In the spring of 1943, eight new graduates gathered for a photo on the steps of Voorhees Hall. During Alumni Weekend ’93 they came full circle, together for the first time in 50 years.

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More than 750 alumni returned to campus for Alumni Weekend ’93. Please see pages 14-19.

Challenged to make a difference in the world, the Class of ’93 has joined the ranks of Hope alumni. Please see pages five and 28.
Computer keyboard helps make music

Dr. S. Russell Floyd's new wind ensemble arrangement for Sergei Rachmaninoff's Rapsodie on a Theme of Paganini is the first of its sort for the composition, which was originally written for orchestra.

The piano solos stand out in the performance, but more than one keyboard was at work when Dr. S. Russell Floyd created a new wind ensemble arrangement for Sergei Rachmaninoff's Rapsodie on a Theme of Paganini. Dr. Floyd, who is an associate professor of music and conductor of the college's Wind Ensemble, did his orchestating on a computer. He used a software package that gave him a convenient way to work with the score, which has more than 20 parts and yields a performance 23 minutes long.

Even with the computer’s help, the project required more than eight months of undivided attention, including a spring 1992, sabbatical, as well as continued work during the 1992-93 school year. He was even making changes until shortly before his arrangement’s world premiere on Tuesday, April 6, in Du Maurier Chapel. The Rapsodie consists of 24 variations on the Paganini theme. Audiences are probably most familiar with the 18th variation, which was featured in the 1980 movie Somewhere in Time, starring Christopher Reeve and Jane Seymour.

The new arrangement comes in time to commemorate the 50th anniversary year of the composer's death in 1943. The majority of Rachmaninoff's compositions were written for piano or orchestra. It was Dr. Floyd's desire to make one of Rachmaninoff's most popular works accessible to wind ensemble.

"He's always been one of my favorite composers," Dr. Floyd said. "I remember when I was very young that my first piano teacher told me that she actually saw Rachmaninoff performing, and what a moving experience that was for her.”

Underlying all of Dr. Floyd’s work is a desire to retain the piece’s character.

“One of my goals was to retain the balance of the orchestra so that the piece’s character is still the same. The entire composition’s key is also identical.

"It is the same piece," Dr. Floyd said. "It has a different color and texture because of the rescoring.”

There and back again

On a spring day in 1943, eight young graduates posed on the steps of Voorhees Hall, a final gathering before going their separate ways in the post-Hope world. Nearly a lifetime would pass before they were reunited as a group.

The alumnae did not lose touch, however. Some of them were able to get together from time to time, and they all stayed linked through a “round robin” letter that never stopped circulating during the years in between.

All eight returned from around the nation for their 50-year reunion on Friday and Saturday, May 7-8. They came from as nearby as (literally) kitty-corner from campus, and from as far away as Iowa, New York, Arizona and Hawaii.

The photo at left captures them in the same order as their graduation pose on page one.

On the cover

Proud husbands capture the moment as eight alumni of the Class of 43 recreate a graduation scene from 50 years before. More is said about the event in the story on this page.

At lower left is another image from Alumni Weekend '93, this one taken in front of Van Zuilen Hall. More than 750 alumni returned for Alumni Weekend. Our traditional reunion coverage runs on pages 14 through 19.

At lower right, the Class of '43 marches to Baccalaurate. A variety of images from Baccalaurate and Commencement are on this issue's back page, and narrative coverage of the event is on page five.
NEWS FROM HOPE COLLEGE, JUNE 1993

CHARACTER REFERENCE: Hope College has been named to the John Templeton Foundation's 1993 Honor Roll of character-building colleges and universities. Hope was one of only five colleges in Michigan and 11 institutions of higher education nationwide to be named to the Honor Roll. An additional 47 schools received Honorable Mentions. The Honor Roll recognizes colleges and universities that promote high integrity as well as education. This is the fifth consecutive year that Hope has been honored.

In addition to Hope, the Michigan colleges named to the Honor Roll were Calvin College, Grand Rapids Baptist College, Hillsdale College and Spring Arbor College.

The Honor Roll schools were chosen from more than 900 candidates nominated exclusively by presidents and development directors of the more than 1,450 four-year, accredited colleges and universities in the United States.

NOBEL SPEAKER: Hope hosted a Nobel laureate in April.
Dr. Yuan T. Lee of the department of chemistry at the University of California, Berkeley, presented the lecture "Steering Chemical Reactions Through Laser Excitation" on Friday, April 23. His talk concerned both general ideas for steering chemical reactions through laser excitation and some recent results obtained in the area.

Dr. Lee received the Nobel Prize in Chemistry in 1986, and also won the 1986 National Medal of Science. He has received numerous other awards and honors as well.

He appeared on campus through the 1992-93 Merck Lecture Series. To commemorate the visit, Dr. William F. Pelik of the chemistry faculty presented Dr. Lee with a pair of wooden shoes.

(See "CAMPUS NOTES" on page nine.)

Wishing to give something back to the community, students went out in force during "Community Clean Up Day" on Saturday, April 17. Here a student takes on Holland's Prospect Park, where the spring of 1991 has been dedicated to cleaning up in order to promote the State of Michigan during "Community Clean Up Day." The department retained its certification from the State of Michigan during the intervening period.

The college also remained accredited by the North Central Association of Schools and Colleges.

GIFT OF LIFE: Many Hope students (as well as other members of the Hope community) participated in efforts to arrange bone marrow transplants for two West Michigan children.

About 60 students submitted to blood tests on March 13, to see if they were compatible as donors. Members of the Arcadian fraternity helped organize the effort.

Other student support included helping raise money for the children's operations. Sophomores Chad Bolena of Wyoming, Mich., and John Housenga of Holland, Mich., for example, were pictured in The Grand Rapids Press in April for lining their Durfee Hall room with returnable pop cans the two were contributing to the cause.

The two children in need of transplants are both two-year-olds: Andrew Isenga of Zeeland, who has aplastic anemia, and Nicole Van Wyk of Holland, who has acute lymphocytic leukemia. As of April 30, potential matches for both children had been found through the National Marrow Donor Registry.

DEPARTMENT ACCREDITED: The college's department of education has received accreditation through the National Council on Postsecondary Accreditation (NCATE).

The college received notification from NCATE in April. The accreditation is good for 10 years with a five-year review.

"This accreditation is an indication that our education program has been judged as a quality program by an outside agency according to a set of national standards," said Dr. Nancy Sommervith '62 Miller, dean for the social sciences and professor of education at Hope. "We believed that our teacher education program was outstanding—and now qualified reviewers in the field have also put their stamp of approval on it." NCATE accredits professional education units in United States colleges and universities that prepare professional educators to staff school programs for children and youths from preschool through grade 12. NCATE is the only authorized accrediting body for schools, colleges and departments of education recognized by the U.S. Department of Education and the Council on Postsecondary Accreditation. Participation by colleges and universities is voluntary.

Of the 1,200 plus institutions offering teacher education programs, approximately 500 hold NCATE accreditation. NCATE recently reviewed 350 professional education units and granted accreditation on the first review, as in Hope's case, to approximately 70 percent.

NCATE particularly praised two dimensions of Hope College's program: accessibility to people with disabilities and the department's tri-level “developmental” approach to field placement.

According to Dr. Carl Schackow, professor of education and chairperson of the department at Hope, the college's education students progress through three basic levels of preparation: choosing teaching, learning how to teach and applying what they have learned through classroom placements. He also noted that the department's "Ecological Model of Teacher Education" incorporates all of each student's experiences as preparation for teaching.

"Our intention is clearly to make this program much more than a series of unrelated courses," Dr. Schackow said. "The 'ecological model' really looks at the program in a sequential way, and it looks at the student in a very holistic way."

Hope department of education currently has seven full-time faculty and two half-time professors, and annually certifies approximately 125 graduates as teachers.

The department's NCATE accreditation text:

Sharks and rays, you're the same at heart, it's your pectoral fins that set you apart.
Your cartilage skeletons serve you fine but Osteichytes got bones over time.
Osteichytes motion control is more refined with better fins, and more streamlined.
The stronger support of the bony fishes lets the salmon jump about as high as he wishes.
Jumping is fine, but rather blind when you compare it to the mudskipper's walking on land.
It wasn't much after fish dragged themselves out of the mud and saltamanders began walking about.
Amphibians, you can't seem to make up your minds where you would rather spend your time two feet on land, and two in the water you seem just as at home in one or the other.
Frogs have developed many varieties some bury in mud, some climb in trees.
Goliath frog, you're a mighty beast those well developed hind limbs would quite be a feast a smaller frog has its feet specialized they act like parachutes as it falls from the skies it also has suction cups where its fingers should be that help it make better landings on leaves.
Reptiles are a bit aloof why? because they are waterproof their keratin scales hold water in so land's environment won't dry them then they can live where amphibians can't reside and they get there on limbs that stick out to the side.

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

Dr. Christine Oswald of the biology faculty decided a change of pace was in order when having her Comparative Anatomy class write about vertebrate form and function. Instead of the usual essay, she required the students to present the information as a poem.
The assignment resulted, to say the least, in rather unconventional presentations on feeding adaptations, locomotion adaptations, reproductive adaptations, predator avoidance adaptation and evolutionary history.

Junior Lora Nykamp of Holland, Mich., handled the situation with light-hearted rhymed couplets that are remarkably fact-filled.

(For more student poetry, please see the selections from the Spring 1993 edition of Opus on page 12.)

Frogs and birds and sharks and trout how is it that they move about?
Did perch and bluegill learn their motion from baby sea squirts in the ocean?
Larval tunicates and amphibians taught fish to wriggle and beat their tails, but separately, I think, learned the whales.

Campus Notes
Events

ACADEMIC CALENDAR

Summer Session (1993) — June 21-July 30
Summer Seminars (1993) — Aug. 2-6

Fall Semester (1993)
Aug. 27—Friday — Residence halls open for new students at noon. New student orientation begins.
Aug. 29 — Sunday — Convocation for new students and parents. 2 p.m.
Aug. 30 — Monday — Residence halls open for returning students; late registration.
Aug. 31 — Tuesday — Classes begin at 8 a.m.
Sept. 6 — Monday — Labor Day; classes in session.
Sept. 28-29 — Tuesday — Wednesday — Critical Issues Symposium: "Race and Social Change in America"
Oct. 8 — Friday — Fall Recess begins at 6 p.m.
Oct. 13 — Wednesday — Fall Recess ends at 8 a.m.
Oct. 22-24 — Friday — Sunday — Homecoming Weekend.
Nov. 5-7 — Friday — Sunday — Parents’ Weekend.
Nov. 25 — Thursday — Thanksgiving Recess begins at 8 a.m.
Nov. 29 — Monday — Thanksgiving Recess ends at 8 a.m.
Dec. 10 — Friday — Last day of classes.
Dec. 13-17 — Monday — Friday — Semester examinations.
Dec. 17 — Friday — Residence halls close at 5 p.m.

Spring Semester (1994)
Jan. 9 — Sunday — Residence halls open at noon.
Jan. 10 — Monday — Registration for new students.
Jan. 11 — Tuesday — Classes begin at 8 a.m.
Feb. 11 — Friday — Winter Recess begins at 6 p.m.
Feb. 16 — Wednesday — Winter Recess ends at 8 a.m.
March 17 — Thursday — Spring Recess begins at 6 p.m.
March 28 — Monday — Spring Recess ends at 8 a.m.
April 1 — Friday — Good Friday classes not in session.
April 20 — Friday — Spring Fling, classes dismissed at 12:30 p.m.
May 2-6 — Monday — Friday — Semester examinations.
May 6 — Friday — Residence halls close at 5 p.m. for those not participating in graduation.
May 7 — Saturday — Alumni Day.
May 8 — Sunday — Raccoon Lake and Commencement.
Residence halls close for graduating seniors at 7 p.m.
May Term (1994)
May 9 — Monday — Registration and payment of fees.
Classes begin at 1 p.m.
May 27 — Friday — May Term ends.

June Term (1994)
May 31 — Tuesday — Registration and payment of fees.
Classes begin at 1 p.m.
June 17 — Friday — June Term ends.

Summer Session (1994)
June 20 — Monday — Registration and payment of fees.
Classes begin at 1 p.m.
July 29 — Friday — Summer Session ends.

SUMMER SEMINARS (1993)
Seven courses are available for one hour of undergraduate credit, two hours of undergraduate credit, one hour of graduate credit or on an audit basis. The courses will run Monday–Friday, Aug. 2-6, from 9 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. The courses are:
- "First Ladies in American History, 1789-1993:"
- "Games People Play: Motivating Activities for K-6 Mathematics:"
- "The Concerto:"
- "The Attention Deficit Disorder (A.D.D.) Child:"
- "Violence Against Women: Its Legal, Political and Social Implications:"
- "The News on Television: Is It Newsy? Is It Television?"
- "Writing The Personal Essay:"
For additional information, please call David James, '76, program director, at (616) 394-7830.

ADMISSIONS

Exploration '93 — July 11-17
A "mini-college" experience for students who will be juniors and seniors in high school in the fall of '93. Classes, seminars and activities with a large dose of fun will allow college-bound students to get a feeling for the expectations of college life.

Campus Visits
Even during the summer months, the Admissions Office is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays. Tours and admissions interviews are available. Appointments are recommended.

For further information about any Admissions Office event, please call (616) 394-7850, or toll free 1-800-968-7850 or write: Office of Admissions, Hope College, Holland, Mi. 49423.

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) 392-3195.

SUMMER THEATRE

Season opens Friday, June 11.
Curtain time 8 p.m.
Monday through Saturday.
DeWitt Center main theatre.

Peter Pan (musical)
Young Rubi (musical)
The Importance of Being Earnest (comedy)
I Hate Hamlet (comedy)
Marvin's Room (comedy-drama)

Courage (second stage production, Snow Auditorium)
Information concerning ticket sales, season dates and additional summer plays may be obtained by calling (616) 394-7860.

ALUMNI AND FRIENDS

Regional Events
A family picnic is scheduled at John Ball Park Zoo.
Annual Golf Outing — Monday, July 12
Holland (Mich.) Country Club. Siren starts at 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.
For the Outing's brochure, please call (616) 394-7840.

Community Day — Saturday, July 18.
Includes a picnic on campus and a home football game against Illinois Wesleyan University.

The classes of 1983 and 1988 will hold their 10-year and five-year reunions.
Parents' Weekend — Friday—Sunday, Nov. 5-7.
Alumni Day '94 — Saturday, May 7.
For additional information concerning alumni events, please call the Office of Public Relations at (616) 394-7860.

WOMEN'S LEAGUE FOR HOPE

"The Best of Village Square...and more!"
Wednesday, June 23
The event will run from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the Hope campus, and will include the popular "Attic Specials," a turned craft show and food.

Donations for the "Attic Specials" may be left at the college's physical plant building. Additional information can be obtained by calling "The Best of Village Square" headquarters; Vonnie Wysard, (616) 772-6692, or Shirley Haan, (616) 669-1213 (days), (616) 669-0586 (evenings).

TRADITIONAL EVENTS

Opening Convocation — Sunday, Aug. 29, 2 p.m.
Fall tug-of-war — Saturday, Sept. 25, 3 p.m.
Nyker Cup Competition — Saturday, Nov. 6.

FOOTBALL

Saturday, Sept. 11 — at DePauw, Ind. — 1:30 p.m.
Saturday, Sept. 18 — at ILLINOIS WESLEYAN — 1:30 p.m.
Saturday, Sept. 25 — at Wabash, Ind. — 1:30 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 2 — at TRINITY, ILL. — 1:30 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 9 — at KALAMAZOO — 1:30 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 16 — at Alma — 1:30 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 23 — at ALBION (Homecoming) — 2 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 30 — at Adrian — 1:30 p.m.
Saturday, Nov. 6 — at Olivet — 1:30 p.m.
*Community Day
For season ticket information, please call Jane Holman at (616) 394-7991.

SUMMER SPORTS CAMPS

Boys Basketball Camp — July 5-16
Girls Basketball Day Camps — Sixth—Eighth Grades — June 16-18
Ninth—Twelfth Grades — June 21-25
Girls High School Basketball Team Camp — June 21-24

Football Passing Camp — Aug. 1-4
Swimming Program — June 14-24; June 28-July 8
T.U.F.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) 394-7860.
Ask for Joyce McPherson.

INSTANT INFORMATION

Hope Sports Hotline — (616) 394-7888
Activities Information — (616) 394-7863

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NEWS FROM HOPE COLLEGE, JUNE 1993
Grads told to be “leaders in change”

by Greg Ojers '87

Hope College’s 1993 graduates were encouraged to make a positive difference during their post-collegiate lives, during the college’s Commencement exercises on Sunday, May 9.

"My challenge to you this Commencement is for you to be leaders in bringing about change, of showing empathy, not apathy, so that you can be an integral part of finding solutions to crises now facing us or those that will arise in the future," said Commencement speaker Dr. Harvey Blankespoor, who is the Frederick Garrett and Helen Floor Dekker Professor of Biology at Hope and was the CASE 1991 U.S. Professor of the Year.

He added that his message was intended not only for the college’s 500 graduates, but also the family members, friends and faculty who had gathered for the college’s 128th Commencement, held at Holland Municipal Stadium.

More than 4,000 attended the event, and parents from throughout the United States and as far away as Hong Kong and India were present. In addition, the Rev. Calvin DeVries ’45 of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and Dr. Roger Voskuil, ’32 of Pasadena, Calif., received honorary degrees during the ceremony.

Dr. Blankespoor built his address around the themes of confrontation, crisis, calling and commitment.

He shared the biblical story of Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, who in Daniel 3 are tossed into a furnace for refusing to worship a statue built by King Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon. Strong in their faith, the three survived the ordeal.

"During this episode, the three friends were confronted by the king, they faced a crisis in a fiery furnace, they heeded their calling and finally, they followed through on their commitment," he said. "I believe that we all face similar challenges and I want to make a few short comments on each."

Dr. Blankespoor exhorted his audience to be open to confrontation, meaning the positive exposures to ideas and customs that the seniors experienced during their years at Hope. "They caused you to modify your original view, to abandon it altogether or to stick to your original belief with even more tenacity," he said.

"Some of these ideas might have been 'When does life begin?'; 'When does it end?'; 'What can we do to improve the quality of life for us, for others?'; 'What is truth?'; 'How can we be good stewards of the environment?'; 'How can we prevent famine?';" he said.

"I would like to finish by asking you today, as you receive your diplomas, to not avoid confrontations or crises, but to heed the calling and commitment to help those in need," he said.

Baccalaureate preacher Beth Marcus ’42 echoed Dr. Blankespoor’s sentiments during her sermon earlier in the day. Marcus, who is president of the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America (RCA), addressed “Changes and Choices.”

Marcus based her text on Romans 12:1-2. The New Testament passage exhorts the audience to be transformed through faith in God, rejecting the inclination to be defined by the nature of the world.

"Dear graduates, you go out into a needy world, a world filled with uncertainty, confusion, mistrust," she said. "As you say farewell to your classmates and your professors and face both the opportunities and the responsibilities that society will place upon you, how will you respond, how will you cope?"

Marcus cited some contemporary examples of commitment to transformation, such as the late Arthur Ashe, the professional tennis player stricken with AIDS. "His victory in 1968 at the U.S. Open, his trip to South Africa when apartheid was in full rage, his courageous fight against AIDS—not just for himself but for all people who suffer from that scourge," she said.

"For these and many other courageous actions, Andrew Young described Arthur Ashe as a prince of a man for accepting the challenges and showing others the way to overcome them."

She also encouraged the graduates to remember the appeal in Paul’s letter to the Romans. “Paul speaks of change;” she said. “He says we must not be conformed to this world—squeezed into its mold—but must be transformed—changed from it.”

"The model I suggest to you who will be making some of the most important choices of your life is simply this: the kingdom of God,” Marcus said. "And, what does that mean? It means letting God come in and change you from within. It means living hour by hour by acknowledging God as your king; God’s will as you know it in Christ becomes your will, and the power of the Holy Spirit becomes your strength."

"The kingdom of God is the most radical concept of living there was ever set forth," she said. "When you choose that kingdom to be the model for your life, and when you choose Christ to be king of your life, you’re going to have the time of your life."

"I know that you have had some great times these past years and created memories to last a lifetime; but now the real adventure begins," Marcus said.

(For additional images from Baccalaureate and Commencement, please see page 28.)
Todd Steen wins H.O.P.E. award

Dr. Todd Steen received the 29th annual "Hope Outstanding Professor Educator" (H.O.P.E.) award from the 1993 Hope College graduating class.

Dr. Steen, an assistant professor of economics, was honored during the college's annual Honors Convocation, held on Thursday, April 29, at 3 p.m. The award, first given in 1965, is presented by the graduating class to the professor who they feel epitomizes the best qualities of the Hope College educator.

The selection of Todd Steen as the H.O.P.E. professor is an extraordinary tribute to his impact on our students," said Hope College President Dr. John H. Jacobson. "It is unusual for such a junior person to be selected, and that means that his selection is an especially strong tribute to the effectiveness of his teaching and to the esteem in which he is held by students for his professional and personal qualities.

A member of the Hope faculty since 1988, Dr. Steen teaches courses including "Principles of Microeconomics," "Labor Economics," and "Economics and Ethics of Labor Unions."

Dr. Steen has written a variety of papers concerning the economics of child care, including "An Analysis of Secondary Child Care Arrangements," which was accepted for publication in the American Economic Review. An opinion piece, "The Best Answer for Child Care," was published in The Christian Science Monitor in 1990.

Along with two other Hope faculty members, he is co-director of the project "Enhancing the Teaching of Ethics within the Economics and Business Administration Department," supported through the Lilly Endowment Inc. of Indianapolis, Ind.

Dr. Steen conducts research with Hope students. He and Kayla Dubink '93 of Hamilton, Mich., recently completed the project "The Effect of Religion on the Earnings and Human Capital of Women," which they presented at the annual meeting of the Michigan Academy of Sciences, Arts and Letters in March. (Please see the related story below.)

He is a member of the Religious Life Committee at Hope and a member of the advisory board for the college's Carl Frost Center for Social Science Research. He is also faculty advisor for the college's chapter of Omicron Delta Epsilon, the honorary economics society.

Dr. Steen is a member of the 4Cs (Community Coordinated Child Care)/Quality Child Care System Advisory Board, the Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship Holland Area Committee and the Park Christian Reformed Church Long Range Facilities Planning Committee. He is also a member of the Association of Christian Economists, the American Economics Association and the Midwest Economics Association.

He holds a bachelor's degree in economics from Pennsylvania State University, a bachelor's of arts from Indiana University of Pennsylvania, and a master's of arts and a doctorate from Harvard University.

Study examines religion and earnings

Dr. Todd Steen and a recent graduate have completed a research project that has found that religious background seems to make a difference in the earnings of women in the United States.

Dr. Steen and Kayla Dubink '93 of Hamilton, Mich., have co-authored the paper "The Effect of Religion on the Earnings and Human Capital of Women."

They used data from the National Longitudinal Survey Youth Cohort, a long-running, nationally representative survey that started in 1979 and follows more than 12,000 people. Dr. Steen and Dubink studied a population ranging in age from 25 to 36.

"Holding all other things constant, we found that women who were raised as Catholics had higher earnings than women who were raised as Protestants," Dr. Steen said. "We also found that men who were raised as Catholics and Jews have higher earnings, all other things constant, than men who were raised as Protestants."

In the sample studied, females raised as Catholics had about 10 percent higher earnings than women raised as Protestants, while males raised as Jews had 28 percent higher earnings, holding all other things constant.

According to Dr. Steen, what the project did not determine was why religion is a factor in earning levels. His and Dubink's research, which began in the fall, was directed only at determining whether or not there was a difference.

Dr. Steen noted that theirs is the first research exploring the relationship between religion and women's earnings. Dubink presented the paper at the economics section of the 97th annual meeting of the Michigan Academy of Sciences, Arts and Letters on Friday, March 5. A total of 430 papers in 33 sections were presented during the statewide conference, which was held in Kalamazoo.

NEH stipend supports drama research

Dr. John Cox '67, professor of English, has been awarded a prestigious Summer Stipend from the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH).

Dr. Cox is the second Hope faculty member to receive one of the awards. Dr. James Herrell of the communication faculty received one in 1992.

The NEH Summer Stipend is a highly competitive program for support of faculty research, and each college or university in the nation is eligible to nominate one faculty member for the grants. Of the 1,439 applications from throughout the nation submitted to the NEH, only 212 were received awards.

Dr. Cox is studying the use of stage devils as a means of social commentary by English dramatists during the mid-17th century. According to Dr. Cox, the devil-as-character, representing evil, was a popular device in medieval plays, which generally dealt with spiritual or religious issues.

Two prevailing interpretations of stage devils, however, suggest that the devil's role was eliminated or changed as medieval morality drama evolved into the more secular productions of the Renaissance.

One of the theories argues that the devil's representation of abstract, spiritual evil was supplanted by human characters that epitomized moral or religious issues. The other states that the stage devil became a sympathetic advocate of the common people and a positive critic of social problems that could be blamed on the elite classes.

Dr. Cox's research runs counter to the two theories. He believes that the devil is used consistently as a moral element in drama of both the medieval and post-medieval periods.

To obtain evidence supporting his views, as well as more information on the opposing theories, he is examining both relevant English plays and scholarly works on stage devils. He will be conducting extensive research at a major research library for the duration of the Summer Stipend.

Dr. Cox's analysis will cover the medieval era through the year 1642, when England's parliament closed the nation's theaters for political and religious reasons. English drama, according to Dr. Cox, was markedly different when the theaters opened 18 years later under Charles II, providing a logical ending point for his investigations.

His on-going interest in stage devils already resulted in the article, "Devils and Power in Marlowe and Shakespeare," which was published this year in the Yearbook of English Studies. His current research is contributing to a book he is writing on the topic.

Dr. Cox, who is also director of the college's Interdisciplinary Studies program, has been a member of the Hope faculty since 1979.
Project examines rain forests

According to Dr. Greg Murray of the Hope biology faculty, it is too late to preserve the world's remaining tropical forests in their current natural state. Too much has been lost for the forests to sustain their natural regeneration.

Dr. Murray believes, however, that it's not too late for humanity to learn how to help the forests survive.

"The battle to save large expanses of natural forest in a pristine, non-human-altered state is over," said Dr. Murray, who is an associate professor of biology. "We've lost that battle."

"The real battle now is to save what's left, but also to understand how those forests work and how you can manage them in a way that will maintain the largest proportion of the pre-destruction species diversity," he said.

He is currently on sabbatical, investigating tropical forest regeneration in Costa Rica. A four-year, $255,000 grant from the National Science Foundation (NSF) is supporting the work, which he hopes will someday help scientists find ways to mediate the disruption the destruction has caused.

A flight over Central America's tropical forests provides an insight into the situation, according to Dr. Murray. Years ago, tropical forests surrounded islands of cleared farmland. Today, the cleared land has made islands of the forests.

"And those little fragments of habitat, even though they might start out having the normal complement of plants and animals that you find in a forest, can't keep them," he said. "They're just not large enough for the so-called balance of nature to keep going indefinitely."

Dr. Murray is studying the fast-growing, short-lived "pioneer" plants that thrive in areas of tropical forests that have been cleared. He is focusing on the plants' seeds and the way they spread and survive to grow in the forest's soil.

Birds and bats disperse the plants' seeds, which lie dormant until an appropriate time is created. If the seeds can, and often must, wait patiently for several years before such an opening forms—and they must also survive the natural predators, such as rodents and ants, that feed upon them.

An implication of the forests' destruction is that important parts of the cycle are disrupted, according to Dr. Murray. For example, much of the birds' habitat has been destroyed, both reducing the number of birds involved and affecting the patterns of those that remain. Similarly, the resulting impact on the plants' predators has implications for the plant's survival.

"If there are particular kinds of these pioneer plants that are competitively dominant to other species of pioneer plants, and you lose the thing—rods, for example—that prey disproportionately on those competitively dominant ones, then you're going to lose a lot of species," he said. "Because every time a tree dies, it changes the little fragments of soil that are competitively inferior plants are allowed to make it," Dr. Murray said.

"When the predators are there, they'll remove a lot of those, that is, in at least some of the gaps that form these competitively inferior plants are allowed to make it," Dr. Murray said. "And that's one place where I see that this work has a real, applied practical impact."

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**Faculty Kudos**


His presentation, "Pulse Pattern for Pianists," discussed the principles of contemplative movement (eurythmics) and the challenges inherent in the pianist's limited sphere of movement. Professor Aschbrenner demonstrated an innovative use of a technique by Moshe Feldenkrais in freeing the torso and projecting the metric and phrase rhythm in effective performance.

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**Project examines rain forests**

According to Dr. Greg Murray of the Hope biology faculty, it is too late to preserve the world's remaining tropical forests in their current natural state. Too much has been lost for the forests to sustain their natural regeneration.

Dr. Murray believes, however, that it's not too late for humanity to learn how to help the forests survive.

"The battle to save large expanses of natural forest in a pristine, non-human-altered state is over," said Dr. Murray, who is an associate professor of biology. "We've lost that battle."

"The real battle now is to save what's left, but also to understand how those forests work and how you can manage them in a way that will maintain the largest proportion of the pre-destruction species diversity," he said.

He is currently on sabbatical, investigating tropical forest regeneration in Costa Rica. A four-year, $255,000 grant from the National Science Foundation (NSF) is supporting the work, which he hopes will someday help scientists find ways to mediate the disruption the destruction has caused.

A flight over Central America's tropical forests provides an insight into the situation, according to Dr. Murray. Years ago, tropical forests surrounded islands of cleared farmland. Today, the cleared land has made islands of the forests.

"And those little fragments of habitat, even though they might start out having the normal complement of plants and animals that you find in a forest, can't keep them," he said. "They're just not large enough for the so-called balance of nature to keep going indefinitely."

Dr. Murray is studying the fast-growing, short-lived "pioneer" plants that thrive in areas of tropical forests that have been cleared. He is focusing on the plants' seeds and the way they spread and survive to grow in the forest's soil.

Birds and bats disperse the plants' seeds, which lie dormant until an appropriate time is created. If the seeds can, and often must, wait patiently for several years before such an opening forms—and they must also survive the natural predators, such as rodents and ants, that feed upon them.

An implication of the forests' destruction is that important parts of the cycle are disrupted, according to Dr. Murray. For example, much of the birds' habitat has been destroyed, both reducing the number of birds involved and affecting the patterns of those that remain. Similarly, the resulting impact on the plants' predators has implications for the plant's survival.

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Louise Shumaker ’87, director of disabled student services, was honored by Michigan’s governor for overcoming the challenges of blindness.

Louise Shumaker ’87 has been legally blind since birth and totally blind for the past 11 years. In addition to working with Hope’s disabled students she is involved with disability issues at the local and state level.

Louise Shumaker ’87 of the Hope College staff received the 1993 Michigan State Victory Award from Michigan Governor John Engler. The award is presented each year as part of the national Victory Awards sponsored by the National Rehabilitation Hospital in Washington, D.C.

Shumaker was chosen for exemplifying inner strength, tenacity of purpose, integrity of effort and courage in overcoming the many challenges of blindness. She represented Michigan at the seventh annual Victory Awards gala salute on Tuesday, April 27, at the Warner Theater in Washington. As a state honoree, Shumaker is also nominated for a national Victory Award in 1994.

Legally blind since birth and totally blind for the past 11 years, Shumaker has made a career of helping others with disabilities. She is director of disabled student services at Hope, and has been a member of the Hope staff since 1987. Her responsibilities include individual counseling with disabled students, facilitating weekly support group meetings, coordinating special services, interfacing with rehabilitation counselors and advising faculty on disability issues.

Shumaker currently serves as president of the Michigan Association of Handicapped Higher Education and chaplainperson of the Holland Area Committee on Disability Concerns. She is also vice chair of the Lakeshore Center for Independent Living and a member of the Michigan Commission on Handicapped Concerns.

Shumaker earned a bachelor’s degree in sociology and psychology from Hope College in 1987 and will complete her master’s degree in interprofessional/family communications from Western Michigan University.

The National Victory Awards are conferred annually on individuals who have faced significant adversity. Since its inception in 1986, the awards program has honored individuals such as U.S. Senator Robert Dole, Congressman Tony Coelho, actress Ann Jillian and Marlee Matlin, entertainers Sammy Davis Jr., Gloria Estefan, Teddy Pendergrass, and athletes Jim Abbott and Bill Denby.

The 1993 national honorees were Nebraska Senator Bob Kerrey; actress Patricia Neal; actor Christopher Barke; former Detroit Lion Mike Utley; Washington, D.C., radio personality Ed Walker; Japanese disabilities rights advocate Eita Yashiro; and 1991 California Victory Award recipient Marilyn Hamilton.

In addition to these national honorees, citizens of 47 states and 10 foreign nations were also recognized at the Victory Awards salute.

Chaplain honored for service

Gerard Van Heest ’49, chaplain at Hope, received a community service award from the Michigan Campus Compact (MCC) in East Lansing on Friday, April 2.

Chaplain Van Heest was one of 15 individuals presented a “1992 Campus Compact Faculty/Staff Community Service Learning Award.” The awards recognize outstanding community service by faculty and staff of MCC-member institutions, and were presented during MCC’s third annual conference, “Awakening: Exploring New Directions for Student Service.”

MCC, which is headquartered in the Kellogg Center at Michigan State University, is a coalition of Michigan colleges and universities seeking to create voluntary community service opportunities for their students. Hope is a charter member of MCC, which was formed in March of 1989.

Chaplain Van Heest has been involved with a variety of service programs and projects at Hope, including the Bethlehem Fund for needy and underprivileged families; an annual “Sleep Out” for the homeless; and spring break trips that engage students in service projects. He is beginning a chapter of Habitat for Humanity on campus and organizes weekly nursing home visitations.

Chaplain Van Heest also models service, such as by giving blood during blood drives, contributing to the collections of clothing and useable items for the college’s clothing drive, and conducting weekly nursing home visitations. He supports the annual CROP Walk and participates in the college’s annual “Fast for Hunger” in the fall.

As chaplain, he is also responsible for organizing the college’s chapel services on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, is involved in the pastoral counseling of students, and provides administrative leadership for the Ministry of Christ’s People (MOCP), a student group which is a coordinating council for the college’s student Christian organizations. Chaplain Van Heest is also involved in campus governance as a member of the Campus Board and Religious Life Committee, and as advisor/coach for the Lacrosse Club and advisor for the Arcadian Fraternity.

He has been chaplain at Hope since 1979.

Elderhostel honors Hollenbach

Dr. John Hollenbach of Holland, Mich., professor emeritus of English at Hope, received a “Certificate of Appreciation” from the national Elderhostel Institute Network.

Dr. Hollenbach was one of 25 individuals, representing nine Institutes for Learning in Retirement nationally, to be so recognized. He was honored for representing the Hope Academy of Senior Professionals (HASP) and the Elderhostel Institute Network as a volunteer resource person and consultant to colleges and universities establishing their own Institutes for Learning in Retirement.

Dr. Hollenbach has worked with Spring Arbor College, Ball State University and Wittenberg College.

In further recognition of his work, the Institute Network presented HASP with a monetary contribution.

The Elderhostel Institute Network functions as a national advocate for the creation of new Institutes. Activities that foster the development of new Institutes include workshops for campuses and groups of older learners, extensive “how-to” materials and referral to knowledgeable, experienced volunteers.

HASP’s involvement as one of the 100 affiliates of the Institute Network affords the Network the opportunity to assist fledging new Institutes and to participate in a variety of conferences and activities that enhance the HASP program. In the four years of the Network’s existence, it has helped bring 59 new institutes into being on campuses throughout the United States.

“One of the joys of working with the Institute Network is the enthusiastic participation of these special resource people,” said Jim Verschueren, director. “Without such creative, enthusiastic individuals, willing to give of their time, their expertise and themselves, the Institute Network could not provide the support fledging new Institutes have found so beneficial.”

Dr. Hollenbach is completing his third year as a member of the National Advisory Committee of the Network. HASP, now completing its 5th year, is affiliated with Hope and has 180 members. HASP’s activities for its retired members include regular meetings, study groups on a variety of topics and publishing a literary magazine. The organization’s service projects have included speaking before Hope classes, and—in the case of physician members—serving as mentors for Hope students interested in studying medicine.

Dr. Hollenbach was a member of the Hope faculty from 1945 to 1978. He was HASP’s primary organizer in 1988, and is past president of the organization.
LIVING MEMORIAL: The late Dr. Arthur H. Jentz, Jr. ’56 of the Hope faculty has been memorialized on campus through the planting of a tree on the front lawn of Voorhees Hall.

Dr. Jentz, a professor of philosophy and chairperson of the department, died on Monday, Feb. 1, at age 59. He had been a member of the Hope faculty for more than 30 years.

The young ash tree planted in his honor stands just east of the main sidewalk to Voorhees’s 10th Street entrance, about halfway between the street and the building. A plaque denoting the tree’s significance will be installed.

“Plato once said, ‘Man is a heavenly plant, an inverted tree of which the roots tend Heavenward and branches downwards to earth,’” said Dr. James B. Allis, associate professor of philosophy, during the ceremony on Tuesday, April 28.

“Arthur, we hope, with his interest in Heidegger and Heidegger’s concern for the rootedness of things, might like a tree with its roots reaching deep into the earth.”

PULL DATE: The Fall ’93 Pull rug-of-war will be held on Saturday, Sept. 25, at 3 p.m.

Held in the past on a Friday afternoon, the Pull has been moved to Saturday this year to make it easier for friends, family and other fans of the participants and event to attend. The new date also avoids conflicts with the college’s academic schedule.

This year’s Pull will pit members of the Classes of ’96 and ’97 against one another. The competition will take place, as before, on the banks of the Black River.

FORENSIC NATIONALS: All three speakers from the Hope College Forensic Association (HCFA) were recognized for their performances at the Pi Kappa Delta National Forensic Honorary Fraternity National Tournament held March 18–20 at the University of Puget Sound in Tacoma, Wash.

Trent Wakenight ’93 of Marshall, Mich., received “Superior” plaques in “Informative Speaking” and “Speech to Entertain.” “Superior” is awarded to the top 10 percent of the competitors in the event. Wakenight won “Excellent” plaques in “Persuasion” and “Impromptu Speaking” for placing in the top 30 percent of the competitors in these events.

With his performance at the National Tournament, Wakenight earned the rank of “Special Distinction” in Pi Kappa Delta, the highest speaking performance rank in the fraternity.

Kari Lijithorn ’96 of Des Plains, Ill., earned “Excellent” in “Informative Speaking” and “Good” (top 50 percent) in “Impromptu Speaking.”

Jeff Walton ’95 of Holland, Mich., finished “Good” in three of his five events: “Prose Interpretation,” “Impromptu Speaking” and “Persuasion.” Altogether the Hope speakers amassed 36 Individual Speaking Sweepstakes points, placing them at the “Excellent” level. Hope ranked 21st of the 73 teams entered in Individual Speaking.

The competition at the national tournament included 635 participants, speakers and judges, from 87 chapters of PKD.

MILESTONE MILESTONES: Copies of the legendary 1930 Alumni Edition of the Milestone are available through the Joint Archives of Holland. The late Willard Wichers ’31 was editor of the publication, which documents all students and a significant amount of Hope history through 1930.

Those interested in a copy should send $10 plus $3 for shipping and handling to: “Joint Archives of Holland; Hope College campus; Holland, MI 49423.”

LIST SERVER: The department of physics has installed a List Server so that its graduates and friends may communicate via electronic mail. Using the wide Internet network, the server enables students and faculty to send a message to all others who have submitted their Internet or BITNET address to the department. At the end of the semester, 40 electronic addresses were listed.

The server’s electronic address is: alums@physics.hope.edu

“All messages sent to the address are forwarded automatically to those who have submitted their electronic addresses,” said Dr. David van Putten ’55, professor of physics. “Senders should remember that the Internet is a non-commercial enterprise and that advertising or promotional literature is not to be distributed via the network. The network is not to be used in for-profit activities.”

Persons wishing to list an electronic address should send it to: physics@physics.hope.edu along with their complete mailing address and other pertinent information they wish to include. A copy of the list of names and addresses will be distributed periodically to all on the list. Messages to the department or members of the department may also be sent to the same address.
Individual performances highlighted Hope College spring sports competition. Conference championships eluded Hope teams, ending a bid to repeat as all-sports champion of the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association (MIAA).

The MIAA all-sports award, presented to the member college with the best cumulative performance in all of the league’s 18 sports for men and women, went to Calvin while Hope was runner-up.

The spring season wasn’t without its highlights, however:

- For the second consecutive year, two Hope softball players were voted Division III All-Americans.
- Three athletes qualified for the NCAA Division III track and field championships.
- For the first time, a Hope golfer competed in the women’s national championships.
- There were performances that pointed to a bright future:
  - A freshman led MIAA softball players in hitting and a sophomore set Hope baseball records in several categories.
  - There were no-hitters in baseball and softball, each thrown by a sophomore.

Tracksters Qualify for Nationals

Soaring to new heights and clipping large blocks of time off distance records, several Hope tracksters qualified for the NCAA Division III track and field championships. Senior pole vaulter Mark Bonnell of Stow, Ohio, captured the MIAA championship for a second consecutive year and set a new Hope standard for the event by clearing 16 feet, 4 inches. This year he had an interesting journey to nationals. Two days after setting the new Hope standard, Bonnell and other members of the Hope College Chapel Choir left for a concert tour of Eastern Europe. He returned to the states just before the national competition.

He became a NCAA All-American for the second consecutive year, finishing seventh.

Senior Marcia Vandersall of Orange City, Iowa, continued to make her mark as Hope’s all-time outstanding female distance runner. Already an NCAA All-American in cross country and track, Vandersall was voted the MIAA’s co-most valuable female trackster as she won the conference championship in the 3,000 meter run for a fourth consecutive year and the 3,000 meter event for a third straight time.

She earned All-America recognition twice, finishing sixth in both the 5,000 and 10,000 meter events.

Bonnell’s and Vandersall’s contributions to Hope’s athletics program have not gone unnoticed. They were honored as member of the college’s outstanding seniors for outstanding contributions in athletics, scholarship and participation in student activities.

Vandersall was presented the John Schouten Award while Bonnell was the recipient of the Otto van der Velde All-Campus Award.

Five Hope athletes earned All-MIAA honors in track. Senior Phil Crafty of Dublin, Ohio, was honored for the fourth consecutive year. Other honors were awarded to Hope’s All-American distance runner and Airline American Amy Leathersman of Caledonia, Mich., and freshman Angie York of Grandville, Mich.

Softball Team Excels Again

The Flying Dutch posted their third consecutive winning season, finishing 16-12 and tied for second place in the MIAA.

The National College Softball Coaches Association honored two Hope players with All-America designation: Senior catcher Deb Vashaw of Howell, Mich., was named an All-American for the second consecutive year while freshman centerfielder Laurie Byington of Portage, Mich., was honored as co-recipient of the MIAA’s sportsmanship award.

Golfer Competes Nationally

Lisa Stover, a Hope junior from Portage, Mich., competed in the National College Golf Coaches Association tournament in Mt. Holyoke, Mass. She was the only two-year player. Stover finished 23rd in a field of 150 golfers.
Two who can go the distance
by Eva Dean Folkert '83

It's too bad there are no such things as tag-team triathlons.

Because if there were, then surely the team of Marcia Vandersall and Jeff Bannink, both All-America athletes at Hope, would be a formidable duo.

Actually, Team Bannink would be all you have to call them, regardless of any dreamed-up competition. On June 12, Vandersall and Bannink will become an official team when they marry in Holland, Mich.

These two talented, handsome, young Christian people, however, don't want to be tagged as anything special. With honest humility, they say they're no different than the other 3,500 Hope alumni who met on campus and married after graduation. In this case, though, it just so happens that the names of Vandersall and Bannink, who both graduated this May, turn up as often in Hope record books as they do on Hope grade rosters.

A track and cross country standout from Orange City, Iowa, Vandersall has been an NCAA All-American three consecutive years, and this past year she was voted the most valuable runner in the MIAA in both cross country and track. Ask this woman to run any distance between 1,500 and 10,000 meters, and nine-and-a-half times out of 10 she'll win.

Bannink, who prepped in Holland, was voted All-America and All-MIAA three straight years in swimming. He won 11 MIAA championships during that span. Admittedly not a great sprint or distance swimmer, Bannink's best distance is 200 meters—individually and on relay teams. He is also an accomplished cyclist, competing in races during the summer months, once even qualifying for a national competition.

Records aside, what makes this couple's story even more intriguing is that, well, their records could be literally put aside. The records may never have happened. These two, in fact, may have never met. Their stories of meeting and competing at Hope are both coincidental and providential.

First, Bannink.

A swimming standout at Holland Christian High School, Bannink accepted an academic scholarship for athletes to attend Lehigh University in Bethlehem, Pa., a Division I school. Visions of big-time athletics and competition filled his head. Visions of big-time practicality didn't. "I was swimming seven days a week," explains Bannink, an engineering physics and business administration double major. "Lehigh had a strong program, but I did nothing but swim and study."

He left after a year and enrolled at Hope, starting classes before he even received his acceptance letter. "I thought I'd try Hope for a semester or two then see what I wanted to do," he says. "Inevitably, what he wanted to do was stay."

"Jeff has a balanced perspective on life," says Dr. John Patnott, the men's swimming coach. "He's aware that he could have been a faster swimmer if he stayed at a Division I school. But he knew what was important to him was balance, not just swimming."

Now, Vandersall.

After a full freshman year at Hope, Vandersall transferred to Azusa Pacific University, a more evangelical Christian college in California. Going to school a long distance from home was never a factor for her; however, finding the right mix of Christianity in the classroom was. After one semester there, though, Vandersall realized "there was more to Hope than I originally thought," she says.

"Marcia learned that she needs to make an impact wherever she is in life," says Professor Mark Northuis '82, the cross country and men's track coach, "and not try to find an island."

"I always say I'm glad I left because if I hadn't I wouldn't have ever appreciated Hope. The people brought me back."

"In a providential way, Jeff did bring her in. In actuality, though, they had not met yet."

In the winter of 1989, on a stormy Saturday night, Bannink and Vandersall—just back from her one semester at Azusa—met Bannink, now

Their first meeting was, by most first-meeting standards, a veritable flop. The two were never introduced.

It is that characteristic, that quality for compassion, that Bannink finds most attractive about his bride-to-be. "What I love most about Marcia is that she's sensitive and caring, not only toward me, but with so many other people. She makes me aware that what I say and do affects other people in a certain way. She's just very sympathetic."

Meanwhile, Vandersall, a social work major, loves that "Jeff always uses all of his abilities to the fullest. He has principles and commitment in whatever he does."

Bannink will now apply his principles of commitment at Purdue University next fall, where he will study for a master of science degree in industrial operations management. Vandersall will work for a while in her chosen field, but she too plans to return to school, to earn a master's degree in social work. Undoubtedly, the level-headedness that these two possess will take them through the newness of marriage and life "out in the real world."

"As Christians, we strive to do our best in everything," says Vandersall. "Now we both can do that together. When you do your best, whatever you can do is going to help the team."

With such a prevailing attitude, it seems quite certain, these two can go the distance.
V
Lear's Wife
(from: "The Other Women: A Series of Five Poems")

If I walk far enough I come to the farms.
I watch the backs bend
like one of the fool's toys.
I hear the hoes hit the earth with a sound like death.
This is my husband's ground, these are my husband's lives,
even the sharp blades that turn the earth are his.

My babies are not mine,
my daughters, my little seeds.
They have been flung on hard and sour soil.
But they are not dogs,
they do not love for meat alone.
They can beg, but they can also fight,
fight on their own land,
fight on their own two feet.

Anna-Lisa Cox '94
Holland, Mich.

Milk

I wasn't allowed to drink Towne Club or RC Cola,
so Mom called it white pop
and I smugly asked for another cupful.
Later I realized the truth and refused to drink mine with dinner
(although with carrots and corn).

Now Mom says,
"Women especially need to get their calcium, you know,"
so I buy my usual half-gallon,
lug it around the store with my other purchases:
white bread, macaroni & cheese, frozen pizza.
I watch the expiration date, drinking fast
to beat the deadline, when the garbage disposal wins and I regret
not having that bowl of Trix yesterday.
Sometimes it gets too close and I must resort to buying Oreos
to finish my milk,
knowing Mom would understand.

Polly Schuler '94
Greenville, Mich.

Selections from the campus literary magazine

Come Closer Lunar

The ferns tell us
how near you are
by uncurling their fingers
further, higher
reaching for you.
Throughout the night
they whisper Orb,
Orb.

The tides are rising
up the sands, trying to
leave the life of the sea.
They want to wrap their
arms around our cities
to hold us,
to embrace us,
and to reflect you
everywhere.

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how near you are
by uncurling their fingers
further, higher
reaching for you.
Throughout the night
they whisper Orb,
Orb.

I climb the top
do not seal well,
of a Michigan dune
to feel your presence.
The ferns were right,
the tides were right,
you are near.
I reach up
and place my hand
in your dust.

Alex Fink '93
Lansing, Mich.

The Weekend It Rained

The two of you were too fond of the snap
on the hearth to come along, and decided to remain
beneath the roof with its newly-nailed shingles.
I ripped the front of my father's green rain-suit
and pushed out into the drizzle.
And though my hood caught water
and my cuffs did not seal well,
I was rewarded,
cold and wet notwithstanding,
how near you are
by uncurling their fingers
further, higher
reaching for you.
Throughout the night
they whisper Orb,
Orb.

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do not seal well,
of a Michigan dune
to feel your presence.
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in your dust.

Richard Frontjes '95
Essexville, Mich.
Deanshiip enhances religious life

A new dean of the chapel—a position created through the Hope in the Future capital campaign—will help enhance Hope's role in the spiritual development of its students.

The position, the "Hinga-Boersma Dean of the Chapel," has been endowed by Max '46 and Connie Hinga '49 Boersma of Holland, Mich. The new dean, still to be selected, should be in office by the fall of 1994.

The new position follows the Hope in the Future strategic planning process of 1989 and 1990, which took a comprehensive look at the direction the college should take in the years ahead. Three of the 12 task forces participating in the planning examined issues relating to the role of faith at Hope ("A Community of Christian Scholars"); "Christ and Campus: Worship and Study"; and "Relationships with the Reformed Church in America"). The task forces reaffirmed the college's commitment to its religious heritage.

"The college's Christian character is a cherished and important dimension of the Hope College experience," said Dr. John H. Jacobson, president of Hope College. "Hope students receive not only the benefits of a challenging academic program, but a guide for using their knowledge in meaningful ways."

Dr. Jacobson believes that deliberate action must be taken to insure that the college's strong faith tradition continues. The deanship emerged as a logical synthesis of many of the task forces' recommendations.

"Many formerly Christian institutions have lost their Christian commitment over the years," he said. "It is important that a Christian institution provide in a variety of thoughtful ways for the continuation of its Christian character."

"The new deanship presents an extraordinary opportunity to strengthen the spiritual life of the campus and to have the influence of the college's Christian life and witness go beyond the borders of the campus," Dr. Jacobson said. "I'm especially grateful to Max and Connie Boersma for their generous gift."

Max and Connie Boersma received Distinguished Alumni Awards from Hope in 1978 for their service to their community (at the time Grand Rapids, Mich.) and church, and their support of Hope. The "Max and Connie Boersma Scholarship Fund" at Hope was established in their honor by their friends and colleagues.

Connie is past president of the Women's League for Hope College, and Max is a past president of the Alumni Association. Max is currently a member of the college's Board of Trustees, serving as secretary. He is also national co-chair of the Hope in the Future campaign, and was co-chair of the college's last campaign, the Campaign for Hope.

All three of their children are Hope alumni: William '75, Elizabeth '77 and Paul '82.

Connie's father was the late Milton L. "Bud" Hinga, who was a member of the college's teaching and administrative staff for 29 years. He coached all sports at the college, and was athletic director for nearly two decades. He was dean of men and dean of students, as well as an associate professor of history.

The new dean of the chapel will be responsible for organizing Hope's Chapel program, including weekday and Sunday worship services, and lectures and seminars on religious topics. According to Dr. Jacobson, the college will be seeking a lively preacher who can relate to students and provide a dynamic program.

By assuming leadership of the Chapel program, the dean will let the college's two chaplains emphasize working with Hope students in pastoral and relational ministry. The chaplains will work with student leaders in forming and continuing prayer, study and service groups, and will maintain an active program of religious life and witness with individual students and student groups.

The dean will also be an active writer and thinker on issues relating to the Christian faith, and will enlarge the college's relationship with its parent denomination, the Reformed Church in America (RCA).

The work of the dean and the chaplains will be augmented by additional resources as well. For example, the Northrup and Staley lecturers already hosted annually through the Chaplains' Office will be supplemented by other outside speakers concerned with spiritual issues.

One other major change facing the Chapel program at Hope is that the Rev. Gerard Van Heest '49, chaplain since February of 1979, is planning to retire at the conclusion of the 1993-94 academic year.

Having completed more than 14 years as Hope's chaplain, Chaplain Van Heest knows well the demands of the Chapel program and Hope students' interest in matters spiritual. He believes the new deanship will provide a valuable boost to the quality of religious life at the college.

He cited the chaplains' pastoral work as one example. "We're going to do a better job with pastoral work because we're going to have more time for that," he said. According to Chaplain Van Heest, today's students are particularly interested in relational ministry and understanding what faith means in their lives, making such increased personal contact essential.

There are many possibilities for religious life at Hope. As the dean and new chaplains are appointed and the changes become implemented, more will arise.

"I'm excited about what can happen," Chaplain Van Heest said. "I'm very pleased to be able to be around to be sharing part of it, and to be of some help in the beginning."
Welcome Back!

Places give people context, and people give places meaning. More than 750 alumni gathered during Alumni Weekend '93, held Friday through Sunday, May 7-9, to experience a place that had a role in their beginnings.

Activities included 11 class reunions, the gathering of the 50-Year Circle, the presentation of Distinguished Alumni Awards and more. Picture-perfect spring weather, and a festive Holland, Mich., at the advent of Tulip Time, lent atmosphere to the weekend's activities.

1933—Row 1: Vera Van Vessem, James Van Vessem, Abraham Naoum, Rama Naoum, Evelyn Wierda Monroe, Jean Herman Hill; Row 2: Edward Damson, Mildred Klow Damson, Margaret Kole, Esther Boer, Helen Pelon Walvoord, Maryann Serier, Margaret Stekete Brunson; Row 3: Herb Marsilje, Elmer Boer, Carl Walvoord '32, Marcellus DeJonge, Les Serier

1938—Row 1: Kay Boon Whiting, Barbara Lampen, Thelma Knooker '39 Leenhouts, Lois Tyssie Strom, Esther Hinkamp McCoy, Theresa Raster Reenders; Row 2: Andy Vollink, Molly Vaupell '39 Vollink, Henrietta Baut Benotette, Lucille Baut De Dee, Clare De Dee '37, Alma Nyland Gabbard, Patricia Verhulst Purchase, Gerald Reenders, Jack Leenhouts; Row 3: Don McCoy, John Golds, Wendell Gabbard, Earl Purchase, George Plakke, Evelyn Plakke

1953/58 Reunions


1973—Row 1: Kurt Loosenort, Jackie Swanzy, Kathy Hoops Houtman, Kathleen Lemmen, Gene Callahan, Sue Ponstein Boote, Mary Zalea, Karla Hoesch Walters, Linda Gest.
Joyce Vandenberg Fitzgerald, Hal Fitzgerald; Row 2: Mike Ebbers, Cathy Boole, Bob Schellenberg, Patricia Pavel, Carey Boote, Lauren Koster, Jerry Bobeldyk, Ray Gest; Row 3: Barbara Wyns, Don DeBruyn, Brenda Boote, J.C. Huizenga, John Schmidt, Bruce T. Hoogman, Gijs Buron Stuart, Bruce Smith, Gary Plooster; Row 4: John Wyns, Phyllis Kleder Hooyman, Carolyn Tank Van Zante, Anne Waardenburg Vander Byl, Paula Colenbrander Wassink, Susan Hawkins Speidel, Burt VanderLaan, Kathy Kantrow VanderLaan, Jonelle (Sue) Carteron; Row 5: John Medekin, Jeanne Smith, Marcia Bargerness, Cheryl Poole, (Willie Wilson), Jocelyn Peterson Vuitene, Terry Reen, Stanley Busman, Greg Kalmbacher; Row 6: Vicki TenHaken, Joanne Monroe Shaw, Stephen W. Blijs, Elizabeth Rondal Best; Row 7: Andy Steffel, Jacslyn Bigelow Remink, Kate Dyer Bruin, Sheryl Smith, Linda Wood, Peter Walters; Row 8: Louise Pietler Myles, Susan Boe Steffel, Terry Fuller; Row 9: John Grant, Rita Hayden Grant, Nancy DeYoung Hager, Rick Zweering, Sue Bruggink Edema, Doug Edema, Jerry Wormmeester, Tom Jeltes, A. Jeffery Winnie; Row 10: Tony Miles, Gene Haulenbeek, Susan Sinclair Haulenbeek, Tom Walters, Peter Semeyn, Becky Jacobs '74 Semeyn.

1978—Row 1: Kathy Beuker VanDerMeulen, Marlin Boer, Gary Nieuwma '76, Cheri Dav Nieuwma, Amy Klapp Kroon, John Kroon, Carla Ganforth Williamson, Kathy Stratton, Bob Cebelak, Shirley Zaan Lohrborg; Row 2: Douglas VanDerMaalen '80, Vicki Viener Patton, Sherri Vos Rasmeyer, Katie Bosch Bauverst, Michael Lohrborg; Row 3: Deb Mullany Thompson, Martha E. Norden, Janet Young Kiel, Diane Basenema Aardema, Sharon Adcock, Brad Kirk, Mark Bauverst, Tim Bennett; Row 4: Dewey Thompson, Joe Dellaria, Karen Dellaria, Brian Stauffer, Doug Knappen; Row 5: Judy Diphouse Wolfis, Ann Norshau Knoll, Bob Hunt, Jeff Schaffer, Kevin Clark, Margaret Mappes Seison, Kathy Babinski '77 Knappen; Row 6: Michael Wolfis, Steve Knoll, Judy Alberts Hunt, David Schroeder, Paul Maykens, Bill Bryker, Eli Sanchez; Row 7: Beth Spencer Sidereus, Jeffrey A. Sidereus, Laurie Brown '85 Stears, Paul Stears, Peter DeYoung, Bob Post, Nancy Campbell Post, Betty Jacobs '74 Semeyn.

NEWS FROM HOPE COLLEGE, JUNE 1993
Alumni Board elects officers, new members

During its May meeting, the Alumni Association Board of Directors chose its three officers for 1993-94 and made one re-appointment. The board also appointed five new members.

John Abe '79 of Naperville, Ill., was appointed to a second year as the board's president, and Janet Lawrence '80 of Albany, N.Y., will serve a second year as vice president. Cal Bruins '61 of Paradise Valley, Ariz., was appointed secretary. In addition, Lawrence was reappointed to the board.

The board's new members are:
- Marianne Dykema '81 Griffin of Fort Worth, Texas (Southern Plains Region);
- Michael Percy '86 of Columbus, Ohio (Ohio Region); Jane Terpstra '82 of Minneapolis, Minn. (North Central Region);
- Richard Webster '84 of Sterling, Va. (Mid-Atlantic Region); and Michael Yantis '95 of Portage, Mich. (Junior Class).

Griffin reports that she has been a "stay at home mom and professional volunteer since 1987." She is a Hope in the Future campaign volunteer and calls prospective students for the Admissions Office. Griffin is active in her church and community. She and her husband, Timothy Griffin '80, have two sons.

Matthew and Alexander.

Percy is a CPA and a manager in the financial institution specialty group with Crow, Chizek and Company CPAs. He has called high school students in his area for the Admissions Office. Percy is active with his church, New Hope Reformed Church, where he is a deacon. His wife is Mary Elizabeth Garver '88 Percy.

Terpstra is account coordinator, Eastern Division, within the First Bank System (FBS) Corporate Card area, a recent promotion. She has helped plan alumni events in the Twin Cities area, and is also active as a volunteer in her community. Terpstra and her husband, Charlie Stark, have one son, Christopher Klaus Stark.

Webster is manager of tax policy-travel and the Tourism Government Affairs Council. He and spouse Beth French '87 Webster have been co-presidents of the Washington, D.C., Area Hope College Alumni Association for two years, and he has returned to campus for Homecoming each year since graduating. Webster is also active in his church and community. Yantis is majoring in business administration and political science, and plans to pursue a career in law or advertising. He will be Student Congress comptroller during 1993-94, chairing the Appropriations Committee, and is a past Student Congress representative. His other activities include being a member of the Centurian Fraternity and a resident assistant.

Members of the board whose terms have ended are: Stanley C. Busman '73 of Minneapolis, Minn.; Jeffrey Cords '80 of Dallas, Texas; Thelma Leenhearts '66 of Washington, D.C.; Jennifer Payette '92 of Holland, Mich.; and A. Jeffery Winne '73 of Highlands Ranch, Colo.

Service awards presented

The Hope College Alumni Association presented its first Meritorious Service Awards to two retiring members of the college staff during Alumni Weekend.

The awards were presented to Mary Kempler '60 and Dr. F. Phillip Van Eyl '55 on Friday, May 7, during the spring meeting of the Alumni Association's board of directors.

The awards recognize a person's contributions to the college and its alumni through notable personal service and long-term involvement with the college.

Kempler retired as director of conference services in April after serving on the staff for 15 years. Dr. Van Eyl is retiring as a member of the psychology faculty since 1959.

As director of conference services, Kempler coordinated campus usage by groups. She was also the college's liaison to the Women's League for Hope College.

Through her work for the college she was actively involved in the community, including serving as a board member of the Holland Area Chamber of Commerce, vice president of Tulip Time, vice president of the Holland Convention and Visitors Bureau, and a member of the Riverview Open Space Committee.

She taught with the Holland Public Schools before joining Hope's staff, and was also executive director of Holland Camp Fire Girls. She joined the Hope staff in 1978 as assistant alumni director. She is now working part-time with the Holland Area Chamber of Commerce. During Dr. Van Eyl's more than 30 years at the college, the department of psychology has grown substantially.

When he joined the faculty, he and one other professor were the department of psychology, sharing a single office. Today the department has nine full-time professors recognized for their teaching and scholarship.

He provided leadership as psychology chairperson for many years, and also established Hope's chapter of Psi Chi, the national psychology honorary society. In addition, he founded Hope's men's soccer team, which he coached from 1965 to 1968.

Four alumni received Distinguished Alumni Awards on Saturday, May 8. Pictured from left to right are: Dr. M. Eugene Osterhaven '37, Beth Marcus '42, John Abe '79 (Alumni Association president), Dr. Sylvia T. Ceyer '74 and Jeffrey D. Cords '80.
Alumni Weekend has come and gone. The fond memories remain and will be treasured by many. More than 750 members from the 1928-1978 reunion classes returned to campus—reunions of old friendships, and establishing new ones. For some it was the first time they had returned in 50 years, and they marveled at the changes, the beauty of the campus, and the excitement of the things that are happening at Hope College today. For others, who are able to return to campus more frequently, it was another opportunity to "come home." To everyone, it was a wonderful time to laugh at favorite stories, to reflect on treasured memories, and to share with others their journeys through life.

This was my first opportunity to be a part as Alumni Director, and it was rewarding for me to hear from so many people about their individual Hope experiences and the impact our alma mater has had on lives long after graduation. The personal stories are all unique, but the bonds that tie us together remain essentially the same—Hope holds a special place in our hearts.

Since January, I had the pleasure of working with more than 50 alumni volunteers who spent a great deal of time and energy planning their class reunions. It is because of their creativity and excellent leadership that Alumni Weekend was so successful. Thank you all for your hard work and dedication!

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There have been some changes in the Office of Public and Alumni Relations. We'd like to introduce Kathy Miller, our new office manager, whose responsibilities include working with me on alumni-related activities as well as coordinating the activities of the Women's League for Hope College. I know Kathy is looking forward with more than 50 alumni volunteers who spent a great deal of time and energy planning their class reunions. It is because of their creativity and excellent leadership that Alumni Weekend was so successful. Thank you all for your hard work and dedication!

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In May, the Alumni Association Board of Directors created the Alumni Association Mentoring Service Award. This award is designed to encourage contributions to Hope and its alumni through notable personal service and long-term involvement with the college.

ALUMNI BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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John Abe '79, President, Naperville, Ill.
Jon Lawrence '70, Secretary, Paradise Valley, Ariz.
Cal Bruns '61, Treasurer, Anna, N.Y.

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Laurie Vandehey, '79 Alumna, Grand Rapids, Mich.
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Marianne Dykens '81, Griffith, Fort Worth, Texas
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Betty Whistler '62, Jackson, West Melbourne, Fla.
Jennifer Liggitt '80, Kalamazoo, Mich.
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June Tepson '82, Minneapolis, Minn.
Chris Tudor '93, Upper Saint River, N.J.
Anne Walvoord '73, Vandenveldt, Grand Haven, N.Y.
Kay Moore '78, Walker, Traverse City, Mich.
Richard Webster 84, Sterling, Va.
Barbara Woodford '74, Northville, Mich.
Michael Vantine '75, Portage, Mich.

We are pleased to announce that the first two recipients of this award were Mary Kempker '69, recently retired director of conference services, and Dr. F. Philip Van Eyl '55, professor emeritus of psychology. (See page 20.)

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In April we sent a reader survey to 800 alumni asking for feedback on news from Hope College. We've already received many responses and it has been interesting and helpful to read the feedback.

I want to thank those of you that have taken the time to complete the survey. There have been many good suggestions, some already implemented in this issue, and others to come in the future.

One of the concerns expressed was that by the time some of our readers receive their issue of news from Hope College, activities listed on the Events page have already occurred. First, we are at the mercy of the Postal Service. We try to time our mailings to assure the timeliness of the publications. We have discovered that delivery can take anywhere from 48 hours to three weeks! Because of this, our practice is to publish event notices two consecutive issues whenever possible.

An alternative we maintain is an "Events—Activities Information Hotline" that is updated consistently during the school year. The number of this Hotline is (616) 394-7863.

class notes

News and information for class notes, marriages, advanced degrees and deaths are compiled for news from Hope College by Greg Odegard '87.

All submissions received by the Public Relations Office are sorted into class number, and the 1943 Milestone during the Class of'43's 50-year reunion. Professor Prins was a member of the Hope faculty from 1919 to 1962. At right is Barbara Folterbue '43 Tanner of Holland, Mich.

Marguerite Meyer '17 Prins (left) of Holland, Mich., professor emerita of French, considers the 1943 Milestone during the Class of'43's 50-year reunion, Professor Prins was a member of the Hope faculty from 1919 to 1962. At right is Barbara Folterbue '43 Tanner of Holland, Mich.

alumni alert

We are always looking to improve our programs. If you have suggestions or comments about how we can improve news from Hope College, Alumni Weekend activities, regional events, or any of our other activities, please let me know. Our phone number is (616) 394-7860; our fax number is (616) 394-7991; and my address is Lynne Pove, Alumni Director, Hope College, P.O. Box 9600, Holland, Michigan 49422-9000.

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In May, we had Alumni Weekend each May, Homecoming in the fall and celebrate individual class reunions every year, you don't need to wait for a special occasion to return to campus. We would be pleased to have you join us anytime. Although school is out for the year, there are still plenty of Hope-related activities planned for the summer. As I write this I am preparing for a trip to Philippines to celebrate the Philadelphia Center's 25th anniversary. I will be meeting with many of the program's Hope alumni and other alumni that live in the area. In June we are having a gathering in Oak Harbor, Wash., and a family outing at the John Ball Zoo in Grand Rapids, Mich. On July 12 the annual Golf Outing will be held at the Holland Country Club. Both men and women are encouraged to join us for this event and raised four is welcome. If you'd like more information on any of these events, please call me.

Yours for Hope,
Fla., in 1992 was elected to the Church Board of Penney Memorial Church, and in 1993 was named chairman of the church’s Financial Committee. Frederick Jappings Jr., 58, of Citrus Springs, Fla., keeps busy in his well-equipped shop making toys and furniture items. He is still musically involved in his church, including as a soloist.

Herman Lubin, 38, of Lebanon, N.Y., returned for May and June to his former parish International Church of Luxemburg, to serve as interim pastor. He organized the church during his 1984-87 service there.

Wendell Miles, 38 of Grand Rapids, Mich., continues to hold court throughout the United States. He held court in Las Vegas, Nev., from November 1992, through February 1993, his second year in a row there, and recently completed six weeks of service on Corpus Christi, Texas his fifth year in a row there. He continues to sit on the Foreign Intelligence Court about every other month in Washington, D.C., presiding over more than 100 cases a year. He shall continue to serve several sessions this year on the U.S. Court of Appeals in Sixth Circuit (Cincinnati) by invitation of the court.

Patricia Verhulst ’83 Purchased of Littleton, N.C., and husband East Purchase ’40 report enjoying the retired life particularly. They visited China and Hong Kong in 1991 and in May of this year flew around the world with visits in 10 countries.

Theresa Ruster ’83 Reenders of Grand Haven, Mich., and husband Gerald celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary on Dec. 29.

Lois Tysta ’38 Strohn has moved to Frieden Village in Holland, Mich., after 53 years in Fenton, Mich.

Edward Van Eck ’38 of Orange City, Iowa, in May of 1988 had two medical scholarships: in religion at Northwestern College. He was raised by friends and former students.

Alberta Kroeker ’83 Vermillion of Pella, Iowa, and husband Henry Vermillion ’78 spent six months at Bradenton, Fla., during the winter. They have hosted eight tours—six overseas and two in the United States. They are retired from pastoral and missionary work in Iowa, Nebraska and Minnesota.

Andy Nyboer ’40 and wife Marion of Rockford, Ill., will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary in the fall. Andy is teaching Marion for their 50th—by creating, ‘The Marion Nyboer Scholarship’ for Hope in a dealing with senior, female student planning a major towards a future Christian service involvement. It is the second Nyboer scholarship established at Hope, the first, the ‘John Nyboer Scholarship,’ honors Andy’s father, who was Hope’s cantorian from 1929 to 1955. Andy and Marion’s four children, and their children’s spouses, are all Hope alumni.

Both Marcus ’42 delivered the Baccalaureate sermon at Hope on Sunday, May 9.

Marian Van Dyke ’43 Clarke of Arlington Heights, Ill., in retirement attends Park District and junior college classes on various subjects that interest her.

Colvin De Vries ’43 of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, received an honoray doctorate—the doctorate of divinity—from Hope on Sunday, May 9.

Edith Krauern ’43 Kreimier of Honolulu, Hawaii, is in the process of locating a publisher for a book manuscript. The trade bookcollege textbook is on writing and revising prose for draft to readiness for submission and publication.

Wallace Stumper ’43 and wife Dorothy are dust collectors in a coal mine in Northeast Indiana. They will be spending one year together to become citizens of Canada. They were welcomed by the Immanuel Minister of the Province, and she was received with Christ receiving the American remaining home base for all three operations.

Marcine Malenburg ’53 De Jong and husband Calek of Pella, Iowa, are retired and living in Iowa, and recently completed a tour of the International School of Kordofan, Sudan, to visit India. They will leave in mid-June and will return to the U.S. in August.

Shirley Plaggemars ’53 Dykema plans to retire in August and enjoy a vacation Center director/division manager at DeGrand Nature Center in Holland, Mich. Under her direction board walks with educational talks was purchased, a log cabin was built, an administration was added, and an interpretive center was developed with a large display and many guided, family park and elective classes were written for the eighth thousand school children who visit each year.

Warren Eves ’53 of Verona, Wis., and wife Susan will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary in September. Their first was in Chang Mai, Thailand, and second in Therattｮna, Thai and Wisconsin. He played tennis a great deal in Asia, and, with Volvo League in Sweden.

Elizabeth Jansen ’53 of Pella, Iowa, is a kindergarten teacher with Pella Community Schools, and was included in Who’s Who Among American Women 1992.

George Heskett ’53 of Patcham, Mich., plans to retire from medical practice on June 30. He plans to relocate to Ottawa County and Grand Haven Township in late 1993.

Jeanette Van Hook ’55 Kasson of Vancouver, Wash., and three sons in the service, including one who was in Desert Storm, one who was with the Air Force and one currently in Greece. Another son is a second lieutenant and one is a pilot.

Barbara Moeser ’53 of Muskegon, Mich., retired in June of 1992. She taught and was involved in activities with the Muskegon Public Schools for 38 years.

Wesley Skidmore ’53 of Bellevue, Wash., is a member of the Council of the Washington State Chapter of the American College of Surgeons, is a member of the Medical Alumni and a member of the Kalamazoo County and recently completed a three-year term as chairperson of the department of surgery at Physicians Hospital in Eastgate, Wash.

Stansley Vander Aarde ’53 of Willmar, Minn., in 1992 was appointed to serve on the Hospital Board of First Memorial Hospital in Kalamazoo City of William. This year he participated in the ‘People to People Program,’ visiting ENIT facilities in Singapore, Bangkok, Kuala Lumpur and Hong Kong from May 3 to 5.

Gay Vander Jagt ’57 of Great Falls, Va., has held prestigious marketing row firm of Baker & Hostetler and has joined Keppeler Associates for a series of speeches at national conventions, business conferences, and several universities campuses. He has also joined the Board of Directors of several national and worldwide companies.

John Biejer ’59 of Support News, Va., on April 1 retired from the manufacturing engineering department of the Newport News Shipbuilding & Drydock Company.

Bruce van Voorn ’54, spoke at Ferris State University in Big Rapids, Mich., on March 30. A strategic supervisor for Technology magazine, he presented ‘Magellanic to Moscow’ as part of a ‘Convocation and World Sculpture Dedication Ceremony’ commemorating the 100th year of Ferris.

Robert Riske ’55 of Grand Rapids, Mich., on Feb. 10 was featured in the Northwest Advance in connection with the ‘Churches to Parent Care.’ Car. He is a full-time professor at Grand Rapids Community College (GRCC), and for the past 20 years has been director of a non-profit organization on aging involving the resources of GRCC and Calvin College.

David Marin ’56 is an assistant professor of education at Karnataka State College in Marmet, Ga. He is also a principal contributor to the Northwest Advance, and his work was organized by the Western Channel for middle-grade students. His work for the program included helping with writing, teaching, 100,000 children in 1992, the Western Channel distributed following its initial printing in July of 1992.

Richard Ten Haken ’56 of Potsdam, N.Y., retired on March 18 after 55 years in public education. He most recently was the assistant supervisor of local Schools in New York State. In June of 1992 he was elected chairperson of the Board and
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New York, State Teachers’ Retirement System.

Nicole Merriman ‘88 Anderson was named the 1993 “Volunteer of the Year” by public television station WTVT–4 of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., for her work as a volunteer for the church where she serves as president of the Board of Trustees.

Beth Ann ‘88 of Holland, Mich., is a third grade teacher with the West Ottawa Schools. Her class was featured in a special edition of her local paper.

Carol Houghtaling ‘80 Brinkerhoff of Ithaca, N.Y., is managing her family holding company, the Farnsworth Companies, which is located in Fort Worth, Texas. She has been involved with research on hereditary neuropathies for the past 10 years.

David Vanden Berg ‘84 of Calvin College has been involved with research on hereditary neuropathies for the past 10 years.

Charles Vanden Berg ‘84 of Calvin College has been involved with research on hereditary neuropathies for the past 10 years.

Deborah Teusink ‘86 of Grand Valley State University, and has been involved with research on hereditary neuropathies for the past 10 years.

Janet Baird ‘65 Wiesiger and husband John move to Sand Lake, Eau Gallie, Fla., where they have a year-round home on their vacation property.

Vernon Zuevink ‘69 of Grand Haven, Mich., and his wife, Mary, have been involved with research on hereditary neuropathies for the past 10 years.

Ann DePuy ‘69 Retz of River Forest, Ill., is a high school principal and has been involved with research on hereditary neuropathies for the past 10 years.

Calvin College ‘61 of Paradise Valley, Ariz., was one of five high school principals selected for the Outstanding Principal Award given by the Arizona School’s Association and was recognized for his leadership style. He is principal of Arcadia High School.

Paul Britton ‘62 of June in June 1992 took early retirement from the music faculty at Longwood College in Farmville, Va., where he had taught since 1963. In January he moved to Las Vegas, Nev., where he began work as a research fellow at the University of Nevada, Arts and Sciences. His school offers quality instruction in music and the visual arts to students from age three to senior citizen.

Atsuyoshi Utsu ‘62 is director of development at Keuka College, N.Y., and has been involved with research on hereditary neuropathies for the past 10 years.

Marcia A.nn Meekings Balder ‘62 of New York City practices family and criminal law on Long Island. She has been involved with research on hereditary neuropathies for the past 10 years.

Philip De Vito ‘63 of Boston, Mass., has been released from the hospital and is completing recovery from Guillain-Barre Syndrome. He plans to relocate to the Washington, D.C., area by early December. He has been involved with research on hereditary neuropathies for the past 10 years.

Sally Ewing ‘63 of Strasburg, Va., is a library assistant at Montgomery (Md.) High School. She has been involved with research on hereditary neuropathies for the past 10 years.

Ann Van Dorp ‘63 of Michigan is a history teacher at the Michigan Christian Public Schools. She has been involved with research on hereditary neuropathies for the past 10 years.

Wayne Saxman ‘63 and wife Lyann Mailiner ‘63 Saxman have moved to Lowell, Mich., and have been involved with research on hereditary neuropathies for the past 10 years.

Norman Kiel ‘63 of Winter Haven, Fla., has a guidance counselor at Northampton (Mass.) High School.

James Jurris ‘63 of Holland, Mich., owned franchises in West Michigan of Blockbuster Video. He sold the business, including a Blockbuster Entertainment Corp. in Flagstaff, Ariz.

David Kneit ‘63 of Holland, Mich., is a pastor with the United Churches of Jesus Christ in Eau Claire, Wis. This year he will be opening the First Church, the first church to be opened by the church.

Marinus Luttenhuis ‘63 of Hudsonville, Mich., is a teacher with the Hudsonville Public Schools. He taught Physics for the Elementary Teacher at Hope in the fall of 1992 and has been busy since then. He has been involved with research on hereditary neuropathies for the past 10 years.

Bernie Bosquier ‘63 of Stamford, Conn., is a professor at the University of New Orleans in Louisiana. He is currently working on a Ph.D. in the field of Hereditary Neuropathies.

Fernandez Brumning ‘68 of De Young lost her home in a hurricane in 1992. She has been involved with research on hereditary neuropathies for the past 10 years.

Steven Piersma ‘68 of Orange, Calif., was appointed to the district of Orange County Junior Varsity Coaches for the year in 1992. He is a teacher in the junior varsity program.

Coreen Cramer ‘68 Porter in November was elected president of the Florida Academy of Science Teachers’ Association, a member of the State Science Teachers Association, and has been involved with research on hereditary neuropathies for the past 10 years.

Anh Van Duy ‘68 is a director of the School (Mich.) Chamber of Commerce. She has been involved with research on hereditary neuropathies for the past 10 years.

Roger Roebotz ‘68 and Sandy Templin ‘68 Roebotz have formed a new real estate company, “Roe & Company,” a real estate company. All four Roeboots—Roger, Sandy, and daughters Rebecca and Rachel—are real-estate owners.

John Schalk ‘68 of Virginia Beach, Va., retired from the U.S. Navy in 1993. He was recently appointed as assistant director of the Department of Labor and Industry for the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Nancy Newnham ‘67 of Westport, Conn., has been involved with research on hereditary neuropathies for the past 10 years.

Rogers Waddell ‘68 of Houston, Texas, has been teaching a mandatory continuing education class in real estate. Her real estate office recently received an award from the Houston Realtors Association in the office category.

Carol Saurin ‘69 of Kalamazoo, Mich., has been elected to the Board of Trustees of the Michigan Colleges Foundation. She has been involved with research on hereditary neuropathies for the past 10 years.
Corps 1943-1948,” which technical writer/editor. Canajoharie, Wash., is previously with Raffensperger, 20 miles west of the Rocky Mountain area.

Elaine Nichols ’73 of Gazeville, Fla., was named Student Educators of America’s Award for 1992. She is a teaching parenting skills to families of children with disabilities.

George Johnson ’73 and his wife orienteering in the Chippewa Indians’ territory. This is the first major news from the University of Michigan, and his family are staying to the Pine River, Minn., area through August.

Jane Johnson ’71 Kapral of Libertyville, Ill., opened an online video project with Mike in Bath, Grove, Ill., in April after many years as a staff pediatrician and medical administrator for a staff member, the Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill.

Judy Lookshower ’73 of Alexandria, Va., is vice-principal of the D.A.A. Academy in the area of technology, and has been in Canada for 12 years.

James Koolsbos ’81 of Hamilton, Ont., is employed in the library of the Cleveland Public Library. He is a member of the library board of trustees.

Jerry Laufer ’73 of North Oshawa, Ont., is a library assistant at the University of Western Ontario. He is also a member of the Transportation Managers Committee.

Christine Bush ’73 of Doylestown, Pa., has written and published the fifth novel, Deadline for Danger, which will be out this summer by Avalon Books of New York City.

Daniel McNeil ’73 of Langon, Ont., previously promoted to corporate transportation manager of Progress Lighting. He is Nodisc chairperson of the Computer Science Association, and earlier this year became certified by PSI/Professional Ski Instructors of America and the Council of the North American Skiing Association.

Terry Ross ’73 is a social worker and community organizer in the Boulder Creek, Minn., area. He has also been promoted to Transportation Managers Committee.

Joanne Moore ’73 of Shaw in Colombia, D.C., attended the 16th annual meeting of the American Association of University Women, and has been promoted to Transportation Managers Committee.

Robert J. Kraker ’78 of Limoncelli, N.Y., is a consulting engineer for the Professional Ski Instructors of America. He has been attending the 16th annual meeting of the American Skiing Association.

Dave Hoos ’78 of Philadelphia, Pa., is an author of the novel, The Boyfriend.”

Carol Brown ’70 of Bend, Ore., is a freelance writer for the Oregonian. She has been attending the American Skiing Association of Oregon, and has been promoting to Transportation Managers Committee.

Linda Athavale ’78 of Mumbai, India, has been attending the 16th annual meeting of the American Skiing Association in Japan. She has been promoting to Transportation Managers Committee.

Elizabeth Shaw ’78 of England, is working on her doctorate in sociology at the University of Michigan. She has been attending the 16th annual meeting of the American Skiing Association in England, and has been promoting to Transportation Managers Committee.

Lola Maze ’78 of Incline Village, Nev., has been attending a poetry workshop in the 16th annual meeting of the American Skiing Association in Nevada. She has been promoting to Transportation Managers Committee.

Lela Marcum ’78 of Washington, D.C., has been attending the American Skiing Association in Washington, D.C. She has been promoting to Transportation Managers Committee.

Kathryn Neild ’79 of New York, N.Y., has been attending the 16th annual meeting of the American Skiing Association in New York. She has been promoting to Transportation Managers Committee.

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Laura Lynne Sasama ’88 Hypnowitz moved to Richmond, Va., in December.

Jill Berron ’93 has accepted a call to be pastor of Salem Covenant Church at Washington, Conn. Mary Alice Smith ’89 is a doctoral candidate in English (Ohio State); she sings with the Zionsville Choral Society and was chosen to perform at the Innsbruck Day Concert in January. Steve Miller ’89 has completed the first year of his Master of Science degree in professional psychology at Frostburg State University. She received his Bachelor of Arts degree in philosophy at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, in 1992, and is now a first year medical student at the University of Maryland School of Medicine in Baltimore.

Catherine A. Bond ’89 was awarded the University of Michigan School of Dentistry’s seal of honor for excellence in dental hygiene. Prior to her appointment at Michigan, she worked at University of California at Berkeley.

Michael B. Zenner ’89 is the new president of the University of North Carolina at Charlotte. He was previously a professor at the University of Michigan, where he was a member of the faculty in the Department of Psychology.

Downing ’93 has accepted a position at the University of Kentucky College of Medicine at Lexington. She has been a faculty member at the University of Missouri since 1992.

Diana N. ’88 has been appointed associate professor at the University of Florida College of Medicine.

Venice T. ’88 has been promoted to associate professor at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical School.

Kathleen A. ’89 has received the University of California, San Francisco, Achievement Award.

Jennifer ’86 of Western Michigan University has been appointed as an associate dean at the University of Oregon.

Krista Wider ’93 will attend the University of Michigan Dental School.

Christakos ’93 will attend the University of Michigan Dental School.

Douglas Burns ’78 and Karen Porinzki ’81, Jan. 18.

Alexandra V., ’89 of the University of Michigan, received the National Institute of Dental Research’s Distinguished Service Award.

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David Brugeman ’69, master of arts degree in history, University of Nebraska at Omaha, Aug. 15, 1992.

Peter DeLam, M.B.A., University of Detroit, Oct. 23.

Donald De Yong ’78, master’s, national security studies, Georgetown University, May, 1993.

Dennis R. ’81, master of science degree in physical therapy, University of Indianapolis.

Patricia E., ’89 of the University of Nebraska at Omaha, Aug. 15, 1992.

Nan Huey ’81, M.A., comparative literature, Florida State University.


Theodore Hunter ’86, ’88, received the University of Michigan School of International Management’s Distinguished Service Award.


Sonia Van Ely ’84, Taylor master’s, nursing, Michigan State University.

Jane Taylor-Wedra ’86, M.S., educational administration, University of Southern Maine, May, 1992.

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N.Y., the son of Abram and Josephine Amelie Leenhouts. He was the brother of Pearl Leenhouts Bickel, who preceded him in death in 1993. He received his MA from Gallaudet College in Washington, D.C., in 1938.

He dedicated his life to the education of deaf children. He began his career at the Rochester (N.Y.) School for the Deaf in 1931. In 1944 he was appointed principal of the California School for the Deaf in Berkeley. Later he became assistant superintendent for that school. He served the deaf students from 1931 until his retirement in 1971. He was recognized for establishing one of the first parent programs in the United States, involving the parents in the education of their hearing impaired children. He continued to be involved in education by reading books on tapes for the blind, by tutoring children with learning difficulties, by offering sign language instruction and by serving on scholarly committees.

He was a member of the Union Congregational Church. He was also a member of Awan Park Rotary, a Paul Harris Fellow.

Before coming to Florida in 1965 he was a past president of the Rossmore Men's Golf Club and past president of the Rossmore Scholarship Foundation, and served on that Board for several years. He was an avid golfer, writer, poet, speaker and humorist.

Survivors include his wife, Caroline Phillips Leenhouts; daughters, Linda (Alian) Quinlan of Santa Fe, N.M., and Judith May of Tucson, Ariz.; step-sons, Robert B. (Cary) Webster and four grandchildren; step-grandchildren; a great-grandchild and five step-grandchildren.

Kenneth E. Snodderly '59 of Gaylord, Mich., died on Friday, April 16, 1993. He was 60.


Through Hope's Washington Semester plan he also attended Gallaudet College in Washington, D.C. He earned master of arts (M.A.) and specialist of arts (S.A.) degrees from Gallaudet, and also did additional graduate work at Wayne State University.

He was a veteran of the Korean War, having served in the U.S. Army.

Kenneth retired from teaching in the Stoughton Community Schools in 1985. He was a member of Gaylord Lodge 66 F. & A.M. Christ-of-the-Valley Chapter 114, O.E.S., Otsego County Masonic Temple Post 1888 V.F.W., and First United Methodist Church in Gaylord.

He is survived by his wife, Kathryn; his sons, John (Tanya) of Kalamazoo, Germany; Randall (Mary) of Elyria, Ohio, and four grandchildren; and a daughter, Jan Marie Sampson (Michael) of Remus, and three grandchildren.

J. Franklin Van Alsburg '35 of Holland, Mich., died on Thursday, April 30, 1993, in Holland Community Hospital. He was 79.

He received his master's degree in forestry from the University of Michigan. He was employed by the U.S. Forest Service and was self-employed in woodworking.

Surviving are his wife, Lucy; his children, Joan and Janet Van Alsburg of Muscatine, Iowa, and Anna Rutgers of Holland, four grandchildren; and two sisters, Mrs. Dick (Esther) of Zeeland, Mich., and Mrs. Dick (Eleanor) of Holland and Kuth Cups of Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

Paul Van Eenennaam '43 of Zeeland, Mich., died on Sunday, April 6, 1993. He was 71.

He was a member of First Reformed Church in Zeeland, having served on its consistory and teaching committees and Sunday School.

He practiced dentistry in Zeeland for 47 years. A member of the Gideon's, he served on the board of West Indies Self-Help (WISH). A veteran of the U.S. Navy, he served in World War II and the Korean War.

A son, Bill, preceded him in death.

Survivors include his wife, Florence; his children, Richard and Becky Van Eenennaam of Zeeland, Jan and Paula Van Eenennaam of Holland, Mich., Scott and Mary Nokker of Zeeland, and Laura Egle of Holland; his grandchildren; and his great-grandchildren.

The family of Margaret Harrington, of South Haven, Mich., and formerly of Zeeland, Mich., who died on Friday, April 30, 1993. She was 76.

The Margaret Baron Harrington Nursing Scholarship at Hope is named in her honor. She and her husband, Elmer Harrington '39, have also established an endowed chair in chemistry at Hope.

She was a member of Second Reformed Church in Zeeland and a registered nurse at Zeeland Community Hospital.

She is survived by her husband, Elmer; her children, Ronald and Barbara Harrington of South Haven, John and Cynthia Harrington of Baton Rouge, La., and Eleanor Harrington and Michael Havane of Santa Fe, N.M., three grandchildren; her brothers and sisters-in-law, Russell and Muriel Baron of Zeeland, Michigan, and Dr. and Mrs. Sampson of Zeeland, Michigan; and their children.

The family of John McKee, who died on Thursday, May 20, 1993, in Kalamazoo, Mich. She was 88.

She was the mother of Dr. Jeanne Jacobson, wife of Hope College President Dr. John H. Jacobson.

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Commencement seems an ending—the culmination of not only years of college but also all the schooling that preceded it. The event is aptly named, however, for it is not an ending but a beginning, and that which came before is prologue for the living that will follow. As with all of life, the whole is comprised of many moments.