made to ban anti-satellite weapons with no success.

The Afghan invasion in 1979 saw the end to those negotiations. Accidental satellites, on which both rely for vital information are at stake. The United States has about 50 military-intelligence gathering satellites in orbit and the Soviets have about 100. Our satellites are better, since we always have been five to 10 years ahead of the Soviets in the scientific field.

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Drybough then asked Paul Fried, Hope professor emeritus, close friend and confidant, to act as liaison for the College Fried, Jensen, and Provost Jacob Nynhuys.

Lessons Learned...
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The phase is very quick, he says. It is the reverse in American business. Decision is made rapidly (digital) but implementation is about 10 times longer.

Becky Fukuzawa is an American who has married a Japanese and is now doing research for her doctorate at Northwestern University. Her area is education and she related to us some of the problems she sees in Japan. The first is the expectation in the junior high school, a subject touched on earlier. Bullying is how it’s referred to. Students are picking on those who don’t fit into a group. This definitely veers from the Japanese norm of group conformity and loyalty.

Another serious problem, said Becky, is that Japan’s job market is over-emphasized in determining one’s success. There is a definite pecking order, not only in the universities but also right down the line to kindergarten. Everyone, she said, is striving to get into the best schools so their futures may be secure. Only 30 percent of the work force is employed on a job for life and many companies who offer lifetime employment. And since these companies typically hire most of their employees from prestigious schools, the pressure is on.

Reaching conclusions through this discussion gives us more insight into the way the Japanese think and behave. We’ve found that since schools are so exam-oriented, decisions about career paths are made very early. Also, making college and university learning easier than pre-college education results in having a Japanese graduate who possesses good factual knowledge but is not a particularly good problem-solver.

Tuesday, July 23

Tokyo

Winding Down

This morning was spent packing and repacking. We’ve accumulated a great deal of paper and, of course, some gifts. The dry-as-dust and very verbose Japan has been full of surprises, including exhaustion and exhilaration. Now, I suppose, I should be an expert. But I know I’m not. What I am, however, is a lot more sensitive to Japanese issues, particularly United States-Japanese relations. It is as if this two-week excursion has inserted a foreign writer into their world, an outsider before. While our group has not become Japanophiles, we’re probably on the way. We’ve seen the people and how they live, work and think. We’ve had contact with many on a personal basis and discovered that they are human, like us, with the same hopes and dreams and concerns. They like us, are trying to understand how to live in a complex world economy and society.

We are richer because of our experiences and have gained some understanding of the Japanese which would not have been possible in any other place. And for that, we are very grateful, to the College, the United States-Japanese Foundation, and the Badley College. For leading us a step further into understanding Japan.

They last longer and are more capable so we do not need as many.

The Soviet Union has wanted a moratorium on anti-satellite weapons for 20 years, but the Soviet Union is now being pressed. On Sept. 17, the United States successfully deployed a simulated “Soviet” rocket with a laser beam. Critics of the tests say the test is on. The Reagan administration, on the other hand, plans to continue implementing the Strategic Defense Initiative which has the Soviets in defense. Russia has proposed an incentive for the Soviets to negotiate.

Weapons aimed at ballistic missiles are forbidden under the 1972 Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty, but testing them against to a friend, Perry T. Rathbone, director emeritus of the Boston Museum of Fine Arts, that he also donate where art books he did not keep. Rathbone, too, had recently moved out of a large house into an apartment.

The Rathbone gift “in no way overlaps the Wunder collection,” but, in fact, complements it,” Drybough observes.

The Rathbone books, on the most part, pertain to French heritage, while the Wunder collection is particularly strong in the Baroque and Italian and French 17th and 18th centuries. The collection also extends beyond art to include English and American literature.

Numerous rare prints and first editions can be found as well. Hundreds of exhibition catalogues from all over the world (most of which were printed in small quantities and are therefore unobtainable today), as well as long runs of art and other periodicals, give a good balance to the collection.

Dr. Wunder’s interest in books goes back well beyond his college days (his three degrees are Harvard). When he began assembling his library in earnest, he made a point of specialising in certain areas: old master drawings, American art, museum publications, biographies and travel books. At the National Museum of American Art and director of the Cooper-Hewitt Museum of Design, two branches of the Smithsonian Institution, he formed his library to be geared to his research needs. So, he acquired books which were not duplicated in the Smithsonian’s libraries at that time.

“They are more important than the books in the library that the collection may be worth in the hundreds of thousands of dollars.

“A lifetime of collecting went into this library,” says Jensen. "While many individual items are very valuable, their greatest value is that these items have been kept together to form a coherent collection."
Baseball Beat:  
A Day in the Life  
by Doug Holm

The Detroit Tiger clubhouse teems with nervous energy several hours before game time. Players mill about. Lance Parrish swings Dan Petry's "no-slip" golf club. Chet Lemon dresses quietly while Kirk Gibson, still in street clothes, reads fan mail. Country music is blaring from the stereo until Darrell Evans flicks the dial to a pop station.

Booth Newspapers baseball writer Vern Plagenhoef goes to work, joining the clubhouse scene, talking with Gibson and Dave Bergman and stopping to joke with Frank Tanana. The 1968 Hope graduate has been Booth's Tiger beat man since 1981, spending time in clubhouses, press boxes, planes and hotels from Boston to Seattle.

Now, however, he's back in Detroit for a week-long homestand beginning with a three-game series with the Kansas City Royals. At about 2:30 p.m., Plagenhoef begins the expressway trip from his Livonia home to Tiger Stadium in downtown Detroit. Driving on the Jeffries Freeway (which he says he's done so often he can do it in his sleep), he talks about problems the Tigers had experienced during 1985. Sports writers have always dominated Plagenhoef's mind-set. While at Hope, he played three years of baseball and two of football.

A physical education major who intended to teach and coach, he instead accepted an offer to work at the Holland Sentinel in 1968, feeling he didn't have the patience to teach well. One problem though: he had no journalistic background.

"I was blind," he admits. "I had no idea what I was doing except that I had an appreciation for sports. But in terms of writing and such, it was all trial and error. All of it!"

A year later he moved on to the Grand Rapids Press, one of eight newspapers in the Booth chain. (Booth also has papers in Ann Arbor, Muskegon, Kalamazoo, Jackson, Bay City, Saginaw and Flint.) Among other things, he covered local sports, college basketball (including the NCAA basketball tournament's "Final Four" from 1973-79), as well as the Tigers. In 1977-78 he covered Michigan State football for all Booth newspapers. When Booth decided to have one person cover the Tigers for all eight newspapers in 1981, Plagenhoef moved on again, leaving the Grand Rapids area for Detroit.

As a "co-op" beat writer, Plagenhoef has no office and takes full responsibility for his work schedule and work habits. He has no main locale to report to and his office is wherever he might be at the time — be it stadium press box, locker room, home or hotel. "I'm just sort of cut-off from everybody else, like a little dinghy behind the big tugboat," he laughs.

He arrives at Tiger Stadium about 3 p.m., five hours before game time, parking in a special lot for sports writers, club employees and ballplayers.

After riding the elevator to the third-floor pressbox, he peruses statistics from yesterday's game in Minnesota, copying each player's stats from a binder of game-to-game boxscores into another notebook. A Detroit

Free Press writer keeps Plagenhoef from being the only person working this early. Outside, the grounds crew waters the infield while two clubhouse boys play catch in front of the visitor's dugout. The empty stands are a sea of blue and orange, mostly blue.

Plagenhoef is responsible for two stories each game, one game story and a "notes" piece of interesting information or recent developments. For the Booth Sunday papers, he also writes a column he calls the "Sunday Notebook," comprised of a feature story, statistics, quotes, trade rumors and other items.

On Fridays, Plagenhoef spends several hours at home, phoning baseball writers from other cities for possible "Notebook" entries and sharing any relevant information in return. His calls continue until he leaves for the stadium, where he tries to finish the column before game time.

"It's a day-long process," he says. "Fridays are the worst day of the week. There's no TV in baseball.

The network of communication he has built is an integral part of his job, not only during the season, but also in the winter months. Following the Tigers is a year-long assignment, with Major League winter meetings, the Tigers' annual state press tour and occasional business-related events to cover. But Plagenhoef also has to keep abreast of news baseball fans savor on a cold winter's night: trades and trade rumors, free-agent signings, front-office maneuvers, anything involving the players and clubs.

And here the communication network with other writers is a necessity.

"There's sort of an agreement among some of us that if you have a parcel of information that might help somebody else, then you give the guy a call," he says. "This communication network is part of the repertorial aspect of being a baseball writer."

So is having a knowledge of the game — being able to go beyond the line-score and who-hit-the-home-run-when facts. Having more than a general knowledge of baseball helps the writer ask the right questions and defend his statements.

"I don't have to be around writers too much to know who knows the game," says Sparky Anderson, Tigers manager since 1979. "Vern understands the game, there's no question about that. You can tell he played college ball."

"If sportswriters haven't participated in sports, then it's very difficult to understand what's involved in, say, hitting the right cutoff man," Plagenhoef says. "It's important for a writer to know there's more involved in a game than just hitting a ball."

A book-writing venture last season, with then-Tiger pitching coach Roger Craig has provided him with a better insight into baseball's "behind-the-scenes" information. Inside Pitch, a diary of the 1984 season was written with "a lot of Roger's ideas and a lot of my creativity," Plagenhoef says. Craig would talk into a tape recorder, and about every other day give a tape to Plagenhoef, who would then transcribe and type what the coach said.

"Even after the first couple months, I could hardly wait to get to the tapes to see what he had to say," he adds with a laugh.

Tonight's game proves to be a disappointment for Detroit fans. Not only did the Royals beat the Tigers 4-2 before a national television audience, but the Tigers beat themselves, losing a game they could have easily won. Before the game, Plagenhoef spent time on the field and in both dugouts as well as the Tiger clubhouse. The talk flowed easily between the writers and the players were loose. The post-game scene, however, is quite different.

Several half-eaten pizzas lay in the middle of the Tigers clubhouse as a few players flee home. Pen and notepad in hand, Plagenhoef talks for some time with two of the game's major characters: pitcher Dan Petry, who pitched well, and Darrell Evans, whose error in the ninth inning led to two Kansas City runs. It's not easy. Evans looks dejected; Petry is frustrated. They aren't in the best mood to answer his questions.

But he needs the information and gets it. As a baseball writer he must confront players with tough questions about their mistakes and often criticize them in print. He is constantly with the team, but must remain at a distance in order to write objectively.

"Try not to show emotion," he says. "I'm not a part of the team. I'm not a ballplayer, I'm a writer. I sit up in the third deck, they play down on the field. But, if I'm going to associate with them, then I try to maintain a professional demeanor."

"What becomes so important is the relationship with the players," he continues. "You can criticize them, but I don't think they have to be embarrassed. That can be done if you're subtle... If you're honest with them, they'll come to respect you."

Plagenhoef returns to the pressbox with enough information to write his two stories for the next day's papers. During the game he wrote little, taking notes and checking statistics instead. Now he and his fellow writers busy themselves with their stories. Things become serious. Deadlines must be met. The pressbox is quiet except for the click, click, click of portable computers and an occasional question from a writer about the game.

"The toughest part is to write two stories every day and not get caught using the same adjectives or talking to the same people," Plagenhoef says. "It's really difficult to be creative every day."

About two hours after the game ended, he finishes and sends his story to the papers by computer. He finished early tonight. So he takes the nearly-deserted Jeffries home.

"I like this job because I like baseball," he says. "To me, every game is different and for some reason, I haven't grown weary of baseball. I have grown weary of traveling.

Once Plagenhoef calculated how much time he spent on the road following the Tigers and it came to five months each year. Fine for a bachelor, but Plagenhoef has a family to raise — two boys, Scott, 12, and Brent, 10. And being away from them has him contemplating a change.

"I've gotten calls on the phone from the family during periods when pets have died, and it's very difficult to console someone over the phone. I mean you like to be there just for a hug. The responsibility I feel as a parent is great enough that I really feel I've neglected them in the course of this job. So, although I still like baseball, my first responsibility is to them."

He pulls into the driveway about 1:30 a.m. All is quiet; the house dark. A not-so-eventful ending to a busy day.

NEWS FROM HOPE COLLEGE, OCTOBER 1985
The 1985-86 Annual Alumni Fund Campaign hopes to raise at least $700,000 from 6,700 alumni. Over 300 alumni are involved in the campaign through their letters as Class Reps and phone calls as Phonathon leaders and volunteers.

A decade of growth has marked the Annual Alumni goals. The 1984-85 campaign, under the leadership of Phyllis Brink '58 Bursma, totaled $701,448 from a record 6,408 alumni. The Alumni Fund has passed the previous year's giving for 11 years.

"This will be a challenging year with The Campaign for Hope also in progress," stated Cindy Pocock, Director of Annual Funds. "We hope our alumni will not forget about the Annual Fund drive and will be able to support both endeavors."

Class Representatives

1920
George H. Vanderhorst
Lakeland, Fla.
1921
Harold E. Veldman
Grand Rapids, Mich.
1922
Mathew W. Van Dovenberg
Caledonia, Mich.
1923
James & Jeanette Hoffman Necker
Ontario, Mich.
1924
Ila Pearson Van Enzeran
Holland, Mich.
1925
Martin & Martha Koppenaal
Holland, Mich.
1926
Gerrit & Mildred E. Ramaker
Kalamazoo, Mich.
1927
Ralph L. Miller
Muskegon, Mich.
1928
Charles Poppen Yager
Grand Rapids, Mich.
1929
Dirk Moos
Grand Rapids, Mich.
1930
H. Sidney Heersina
Kalamazoo, Mich.
1931
Emile Hyma Bos
Holland, Mich.

PHONATHONS

October 28
Kalamazoo
Ed Martin '34
Kurt Droppe '79
November 4
Detroit
Bill VanFossen '70
John Stein '33
November 7
Chicago
S. Craig Van Zandt Jr. '77
November 11
Grand Rapids/Holland
Florence Dykema Morgan
Clinton, N.Y.
November 18
Grand Rapids/Grandville
Bob Cooper '72
Steve Berge '76
November 19
Grand Rapids/Grandville
Roger Kleinhans '60
Tom Mau '78
November 25
Holland/Zeeland
Velma Martini '77 Westport
December 1
Holland/Zeeland
Carrie Walthersbach '81 Hominy

Are you a snowbird?

Do you leave your permanent residence for a few months each year for another location? If so, please send us your name, new address, and phone number (optional), so we may keep in touch with you during your temporary stay elsewhere. We would love to hear from you.

U.S. MAIL

Name
Street Address
City State Zip
Phone Number
How Long Will You Be At This Address?

SEND TO: College Relations, Hope College, Holland, MI 49423
Dear Mom & Dad, I'm a Puller!

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Surprisingly, it went fast. And unbelievably, we were always ahead, or so it seemed. On most of our heaves we took rope. People were screaming, yelling, and snapping pictures everywhere. It got hard to hear but our morale girls did a good job getting the signals to us.

It felt weird to look around. When I looked up all I could see was the green leaves on the trees overhead and the heads of so many people I didn't know. Every once and while I'd hear my name being called and knew someone was watching. I had to do my best.

All through the Pull we kept heaving and uneven. My ribs hurt and the rope burned into the inside of my armpit with each heave. But I couldn't let the pain control me. I knew if I hadn't hung in for dear life the other team would have. Sometimes I wanted to loosen my grip just a little to ease the pain but I figured if the other team heaved, the rope burning through my hands would hurt more. But I wanted to win so bad.

After two hours the coaches came around and told us we didn't have much time left. They said in 20 minutes the judges would be around to measure the rope. But WE WERE WINNING! The 20 minutes seemed like the longest time. Finally down to 15 and 10. I began to cry. Gail kept telling me to hang on.

Then the judges announced we had gained more rope than the sophomores. Only eight feet. Boy that was close. The crowd, our coaches and the team went crazy.

When '88 got to rely in the rope for the victory. It was the sweetest feeling to have all that rope pass through your hands. Emotions burst all over. The Pull team was laughing, crying, smiling, falling down, jumping into the river, hurting, yelling. People were cheering, slapping our backs and hugging us. It felt so special.

Afterward we gathered for a prayer and a cheer for '88. In all our excitement, we had to remember how sad they felt.

Back at campus, people I didn't even know congratulated me. They said things like "Wow, I thought you guys could never do it" and "I'll bet it feels great now that it's over and you won." Some even said, "You sure made fools out of '88." You see, we were the double underdogs. We are freshmen plus the sophomores had won last year. Not many people expected them to lose.

We believed in ourselves all along and we proved we had heart. We didn't make fools of '88, it's just that someone had to win.

When you think about it, they are pullers just like us and they trained just as hard.

It was difficult to stand there and listen. Don't get me wrong, I appreciated their thoughts but I had a lot of great feelings and mixed emotions going through my heart and mind. I didn't know what to feel. But then I realized no one would understand, only a puller would.

Got to go now. Another puller stopped by. Take care. I'll write again soon.

Oct. 2, 1985

Well everything is back to normal. Or at least it seems like it. I miss pulling so much. All the posters and signs of encouragement Gail made are now stored away, waiting to be placed in a scrapbook. All that remains now are the memories and my ripped '89 shirt.

We filled our pits today and it was really hard to walk away. It all went too fast.

Our team is still hanging around together. We see each other at lunch or walking to class and we'll talk about the Pull. You can't get it out of your system, no matter how hard you try.

I am looking forward to next year's Pull and being a part of the great, big family again. Training will be hard, I know, and next year's freshmen will be just as tough to beat. But it really doesn't matter. Our team is very special and there's no way we'll ever lose that feeling.

I love you both.

Bri
Reunion Class of 1975
Row 1: Don Wickstra, Deborah Weiss Sturtevant, Pam Getty, Cherly Blare King, Pamela Gates Zinn, Debbi Doorn Vander Lind, Sandi Baldacci Miller, Jan Weitz, Mary Zondervan-Schouoten, Debra Dowly Vivian, Terry Fuller Zweerting, Phil Geely, Julie Marcellus VanOostenburg, Ed Chavez, Rick Vanoss, Dan Boote, Lee Reen, Nancy Ousting Wagner, Glenn Wagner;
Row 2: David Cudey, Dennis Sturtevant, Matt Rumpsa, Vicki Wiegerink Rumpsa, Kathy Karle, Jill Morrone Lewis, Harvey Burkhour, Paul Cornell, Deborah Maxwell Cornell, Bruce Martin, Jim Hale, Bill Lawton, Mary Koepp Luidens, Bob Luidens, Claire Campbell Boersma, Bill Boersma;
Row 3: Brian Vriesman, Linda Guth Trout, Lynn Hermet Kamps, Greg Slenk, Pam Fisher Bell, Janice Bares White, Bob Carlson, Kathy Jo Blaske, Kurt Pugh, Ken Hoesch, Jared Thomas, Terry Roa, Scott VanOostendorp, Todd Engle;
Row 4: Janet Brevick Naymick, Joni Stevens Wagennaker, Pati Kort Klingenberg, Judy Westenbroek Girod, Ken Schmidt, Jean Boven Norden, Ray Lubberts;
Row 5: Arlene Dekker Akker, Jane Voogd Low, Jeff Pett, Gary Belanas, Karen Johnson-Weiner, Kathy Kitzmiller, Steve Kapres, Tom Claus, Paul Hendricks, John Koeppe, Marilyn Spen, Susan Meeusen, William DeBlock;
Row 6: Claire VanderMeulen Gibbs, Dick Kamps, Bob Klein, Rita d'Hartog Stevens, John Kloosterboer, Katie Elliott Brana, Janice Fraaza, Sue VanBranteghem Ansel;
Row 7: Carol Kornoelje Boruta, Dan Wiersma, Dennis TeBeest, Barbara Brehm Taylor, Marjorie DeRap Boermer, Cindy Arnold Pocock, Nancy VanHeest Vanden Berg, Lori Norden, Janet Koop Bronyks, Mary Scott Dekker, Nora Boman Joyce;
Row 8: Gordon Callam, Neil Clark, Bob Myers, Mary Vlieger DeYoung.

Reunion Class of 1980
Row 1: Jennifer Nielsen Mulvaney, Lori Anderson Terkeurst, Judy Cook VanderZwaag, Diane Barr Brace, Karen Hoogerwerf, Lynn Davis Jeffery, Kathy Shillett Burmeister, Janet Lawrence, Jenni Liggert, Delia Ganley, Debbie Grimm Anderson, Bill Anderson;
Row 4: Anne Powe, Barbara Arnston Osburn, Brion Brooks, Leigh Boelkens Van Kimpel, Lisle Westfall, Woeltje, Denise Arthur Pollice, Sally Berger Reschke, Elissa Van Gent Webster, Carol Mushlock, Geneva Malone, Stacy Bissett Walters, Beth Bischoff Marrie, Steven Peacher, John Peachey, Tim Griffin;
Row 5: Ross Nykamp, Craig Groendyk, Tom Keiser, David Bruns, Ken Bokkerling, Andy Birner, Sue Brouwer, Barbara Peli Slotman, Lynne Maxwell, Carol Arnoldink, Dave Sterk, Taylor Holbrook, John VanArendonk, Tom Kasten, Douglas Van Der Meulen, John Byl.
alumni beat

by Vern Schipper '51

 Association of College Relations for Alumni Affairs

The death of our President Emeritus and friend Dr. Irwin J. Lubbers is a deep loss for all alumni, parents, friends and students. He served as President of Hope College for 40 years from 1946 until 1986.

The Alumni Office at Hope has appointed the first alumni director and secretary during his time. The success of the office has grown in a large part due to Dr. Lubbers. We will continue to send out a "Hope College Alumni" weekly newsletter to those who can help. Please see your August newsletter for more information.

Class notes continue to be one of the most popular sections of news from Hope College. We do our best to include as many and as much information about our alumni as possible. We encourage you to send in news about your fellow alumni. We have a distinct and loyal alumni body that has a strong tradition and support of each other. The sharing of significant events in your life including marriages, births, deaths, advancements, awards, helps us maintain a personal record of your life.

A special thank you to all those who have submitted addresses for lost alumni. Of the 120 lost, we have located approximately 35. We will have more information about our lost alumni. Your input is greatly appreciated.

The Michigan Alumni Chapter of Alpha Epsilon Delta, the pre-medical honor society at Hope, will be celebrating their 25th anniversary on May 19. A special gathering of Hope alumni, along with the current students, is planned for the anniversary of Dr. Eugene Jekel, current sponsor and advisor, along with the executive committee is planning this event. If you haven’t been contacted, please call Dr. Eugene Jekel at 616-322-3124.

Tell Us All

Class Notes: We will print your first and last name only, for the sake of consistency in our publication. If you are a married female, please tell us your maiden name. If you go by a different name, such as a married name, we will print it instead of your first name.

We cannot print information about your spouse if he or she is not a Hope grad. We only have information on our alumni directory and are unable to verify this information.

Marriages: We cannot publish a marriage announcement until after the wedding has taken place. Please write us after you are married.

Births: Please notify us within one year of your child’s birth. We don’t have enough room to list your children over a year old.

Deaths: Any information you have will be appreciated.

Sympathy To: Information about the death of a loved one in your immediate family will be published upon your request.

class notes

News and information for class notes, marriages, births and deaths are compiled for news from Hope College by Mary Jo Graves of the Office of College Relations. The deadline for the next issue is Nov. 1.

1980’s

Gerrit Wieringen ’39 and his wife, Mary, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in August. They have been married since 1935.

Nancy Susanov ’62 is the dean of Vanier College in Medicine Hat, Alberta.

Robert Grew ’63 is an associate scientist at the analytical laboratory of the Michigan Applied Science and Technology Laboratories of Dow Chemical Company in Midland, Mich.

B. J. Bergerst ’63, English and speech teacher at West Ottawa High School in Holland, Mich., has been named principal of a new school district.

The cost of living has increased.

Sympathy

Published upon your request.

NEWS FROM HOPE COLLEGE, OCTOBER 1985

SEVENTEEN
Pulling freshman style

Dear Mom & Dad, You'll Never Guess What I'm Doing!

by Brian Breen

"Are you a freshman? Are you going out for the Pull. You know, the Pull. That's why I wanted to write a good candidate to write a freshman perspective on the Pull.

After finding that Brian was a willing volunteer, the authors found that he was a perfect candidate for this article. Here's some information. Brian's name, for example, was Tark'd. (Nothing to do with alcoholic content.)

On the first day of classes, Brian was ready to go. He had prepared himself thoroughly for the Pull. He was ready to go.

Hand-over-hand: After announcing that the sophomores had lost by eight feet in two-and-a-half hours, Brian found the rope was much easier to take after the sophomores let go. Morale girl Gail Curley watches the rope go by.

During the first few days of school I saw many posters for the '89 Pull Rally. I talked to many seniors and they said it would be a lot of fun. That is, the Pull Rally would be fun. But the Pull itself, that's a different story.

The rally was really fun. A lot of freshmen filled Winans Auditorium. The atmosphere was hot and humid as the '89 Pull team showed us a slide show, accompanied by rock music, about last year's Pull. It was very exciting.

An '87 puller named Petey (Kraig Peterson) told us he would be one of our coaches and that practice would start on Monday. Then he said the rally was over and that the sophomores had a surprise for us outside.

I had been warned beforehand that it was traditional for the sophomores to douse the freshmen with water after the rally.

I figured it would be a couple of water balloons so I wasn't worried much. Me and a bunch of guys ran our front and after venturing 10 feet were drenched from head to toe.

I'm planning to go to practice on Monday to see what it really is about. It'll probably be tough but I think I can make it. Don't worry about me. I'll be fine.

Talk to you both soon. Hope you're well too.

Sept. 15, 1985

Dear Folks,

Well, I've been back from the Pull for a few hours now, but I'm not going to tell you about my day just yet. You'll have to read about my day and find out at the end of the letter.

We posed for a group photo and left for the river at 3 p.m. When we arrived, people were already starting to walk down to the banks. We lined up by circle, with our gear, and marched off. It felt like going to war.

When we got to our pits (we dug them the night before), we found that many of them were water-soaked. I had rain gear, so we had to bail them out.

Finally the Pull was ready to start. I was standing around, waiting. One of the alternate pullers would be in my pit (No. 7) first and after 20 minutes I would go in. Tension was in the air.

"Do you want this?" shouted Heno (Ken Whitchcomb), one of the alumni pullers. "Do it and it's yours!" I'd never had a first chance to prove myself to the Pull. Everyone looked intense.

The 3:59 call sounded and everybody hushed. At 4, the Pull would start. The whistle blew and we pulled in the rope like mad. We heaved a few times to get the slack out and after five minutes the whistle blew again.

The judges had had enough of our work and the rope in the case of the Pull had to be decided after two-and-a-half hours with a measurement. The whistle soon sounded; whatever rope we got now was ours.

People crowded the fence surrounding our pits. The support felt great. "89 vs. '88" were TV cameras covering the action. Twenty minutes came and I jumped in my pit as quick as possible. This would be home for the next two hours.

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