They’ll recall more than the cheers

by Eva D. Folkert

Back in 1941, before the realization of U.S. involvement in an already-raging World War II, two young men from small towns matriculated to the Hope College campus: Russ DeVette, from Muskegon, Mich., and Gordon Brewer, from Kalamazoo, Mich. Their paths would continually cross-cross then finally merged, so similar were the courses fate put them on.

For both, that overseas war interrupted their Hope educations - DeVette to the Marines and Brewer to the Air Force. But, they both returned to finish their degrees - DeVette graduating from Hope in 1947, Brewer in 1948. And soon after earning advanced degrees, both returned again to Hope to teach and coach, to begin leaving an indelible mark on the college's physical education and athletic programs.

Ask them to recall one, just one out of several hundred memories, and they'll probably eagerly remember that 1958 Hope vs. Hillsdale football game, when DeVette as head coach and Brewer as an assistant coach devised a game plan that halted the 'Dales 28-game league win streak and gave Hope a shared league championship with a last-second field goal.

Ask them about the by-gone days of Carnegie-Schouten Gymnasium, their first home in Hope academe, and they might grimace hesitantly. Then, ask them about the present days of the Dow Health and Physical Education Center, their current home in Hope academe, and they'll probably burst into tell-all smiles.

Ask Russ DeVette and Gordon Brewer about their philosophy of sport and the immediate answers of their touchstones for Division III athletics would be of fairness and fun, of educational priorities and give-it-your-all performances; and of small-college ethics and “big-time” hearts.

And now, after 69 combined years of teaching and tenured to Hope's athletic and physical education program, these two ambassadors for Hope academies and athletics are retiring. It seems only fitting that they should complete this final phase of their careers together, too.

... After 37 years of piling up championships and awards, it would seem very logical to think that Russ DeVette's Dow Center office would be adorned with proof positive of those achievements. But numerous polished plastic trophies aren't there. Instead, many photographs - some faded, some framed - serve to remind him daily of his family and friends. For DeVette, it's the people in his life, not the accolades, which are ever kept in front of him.

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CAMPUS NOTES

TO HONOR ALUMNI: Alumni Day on Saturday, May 7 will be highlighted with two Distinguished Alumni Award presentations. Receiving the 1988 honors will be Dr. Marilyn Scudder ’60 of Moshi, Tanzania and Elmer Hartgerink ’39 of South Haven, Mich.

After earning a M.D. degree in ophthalmology from the University of Michigan, Dr. Scudder accepted an appointment to work temporarily at a mission hospital in Mvumi, Tanzania. In 1973, just before her assignment was complete, she was asked to join the staff of the Kilimanjaro Christian Medical Center in Tanzania, a post which she holds today. Dr. Scudder is one of only 12 ophthalmologists in Tanzania with the responsibility of treating thousands of people in a country of 20 million.

Elmer Hartgerink ’39, after earning a master of science degree in organic chemistry from Washington University, St. Louis, Mo., was employed by Miles Laboratories in Elkhart, Ind., for 38 years and served as the director of company-wide programs of environmental control. He retired from Miles Labs and became president of Wyckoff Chemical Company in South Haven, Mich., eventually turning that company around. “Wyckoff was named one of the fastest growing, privately-held companies in Michigan, according to a survey published in Michigan Business magazine during 1986 and 1987. He was also the alumni representative on the Presidential Search Committee.

DOWNTOWN COMMITMENT: The Board of Trustees took two actions at their recent meeting to demonstrate its support of a community effort to maintain a vital Holland central business district.

Since the college campus is located within the central core of the City of Holland and its northern boundary is adjacent to the downtown area, the trustees authorized an investment of $150,000 as a limited partner in the Riverview Development Project, a privately-funded endeavor intended to integrate the riverfront with the nearby downtown business district.

As part of its commitment to the Riverview Development Project, the trustees also authorized the purchase of the Holland Theatre on East Eighth Street near the college campus. The purchase of the theatre was made possible in part by a gift from an anonymous donor and will be used for campus and community events.

When fully developed, the Riverview Development Project will include a rejuvenated downtown commercial district with retail, office, restaurant, and light industrial activities; residential areas overlooking the nearby Macatawa River; and a mix of recreational facilities, bike paths and walkways. President-emeritus Gordon J. Van Wylen is offering key leadership to this project.

“The vitality of Holland’s downtown area is of the utmost importance to the future of Hope College,” said President John H. Jacobson. “The quality of this area has a direct bearing on the quality of life for our students.”

FACULTY PROMOTIONS: During their winter meeting, the Board of Trustees approved the promotion of several Hope faculty members.

Three members of the faculty were granted tenure and promoted to the rank of Associate Professor. The professors include: Dr. Barry Bandstra, religion; Herbert Martin, business administration; and Dr. Boyd Wilson, religion. Also granted tenure were: Dr. Anne Larsen, associate professor of French, and Dr. Ronald Wolthuis, associate professor of education.

Promoted to the rank of full Professor were: Dr. William Cohen, history; Dr. Donald Cronkite, biology; Dr. Jane Dickie, psychology; Dr. James Heiser, economics; Dr. Gail Van Wieren, physical education; and Dr. Dennis Voskuil, religion.

POMP AND STUFF: Approximately 472 graduating seniors will be receiving their degrees at the 123rd Hope College Commencement Ceremony on Sunday, May 8 beginning at 3 p.m. in Holland Municipal Stadium. Baccalaureate will be held earlier that day at 11 a.m. in Dimnent Memorial Chapel.

This year’s commencement speaker will be Dr. David Cronkite, professor of biology, The Res. Robert Bost ’58, the RCA’s Minister for Evangelism and Church Life in South Holland, Ill., will give the baccalaureate sermon.

The Board of Trustees will also confer honorary degrees upon Dr. John Hollenbach, Dr. Samuel Noordhoff ’30, and Lucille Brunsting ’49 Noordhoff.

Changing Times magazine asked a panel of 13 education experts to pick the nation’s top low-cost, high-quality schools.

“Colleges that cost less than average but offer better-than-average academic quality should fit anybody’s definition of a bargain,” the magazine said. From a base of objective data and the opinions of the experts, the magazine compiled a list of bargain colleges and universities.

A school’s final selection was based on a variety of criteria. The first measure-
thing, though, was price. Each of the schools listed in Changing Times had to have a cost below $10,500, the national four-year average, for the 1987-88 academic year. Also, the academic quality of their students had to be above the national SAT average of 906 and ACT average of 20. The panelists also excluded schools that exclusively draw from a particular religion and take more

than 90 percent of their students from in-state.

Hope measured up very well on all these counts. The college’s tuition, room, and board for 1987-88 is $10,314, this year’s freshman class averaged 1,100 on the SAT and a composite score on the ACT; and one-fourth of Hope students are members of the Reformed Church in America while 72 percent of the college’s students are from Michigan.

Then, from a list of 100 colleges, the panelists came to their final 62—college conclusion by selecting “the schools that would readily be recommended.”

Quote: Unquote is an eclectic sampling of things being said at or about Hope College.

Hope College has once again been recognized in a national publication as a best buy in higher education. The March issue of Changing Times magazine has listed Hope as one of 62 U.S. colleges and universities which, in the opinion of a panel of experts, offer a high-quality education at a low cost.

In recent years, Hope has been featured as a “best buy” by Money magazine and in the guide, Best Buys in College Education by Edward B. Fiske, education editor of The New York Times.
completed the bulk of his research and writing for the book. In 1986, Cox was invited to present part of his book as a seminar paper at the World Shakespeare Congress in West Berlin. The Congress meets once every five years and represents the best in worldwide Shakespeare scholarship.

Shakespeare and the Dramaturgy of Power takes a new approach to the subject of political power and social privilege in Shakespeare's plays. It is intended for literary scholars who make Shakespeare their special object of study.

Cox is a 1967 Hope graduate and joined the English faculty in 1979.

THIRD TIME AROUND: The third edition of Probability and Statistical Inference by Dr. Efrain Tanis, professor of mathematics at Hope College, and Dr. Robert Hogg, of the University of Iowa, has been released by MacMillan Publishing Co. of New York City.

First published in 1977, Probability and Statistical Inference has been used by more than 200 colleges and universities across the country.

Though the book's method to teaching statistics has remained much the same, Tanis and Hogg used a more data-oriented approach in the new edition. Many more figures, graph analyses, and real applications have been added to help students understand statistics and what statistical methods can accomplish. More problems have also been added; many of which are based on data submitted by Hope students and faculty, Tanis said.

DEBRUYN DANCING PREZ: Maxine DeBruyn, associate professor of dance and chairperson of the department, has been elected to a three-year term as the president of the Iowa Dance and Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance. She is the first dance educator to become president of the Midwest District since it was created in 1912.

The Midwest District is one of six districts of the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance. With a membership of 7,000, the Midwest District states include Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, West Virginia, and Wisconsin. The mission of the American Alliance is to aid professionals and consumers in the development and practice of health sport, dance, and recreation activities.

A member of the Hope faculty since 1965, DeBruyn is the builder of the college's dance department and primarily responsible for its accreditation by the National Association of School of Dance in 1985. She is also the vice president of the Congress on the Arts and Education as well as the dance chair for the Commission on Children's Dance of the National Dance Association.

STUDENT ACCOLADES: Two music students were named winners in the Bach Festival competition held annually in Kalamazoo, Mich. Heather Thompson, a sophomore pianist from Topeka, Ind., and J. Knighten Smit, a junior piano performance major from Grand Rapids, Mich., won for their presentations performed before a panel of judges.

Thompson, a fine arts composite major, played three Sonatas by Domenico Scarlatti while Smit performed a G Major Toccata by J.S. Bach.

Both are students of Prof. Joan Conway.

JUNIOR CRAIG STAPERT of Grand Rapids, Mich., has been awarded a prestigious National Endowment for the Humanities Younger Scholars Grant for his research work in the field of religious studies. The nine-week, $2,200 grant will allow Stapert, a classics major, to conduct a summer research project under the direction of Dr. Albert Bell, associate professor of classics and history. Stapert's topic is entitled "A Presentation of Judaism and Christianity as Philosophical Schools in the First Century A.D." It will deal with the way the Jews and Christians presented themselves to the Roman government and how they perceived themselves not as particular religions, but different philosophical schools of thought.

NEW CAMPUS HOT SPOT: The welcome mat is out for the new Van Wylen Library, and it is definitely being used. The staff expected activities to slow down to a gentle pace after the major move, but the opposite has been true.

The warm, quiet, and inviting atmosphere contributes to the increased usage of the new building. According to recent door counts, the traffic flow has tripled compared to a year ago. The new microcomputer area on the second floor has drawn continuous heavy use. Reference librarians have indicated that bibliographic instruction nearly doubled in the first three weeks of classes. Also, circulation has increased by 50 percent.

BOERSMA RETIRES: Dr. Vernon Boersma '44 will retire from part-time service to the Hope College Health Clinic. Boersma, who also was Hope's athletic team physician from 1983-87, provided medical services to Hope students since the early 1970s. He has also retired from his full-time family practice in Holland.

Dr. James Lembere has replaced Boersma as Hope's team physician.

SWIMMER OF THE YEAR MAKES QUITE A SPLASH: Junior Shelly Russell is surely making a name for herself in the NCAA Division III swimming world. This year at the national meet in Atlanta, Ga., Russell captured three crowns in the 500 and 1,650-yard freestyle events, which she won last year as a sophomore, and the 200-yard freestyle. Then, for her Mark Spitzian efforts, the Battle Creek, Mich., native was named the NCAA Division III Female Swimmer of the Year.

Hope sports enthusiasts will be keeping their eyes peeled to see what Russell will do for an encore next year. For more coverage, please turn to page five.
EVENTS

ACADEMIC CALENDAR

End of Spring Semester
Thursday, April 21 — Van Wylen Library Dedication;
Classes not in session
Friday, April 29 — May Day; Classes dismissed at 12:30
p.m.
Mon.-Fri., May 2-6 — Semester Examinations
Saturday, May 7 — Alumni Day
Sunday, May 8 — Baccalaureate and Commencement;
Residence halls close at 7 p.m.

May Term
Monday, May 9 — Registration and payment of fees,
8:30-11 a.m., DeWitt Lobby; Classes begin at 1 p.m.
Friday, May 27 — May Term ends

June Term
Tuesday, May 31 — Registration and payment of fees,
8:30-10 a.m., DeWitt Lobby; Classes begin at 1 p.m.
Monday, June 6 — Extra half day session to compensate
for Memorial Day holiday
Monday, June 13 — Extra half day session to compensate
for Memorial Day holiday
Friday, June 17 — June Term ends

Summer Session
Monday, June 20 — Registration and payment of fees,
8:30-10 a.m., DeWitt Lobby; Classes begin
Friday, July 4 — Classes not in session
Friday, July 29 — Summer Session ends

ADMISSIONS

Junior Day — Friday, April 15
A day designed specifically for high school junior and
their parents to help them begin the college search pro-
cess.
Pre-Medicine and Pre-Engineering Day — Thursday,
May 12
Special activities for high school juniors interested in be-
coming medical doctors or engineers.
Exploration '88 — July 17-23:
A "mini-college" experience for students who will be
juniors and seniors in high school for the fall of 1988.
For further information about any Admission program, call
(616) 394-7860.

ALUMNI AND FRIENDS

"Meet the President!" Regional Dinners
This year, alumni and friends across the country have
the opportunity to meet Hope's new president, Dr. John
H. Jacobson, and his wife, Dr. Jeanne Jacobson, at a
dinner event in an area near you. Upcoming dates
appear below:
April 27 — Washington, D.C.
May 17 — Philadelphia
May 18 — New York City
May 19 — New Jersey
May 24 — Rochester, N.Y.
May 25 — Albany, N.Y.

Hope College Village Square — Friday, June 24
Hand-crafted items, food and children's entertainment
highlight this annual campus-wide bazaar; 7 a.m.-3:30
p.m.
For further information, please call the Office of Public Relations at (616)
394-7960.

THE ARTS

Music
Faculty Chamber Music Concert — Sunday, April
10; Wickers Auditorium, 4 p.m.

Hope College Wind Ensemble Concert — Tuesday,
April 12; Dimnent Memorial Chapel, 8 p.m.

Student Recital — Thursday, April 14; Dimnent
Memorial Chapel, 7 p.m.

RESEARCH

Chamber Winds Faculty Recital — Sunday, April
17; Wickers Auditorium, 4 p.m.

Chamber Winds Student Ensemble Concert
— Friday, April 22; Wickers Auditorium, 8 p.m.

Faculty Recital — Saturday, April 23; Featuring Lauri
Loper; Dimnent Memorial Chapel, 8 p.m.

Chapel Choir Concert — Sunday, April 24; Dimnent
Memorial Chapel, 8 p.m.

Senior Recital — Monday, April 25; Featuring pianist
Tim Jarzembowski; Dimnent Memorial Chapel, 8 p.m.

Hope College Orchestra Concert — Thursday, April
28; Featuring winner of the Concerto Contest and the
College Chorus; Dimnent Memorial Chapel, 8 p.m.

Senior Recital — Saturday, April 30; Featuring pianist
Carrie Terpstra; Dimnent Memorial Chapel, 8 p.m.

Theatre

Easter by August Strindberg — April 15, 16, 20-23
Curtain time: 8 p.m.
A sensitive and poignant drama which reveals the
Heyst family's trials during three haunting days and their
enlightened resolution of renewed faith, hope, and love.
Tickets may be purchased by calling, 392-1449 two weeks prior to opening
night.

DePree Art Gallery Exhibits
Graduating Senior Show — through May 8
Six Hope students display the culmination of their four
years of art study.

HOPE COLLEGE VILLAGE SQUARE

Friday, June 24
Come join the Hope College community
for a fun-filled family day
of country fair activities
featuring handmade goods, delicious foods,
attic specials, children's entertainment,
and a silent auction.

Breakfast begins at 7 a.m.;
Booths open at 9 a.m.

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NEWS FROM HOPE COLLEGE, APRIL 1988
Winter sports season full of sustained success

Though the winter sports season consists of only four teams, it is a season that never lacks athletic excellence and unpredictability at Hope College. This year was no exception.

- Hope teams took home two MIAA championship trophies — men's basketball and women's swimming — out of four possible titles.
- The men's swimming team earned fifth place at the NCAA Division III championships in Atlanta, Ga., their best finish ever.
- Junior Shelly Russell of Battle Creek, Mich., captured three gold medals at the NCAA Division III championships and was then deservedly named the NCAA Division III Female Swimmer of the Year.
- The men's basketball team earned a berth in the NCAA Division III post-season tournament, their sixth trip to Great Lakes Regional competition in the last seven years. Narrowly defeated by Kalamazoo College in dual meet and MIAA championship meet competition, the Flying Dutchmen swim team were dethroned from their two-year reign as MIAA champs and settled for second place.
- The women's basketball team continued to steadily build a contender's tradition by taking second in this year's league race.
- And, as usual, Hope and arch-rival Calvin College are duking it out for top billing in the All-Sports Award race. Hope has already captured six league championships — football, golf, women's cross country, volleyball, men's basketball, and women's swimming — and no other team has finished below third place, but the Knights from Grand Rapids, Mich., are doing their best to capture the All-Sports Award that Hope has coveted for the past eight straight years.

At the end of the winter season, Hope had amassed 102 all-sports points, followed by Calvin with 94, Alma 39, Kalamazoo 38, Albion 52, Adrian 40, and Olivet 22.

With a veteran-laden squad, the Flying Dutchman basketball team was picked in a pre-season poll of MIAA coaches to do no worse than first place. In fact, even USA Today added their approval by choosing Hope as their pre-season number one favorite. The Hope team didn't let the league coaches down, but didn't quite fulfill the national newspaper's prophecy either. Coach Glenn Van Wieren's Flying Dutchmen finished with a 19-8 record en route to winning the MIAA championship for the seventh time in eight years with a 10-2 record.

This championship performance gave Hope a berth in the NCAA Division III Great Lakes Regional tournament, a field that also included three Ohio teams — Muskingum College, Ohio Wesleyan College, and Ohio Northern College.

Hope opened the tournament, held in Delaware, Ohio, by defeating Muskingum, 80-75, sending the Dutchmen to the finals the next night against host school Ohio Wesleyan. But in a nail-biting, heart-wrenching double overtime game, Hope was eliminated from post-season play by the Battling Bishops, 110-107.

It was a season for the record books, though, as the 1987-88 squad became the highest scoring team in school history. The Flying Dutchmen averaged 89.3 points per game, scoring more than 100 points on six occasions. The old record was 87.1 points per game by the 1970-71 Dutchmen.

Team free throw shooting was also record breaking. This year's 76 percent mark erased the 74.1 percent record held by the 1985-86 team.

Senior Bill VanderBilt of Hamilton, Mich., became the first Hope player to appear in more than 100 varsity games, ending his career at 101.

Senior Matt Strong of Muskegon, Mich., also earned a spot in the league's record book. He set a new league career record for free throw shooting average at 86.9 percent. He was also voted the MIAA Most Valuable Player for the second year in a row, but shared this year's honors with Calvin player Dan Davis. It marked the fifth time in the last six years that the honor has gone to a Hope player.

Senior Jim Klinker of Grand Rapids, Mich., and VanderBilt were voted the all-MIAA second team. He and junior Jack Holman of Grand Haven, Mich., were also selected to the all-tourney team at the Great Lakes Regional.

As the season ended, Klinker and Strong joined the elite group of Hope players who scored more than 1,000 points during their careers. Strong tallied a total of 1,027 points while Klinker scored 1,019.

Strong was the team's MVP while freshman Dave Beemer of Grandville, Mich., was the most improved player on the jayvee squad.

The men's basketball season is not quite over this year, however. This summer, coach Van Wieren will take his players on a mission trip to Chiapas, Mexico. The team will build Christian relationships with the Trotzil Indians by teaching them basketball as well as playing competitively against Mexican university teams. The trip is being organized in part by Vern '64 and Carla VandeBunte '63 Sterk, Reformed Church missionaries, in Chiapas.

The women's swim team culminated their most successful season ever by winning their ninth consecutive league title and finishing fifth at the NCAA Division III national championships in Atlanta, Ga., under coach John Patriki. Junior Shelly Russell of Battle Creek, Mich., starred again as Hope's premier swimmer by capturing MIAA Most Valuable Swimmer honors as well as the NCAA Division III Female Swimmer of the Year Award.

Russell set Division III national records in winning the 500-yard freestyle (4:55.99) and the 1,650-yard freestyle (16:34.13).

Senior co-captain Jim Klunder (25) was one of this year's driving forces behind Hope's seventh MIAA championship in eight years and the Flying Dutchmen's sixth NCAA Division III regional appearance in the last seven years.

She tied for first place in the 200-yard freestyle with Amy Heasley of Kenyon, Ohio (1:52.92).

Senior Jennifer Straley also had another outstanding season and finished her career with All-America honors in the 100-yard freestyle with a fifth-place finish. During her career, she was an NCAA All-American on 16 occasions and has also been an Academic All-American four straight years.


Joining Russell on the all-MIAA team were Acker, Gano, senior Karla Koops of Holland, Mich., and junior Diane Vens of Zeeland, Mich., and sophomore Kirsten Van Overen of Kentwood, Mich.

Russell was voted the team's most valuable player for the second year in-a-row. Straley received most inspirational swimmer honors for the fourth year in-a-row.

Of 23 possible school records to break, the Flying Dutch set 17 new Hope marks.

The men's swim team saw their two-year reign as league champs come to an end as top league honors were recaptured by Kalamazoo College. The Flying Dutchmen, also coached by John Patriki, were out-scored by the Hornets in both dual and championship meet competition.

Hope ended the season with a 4-1 record in league dual meets, 7-2 overall.

The Flying Dutchmen crowned three league champions — sophomore diver Jim Mitchell of Ann Arbor, Mich., on the three-meter board, junior Greg Greenstein of Ann Arbor, Mich., in the 100-yard butterfly; and senior Kirt Van Overen of Kentwood, Mich., in the 200-yard breaststroke. These three were also elected to the all-MIAA team along with junior Bruce Brown of Nappanee, Ohio, and senior John Houtum of Holland, Mich.

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The women's basketball team's achievements remained consistent as the Flying Dutch under coach Terri McFarland finished second in the league for the third year in-a-row. In their fifth consecutive winning season, the squad posted a 9-3 mark in the MIAA and a 14-9 record overall.

Senior forward DeAnn Knoll of Grand Rapids, Mich., was voted to the all-MIAA first team while junior guard Amy Warriner of Greenville, Mich., was an all-second team honoree.

Knoll had a fine four years at Hope. She set school and MIAA career rebounding records with 807 and 448 caroms respectively in each of the last three seasons. She ended the season with a 1,017 total.

She has also been honored for academic achievements as a member of the GTE district all-academic women's basketball team. Last spring, she earned the Academic All-American honors in softball.

For the second year in-a-row, Knoll received most valuable player honors from her teammates as well as the Barbara Ellen Geeting Memorial Award for maximum overall contributions to the team. Freshman Kristin Rooters of Grand Rapids, Mich., was elected the most improved.
Shouldn’t I be walking to the Kletz?

by Doug Holm ’86

Editor’s Note: This is the fifth installment in a six part series on Dr. John Jacobson’s first year as Hope’s president.

H ope College alumni. For me, those words have evoked an image of older men decked out in blue-and-orange sweaters on a Fall Saturday afternoon. Or a class reunion where talk flows about glory days; that weekend road trip to Chicago; those 2:00 a.m., 7-11 runs; cold pizza on Saturday mornings; the 15-page paper you thought you’d never finish.

I see crowds of returning alumni for yet another Homecoming weekend. I hear strains of the Fight Song and Alma Mater. Most of all, I hear the past calling— even me, just a 23-year-old Hope College alum.

And San Francisco alum, nonetheless. You couldn’t get much further from Hope without leaving the country. Only a row of pastel houses blocks my view of the Pacific Ocean when I look out my apartment window. I moved to the Bay Area in November 1986, driving the 2,300 miles from Holland in three and a half days. Sometimes to my surprise, I’ve stayed. I’ve established a new life for myself. I’ve found new friends, new challenges, new commitments.

But a part of me remains anchored back there at Lake Macatawa’s shores. Those college ties have been strongly bound. They’ve transcended the continent. I know many of my friends feel the same way. Whether we’re in California, Botswana, New York City, North Dakota or Tenth Street in Holland, we appreciate our years at Hope. And as we mend our way through our lives, we will probably place greater value on the steps we took there.

I started looking forward to my first alumni event as soon as I received my invitation in late January. A few weeks later, I joined about 60 others at San Francisco’s Fairmont Hotel to meet Dr. John Jacobson on his first West Coast swing as Hope College President. But I was just as interested in meeting other area alumni. Would I know anyone? How many others had made the same Michigan-to-California pilgrimage?

I knew one thing; it was going to be a relief just to be with people who wouldn’t need any explanation about my college. I’m weary of talking on “Holland, Michigan” or “Liberal arts college” whenever I mention Hope. And I’m tired of smiling at the inevitable puns— “Oh, Bob Hope?”

“Hope you graduate!” I’m always careful to warn clothing that says “COLLEGE” as well as “HOPE.” You never know, there may be souls out there with “FAITH” or “CHARITY” stamped on their shirts. After all, this is California.

The atmosphere that night at the Fairmont was, well, communal. I consider myself a pretty level-headed person. I don’t pretend my blood runs orange and blue. I’ve never worn one of those Hope College striped ties. And, no, I haven’t hung around old hippies in Haight-Ashbury since moving out here (“Communes, ma’am”).

But I thought the evening was something special. We West Coast alums shared past experiences and related present-day plans. Of course, we’re catching up with old friends. Others introduced themselves to faces they once saw around campus, but never really knew.

The spirit of the evening was enhanced by the new kid on the block— John Jacobson. He told us how he has been impressed by the loyalty among the college community— students and friends as well as alumni. “Hope College makes a strong impression need to attract people from diverse cultural backgrounds.

This complemented my initial impression of him. I was supposed to meet him shortly after arriving at the Fairmont. I was a little late, as usual, and Alumni Director Dave Van Dyke pointed me in his direction once I got there. But I couldn’t spot him — until I realized that this man having just to my right was the college president. He had already mingled with the crowd, making himself right at home.

President Jacobson spoke formally after dinner. He talked of the warm reception he received during his first campus visit. He related several of his impressions of the college and laid out some specific goals for his presidency. Before meeting him, I thought he might find following in former President Gordon Van Wylen’s footsteps an awfully daunting task. But I came away from the Fairmont feeling that he has probably established himself on campus as well as he mixed in with us alumni.

Which is what I spent most of my time trying to do, too. I’m afraid I didn’t get to meet as many people as I might have liked.

But I spent “quality time” with those people I did meet. I was surprised to find two fellow “68ers” amongst the faces. Of course, I didn’t know either one. I guess that will keep me honest. In the future I won’t be as tempted to brag that “I knew everyone in my class” while reminiscing.

We asked each other what the heck we were doing in California. It seemed strange to meet classmates for the first time out in San Francisco on a rainy Saturday afternoon, eating lunch at Phelps Dining Hall or taking notes in a Lubbers Hall classroom.

One woman saw my name tag and asked if I had an older brother who also went to Hope. Yes, I answered, kind of taken back by the coincidence. We ended up talking for a long time. I thought I might hear a funny story about my brother, but she didn’t know him well.

Late dinner with Preston Stegenga, who in the early 1950s chronicled Hope College’s history in his book, Anchor of Hope. His past bridged nicely with mine. I knew some of his classmates. Their names still comprise a chunk of a Who’s Who on the Hope College campus: Elton Bruins, Gordon Brewer, Russ DeVette, Paul Fried, Roger Rietberg, among others. I didn’t think to ask him about any funny stories involving those guys.

I chomped a bit with Dave Van Dyke and Vice President Bob DeYoung. And I finally met up with Kathy Karle: an advancement officer. She had purchased my bed when I moved to California from Holland at a fire-sale price.

Then, all of a sudden, it was over. People exchanged business cards. I sheepishly wrote my phone number on scraps of paper and vowed to be better prepared next time. It felt like a family reunion had ended.

While walking through the Fairmont’s halls, I thought about what President Jacobson had said about the college and the bonds it creates. As a somewhat cynical student, I often felt squeezed at what I saw all the Homecoming hoopla. Or the Pull. Or the white gloves of Nykerk. But I don’t know Hope at the Fairmont. I can’t sing the Alma Mater. It was only my second or third time, and I had to peek at the words. I found myself nodding in agreement with Jacobson’s observation: a part of me is still back in Holland, a place where memories linger.

As I made my way through the lobby, it felt like I should be carrying a backpack of books. I should be on my way to the Kletz to meet some friends and hopefully finish that history paper. Instead I opened the doors to a cool San Francisco night. I dug into my pocket and pulled out a couple of business cards I had received from other alumni. I smiled and walked to the car.
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Man...
Why did the
Dinosaurs die
They had no technological
Boon., let’s figure it out so
We don’t end up there soon
A conversation with anyone will
Prove to you how right we are and how
Smart we can be, but if this will keep
Us from fueling to-morrow’s problems
I hope something is around to see...
The Turtle Has
An Idea
If you walk slowly and play dead
You may survive for some more
TIME...

Senior Wesley Ceeley of East Lansing, Mich.

Ohio and Spring

Interstates 58, 60, 303, 58,
small roads wind past swollen creeks
and large houses with peeling paint.
Telephone poles connect with sagging wires
like the clotheslines with a few sheets and undershirts
dancing somberly beside empty redwood picnic tables
in each backyard. There are no faces
in the large living room windows
and there aren’t any children sitting
on the sagging front steps.
I believe that whole families have stood up together
and, leaving the dishes empty on the dining room table,
walked out the back door and through the field,
feet sinking and reclaimed with each step
until they reached the clump of trees that grows
between each field to stand there and listen
to soybean roots, potato buds
and barley grain.

Senior Elizabeth Cross of Oscoda, Mich.

The Twelfth of July

Chewing gum in the ashtray.
Sand on the floor.
The wind blew past.
Mom sat silently,
as did Chris and Holly and Sarah.
The green Chevrolet lumbered
down the highway.
It breathed deeply.
Its load
was heavy.

Senior Barry Weller of Webster Grove, Mo.

Write about fall leaves
or the mint in your window

-but I have no mint
and if I did, it would
be dying now. Already
the chives, tarragon
and sage are color-
less and bow over their pots,
too exhausted
to accept attention.

The others have released
the struggle for sunlight,
and settled into themselves
holding their leaves
carefully about them.
The smell of bruised basil
is rare in the fall
like Oriental spices,
covered by a shadow.
The oregano leaves curl
and drop.

Senior Kate Miller
of Manchester, Mich.

Photo by Jonathan Hoffman '89 of Chiapas, Mexico.
With eyes that see

by Sue Christian ’88

Franzelina Tena is from South Africa, a country full of turmoil and mass media attention. Her adjustments as an international student have been many and difficult. Though she does not feel at home in America, she has found a niche of sorts here, proof of this black, 30-year-old woman's inner solidarity.

Franzelina is grateful to have visited Hope College last June as a delegate from her church to the Reformed Church of America General Synod. Because of that experience, she is now able to complete her education here. She explains, “Since I was representing the youth from my church, many people wanted to know about my educational experiences and personal struggles, and they were very interested. So they gave me a scholarship and a chance to come study at Hope.”

A junior, Franzelina is a business administration/sociology major. She attended the University of the North in South Africa in 1979, but because of the program’s strikes, and the many problems there, I had to quit,” she says. “My father was paying for me to go to school, but he was not long being paid, so I had to get a job. I know many students with the same problems. Not a lot of people go to the university to study because we don’t have presidential scholarships or loans.”

In fact, her entire college experience seems to be a big exception to the South African rule. Not only is it unusual for her to be studying at the college level, but it is equally atypical that Franzelina was allowed to leave the country. Passports are not easily obtained by black people.

Through conversations with several Americans who had come to her home, some of them members of the Peace Corps, Franzelina was not surprised by what she found in the United States. Her father is a Reformed Church minister, so she finds nothing unusual about the Christian context of Hope since it “is all I have ever known,” she plainly states.

What she could not imagine, however, was a town like Holland, with only a few black faces. “It was something new for me,” she says, “I had to adjust to whites just like they had to adjust to me. I live in a totally different society where we don’t mix with whites under any circumstances.”

Yes, she misses her black friends, but she is not racist, she quickly adds. It’s just all completely new. No envisioning could have made her believe the reality of a place like Hope.

But the most exciting aspect of her life here has been a Hope education. “I love the academics here. I love the liberal arts system. To be in a college like Hope where there is such a small number of students, and you can easily reach the professors, and there are tutors to help you, too—it’s a great opportunity.”

She’s black. She’s thirty. She’s in a foreign country. It has been a struggle for Franzelina to come to America. But she is used to struggles; she faced them daily in South Africa. Being away has made her appreciate her country no more than before, because she has always appreciated it.

“Maybe it’s because we’ve been denied so much living here that we learn to appreciate whatever we have,” she says candidly.

But through all the changes and transitions Franzelina Tena has undergone in the last seven months, she still considers her experience an incredible opportunity, one that she surely does not regret.

“I just knew that this was a chance in a lifetime, and I had to take it.”

For Mariko Kinjo, a native of Okinawa, Japan, America is a revelation in the layers and complexities of language. To study abroad has always been one of her dreams. Her goal is to speak English fluently, as fluently as her father, who studied in America when he was her age. Language has been the focus of her hardest adjustments, her greatest realizations, and her continuing fascination.

“Before I came here, I was learning English in Japanese society. My English was Japanese,” she reasons. “But here my English is American. I learn formal English as well as slang.”

Mariko struggles with the workload of homework, something her Japanese counterparts at her home school of Okinawa Christian Junior College don’t have to do.

“In Japan, our college is not as hard as it is here, because we had to study so hard to get accepted into college that it becomes less difficult once you are allowed in.”

Mariko strongly advocates international education. She has also lived with an American family for four months, attending high school in New York.

“Students who go to a foreign country are able to see their own country from a different viewpoint. It’s a good way to view our own culture and to view ourselves. I realize now that I do not know Japanese culture and history and language very well, in spite of the fact that I am Japanese.”

Which brings up language again as the pivot-point for Mariko’s greatest realization while here: “I feel how languages affect us more than ever before,” she offers. “I realized that Japanese is also a language. In Japan, I did not feel Japanese consciousness, I have learned much about my own language by studying English.”

She sits in class and wonders why she doesn’t understand the professor, and whether the other students really understand what is said. She hears Japanese in her head, matching the language’s symbol to her mind’s meaning.

Above all, though, language for Mariko is a fascinating entity in which facial expressions, hand gestures, and even the entire body’s movement play a part. “American people use more facial expressions and hand gestures, and it makes me enjoy the expressing all the more,” she says.

A ballet dancer fourteen years, Mariko was selected to be a performer in this year’s Dance XIV concert. She is impressed with the department and with the opportunity given to students to learn about all aspects
beyond physical boundaries

From Maracay, Venezuela, William Gonzalez has lived in America for over a quarter of his life. He's what you might call a seasoned international education student.

Upon receiving a scholarship from the Venezuelan government to study anywhere in the world, William went to Los Angeles to learn English—something he'd never before spoken—for a year. After another year at Washington, D.C.'s George Washington University, William came to Hope College to study physical therapy—an undeveloped field in his country. Hope was recommended to him by an alumnus whom he met while at George Washington. "The graduate from Hope gave me a catalog and told me all about it. I was looking for a small college with a good reputation and a good science curriculum, and I found it in Hope."

William has been the President of the International Relations Club at Hope for the past two years. "Through the IRC, I have met many students. We try to promote relationships with American students, so they get to know more about us, and we learn more about American students, too. That is one of the main goals of the IRC."

William truly has spent his college career developing international relationships. He has been involved in campus activities such as the Spanish and German Clubs, as well as being a performer in Dance XIV concerts. He has worked at forming genuine friendships with faculty and students that "go beyond just 'Hi, how are you' to think I know my way around."

As an involved, aware exchange student, William has precious insights on international relations. "In order for the whole world to have a good perspective and idea of what is going on in other parts of the world, we have to be able to be friends, to understand each other. Exchange is the best way to do that—by sharing what we have in mind, by communicating. We are fighting for world peace, and to bring into different countries that sense of world unity, we need international exchange. As foreign exchange students, we don't want to impress our ways. We can't. But we want to share what we have in common with others, to broaden ourselves through relationships with American students for the good of the whole community."

Before coming to America, William envisioned a country whose image was based on advertisements, magazines, tourists, and television shows. He expected rich, sophisticated, plastic America—the America of the media.

"When you come here, you find normal people everywhere. Yes, Americans are different in the way they handle themselves, but no different than any other people. Your culture is different from ours, but that doesn't make Americans an exception. You are just human beings with different feelings and ways."

Venezuela is markedly different from America in one particular way for William. The feeling of unity here is felt less than in his Latin American country. "Americans tend to be more independent from an early age, and we don't," he notes. "We like to live with our parents for as long as we can; some people live with their parents even after they are married. There is great stress on family togetherness."

Many American young people would gasp at the idea of living at home past their college years. But this is just William's point: there needs to be an open exchange not only of friendship but of cultures, traditions, accepted practices such as the way in which family unity is revealed.

William will attend Northwestern University in Evanston, Ill. after graduation this May to work toward a master's degree in physical therapy. His years here in America will only continue to grow.

"When I came here, I didn't know how long I would stay. I thought maybe four years. Now it looks like I will be here for eight,

"The United States is a lucky country when international peace-makers like William Gonzales do double-time."

Many of the students on Hope College's campus today are preceded by a brother or sister, cousin or father. The Haider family of Bahrain also shares in this familial precedent, except all three of the children—Ola, Basel, and Arwa—currently travel the walks of campus at the same time.

Ola, a senior, first came to Hope because her father, who vouched-safe visas for missionaries (some of whom are in Holland), wanted her to get a good education in a Christian environment. As Christians, the Haider family is a minority in their Muslim country. Being in a Christian setting has been unique for Ola, her freshman sister, Arwa, and their sophomore brother, Basel.

Being the first in the family to leave meant that Ola experienced far more culture shock than her younger siblings, who benefited from her detailed explanations of school 'the way Americans do it.'" Coming here, Ola "imagined this conservative place with church every morning and a fence around the whole campus, and downtown as a big city where you could get robbed at every corner."

Her image faded immediately the quickly adds, laughing.

Now, especially for Ola and her sister, Hope College is far from conservative, especially in comparison to etiquette back home. One of their largest cultural adjustments awaits them when they return to Bahrain.

"It is rare for women from our country to study in the United States," Ola explains. "The thing that I will miss most when I leave Hope is the freedom. At home, women especially do not have the independence and freedom that women have here; that will be one of the hardest adjustments in returning."

"Back home, our social life revolves around doing things with boys and girls in a big group," Arwa adds. "Women are sheltered and protected, so it is very different for us to be in such a free environment."

The feeling of freedom was a welcome adjustment for the women of the Haider family. But a less palpable cultural adjustment for all three students also made itself known—that of language and tradition. Being the youngest and living amongst American students, unlike Ola who lives off-campus, Arwa is still coping with this new American set of norms. "It frustrates me that people do not sometimes try to understand our ways instead of making me feel different because I come from a different culture and speak a different language and sometimes do not understand the slang language that Americans talk with."

Ola listens to her sister's struggles and smiles, nodding knowingly.

The transitions were made smoother for every Haider by the work of the International Education Office and international student advisor Laurie Engle. The listening ears, the advice and encouragement received there, made "the difference" for each one of them.

"When I first came here, I was scared and depressed, and whenever I had a problem, and I had tons of problems when I first came here—" they were home for me," says a grateful Arwa. She hopes to work for the office next year, helping the new international students face what she experienced.

Ola summarizes the feelings of all by commending the faculty and staff for helping them through the transitions: "In general, when people know that you are an international student at Hope College, they want to help you adjust. The professors who app..."
More than the cheers

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When DeVette arrived at Hope in 1941, he thought he would go into the ministry. But his athletic growth while in the Marine Corp solidified his future decision of a career in physical education.

DeVette began teaching at Hope after finishing graduate school at the University of Michigan in 1948. His early years at his alma mater were interrupted twice, though, by another two-year stint in the Marines and a one-year position at the University of Maine. Back to stay in 1955, DeVette began building his impressive list of coaching and teaching accomplishments.

As a student, the six-foot-plus DeVette was the first player to receive the MIAA Most Valuable Player Award in basketball. It seemed natural, and a bit obvious then, to turn the head coaching duties of Hope's roundball program over to him. Over a total of 25 years, DeVette's Flying Dutchmen teams captured nine MIAA championships and one NCAA regional crown while compiling a 322-233 record. He was named the NABA Coach of the Year in 1985, and when he turned his head coach post over to a younger successor — current coach Glenn Van Wieren — in 1977, DeVette was among the top ten winningest coaches in NCAA Division III.

A noted strategist and technician, DeVette could also juggle football X's and O's. From 1954-1969 as the Flying Dutchmen's head football coach, Hope won two MIAA titles and posted a 62-64-1 record. After "retiring" from head coaching, DeVette remained on the football staff as defensive coordinator, a post he held through last fall when he stood on the sidelines for his last season and 323rd game.

And, for one five-year period, DeVette kept every school year afternoon full by coaching football, basketball, and baseball. This spring, the last of his coaching duties will conclude after he guides the women's track team for his seventh season.

As for academic and administrative duties, DeVette developed the college's physical education minor in 1948, served as athletic director or department chairman over 35 consecutive years, and was selected as a member of the first basketball committee for the NCAA Division III from 1975-81, then becoming that committee's chairperson for his last two years.

On the side, in his "spare" time, DeVette also co-authored a book in 1966 with colleague Dr. William Vanderbilt entitled, Coaching Basketball: The Complete Book From Beginning to Championship Play; served as a member of the Holland City Council for three terms from 1975-1987; and coached and mentored Holland's West Ottawa Hasilards, a basketball team comprised of adults with learning disabilities.

He and his wife, Doris Koskamp '50 DeVette, have six children — Christi Hayden '82, Lynne Gross, Joel '78, Steven, Kurt '83, and Lisa Werley '84.

Gordon Brewer's gentle demeanor is a quality that makes his teaching and coaching styles seem almost fathomed. In a voice that's authoritative and soothing all at the same time, he can make a simple conversation sound like a poem. Indeed, his ability to choose just the right words, making any poignant moment sound significant, is a Brewer trademark. "Anything less than all-out effort robbed both victory and dignified the spirit of our team," is just one gem from this articulate man's pen.

As an athlete at Hope, Brewer was a three-sport man — a participant in football, baseball, and track. In later years, though, his track-and-field prowess would be the most noted.

Earning his master's degree from the University of Michigan in 1952, Brewer joined the Hope faculty in 1956. He has directed the men's track team ever since, gaining the sentimental title of "Dean" of MIAA track coaches. During this 31-year span, his Flying Dutchmen have finished in the top half of the MIAA standings in all but three seasons with a 107-63 dual meet record and have been league champs six times. In 1985, he coached Rob Appell '86 to a national championship in the high jump.

Brewer's biggest contributions to the college, though, occurred during a 20-year period, from 1960-1980, when he gave direction and stability to Hope's sports program as the athletic director. Though Jack Schouten, Alvin Vanderbush, and Bud Hingst preceeded him, Brewer was the first athletic director to form a regular basis for athletic governance at Hope. He directed all facets of Hope sports: he watched and contributed to the solidity of a now premier league; he oversaw more and more sports as the years grew — at one point, 18 in all; he helped develop Hope's outstanding curriculum in physical education and recreation; he became heavily involved in the development of women's athletics; and his leadership was especially pivotal in the 1970s during the planning and construction of the Dow Health and Physical Education Center.

But Brewer's insightful and dignified wisdom in athletic governance was not only utilized by Hope College. After the NCAA instituted Division III in 1973, the Hope professor became an instrumental member on several committees. His career has been highlighted by his involvement on the NCAA steering committee which brought about major changes to the philosophy of Division III athletics and on an NCAA post-graduate scholarship committee which selects outstanding student-athletes for post-graduate scholarship.

And in his retirement, Brewer will add yet one more service to Hope College. He is currently writing... But How They Played the Game, a history of Hope athletics. Already a three-year project and having just completed the chapter leading up to his last season, Brewer has many more sports and years to divulge.

He and his wife, Lorraine Bult '48, have four children — Robert, Lawrence '75, Daniel, and Susan Stevens.

The overall impact these two Christian men of integrity and earning have had on Hope College, though, are best summarized in the words of Dr. James Bollman, a former college and now president of Northwestern College in Orange City, Iowa:

"Their sphere of influence was most keenly felt by hundreds of student athletes who graced the fields and courts at Hope College. But, it was not limited to that. These are men who had a profound impact on the MIAA and Division III athletics. They created a model of sport unsurpassed in the annals of intercollegiate athletics. And now it is left to those remaining to carry on a legacy of sport that transcends even the individuals who fashioned it."

HOPE'S FIRST ALL-AMERICAN DECATHLETE: Last year, somewhat as a whim, senior Todd Rose of Otsego, Mich., decided to take a shot at competing in the decathlon — only two months after having a cast removed from his broken left ankle and with no formal, additional training. It was a whimsical idea that paid off, though Rose, a Hope trackster since his freshman year, placed fourth at the NCAA Division III national meet, earning All-American honors and hopes for future competition.

"I surprised myself and a lot of other people last year," says the biology/physical education double major. "Now I feel like I am a strong contender for first place."

This year, Rose is set as a top decathlon contestant in the NCAAs. Since he already competed in the individual events of javelin, 110-meter hurdles, and long and high jumps, he has concentrated heavily on the decathlon's six other activities — 100-meter dash, shot put, 400-yard dash, discus, pole vault, and the mile run. He insists, though, that training for the additional events hasn't been all that difficult, except maybe the pole vault.

A proud Hope competitor, Rose's highest aspirations are not solely aimed at winning a national title in the 11-event multi-event. "Most of all, I look forward to being Calvin College this year and winning the MIAA championship since Coach (Gordon) Brewer is retiring. That would be a great way for both of us to finish our years at Hope.

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More to save than the seals

by Milton Nieuwmsa '63

Yakutat, Alaska — As the plane approached the tiny fishing village of Yakutat on Alaska’s southeastern panhandle, I looked out the windows of Kah Liuse, the legendary monster guarding Disenchantment Bay. Here it is said when strangers intrude, he throws up giant waves to drive them away.

Since I was no stranger here, I didn’t see to find him, but at the north end of Disenchantment Bay, ringed by spectacular snow-capped peaks, I caught a glimpse of another monster — this one far more menacing than Kah Liuse.

Some 300 feet high and five miles wide, it was sliding down a crevasse in the St. Elias Mountains, pushing a massive pile of rocks and gravel in front of it. This monster had a name too: Hubbard Glacier.

Geologists were calling it the world’s classic natural event. The Hubbard had woke from a centuries-long deep sleep to begin its ominous advance, surging ahead by as much as 40 feet a day. It had sealed off a fjord, trapping invaluable harbors, and now it threatened disaster to Yakutat’s 450-odd residents — most of them Tlingit Indians (pronounced Klin-Kiss) who have washed the waters here for 600 years.

During the summer of 1982, I made my first trip to Yakutat, a 70-year-old college student in search of a fortune. Red and silver salmon, I heard, were bringing $1.25 a piece at the local cannery, and you could net 300 or more in a single catch.

I had no quick schemes, this one didn’t work out. After three months I returned to Hope with $20 in my wallet and a summer’s stock of memories. But my most prized possession from that summer was a four-inch section of a tooth my Indian friends gave me before I left, containing on me the title “historical Tlingit.”

Thus I went about the glacier, I had to go back, and, one does not ignore one’s friends in times of crises, and I still had some time. One of them was William (“Ish”) Thomas, a tribal elder and friend of Tlingit lore who once told me about the Raven who himself turned himself into a salmon so he could “help his people and set things right.”

There were others — people like Fred Henry and Susie Abraham — all of them engaged in an immense struggle against nature in which time and human ingenuity would determine the outcome.

One afternoon I met with Caroline Mallott, my heartthrob from the summer of ’62. She is 18 then, and her Tlingit mother and Caycusan father ran the general store on Yakutat’s main street, a mud-clogged thoroughfare that snaked along the bank of Monti Bay.

It didn’t take long that she was married now to Larry Powell, the village mayor, and has three grown kids. A generation had passed since I even thought of her. Now she was being quoted in Time magazine about her people being the subject of some scientist’s experiment. “If they feel sympathy,” she said, “it’s for the porpoises and seals. What about us?”

Thus, with my own resolve to set things right, I took off once again on Yakutat at the behest of the scientists. Sitting in my hand and the sea lion’s tooth in my pocket, proving — just in case I needed it — that I was still one of them.

What I encountered when I stepped off the plane 10 hours later was a haven of TV, radio, and fish and wildlife people describing their latest and futile — attempts to alert the porpoises and seals of nearby Russian Fjord.

Now a glacial lake, the fjord’s dammed-up seawater was changing to freshwater from the mountain runoff, driving the sea mammals to seek sanctuary (and avoid the icebergs) under the freshwater surface and depleting the oxygen from the salt water.

I warned my way through the terminal to the Yakutat lodge by hand. Inside, I met with Harry, 60, who was sitting at the manager’s desk looking irritated.

When I introduced myself, he regarded me suspiciously at first, but when I produced the sea lion’s tooth he greeted me like an old friend.

“Unfortunately it’s cirrus ridiculous,” he said. “There’s been so much money spent on a few animals — save the seals, save the porpoises. No one would pay this much attention to a cow drowning in the Mississippi delta or a prong that’s dead when it’s now seen in Coddington. It’s an impossible task to start with. The seals are a food source to us, and there are all kinds of these animals throughout the bay. It’s not like they’re endangered.”

Harry, the son of a Tlingit Indian chief, was more worried that the lake would spill over its southern banks and wash out the Situk River, the artery that carries the blood of Tlingit life in Yakutat.

“More attention ought to be given to the plight of this town,” he said. “We’re going to be economically hard-hit, and no one seems to be able to make a decision or whether or not to build a channel for this river or to try and blow out the glacier and save this town.”

“This town could be dying right now because of this river. This is a preventable disaster, and no one is making any effort to do anything or to stop the river or to try and blow out the glacier and save this town.”

Pips Petersen, who met me for breakfast the next morning, looked little like the hard-drinking, care-aged teenager I knew in 1962. Now 43, he was thoroughly domesticated with a loving wife and two young daughters and headed the local native corporation, a Tlingit-run business conglomerate created as a result of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act of 1971.

As we drove through town in his pickup truck, I saw other changes too. Gone were the mud-clogged roads, replaced by asphalt pavements. A new highway had been built above the road that still ran past Mallott’s General Store and the local cannery. The old two-room school had been replaced by a modern one.

Some of the shanties were still around but here and there a satellite dish popped out between the corrugated rooftops.

We weeded into the turnoff to the local salmon harbor. Since ’62, where Pips took me to see William Thomas. Now 75, “Ish,” as we fondly called him (meaning “father” in Tlingit), was one of five tribal chiefs in the village, head of the Eagle clan.

“Tlingit is just like the old man,” he said in his broken Tlingit dialect. “That’s why you talk to it, so you don’t fall off too much while you’re hunting seal. If you laugh by it, it gets mean-like, and it will chase you. If you make a face, it grows like a bear. Right now it’s mad, and I don’t know why.”

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The old ways, the old customs, are being lost,” she lamented, as she slipped a cup of tea into a microwave oven. “This place where we live,” she said, “belongs to the great glacier. We are put here for a little while to enjoy God’s creation, then we go. But the great glacier stays.”

Nearby there was Caroline’s mother, Hazel, who had left the Situk River has about 300 miles of shoreline, which she says, is enough to keep all of us busy.

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Nearby there was Caroline’s mother, Hazel, who had left the Situk system at 26. That summer is a haze to me,” she said, not doing much for my ego. It was also the summer her husband to be, Larry Powell, 46, came to Yakutat on a fishing boat, got a job in the cannery, and stayed. Asked him if he had ever heard The Mayor of Casterbridge. He hadn’t.

Earlier that week, Larry had met with an aide to Alaska Senator Ted Stevens to propose for funding a channel to drain the water from the lake. He was hoping to get the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to do it but didn’t seem all that optimistic.

“Chances are it would take two years to complete the costs, “Harry said. Fulton analysis, he said.”

Meanwhile, the livelihood of two-thirds of Yakutat’s work force would likely be wiped out, he said. The flooding waters could contaminate Yakutat’s wells with salt water and make it impossible to drain the runway of the local airport, cutting off the local route to the outside world.

A new ice age is taking over here,“ added Caroline. “If the Situk floods over, there would be just absolute punishment in this town.”

From the kitchen table Caroline and I looked out over the bay that geologists said could turn into a massive ice sheet again, just as it did 800 years ago. Larry was on the line.

“Was. There was a U.S. Geological Survey,” he said after hang up. “They’re saying the ice dam could break.

Milt Nieuwmsa ’63 displays the sea lion’s tooth that signifies his honorific Tlingit Indian status. Newmsa returned to Yakutat, Alaska, a little more than a year ago, to help his Tlingit friends whose village is being threatened by the rapidly advancing Hubbard Glacier.

through within 24 hours. That will buy us some time (to build the channel), but not much. Once that glacier moves, it just keeps moving.”

Ten days later the ice dam finally did break through, but scientists predicted the surging water would only block up Russell Fjord again, and this time it would be for good as the glacier continued to build up its mass. At any rate, nature had granted a temporary reprieve.

Fred Henry met me back at the Yakutat Lodge. It had been more than two months since he had a day off, but he promised to take me on a little trip.

We rode in his ancient skiff up the Situk River along the banks filled with undergrowth. Half a mile up the river, he said, “the flow of water into the bank, and we fought our way through the willows.”

After several hundred feet we found ourselves in a silent strait of tall Sitka spruce. Under the trees stood a concrete block, a shrine committed to the memory of Jimmy, the name “Jimmy” carved in stone.

“Situk Jim was my greatest grandmother,” Fred said. “My Indian name is Situk Jim. I inherited that name.”

To the other graves nearby.

That’s my grandfather, Samson Harry, over there, and my great grandfather Situk Harry. Situk Jim and Situk Harry were brothers, and they used to own this river.

“This river is where I was born, and this is where I want to be buried. But if the river washes away, all this will be lost.”

A profound sadness came over me as well. The washout of the Situk would not only avert the living but wipe out the graves of Fred’s ancestors as well. Was this the great glacier’s idea of a practical joke? Was it laughing back?

The scientists were saying the fishing grounds would be good for at least another year. But what did they know? By then the reporters and camera crews would be gone, and Yakutat — my Tlingit home — would be forgotten.

Editor’s note: Milton Nieuwmsa is a hospital executive in Chicago. Since his return to Illinois, the Hubbard Glacier has not moved again dramatically. The U.S. Geological Survey is monitoring the Hubbard to predict its next advance.
ALUMNI NEWS

alumni alert
by David Van Dyke ’84
Alumni Director

One of the exciting aspects of being the alumni director at Hope College is travelling around the United States and meeting many of you at various college events. I always enjoy hearing people’s stories about their college days, as well as how they have met Hope alumni by accident at various points across the country.

I was recently in Denver and Jeff Winne ’73 told me of one such story. He was skiing in Vail and while riding the gondola, he struck up a conversation with one of the other passengers. This woman told Jeff that she was from a small town in Michigan that he’d probably never heard of. He asked her the name of the town, and she promptly told him that she lived in Zeeland. Jeff was surprised and told her that he was very familiar with Zeeland because he had attended Hope College and now works for Van Dyke, Inc., a Zeeland-based company, in the Denver area. The woman was very surprised also and introduced herself as Marilyn DeWitt Norman, class of 1963. These two alumni continued up the mountain discussing Hope College and then realized that they both will have class reunions this spring in Holland. So, before they skied down the mountain in different directions, they agreed to look each other up at their reunions. It is truly a small world we live in.

Plans are well underway for Alumni Weekend on campus — Friday through Sunday, May 6-8. Those of you celebrating reunions will not want to miss it. Two new features will highlight the weekend this year. An Alumni Dinner Dance will be held on Saturday night. A 15-piece Orchestra will provide the dinner music in Phelps Dining Hall and play for the dance that will follow in the Maas Center Auditorium. The second new feature will be an Alumni Worship Service on Sunday morning, followed by a brunch. The Rev. Peter Semeyn ’73 will deliver the sermon and the Chapel Choir will sing an anthem. This will be a great opportunity for alumni in the area to meet friends who may be in town for class reunions. We hope to see you there.

We asked for your opinions, and you gave them. In February, an opinion survey was mailed to more than 4,000 alumni, parents and friends seeking opinions on topics such as the quality of the college’s academic programs, the publications you receive from us, and the ways we seek your financial support.

Our marketing consultant told us to expect a return from approximately 25 percent of the persons who had been randomly chosen. We hoped for a higher response rate, and you didn’t let us down. Through the middle of March the questionnaire had been returned by 49% of the persons surveyed!

Thank you for giving us your opinions. The results of the survey will be presented to the Alumni Board at its spring meeting and published in a future issue of news from Hope College.

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...how important it is to have the support of all Hope alumni.
Alumni support of the Annual Fund is what gives Hope its margin of excellence.”

—President John H. Jacobson

1987-88 ALUMNI FUND GOALS

DEADLINE: JUNE 30

1. ALUMNI FUND GOAL — $900,000 RAISED TO DATE — $715,000
2. REUNION CLASS GOAL — $350,000 RAISED TO DATE — $230,000
3. FREE ALUMNI DIRECTORY TO ALL DONORS!
4. SHOW CLASS PRIDE — WRITE A CHECK TODAY!
5. CHALLENGE — ALL NEW AND INCREASED GIFTS MATCHED DOLLAR FOR DOLLAR BY AN ANONYMOUS DONOR.
6. DOUBLE OR TRIPLE YOUR GIFT — SEE YOUR MATCHING GIFT PROGRAM COORDINATOR OR PERSONNEL REPRESENTATIVE AT YOUR COMPANY
7. REUNION CLASS MEMBERS — SEE YOU MAY 6-8

Reunion Class Giving To Date

DEADLINE: JUNE 30
**50s**

Sidney Hersona 50 celebrated 30 years as a pediatrician in Kalamazoo, Mich. He is the first board-certified pediatrician in Kalamazoo and is a specialist in the care of severely mentally and physically handicapped children and other children with neurological disorders. He still actively works at the Major Disease Clinic at Bremont Hospital, the largest living center, where he is a medical director. Co-pastor of School and Parkland United Church. He also serves on the boards of Kalamazoo County Business Inc., PNC Retail Counseling Committee and Kalamazoo Mental Health Center Human Use Committee.

Ruth Glemann 51 has retired from teaching high school Latin, English and math courses at Gladstone, Mich., where she resides.

John J. 43 and Marilyn Zondervan 40 are the parents of Grace Community Church in Allentown, Pa. with a retirement dinner on Oct. 18. They had served the church since 1983 as well as other Reformatories in South Dakota, Minnesota, and Alaska.

Everett Klaas 51, president of The Mission Foundation in Honolulu, Hawaii, gave a presentation on world trends at the English Department at the University of Kalamazoo.

Kenneth DeGroot 45 is the president of the Rotary Club in Encinitas, Calif., and is chairman of the newly incorporated City of Encinitas' First Parks and Recreation Commission.

Clayton Borgen 52 returned to the Hope College campus on Friday, March 4th, to give a biology seminar on his work with the New England Alutaka's. He has also been a biology professor at Kalamazoo College and has lectured in Saudi Arabia.

Sam 55 and Helen Taylor 58 Hoffman have trained their team in leadership training for 28 years among the Tzeltal Indians of Chiapas, Mexico, and are now working with a neighboring tribal group of Tzeltal people.

Joseph Scarek 51 was recently installed as president of the 800-member Kent County Medical Society. He has been in private practice for more than 20 years.

Robert J. Boven 52 is working for the Bible Society in Detroit. He is also a member of the Michigan Medical Association and the Michigan Medical Council.

Chris 56 was recently elected as vice president of the Michigan Medical Association. She is also a member of the Michigan Medical Council.

Evelyn Stroh 50 is working for the Bible Society in Detroit. She is also a member of the Michigan Medical Council.

**60s**

Jack DeLong 60 has expanded his law practice, and now practices in Battle Creek, Mich. He has been practicing law in Michigan since 1971. He is a member of the Michigan Bar Association, a member of the defense bar, a member of the National Bar Association, and a member of the Michigan Bar Association.

Ronald Stockhof 60 has been appointed new president of the University of Michigan. He is a member of the Michigan Bar Association, a member of the National Bar Association, and a member of the Michigan Bar Association.

Inger B. 64 is the speaker for the Women's study group at the University of Michigan. She is also a member of the Michigan Bar Association, a member of the National Bar Association, and a member of the Michigan Bar Association.

Robert Miller 66 is the director of community relations for the University of Michigan. He is also a member of the Michigan Bar Association, a member of the National Bar Association, and a member of the Michigan Bar Association.

Barbara Kouw 66 is an associate with the law firm of Hooper, Mays, Knoll, Baer & Knoll in Kalamazoo, Mich. Barbara has her own practice and has a law office in Battle Creek, Mich.

Postmaster John J. 68 is the director of the University of Michigan, a member of the Michigan Bar Association, a member of the National Bar Association, and a member of the Michigan Bar Association.

Ruth Oosterhuis 71 has been named a director of the National Bar Association. She is also a member of the Michigan Bar Association, a member of the National Bar Association, and a member of the Michigan Bar Association.

Randall Verheyen 72 has been named a director of the National Bar Association. He is also a member of the Michigan Bar Association, a member of the National Bar Association, and a member of the Michigan Bar Association.

Steve VanLingen 72 has been named a director of the National Bar Association. He is also a member of the Michigan Bar Association, a member of the National Bar Association, and a member of the Michigan Bar Association.
He has presented a program specialist with Benjamin Beach Memorial Clinic in Philadelphia, Pa.

Erica Smith '81 is a recreational therapist for mentally ill adults at the Chesapeake Community Service Board in Virginia.

Bruce Utley '83 has been named program manager of Missionary Ministries in Franklin, Tenn. He had served as a youth consultant to the Reformed Church's Synod of Middle America. Bruce was formerly the youth minister at Reformed Church in Education, Inc., in Dallas, Texas, and has worked part-time doing commercial and teaching projects.

Ruth Bennett '84 is an Air Force instructor pilot and is working on a M.B.A. degree at Mississippi State University.

Robert Novak '84 is a sales representative for Merrell-Dow Pharmaceuticals. He is the son of Mrs. Margaret and Mr. Robert J. Novak of Birmingham, Mich. and is presently representing them in West Germany as a hospital sales representative.

Charles Hyde '84 is a sales representative for General Electric. He is the son of Mrs. Eleanor and Mr. Charles D. Hyde, of Novi, Mich. and worked part-time doing door-to-door sales for the heating and air-conditioning equipment business.

Melody Eagles '85 is a certified public accountant for Croyce, Chicke & Co., C.P.A.'s, in Oak Brook, Ill. She is working toward a master's degree in accounting and is a certified public accountant in Illinois.

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Jim Lockwood '86 is working toward a Ph.D. in psychology at Central Michigan University in Mt. Pleasant. This semester she is teaching Developmental Psychology as a graduate assistant.

Mary Lukash '86 is enrolled in Western Theological Seminary, in her second year at Western Theological Seminary, working toward a master of divinity degree. She is currently participating in the Clinical Pastoral Education program at Pine Rest Hospital in Grand Rapids.

Katherine Donaldson '87 has been designated as an attorney for the U.S. Navy. Kent was present at the “Wings of the Night” flight training.

Natalie Thompson '88 is studying French and painting in Paris.

Bruce Ulberg '88 was joining the Hope College faculty for the 1988-89 school year as a teaching assistant in the English department. Beth has completed her Ph.D. requirements, except the dissertation, in the graduate program in English at the University of Chicago.

Carol Van Ename '87 is a librarian at the University of Iowa in Iowa City. She is working toward a master of arts in library science.

Kirk McMurray '81 has been appointed executive administrator of the Dauphin County Medical Society in Harrisburg.

James Munger '81 is the head of the advanced systems section for a large aerospace company in Los Angeles.

Carl Beckman '82 is an employee relations representative in the human resources office at Luther General Hospital in McLean, Ill.

Patrick Jukwey '82 was appointed to assist in the human resource division of the National Bank of Detroit/Bankcorp's corporate division in Detroit, Mich.

Vicki Koss was named office administrator for an attorney firm in Grand Rapids, Mich.

Anne Brown '83 has been promoted to management editor at The Detroit (Mich.) Press-Register. Anne has been a staff writer there for the past two years. She will be responsible for the news department and the weekly magazine section.

Martin Schoenmaker '83 started his residency in obstetrics and gynecology at Women and Infants Hospital in Providence, R.I. Martin received the David S. Diamond Memorial award for excellence in obstetrics/gynecology study at Wayne State University before graduation last June.

Judy Litt '83 is the media relations specialist and audiovisual coordinator at the Riverhead Middle School in Long Island, N.Y.

Molly Northouse Mensing '81 is a program specialist with Benjamin Beach Memorial Clinic in Philadelphia, Pa.

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Rowland Van '83 has recently returned to the United States after working for four years in Sierra Leone. Rowland worked for the Peace Corps for two years and the Christian Reformed World Relief Committee for two years as a community developer. He plans to work on a doctorate in economics soon at the University of Illinois.

John Johnson '84 is working as a technical writer for IBM in Kingston, N.Y.

Jill Broecker '84 has been promoted to market manager for the Novak family of companies, in Dallas, Texas, and has worked part-time doing commercial and teaching projects.

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As news from Hope went to press, we learned of the death of Robert Vickers, professor emeritus of art, who retired last fall. Vickers died in a hospital in Holland, Mich., following an extended illness. He taught at Hope from 1960 to 1987. More information will appear on the June issue.

Jane Reus ’45 Davis died on Saturday, Dec. 12, 1987, in Grand Rapids, Mich., following an auto accident. Surviving are her husband, Roy, and five children.

Martin Edema ’77 died Thursday, Feb. 18, 1988, in Byron Center, Mich., following an apparent heart attack.

He operated and owned Edema Insurance Agency in Byron Center. In 1986, Martin became the youngest man to ever serve as president of the Grand Rapids Life Underwriters Association. He was the local chapter’s national committee person, and he also served on the board of the Byron Center Chamber of Commerce.

Surviving are his daughter, Kimbrel, his parents, August and Margaret Edema, and four brothers. Memorial contributions may be made to Hope College.

David Franken ’59 died Saturday, Sept. 5, 1987, in Glen Ellyn, Ill., following an extended illness.

Ira Boselink ’23 died Wednesday, Jan. 6, on his 100th birthday.

He served four Reformed Churches: Hudsonville, Mich.; Flat Rock, Grand Rapids, Mich.; Chester, Lehigh, Iowa, and Holland, Pa.; serving as a minister. He and his wife, Bess, and two sons.


Wally was the owner of Park Row Mall Big Boy restaurant in Muskegon, Mich., and a Big Boy restaurant in Gary, Ind.

Besides his Hope degree, he was also a medical technology graduate of the Royal Medical College in London, England. He had served as a Tactical Commander in Zeeland, Holland, and Grand Haven, and at Grand Rapids, Michigan State Hospital.

Surviving are his wife, Myra, their two daughters, Jan and Muriel, his mother, and two brothers.


Delbert earned an advanced degree from Western Theological Seminary after graduating from Hope. He served five Reformed Churches in New York and New Jersey before retiring.

A veteran of World War I, he was active in many civic organizations including the American Red Cross, American Legion, Boy Scouts of America, and Kiwanis Club International.

Surviving are his wife, his daughter, son, and 14 grandchildren, and 20 great-grandchildren.

Helen Ogers ’27 Ooms died Thursday, Feb. 18, 1988, in Dallas, Tex.

A retired school teacher, she has been in Holland, Mich., and lived in Iowa for the past 21 years.

Her husband, Cornelius, preceded her in death.

Surviving are her daughter, a brother, and two grandchildren.


John Parsons ’46 died Monday, March 10, 1985 in Branson, Mo.

John was a teacher at the Henry Barrard Elementary School in New Rochelle, N.Y. for 35 years before retiring in 1981. He also taught elementary school in New York, England, for a year in 1956 under a Fulbright teacher exchange.

He authored a book, Poetic Rhymes.

Surviving are his wife, his son, a brother, and a sister.


Surviving are a daughter, son-in-law, five grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, a grandson, and a brother.


Willard Volkert ’49 died Monday, Jan. 11, 1988, in Kankakee, Ill.

Willard was a retired research director with the General Foods Corporation. He was also a research director at the General Foods Post division in Battle Creek, Mich., for a number of years. He held 22 patents.

Willard was also a veteran of overseas service with the U.S. Air Force during World War II.

Surviving are his wife, sister, two children, three grandchildren.

Richard Welmers ’36 died Saturday, March 5, 1988, in Lakeview, Ark.

After graduating from Hope, Bill earned a Th. B. degree and a Th. D. degree from Westminster Theological Seminary in 1939 and a Ph.D. degree from the University of Pennsylvania in 1943. In 1961, he was awarded an honorary doctor of letters degree from Hope College.

Bill retired as professor of African languages at the University of California-Los Angeles. He returned to Hope during a sabbatical leave from UCLA in 1967 to teach a course in languages and to complete his book on African language structures. All of his writings and books appear in Hope’s Van Wylen Library.

Additionally, Bill was a missionary specializing in linguistic research for the Lutheran Mission in Liberia from 1946-48 and 1954-55, was a fellow with the American Council of Learned Societies from 1968-69, conducting linguistic research in French West Africa, Gold Coast, Nigeria, and Eritrea, and was an associate professor of linguistics at Cornell University from 1965-54.

Bill, along with Beatrice, was also a member of the Hope College Alumni Board of Directors, representing the Los Angeles area.

Surviving are his wife and three children.

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Six Spectacular Shows presented by Hope Summer Repertory Theatre

Billy Bishop Goes to War
June 3 - June 18
by John Gray & Eric Peterson
Back by popular demand, relive the exploits of flying Ace Billy Bishop, Canada's unlikely World War I hero, in a limited June run.

Fiddler on the Roof
Opens June 22
Based on stories by Sholem Aleichem
Music by Jerry Bock
Lyrics by Sheldon Harnick
This memorable musical centers around Tevye and his neighbors as they face life ruled by their gentle humor, their traditions and their abiding faith in God.

A Midsummer Night's Dream
Opens July 1
by William Shakespeare
Shakespeare's great romantic comedy, full of enchantment, mischief, midsummer madness and happy love.

Pump Boys and Dinettes
Opens July 16
conceived and written by Jim Wann, John Dryer, Mark Hardwick, Debra Monk, Cass Morgan and John Schimmel.
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House of Blue Leaves
Opens July 29
by John Guare
Recently revived on Broadway to critical acclaim, this is a beautifully written dark comedy for sophisticated audiences.

Harvey
Opens July 15
by Mary Chase
The story of lovable Elwood P. Dowd and his inseparable friend, this is one of the most successful and popular comedies of the American theatre.

Call the Hope College theatre department at (616) 394-7600 for performance dates and ticket prices. The repertory schedule ends on August 27.

Things to remember when ordering your TRANSCRIPTS!

* A written request is mandatory to release transcripts. Telephone requests will not be accepted.
* Transcripts cannot be provided if a person has a past due account with Hope College.
* The charge for alumni is $3. Multiple copies may be obtained by paying $3 for the first copy and $1.50 for each additional copy.
* Payment is expected at the time of request.

For more information or requests for transcripts, please write:

Registrar's Office
Hope College
Holland, MI 49423

Sympathy to

The Corbet family, upon the Feb. 10, 1988 death of Mrs., a Hope student.
Friday, May 6

Reunion classes have scheduled Friday evening activities which are listed in materials sent to reunion class members. For detailed information, contact the Office of Public Relations.

Saturday, May 7

11 a.m. Registration for all reunion classes begins on the front lawn of the DeWitt Center. Refreshments will be served and the Hope College Jazz Group will provide entertainment.

12 noon Reunion luncheons begin.

2-5 p.m. Historical tour of campus led by Dean Elton Bruins '50 will begin from the circle driveway at the DeWitt Center.

5-4 p.m. Open House at the President’s Home, hosted by President and Mrs. Jacobson.

5-5 p.m. Tours of the new Gordon and Margaret Van Wylen Library.

4 p.m. 50-Year Circle Ceremony in the Maas Auditorium.

5:15 p.m. Pre-dinner reception will be held on the Phelps lawn.

5:30 p.m. Photo of all 50-Year Circle members (Class of 1937 and earlier) on the lawn of Phelps Hall.

6 p.m. Alumni Dinner/Dance featuring the presentations of the Distinguished Alumni Awards. Following dinner will be dancing to the big band sounds of a 15-piece orchestra. All alumni are encouraged to attend, and tickets are available from the Office of Public Relations.

Sunday, May 8

9:15 a.m. Alumni Worship Service held in the Dimnent Memorial Chapel for all alumni, parents and friends. This service will feature the Hope College Chapel Choir and the Reverend Peter Semeyn ’33 preaching. Following this worship service there will be a reception with choir members and faculty on the lawn of Graves Hall, with refreshments being served.

10:50 a.m. Commencement at the Holland Municipal Stadium. (Holland Civic Center in case of rain).

For more information or tickets to events, please call the Office of Public Relations at (616) 394-7860.