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Liberty Town Learning

In a city steeped in history, the Philadelphia Center program has been busy building some history of its own. For 25 years, the Philadelphia Center has been giving students from Hope and elsewhere a chance at urban experiential learning in the city of Ben Franklin.

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Also Inside

The Chapel Choir will tour Hungary, Slovakia and the Czech Republic in May. Please see page three.

Swimming standouts highlighted the winter sports season. Please see pages 10-11.
Japanese Exchange: A group of four students and a professor from Japan visited Hope in March, part of developing bond between the college and Technos International Academy in Tokyo. Technos International Academy is the union of the Tokyo Air Travel College and the Tokyo Kogakuin College of Technology, two vocational schools which merged in 1991. The academy is administered by the Tanaka Educational Foundation.

Students and a professor from Hope traveled to Japan to visit the academy last year, and another group will go this summer. Dr. Neal Sobania '68, director of international education at Hope, believes the academy's technical emphasis provides Hope students with a unique international study opportunity.

Hope's involvement with Technos International Academy is exciting because it presents a new opportunity for students of academic disciplines that have not traditionally participated in exchanges.

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Quote, Quotable is an eclectic sampling of things said at and about Hope College.

Dr. Richard Brockmeier '59, professor of physics and computer science, died on Tuesday, Feb. 9. Dr. Jan E. Lecointe '60, now a neuropathologist and associate medical director with the Chicago Institute of Neurosurgery and Neurorehabilitation Medical Group S.C., had this to say concerning Dr. Brockmeier's work as a Hope student radio pioneer.

As an entering freshman in 1956, I was a year behind Dick when we inaugurated brand-new Kollen Hall. Through the cement dust, pallet debris and workmen in the lobby we somehow made our way to the upper floors where the rooms were mostly completed.

Dick's room was more or less near the center of the second floor facing the back court. What drew me to him was the fact that Dick was a fellow ham radio enthusiast who always seemed to have his tape recorder going—why I soon found out. He had created, out of a tangle of wires, a small "carrier current" radio transmitter that broadcast into Kollen's wiring and could be received by anyone in the dorm with a simple AM radio.

Another new student from Buffalo, N.Y., Jack Hellriegel, lived almost next door to Dick. He had a large collection of jazz recorded on tape which added to Dick's library of "programs."

All too many hours were devoted to the adventure of carrier current radio, sometimes to the detriment of our studies. Sometimes the program content was what could best be described as proto-Saturday Night Live satire, sufficiently late at night that, hypothetically, no one was listening.

In my case, more and more students tuned in, offered suggestions, provided tapes, and begged to take up the microphone. It became evident that we had stumbled upon something.

By the end of 1956-57, several of us planned to make WTAS (the Anchor Station) something more than a tangle of wires in Dick Brockmeier's dorm room. Dick made a proposal to President Irvin Lubbers, and as many others as we could get to listen to us, it happened.

Eventually, and to our surprise, a generous amount of money was set aside with which to construct two reliable transmitters and to formalize our fledgling radio station. A promise of space for a studio in Kollen's basement was negotiated.

During the summer of 1957 I located a schematic for a carrier current transmitter in a popular radio magazine and suggested that this might be appropriate for WTAS. Dick and I collected parts for the transmitter and constructed them in the physics department under the supervision of the skeptical eye of Professor Harry Frisell.

As WTAS became more popular, we decided to use a "modern" studio which we obtained from the local carrier current system. Dick Brockmeier plugged in his home-brew transmitter, and WTAS, which ultimately became WTSH-FM, would not have happened were it not for the seeds Dick planted and for his continued interest.

I have no doubt that Dick—as a physicist—would concede that some of these radio waves have not only traversed the cosmos, but have been used for communication that transcends the bounds of physical space.

We at Hope College are proud of Dick Brockmeier's contributions to the field of radio broadcasting and the history of our campus.
Campus Notes
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with Japan," he said. "This year, for example, we're sending students from communication engineering/physcal and computer science, in addition to Japanese."

Dr. Subania also noted that because the Hope students visiting Technos have just completed their first year, they will have more post-visit time to build awareness of Japan into their coursework.

Hope has been involved in exchanges with Japan since the 19th century, and today, in addition to Technos International Academy, has ties with Ferris University, Meiji Gakuin University, Okayama Christian Junior College and Waseda University.

POSITIVE DEBITS: Students, faculty and staff at Hope all have the opportunity to use a new debit card system that eliminates the need to carry cash when purchasing food at the Kett Snack Bar or Phelps Hall cafeteria.

The "Debit Debit!" card is a declining balance account system that allows participants to deposit cash in advance and then draw upon it when making purchases. The total is deducted through a bar code affixed to the college's student and faculty/staff identification cards.

Users are given a 10 percent bonus on the money they deposit. In other words, someone who deposits $25 plus $1 in sales tax would have $27.50 to spend.

TRUSTEE HONOR: During its January meeting, the Board of Trustees voted to "acknowledge and commend" Dr. Kenneth Elzinga, formerly a member of the Board of Trustees, for receiving the University of Virginia's Thomas Jefferson Award on Oct. 30, 1992.

Dr. Elzinga is a professor of economics at U.Va., and was cited by the university's president as "a model citizen of the Grounds: engaged, compassionate and principal."

He was a member of Hope's Board of Trustees from 1983 to 1991, serving two four-year terms.

CONGRESSIONAL RECORD: Guy A. Vander Jagt '53 has placed his congressional papers, covering 26 years in the U.S. House of Representatives, in the Hope College collection of the Joint Archives of Holland.

The contribution includes more than 900 linear feet of unprocessed archival materials and is the largest single collection ever received at the Joint Archives. Vander Jagt recently completed 13 consecutive two-year terms serving Michigan's Ninth Congressional District.

The Ninth Congressional District seat is now held by Peter Hoekstra '75.

MISSION TRIP: Gordon Borg of the college's maintenance staff travelled to the Philippines and India in January and February to visit projects funded through Worldwide Christian Schools (WCS).

The trip ran Jan. 22 through Feb. 13, and included sites that may be familiar at least in name, to members of the Hope family. Their travels in India included the Vellore Diocese, in which lies Voorhees College. While they didn't visit the college, they did stop at the Kadal Studal Medical Hospital in Kanchipuram.

CHEERING SECTION: Asuka Okabe of Japan, decided to make the most of her year studying abroad.

Enrolled at Hope during 1992-93 through an exchange program with Ferris University of Japan, Okabe not only studied a variety of classes but also joined the basketball cheering squad. She is believed to be the first international student at Hope to become a cheerleader.

Okabe's decision gave her an opportunity to experience first-hand the world of intercollegiate sports and home and away games, and, of course, the Hope-Calvin rivalry, giving her a perspective on American college life she might otherwise have missed.

Lab places Hope at forefront of molecular sciences

A new laboratory being added to the molecular sciences, which is the blending of biology and chemistry, will help place Hope at the forefront of the field, according to Dr. James Gentile, dean for the natural sciences.

The project has received support from the W.M. Keck Foundation of Los Angeles, Calif., and the National Science Foundation (NSF). The W.M. Keck Foundation has contributed $150,000, and the NSF has contributed $125,075.

"The line between what is biology and what is chemistry is getting more and more blurred all the time," Dr. Gentile said. "I think you're going to see as a result of the new laboratory is the departments feeding off of one another in a positive way. It's really going to synergize activity."

"And I think this is where we're going to take a leadership role," he said. "While we recognize the distinct uniqueness of both biology and chemistry, we're going to go out and show that a melding of two superior departments can take both of those departments to an even higher level of activity."

Molecular biologists and biochemists alike are interested in how activity takes place at a molecular level, and in their work they use an understanding of both biology and chemistry. Dr. Gentile noted that the new laboratory reflects increased emphasis internationally on research questions that can be addressed by both fields.

"Molecular biology and biochemistry are probably the most explosive of the sciences at this point in history in the sense of the amount of new data that's been generated and the amount of new knowledge that's emerging from that data," he said.

Hope's new laboratory will consolidate the college's work in molecular biology and biochemistry, bringing together programs that haven't been far enough independently and providing a central location for equipment both require. Laboratory courses in biology and chemistry, as well as student and faculty researches, will be able to use the facility.

Located in the former science library on the second floor of the Peale Science Center, the laboratory will be ready for use by the fall of 1993. Dr. Gentile is hoping the laboratory may even be complete in time to support faculty/student research during the summer of 1993.

Four of the college's faculty are centrally involved in research benefiting from the laboratory's construction. They are: Dr. Gentile, who is not only dean but also the Kenneth G. Herrick Professor of Biology; Dr. Rodney Boyer, professor of chemistry; Dr. Anthony Nieuwkoop, assistant professor of biology; and Dr. Maria Bumatowska-Hledin, associate professor of biology and chemistry.

Dr. Bumatowska-Hledin was chosen to the faculty this fall, in anticipation of the opportunities the new laboratory will offer. In addition, the interdepartmental laboratory and chemistry faculty also conduct research that will be enhanced because of the laboratory's resources.

The W.M. Keck Foundation, one of the nation's largest in terms of annual grants, was established in 1954 by the late William M. Keck, founder of Superior Oil Company. He also created the W.M. Keck Trust for the benefit of the foundation.

The foundation's primary focus is on grants to U.S. universities and colleges with an emphasis in science, engineering and medical research. It also provides limited support, focused on programs serving Southern California, in the areas of community services, health care, precollege education and the arts.

The NSF supports initiatives in the sciences and mathematics at virtually all levels of education, from pre-school through graduate studies. The academic year is currently one of only three liberal arts institutions nationally to have received more than $400,000 annually from the NSF in the past three years. NSF funding at Hope has been directed primarily toward the purchase of equipment for classroom and research activities, and the support of faculty and undergraduate students in research. 

Choir will tour Eastern Europe

The Cold War thaw has the college's Chapel Choir ready for May.

The choir will tour Hungary, Slovakia and the Czech Republic May 10-24. Performances will have been scheduled in Debrecen, Sarospatak and Budapest in Hungary; Bratislava in Slovakia; and Prague in the Czech Republic.

Other stops are also planned, as is time for cultural exchange and sightseeing. Spring tours are an annual tradition for the choir, which periodically organizes a trip abroad. "The Chapel Choir visited Russia in 1989 and Europe in 1987. In this year's tour, which have been chosen while keeping in mind the trip's value to both the communities being visited and the students, according to Dr. J. Scott Ferguson, who is director of the Chapel Choir and an associate professor of music.

"When establishing potential destinations, I took into consideration the incredible changes taking place in Europe and posed the following questions: 'Are we going to positive and stable changes occurring?' 'What would be the most significant cultural experience for our students?'; 'Given the college's affiliation with the Reformed Church, where could we support faculty/student research as well as we effectively strengthen ties between Hope College and the international church community?,' he said. "In light of those questions, Hungary, Slovakia and the Czech Republic were selected.

The visit to Sarospatak, further, could prove particularly meaningful. Immediately after World War II, Hope established a 'sister' relationship with the Sarospatak Reformed Academy, a Reformed school established in Hungary in 1531. Through the connection, Hope students and congregations of local Hungarian and Reformed churches have sent extensive aid to the war-ravaged region, which had suffered under the conquering armies of both Nazi Germany and the Soviet Union.

The relationship ended in 1981, when Hungary's communist government confiscated the school. The academy was returned to church control in 1990, however, and is in the process of rebuilding.

As the trip's details are being arranged, Dr. Ferguson is hoping that some connection with the academy can be made.

The May tour's program will include sacred choral music from the Renaissance to the 20th century. Contemporary Czechoslovakian and Hungarian composers will be included, and Dr. Ferguson is hoping two of them will be able to attend a performance.

Members of the Hope and West Michigan communities will have an opportunity to hear the tour's selections during Alumni and Graduation Weekend on Saturday, May 8, at 2:30 p.m. in Dimnent Memorial Chapel.

To help defray the cost of the trip, a $5 admission fee will be charged. Other fund-raising efforts have included a February raffle for the Hope college's annual student and congregations, and the May tour's program will give the Chapel Choir an opportunity to tour just how well it has prepared for the demanding audiences, Dr. Ferguson expects to find while in Europe. "They have very sophisticated musical tastes so they'll be expecting the best," he said. 

NEWS FROM HOPE COLLEGE, APRIL 1993 THREE
Events

ACADEMIC CALENDAR
May 3–7, Monday–Friday—Semester examinations
May 7, Friday—Residence halls close at 5 p.m. for those not participating in graduation
May 8, Saturday—Alumni Day
May 9, Sunday—Baccalaureate and Commencement, Residence halls close for graduating seniors at 7 p.m.
May Term (1993) —May 10–28
June Term (1993) —June 1–18
Summer Session (1993) —June 21–July 30
Summer Seminars (1993) —Aug. 2–6
Fall Semester (1993) —Aug. 31, Tuesday—Classes begin

ADMISSIONS
Junior Days 1993
A day designed specifically for high school juniors and their parents to help them begin the college search. Please contact L. Ann Waide for details.
Friday, April 16
Friday, April 23
Pre-Medicine and Pre-Engineering Day—Friday, May 21
Special activities for high school juniors interested in becoming medical doctors or engineers. Please contact L. Ann Waide for more information.
For further information about any Admissions Office event, please call (616) 394-7850 or write: Office of Admissions, Hope College, Holland, Mich. 49420

KNICKERBOCKER THEATRE
Downtown Holland at 86 East Eighth Street
The Knickerbocker Theatre, open Monday through Saturday, features a variety of art, foreign, and classic films, and a number of live events.
Admission to the theatre's films costs $4 for adults and $3 for senior citizens and Hope College students. For more information on programs and films at the Knickerbocker, call (616) 392-3155.

DE PREE GALLERY
Senior Show—April 10–May 9
Japanese Ceramics: The Kawashima Collection—May 12–Sept. 24
Admission to the gallery is free. The gallery is open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday; 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Friday; 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, and 1-10 p.m. Sunday.

THEATRE
Hamlet: An Exploration, by William Shakespeare, April 15–24
Additional information may be obtained by calling the theatre ticket office at (616) 394-7890

THE ARTS
Collegium Musicum and College Chorus Concert—Thursday, April 15: Dimnent Memorial Chapel, 8 p.m.
Collegium Musicum Concert—Saturday, April 17: Methodist Church, Holland, Mich., 8 p.m.
Faculty Recital—Sunday, April 18: Wickers Auditorium of Nykerk Hall of Music, 4 p.m.
Guest Recital—Sunday, April 18: Ann Labounsky, organist; Dimnent Memorial Chapel, 8 p.m.
Junior Recital—Wednesday, April 21: Allison Goings, pianist; Dimnent Memorial Chapel, 8 p.m.
Student Recital—Thursday, April 22: Wickers Auditorium of Nykerk Hall of Music, 7 p.m.
Great Performance Series—Thursday, April 22: The Count Basie Orchestra directed by Frank Foster, Dimnent Memorial Chapel, 8 p.m. Tickets cost $10 for seniors, $12.50 for other adults and $6 for students, and information concerning sale dates may be obtained by calling (616) 394-6996.
Chapel Choir Concert—Sunday, April 25: Dimnent Memorial Chapel, 8 p.m.
Orchestra Concert—Thursday, April 29: featuring student winners of the Concert/Aria Competition; Dimnent Memorial Chapel, 8 p.m.
Senior Recital—Sunday, May 2: Greg Laman, trombonist; Dimnent Memorial Chapel, 8 p.m.
Bon Voyage Concert—Saturday, May 8: featuring the Chapel Choir before it departs for Europe; Dimnent Memorial Chapel, 2:30 p.m. Admission, payable at the door, will be $5.

SUMMER THEATRE
Season opens Friday, June 11
Curtain time 8 p.m., Monday through Saturday
Peter Pan (musical)
Young Luke (musical)
The Importance of Being Earnest (comedy)
Marvin’s Room (drama)
Courage (second stage production, Snow Auditorium)
Additional information may be obtained by calling (616) 394-7600 before May 18 (when tickets go on sale), or (616) 394-7890 after May 18

WOMEN’S LEAGUE FOR HOPE
“The Best of Village Square...and more!”
Wednesday, June 23—9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
The event will run on campus, and will include the popular “Artic Specials,” a juried craft show and food.
Donations for the “Artic Specials” may be left at Hope’s physical plant building. Additional information can be obtained by calling the “Best of Village Square” chairpersons: Vonnie Wiseman, (616) 772-6992, or Shirley Haan, (616) 669-1213 (days), (616) 669-0586 (evenings).

GRAND RAPIDS CHORUS
Thursday, April 22—Spring Fashion Show
Tuesday, May 18—Gathering of Bazaar Items
For additional information, please contact Nancy Matthews at (616) 554-7619 (days) or (616) 558-0513 (evenings).

KALAMAZOO CHORUS
Thursday, May 6—Annual Spring Breakfast
For additional information, please contact Jenni Liggett at (616) 388-1777.

ZEELAND CLASSIS
Wednesday, May 12—Tulip Time “Dutch Specialties Booth”
For additional information, please contact Jackie Reimink at (616) 875-8813

ALUMNI WEEKEND
Friday, May 7
Reunion classes (1938–1978) will hold evening activities
Saturday, May 8
8:30 a.m.–noon Reunion registration
9 a.m.–10:30 a.m. Estate planning seminar
Van Zoeren Hall B-24
11 a.m.–noon Reunion luncheon and class photos begin
(advanced registration needed)
2:30 p.m. Chapel Choir Box Voyage Concert
Dimnent Chapel
4 p.m. 50-Year Circle ceremony—Maas auditorium
5:30 p.m. Photo of all 50-Year Circle members (class of 1943 and earlier)—Phelps Hall Lawn
6 p.m. Alumni Banquet and Distinguished Alumni Awards—Phelps Hall dining room. (advanced registration needed) A reception honoring the award recipients will follow in the Maas auditorium
Sunday, May 9
9:30 a.m. Baccalaureate Service
(admission by ticket only)—Dimnent Chapel
11:30 a.m. Baccalaureate Service
(admission by ticket only)—Dimnent Chapel
11 a.m. Alumni Brunch
(advanced registration needed)—Kletsch, DeWitt Center
3 p.m. Commencement—Holland Municipal Stadium
(Holland Civic Center, with admission by ticket only, in case of rain)
For additional information, please call the Office of Public Relations at (616) 394-7880

TRADITIONAL EVENTS
Alumni Weekend—Friday, Sunday, May 7-9
Baccalaureate and Commencement—Saturday, May 9
Homecoming ’93—Friday–Sunday, Oct. 22–24

SUMMER SPORTS CAMPS
Boys Basketball Camp—July 5-16
Girls Basketball Day Camps—Sixth-Eighth Grades—June 16–18
Ninth-12th Grades—June 21-25
Girls High School Basketball Team Scrimmage—June 21–24
Football Passing Camp—Aug. 1–4
Swimming Program—June 14–24, June 28–July 8
T & F Distance Running Camp—Aug. 2–7
Boys Varsity Basketball Team Camp—July 12–15
Boys JV Basketball Team Camp—July 5–8
For additional information, please call (616) 394-7690
Ask for Joyce McPherson

INSTANT INFORMATION
Hope Sports Hotline—(616) 394-7888
Activities Information—(616) 394-7863
Hope in the Future: a parental perspective

I could have been easy for David and Carol Cole to forget about Hope College. Their son Scott had graduated in 1990, and their son Christopher would be finished in 1993. Their role as tuition-paying parents was drawing to a close.

It could have been easy to forget, but it wasn't, because David and Carol Cole also couldn't forget what Hope College has meant to both them and their sons. They couldn't shake the belief that Hope could be important for others, too.

So when the Coles, who are from Ann Arbor, Mich., were asked by Hope President Dr. John H. Jacobson to become co-chairs of "National Parents and Friends" for the Hope in the Future capital campaign, they willingly agreed. They want to help Hope build on the strengths they experienced—not for their own sons' sakes, but for the sake of other students, still to come.

"We feel very positive about Hope and what it does for young people, and we were certainly concerned by the fact that it did not have a reasonable endowment in contrast to many schools," said Dr. David Cole, who is director of the University of Michigan's Office for the Study of Automotive Transportation. "We're really convinced that the campaign is necessary to provide the kind of long-term quality education that I think Hope is interested in providing."

"I would never agree to anything that I didn't believe in wholeheartedly and could speak to enthusiastically," Carol Cole said. "And Hope is trying to improve the same thing—the capital campaign really symbolizes a striving to be better and better."

According to John Nordstrom, director of development and director of Hope in the Future, the Coles are not alone in how they feel.

"I spend a fair amount of time around the country with the college's other advancement officers, and we talk with a lot of parents," he said. "And over and over again I have been impressed with how parents feel about their child's, or in some cases their children's, experience at Hope College."

"It's not surprising, then, that many of these people, in addition to the tuition they pay, are willing to help support the college," said Nordstrom, whose four children attended Hope as well. "They do so not only financially, but through their willingness to volunteer—by calling the parents of prospective students, by providing leadership in the campaign, as have the Coles; by serving as campaign callers; or by helping identify other possible gift sources."

"You can't say enough about how parents are involved in the life of Hope College, or about how important they are to the college," he said.

As prospective parents, the Coles knew Hope by reputation. David Cole had encountered Hope students at the University of Michigan and knew former President Dr. Gordon Van Wylen from the days they were both on the university's faculty. They were also familiar with the West Michigan work ethic, which they valued. All combined to convince them that Hope presented the best opportunity for their sons: high in quality; small enough to provide personal contact with senior faculty; and with a Christian character that integrated faith with life and learning.

From the beginning, the college didn't disappoint them.

"I remember taking Scott to Hope," said Carol Cole. "That first child going to school is quite an emotional jolt. I think for both parents, but we really felt good about leaving Scott there."

"The people were very friendly; there was a lot of activity, of course; and there had been so many mailings ahead of time," she said. "Hope does such a good job of leading the way with all kinds of information."

"My overall feeling was that we were always very well informed of things happening on-campus and that things were explained carefully," she said.

The college, they believe, gave both their sons opportunities to explore their interests. Scott majored in biology, visited the Galapagos Islands and arranged to student teach in an inner-city Chicago school. Christopher studied history and became active in the college's FM radio station. Both played football, and both tutored with Hope College Upward Bound, a program for local elementary school children.

Both of the Coles' sons also chose to become teachers.

Carol Cole believes the involved professors at Hope played a role in their career choices. Concerning Scott, she noted, "He gained so much from the teachers at Hope and saw how they valued their students, and I think that was something that perpetuated itself."

"It is because of Hope's lasting effect on their sons' lives that David and Carol Cole are involved with Hope in the Future. Although the Coles were not connected to Hope before their two sons came to college, they will be after both have left."

"Our association with Hope has been a very positive experience," said Dr. David Cole. "We very much believe in the kind of education that Hope is providing, and has provided, our kids."

"We are very comfortable that they are prepared to participate in broader society," he said. "And in great part that is due to the education that they have found at Hope."
Two long-time faculty will retire this year

F. Phillip Van Eyl ’55
psychology

Fortunately were the events that brought a young, Dutch, would-be economist to Hope College as a student—and later professor—of psychology.

Dr. F. Phillip Van Eyl ’55 emigrated to the United States intending to study economics. Given his education in the Netherlands, he was accepted as a junior by the University of Chicago, but those plans fell through. He also rejected a chance to attend Michigan State University as a freshman.

He was becoming desperate. He had lost two years serving with the U.S. Army's 11th Airborne Division during the Korean Conflict, and another as he completed the two universities. With a new academic year approaching, he still had no plans.

Luckily, he was staying in Holland, Mich., with an uncle who had an idea. "He said, 'How about Hope College?'" Dr. Van Eyl said. "I said, 'Great! Where is it?'

He thus came to Hope in the fall of 1953 as a 25-year-old junior, a war veteran who was certain of his career goals and in a hurry to achieve them. Much to his dismay, the college compelled him to slow down—to enroll in "core" courses and study more than economics.

Although he pursued them only gradually, the classes changed his life. During his second semester he enrolled in "Industrial Psychology," and by the time the course ended he had a new major. His feelings concerning the "core" curriculum had also changed.

"It was because of the variety of courses that I had to take that I really discovered psychology," Dr. Van Eyl said. "So not only does a program like ours broaden one's mind or perspective of life, it also provides a wonderful opportunity to discover what you're really like and what you can do best."

Armed with his new direction, he enrolled in graduate school in experimental psychology at Claremont in California. Perhaps inevitably, he wasn't gone long.

Learning that his Hope professor had fallen ill, Dr. Van Eyl offered to help by teaching some courses temporarily. That wasn't necessary, but a position in psychology was available.

He took it. While away he developed a great appreciation for what the college offered—the education, the Christian character and the people—and he saw potential in psychology at Hope.

"Here was an opportunity to build a department worthy of a place like Hope College," he said. "I think most people like to have a chance to build something, and so to be a part of that was a real joy.

When Dr. Van Eyl joined the faculty in the fall of 1959, he and Dr. Robert De Haan were the department, and the two professors shared a single office in Van Raalte Hall’s upper reaches.

In 1961, the department moved from Van Raalte Hall into Shields Cottage. The extra space enabled Dr. Van Eyl to design Hope's first laboratory in experimental psychology, and also provided room for growth.

Today the department has even better quarters in the Peale Science Center, which also has laboratories of its own. The nine full-time professors are recognized for their teaching and scholarship.

Dr. Van Eyl provided leadership as psychology chairperson for many years. He also established Hope's chapter of Psi Chi, the national psychology honorary society.

In addition, he founded the men's soccer program, which he coached from 1963 to 1968. He recalls that the program largely started to provide international students with a familiar team sport. Raised abroad, he appreciated the opportunity's importance.

"I felt a great deal of empathy here," he said. "It was not just a love of soccer, but a desire to become integrated with the student body."

Dr. Van Eyl's appreciation of Hope students was one of the major reasons he chose to teach at Hope.

"Our students have always been, for lack of another word, very decent," Dr. Van Eyl said. "They're the kind of students that you would readily adopt as your own children.

Actually, four Hope students were Dr. Van Eyl's children. Daughter Evelyn graduated in 1980, daughter Christi in 1982, daughter Sonia in 1984 and son Paul in 1987. His wife, "Mickie" Vanlindmond '50 Van Eyl, is also a Hope graduate, as was his first wife, Miriam Pemmill '53 Van Eyl, who died in 1982.

When this year concludes, Dr. Van Eyl will leave Hope a third time. Who knows, however, what the future will bring? His own experiences have taught him to be open to the possibilities.

"It's good to have goals, to plan, but it's surprising how often circumstances change all of that—sometimes for the worse, of course, but quite often for the better," Dr. Van Eyl said.

"So my advice to young people is to be open to that—to have some ideas of what you want to do, but in the meantime to keep listening and be prepared to do something different if the opportunity is there," he said.

Eugene Jekel ’52
chemistry

When he decided not to pursue a career in high school teaching, Dr. Eugene Jekel ’52 of the chemistry faculty unwittingly set himself up to have more influence in the field than he ever could have imagined.

After his first year at Hope he planned to be a high school chemistry teacher, but as the years passed realized that wasn't quite the right direction. Instead, when he graduated he went on to graduate school at Purdue University, and returned to Hope as a faculty member in 1955.

Nine years later he was coordinating the college's new "Summer Workshop and Leadership Activities Project," which was funded by the National Science Foundation (NSF) and designed for teachers of Advanced Placement and second-year high school chemistry.

During the program's 24-year run, approximately 1,050 high school teachers from throughout the United States participated. They gained additional knowledge of chemistry and a battery of laboratory experiments to enhance their teaching for years to come. As the teachers' mentor, Dr. Jekel found a way to help make chemistry more meaningful for tens of thousands of high school students.

His role with the Summer Institute, however, was only one dimension of his work at the college.

Since 1977, he has also been the chief advisor for Hope students applying to medical and dental school. Throughout this time the acceptance rate has been 90 percent for medical school and 100 percent for dental school. The statistics say much about the quality of Hope's students and program, but they also pay tribute to Dr. Jekel's careful work in helping the students through the process, including holding pre-admissions interviews to help put them on the real thing.

Dr. Jekel has also reached all of the college's chemistry students since 1976, although they may not know it, as coordinator of the college's General Chemistry lecture and laboratory programs.

In addition to his teaching, he served as chemistry chairman for six years and as faculty sponsor of the Hope chapter of the Alpha Epsilon Delta (AED) pre-medical society. For four years he was AED's national treasurer.

He is a frequent presenter at annual educational conferences, for 14 years served as reader of the Advanced Placement Chemistry Examination and has conducted numerous College Board workshops throughout the Midwest for Advanced Placement Chemistry teachers. Since 1980 he has been a member of the committee that produces the American Chemical Society Advanced High School Chemistry Examination, and on 11 occasions has served as a panelist to review proposals for NSF teacher enhancement programs.

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Marc Baer, professor of history at Hope, and Elizabeth Morgan, a senior history major from Kalamazoo, Mich., made a joint presentation during the 97th annual meeting of the Michigan Academy of Sciences, Arts and Letters on Friday, March 5.

The paper, "Democratic Discourse: Language and Political Change in England c. 1780-1832," grew out of an investigation Dr. Baer and Morgan conducted last summer, which was supported by a student/faculty cooperative research grant from Hope. They explored current work in linguistic theory and then applied it to a study of how changing political language affected the development of democracy in 18th- and 19th-century England.

Rodney F. Boyer, professor of chemistry, has had the second edition of his textbook Modern Experimental Biochemistry published by the Benjamin/Cummings Publishing Company of Redwood City, Calif.

The book is for undergraduate biochemistry laboratory courses. The 1986 first edition has been used in about 200 colleges and universities.

Dr. Boyer will also appear on television in West Michigan on Monday, April 12. He will be on the program Profiles in Survival on WZZM, TV 13, of Grand Rapids, Mich., discussing his work in cancer-related research.

The survivors profi led will include Tim Vandeven '89 of Spring Lake, Mich.

Mihail Cralioveanu, associate professor of violin/viola, performed a concert in New York City on the George Enescu Music Society of the United States Inc. Concert Series, and gave several concerts as soloist with orchestra and in recital in Europe.

In March he was the violin soloist in the Sibelius Violin Concerto with the Hope College Orchestra at the Meijer Center for Performing Arts at Lake Michigan College in Benton Harbor, Mich.

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Dance prof appointed to national committee

Maxine DeBruyn, professor of dance and chairperson of the department, has been appointed to the national planning committee for the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) planning project in arts education.

The 32-member committee's task is to develop a national consensus on the content of arts education for grades K-12 and an assessment framework to guide the NAEP Arts Education Assessment, planned for 1996. The committee is concerned with art, dance, music and theatre.

Its members are content experts and assessment specialists who share a common concern for providing the best and most comprehensive arts education assessment in U.S. schools. Professor DeBruyn is one of seven representatives from the field of dance.

The Planning Committee will meet six times in the Washington, D.C. area during the course of the project, which is due to be completed in March of 1994. Similar committees are also working in the humanities, natural sciences and social sciences.

NAEP is the only nationally representative and continuing assessment of what America's students know and can do in various subject areas. It makes its information on student performance and related factors available to policy makers, parents, practitioners and the general public, contributing to the nation's evaluation of the condition and progress of student achievement.

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Concerning his time at the college, he noted, "I've really liked the teaching environment at Hope." "I've appreciated the quality of students that we've had, and I appreciated very much the teaching colleagues that I've had in chemistry as well as over the campus," he said.

"We've cooperated well with each other." Dr. Jekel has been appreciated, too, both on-campus and off-campus.

In 1985, he received national recognition for his work when the Chemical Manufacturers Association presented him with the "National Catalyst Award" for excellence in teaching college chemistry. He received a Distinguished Alumni Award from Hope in 1987, the same year he was named to an endowed chair: The Drs. Edward A. and Elizabeth Hofma Professorship of Chemistry.

Dr. Jekel hasn't been alone in his work. His wife, Dr. Elaine Jekel, is an adjunct professor of chemistry at Hope, and played a major role in coordinating the NSF Summer Institute in addition to teaching. They have two children, one of whom, Karen, is a 1989 Hope graduate.

Although he's retiring, Dr. Jekel won't be finished teaching. He will continue an on-going project, compiling the best laboratory experiments shared through the Summer Institute. They'll be available on computer disk so that teachers can tailor the experiments. His influence will continue.
The Baccalaureate and Commencement will be May 9

The 128th Commencement ceremony at Hope College will be held on Sunday, May 9, and approximately 500 graduating seniors will be participating. This year’s Commencement speaker will be Dr. Harvey Blankespoor of the college’s biology faculty, who will present "Fire, Furnaces, Families, and Famines." Beth Marcus ’42, president of the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America (RCA), will give the Baccalaureate sermon, titled “Changes and Choices.”

Commencement will be held on Sunday, May 9, at 3 p.m. in Holland Municipal Stadium. Baccalaureate will be held at 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. in Dimnent Memorial Chapel.

The two Baccalaureate services mark a departure from past practice. The second service has been added to better accommodate many family members wishing to attend the event. The college’s recent graduating classes have been large, with the result that the chapel has been unable to seat everyone.

Dr. Blankespoor is the Frederich Garrett and Helen Floor Decker Professor of Biology at Hope, as well as chairperson of the department of biology. He was named the 1991 national “Professor of the Year” by the Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) and the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching.

CASE began the annual Professor of the Year competition in 1961 to recognize undergraduate faculty members for extraordinary commitment to undergraduate teaching, for their contributions to the lives and careers of students, and their service to their institutions and the teaching profession. For Dr. Blankespoor, the national recognition led to two visits to the White House, an appearance on the "Hour of Power" television program, and a variety of engagements as a speaker.

He has spent more than a quarter of a century working in parasitology, from as far away as the Sudan and Ecuador, to as nearby as Michigan’s Lake Leelanau, following an emphasis that developed during his graduate work at Iowa State University.

Dr. Blankespoor has been a member of the Hope faculty since 1976. In 1980 the senior class elected him the recipient of the “Hope Outstanding Professor Educator” (H.O.P.E.) Award, presented annually to the professor the students feel exemplifies the best qualities of a Hope faculty member.

He earned his B.A. from Western College in Iowa in 1963, and both his M.S. and Ph.D. from Iowa State University. He was an assistant professor of zoology at the University of Michigan from 1972 to 1976, and currently serves as professor of zoology at the University of Michigan Biological Station.

Baccalaureate

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Rev. DeVries served as a pastor for more than 40 years, and throughout his career was dedicated to inter-faith and inter-racial understanding, and peace. Dr. Voskuyl is president emeritus of Westminster College, and served during a period of dramatic change for the Santa Barbara, Calif., college.

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In retirement he remained active in the denomination, and in June of 1991 was elected to a one-year term as vice president of the RCA’s General Synod. When she was elected to the presidency in June of 1992, she became the first woman elected to the position in the denomination’s 364-year history. She continues to be involved in the RCA as a member of the Commission on Women—and serves as an elder in her church, Third Reformed in Holland.

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During Dr. Voskuyl’s tenure, the student body grew to 750, and is presently 1,200, the faculty was built and seven major buildings were constructed. It was a challenging (to say the least) and thrilling experience, but, under God, to witness the progress made,” he said.

In a 1990 retrospective, the Westminster College La Paz said, “His 18-year tenure as president brought remarkable change and progress, but not at the cost of the College’s heritage...(The tradition of Westminster as an excellent Christian liberal arts college endured.)

After leaving Westminster, Dr. Voskuyl was executive director of the Council for the Advancement of Small Colleges. He also remained active in Westminster’s college development efforts.

Prior to serving at Westminster, he was a member of the faculty at Wheaton College in Illinois. He was a member of the chemistry faculty from 1938 to 1950, was dean of the college from 1947 to 1950, and was acting president from 1947 to 1948.

Dr. Voskuyl was a research chemist and group leader with the Manhattan Project from 1943 to 1945.

His wife is Margaret. He has three children: Ruth, June and Howard.
Alumni linked to career search
by Brian Paige '93

Keeping abreast of the career market is no easy task in light of the current economic climate. The Hope College Career Planning and Placement Office, however, has developed a new program which makes it easier for Hope students to find career opportunities while offering a chance for alumni to become involved with Hope College in a new way.

The new program, called the Employment Opportunity Program for Hope Seniors, attempts to connect current Hope students with potential job and career opportunities suggested by the Career Planning and Placement Office by alumni who are aware of openings in their organizations. Areas of particular interest include the private business sector, non-profit and human services organizations, media and education, as well as local and federal government opportunities.

"Any opportunities in these areas which alumni suggest will be more than welcomed by us, and the information can be passed directly on to students who can then forward resumes to the same," said Dale Austin, director of career planning and placement. "This is an additional way to expand our resources for our students."

Although the program has only recently been formalized, Austin and his staff have been utilizing what he calls "the alumni connection" for the past several years.

"On a very informal basis we have already enlisted the help of our alumni in the educational field," he said. "For example, for a number of years I have contacted between 450 and 500 alumni nationally and asked them if they are aware of any teaching positions. We average about 200 job openings per year from doing this."

Austin also notes that the program is really only an extension of the Career Planning and Placement Office's ongoing job placement program.

"The program is in the area of the medium range in which we are going, the alumni. It is not new in that this is what we do all the time," he said. "We are constantly approaching employers to recruit our students. We are involved in eight or nine major job fair programs that begin in October and run through May."

"We've also started some off-campus recruiting programs which other GLCA schools to place students in the Chicago and Twin-Cities areas," he said.

For companies that do not have the finances or resources to directly recruit from college campuses like Hope, Austin thinks that the alumni link might be a positive way to find highly qualified college graduates.

"We have a range of organizations who visit our campus each year, but there are also several smaller organizations which do not have established recruiting programs with a high-powered recruiting staff and a budget that allows them to visit colleges, and we would very much like to respond to the needs of these organizations," he said.

The new program also offers alumni a new way to become involved with Hope College.

"This is a way that alumni who again want to be involved in the life of the college can be given the chance to do so in a new way," he said. "And, given what I know about the support of Hope alumni, I am excited about responding to the opportunities that come in on behalf of our current students."

The program, although relatively young, already boasts several successes. Austin cites a recent example.

"Tom Bouwer '89, a student I worked with when he was a senior at Hope, went to work for a company that does active recruiting on campus, Anderson Consulting," he said. "After being with Andersen for a period of time doing technical consulting, he moved into a broader consulting job with Deloitte and Touche and was responsible for initiating Deloitte and Touche's active recruiting on campus."

"Last year they hired Brad Votava '92, who is now with the Detroit office of Deloitte and Touche. This past January, Brad and another representative came to interview on campus," Austin said. "Now several of our students are returning to Deloitte and Touche to interview."

Votava, who has now been with Deloitte and Touche for nine months, believes that his return to the Hope background, which he believes has given him an advantage over some of his colleagues.

"Hope College prepared me for the market not in terms of technical skills, as many other schools do, but rather in terms of teaching me effective communication, self-confidence, poise in difficult situations, and leadership," he said.

When reflecting back on the help from Austin and his staff, Votava remembers that they were both personable and professional.

"They were there to calm me down, provide focus and direction, and also brought opportunities right to the doorstep," he said. "I really owe my first job to the folks over there."

Austin notes that Deloitte and Touche is only one of a number of organizations who actively recruit on campus with alumni.

"The same story can be told for Andersen Consulting," he said. "They hire several Hope graduates every year and when they come to campus several of those alumni return. We have a reception as well as a presentation and this allows the alumni to mingle with current students and answer questions."

The Career Planning and Placement Office, besides providing a link between alumni and students, also offers a variety of other services to current students and recent graduates.

For the student in the process of seeking employment, there is help with resume writing, job hunting and interviewing skills. Also offered are career assessment tools including the Myers-Briggs Type Indicator test to match career possibilities with personality traits and an extensive career library which contains information on a variety of vocations in all academic areas.

"Making the transition from college to the world of employment is a big step," Austin said. "The Career Planning and Placement Office wants to help Hope students identify the careers their interests match and assist them in finding employment in those careers."

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(EDITOR'S NOTE: Additional information on the Employment Opportunity Program for Hope Seniors may be obtained by calling Dale Austin at (616) 394-7950. Please also see the advertisement on page 16.)

The Career Planning and Placement Office's strategies for helping new graduates find jobs include encouraging alumni to make the college aware of opportunities within their organizations. Here Brad Votava '92 of the Detroit, Mich., office of Deloitte and Touche meets with Mary Wahlenheff '93 of Fennville, Mich.
Swimming performances highlight winter sports season.

The 1993 swimming campaign was a banner year for the Flying Dutch as national caliber performances highlighted a successful winter sports season. For the first time, both the men's and women's swimming teams were undefeated in dual meets; each won their respective Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association (MIAA) championships, and at the NCAA Division III national championships they each accumulated the highest point total of any MIAA entry in history with the Flying Dutchmen swimmers finishing third in the nation and the Flying Dutch seventh. As a result, Hope remains in the thick of the MIAA all-sports race. Through the end of the winter sports season Hope and Calvin are in their customary battle for the award, which is presented to the MIAA college with the best cumulative standings in all league sports. Calvin is leading the all-sports race with 98 points, followed by Hope with 95, Calvin 92, Albion 73, Alma 67, Adrian 59 and Olivet 52. Hope is the defending all-sports champion and has won the award 10 of the last 13 years.

Flying Dutchmen Had 17 All-American Performances

Four silver medal finishes led the way to 17 All-America performances as the Flying Dutchmen amassed 335 points at the national championship meet.

The men's nationals culminated a productive two weeks for the Hope swimming program, which is coached by John Patmott. Since starting the swimming program at Hope in 1978, Patmott has coached his teams to 17 conference championships — 12 by the women and five by the men. The list of All-Americans under his tutelage has grown to 55, including five national champions. The complete performance of the men's team was evidenced by the fact that 24 of Hope's 25 national entries advanced to either the championship or consolation finals. The Flying Dutchmen excelled in the freestyle events, highlighted by four of the nation's top eight Division III swimmers in the 200-yard freestyle.

Senior Jon Hescott of Holland, Mich., became Hope's most decorated All-American male swimmer. This year he was an NCAA All-American in three freestyle events and another four relays to raise his career total to 18 All-America performances. At nationals he was fourth in the 100-yard freestyle and sixth in both the 50-yard and 200-yard freestyle events.

Senior Jeff Bannink of Holland, Mich., became a brilliant career with silver medal performances at nationals in the 200-yard individual medley and 200-yard freestyle. He was an NCAA All-American 14 times in his career.

Bannink and Hescott joined sophomore Kirk Assink of Holland, Mich., and Steve Hope of Planview, Mich., in a silver medal performance in the 800-yard freestyle relay. It was the third consecutive year that a Hope entry has finished first or second in that event.

The Flying Dutchmen also demonstrated that they're a team for the future. Freshman Keith Nykamp of Holland, Mich., culminated an outstanding first collegiate year by winning the silver medal in the 200-yard backstroke. It's the best finish by a Hope freshman at a national meet. Nykamp was also an All-American in the 100-yard backstroke with a sixth place finish.

Sophomoreutex earned five All-America finishes. Assink was fifth in the 200-yard freestyle and sixth in the 50-yard freestyle, Hope was seventh in the 200-yard freestyle and eighth in the 50-yard freestyle, and Jack Methric of Holland, Mich., was fourth in the 100-yard backstroke.

The Flying Dutchmen had an All-American sweep in relay events with medal performances in all five of its entries. Hescott and Bannink were members of four of the relay teams. They were joined by Assink, Hope and Methric as well as senior Brian Bolone of Wyoming, Mich., sophomore Dan Knapp of Ypsilanti, Mich., freshman Shawn Kinser of Shelton, Wash., and junior Brad Gerson of Midland, Mich.

Seven Hope swimmers were voted to the MIAA all-conference team. Bannink and Hescott were honored for a third consecutive year while Assink, Hope and Knapp were named for a second year and Kinser and Nykamp for the first time.

Dawn Hoving Repeats As National Butterfly Champion

The march by the Flying Dutch to national prominence was very much a family affair. Sisters Dawn and Kristen Hoving of Oak Brook, Ill., combined for five individual All-American performances as the Flying Dutch finished among the nation's top ten Division III teams for the third consecutive year.

The Flying Dutch totaled 217 points for a school and MIAA record at a women's national meet. There were nine All-American performances which is notable because five of Hope's eight entries were appearing in this national competition for the first time.

Junior Dawn Hoving won two national championships and was the silver medalist in another event, while her freshman sister Kristen was an All-American four times.

Dawn successfully defended her national championship in the 200-yard butterfly and also won the gold medal in the 100-yard butterfly. She had the nation's fastest times in those events throughout the season. She was also the silver medalist in the 200-yard individual medley. Dawn has now been an NCAA All-American 14 times during her career.

Kristen finished third in both the 1,650-yard freestyle and 500-yard freestyle. She was also an All-American in two relays.

The Flying Dutch also had four All-American relay performances. The 400-yard medley and 400-yard freestyle relay each finished sixth while the 200-yard freestyle and 800-yard freestyle relays were seventh.

The Hoving sisters were joined in the various relays by freshman Michelle Mojzak of Grand Rapids, Mich., and Junior Monica Bullard of Traverse City, Mich., freshman

Women's swimming became a family affair, with sisters Kristen (left) and Dawn Hoving earning five All-American awards. In addition, Dawn won two national championships.
Jamie Crooks excels on-court and off

by Eva Dean Folkert '83

Jamie Crooks ‘93, who likes to be busy, has propelled herself to a 4.0 grade point average and recognition as a first-team Academic All-American.

A-minus, and don’t feel that I could have done any better, then that’s what I deserved.

“Honestly, I don’t see my g.p.a. as being that big a deal. I don’t see myself as anything special. A lot of it is God-given talent, and a lot of it is hard work. I don’t slack off.”

Last October, Crooks received the letter she had always hoped to find in her mailbox. She was on her way toward becoming a physician. Crooks was accepted in the University of Michigan Medical School as an early-decision applicant. Of the 5,100 applications the U-M Medical School received this year, only 170 were accepted. Of those 170, only 30 percent were admitted through the early-decision program. That’s just another testimony to Crooks’s academic achievement. The fact that she played basketball all four years at Hope helped a bit, too.

With medical school ahead, though, Crooks is worried that without a form of release like basketball she’ll end up spending too much time in the library or at her desk. She could always take up a new, non-team sport like golf.

“Faced with the option of boredom or golf, I’d rather be bored.”

Okay, maybe she doesn’t follow her motto to perfection. So what? Big deal! Her transcript says she does.

Jamie Crooks's academic transcript says she does.
The Philadelphia Experience

by Lynne Powe '86

Embracing a voyage of discovery, Hope College students travel to Philadelphia each semester to pursue educational challenges, explore career options, encounter different cultures, experience personal growth and expand their horizons.

"They're participating in the Philadelphia Center, an off-campus, liberal arts program designed to promote intellectual and professional growth through academic and experiential learning in an urban environment. According to Tony Mudder, professor of business administration and one of Hope's faculty liaisons for the program, the lessons are learned in many ways. "The program provides that experience through internships and seminar classes, through the people and resources available in the community, and through the students' exposure to the community process and community problems," he said.

Students spend four days a week interning with professionals in a variety of occupations. They also enroll in two academic courses: a city seminar that examines urban life and an elective seminar.

The program is sponsored by the Great Lakes Colleges Association (GLCA). Hope College, which serves as the agent college for the Philadelphia Center, was instrumental in the creation of the program. Dr. Robert DeHaan, former Hope College professor of psychology and education, served as the first director for the program, developing the format upon which the program is still based.

During its 25-year history, the Philadelphia Center has enrolled more than four thousand students, more than 700 of whom came from Hope. From the first day, participants are encouraged to become self-sufficient and independent. After a week-long orientation, students are challenged to find roommates and housing. They must face practical issues such as dealing with landlords and leases, hooking up telephones and utilities, renting furniture and learning the city's transportation system.

While students are encouraged to function on their own, the Center staff is always there if needed. "The faculty and staff are there to back you up," said Karen Atkeson of Greenville, Mich. "They give you guidance and suggestions, but let you make your own decisions."

"The student is walking a tightrope," explained Stevens Brooks, executive director of The Philadelphia Center. "Right underneath the tightrope, but out of sight, is the net, which is the program. Our goal is to have students make it all the way across the tightrope, but if they fall, the net is right there and they can climb back up on the tightrope. The fall is never fatal."

After obtaining housing, students find their own internship. This process involves creating a resume, reviewing the Center's extensive placement files and interviewing.

"With more than 700 different placements, ranging from architecture to zoology, the opportunities for professional learning are virtually unlimited," said Dr. Jacob E. Nyenhuis, provost and professor of classics. "Students in business have the opportunity to learn first-hand what it would be like to be part of a large corporation," he said. "Students interested in law can be involved in a variety of legal settings. Students interested in medicine can work at a hospital and those interested in the arts can work in one of the many museums."

For many, the Philadelphia program is an opportunity to clarify vocational issues. It allows students to explore museum studies. "My supervisor made an effort to show me all the different departments in order to give me an idea of all the career possibilities within a museum," said Karen Atkeson of Greenville, Mich. "I have five supervisors and work in seven of eight units in the hospital. My experience helped me make a decision about what type of career I want to pursue."

The people I worked with were extremely professional. They were supportive and interested in my ideas," said Joel Lefever '86, who worked at the Philadelphia Museum of Art and is now pursuing a master's degree in history.

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Alumni Association honors four

Four Hope alumni will receive Distinguished Alumni Award recognition during Alumni Day on Saturday, May 8.

Being honored this year are Dr. Sylvia T. Ceyer '74 of Cambridge, Mass., Jeffrey D. Cordes '80 of Dallas, Texas, Beth Marcus '42 of Holland, Mich., and Dr. M. Eugene Osterhaven '37 of Holland, Mich.

The annual Distinguished Alumni Awards are presented by the Alumni Board of Directors in recognition of the awardees' contributions to society and service to Hope.

“Sylvia T. Ceyer, we honor you for your professional contributions to both education and scholarship in physical chemistry, and your continued support of the chemistry program at Hope College.”

Jeffrey Cordes is vice president of planning and administration for Pillowtex Corporation, a manufacturer of home textiles.

He joined the international company as director of corporate planning after earning a master's degree. He has been involved in all aspects of Pillowtex's management.

Cordes has been actively involved in the life of the college, both regionally and nationally.

Since 1986, he has held several positions with the Alumni Association Board of Directors, including the vice presidency and, from 1990 to 1992, the presidency. As president he was national chair for Hope's Annual Alumni Fund drive, and was instrumental in the drive’s success.

Cordes has organized various regional events for alumni in Texas, and has encouraged alumni to participate in Hope activities. He has also assisted with the recruitment of new students by participating in the Admissions alumni calling program.

He served on the steering committee for the Hope in the Future capital campaign, and is currently the campaign’s Dallas regional chairperson.

He and his wife, Valorie TenHaken '79, Cordes, are members of Christ Community Reformed Church in Dallas. In addition to being active in his church, he is also involved with community charity organizations.

He and Valorie have one son, Christopher Richard.

“Jeffrey D. Cordes, we recognize you for your service to Hope College, your dedication to enhancing Hope's alumni program, and your contributions to your profession.”

“Beth Marcus, we recognize you for your loyal service and leadership in the Reformed Church in America, and your commitment to Hope College.”

Beth Marcus is president of the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America (RCA).

She was a member of the RCA staff for 33 years, retiring in 1986. She was executive for the Board of North American Missions for 15 years, was director of promotion and communication for three years, and for 13 years served concurrently as director of voluntary services and as executive director of Reformed Church Women.

In retirement she remained active in the denomination, and in June of 1991 was elected to a one-year term as vice president of the RCA’s General Synod. When she was elected to the presidency in June of 1992, she became the first woman elected to the position in the denomination’s 364-year history. She continues to be involved in the RCA as a member of the Commission on Women—and serves as an elder in her church, Third Reformed in Holland.

Marcus is also active in the life of the college. She has served as class representative for the Class of 1942 for a number of years, and is co-chair of the Church Division for the Hope in the Future capital campaign. She has been an active member of the Hope Academy of Senior Professionals (HASP), and has volunteered for sociology classes as a resource person on retirement planning.

She received an honorary doctorate from Hope in 1960, and will deliver this year's Baccalaureate sermon.

“M. Eugene Osterhaven, we honor you for your life-long service to the Reformed Church in America, your international Christian ministry and your steadfast dedication to Hope College.”

From 1945 to 1952, Dr. M. Eugene Osterhaven was chaplain and professor of Bible at Hope. He subsequently taught at Western Theological Seminary, where he was the Albertus C. Van Raalte Professor of Systematic Theology until retiring in 1986.

He currently chairs the Committee for the Reestablishment of the Sarospatak Reformed Academy in Hungary, which was recently returned to the church after years of communist control. He has been instrumental in establishing a sister relationship between Hope and Sarospatak after World War II.

His international Christian ministry also includes teaching at Presbyterian Hall in Melbourne, Australia, and participating in the World Alliance of Reformed Churches in Geneva, Switzerland. For 20 years he was editor of The Reformed Review, and he is the author of five books and several hundred articles.

His major work has been translated into Hungarian and Japanese.

He has received honorary degrees from Hope, Northwestern College and the University of Debrecen in Hungary. In addition, Sarospatak has named him an honorary professor.

Dr. Osterhaven is an active Hope volunteer, including as a speaker and as a class representative. He and his wife, Margaret Nagy ’42 Osterhaven, recently established the Margaret Nagy ’42 Osterhaven Scholarship Fund to provide financial aid to deserving Hungarian students wishing to attend Hope.

He and Margaret have four children: David; Ellen ’67; Anker; Calvin ’68; and Janice ’75 Benedek.
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pring is finally in the air, and as the end of the semester approaches the pace on campus has picked up significantly. A feeling of anticipation and expectation creeps into the day as students prepare for final exams, year-end activities and summer break. Athletes concentrate on balancing a full schedule of classes and competition, and seniors begin preparing for graduation while completing job searches.

With Commencement drawing near, many members of the Class of 1993 have begun to reflect on their collegiate experience. As I listen to my former friends discussing their academic careers, I am grateful to learn about some of the important and reoccurring events that have significantly impacted their lives. Their stories have changed while at Hope and they are now ready to change the world.

But as I've met alumni from different generations, I've realized this particular theme is not unique. I've had the rare opportunity to experience Hope's legacy through the eyes of its alumni and it is gratifying to learn that, after 15, 30, 50, or even 65 years, memories of experiences at Hope College are still fresh, meaningful and fondly recalled. Traditions are still important and the bonds of friendship have remained strong.

As I've learned about favorite professors and their antics, compulsory chapel, the Christian values, the friendships, the traditions, and the memory of the college's impact on the alumni members who have decided to return to campus and reflect on their Hope College experiences, I will be a time to see how campus has changed.

Alumni Weekend

In May, 11 classes will be celebrating reunions. This will be an opportunity for you to return to campus and reflect on your Hope College experiences. It will be a time to see how campus has changed, reminisce with your fellow classmates, and renew friendships with former professors.

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There are many volunteers working hard to make sure that Alumni Weekend is a success. Working with these reunion committees has proven to be one of the most rewarding aspects of my job. I am continually encouraged and energized by the commitment and support Hope alumni, parents and friends exhibit for this institution. I have never had a job where volunteers ask me, "What can we do to help make your job easier?" and mean it. However, in the past few months, I've had that question asked time and time again.

Most of the events are familiar. A few are not. A few strike close to home.

One such headline concerned a member of the Hope family: the Rev. Clark V. Poling '33, who more than 50 years after his death is remembered for the selflessness with which he met his end.

Rev. Poling, a pastor with the Reformed Church in America, was one of four Army chaplains aboard the SS Dorchester, which was torpedoed in the North Atlantic by a German submarine in 1943. The chaplains gave their lives so that others among the more than 900 aboard the ship could live. Even as the Dorchester sank, they offered comfort to those around them.

"Four Army chaplains—two Protestants, a Jew and a Roman Catholic—after working to distribute life jackets, calm the frightened men and direct them to lifeboats and rafts, gave their own life belts to men without them," wrote Associated Press Religion Writer George W. Cornell, in an article released in conjunction with the sinking's 50th anniversary.

"Survivors related that as the ship went under on Feb. 3, 1943, the four chaplains clung together on the slanting deck, their arms linked, their heads bowed in prayer," Cornell continued.

The chaplains' sacrifice was heralded as an indication of how closely different faiths and denominations could work together. "Ministers of different backgrounds, drawn together in crisis, gave up their lives for others in love of God," said the Rev. David Poling of Albuquerque, N.M., Clark Poling's cousin and quoted in the article.

According to Cornell, the episode's 50th anniversary was being commemorated "in scores of communities across the country by churches and veterans' organizations." The chaplains are also being honored through the construction of a "Chapel of the Four Chaplains" in Valley Forge, Pa., and through a plaque installed at the Staten Island, N.Y., pier from which the Dorchester departed.

Rev. Poling's role was also not forgotten on campus. He was a member of the Knickerbocker Fraternity while a student, and a student and a student and a student, and...
News and information for class notes, marriages, advanced degrees and deaths are compiled for news from Hope College by Greg Oglesby. All submitted by the Public Relations Office by Friday, March 12, are being used in the issue. Because of the lead time required by this publication's production schedule, submissions received after that date (with the exception of obituary notices) have been held for the next issue, the deadline for which is Tuesday, May 4.

20s
Clarence Lubbers '24 of Brantford, Fla., and wife, Thomas celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary on June 2, 1992. Their Bayshore Windmill Village Recreation Committee presented them with a 20-hour banner sporting more than 150 congratulatory signatures. In addition, he celebrated his 91st birthday on Feb. 25, 1993.

30s
Leonard Hegenboom '30 of Westside, Fla., in February celebrated the 45th anniversary of his release (Feb. 23, 1945) from imprisonment by the Japanese in the Philippines, where he had been serving as a missionary when World War II began. Those attending the celebration included brother Joel Hegenboom '32 and his wife, Dorothy, and Carlyle Neckers '35 and Doris VanLone '36 Neckers. Everett Wensley '32 was recently honored by the Westermont Neighborhood Association for his many years of leadership in helping improve the area's quality of life.

40s
Harry Frissell '42 and Jeannette Van Beek '42 Frissel are the grandparents of a 3rd generation Hope student, Keely Van Til, a sophomore from Grand Rapids, Mich. Keely's parents are James Van Til '85 and Jeanne Frissel '65 Van Til.

50s
Harry Stad '53 of Holland, Mich., and his wife, Hilda spent six months in Oman, where he

60s
Walter Scholten Jr. '50 of Beloit, Wis., plans to retire in October "after a third of a century in the active practice of OB-GYN and about 6,000 babies born.

70s
Levi Akker '51 of Bradenton, Fla., in retirement continues with pastoral duties, which include visiting retired missionaries and former church families still living in Florida, North Carolina, South Carolina, Ohio, Kentucky, and Tennessee, and Georgia. He and his wife Myrna have resided there for nearly two years, traveling 10,000 miles annually.

See you at Alumni Weekend '93
May 7-9
More than 800 alumni join in the fun each year: visiting old haunts, renewing friendships and just enjoying Hope and Holland in springtime.

Eleven classes will hold reunions during Alumni Weekend '93. If yours is among them, this is your year to discover that you CAN go home again.

Please see the schedule on page four for more, or call the Alumni Office at (616) 394-7800 for additional information.

...and is with the 51 Air Refueling Squadron, based at Fairchild AFB near Spokane, Wash. He is on a temporary assignment to the Arabian Gulf region. He has flown E-7s, JSTARS, and rotated on the E-1 during Operation Southern Watch. He is a recent graduate of the Air War College's Air and Space Symposium.

Gretchen Gross '85 Hobbs has been elected president of the Indianapolis (Ind.) Zoological Guild, which is a fundraising organization for the Indianapolis Zoo and the zoo's third-largest contributor. She also holds a seat on the Indianapolis Zoo Board of Directors.

Melinda Campbell '95 moved to the Chicago, Ill., area in January after accepting a position as a medical social worker at Evanston Hospital, where she is providing social work services in the rehabilitation and neurorehabilitation units. Dichi Rathbun '85 DeVoeur of Niantic, Sane, Mich., has won the Iowa Medical Association's Physician of the Year Award.

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Help Wanted

Alumni can help Hope seniors seeking their first job by telling the college about openings within their organizations.

On page nine we told you about the Employment Opportunity Program for Hope Seniors. By providing the information requested below, you will help Hope share your employment opportunities with our students—so be generous. If your deadline is tight, we can even fax the resumes to you.

Your Name:

Your Telephone:

Job Opening Information:

Position Title:

Qualifications:

Organization/Company:

Contact Person:

Contact Address:

What Candidates Should Do To Apply:

Deadline:

Please fax (616) 994-7865 or send to: Employment Opportunity Program for Seniors, Hope College Career Planning and Placement, Holland, MI 49422-9400. If you have questions, please contact Dale Austin or Kelly Corrigan, Hope College Career Planning and Placement, at (616) 994-7970.
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Yes, with your help, there will be a strong Hope for students—today and for generations to come.
The college and an adjunct faculty in the sociology/anthropology department at the University of Wisconsin-Parkside. He also found that the structure of social life at Hope in the early 70’s often made Black Coalition the only source of social activities for African American students.

“What it meant was a sense of belonging,” said Derryl Stewart ’73 King, alumna of Black Coalition and a Black Coalition alum. “I was very happy at Hope and very comfortable at Hope, but it was also nice to have the Black Coalition.”

“It also gave me a sense of identity,” she said. “I think the 70s for almost all of us were a great search for identity—trying to figure out who we were and where we fit in the world, and the world was a very changing place.”

Beyond helping its members, the Coalition emphasizes awareness activities aimed at the campus in general. Events this year have included an evening service in the Chapel to honor Dr. King’s Jan. 18 birthday, and a Gospel concert in February.

The Coalition currently has 35 members. Its officers, senior Yolanda Carter of Detroit, Mich., (secretary), junior Omari Gates of Tuskegee, Ala. (co-president), and junior Terrance Haynes of Franklin, Tenn. (co-president), shared their vision in a letter they sent to the college’s freshmen in the fall.

“We are a group of individuals whose goals is to broaden cultural awareness by providing African American history, experiences, ideas, issues and perspectives,” they wrote. “Our organization is made up of individuals with different perspectives, backgrounds, ideas and races working toward one common goal—developing a greater sense of community and diversity.”

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— Dr. John H. Jacobson

Black Coalition’s activities complement a variety of other efforts at Hope to promote multi-cultural awareness and understanding. Some are student-initiated, others come from the administration and faculty.

The Hispanic Student Organization, for example, is another group that focuses on awareness and understanding. And Student Congress has started a lecture series which has featured African American speakers. Alex Haley, author of Roots and Malcolm X, spoke in January of 1992, and in February of this year actors Danny Glover (of the Lethal Weapon films) and Felix Jones presented the works of poet Langston Hughes and Dr. King.

A presentation in October featured prose and poetry by African Americans. This year’s annual Women’s Week, held in February, featured a Native American poet. The 1993 Critical Issues Symposium on Sept. 28 and 29 will discuss race and ethnicity in the United States.

Aspects of the symposium’s topic are also being addressed through a new course, “Encounter with Cultures.” Currently in its third semester, the course explores some of the nation’s minority cultures—African American, Asian American, Hispanic American and Native American.

“The course strives away from conformity—that is, it does not ask students to adopt a particular ideological direction,” said Alfredo Gonzalez, assistant provost at Hope and co-director of the course’s instructors. “Instead, what would we like them to do is become critical thinkers on matters of race, culture, ethnicity and gender.”

The approach has been well-received. Each semester, all of the elective course’s sections have been filled.

The popularity of “Encounter with Cultures” suggests that Hope students perceive the same need that led the college to create the course—and to offer other multi-cultural activities and events. The world they will experience as graduates will require an understanding of others’ perspectives.

“Now and in the future, educated people need to understand and be able to interact with people of diverse ethnicity and nationality,” said Dr. John H. Jacobson, president of Hope College. “Demographers anticipate that by the end of the next century, today’s American minorities will collectively be in the majority in the United States. In the world of the 21st century, our students will certainly have the experience of reporting to, working with or supervising people of different ethnicity from their own.”

Dr. Jacobson noted, however, that there is another important consideration. He believes Hope’s status as a Christian college demands it.

“This reaching out is appropriate in light of the inclusive and ecumenical character of the Christian faith we profess,” he said. “All people are made in God’s image and have personal authenticity which is derived from that fact.”

Dr. Richard Frost, dean of students at Hope, agreed.

“Each one of us represents a piece of a mosaic,” he said. “Each piece has its own integrity and dignity but when placed together they form a tremendous picture that’s part of God’s vision for everything.”

Dr. King understood the beauty of the mosaic. Organizations like Black Coalition, and the college’s other efforts, help Hope students see it too, so that they can go forth and help the dream become reality.