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President John H. Jacobson

MILESTONE MET: The million dollar milestone set for the 1988-89 Annual Alumni Fund has been reached and passed. The theme for the campaign was The Million Dollar Milestone, and total giving to the drive was $1,009,043. Alumni participation was 6,938 donors, or 44 percent of the college’s alumni (the figures do not include gifts contributed to causes other than the Annual Alumni Fund). The 1988-89 dollar amount exceeds the 1987-88 drive by $49,928, and alumni participation this year was up by one percent. There were 1,431 new donors (and after them the war against the Khmer Rouge) — are seen as the struggle for our independence.

After the end of the war in 1975 we started to go into industrialization. In the industry we wanted to have state control, and in the agricultural we wanted to have cooperatives. The problem with the agricultural side of the reform was we did not get enough attention to the will of the people. So the cooperatives did not produce enough.

Reality has shown us that under public control — cooperatives and state-controlled industry — development was slower than in the private sector. Therefore, the government now is encouraging every sector to develop. We are encouraging competition and cooperation.

For instance, before we used a committee that decided the prices of goods in the market. But the prices of the goods now are determined by the market. The state was not the state. Also previously, the management of the factories was done by the company. Now we are giving the planning to the factory level. They have to do their own planning. And they have to manage the finances, and to find their own materials and make their own contracts. They get to sell their products. And they get to sell their own products.

And those are real reforms — very democratic.”

— Excerpt from “The Vietnam War and After from a Vietnamese Point of View,” a public forum presented by three Vietnamese scholars in the spring.

The scholars were: Bui Dinh Thanh, professor of sociology and editor of “Vietnam Social Science Review” (Hanoi); Duong Phu Hiep, professor of philology, vice-director of the Institute of Philosophy and editor of “Philosophical Forum” (Hanoi); and Tran Quoc Vuong, professor of history at the University of Hanoi. They visited the Hope campus for two days as part of a month-long stay in the United States design to help them learn about teaching and research at American universities and colleges.

Their visit to the U.S. was sponsored by the Indochina Scholarly Exchange Program (ISEP) of the Joint Committee on Southeast Asia of the American Council of Learned Societies and the Social Science Research Council of New York. Their visit to Hope was sponsored by the departments of history with the support of the departments of sociology, philosophy and political science, the office of international education and the college’s cultural affairs committee.

The absence of normal relations between the United States and Vietnam makes such visits unusual.

Below the college's goal of 630 students.

Dr. James R. Bekker, vice president for admissions and student life, said the slight decline is due to nationwide drop in the number of graduating high school seniors available to colleges. Dr. Bekker added that the small loss felt by Hope is less severe than many other similar institutions have experienced.

Residence halls for new students will open at 1 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 25. Orientation events for parents and new students will begin on Saturday, Aug. 26 and continue through Monday, Aug. 28. Returning students are not to arrive on campus before Monday, Aug. 28 according to college officials.

Classes will begin at 8 a.m. on Aug. 29, with the opening convocation for the college's 128th academic year taking place that evening at 7:30 p.m. in Dimnent Memorial Chapel.

Dr. John H. Jacobson, who is beginning his third year as president of Hope College, will deliver the convocation address.

Hope College will confer an honorary degree on Dr. Ohnichiri Hiraide, chancellor of Meiji Gakuin University, during the opening convocation this fall. Dr. Hiraide will receive an honorary doctorate of letters (Litt.D.).

In 1978 Dr. Hiraide was named president of Meiji Gakuin University and in 1981 he was named chancellor. He was the architect of the expansion of Meiji Gakuin University, first with the building of an impressive branch campus in Yokohama in 1985, and

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Regional meetings help Hope in the Future

Strategic planning regional events held throughout the nation provided alumni an opportunity to offer their views on the questions facing the Hope in the Future planners.

The meetings were designed to involve the college's constituency in Hope in the Future and expand the information base available to the college as planning decisions are made. "We're trying to do this give as many Hope College people as possible an opportunity to contribute their ideas, thoughts and perceptions to this planning process for the future of Hope College," President John H. Jacobson said. "I feel this is a great way for us to get a broad base of wisdom for President Jacobson and the people who are making decisions about the college," said Dr. C. Kendrick Gibson, director of Hope in the Future and professor of business administration. "We've gotten some very good ideas."

The Hope in the Future strategic planning process, which completed last year, will provide the college a comprehensive guide with which to chart its course as Hope enters the 21st Century. In addition to those involved in the regional meetings, 12 planning committees consisting of Hope alumni, board members, faculty, staff and friends of the college have been meeting since March to discuss topics such as the college's relationships with the Reformed Church in America, the size of the student body and the range of the college's services in response to student and community needs.

President Jacobson and Dr. Gibson asked those they met to offer their views of the issues facing Hope in the Future's 12 planning committees and provide any other insights they had concerning the college. Their visits, which took place during May, June and July, included stops at Albany, N.Y., Dallas, Texas, Detroit, Mich. and Chicago, Ill.

One such meeting was held in Oak Brook, Ill. on July 6. The participants, seated informally around the banquet table at which they had recently shared breakfast, were encouraged to consider a few guiding questions by President Jacobson and Dr. Gibson. As the group's conversation progressed, the main point of one person's discussion inspired the next, whose observations prompted another to carry their thinking on to a new point. The lively dialogue required only occasional direction from President Jacobson or Dr. Gibson, as they sought clarification on specific thoughts or brought the focus to a new topic.

Gaye van den Hombergh '81 suggested the college identify its "sustainable competitive advantage" as a strength on which to capitalize. Once identified, she noted, such an advantage could be built upon.

Following van den Hombergh's train of thought, Dean Hager '52 offered a possibility: "Hope is the Christian college that is intellectually aware. It's the college you can send your child to for a Christian, supportive environment — but you can still find what's out there," Hager said. "This is part of the advantage."

van den Hombergh agreed that the college's Christian character is an advantage and is especially relevant currently, when ethics is a major issue in business and government. "That could be Hope's edge: 'We are providing you with business graduates who have a strong sense of ethics and a liberal arts background.'"

Linda Selander '64 Schaap, whose daughter is a member of the incoming freshman class, observed that the college's personal emphasis is a strength — adding that Hope was the only college to which her daughter applied that had a personal letter. "That means a lot to these kids," Schaap said. "There's just a reassurance there."

Several regional meetings were held around the nation so that the views of the college's alumni and friends could be added into the Hope in the Future strategic planning process. Pictured left to right are Dean Hager '52, Professor C. Kendrick Gibson (director of Hope in the Future), Gaye van den Hombergh '81 and President John H. Jacobson.

Although no immediate answers were forthcoming at the meeting, President Jacobson and Dr. Gibson agreed that the discussion had provided insights not previously obtained. The alumni gathered noted, too, that the meeting gave them a chance to stay involved with the college and helped them develop a sense of the issues Hope faces.

The results of the regional meetings will be integrated into the report drafted following the conclusion of Hope in the Future. The report will be sent to a steering committee consisting of the executive committee of the Board of Trustees and four elected faculty members.

The steering committee, in turn, will send a report concerning the process to the Board of Trustees at its January meeting, and that report will serve as the basis for planning the Hope of the future.

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In spite of the establishment of Meiji Gakuin High School in Tennessee.

Dr. Hiraide's field is American social history. He has published several scholarly papers and two books: Wealth and People and Theories of the Formation of Modern Capitalism, both in 1988 through the Nihon Hyoronsha Publishing Company. He graduated from Tokyo Imperial University in 1943, and received a doctorate of economics from Hokkaido University.

While on campus, Dr. Hiraide will deliver an address, "Christian Education in Japan and at Meiji Gakuin University," at the annual luncheon held on Wednesday, Aug. 30.

This year is the 25th anniversary of the establishment of an exchange program between Hope College and Meiji Gakuin University.

Meiji Gakuin University dates its founding in 1977, when Tokyo Union Seminary was founded by the Japan Christian Union Church, although the name Meiji Gakuin was not chosen until a decade later, when the seminary merged with two other schools. Meiji Gakuin grew out of private schools established by three Christian missionaries to Japan, all of whom were affiliated with the Reformed Church in America.

NEW DEAN: Dr. Richard Frost has been appointed the new dean of students at Hope College. He was formerly associate director of residence and residential services at the University of California, Santa Barbara.

Dr. Frost was selected after the college conducted a nationwide search to fill the position. A committee consisting of faculty, staff and students of the student development staff reviewed the candidates and recommended Frost as the final selection.

"We felt he had the kind of background that would make a significant contribution here," Dr. Beckering said. "We were first intrigued by his different experiences and what he wrote about himself and Hope College in his cover letter. Then, when we contacted his references the person they described seemed to be the kind of person we would like to have as part of the Hope community."

Dr. Frost brings to the position an extensive background in student development services. In addition to his work at the University of California, Santa Barbara, he has served as assistant director at both the University of California, Davis and Michigan State University. He was also director of the multi-ethnic program at the University of California, Davis, worked in student development, at Michigan State University and served as an admissions counselor at Luther College in Decorah, Iowa.

Dr. Frost noted that he is anxious to assume his new duties. "The prospect of working in a liberal arts and Christian environment where the commitment to developing the whole student is shared among students, staff and faculty is exciting," Dr. Frost said.

His appointment is one of three made in the Office of Student Development at Hope. Anne Bakker-Grau '85 has been named the college's director of student activities and Derek Emerson '85 has been appointed the college's director of residence life, both on an one-year, interim basis.

STAFF ADDITION: Jay Peters '80 has joined the staff of Hope College as assistant director for college advancement.

Peters had previously served as sales manager of Crown Motors Ltd./Hope Imports Inc. of Holland, Mich. He joined Hope imports as a salesperson in 1982, and was promoted to sales manager in 1986. Peters, a life-long resident of Holland, Mich., also a graduate of Holland High School, currently resides in the city with his wife Mary Hildre '81 Peters.

ICARUS: A statue of "Icarus" by internationally known sculptor Kurt Laurenz Mezler has been placed on the Hope College campus.

The sculpture was donated to the college by Daniel DeGraaf '53, owner of DeGraaf (Continued on page five)
EVENTS

ACADEMIC CALENDAR 1989-90

Fall Semester (1989)
- Aug. 25, Friday — Residence halls open for new students at 1 p.m.
- Aug. 26-28, Saturday-Monday — New student orientation
- Aug. 28, Monday — Residence halls open for returning students
- Aug. 29, Tuesday — Late registration from 10 a.m. to noon in Maas Auditorium
- Aug. 29, Tuesday — Classes begin at 8 a.m.; formal convocation in the evening
- Sept. 4, Monday — Labor Day, classes in session
- Oct. 6-8, Friday-Sunday — Homecoming Weekend
- Oct. 13, Friday — Fall Recess begins at 6 p.m.
- Oct. 18, Wednesday — Fall Recess ends at 8 a.m.
- Oct. 27-29, Friday-Sunday — Parents' Weekend
- Nov. 23, Thursday — Thanksgiving Recess begins at 8 a.m.
- Nov. 27, Monday — Thanksgiving Recess ends at 8 a.m.
- Dec. 3, Friday — Last day of classes
- Dec. 11-15, Monday-Friday — Semester examinations
- Dec. 15, Friday — Residence halls close at 5 p.m.

Spring Semester (1990)
- Jan. 7, Sunday — Residence halls open at noon
- Jan. 8, Monday — Registration for new students
- Jan. 9, Tuesday — Classes begin at 8 a.m.
- Feb. 9, Friday — Winter Recess begins at 6 p.m.
- Feb. 14, Wednesday — Winter Recess ends at 8 a.m.
- March 1, Thursday — Critical Issues Symposium (classes not in session)
- March 15, Thursday — Spring Recess begins at 6 p.m.
- March 26, Monday — Spring Recess ends at 8 a.m.
- April 27, Monday — May Day; classes dismissed at 12:30 p.m.
- May 5, Saturday — Alumni Day
- May 6, Sunday — Baccalaureate and Commencement

May Term (1990)
- May 7, Monday — Registration and payment of fees from 8:30 a.m.-11 a.m. in Maas Auditorium
- May 7, Monday — Classes begin at 1 p.m.

ADMISSIONS

Visitation Days
For prospective Hope students, including transfers, high school juniors and seniors. Visitations are intended to show students and the parents a typical day in the life of a Hope student. There will be ample opportunities to meet students, faculty and staff.
- Friday, Oct. 6
- Friday, Oct. 27
- Friday, Nov. 10
- Friday, Dec. 1

Reformed Church senior high youth groups are invited to take a closer look at Hope and attend a Hope College football game.

New Jersey Plane Trip — Oct. 26-29
An opportunity for New Jersey area high school juniors and seniors to visit Hope College. Cost includes round-trip transportation, housing with a current Hope student, meals and activity pass. For further information about any Admissions Office event, please call (616) 394-7850 or write: Office of Admissions, Hope College, Holland, MI 49423.

DE FEE GALLERY

Accessions — Through Aug. 13
Additions to the Hope College Collection.
Albion's Prints — Aug. 26 — Sept. 23
Selected prints by Baroque masters from the collection of Albion College.
Alumni Invitational II — Oct. 6 — Nov. 12
A variety of works by Hope alumni.
Gallery hours: Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Saturday 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Sunday 1 to 5 p.m. (beginning Aug. 26 the gallery will be open until 9 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday).

THE ARTS

Great Performance Series — Saturday, Sept. 16:
Modern Jazz Quintet, Dimnent Memorial Chapel, 8 p.m.

Student Recital — Thursday, Sept. 28:
Dimnent Memorial Chapel, 7 p.m.

Great Performance Series — Friday, Oct. 20:
Vienna Chamber Philharmonic, with violinist Nigel Kennedy
Dimnent Memorial Chapel, 8 p.m.

Faculty Chamber Music Concert — Sunday, Oct. 22:
Wichers Auditorium, 4 p.m.

Student Recital — Thursday, Oct. 26:
Dimnent Memorial Chapel, 4 p.m.

Orchestra Concert — Friday, Oct. 27:
Dimnent Memorial Chapel, 8 p.m.

Great Performance Series — Thursday-Saturday, Nov. 2-4:
Ririe-Woodbury Dance Company, DeWitt Center Theatre, 8 p.m.

Faculty Chamber Music Concert — Sunday, Nov. 5:
Wichers Auditorium, 4 p.m.

Senior Recital — Friday, Nov. 10:
Kristin Large, soprano, Wichers Auditorium, 8 p.m.

Aaron Copland Concert — Tuesday, Nov. 14:
Dimnent Memorial Chapel, 8 p.m.

Student Recital — Thursday, Nov. 16:
Dimnent Memorial Chapel, 7 p.m.

Faculty Chamber Music Concert — Sunday, Nov. 19:
Wichers Auditorium, 4 p.m.

Christmas Vespers — Saturday, Dec. 2 and Sunday, Dec. 3:
Dimnent Memorial Chapel, 8 p.m. on Saturday and 2, 4:30 and 8 p.m. on Sunday

Great Performance Series — Wednesday, Dec. 6:
Children's Theatre Company presentation of Raggedy Ann and Andy, Holland Civic Center, 4 p.m.

Student Recital — Thursday, Dec. 8:
Wichers Auditorium, 7 p.m.

ALUMNI AND FRIENDS

Alumni Parents — Saturday, Aug. 26
There will be a reception for the alumni parents of incoming freshmen at the President's Home from 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Community Day — Saturday, Sept. 9
Community Day picnic begins at 11 a.m. in the Pine Grove while kickoff for the Hope DePauw football game is scheduled for 1:30 p.m. The Holland High School band will be marching from the Pine Grove to the stadium. Tickets may be ordered through the Dow Center (616) 394-7690.

Homecoming Weekend — Friday-Sunday, Oct. 6-8
Reunions for the classes of 1979 and 1984 as well as the 12th annual Hope Run-Bike-Swim are planned. Kickoff for the Hope-Adrian football game will be at 2:15 p.m. Saturday, and there will be a Homecoming worship service at 11 a.m. on Sunday.

Registration for the Run-Bike-Swim costs $6 per event and $8 for the Triathlon — call the Dow Center at (616) 394-7690 for more information concerning the Run-Bike-Swim. For more information concerning alumni events, call the Office of Public Relations at (616) 394-7760.

Regional Events
- Rochester, N.Y. — Wednesday, Sept. 14
- Washington, D.C., picnic — Saturday, Sept. 16

TRADITIONAL EVENTS

Community Day Football Game — Saturday, Sept. 9
The 92nd Annual Pull — Friday, Sept. 22
Homecoming 1989 — Friday-Sunday, Oct. 6-8
Nykerk Cup — Saturday, Oct. 28
Parents' Weekend — Friday-Sunday, Oct. 27-29
For High School Students:
- Arts and Humanities Fair — Thursday, Sept. 28
- Science Day — Thursday, Oct. 26

INSTANT INFORMATION

Hope Sports Hotline — (616) 394-7888
Activities Information — (616) 394-7863
Icarus, a new addition to the Pine Grove, and Dr. Jacob Nyenhuis

CAMPUS NOTES
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Gallery in Chicago, Ill., and Ruth DeGraaf ’50 Dirke in the memory of their father, Dr. Clarence De Graaf.

Dr. DeGraaf, who died in 1986, was associated with the college for more than 40 years. He was an instructor in English at Hope College High School from 1928-31, an instructor in English at Hope from 1931-40, and a professor of English from 1940-72, serving for many years as chairman of the department.

“Icarus has been interpreted as a symbol of the creative spirit and it seems therefore appropriate to use a symbol of creativity in honoring the memory of an English professor who dedicated his life to literature,” said Dr. Jacob Nyenhuis, professor of classics and provost of Hope College.

The six-foot Icarus statue has been attached to a concrete base at the southern edge of the Pine Grove.

Like Dr. Nyenhuis, Metzler has long been interested in the legend — and also the broader topic of man’s attempts to reach beyond the constraint of his natural limits to the greater freedom an ability such as flight allows. “The Icarus sculpture donated to the college is a series of sculptures of Daedalus, Icarus and other winged persons which he sculpted beginning in 1977,” Dr. Nyenhuis said.

Metzler was born in St. Gallen, Switzerland in 1941, and earned a diploma in stone sculpting in Zurich in 1963. He opened his first studio in Zurich in 1961, and opened a studio in Tifton, N.Y. in 1980. Metzler’s work has been featured several times during the past 20 years, both in group exhibitions and one-man exhibitions.

The statue was unveiled by several members of the DeGraaf family in May. A dedication ceremony and plaque describing the statue’s significance are both planned.

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Her father wrote the “other” alma mater

by Greg Olgers ’87

In that dear old town of Holland, Michigan
By the inland sea,
Stands Hope College
O how we wish again ever there to be,
Alma Mater loyal true
We will ever be to you
When we’re old our song this will still be
H-O-P-E.

Henry K. Pasma ’10 is gone in body
But lives on in his words and the memory of daughter Miriam Petrides. Petrides was on the campus in June as a participant in Elderhostel at Hope College. Although not a Hope graduate, the visit became her own homecoming as she took time to visit the sites that figured prominently in her father’s reminiscences.

There were, of course, the older, familiar buildings, such as Van Vleet and Voorhees Halls, Graves Library and the President’s Home. There were also the newer buildings with older, familiar names — Kollen Hall, Nykerk Hall of Music and Phelps Hall. Here stay also gave Petrides a chance to see the town both her parents had called home for several years.

And, like the places she visited, her father is still a part of Hope College. He wrote H-O-P-E, also known as In that Dear Old Town of Holland, Michigan, the former alma mater, still sung at alumni events.

Pasma was born in the province of Friesland, the Netherlands, in 1881. In 1900, he, his parents, brothers and sisters emigrated to the United States — seeking, as did many of the Dutch immigrants, religious freedom and economic opportunity.

The Pasma family landed on the eastern shore of Maryland, and after a time relocated to the Byron Center, Mich./Dorr, Mich. area. Pasma went with them and eventually enrolled in Hope, where he even served as editor of the〈anchor〉.

He continued on at Western Theological Seminary after his graduation, and it was during his several years in Holland that he met Petrides mother, Olive Barnaby, who also attended Hope. Barnaby’s parents lived on College Avenue (Petrides’ maternal grandfather was ticket manager for the Pere Marquette Railroad), which gave Pasma a treat still enjoyed by college students: home-cooked meals.

After completing his studies at the seminary, Pasma went to his first pastorate. “His first church was in Oxburgh, Wisconsin. After that he went to Lyndon, Washington,” Petrides said. “And then he changed over from the Dutch Reformed to the Presbyterian Church — and all the rest of his life he was in Rockville, Maryland.”

Despite the passage of time and distance, Pasma, who died in 1948, remained close to his Hope connections.

“When I was growing up he was a very good friend of Wynnand Wichers,” Petrides said. “I have in my home the most beautiful tray with a little silver railing all around it. A number of Hope graduates visited the Pasma home through the years — one of whom was Edward Wichers ’15, a scientist employed by the National Bureau of Standards in Washington, D.C. “I remember his coming to our house to tell us that he was not going to see us for quite a while, and he couldn’t tell us what it was going to be,” Petrides said. “But he was sent to Los Alamos where they working on the atomic bomb.”

Others included Paul DeKruif ’08, author of the well-known Microbe Hunters, and Joseph Sizoo ’07, pastor of the New York Avenue Presbyterian church, which was the church Abraham Lincoln had attended while president. “When we used to go to their home for dinner,” Petrides said.

The writing skills Pasma demonstrated when he wrote H-O-P-E, persisted. His first book, Close Haunted, was written while he lived in Rockville, Md. — and he sent a draft to Dr. Nykerk, his former English professor, for review.

“I remember my father was so proud because Dr. Nykerk wrote back that there was no way to improve on it,” Petrides said. Close Haunted, Pasma’s autobiography, is available in the college’s Van Wylen Library, as is The Enchanted Sword, another of his books.

The closing passages of Close Haunted chronicle Pasma’s experiences at Hope, including his preparations for coming to campus: “(This) same young man,

before setting out for Michigan, deemed it absolutely necessary to stow away in his suitcase a six-shooter, for possible and likely emergencies to arise in the far western state... Nothing wilder than a committee of the college YMCA greeted me as I stepped down from my train...”

Petrides attended George Washington University, where her father had earned a doctorate in philosophy. It was at George Washington University that she met her husband, who is currently a professor of wildlife management at Michigan State University (MSU).

Petrides studied library science in college, and was a reference librarian at MSU and worked at the East Lansing Public Library. She was for a time actively involved in garden club organizations, and now operates two fine antiques shops.

Appropriately, Dutch antiques are a specialty. “It is so interesting to me, my father having graduated from Hope, to have been brought up with all these names,” Petrides said. “We knew all those people, and I heard all these stories.”

“But I can’t remember all of them. When I was younger I could go back and ask — but now it’s too late,” Petrides said.
Death of a landmark

Memories are fragile. No matter how fondly remembered, unless recorded the past is forgotten. With our passing, memories we cherish but fail to share blur and fade, leaving for those who follow us a heritage the poorer for it.

And thus it is that we note the removal of a Hope landmark older than most of the college's buildings and many of its alumni. On June 27-28, the European Beech tree that stood in Van Raalte Commons was removed (originally the tree was just to the east of the walkway leading to the 12th Street entrance of Van Raalte Hall, since destroyed by fire).

The 80-year-old tree failed to return to life after the winter, bearing only the brown, shriveled leaves it still carried from the season before. Its death followed three years of decline thought to have resulted from the extreme heat the tree endured during the burning of Van Raalte Hall in April of 1980.

Marty Strang, head of the college's groundskeeping department, explained that such traumatic events typically begin to influence a tree's health about five years after they occur. That the tree lasted nine years after the fire is itself remarkable.

And while the death of a tree may not seem noteworthy to some, the low, spreading branches of the European Beech had an impact on many. Countless initials, messages and images had been carved upon the tree during its years — the scrawlings of generations of Hope students.

The ardor of college love often found itself expressed on the tree's branches: "SV + JP," "L + K," "S + L," "Brian + Cindy." The tree was also a medium of artistic expression; on one of its branches, about nine feet from the ground, were carved a bear in a box and a sun.

Its gray branches also provided a means of self-praise or philosophical expression. "PULL," read one word, the year either obscured by age or never added. "I..." read another thought — the remainder again obscured by time. "HA HA" were other sentiments expressed on its side.

And, finally, the tree found its own tressness expressed. One of the oldest-looking carvings, placed by someone with either a flair for stating the obvious or concern for the plant's identity, said simply "TREE."

Through all of the changes on campus, the tree remained a constant. It was planted shortly after Van Raalte Hall was completed — but outlasted its larger, and more solid, neighbor. It saw the tennis courts next to Van Raalte removed and the Chapel constructed. The building of Nykerk Hall, the closing of 12th Street, the living of countless lives all proceeded while its branches remained.

And now, it is gone. Serene and nameless, built by God alone, its passing will be noted only by those who knew it once stood, and except for these words will be lost when they, too, have passed. ☛

(Editor's note: There is a way to help preserve the memories of Hope's past. The Joint Archives of Holland collects and preserves materials relating to the college, Western Theological Seminary, and the Holland area.

Anyone who believes that they have historically significant material is encouraged to contact the Joint Archives of Holland at (616) 394-7798, For those interested in the Joint Archives' collection, a new Guide to the Collections of the Joint Archives is available from the Archives for $15.95 per copy.

The Joint Archives, a non-profit organization sponsored by the Holland Historical Trust, Hope College and Western Theological Seminary, is located on the ground floor of the Van Wylen Library.)
Alumna’s China vacation suffered shocking twist

by Greg Olgers '87

All the world watched during May and June as thousands of students filled Tiananmen Square in Beijing, China and demanded democracy.

When the government used tanks to quell the demonstrators, the world’s wonderment turned to horror. The graphically brutal act of Deng Xiaoping’s reaction was driven forcefully home as scenes of battered bodies were broadcast into our living rooms and splashed across newspapers and magazines.

For Barbara Van Putten '77, the event was especially meaningful. She was there.

Van Putten is a professor and chairperson of the physical education department at Humboldt State University in Eureka, Calif. Her brother, James Van Putten Jr. '55, has been a professor of physics at Hope since 1967.

She and a group of four friends, three of whom were co-workers, had been planning the trip for four years. They left San Francisco on May 27 and arrived in Beijing late on June 2. Their timing couldn’t have been worse — the fighting broke out two days later.

“After we arrived in Beijing our tour guide said that the army had been encamped in the Forbidden City and that we wouldn’t be able to see it. We were also told there were some demonstrations going on in Tiananmen Square and so we probably couldn’t get to that. And so that was our first hint that something may go awry,” Van Putten said.

Consequently, the group spent most of the day outside the city visiting the Ming tombs and the Great Wall. When they returned, however, they learned there were no buses out of the city. They went to Tiananmen Square, but they probably couldn’t get to that. Fortunately, the goddess of democracy and the demonstrators’ tent city.

Later, after dinner, they noticed that the hotel had blocked its driveway with barricades. That was the first hint that things were being planned that were not quite copathetic,” Van Putten said.

“After that, we spent the night at our rooms and watched the sunrise on June 1 when the sun was nothing but a few miles above the horizon,” Van Putten said. “That automatic gunfire went on from about 1:30 a.m. until about 6 a.m. “We were awakened by gunfire and tank fire,” Van Putten said.

“Everything we could see the helicopters flying in and out and could see the fires of the tanks, busses and tents that had started to burn,” Van Putten said.

That night, the government unwilling to leave the group of tourists so near the stripe, sent them — about 25 other buses — to the summer palace outside the city.

“On the two drives — out to the summer palace and back to the city — we really were impressed,” Van Putten said. “We could see where the citizens of the city had put barricades of anything they could find to keep the military from coming in. And you could see where the tank marks went right over the stuff.”

The drive back to Beijing also put the group face-to-face with a grim reminder of the battle. “Students came up to our bus and were pounding on the bus, trying to direct our attention to their truck. And on the back of the track was the body of one of their dead colleagues,” Van Putten said.

“The body was all covered with blood and they were trying to make us take a picture of it to show the world that ‘yes, students really were killed.”

The next day, Van Putten’s group left the city. “We were able to get out of Beijing via the military airport,” Van Putten said. “The commercial airport was closed and all public transportation to the airport was stopped.”

“Our bus driver had hidden our bus that night to protect it from being burned, and we were able to maneuver our way through the streets and around the barricades out to the military airport,” Van Putten said.

“We were then thoroughly searched and screened and monitored. Then we were put in a lobby and sat there for five hours while they said that there was bad weather where we were going.”

When they waited, they watched helicopters travel to the city, trucks transports tank and disgorge groups of soldiers and a group of 55 tanks fitted with military personnel departed for Beijing. “And as soon as all that traffic stopped, we were allowed to leave. So I think the bad weather was just an excuse while we were being delayed,” Van Putten said.

From Beijing, they traveled to Xian, where a day and a half they went to take a river cruise on the Yangzte River. Unfortunately, the boat was sent away prematurely, leaving them stranded. “The Chinese travel service is run by the government. They couldn’t really say there were problems, but I don’t think they really wanted us to be running around in the center of the country either,” Van Putten said.

“They said that the bus was delayed because of the weather, and that again was another one of the students that had written down a column with their names. Assassinate Deng Xiaoping.”

“What’s incomprehensible is that China is trying to cover it up so much. With the telecommunications that’s available now, students even in the interior of China knew right away what had happened. They had shortwave and Voice of America,” Van Putten said. “It’s going to take a pretty good cover-up to clear this mess up.”

From Xian, Van Putten and her group traveled to Guilin, and from Guilin they chartered a plane and flew to Hong Kong. After Hong Kong, they also spent time in more peaceful Hawaii.

Ironically, this is the first time Van Putten has witnessed history in progress in China — two previous stays in the country were eventful. She was there when the communists came into power in the late 1940s, and returned 30 years later to witness the end of the Cultural Revolution.

“We lived in China from 1947 to 1950,” Van Putten said. “And at that time, when Mao Zedong came in and liberated Beijing in October and they proclaimed the People’s Republic of China, he stood up in Tiananmen Square and made the announcement.”

“I was a normal teenager, decided I didn’t want to stay home and wanted to go watch it,” Van Putten said. “So I saw all the millions of people standing there cheering.”

And then, nine years later my mother took the family back — all of us — and we were there when they were taking down the pictures of Mao Tse Tung when Deng Xiaoping came into power,” Van Putten said. “They were proclaiming that it was the end of the Cultural Revolution and they were going to create an open door policy, and have more freedom in the country.”

“Now I’ve come back nine years later and it’s gone full circle,” Van Putten said. “I’ve had a lot of people say I must be a reincarnated princess or something. Every time I’m in China a revolution’s going.”

Other Hope connections

While Barbara Van Putten’s trip coincided with the Chinese government’s purge of Tiananmen Square, Professor Joan Conway’s was to have taken place in mid-July. As a result of the strife in China, however, the trip was cancelled.

Conway, professor of music at Hope, had been invited by the Music Teachers National Association to travel to China on a two-week cultural exchange-study tour as part of the People-to-People Cultural Ambassadors program. The tour was to include Hong Kong, Shanghai, Beijing and other major cities. Conway was invited on the tour by the Music Teachers National Association as vice president of the Michigan Music Teachers Association.

The People-to-People Cultural Ambassadors program was established by President Dwight D. Eisenhower. Professor Conway’s trip would have been sponsored in part through Hope via the Marjorie Den Uyl Summer Grant, an endowed faculty development fund.

There were also other Hope alumni who were in China during the upcoming, including Paul Bolt ’86, Todd Forner ’88, Amy Herrington ’86, Lisa Smith ’86 and Susan Walter ’88.
Spring honors continue as fall season approaches

by Dick Hoekstra '84

The 1989 fall sports season is just a month away, featuring two new head coaches and a new varsity sport—women's soccer.

Even while preparations for the fall were underway, however, two 1989 Hope graduates were still receiving honors for accomplishments that continued through spring. Tauna Jecmen and Colleen Sandro both added to their plethora of honors by being named Academic All-Americans.

Colleen Sandro of Grand Rapids, Mich., was named to the Women's Division III Volleyball Academic All-American Team for the second year in a row. Sandro was All-MIAA four years and compiled career-best records of 65-10 singles and 37-2 doubles while at Hope. Abiological major with a 3.59 GPA, Sandro was the Mountain West's most valuable player in 1986 and 1989 and was the recipient of the Sue Little Sportsmanship Award presented by the league's coaches this spring.

Sandro competed in the NCAA Division III Tennis Nationals individually all four years, earning All-American honors by advancing to the semifinals as a freshman. She earned All-American honors again with former teammate Kim Baxter in doubles the following year.

Tauna Jecmen of Jenison, Mich., capped an outstanding career in Hope cross country and track by being named to the GTE Academic All-America first team in the women's at-large division. An English/Spanish major with a 3.90 grade point average, Jecmen was named to the Academic All-America third team year ago. She was All-MIAA twice in track and three times in cross country while twice being named the league's most valuable runner. Jecmen, whose brother Scott '85 was named an Academic All-American in football in 1984, holds Hope track records in the 3,000, 5,000, and 10,000-meter runs.

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STEIN SLETTE

Todd Winkler, a 1988 Hope graduate and all-league midfielder, has been named the new men's soccer coach. Winkler served as an assistant last fall to Glenn Van Wieren, who had accepted the post on an interim basis. Winkler is a native of New Hope, Minn., and was the head coach at the University of Minnesota-Duluth in 1988 and 1989.

The women's soccer team will open its season with the 10th Annual Hope Invitational on Sept. 12. A separate three-match tournament for women's soccer will be held at Hope the same day. The tournament will be held at Hope the same day.

The Hope women's soccer team will open its season as an official NCAA Division III sport. The tournament will be held at Hope the same day.

With just one starter lost to graduation, the Hope volleyball team looks at it as if it can make a run for a second NCAA Division III title. The Flying Dutch women's volleyball team looks at it as if it can make a run for a second NCAA Division III title.

The field hockey team will also be trying to displace Calvin as NCAA Division III champion in a four-team league that also includes Adrian and Alma. The Flying Dutch have finished in third place behind Calvin and Alma the last two years, but this year, Adrian and Alma are not fielding teams.

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Making all the right moves

by Kaylene Shannon '90

He's a hero behind the scenes. Through the flurry and confusion that surround new construction and relocation, Fred Coates provides organization and leadership. The logistical nightmare created by the renovation of Van Zoeren and VanderWerf Halls has given him ample opportunity to put his talents to good use.

Coates, the director of the college's physical plant, oversees the installation of emergency and security systems in new buildings and organizes the physical details of moving various departments to different locations on campus. With the recent completion of the Van Wylen Library and the current construction and relocation involving VanderWerf Hall and Van Zoeren Hall, he has been extremely busy.

"Being busy is what makes my job so interesting," said Coates. "I don't think I have worked for Hope in a year when there haven't been some major improvements or reconstructions on campus.

And Coates has seen Hope through one of its most dramatic periods of development. He has been the physical plant director for more than 12 years and has superintended the completion of the Dow Center (fall, 1979) and the Mars Center (fall, 1986). He also helped work through the disabling effects of the Van Raalte Hall fire (spring, 1980), the subsequent expansion of De Witt Center to accommodate offices displaced by the fire (completed fall, 1983), the renovation of DePree Art Center (dedicated in 1982) and numerous other renovations on campus.

His department is also responsible for the normal maintenance and grounds-keeping responsibilities that keep the campus functioning and attractive. In addition, because the campus is kept busy even during the summer, members of his staff are constantly involved with the special needs of visiting groups, weddings and functions such as Village Square.

Coates ability to successfully cope with the logistical challenges his department's busy schedule and the college's physical changes have presented has not gone unnoticed.

"He has a great ability to keep a lot of balls in the air at once," said William K. Anderson, vice president for business and finance at the college. "He has general knowledge in a lot of areas — the kind of talent he brought to us is very important. And we don't have a large staff — I think he makes good use of the people that he has."

"He also has the ability to get along well with other people, which is very important when you have the demands he faces," Anderson said.

"There definitely have been many changes from when I first began at Hope, especially with the development of new technologies," Coates said. "The degree of sophistication of our equipment has made the work we do at the physical plant much easier. Of course, there have been the obvious changes involved with the addition of new buildings, but a lot of work has also been done on renovating old buildings. For example, the roof on Voorhees used to leak water every time it rained and was close to being condemned by the city, and today it's one of the most beautiful buildings on campus."

Advances in technology, according to Coates, are saving time as far as his work load is concerned, especially when special projects such as the renovation of VanderWerf and Van Zoeren must be integrated into the physical plant staff's regular routine. Developments like the central energy management system, which alerts Coates and his staff to malfunctions in the campus' heating and cooling systems, allow the physical plant staff to rectify potential problems before they become too serious.

Coates had many years of technical training before he joined the Hope community in 1977. After graduating from the University of Rhode Island in 1952, he enlisted in the U.S. Army, where he was promoted to the rank of lieutenant colonel. Coates served with the Army Corps of Engineers and was involved with facility management for 22 years. His army career took him all over the globe, including Germany, Asia and Alaska.

After spending such a significant period of time abroad, Coates said he has been very happy with his decision to settle in Holland. "Hope College holds a great deal of appeal for me because the faculty and student body appreciate the work the custodians and grounds workers do for them. In addition to that, I have an exceptional work force, and quality mechanics who are whizzes at solving almost any problem. The people in my department and the entire Hope community for that matter — are interested in more than receiving a paycheck for services rendered. They really care about what is going on," Coates said.

Most of Coates' time and energy is currently being channeled toward the completion of the renovated VanderWerf-Van Zoeren facility. Specifically, Coates is in charge of installing the mechanical, fire and other types of systems in the new complex. Once the contractor completes his work, Coates and the physical plant staff follow.

The renovation of the two buildings is expected to be complete later in the fall, which final occupany taking place between the fall and spring semesters. The departments of education and economics and business administration have already moved into their new homes in Van Zoeren, and the computer science, mathematics and social department have been temporarily relocated in Van Zoeren until work on VanderWerf is finished.

When VanderWerf is complete the computer science, physics and math departments will move back, and the department of sociology, along with the Academic Support Center, will move into Van Zoeren. Other offices affected by the project include international education, which moved from its office at 11th Street and Columbia to the education department's former home on VanRaalte Commons, career planning and placement, which moved from its office in DeWitt Center to the building on 11th Street vacated by the business administration and economics department, and the counseling center, which moved from the Dow Center to the business administration and economics building.

"I think," said Coates, "that the placement of the academic departments into the two renovated buildings will mark the first time in the 12 years I have been here that all the faculty will be out of substandard office space. It is about time."

Coates guesses that his next project will involve developing some kind of new housing to accommodate the college's growing student body. Coates said that a larger dorm like Kollen Hall is probably out of the question, and that the housing will probably be some kind of apartment complex. Additions north of 10th Street are likely.

With the proposed closing of 10th Street between College and Columbia Avenues making extensive renovations and additions to the northern side of campus likely to continue for quite sometime, Coates will remain busy. His talents should continue to serve the college well.
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A few words about dictionaries

by Dirk Jellema

At one time or another, in one form or another, most of us treat our language with the same fervor we apply to our religion or our patriotism. That is to say we are capable of indignation and righteous fury when our particular ox is gored, and we tend to rise to the defense of our version of God or country or people and engage in an energy that approaches fanaticism.

What the Bible is to religion, and the flag to patriotism, the dictionary is to language. An illustration or two, by way of introducing this brief meditation on dictionaries and our allegiance to them, and the words they contain of truth.

Less of us would like to get hold of the guy who burned the U.S. flag and string him by the ears from the nearest Chinese elm. Not a few would do the same to the Supreme Court which allowed him his pathetic act.

What the court was saying, I think, with commendable recognition of Justice Brennan, is that the flag is itself not holy, that what the flag represents is bigger and better than his burning of it and our umbrage, that it is essential in our constitution that those who disagree are a vital and fundamental part of our republic. The republic for which it stands, and defended only so long as it recognizes the right of dissent, however odious the manner of dissent. Still, our gorse rises at flaming flags.

Some years ago the church I attend sponsored a Cambodian family's immigration to this country. Some, I suppose, looked forward to their arrival anticipating an intense period of catechizing followed by multiple baptisms. Yet the preacher, the week before they got here, said from the pulpit that we should not worry too much about their souls, that we should feed and clothe and house and befriend them and let God worry about their souls. In effect, God can take care of himself.

The point of both these illustrations is that there are forces and purposes at work in the world that are bigger and more complex and more important than our immediate, often ill-formed and ill-informed musings. Which brings us to language and its defenders, and a few more illustrative examples, and perhaps even an Aesopian moral.

Writing teachers frequently ask their students to write a paragraph or so on the first day of class, presumably to enforce the course's agenda. I have done the same, on occasion. In the last 10 minutes of the first class I tell them they're going to have 10 minutes to write a paragraph, whatever they think and in whatever form, on the subject I'll write on the board. Then on the board I write the single word, "Ain't."

It will be of little surprise to anyone to learn that, in 85 years and 10 minutes, the students are opposed to "ain't," not just opposed but opposed with a vengeance. Another unsurprising statistic is that 30 percent of them give in one form or another the old recitation I first heard from Miss Kramer in the fifth grade: "Ain't ain't a word 'cause it ain't in the dictionary."

So too the editor of a monthly "letter" I receive from an investment firm, whose back page note in May is a "Plea for Proper Usage." In that proud plea ("This newsletter...has taken no small pride in its respect for that most precious cultural legacy, the English language") the editor provides a bare sentence paragraph ("Hopefully, this effort will bear fruit that will impact on you and I"), followed by a revised good one ("It is to be hoped..."). And concludes his petition with this PS: "Oh, yes: the word 'impact,' originally a noun, has now attained some validational status as a verb. Nonetheless, to those of us who are unrecognizing purists, the use of 'impact' as a verb impacts ominously on our sense of proper usage.

Well, I guess you really do, sometimes, wanna shoot the next guy you meet who uses "impact" as a verb. Linguist James Sleds detests the verb "contact." If you're really old fashioned you might wanna shoot people who put commas outside quotations, or people who use "validation" when they might better use "validity," or "acceptance."

There's comfort in knowing that the world still has its crusty old prudes, its unconstructed purists. Except of course in wishing that the verb "impact" is a recent linguistic aberration. It ain't. It goes back to the founder of Wesleyanism and beyond, for in 1791 John Wesley used it in a sermon, and you can find the quote in the dictionary.

That last phrase is used advisedly; in this case it refers to the Oxford English Dictionary, but it would be wrong to suppose that all dictionaries are alike. The O.E.D. is the one most educated people refer to as the standard and unapproachable source, the final arbiter of English words, and therefore the single canonical dictionary (now in a new edition, on diskettes) in which the word "ain't" ain't found.

Alas, beloved, "ain't" is there, and will remain so. For James Murray, the conservative Presbyterian editor of the O.E.D., "ain't" was a word, he might not have used himself, but it's in his dictionary with no aristocratic negative qualification such as Samuel Johnson might have used, "a low word," or "a can't word," or even "not in decent use." Just another contradiction.

There are two approaches to the making of dictionaries, and these reflect two human attitudes. The first, the old fashioned, the dictionary for the unconstructed purist, is the dictionary which doesn't print dirty words which don't fit the design to admit the existence of "ain't," and which when it does seems to admit the existence of a word it doesn't fit to like, will call it by some mildly derogatory term like "lliterate," or "irregular," or "vulgar" This is the dictionary that knows what God wants and wants to keep it that way. Language is given, an immutative law, as it were, to be protected at all costs.

The other dictionary simply gives you the words that people use and lets you figure out if and when in what context to use 'em. The makers of this dictionary believe that language is functional and ever-changing, that words are good or bad only as they suit the purpose, situation and audience of the user. Most of us like the first, because we like laws that allow us to feel superior to others (the guy who says "ain't" must have gone to Calvin, if he went to college at all) and because it also lends authority to our prejudices ("The Dictionary says..."").

That's why so many of us want a constitutional amendment that makes it a crime to burn a flag, and why some like to quote the Bible in or out of context to justify our every prejudice (I have heard wars and revolutions defended on the grounds that Christ came "not to bring peace but the sword"). It's the law, it's the truth. It's a lot easier than thinking.

When we get too picky about the words people say, or the way they say them, when we make claims for the language that would kill the language: when we cling to something Miss Kramer or the ubiquitous Webster said without understanding, we're in trouble because we aren't understanding what language is about.

The unexamined life is not worth living, as the man said. The unexamined prejudice, the knee-jerk shot from the hip. G. Manley Hopkins began one of his poems, "Glory be to God for dappled things," by which he meant to praise God for difference, for variety, for change. The language changes, too. It lives by evolving, by its freedom to grow, often in odd directions.

I still don't like that unqualified word "hopeful," as in "Hopefully we'll see you soon." Back in 1964, Calvin Vander Werf wrote an article in the Holland newspaper inveighing against that word. It's still with us, and it has been used by presidents of larger constituencies than Hope College. It's there, it's not a word that lies to its audience; and we can take comfort: the language is bigger than these prejudices, bigger than our sense of what's right. It will survive. It will purify itself.

It will survive if we let it. The minute we say that the language is given, like maybe the Ten Commandments and should never change, it's in trouble because we're in trouble. A.E. Houseman, the poet and classical scholar, said that "Men hate to feel insecure; and a sense of security depends much less on the correctness of our opinions than on the firmness with which we hold them; so that excluding intelligence we can often exclude discomfort.

He also said that "a pupil who has got out of the habit of thinking will take his teacher's (dictionary's) word for gospel." The habit of thinking is the habit of understanding not only the audience but also purpose and context and speaker. 

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(If I were permitted a seemingly irrelevant postscript, I'd recommend the wonderful biography of her grandfather by K.M. Elizabeth Murray, titled Caught in the Web of Words.)

(Founder's note: Dirk Jellema, professor of English, has been a member of the Hope faculty since 1964. He earned his B.A. from Calvin College in 1960 and his M.F.A. from the University of Oregon in 1966. His wife, Mary, is an adjunct assistant professor of English, and has been a member of the Hope faculty since 1968.)
Faculty "senior seminar" gives Hope's capstone courses direction

by Laurie Zwemer Baron

(Editor's note: For three weeks in May, 16 members of the Hope faculty met to discuss and consider the college's senior seminar program. The faculty members each either currently teach a senior seminar course or will in the near future.)

Laurie Zwemer Baron of Holland, Mich., attended the sessions as well. Following the model provided by author Kenneth Burke in "Prologue in Heaven" from The Rhetoric of Religion, she provided this analysis of the professors' process.

Scribe: I have a problem. I have to explain this faculty workshop, but I don't think I understand myself. Why do experienced teachers have to study for three weeks to prepare for just another course?

God: Is it just another course?

Scribe: Well, I guess not. Most of the participants I talked to said they don't teach in the seminar/discussion style very often, except in this course. There are also the goals set forth by the college. According to the catalogue, senior seminars "are designed to help the student 1) consider how the Christian faith can inform philosophy for living, 2) articulate his or her philosophy for living in a coherent, disciplined, yet personal way, 3) provide an opportunity to understand secular contemporary values in a Christian perspective.

There's also the way Dr. Jane Bach, associate professor of English, said it: "In this course, the content is not in front of us. The content is within each student. We try to elicit it from them."

God: You did observe how differently each professor does that, of course.

Scribe: Of course! Dr. Bach uses contemporary literature and examines the themes of suffering and reconciliation with her students. Dr. Earl Curry, professor of history, leads his class through a history of the conflict in Northern Ireland as a way of grappling with some very ambiguous and thorny moral terrain.

Dr. Arthur Jentsz, professor of philosophy, conducts an inquiry into the Christian interpretation of the human situation, addressing some existential questions from different theological standpoints. Dr. Irwin Brink, professor of chemistry, asks his students to reflect upon "their education, their values, and their aspirations" from the standpoint of modern science, and -- I could go on, but then you've read the syllabi too.

God: Actually, I had a good deal to do with the writing of most of them.

Scribe: Yes...well, anyway, the faculty all hope that seniors will in some way come to grips with their own values and ethics -- maybe even improve them a little through the seminar. But let's get back to the workshop itself. That's what I really want to talk to you about.

God: What do you want to know?

Scribe: Why it was so hard to understand everyone at first.

God: Well, first of all, these are highly educated people we're talking about. You shouldn't wonder that they'd want to use their best verbal and analytical skills to communicate with each other.

Scribe: You mean they were sort of speaking their own language?

God: It's more complicated than that. Each of them also speaks the language of his or her particular discipline.

Scribe: I see. That's why the mathematician's comments on any discussion were so different from the philosopher's. Why each participant seemed to bring along a set of assumptions and knowledge -- even a way of approaching any reading -- that could only really be understood by other members of the same department. Why everyone sometimes deferred to the expert at hand on a question. And why sometimes they didn't even seem to understand each other very well either.

God: Now you're catching on. Does this remind you of anything?

Scribe: It reminds me that every member of the workshop with whom I spoke said that a principal value of the three weeks lay in having a chance to talk to colleagues in other departments. That they don't, in the ordinary course of events, often have a chance to know their colleagues even casually -- let alone be able to discuss ideas with them. "I just never get over to the physics department," said Dr. Dennis Yvokull, professor of religion. "I don't even know Pete Gohmier (associate professor of physics) before this week. And I'd never talked to Jim Herrick (assistant professor of communication) enough before to appreciate the depth of his knowledge."

With the faculty members coming from so many different backgrounds, I wasn't certain that they would ever agree on anything -- but they didn't have to. Dr. John Cox, associate professor of English and workshop facilitator, made it clear that simple discussion was one of the main purposes. They came to no conclusions and, as Dr. Cox emphasized, were not trying to reach consensus on any of the issues before them. They were there solely to study and to exchange ideas with each other and with the consultants.

God: Tell me about the consultants.

Scribe: Wayne Booth, a literary critic and theoretician from the University of Chicago, expanded on the ideas of Kenneth Burke's The Rhetoric of Religion by asserting that all rhetoric (that is, all persuasive language) leads to serious consideration of the Divine because it is built on hierarchies of terminology, and hierarchies imply an ultimate vision -- You, in other words.

Craig Dykstra, a professor of Christian education at Princeton Theological Seminary, talked about his book, Vision and Character, in which he criticized the work of developmental psychologist Lawrence Kohlberg in the area of moral development -- work which has had enormous impact on Christian education curriculum. Dykstra set forth an alternative way of looking at the moral life.

Muriel Bebeau, an ethicist with the University of Minnesota's School of Dentistry, represented recent attempts to correct the deficiencies in Kohlberg's theory by expanding greatly upon his definition of moral development.

Then there was Parker Palmer, a freelance consultant in the spirituality of education. He believes we have made education only a matter of the mind. Our knowledge consists largely of fact and reason. He asserted that we need also to use our emotion, intuition and physical selves if our knowledge is to be whole. The teacher's job, he said, is to "create a space" in which learning is personal, communal, obedient search for truth can occur.

The consultants all came from different disciplines, just like the faculty, and even though their work was very different, it all dealt in one way or another with morality or religion or spirituality or education. The consultants helped the faculty think about their own courses. It was a grand opportunity to learn from experts. Right?

God: Yes, but it's more complicated than that. Did the workshop participants agree with the consultants?

Scribe: You know perfectly well they agreed -- and they disagreed. They analyzed arguments, they found errors of fact and slippery uses of source material; they stacked these thinkers up against religion, history, theater, literature, physics, mathematics, sociology, philosophy and communication, testing their ideas against the wisdom of each branch of learning. Agree indeed. That's far too simple a question.

God: Exactly.

Scribe: They used their common language -- and the language of each discipline -- to try to understand what each author was saying, and then to evaluate these ideas, to find out what is true, helpful and original in them. What was of value. But that's still too simple, isn't it?

God: Now you're catching on.

Scribe: Because what each person valued was not the same. The group never reached any conclusions, never summed up anything; ultimately every participant was left with -- well, whatever he or she was left with.

God: Yes.

Scribe: By the end of the three weeks I began to believe the person who told me, "I'm going to use a lot of this stuff in my seminar." And not only him. Despite the energy the participants gave to criticizing each reading (or maybe because of it), more and more of them began incorporating the authors' major ideas and visions into their

Dr. Arthur Jentsz, professor of philosophy, leads a June Term senior seminar. The small, discussion-oriented classes prompt students to talk about what they think.
Two decades of introspection

For 20 years, the distinctive senior seminar program at Hope College has provided a capstone to each student's four-year, undergraduate experience.

The senior seminars, first offered during the 1969-70 academic year, help tie together the students' education while providing a personal philosophical framework from which to evaluate ethical issues such as the Iran-Contra scandal, insider trading, abortion, euthanasia and the teaching of morality in the public schools.

"I think we're doing something very special. And as far as I know, there's nothing like it else in the Great Lakes Colleges Association," said Dr. John Cox, director of the college's Interdisciplinary Studies Program (IPS), which is responsible for administering the seminars.

The senior seminar courses emphasize helping students articulate a coherent, disciplined and personal life view in light of both the Christian faith and secular contemporary values. Although each course has a content focus, the program is interdisciplinary in nature — students from a variety of academic majors typically enroll in each course, and personal reflection is emphasized.

The senior seminar faculty, drawn from throughout the college, generally teach courses related to their individual academic disciplines. The discussion-oriented classes are flavored, however, with a broader focus and each instructor's personal interest in related ethical questions.

Futhermore, with an emphasis on relevance, the program draws freely from contemporary issues. For example, Dr. Carol Lynn Juth-Gavasso, a librarian and assistant professor, teaches a course called "Issues in White Collar Crime." The controversies surrounding Ivan Boesky and Colonel Oliver North made ideal

"... the things we talked about are still a big part of my life today."

— Cathy Johanson '83 Mulder

Dr. Hokeansa rated the senior seminar program highly for its impact on both himself and his students. "I find it a tremendous challenge for myself. I've learned a lot and I'm interested in how students think," he said. "I've had many students tell me it's the most interesting and valuable course they had at Hope College — and I think that's true not only of my seminar but others as well."

Student response to the seminar experiences is consistently positive. "The senior seminars provide the chance to discover your own world view," said 1989 graduate Jonathan Hofman of Holland, Mich., who enrolled in "Ethics in Modern Society," a course taught by Dr. Wayne Boulton, professor of religion.

"The course forced us to deal with contemporary ethical problems, and gave us the background from which to handle new dilemmas as they arise," Hofman said. "They are required, but even if they weren't they would definitely be a course that everyone should take."

"It was one of the best classes I've taken at Hope," said 1989 graduate Tauna Jecmen of Jenison, Mich. "Senior seminars, I always thought, were supposed to help you define your background and help you develop — and Dr. Boulton's class certainly did that," Jecmen said.

Jecmen believes that the lessons learned in her senior seminar will remain with her. "We learned a process — the process of being able to look at your beliefs and understand why you believe something," Jecmen said.

For 1974 graduate David Claus, the senior seminar program had a lasting impact. "About four months ago my wife and I were thinking about a decision that would have some significance on where we were going in terms of direction," explained Claus, who is vice president of administration at Mercy-Memorial Medi-

own thinking and plans for future seminars. For instance, one scientist and self-described rationalist in the group, after having been discussing ways of knowing that are beyond rationalism, admitted his disillusionment and enlightenment upon finding that there are things in his imagination that he is not able to put into words. The new ideas had become part of his — and the group's consciousness. Their minds had been stretched; they had exchanged ideas with each other and their thinking had been challenged and broadened by the consultants. That must be the meaning of the workshop.

God: It's still more complicated than that. You, of course, couldn't know what was happening in each individual present. But did you notice changes in the way they talked to each other as time went on?

Scribe: I did, especially during the discussion of the position papers some of them wrote. Those papers were presented late in the workshop, and they revealed a great deal of the personal values, feelings, beliefs, struggles and faith of their authors. They were met with support, sympathy and great humanity. The company of scholars had deepened into something more like a company of friends. In this new company of friends, it could be even be admitted that not everyone felt sure of his or her qualifications to teach senior seminars.

God: You see, you weren't the only one in the room with insecurities.

Scribe: Apparently not. I treasure some of the comments I heard in those last days.

"Somehow I just can't make my class fit into the mold."

"None of us have a whole life view — only parts of one.

"How do we go beyond the intellectual component of education?"

"We struggle with our spiritual journeys. Not just when we're 18 or 21, but when we're 60."

"I don't fit because I work aesthetically, not propositionally."

"Why have we to know propositionally?"

God: Why are those comments important to you?

Scribe: Because they show not only insecurity but openness to each other and to the new kinds of knowing that had been discussed. Because they expressed a new community of support where before there had been mostly strangers. Because hearts as well as minds had been engaged in learning.

And one more thing.

God: What's that?

Scribe: Each professor who was present has the mandate of the college to help students integrate whatever faith they hold into a "life-view" or philosophy for living. Each member of the senior seminar faculty also faces their own faith and the obligation to express it honestly to students. I believe the workshop strengthened all who came in that respect and affirmed them in their diversity of interests, goals and styles of teaching.

In fact, between the hard thinking, the working together, the encountering of new ideas, the evaluating of one's own philosophy and values, and the community of support, it began to seem rather like... well.

God: Like a senior seminar?

Scribe: I imagine so. Yes.

God: But it's more complicated than that.

Scribe: Somehow I knew it would be.
Four named to Board of Trustees

There have been four new appointments and three reappointments to the Hope College Board of Trustees.

Newly chosen to serve on the board were: Ervin Bolks '64 of Barrington, Ill.; Dr. Donald Luidens '59, associate professor of sociology and chairperson of the sociology department at Hope; Diana Feldman '64 of Holland, Mich.; and Dr. Dennis Voskuil, professor of religion and chairperson of the religion department at Hope.

Reappointed to four-year terms on the board were: Leonard Maas of Grandville, Mich.; Betty Miller '53 of Holland, Mich.; and the Reverend John Eby '66 of Farmington, Plans. Bolks, appointed to a four-year term, is executive vice president and chief financial officer and treasurer of WCI Financial Corporation of Mt. Prospect, Ill. He is also the firm's president and treasurer of the company from Wicks Companies Inc. The company is a major player in the private label credit card arena, and Bolks has been with WCI since November.

Prior to joining WCI Financial Corporation, Bolks had been vice president and treasurer for Wicks Companies Inc. in Santa Monica, Calif., having joined the firm in August 1983. He had previously held several positions with Republic Corporation of Los Angeles, Calif.

Dr. Luidens, elected to a one-year term, has been a member of the Hope faculty since 1977. An expert on the sociology of religion, Dr. Luidens is currently involved in an on-going study of the religious beliefs and behaviors of post-World War II Presbyterians.

He has had several articles published in the Church Herald, including a series on the Reformed Church in America. As a guest lecturer, he has discussed "Power in the Church," "Reformed Church Ministers' Career Patterns," "The Palestinians and Israelis," "Crime in America," and other topics. Dr. Luidens earned graduate degrees from Princeton Theological Seminary and Rutgers University. He and his wife, Peggy McNamara '69 Luidens, have two children.

Marsilje, appointed to a four-year term, is vice president and an active participant in the Hope College and its representatives for the Women's League for Hope College and a participant in Hope in the Future, serving on the "Year-Round Use of Campus Facilities" task force.

Marsilje also does volunteer work for her church and the Holland Public Schools. She and her husband, Edward Marsilje '64, have three children.

Dr. Voskuil, elected to a two-year term, has been a member of the Hope faculty since 1977. He has taught courses in American religion, church history, Bible and contemporary culture while serving on various campus committees.

Dr. Voskuil is the author of numerous journal articles, and also wrote the book "Mountains Into Gold Mines: Robert Schuler and the Gospel of Success." An ordained minister of the Reformed Church in America, Dr. Voskuil has served churches in Watertown, Mass. and Kalamazoo, Mich. He had previously served as a faculty representative on the Board from 1982-84.

Dr. Voskuil earned his undergraduate degree at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, earned a B.D. at the Western Theological Seminary and earned his doctorate at Harvard University. He and his wife, Betty, have three children.

Elliot Tanis, professor of mathematics at Hope, has been elected governor of the Michigan Section of the Mathematical Association of America (MAA).

Dr. Tanis' three-year term began on July 1, at which time he became the holder of 26 sectional governors. The election by approximately 1,000 mathematicians in Michigan who are members of MAA was conducted by mail earlier this year.

He is the first Michigan section governor from a liberal arts college. Some of the past governors were professors at the Universities of Michigan, Eastern Michigan University, Western Michigan University and Oakland University.

As governor he will act as the liaison between the Michigan section and the national organization that is comprised of more than 26,000 members. The board of governors supervises all scholarly and scientific activities of the MAA.

The purpose of the MAA is to assist in promoting the interests of the mathematical sciences in America, especially in the collegiate field. The MAA holds meetings, publishes mathematical papers, journals, books, monographs and reports; and conducts investigations for the purpose of improving the teaching of mathematics.
Over the past few months I have met many of our alumni, and am looking forward to meeting you at one of the numerous events the Alumni Office has been busy planning for the upcoming year.

Kicking off the new school year will be an event in Rochester, N.Y. on Sept. 14, followed by a picnic in Washington, D.C., on Sept. 16, and a brunch in Baltimore, Md. the next day.

Throughout the remainder of the year alumni gatherings will be held from coast to coast. If you would like more information about activities in your area please contact the Alumni Office.

And remember Homecoming Weekend is Oct. 6-8. This year's theme is "Anchored In Tradition" and a fun-filled weekend is guaranteed. The classes of 1979 and 1984 will be holding reunions and ask that class members have plans for other memorabilia that they would like to share forward them to the Alumni Office. Please include your name and address on the items you would like returned. Unmarked items will be donated to the Joint Archives of Holland in the Van Wylen Library.

On Saturday join us for the Homecoming parade, followed by football against Adrian College. Enjoy the exciting pre-game and half-time shows and cheer the Dutchmen on to victory. Later that evening a dance for alumni and students is planned.

Last month, more than 150 people joined us for the annual Hope College Golf Outing at the Holland Country Club. Many thanks are due George Arway '69 and Dave Zessin '78, co-chaired the event. In addition to enjoying a great round of golf, alumni and friends of the college participated in several activities, including a hole-in-one competition for a new car. A steak dinner followed the afternoon round and featured prizes and a presentation on Hope athletics by Ray Smith.

This year's calendar promises several alumni events both on and off-campus. If you have questions or comments, please contact me at (616) 394-7860.

Loyal Hopeite retires

His service to Hope College began formally in 1973, but reaches back much farther — and, although he is retiring this month, it is likely to continue.

Vern Schipper '51 joined the Hope staff as director of the "Build Hope Fund" in August, 1973. He was subsequently appointed associate director of college relations for alumni affairs, and served as assistant director until 1986, when he moved to the college's advancement staff as a regional representative.

"Vern has been well known, liked and respected by a breadth of Hope College alumni and friends," said Robert N. De Young, vice president for college advancement. "His loyalty and enthusiasm for the college are legendary."

"He would see that things that had to be done and do them even though they were outside his particular job description. He was really a creative person, too — a number of activities related to alumni and community relations were created and initiated by Vern Schipper," De Young said.

Phyllis Brink '58 Bursa of Sudbury, Mass., was president of the college's alumni association from 1984-86, while Vern was assistant director. "Because I lived at a great distance it really followed through with things on campus when I needed help," Brink said. "And also he knew everyone — he knew all the alumni, and many people in Holland as well."

His contacts and experience have also been helpful to current alumni director Janet Mielke '84 Pinkham. "One of things that always amazes me is that Vern seems to know everyone. If you have a question he knows who to refer you to," Pinkham said.

Vern and his wife, Ilsa Steuer '50 Schipper, have three sons, all of whom attended Hope: James '81, Brian '83 and Steven.

Tell us all

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

We cannot print any information about your spouse if he or she is not a Hope graduate. We only have room to print information regarding alumni.

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Hope alumni earn second consecutive AIMS award

For the second consecutive year Hope College has been declared the winner for the best total development program among American undergraduate colleges and universities with more than 10,000 alumni.

The awards program, sponsored by the Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) and the USX Foundation, Inc., recognizes outstanding planning and management in the areas of fund-raising and public relations.

Hope was one of only four institutions to receive the program's top Award in Mobilizing Support (AIMS) award, which recognizes development programs in the areas of fund-raising and public relations.

On April 15, the college received the AIMS award, which recognizes outstanding fund-raising programs and innovative programs.

The award was presented to Hope College in recognition as a doctorate-granting institution. Another 12 institutions were cited for accomplishments in specific or specialized programs. Hope was the only Michigan college or university to be honored.

CASE is the nation's largest education association in terms of institutional membership and has more than 2,000 colleges, universities and independent schools as members.

“This year’s entries represent the strongest we’ve seen so far,” said Cheryl Martin, director of the AIMS award.

“We hope that other institutions will follow the example of these 16 outstanding and innovative programs.”

The award presented to Hope College was for the fund-raising year that concluded June 30, 1988. A five-member panel reviewed each of the entries for evidence of effective planning and administration of a successful fund-raising campaign.

Each applicant submitted development plans for the year ending in June, and the panel reviewed reports of their results.

Hope College has a strong base of alumni support. This year an estimated 45 percent of the college’s alumni will contribute to the Annual Alumni Fund compared to a national average of 32 percent by all other private four-year colleges. Each year, several hundred alumni also regularly serve as volunteers for Hope.

This was the sixth time in 12 years that Hope has received an award from CASE. In addition to the two development awards, the college received four awards (1977, 1979, 1983 and 1984) recognizing outstanding alumni support.

The Hope College advancement program is headed by Robert N. DeYoung ’56, vice president for college advancement. The fund-raising division is directed by John F. Nordstrom, director of development, and the public relations area is headed by Thomas L. Renner ’67, director of public relations.

“I think we’re on the cutting edge of the Hope College concept of public relations and development. We are committed to involving our constituency in a meaningful way in the life of the college, and we’re at the forefront of good planning and accountability for execution and developing relationships with our constituency.”

“I’m especially grateful to my staff, particularly John Nordstrom and Tom Renner for the leadership they’ve given to their respective areas,” DeYoung said.

The award was presented at the CASE annual assembly in Washington, D.C. on July 11. A group of Hope alumni joined the delegation at the awards ceremony.

Alumni Board member Thelma L. Leehntous ’66 accepted the award on behalf of the college.

Alumni gift

Marian Anderson ’31 Stryker, pictured at right with David Jensen, director of libraries at Hope College, donated bound copies of the Alumni Magazine to the Van Wylen Library. Stryker served as Hope’s alumni director from 1957-74.

The five bound volumes she donated to the library include the Alumni Magazine published from 1947 through 1974, volumes one through 27. The bound editions have been deposited in the Joint Archives of Holland, located on the ground level of the Van Wylen Library.

such gifts are always appreciated. The Alumni Association office, for example, would welcome gifts of past Milestones to round out its collection, which still suffers from holes created by the Van Wylen Hall fire in 1980.

Persons interested in contributing such items may call the Alumni Office at (616) 394-7890. Persons with materials they feel may be suitable for the Joint Archives of Holland should call the Archives at (616) 394-7798.
For the second consecutive year, Hope College has been recognized for outstanding support given by the college’s alumni and friends.

Thank you for your part in making possible the honor from the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education and the USX Foundation, Inc.

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NEWS FROM HOPE COLLEGE, AUGUST 1989

TWENTY ONE
Class of 1989 graduation honors

Brenda K. Adams '85, an education certification from the school of the Art Institute of Chicago.

Cheryl Barban '84, biology, biotechnology, neuroscience at the University of Chicago.

Bradford Singel '79, master's degree in engineering administration, at George Washington University.

Luis Aguirre '86, master's degree, journalism, Michigan State University, May 1989.

Mary Fleck '88, B.F.A., interior design, School of Art, Kent State University.

J. Reuben '82, A.A., elementary education, Western Michigan University, May 1989.

Paul L. Lencs '85, doctorate in medicine, University of Michigan.


Arts: Kolon '82, University of Western Michigan University as a landscape architect, Masters.


Deaths

Word has been received of the death of Thomas De Vries '23, who died on Thursday May 11, 1989.

Gerald Faiers '53 died on Saturday, April 15, 1989.

He was born in Holland, Mich., on June 1, 1911, attended Hope College and graduated from Michigan State University with a degree in architecture.

He was employed as a planner for the National Park Service, and the U.S. Forest Service. In 1956 he purchased the Old Abe Culdees restaurant.

He later accepted a position as consultant planner and director of the Windmill Island Development, and in 1981 he became the executive director of the Michigan Regional Planning and Development Commission in Rogers City, Mich.

He died in 1989, aged 70, after suffering a heart attack in Clearwater, Fla.

Hastin, his wife, Helen Jean, who died in 1980, was married 49 years.

Class of 1989 graduates

Laurie L. McGeehan, Holland, Mich., Bachelor of Science, painting.

Thomas D. Paasche, Grand Rapids, Mich., Master of Arts, science education.

Todd M. Ponstein, Wyoming, Mich., Bachelor of Science, premedicine.

Lisa C. Reinders, Grand Haven, Mich., Bachelor of Arts, philosophy.

Kathleen L. Merriam, Grand Rapids, Mich., Bachelor of Science, premedicine.

Joan E. Fisk, Downers Grove, Ill., Bachelor of Science, psychology.

Jim P. Gettig, Rogers City, Mich., Bachelor of Science, premedicine.

Jane R. Glemy, Rochester, N.Y., Bachelor of Science, premedicine.

Barbara L. Gras, Zeeland, Mich., Bachelor of Science, premedicine.

Jack L. Hua, Plymouth, Mich., Bachelor of Science, premedicine.

Mark A. Hahn, Westfield Center, Ohio, Bachelor of Science, premedicine.

Orenda B. Hoff, Grand Rapids, Mich., Bachelor of Science, premedicine.

Amy L. Holm, Waverly, Mich., Bachelor of Science, premedicine.

Mary H. Hiscott, Zeeland, Mich., Bachelor of Science, premedicine.

David E. Ikeda, Saginaw, Mich., Bachelor of Science, premedicine.

Tami J. Kaczka, Lake Forest, Ill., Bachelor of Science, premedicine.

Michael R. Kannisto, Benton Harbor, Mich., Bachelor of Science, premedicine.

Mary Katherine Kucus, Grand Rapids, Mich., Bachelor of Science, premedicine.

David T. Kraska, Midland, Mich., Bachelor of Science, premedicine.

Tom A. Kuiper, Grandville, Mich., Bachelor of Science, premedicine.

William J. Kunisch, Ishpeming, Mich., Bachelor of Science, premedicine.

Christopher B. Lee, Niles, Mich., Bachelor of Science, premedicine.

Jennifer M. Maas, Saline, Mich., Bachelor of Science, premedicine.

J. McCandless, Port Huron, Mich., Bachelor of Science, premedicine.

Jennifer McGregor, Highland Park, Mich., Bachelor of Science, premedicine.

Susan K. Mills, Schoolcraft, Mich., Bachelor of Science, premedicine.

Theodore A. Niemeyer, Grand Rapids, Mich., Bachelor of Science, premedicine.

Leisa A. Noll, Holland, Mich., Bachelor of Science, premedicine.

Joy E. Portinga, Marshall, Mich., Bachelor of Science, premedicine.

Richard A. Ramaker, Brown Deer, Wis., Bachelor of Science, premedicine.

Kelly K. Rany, Holland, Mich., Bachelor of Science, premedicine.

Frances C. Schrock, Garson, N.Y., Bachelor of Science, premedicine.

James D. Slagh, Holland, Mich., Bachelor of Science, premedicine.

Charyn K. Sikkema, Muskegon, Mich., Bachelor of Science, premedicine.

John W. Sudekum, Chicago, Ill., Bachelor of Science, premedicine.

J. Knighten Smit, Grand Rapids, Mich., Bachelor of Science, premedicine.

Julie A. Smith, Elkhart, Ind., Bachelor of Science, premedicine.

Kimberly F. Steigenga, Spring Lake, Mich., Bachelor of Science, premedicine.

Brenda J. Swanson, Middletown, Mich., Bachelor of Science, premedicine.

Elizabeth Van Ark, Holland, Mich., Bachelor of Science, premedicine.

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George J. Seagal and Noel Nolte '83, Rutland, Vt., Bachelor of Science, premedicine.

David J. and Susan Rawlings, Grand Rapids, Mich., Bachelor of Science, premedicine.

John S. and Sally Rushim '71, Burlington, Iowa, Bachelor of Science, premedicine.

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- Class of 1979 10-Year Class Reunion Party
- Class of 1984 5-Year Class Reunion Party

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- 10:11 a.m. Reunion Registration, classes of 1979 and 1984
- 11:00 a.m. Reunion Brunches
- 11:00 a.m. H-Club Reception and Luncheon
- 1:00 p.m. Pre-Game Show featuring the St. Joseph High School Marching Band and parachutists
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- 2:15 p.m. Football versus Adrian

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