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Steve Bouma-Prediger '79 named H.O.P.E. Prof

Dr. Steven Bouma-Prediger '79 received the 59th annual "Hope Outstanding Professor Educator" (H.O.P.E.) Award from the Class of '99.

Dr. Bouma-Prediger, an associate professor of religion, was honored during the college's annual Honors Convocation, held in Dimnent Memorial Chapel on Thursday, April 29. 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.

"Steve Bouma-Prediger has been an outstanding faculty member at Hope—as a teacher, as a scholar and as a person who cares for students," said Dr. John H. Jacobson, president of Hope College. "I am delighted that he has been chosen this year to receive the H.O.P.E. award."

Dr. Bouma-Prediger has been a member of the Hope faculty since 1994. His areas of specialization include the philosophy of religion and philosophical theology, philosophy and theology of nature, ecological ethics and Christian theology.

He has regularly led a Hope "May Term" in the Adirondacks that concerns ecological theology and ethics. He was the college's commencement speaker in May of 1998.

His book The Greening of Theology: The Ecological Models of Rosemary Radford Ruether, Joseph Sittler, and Jurgen Moltmann was published in 1995, and he is co-author of the 1996 monograph Assessing the Ark: A Christian Perspective on Species and the Endangered Species Act, written with Virginia Vroblewski. He is also the author of numerous scholarly articles and reviews.

From 1990 to 1994, Dr. Bouma-Prediger was an assistant professor of psychology and chair of the department at North Park College in Chicago, Ill. While he was at North Park College, the Chicago Tribune named him to its 1994 "All Professor II" academic team, which recognized 50 outstanding faculty from smaller Chicago-area colleges and universities.

He was a member of the philosophy faculty at North Park Theological Seminary in Chicago from 1992 to 1994, and at Fuller Theological Seminary in 1993.

He holds a master's degree in philosophy from the Institute for Christian Studies in Toronto, Ontario, Canada, and a master of divinity from Fuller Theological Seminary, and a doctorate from the University of Chicago.

He and his wife, Celaine Bouma-Prediger '79, have three children, Anna, Clara and Sophia.

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"Quote, unquote"

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

The following column by Amanda Black '99 of Cartersville, Ga., appeared in the April 28 Anchor, the final edition of the 1998-99 school year.

"Students learn a lot in the classroom. But most of us students don't plan on spending the rest of our lives in classrooms. Even though we want to be teachers, right here are some that will step into a classroom for the last time this week. No more homework, no more papers, no more tests.

"Then the real challenge begins. "We get to join the ranks of adults. I've put in my application, tried on my cap and gown and signed away the next 20 years to repay my loans to the United States government.

"I'm a little scared, but I have had experiences that mirror the real world. I didn't learn everything I know in the classroom, I was a student leader. The Milestone, Anchor, WHIS, AIM, Nykerk and FSC have filled my time, but provided an invaluable experience. Some idle hours seemed filled with things to do. Those hours outside of the classroom became filled with decisions to make, things to get done and some fun too.

"The mysteries of time management, money doing, computer repair, working in groups, returning messages, respect, dependability, caring, and leadership became more than concepts. At my internship, they are very concerned about recent college graduates because they are too green. I have made decisions that high-level management makes. I know it is a much smaller scale, but I have been faulted with little. When a lot is given to me, I intend to use the skills that I learned as part of a student organization. When I look back at my college experience, I can say that I spent being a part of student organizations will always come to mind. I cannot separate those experiences from the whole. I won't forget the times that taught me so much.

"(A word of warning: seniors tend to get a little sappy when the calendar turns to April. An episode of that will follow.) "The time has come to make me laugh. For years, I will tell stories about media conferences in Orlando and Chicago. The Milestone staff made an appearance in the audience of the Jerry Jones show. I will never forget that strange time. The people make this job so wonderful. Some of the best friends that I've ever had came from my stint as part of student organizations. "They've made me cry too. Some late nights when I stayed up struggling to make an anchor or milestone deadline have been less than pleasant. Fixing problems, doing work for several editors, ignoring my free time, and being dead broke were not the best times in my life. They taught me lessons though. I am ready to deal with the problems to come. "For those of you that still have time left at Hope College, make the best of it. You still have the chance to get involved. Don't worry about the difficulties or being under-qualified. You are talented; there is somewhere and someone who knows the opportunities. The lessons to be learned will change who you are. Memories await, as do plenty of good friends. You never know what can happen. Take a chance. "I did, I will never be the same."

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On the cover

Our main photo features the Class of '99 marching past Graves Hall toward Baccalaureate, and the future, on a picture-postcard-perfect day. The inset photo at lower left pictures Justin Wormald speaking with Tony Madermann, professor of business administration. At lower right, Renata Meixner celebrates in Flying Dutch-appropriate gear.

At top center, the softball team celebrates a home run. At top right, President D. John and Jeanne Jacobson receive a maquette of the A.C. Van Raalte statue during a retirement banquet sponsored by the Board of Trustees.

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Hope leads in summer grants

Hope holds more grants for summer student research from the National Science Foundation's "Research Experiences for Undergraduates" (NSF-REU) program than any other liberal arts college in the country.

Hope holds a total of five of the awards for the summer: in biology, chemistry, computer science, mathematics, and physics and engineering. It is the eighth consecutive year that at least four Hope departments have had NSF-REU support.

Nationwide, only six other institutions, all of which are universities, hold as many of the grants as Hope; and only two universities hold more. Other than Hope, the only recipients of three or more of the grants are universities or research institutions.

More than 200 institutions, including not only colleges and universities but also museums and independent research organizations, hold NSF-REU grants this year.

Through Hope's grants, undergraduates from both Hope and elsewhere are conducting research on a full-time basis with Hope faculty members. The fellowships pay tuition and fees and a stipend of approximately $10,000 per year for three years for students pursuing doctorates in the sciences.

Hope also is one of the eight Hope recipients of the two-year National Defense Scholars Program, which provides awards to students who are selected on the basis of academic merit from a field of 1,185 mathematics, science and engineering students who were nominated by the faculties of colleges and universities nationwide.

It is the third year in a row that a Hope student has received one of the scholarships. Newell is pursuing a double major in biology and chemistry.

Kevin Paulisse '99 of Grandville, Mich., was one of only 96 students nationwide to receive a "National Defense Science and Engineering Graduate Fellowship" for graduate work. The fellowships pay tuition and fees and a stipend of approximately $10,000 per year for three years for students pursuing doctorates in the sciences.

Paulisse was also one of 500 students nationwide to receive a Graduate Fellowship from the National Science Foundation (NSF), which also supports doctoral studies in the sciences.

He has accepted the National Defense Science and Engineering Graduate Fellowship, since recipients may not choose both. A chemistry and mathematics major, he plans to pursue a doctorate in physical chemistry at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Annalise Van Wyngarden, a senior from Cadillac, Mich., received a fellowship valued in excess of $10,000 to attend the 1999 Summer School in Nuclear and Radiochemistry held at Brookhaven National Laboratory on Long Island, N.Y., from July 21 through July 30.

She is one of just 12 fellowship recipients chosen nationally.

The intensive, six-week school consists of both lecture and laboratory work on the fundamentals of nuclear science and its applications to nuclear medicine and related fields. In addition to the formal instruction, the program will include research site visits, a guest lecture series and the opportunity to meet and interact with prominent research scientists working in nuclear and radiochemistry.

GEOLGY RESEARCH: The National Science Foundation (NSF) and the Petroleum Research Fund (PRF) have recently funded research and teaching in the department of geological and environmental sciences.

Last summer, the NSF awarded a $27,365 instructional laboratory instrumentation (ILI) grant to faculty members Dr. Brian Bodenbender, Dr. Jonathan Peterson '84 and Dr. Graham Pestle for the acquisition and development of an environmental science laboratory.

A major component of the project is a Geographic Information System (GIS), and the GIS has already spawned additional research funding. In March, the PRF awarded Dr. Bodenbender a two-year, $25,000 grant to continue the work.

Stats class makes magazine

Getting creative with statistics is usually frowned upon, but this semester mathematics professor John Van Iwaarden '57 encouraged it.

The students in his introductory statistics class were assigned to write a magazine article for a set of data they found interesting. The idea was to make students more aware of how statistics can be used, or mis-used, in print, while at the same time adding writing—and a bit of fun—to their numbers-based course.

"We see a lot of statistics appearing in everyday newspapers and magazines," Professor Van Iwaarden said. "We want our students to be able to look more critically at the use of statistics."

"Plus, this was a great opportunity for us to let the students express themselves in ways that they don't normally get to do in a math class," he said. "They're allowed to pick the question that they want to answer. They're allowed to pick the data that they want to write.

The students did their work in groups, with the top four projects combined to form a statistical magazine. The four topics ranged from an analysis of baseball catchers' ability at the plate instead of behind it (freshman Blair Johnson of St. Joseph, Mich., and Nathaniel Tripp of Hudson, Ohio, to the value of used automobiles (freshman Tony Crockett of Battle Creek, Mich., and sophomore Carolyn Kremm of Ann Arbor, Mich.), to average height of choral singers (sophomores Kelly Kiewiet of Kalamazoo, Mich., and Kristen Slooten of Grand Ledge, Mich.) to use of contraception by age group (senior Steve Brenner of Sturgis, Mich., junior Chris Frentz of Haslett, Mich., and sophomore Amanda Peters of Spring Lake, Mich.).

The reasons for the groups' choices varied. Johnson and Tripp, for example, felt that catchers were the unsung heroes of baseball (their data supported the premise, finding that catchers who played in 80 or more games from 1995 to 1997 averaged 2.65 at bat).

Crockett and Kremm ran with the genre, generating an entire "magazine" themselves to surround their assigned article, including a full-color cover, and a humorous "classifieds" section. "We had a lot of fun planning it," Kremm said. (Their "extra" articles were used extensively in the larger class magazine as well.)

Complimented by Professor Van Iwaarden for their creativity, the students also gave the assignment itself high marks.

"It made it much more enjoyable," Frentz said. "Doing something like this lets you use all kinds of classes."

(See "Campus Notes" on page nine.)
**Events**

**Summer Seminars**
Five courses are available for one or two hours of undergraduate credit or, in some cases, one graduate credit or on an audit basis. The courses run Monday–Friday, Aug. 2–6, from 9 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. The courses are:
- "Wild Poetry"
- "Dissolving Boundaries: Understanding the Hispanic Way"
- "Mastering the World Wide Web"
- "The Fourth Genre: Creative Nonfiction"
- "Political Dilemmas and Human Rights in Contemporary American Foreign Policy"

For additional information about this year’s summer seminars, please call David James '76, program director, at (616) 395-7830.

**Admissions**
Campus Visits: The Admissions Office is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays, and from 9 a.m. until noon on Saturdays. Tours and admissions interviews are available during the summer as well as the school year. Appointments are recommended.

Visitation Days offer specific programs for prospective students, including transfers and high school juniors and seniors. The programs show students and their parents a typical day in the life of a Hope student. The dates for 1999–00 are as follows:

- Friday, Oct. 8
- Friday, Nov. 19
- Friday, Feb. 5
- Friday, Oct. 22
- Friday, Nov. 5
- Friday, Feb. 11
- RCA Youth Football Day: Saturday, Sept. 11
- RCA Youth Football Day: Saturday, Oct. 9

For further information about any Admissions Office event, please call (616) 395-7850, or toll free 1-800-968-7850 or write: Hope College Admissions Office; 60 E. 10th St.; PO Box 9000, Holland, MI 49420-9000.

**Knickerbocker Theatre**
**Downtown Holland, at 86 East Eighth Street**
Tickets are $4.50 for regular adult admission, and $3.50 for senior citizens and students. For more information, please call (616) 395-4950.

**Alumni & Friends**
Regional Events
West Michigan—Tuesday, July 27
A dessert reception and tour of Quiet Grander: Four Centuries of Dutch Art, an exhibit at the Grand Rapids Art Museum. The event will be held from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

West Michigan—Thursday, Aug. 12
The Alumni Association’s annual baseball outing, featur- ing the West Michigan Whitecaps versus the Lansing Lugnuts.

Holland Golf Outing—Monday, June 28
Community Day—Saturday, Sept. 11
Presidential Inauguration—Friday, Oct. 22
The inauguration of Dr. James E. Bultman ’63 as Hope’s 11th president. Details TBA.

Homecoming—Friday, Oct. 22–24
Includes reunions for the Classes of ’84, ’89 and ’94.

For additional information concerning alumni events, please call the Office of Public and Alumni Relations at (616) 395-7860.

**Football**
Saturday, Sept. 4—QUERETARO, 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, Sept. 11—AUGUSTANA, 1:30 p.m.
Saturday, Sept. 18—DEPAUW, IND., 1 p.m.
Saturday, Sept. 25—at Illinois Wesleyan, 1:30 p.m. CDT
Saturday, Oct. 9—at Defiance, Ohio, 1:35 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 16—*ALMA, 1 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 23—*ADRIAN, 2 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 30—*ALBION, 1 p.m.
Saturday, Nov. 6—*OLIVET, 1 p.m.
Saturday, Nov. 13—*KALAMAZOO, 1 p.m.

An exhibition game with the team from the Autonomous University of Queretaro in Mexico.

*MIAA Game +Community Day ++Homecoming

Home games played at Holland Municipal Stadium

**SUMMER CAMPS OFFER KIDS FUN**
A variety of sports camps and—for a second year—chemistry camps provide a chance for younger students to learn at Hope.

Please see the schedules elsewhere on this page for more information.

**Summer Camps**

**Chemistry Camps**
Coed, grades four–six: June 28–July 2, 8:30–11:30 a.m.
Girls, grades four–six: June 28–July 2, 1:30–4:30 p.m.
Coed, grades K–three: July 12–16, 8:30–11:30 a.m.
Coed, grades K–three: Aug. 9–13, 1:15–4:15 p.m.
Coed, grades seven–nine: July 12–16, 1:30–4:30 p.m.
Coed, grades 10–12: Aug. 9–13, 8:30–11:20 a.m.

For more information, please call Tod Gugino ’85 at (616) 395-7640.

**Soccer Camps**
Day Camp—two camps: June 3–9, June 30–July (ages 14-18)
Elite Camp—two camps: July 4–9, July 11–16 (ages 12-18)

**Basketball Guard and Post Camp**
For high school team varsity candidates: June 22–July 2
For more information, please call Matt Neil ’82 at (616) 392-4801.

**Boys Basketball Camps**
Entering grades six–eight: July 5–9, 9 a.m.–3 p.m.
Entering grades seven–nine: July 12–16, 9 a.m.–3 p.m.

**Yarsity Team Camp:** July 5–8, 5–9 p.m.

Jayvee Team Camp: July 12–15, 5–9 p.m.

For more information, please call Dr. Glenn Van Wieren ‘64 at (616) 395-7690.

**Girls Basketball Camps**
Entering grades six–eight: July 26–30, 1–4:30 p.m.
Entering grades nine–12: July 26–30, 8–11:30 a.m.

Body training for basketball (entering grades six–12): July 26–30, 11:30 a.m.–12:10 p.m.

For more information, please call Brian Marshbauer ’91 at (616) 395-7697.

**Football Camps**
(entering grades nine–12)
Lineman’s Camp: July 25–27
Skilled Position Camp: July 25–27

For more information, please call (616) 395-7691.

**Traditional Events**
Full tug-of-war—Saturday, Oct. 2
Nykerk Cup competition—Saturday, Nov. 6
Christmas Vespers—Saturday-Sunday, Dec. 4–5
Honors Convocation—Thursday, April 27
Baccalaureate and Commencement—Sunday, May 7

**Instant Information**
Updates on events, news and athletics at Hope may be obtained 24 hours a day by calling (616) 395-7888.

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Class of '99 sails on

Commencement speakers John and Julie Fiedler found numerous ways to highlight their anchor analogy during their address on Sunday, May 9, including visually.

Shortly after beginning their speech, they discarded their black academic robes and continued while clad as sailors. “Since everyone seemed to be dressing up today, we decided 19th century sailor costumes are pretty appropriate outfits for the commencement speech at a college whose symbol is an anchor and whose athletic teams are known as the Flying Dutchmen and the Flying Dutch,” said Julie Fiedler, who like John is an adjunct assistant professor of English.

In keeping with the nautical theme, the Fiedlers titled their address “Anchors Aweigh.” They presented their “Top 5 Rules for the Flying Dutch of 1999” as the graduates prepared to sail into their lives after Hope.

Approximately 4,000 attended Commencement, held at Holland Municipal Stadium. About 590 Hope seniors participated, including graduates from throughout the United States and as far away as Bulgaria, Kuwait and Peru.

In addition to honoring the graduates during the ceremony, the college also presented a Distinguished Service Award to Professor Jose Alfredo Zepeda Garrido, rector of the Autonomous University of Queretaro. Professor Zepeda played a central role in establishing the on-going exchange program between Hope and the university.

Also as with the graduates, the event marked both an ending and a beginning for the Fiedlers, who are leaving the college after their 13 years on the faculty. John Fiedler plans to pursue a career as an elementary teacher, and Julie Fiedler as an artist.

In presenting their five rules, the Fiedlers shared the story of the Flying Dutchman captain of legend, who because of a rash oath was cursed to repeat an unsuccessful journey around the Cape of Good Hope for eternity, bringing bad luck to those who encountered him. Julie Fiedler noted that “We’re proposing a better breed of Flying Dutch: people a lot closer to the way you guys already are.”

John Fiedler said, “As you cast off, consider these rules and you should have no trouble avoiding a lifetime of beating your head against the same old waves and making those around you miserable.”

Their first rule was “Count Your Blessings and Give Yourself Credit.” Julie Fiedler noted, “Even if you’re feeling very anxious about venturing onto the high seas, you need to recognize how lucky you are, and how much you’ve accomplished.”

The second rule was “Look Before You Leap.” “Before you exit the mother ship, make sure you’ve planned your next tour of duty,” John Fiedler said. “My advice is to seek complex, diverse environments. In other words, choose a ship where you’ll meet the whole creation and grow in the process.”

“America’s becoming more diverse, and you can play an important role in determining whether it becomes a culture of racial and ethnic inclusion or devolves into a society of separation,” he said.

The third rule was “Get Ready to Change Course.” “Once you haul anchor, you need to be flexible about your destination,” Julie Fiedler said. Together, the Fiedlers encouraged the graduates to “commit to the kind of continuous learning that will keep you alive, vital, engaged, creative, spiritually attuned, interested and interesting, and connected to your community.”

The fourth rule was “Lighten Up, Don’t Clam Up.” “Obviously, coping with the kind of change your life will demand will be a lot easier if you have a sense of humor,” Julie Fiedler said. “Believe me, if we weren’t laughing as we argued about how to write this speech, our marriage would have suffered.”

“But without the argument, our speech would have suffered,” John Fiedler said. “So don’t clam up, speak up. Seek a ship where your voice will be heard.”

The final rule was “Love Your Mate.” “As you’ve seen recently, in locations far and near, hatred is a deadly threat to individuals and whole communities. It destroys lives, and the threat of violence erupting from hatred can destroy the quality of life,” Julie Fiedler said. “What I’m about to say will sound incredibly obvious, but it bears repeating: you can love people, even people very different from yourself, and love God at the same time.”

“And when you find people who love you in an exceptional way, hold onto those friends for dear life, whether they’re a parent or partner or professor or spouse or mentor or minister,” she said. “Love can expand your horizons and make your voyage doubly worthwhile. And who knows all the places you’ll go when love plays a part?”

Earlier in the day, the Rev. Frederick Kruithof ’61 delivered the Baccalaureate sermon, “A Living Dog is Better Than a Dead Lion.” The title was based on Ecclesiastes 9:4, “Anyone who is among the living has hope— for a living dog is better than a dead lion!” He subtitled the address “Turn to God, Rejoice in Hope,” a phrase inspired by another of the service’s scriptural passages, Romans 12:12a. Kruithof is the 1999-2001 president of the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America and minister of preaching and congregational care at Second Reformed Church in Kalamazoo.

He considered the anxiety that the graduates might be feeling as their time at Hope ended and the next phase of their lives began. Perhaps, he noted, they were troubled by campus controversy, or uncertainty concerning employment or graduate school, or events like the shootings in Littleton, Colo., or the crisis in Kosovo.

Rev. Kruithof said that despite such troubles, Christians can be optimistic.

“If you are alive, there is reason to be optimistic,” he said. “Just because God is God, the Christian is always certain that the best is yet to be.”

“In the English usage, the word ‘hope’ covers a wide range of meanings, and in fact it is no more widely apparent than in the Bible,” he said. “It springs from the very covenant between God and his people.”

“The promises are made to Abraham and to his kin. Paul, among others, picks it up when he preaches—in a world of death and despair—to the church at Corinth and says, ‘Death, my friends is swallowed up in victory.’” Rev. Kruithof said. He added that Paul “encourages us never to lose heart. Do not lose hope, he reminds the Corinthians.”

“There really are no hopeless situations in life; only people who have grown hopeless about them,” Rev. Kruithof said. “The universe at times may seem bleakly at us but God is still in charge.”

Hope celebrated its on-going relationship with the Autonomous University of Queretaro in Mexico by presenting a Distinguished Service Award to Professor Jose Alfredo Zepeda Garrido, who as the university’s rector was instrumental in establishing the connection between the two schools.
Reflections upon era’s end

An assortment of observations occasioned by the retirement of President Dr. John H. Jacobson on June 30, 1999, after 12 years at Hope’s helm.

“Hope College today is a different place in many ways than the one John Jacobson found when he became the college’s 10th president in 1987. Then, as now, it was an institution that provided a high-quality liberal-arts education rooted in the beliefs of the Reformed Church in America. However, in the last 12 years Jacobson has overseen significant gains in enrollment, physical facilities and financial security...

“The success of Hope College is important to the entire Holland community, since Hope is such a great educational and cultural asset. The accomplishments of the last 12 years were the result of the work of hundreds of people, but they also reflect the leadership of its chief executive...”

— The Holland Sentinel
Editorial, Page A4
Sunday, May 9, 1999

“He has been courageously faithful to a commitment of creating a learning environment where students, faculty and staff from diverse racial and cultural backgrounds can grow. In an age of individualism, he has been courageous in working to provide an excellent educational experience that values life—and not just our own, but for others.”

— Beverly Kelly
Trustee
Retirement Banquet
Thursday, May 6, 1999

“John’s list of accomplishments [prepared for the event] is very impressive. However, they forgot to mention that he is the only college or university president in the United States whose office overlooks a frisbee golf course...”

— Rev. Peter Semeyn ’73
Trustee
Retirement Banquet
Thursday, May 6, 1999

“Whereas, Dr. John H. Jacobson has served with great distinction and success as the 10th President of Hope College for a dozen years...

“IN SPECIAL TRIBUTE, Therefore we salute and congratulate [him] on his successful presidency, thank him for his contributions to the quality of life in Michigan, and offer best wishes in retirement to him and his wife.”

— Dr. John H. Schwarz, State Senator, 24th District; William Van Rennmonort, State Senator, 22nd District; Patricia Birkholz, State Representative, 88th District; Wayne Kopiers, State Representative, 93rd District; and John Engler, Governor of Michigan
State of Michigan "Special Tribute"
Friday, April 16, 1999

“One of my early impressions during my first introduction to John and Jeanne in January 1987 was that their love for each other was transparent, that their lives were rooted in faith in God, and that their excitement at coming to Hope College was genuine. That impression was often reinforced in succeeding years...

“Jeanne, I will miss your warm and friendly welcome, your infectious laugh, your quick wit, your generous spirit, your gracious manner, and your enthusiasm for learning and for Hope College...

“Although you could have had a distinguished career as a philosopher, John, you opted to spend your career in applied philosophy—higher education administration—an act that Plato would have applauded. When you came to Hope, you were able to combine your personal faith with your profession in ways that benefited all of us.”

— Dr. Jacob E. Nyersed, Provost and Professor of Classics
Faculty Retirement Dinner
Friday, May 7, 1999

On Saturday, May 8, the Alumni Association presented the Jacobsons with a photo of the icicle-adorned President’s Home as a remembrance of Holland winters while they enjoy their new retirement home in Sarasota, Fla.

“The Hope family has certainly grown during the 12 years that you have served as our president. When you arrived on campus in 1987, the Hope alumni family numbered 22,537. Tomorrow afternoon when you award the Bachelor of Science in Nursing Degree to Kelly Teresa Zweering—alphabetically the last of 392 members of the Class of 1999—your Hope family will have grown to 27,537.

“We know you have purchased your retirement home with swimming pool in Sarasota, Florida, and we’re glad to hear it has an extra bedroom for members of your extended Hope family.”

— Claire Vander Meulen ’75 Gibbs
Alumni Association President
Alumni Banquet
Saturday, May 8, 1999

President Jacobson was Grand Marshal for the culminating “Muziekparade” (Parade of Bands) during Tulip Time on Saturday, May 15. He and Jeanne rode with granddaughters Miranda Huang, Jacqueline Jacobson, Sarah Jacobson and Grace Huang.

President Jacobson presented his final diploma, to nursing major Kelly Zweering of Hudsonville, Mich., on Sunday, May 9.
Campus Profile

“Emerging tech” transforms learning

A spider web is a great place if it’s home, less so if not.

In the former case, it expands one’s reach, is traveled quickly and smoothly, and is indeed essential to life. In the latter, it’s at best an inconvenience and at worst a snare that can’t be escaped.

Where higher education is concerned, the same seems to hold true for the cyber Web. However, while residency is clearly defined in the animal world, colleges and universities nationwide are still reasoning through the role of the World Wide Web and other break-through technologies.

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In May, Hope offered its first on-line course. The Discus Web discussion board developed at the college is being used worldwide. A tutorial CD-ROM lets students learn about using the library at their own pace. The Distance Learning Classroom cuts down on travel time for students in the Hope-Calvin Nursing Program. The department of computer science is considering new applications for hand-held computers. The list goes on.

Computer use on-campus has exploded. “We estimate that 65 percent of students own a computer,” notes Carl Heideman, ’88, director of computing and information technology, and the college has some 350 computers available to students in laboratories.

A total of 700 students have hooked their own computers into the campus computer network (every residence hall room has a “port” for each resident), and another 50-400 students use modem.

The Hope home page (www.hope.edu) receives 1,300 hits daily, from users around the world. An “announcements” page dedicated to on-campus users averages more than 3,400 hits daily during the school year.

At the same time as options and interest grow, however, the college is working to ensure that in adopting the best of the new, it doesn’t lose the best of the old.

“The idea is assuming that technology is the answer to every question,” said Dr. Jacob E. Nyenhuis, provost and professor of classics. “Technology has tremendous possibilities, but it has limitations, and we need to approach it like every development, with both a recognition of its promise and a realization that there are inevitable pitfalls.”

Some analysts, like Dr. Robert Zemsky, even project that the college/university of today will be obsolete within 30 years. One extreme model foresees students nation-wide logging into the televised lectures of a few “star” or “big-name” professors.

Another suggests that learning will go on-line, with self-directed students moving through pre-packaged courses with no faculty direction.

Dr. Nyenhuis doesn’t feel that residential liberal arts colleges like Hope are doomed.

“I am not worried that Hope will no longer have a reason to exist in 30 years,” he said. “There are certain skills and habits of the mind and of the heart that cannot be developed just by the use of the computer, and I think there will be a continuing need for institutions like Hope.”

But what I think we need to continue to do is to evaluate the opportunities provided by the emerging technologies while also assessing what distinctive contributions we can make,” Dr. Nyenhuis said.

Dr. Thomas Ludwig, professor of psychology, has made a career of exploring ways to use the computer as an educational tool. He has won national awards for his psychology software, ranging from the “Best Psychology Software” for PsychSim in the 1980 EDUCOM/SCRIPTAL Higher Education Software Awards competition, the 1997 Silver World Medal in the Colleage Division of the New York Festivals “International Interactive Multimedia Awards” for PsychQuest.

His Web-based May Term in developmental psychology was a carefully constructed experiment to see how far the Hope way of teaching and on-line technology can travel together. Where things go in the long run remains to be seen, but in any case Dr. Ludwig feels that Hope can afford, not to explore the questions.

“I’m not a defender of Web-based learning,” I don’t think we should sell off our classroom buildings and put all our faculty to work developing Web materials,” he said. “But we need to be clear about what’s better about classroom-based learning and why we’re using it and why we’re promoting it.”

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Web course a Hope first

Dr. Thomas Ludwig’s Web-based May Term course in developmental psychology brought the time-tested Hope College touch to a new learning environment.

Dr. Ludwig has taught developmental psychology at Hope for 22 years, and he has a long-standing interest in using computers as instructional aids. With so many in higher education proclaiming the Web’s potential in teaching, he decided to blend the two together.

He didn’t experiment at his students’ expense, however. “The dozen or so who took the class, from as far away as New Jersey and as nearby as Holland, encountered a Web course very carefully crafted to resemble the original.”

“...and...” distance learning, he said. “We wanted to experiment with a model that simulated as closely as possible the way I would teach developmental psychology on-campus during May Term.”

Just as always, the students were responsible for reading the course’s textbook. In addition, two lectures by Dr. Ludwig, however, they went on-line to work through “lecture modules” that complemented the textbook.

Experience with computer games has shown that it’s difficult to take long tests on-line, so Dr. Ludwig developed shorter quizzes (20 questions) for each of the book’s 26 chapters. He also prepared quizzes on the modules themselves—in effect, quizzing the students immediately after each lecture.

In addition to being available through e-mail, Dr. Ludwig maintained office hours during which he was available by telephone. Rebecca Van Dyke ’96, who is a project coordinator in Computing and Information Technology at Hope and worked with Dr. Ludwig to develop the on-line package, stayed available for technical support as well, and served as the discussion facilitator.

Dr. Ludwig and the class participated in a “chat room” using the Discus program, with the students further divided into three groups, each with its own “chat room.” Working on-line, each group developed “position papers” on controversial issues in developmental psychology like child care, which they then presented for the entire class to consider and discuss.

“I think that this course has been a very effective way for me to learn because it gets me more involved and is more interesting than just sitting through a three-hour lecture every day,” said sophomore Christina Miller of Holland, who noted that she’d take another Web-based course next year if given the chance.

Just as the students were open to trying the experimental course, Dr. Ludwig is open to the different directions his May Term experience may take him. “Whether or not I ever teach another on-line course, I believe that the experience that I gained in this approach and the materials I developed will improve my teaching,” he said.

For example, the module quizzes follow what he notes is a truism in education: that students learn best if they test themselves as a review of the material they’re studying. He hopes to apply the concept in other venues as well.

“I have never, in all my years of teaching, given a test at the end of each of my lectures to see what students learned from the lecture,” he said. “For the first time in my entire teaching career, I’ve been able to work up a mechanism whereby students can review one concept and then test themselves on it, with immediate feedback both to the students and to me.”
Transforming technology

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"There is just a tidal wave of excitement and enthusiasm about Web-based learning in higher education, driven mostly by large universities," Dr. Ludwig said. "And I think there are some significant flaws in the model of education that has been posed. But unless we experiment with these techniques, we have no credibility if we try to modify or oppose those models."

Dr. Barry Bandstra, like Dr. Ludwig, has long explored the computer's utility as a teaching tool, and also like Dr. Ludwig is interested in finding models that work. An associate professor of religion, he has recently completed his textbook Reading the Old Testament, putting learning power into the hands of his students that would have been impossible even a decade ago.

In addition to including the entire text of his book and the Bible, photographs and other information, for example, the CD-ROM contains a series of Web sites related to the text. These can be accessed through a single user interface that can be exploited to teach reading comprehension. "The point is that through the centuries the interpreters have interpreted the event," he said. "You can really build a network of knowledge that's not possible in a single printed volume," Dr. Bandstra said. "That's just magic to me. It's amazing that we can do that."

Instructional modules and self-quizzes help the students cover material on various topics, and might otherwise have lectured, freeing up class time for analysis and discussion.

"I think a major change it accomplishes is that's what's been going on," he said. "I feel we can get more interesting questions by assuming the students have learned the basics."

Dr. Lee Forester, associate professor of German, is another faculty member seeking to engage the computer's potential to his students' advantage. He is the developer and lead coordinator of a CD-ROM-based, multi-media teaching material for first-year college German courses.

"You can do a much better job of teaching through how to create a CD-ROM and to do most of the work on it. The package is being refined for the coming year, both in response to student input and because the rapid changes in library technology mean that its content needs to be updated."

In addition to creating their own packages for emerging technologies, departments are finding new ways to use existing ones. The department of theatre, for example, routinely uses the computer in its set and lighting design. Similarly, Professor Jody Hillman's design students in the department of art use the computer in their work. As Professor Steve Nelson's students in photography, "I use Photoshop (or about half the curriculum)," Professor Nelson said. "I integrate it with historic processes, so that there's a combined use of electronic imaging and darkroom work. The students do everything from dealing with metamorphosis to collages.

Not all emerging technologies involve the computer. The Web carries with it the potential of "distance learning," which can also take place through the magic of television. Hope's distance learning classroom, now in its second full year, saves travel time for those in the Hope-Calvin nursing program. Rather than make a 90-minute round-trip for those courses which are lecture-based, the students on each campus and their professor can see each other via live telecast.

The time factor is particularly an advantage with 8 a.m. classes, according to student Lynae Naglikirk of Zeeland, Mich., although she noted that the reduced face-to-face contact is a trade-off. "It's not as personal as the professor being in your room all the time," she said.

During his time in the program, junior Wario Hussein of Garissa, Kenya, appreciated the way that "add-ons" like Power Point-enhanced presentations, as well as the "repeat" potential. "They can record the class for you if you're absent," he said.

Debra Siebertz, assistant professor of nursing, has also approved of the options. A camera that looks directly down, for example, gives students a useful bird's-eye view for some demonstrations.

As for interaction, the process is on-going. "Both of the use of the technology and the teaching methods are becoming more natural," Professor Siebertz said. We continue to strive to use as many interactive strategies as possible."

The emerging technologies provide new challenges for everyone but perhaps none are as affected as those in computer science.

"We know that the tools that we teach today are going to be obsolete by the time they graduate," said Dr. Herbert Dershem, professor of computer science and chair of the department.

Consequently, he said, while the department dramatically modifies its research emphasis, it places equal importance on problem-solving, so that students will be equipped to adapt to the new technology that they will inevitably encounter.

Ironically, however, as Dr. Dershem recollected, when Hope's department started in 1974 some felt that every computer program needed would have been written within five years. Little did they realize that computers would keep changing, leading to new needs...

"While he admitted that when he joined the faculty 30 years ago he wouldn't have predicted the World Wide Web with any accuracy, he does feel that the way computers have evolved fits a typical pattern. Often, he said, a new technology is built to mimic something else; becomes refined with time; and then grows beyond itself.

Computers in education, he said, "have reached that third stage. They've advanced beyond serving as calculating tools. They're advanced beyond serving as word processors, automated textbooks or flashcard simulators.

And where might things go tomorrow? Dr. Michael Jipping of the computer science faculty is exploring the educational uses to which hand-held computers like "Palm Pilot" might be put. Compact enough to fit in a pocket, able to carry schedules or pick up e-mail, they only lack, Dr. Jipping feels, a "killer application" to catch the broader imagination.

It's an application that could just come from Hope College, where the desire to find new ways to help students learn might well help lead education in a direction it doesn't yet know it needs to go."

A better mousetrap

One challenge facing those who want to have discussions on the Web is how to do so.

The Discus program developed during the past two years by Dr. William F. Polik of the chemistry faculty and Kevin W. Paulisse '99 of Grandville, Mich., provides an option. It does so well that it has now been installed at more than 5,000 sites worldwide, in not only English but a dozen other languages.

Dr. Polik, an associate professor of chemistry, and Paulisse conducted research together at Hope. They identified the need for a good "discussion board" program for chemistry, and ultimately took action and created one themselves.

"It started out as the discussion board for the chemistry class that I was in," Paulisse said. "Then we discovered that it has a lot of uses outside of chemistry."

Discus is available on-line for free. In addition to being used in chemistry and many other classes at Hope, it is used by off-campus locales as varied as a Val Kilmer fan club, a group interested in baby names, an airline pilots' association and a site for people who have lost relatives to death.

It is among the top-rated sites among nearly 8,000 scripts at the CGI Resource Network and is featured in the May, 1999 issue of the Journal of Chemical Education.

Dr. Polik and Paulisse have even

formed their own company to market a commercial version that has additional productivity and security features, although they continue to support and endorse the free version.

"The first thing we recommend is, 'Don't even think about buying it until you've tried the free one.'" Dr. Polik said. "Ninety percent of Discus sites use the free version. The commercial upgrade is for people or companies who require features beyond those in the free version."

Paulisse added. "In the spirit of the Internet, we fully support inquiries from users of either version."

The Discus discussion board developed for use at Hope by Kevin Paulisse '99 and Dr. William F. Polik of the chemistry faculty has proven popular well beyond campus. The program has been installed at more than 5,000 sites worldwide.
develop a GIS database of fossil localities in Michigan. Dr. Bodenbender's research will help piece together the paleontological record of Middle Devonian rocks in the Michigan Basin, dating from 390 to 370 million years ago.

Ground water research is also active in the department. This semester, Dr. Peterson received a two-year grant from the NSF program for academic liaisons with industry, known as GOALI. The $132,000 grant will be shared with a collaborator at the University of Michigan-Dearborn, and is funded by the NSF (55 percent) and by an environmental consulting firm (45 percent). The research will make correlations between ground water remediation experiments performed by Dr. Peterson and his students at Hope, computer modeling performed at U of M, and petroleum-contaminated field sites in the greater metropolitan Detroit area. The goal of the research is to develop a model that will predict the cleanup efficiency for a subsurface remediation technique known as "autosparging."

**COACH HONORED:** James DeFord, 70, who joined Hope's coaching staff as defensive line coach this past fall, was one of 21 high school football coaches inducted into the Michigan High School Football Coaches Association's Hall of Fame on April 17, 1999.

He coached football at Alma (Mich.) High School from 1970 to 1997, and continues to teach at the school.

His junior varsity and varsity teams amassed an overall record of 157 wins, 85 losses and five ties, with six state titles and eight district titles.

DeFord won seven consecutive Big Sky League championships.

DeFord had 11 first-team all-state players, two academic all-state players, and four players in the state All-Star Game. He was the All-Star Game's West coordinator for six years, and coached the West All-Stars in 1996.

**FACULTY KUDOS:**

Curtis Gruenler of the English faculty has been awarded a Mellon Fellowship for study at the Huntington Library in San Marino, Calif., this summer.

Dr. Gruenler is using the library for further research on his current book project, *Paris Platonian and the Lives of Enigma*.

Written in the later 1300s, *Paris Platonian* is a book-length series of allegorical dream visions that focuses on how to save one's soul but involves an encyclopedic critique of medieval English culture.

In his study, Dr. Gruenler interprets the series in light of the medieval interest in "enigma," from riddles to the theology implicit in St. Paul's saying that "We see now through a glass darkly; but then face to face." (1 Cor. 13:12).

**Stephen J. Hemenway** of the English faculty has received an award for "Innovative Excellence in Teaching, Learning, and Technology."

He was one of 64 educators from around the world to be honored. The awards were presented during the "First International Conference on College Teaching and Learning," held on Wednesday-Saturday, April 14-17, at Florida Community College at Jacksonville.

**Prof enjoys major-league serendipity**

Sabbaticals provide a time for faculty to investigate and write about an area of interest.

As he'd hoped, Dr. Roger Nemeth of the sociology faculty did learn some interesting lessons during his recent sabbatical. They just weren't all the ones he'd intended.

On Monday, May 3, Dr. Nemeth watched the Baltimore Orioles host the Cuban national team. The game was to be a simple diversion, happening in the middle of his on-going research on demographic changes in the Reformed Church in America, and immediately after he completed the grueling 1995 walk between Washington, D.C., and Harpers Ferry, Va. Dr. Nemeth also has a scholarly interest in Cuba's social and economic development, and visited the country in 1993.

The game, however, gave him a ringside view of how sports and politics can intersect, providing insights that will be woven into discussions back on campus in the course he teaches on the sociology of sport.

"It reinforced my view that you can't separate politics from sports," he said. "Sports are a reflection of society, just as politics are a reflection of society, and the one will mirror the other."

As the May evening progressed, crowds of protesters and counter-protesters demonstrated outside. Fans stormed the field inside and the Cubans eventually bashed in a 12-6 win. "Sports are national," he said. "It's emotional for the players; it's also emotional for the fans."

The protesters—many of whom, he found, had traveled from Miami for the occasion—brandished signs like "Freedom, Not Games for Cuba." Counter-demonstrators, in turn, argued that such games could be a first step in effecting change toward closer relations between the two countries.

One of his favorite memories is of a sign-wielding protester standing incongruously beneath a statue of famous Baltimore son Babe Ruth. "The Babe was about as apolitical as you can get," Dr. Nemeth laughed.

The Cuban team was out to avert an 11-inning, 3-2 loss to Baltimore in Havana in March. The game in March had marked the first time a U.S. team traveled to Cuba in 40 years.

The Orioles were missing some players, but Dr. Nemeth gives the Cubans credit for fielding a strong team—one filled with players who feel they could easily thrive in the majors.

He found that the Cubans seemed to appreciate the revolution, too. With the smaller nation still shunned by the U.S. because of the two countries' political differences, the win produced some bragging rights.

"Baseball is synonymous with nationalism in Cuba," he said. "They took major pride in beating a major league baseball team. For the Cubans, this was just like the way the United States beating the Russian hockey team in the 1980 Olympics was meaningful beyond one hockey team beating another hockey team."

**The Baltimore-Cuba game became a magnet for demonstrators—an apt example, in Dr. Roger Nemeth's view, of how sports and politics intertwine.**
Dutchmen have Successful Men's Tennis Campaign

Two of the three individual honors awarded in MIAA men's tennis went to Hope athletes as the Flying Dutchmen finished second in the conference standings. Coach Steve Cornd's Dutchmen posted a 15-3 dual match record, tying a Hope single season record for victories.

Junior Erik Berg of Lansing, Mich., was presented the MIAA's Strover Sportsmanship Award, while senior Robert Brandt of Holland, Mich., received the Lawrence Green Scholarship. It marked the third time in four years that a Hope player was presented the sportsmanship award. It was the second consecutive year that a Hope player has received the academic award, which honors the memory of Lawrence "Doc" Green, longtime Hope athletic trainer and coach.

Junior Paul Lillie of Roseville, Mich., was voted to the All-MIAA first team for the second year in a row, while teammates Chad Bolinger, a junior from Petoskey, Mich., and Kai Bouchard, a sophomore from Holland, Mich., were named to the second team.

Softball Team Posts Another 20-Win Season

For the sixth consecutive year, the Flying Dutch softball team posted a benchmark 20-win season. Coach Karla Wolters' Dutch finished second in the MIAA standings and ended with a 21-13 record.

The season was also a dream-come-true for sophomore catcher Carrie Scott of Centreville, Mich. A year ago the future of her softball playing days was in doubt. Early in the 1998 season Scott suffered a knee injury that abbreviated her freshman year and put into jeopardy her playing future. On opening day of the 1999 season she was back behind the plate for the Flying Dutch.

Scott started in all 34 of the team's games and, amazingly, she put together a 24-game hitting streak to begin the season. Before she was injured in 1998, she had a five-game hitting streak. The combined 29-game hitting streak became the fourth longest in NCAA Division III softball history.

Sophomore Emily Sowers achieved All-America status in her second trip to nationals in the discuss.

Scott was rewarded by being named an NCAA softball All-American. She became the eighth Hope softball player to achieve All-America distinction and the third catcher to be honored.

She batted a school-record .448 during the season. Her school-record 47 hits included six doubles, two triples and four home runs. She did not commit a fielding error in 186 chances.

Six Flying Dutch players earned All-MIAA honors. Voted to the first team were sophomore pitcher Kim Grotenhuis of Hamiton, Mich., senior outfielder Christa Murphy of Midland, Mich., and Scott. Voted to the second team were junior outfielder Angie Giesebrecht of Linden, Mich., and senior pitcher Lisa Larzelle of Omaha, Neb.

Larzelle set a Hope career record for pitching victories (23-28). Grotenhuis was a GTE Academic All-District honoree. A social studies major with a perfect 4.0 grade point average, Grotenhuis posted an 11-6 record this spring.

Golfers Excel at NCAA Championships

College golf is typically a fall sport. Last fall, two Hope golfers, sophomore Ellen Colderbrander of Holland, Mich., and freshman Eric Wohlfield of Brighton, Mich., excelled on the course as they won MIAA medalist honors. They were rewarded this spring by gaining berths in the NCAA Division championships and each finished 19th in their respective competitions.

Competing at nationals for the third consecutive year, Colderbrander was fifth among the 14 individual golfers who competed in the women's Division II/III championships.

Wohlfield had the best score among the five individual golfers in the men's Division III championships and the second best score among all the freshman golfers in the 163-golfer field.

Outstanding Senior Scholar-Athletes Named

Honored as the outstanding senior athletes in the Class of 1999 were Becky Timmer of Pella, Iowa, and Adam Paarburg of Alto, Mich.

Timmer was presented the John Schrouten Award, while Paarburg was selected as the recipient of the Otto van der Velden All-Campus Award.

A chemistry and Spanish major, Timmer was a standout cross country and track athlete. She was a two-time NCAA Division III All-American in cross country. A business administration major, Paarburg was an All-MIAA football linebacker. Both were inducted into the college's chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, the highest academic honor Hope can bestow upon its graduates.

Rich Ray named to Hall of Fame

Dr. R. Richard Ray Jr., who is coordinator of the athletic training program and an associate professor of kinesiology, was inducted into the Hall of Fame of the Michigan Athletic Trainers' Society on Thursday, May 27.

Dr. Ray has been a member of the Hope faculty since 1982, and has been involved in the profession of athletic training for more than 20 years. Long-time colleague Dr. George Kraft called the honor "well-deserved," praising Dr. Ray for his leadership role in developing Hope's athletic training program, for skills ranging from his work with athletes to his scholarship, and for the national reputation he has developed in the field of athletic training.

"We're lucky to have him," said Dr. Kraft, who is a professor of kinesiology and chair of the department.

"He does all facets of his job with incredible professionalism," Kraft said. "He's a faculty member of whom we can be justifiably proud."

Under Dr. Ray's leadership, the college's athletic training program has grown into a full major that requires its graduates to complete 48 credit hours in a variety of disciplines and at least 1,500 hours of clinical work under the supervision of a certified athletic trainer. Hope is the only private liberal arts college, and also one of the fourth institution of any type, in the state of Michigan to have its athletic training program accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP).

Dr. Ray has a wide range of research interests, and has received several grants to support his work. He is the editor of the book Counseling in Sports Medicine (1999), Management Strategies in Athletic Training (1994) and Case Studies in Athletic Training Administration (1985), all published by Human Kinetics.

He has written more than 40 articles in scientific publications, and has presented papers at several professional conferences. He is editor of Athletic Therapy Today, and he has served as associate editor of the Journal of Athletic Training.

Dr. Ray has served in elected and appointed positions at the state, regional and national levels in various athletic training professional organizations. His activities include having served as president of both the Great Lakes Athletic Trainers Association and the Michigan Athletic Trainers Society. In 1995, the society presented him with its Distinguished Athletic Trainer Award.

Dr. Ray received a master of arts degree in physical education from Western Michigan University in 1980 and a doctorate in educational leadership from Western Michigan University in 1995, and was honored as a Graduate Research and Creative Scholar by the school in 1990. He holds his bachelor's degree from the University of Michigan.
History remembered

Brian Williams '88 is helping others make history.

He's doing it as part of a team of specialists from the University of Michigan spending time in South Africa organizing the archival materials of the decades-long liberation movement. In helping preserve the country's past, they're providing a resource for those wishing to remember and understand it in the future.

Williams is an associate archivist with the Bentley Historical Library at the University of Michigan. He and others from the university began working with archivists at the University of Fort Hare in Alice, South Africa, last year, beginning in March of 1998 and continuing in May and June of that year and again this year. Their mission: to bring order to an eclectic jumble of materials gathered from around the world, to create finding aids to facilitate public access, and to equip Fort Hare's staff to manage the collection in the future.

The Michigan group helps fill a void, according to Williams, who noted that South Africa has no established archival training program. As a result, the process, when it began a year ago, was as new as the archives itself.

"The project was to be more than just a group from Michigan processing these records," he said. "We were also attempting to give staff and students at Fort Hare the capacity to sustain these efforts and further develop the archives. Through formal and informal presentations we outlined archival principles and procedures and explained what we were doing."

The initial training included introducing members of the staff to the Internet and the wealth of material available through the World Wide Web. For the most part, the instruction focused on professionally-useful matters (the archives even has its own Web site now), but the Web's other possibilities didn't escape notice.

"I fear I may have set them back several years when they got an inkling of some of the less essential things available on the Web," Williams said. "One Web site that was of particular interest to them was The Bold and the Beautiful. The soap opera was surprisingly popular in South Africa."

The archives holds the records of the political parties and organizations involved in the overthrow of apartheid, including the Pan-African Congress of Azania (PAC), the Azanian People's Organisation (AZAPO), the Black Consciousness Movement (BCM), the New Unity Movement (NUM) of South Africa and the African National Congress (ANC). The materials include personal letters to and from leaders like South African President Nelson Mandela; newsletters and videotapes; even letters from Paul Sarum about a possible concert in South Africa.

"Some of the most compelling documentation related to the country's first democratic election in 1994," Williams said. "The records illustrated the challenges of educating millions of voters who had never before had the opportunity to cast a ballot."

Much of the material is from abroad. For the three decades before 1990, parties like the ANC and PAC—and even anti-government materials—were banned in South Africa. As a result, the parties operated for many years in exile, from locations like London, New York, Dar-es-Salaam, Tanzania and Cairo.

When the ban was lifted in 1990, the parties came home and brought their materials with them. Many of the records came back in four-foot trunks and, from what Williams could tell, remained that way until the team started going through them. "Virtually none of the material in the trunks was in folders," he said. "It was as if the contents of filing cabinets had simply been dumped into the trunks and shipped off."

"While the documentation illustrates efforts to raise international awareness of the evils of apartheid, the records also reflect internal power struggles and the mania of running an office—utility bills, insurance policies, leases, purchase orders and even junk mail," he said. "Sorting the wheat from the chaff was part of our task."

As part of a team from the University of Michigan, Brian Williams '88 has had an opportunity to help organize the records of South Africa's liberation movement.

Williams and a colleague did some scouting in March of 1998, meeting with officials to discuss technical considerations—like climate control for the collection—and to develop a sense of the scope of the project. Williams and nine others, including several U of M graduate students, went back for six weeks in May and June of 1998 to begin processing the material. This year's trip continues the effort.

The assignment is sometimes challenging politically. At one point last year, for example, the team opted to discard (with permission) several hundred duplicate copies of a PAC newsletter. The extras wound up in garbage cans on the campus quad, where the students and staff found them.

"Soon angry students and faculty approached us clutching copies of the newsletter and accused us of having an anti-PAC agenda and of destroying the archives," Williams said. "It took several meetings and a lot of diplomacy before the situation was defused."

Fort Hare was chosen to house the archives because of the university's status as South Africa's oldest historically black university. Founded in 1916, the university is the alma mater of liberation movement leaders like President Mandela, who in his autobiography Long Walk to Freedom describes it as "a beacon for African scholars from all over central and eastern Africa. For young black South Africans like myself, it was Oxford and Cambridge, Harvard and Yale, all rolled into one."

The archives is housed in the university's new National Heritage Cultural Studies Centre, which opened in September. The archives is part of the center's general goal to play, as noted in its Web site, a pivotal role in the transformation of the University of Fort Hare from primarily a teaching institution into one that will focus equally on teaching, research, and community service."

Williams hopes that the Michigan team's efforts will help those researchers make use of an important part of South Africa's past, for the benefit of all.

"Hopefully, through projects like ours in the archives, the struggles of the liberation movement will be understood in their historical context," he said. "By preserving the past we remain optimistic that it can inform the future of what has come before, leading to greater understanding between all races."
Images of a return

The miles of separation have been vanquished. The years in between are bridged, too. The Class of ’64 laughs at the antics of classmate Thom Wombwell during the “Davy Jones Locker” skit (there’s that nautical theme again...).

Elsewhere, two friends catch up during a quiet moment. More than 800 returned for the May 7–9 Alumni Weekend activities. They enjoyed each other, and the place, spending a few moments from busy lives to reflect and remember.
1934—Row 1: Jim Nettinga '34, Marie Verduin '34 Walvoord, Lois Ketel '34 Kinkema; Row 2: Bill Heins '34, Harvey Scholten '34, Henry Kinkema '36

1944/1949

1944—Row 1: Mary Jane Dinkeloo, 44 Chandler, Marian VanderBunte '44, Fritzi Jonkmans '44 Sennett, Marnyn Zanderstra '44 Eteman, Vivian Tardiff '44 Cook; Row 2: Frances Hillebrand's '45 VanderBroek, Rose Windistrom '44 Molemburg, Trudy Measen '47 Vander Heer, Carl Schneidmier '44, John Eteman '43, Gerard Cook '44, Lois Hinkamp '44 Boersma, Norma Lemmer '44 Koeppe, Miram Sigbert '46 Krum; Row 2: John Vander Broek '44, Del Vander Haar '44, Date Fris '44, Van Boersma '44, Bob Lucking '44, Roger Koeppe '44, George Claver '44, Jack Krum '44


1974/1979

1974—Row 1: Martha Bloomsma '74 Elliott, Nick Lam '74, Deb Lam, Deb Badeau '74 Crewe, Pearl Stark '74 McNary, Linda Peterson '74 Rice, Roxanna Spurgis '74 Gable, Julie Miller '74 Hakken, Rick Hakken '74, Row 2: David Daubenspeck '74, Jack Klauder '74, Mary Davis '74 Klauder, Lois Hoogstra '74 Taylor, Scott Lemheiser '74, Marcia Seibel '74, Rick Meyers '74, Karen Meyers, Paul Christianson '74, Ed Redder '74, Row 3: Ariene Van Steverenck '74 Fritz, Robert Fred '74, Jan Koopman '74, Krist Knaak '74 Kars, Diana Peterson '74, Gayle Spangler '74 Flanagan, Sue Drankahm '74, Vem Jond '74, Barbara Walt '74 Jond, Row 4: Chuck Brooks '74, Ron Butters '74, Greg Gronwall '74, Vicki Wiegers '74 Rumpsa, Matt Rumpsa '73, John Mayo '74, Mary Millard '74 Mayo, Joel Bowers '74, Marianne VanHeest '74 Bouwens, Row 5: Gordon Calam '74, Susan Karle '74 Calam, Rick Boss '73, Barbara Kastel '74 Boss, Mary Jane Smits '74 Timmer, Janet Zager '74 Van Zande, Nancy Boesema '74 Siesa, John Holleman '74, Mike Schmidt '74, Row 6: Carl Fokter '74, Barbara Koop '74 Fokter, Sel Harlow '74, Brian Veneklasen '74, Timothy Van Dam '74, Jim McFarlin '74, Barb Basmajian '74 Inman, Good Vander Sloot '74, Ken Meeuwen '74, Gary How '74, Marcia Dykstra '74, Dow.

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Class Notes

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

New should be mailed to: Alumni News, Hope College Public Relations, 141 E. 12th St. PO Box 8000, Holland, MI 49428-9000. Internet users may send to: alumnews@holland.edu.

All submissions received by the Public Relations Office by Tuesday, May 11, have been included in this issue. Because of the lead time required by this publication's production schedule, submissions received after that date (with the exception of obituary notices) have not been held for the next issue; the deadline for which is Tuesday, July 6.

A number of the entries in this issue have been gleaned from the Spring, 1999, issue of The French Connection, the Hope College French Newsletter; news from Hope College periodically borrows from such departmental newsletters so that the information may be enjoyed by as broad an audience as possible.

1920s

James Neckers '23 of Carbondale, Ill., received a Distinguished Service Award from Southern Illinois University Carbondale during the university's May 11-13 celebration. The awards honor those who have contributed significantly to the state, region, and/or university. He chaired the chemistry department for 26 years, retiring in 1967; the department grew significantly in both size and reputation during his tenure.

1930s

Hazel Dick '34 of Columbus, Ohio, has compiled four genealogies, two of which are in the Herrick Public Library in Holland, Mich. The Peter Dick Family of Ohio, Illinois, Iowa and Michigan, and The Descendants of George Harry Staude and Jane Fisher Stouffer.

George C. Douma '36 of Grand Rapids, Mich., received a Distinguished Alumni Award from the Hope College Alumni Association during the college's Alumni Day on Saturday, May 8.

Harold Leesnner '39 and Lois Vechter '39 Lastema retired in 1998 and now live in Sun City, Palm Desert, Calif. They wrote: "Both of us are enjoying this stage of our lives very much. This year we are celebrating 57 years of exceptionally happy marriage and also 57 years of exciting service for our Lord." Harold is founder pastor of Lakeview Bethel Community Church in North Muskegon, Mich., Trinity Reformed at Munster, Ind., and Lakeview Reformed Church in Laguna Hills, Calif. They also served in Garfield Park Reformed Church, and for 37 years at the Crystal Cathedral. They also served in intern pastors at Our Lord's Community Church in Oklahoma City and North Atlanta Community Church in Roswell, Ga.

Clifford Matzur '39 and Esther Baltman '39 Marcus of Lansing, Mich., plan to celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary on June 6, 1999, with a family gathering in Lansing. Their travel plans include visiting their children in Ithaca, N.Y., Chicago, Ill., Duluth, Ga., and Troy, Mich. They have six grandchildren.

Andrew Nyboer '39 of Rockford, Ill., notes that of the Nyboer family of 34 people (including their four children and their spouses), and their grandchildren and their spouses, 19 are Hope people to date. He adds, "There are many more grandchilden that will enroll and attend."

Marjorie Veverberg '39 Rotschaffer is living in Freedom Village in Holland, Mich., after 50 years of residence in Grand Rapids, Mich. She has six granddaughters after four sons.


1940s

Rosemary Winston '40 Mullenberg of Barre, Vt., has enjoyed springtime in American Fork, Utah, where she and her husband, Robert, have been living since 1954. "We have been very happy to have the opportunity of being together in retirement."

Arthur "Bud" Van Eck '40 of Lake Lake, Mich., is executive coordinator of the Christian Educators Reformed Church in America (CERA). He provides support and assistance for the CERA Executive Committee as the organization assists Christian educators and youth workers in the RCA.

Robert Wildman '40 of Rockford, Ill., received the "Touch of Life" Award from the Alpine Kwanus Club on Thursday, April 22, 1999. A retired minister of Hope-Reformed Church in Rockford, he was recognized both for a life-long dedication to community and church work and for his advocacy of the joint project between Kwanus Club and the local Jewish congregation for the education of children with Down Syndrome.

W. Warren Eckberg '49 of Rockford, Ill., was selected as the first centennial awardee of life science at Adelphi University in Garden City, N.Y. Edward Kassig '49 of Indiana, Ind., noted that "Every year I am more and more amazed at the amount of work that goes into this endeavor."

J. David Menocher '49 of Ellerwood, Ga., chairs the Georgia-South Carolina Association, UCC, Evangelism and Church Growth Committee.

1950s

Gordon Field '50 of Holland, Mich., is author of A Gentle Breeze from Cousarange Winge, a novel that will be published in the Judeo-Christian Ethics Series of PREP Publishing of Fayetteville, N.C., in September. The story brings together refugees from Pol Pot's Holocaust in Cambodia and residents of a tranquil college town in Indiana. The book's foreword was written by Dr. Robert H. Schuller '47. Gordon is director of news services and publications for Alma (Mich.) College for 24 years, and has been involved with refugees since the early 1980s.

Carol Ost '52 of Fenton, Mich., pianist, was accompanied by Peggy's Stable Mates on Sunday, March 21, 1999. The program included solo selections by Brahms, Mozart, Bellini and Czerny. She also solaced in a performance of Schinatsch selections for the Flint, Mich., St. Cecilia Society on Friday, April 9, 1999.

David Angus '54 of Lansing, Mich., is part of a team of educators writing and editing an integratd curriculum toolkit for the Michigan Department of Education.

Myra Saunders '54 DeGraaf of Holland, Mich., is retiring this month. She teaches fifth grade with the Holland Public Schools.

Marion Hanna '54 Weinmann and husband Charles are enjoying their retirement home on the North Oregon coast.

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The college presented four Distinguished Alumni Awards during the Alumni Banquet on Saturday, May 8. Pictured from left to right are Jenni Liggert '80, Florence Viles '36 Douma (with the award given to her husband, the Rev. George Douma '36, who could not attend because of health reasons. He was present via speaker phone, however), Robert N. DeYoung '56; and the Rev. Frederick Kruithof '61.

A+Recommended Reading

Selected suggestions for summer reading from the Hope faculty.

The complete list appears on the college's Web site at www.hope.edu/pr/alumni. Enjoy!

Tuesdays with Morrie, by Mitch Albom

This very quick read about the author's conversations with his terminally ill and favorite college professor will prompt you both to reconsider what's really and ultimately important in life and to send a greeting to that Hope prof who most inspired you as a young adult.

(David James '76, adjunct assistant professor of English and director of the writing center)

To the Linksland, by Michael Bamberger

The best golf book I have ever read (and the best book period). The book, written in 1999, gives an account of Mr. Bamberger's pilgrimage to the mecca of golf, Scotland. It tells the story of his remarkable adventure in a way that shows he has a true love for the game and its history. This is a must-read for anyone who loves the game of golf.

(Todd Swanson, adjunct assistant professor of mathematics)
Sarah Hickok '74 of Prairie Village, Kan., is a senior risk manager at RSKG, a CNA Insurance Company. She also co-chairs Habitat for Humanity for the Unity Church of Overland Park.

Kristi Knowles '78 Kaan of Middletown, Mich., is an educator in the West Ottawa Public Schools. She received the Distinguished Teaching Achievement Award in October of 1998 from the National Council for the Social Studies. She also served on the Teacher Advisory Board for Prentice Hall's World Explorer geography series for middle school.

Erik Loehr '74 of Rockport, Tex., owns three hotels and the Laredo Animal Property Company. He recently finished building a 22,000 square foot castle on the Gulf of Mexico. Since he purchased all of the Flax family properties in 1998, he calls it the Hurl's Castle Waterfront Resort. He also buys and sells islands as a hobby, and currently has 16 for sale.

John Mayo '74 of Fort Knox, Ky., was promoted to colonel in the U.S. Army Dental Corps in February of 1997. He is the current commander of U.S. Army dental activity at Fort Knox since June of 1997, he is moving to Fort Campbell this summer.

Sheryl Mathis '75 of Decatur, Ga., is an assistant professor at Georgia State University, teaching American literature and secondary English teacher preparation. She edited Etudes Welty, Readers' Reflections upon Reading Welty (Little Brown, 1998), and is a co-author of the Reader: Collected Retinues (UP Mississippi, 1988).

Carla Roberts de Nazalio '74 of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, is the new rector of the most prestigious Catholic university in Brazil. With the assistance of her husband, Carlos de Nazalio, she is in charge of organizing the four PMU National Congresses, to be held next June in Belo Horizonte, Brazil.

Diana Pierson '74 of Hillsdale, Mich., is a media specialist at Hillsdale High School.

Lew Redder '71 of Prospect, Pa., writes that he retired in 1994 after 20 successful years as a graphic designer and art director, was a "Mr. Mom" for the following year, then a sales positions after that, and since 1996 has been assembling fumes tables at Hammer Miller Inc. in Zelien, Mich.

Margery Barrowman '74 of Sanford, Wis., recently heard that she could not pursue the fine Line Hussey, oldest son of King Hussein of Jordan, has breast and skin cancer, so did young Abdullah contain his pain on the mound without complaint. Also I know King Abdullah has the Hashemite family sense of humor. These traits bode well.

Mary Jane Smits '74 of Timmer of Grand Rapids, Mich., is teaching private piano and theory to adults and children, and is president of the Grand Rapids Musicians Association.

Linda Bush '74 of Vaughn of Urbana, Ill., is assistant director and accompanist for the Urbana High School Concert Choir. Their concert was held in Italy during March 19-19, and sang for a Mass at St. Peter's Basilica in Rome. She was allowed to play the organ there for the concert.

Alfred Fedak '75 is an organist and music director of Westminster Presbyterian Church in Albany, N.Y. He led a "hymn festival" with the Chapel Choir at Hope on April 1, 1999, through the department of music's convocation of high and low. After "This is a love song to his Everything story," he was happy to see the crowd.

Linda Gressin '75 of New York City is an associate tax accountant with AXA Equitable Life Assurance Society of the U.S. She is also pursuing hockey and rollerblading, and frequents the ballet and opera.

Linda Barthol '75 Hinkle of High Point, N.C., teaches at Parkview A+ Elementary School. Parkview is using Howard Gardner's Multi-Intelligences theory in his new program funded through the Keanan Foundation.

David Rawlings '75 of Naples, Fla., is a clinical neuropsychologist and director of psychology with Collier Neuropsychiatric Specialists. He will Shank have their first child, Bryan (age 1), Jacqueline (age 12), and Andrew (age 10).

Gavin Fowl '75 of St. Louis, Mo., works at a social services at the Burke Library of Union Theological Seminary, which he notes has the largest religious-studies collection in North America. He wrote, "I have come to see that family is to scenic South Hackensack, New Jersey, and I now rose with the Nereal Roduct Club of Rutherford, New Jersey, on the Nereal Roduct Club Board of Directors.

James Garmirian '76 of Reading, Pa., is president of Hometown & Company.

Kay '76 Walker of Traverse City, Mich., changed jobs this year and now teaches at the city's local high school, Traverse City Central High School. She has speech and media classes, and advises Odyssey, the Yearbook.

Brenda Whitehouse '76 of Fort Worth, Ill., performed in the annual Tulip Time Organ Recital held at Hope College on Wednesday-Saturday, May 12-15, 1999.

David Bower '77 of Raleigh, N.C., is animation director with Lawrence Productions. He has done work for industrial clients, for Americo and Herman Miller, and for Soviace. She created a commercialized character for Leapfrog for the Leap Frog Learner.

Sharon Adcock '78 was quoted and her photo appeared in the May 14, 1999 issue of the News Business Journal on the topic, "Is AI & Getting Too Big." She was also quoted in the May 27 Weare of Shefford, Mass., writing. "The annual Alphi Phi alumni board of directors meeting was held in the Caribbean as usual. It was decided that we should expand the ski team to include snowboarding. We garnered the third place trophy this season and hope to do better next year.

Ellen Blauw '79 of Milwaukee, Wis., is assistant director of international programs at Marquette University.

Celine Bouna-Pedigler '79 of Holland, Mich., has been serving as an elder at Crossroad Chapel and the Washington School, while also building her private therapy practice.

Steven Bouna-Pedigler '79 of Holland, Mich., is an associate professor of English at Hope College.

That's the end of our home run derby. It is summer, 1975. I have no idea how much baseball Abdullah, now His Majesty, King Abdullah II, of Jordan, has played in the past twelve years. It doesn't matter. He's now in the Big Leagues anyway.

The future King of Jordan in earlier days with Gary Hayden '72.

Prince Abdullah slowly walks off the field into the dugout. The entourage follows.

It's beautiful written and a different look at The Civil War and its aftermath. (Jacqueline Heisler, director of the Academic Support Center)

Faithful Unto Death, by Caroline Graham

Also: Written in Blood: Death in Disguise; Death of a Hollow Man (* -- especially recommended). "AE ran a 1998-99 series of films based on her Inspector Barnaby novels, which are much richer than the films."

(Do. William Reynolds, dean for the arts and humanities and professor of English)

Cold Mountain, by Charles Frazier

It's beautifully written and a different look at the Civil War and its aftermath. (Jacqueline Heisler, director of the Academic Support Center)
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staffing projects with a client, U.S. West Communications Inc. Working with the

manager of the Communications Services office, she is responsible for managing the sourcing and

filling for a number of positions in the Wireless and Small Business Division of U.S. West. The

positions are located in Seattle, Wash., Portland, Ore., Salt Lake City, Utah, Minneapolis, Minn., Phoenix,

Ariz., Omaha, Neb., and Grand Rapids, Mich. She reports to the European program manager, Mr.

The notes that the event was highly successful, due in

part to the assistance of fellow Hope grads.

Sawyer for the event included Derek

Baker '96 of the U.S. Navy's "Naval Justice School"

in March, 1999, and can now practice law in the

military. He moved to Seattle Wash., in April and is

stationed at the Prosecutor's Office at the base in

Everett, north of Seattle.

Jeff Baisch '96 of Ancona, Italy, is an

inventor with a degree in English Studies.

area surrounding the "Great Depression of

Kevin Bebechick '96 of Chicago, Ill., is a

graduate student in biochemistry at Loyola University

Chicago.

Christopher deHaan '94 of New Haven, Conn.,

has been studying at the Yale School of Dance,

where he plans to return for his doctoral work in

dramaturgy and dramatic criticism.

Matthew Erickson '96 of Grand Rapids, Mich.,

has established his own practice as a chiropractor in Traverse City, Mich.;

the Erickson Chiropractic Health Center, which opened in May of 1999.

Bob Vandenburg '95 is working hard as a stay-at-home mom (please see "Births").

Amy Klitsner '96 of Kalamazoo, Mich., teaches French at West Ottawa High School.

Nico Kassel '94 is ausiences relations coorindater with Lewis & Clark College in Portland, Ore.

Sangeeta Nissal '94 is a policy economist with Interﬁnational Development

Projects in Coombo, Sri Lanka. IDP is a non-governmental organization founded by Dr. E.P. Schumacher (of Small is Beautiful) fame involved in development work

in several third world countires.

Dawn Howton '94 of Traverse City, Mich.,

has worked for the past year as a certified massage therapist and chiropractic assistant

at Lakeland (Mich.) Chiropractic. Her husband, Jeffrey Noman '91 (please see "Marriage"),

writes, "Dawn has exchanged her Bugle for a purple bowling ball but appears to be

adjusting nicely (otherwise) to Northern Michigan life." Their wedding included several Hope alumni.

Marnie's way is to be a stay-at-home mom (please see "Births").

A Winter's Tale, by Mark Helprin

"Kind of long, but really, really good. Kind of an urban-fantasy-fairy-tale kind of story,

with lots of spiritualism thrown in. Also really liked Wally Lamb's She's Come Undone."

(Sheri Lott Richardson; part-time lecturer in music)

The Sword of Imaginat: Memoirs of a Half-Century of Literary Conflict,

by Russell Kirk

The well-written exploration of the author's experiences in the academic community and political

culture is written dispassionately in the third person and gives a lot of insights into the last 50 years. It was published in 1995, one year after his death. (Dr. John Bobes, professor of political science and chair of the department)

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When Bad Things Happen to Good People, by Harold Kushner

"I know that many have read this book, but I still think it bears recommending. I found it to be wonderfully comforting after a recent personal tragedy, and reading it spurred me to think about my personal spiritual beliefs in much greater depth."  

(Dr. Lisa Evans Dibble, assistant professor of psychology)

Traveling Mercies, by Anne Lamott

"It's a ruthlessly honest and hilarious memoir about Lamott's coming to be a Christian."

(Jack Bill, professor of English)

Class of 1999

Dennis Ahmad '99 will pursue a master's of public health at the University of Michigan. Timothy Allen '99 has joined J.P. Morgan Financial Services in sales and trading at J.P. Morgan in Chicago. Jennifer Aslanian '99 will pursue a master's at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. Jennifer Bream '99 will pursue a master's in library science at Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland. Rochelle Tesoro '99 of Ann Arbor, Mich., is in law school, intending to pursue a career in international law.

Amanda Sheehan '97 from Malden, Mass., is a special education teacher and inclusion specialist at Dedham High School.

Anita Black '98 has pursued a master's in education at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, and is a special education teacher at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor.

Amanda Black '98 will pursue a master's in public health at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor.

Angela Barnes '99 will pursue a master's of public health at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor.

Brandon Beebe '99 is pursuing a master's of public health at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor.

Jeremy Monte '96 of Grand Rapids, Mich., is manager of special events with Junior Achievement of the Michigan Great Lakes.

Sarah Boyd '96 of Portland, Maine, is a program coordinator with the Junior Achievement of the Greater Portland Area.

Steven Petrejevic '96 graduated from Western Theological Seminary in May, and has accepted a call to an RCA church in Iowa City, Iowa.

Marla Martin '96 of Kalamazoo, Mich., is a "readiness to learn" liaison with Family Community Services in the Kalamazoo School District.

Shellie Ruckhalter '96 of Grand Ledge, Mich., is a medical student at Wayne State University.

Amy Stillwell '96 of Powell, Ohio, is working for the State of Ohio, with adults with mental retardation and developmental disabilities.

Jessica Upham '96 of Chicago, Ill., is simultaneously working at the future writer for UP Chicago magazine and as a copywriter for an advertising firm.

Robert Abbott '97 of Brighton, Mich., performed in the annual Tulip Time Opera Recital held at Hope College on Wednesday-Saturday, May 15-19, 1999.

Kathleen Baker '97 of West Bloomfield, Mich., works for the Gale Group, a publishing company in Detroit, Mich., which specializes in books and CD-ROMs.

Michael Ballist '97 of New York City is the domestic rights manager with Little, Brown & Company, handling serial, audio, book club, paperback, reprint, and foreign rights.

Kristin Clark '97 of Cooperstown, N.Y., is in the Cooperstown Graduate Program, pursuing master's degrees.

Amanda Flowers '97 works at the Christian Reformed Church's International Communications Center in Palos Heights, Ill. She works with the communications program Priority Voice, which examines issues such as the importance of forgiveness, the pitfalls of lying and the fear of death, and is produced for Pax TV (and the Voice and CIS in Canada) on April 23, 1999.

Her work includes writing, editing, interviewing and writing stories.

Christopher Foster '97 of Ypsilanti, Mich., teaches second grade at the Hartford Consolidated Schools.

Steve Dunning '97 has been working with State Farm Insurance Companies for the past two years. He recently accepted a position as an agency field specialist in the Agency Resources Department in Grand Rapids, Mich.

Tyler Smith '97 of Chicago, Ill., has been promoted to private banker in the commercial banking area of American National Bank & Trust Company of Chicago, and has been appointed to the financial district of downtown Chicago.

Rochelle Tesoro '97 of Ann Arbor, Mich., is in law school, intending to pursue a career in international law.

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### The Salute of Fierce Landscapes: Exploring Desert and Mountain Spirituality, by Belden Lane

“Lane gives an extremely articulate and intelligent presentation of the apophatic mystical tradition, while reflecting on particular desert and mountain landscapes and the slow death by cancer of his aged mother. He is a good story-teller who gives a very personal account of the power of wild terrain.”

*The Strong Bovin* (Prediger '79), associate professor of religion

### The Knife Thresher and Other Stories, by Steven Millhauser

“These modern fables by a recent Pulitzer Prize winner will blow your mind.”

*Garla Viers* ’88, part-time lecturer in English

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### Campus Notes

**Births**


Leah Sandler ’97 and Adam Sandler, Cal, Feb. 11, 1999.


### Articles

In addition, Dr. Quinn will be working on his own research project: locating papyrological evidence for the trade between Rome and Aksum, the ancient Ethiopian kingdom beyond. She will write a book on the subject.

*Daniel Anderson* ’83, professor of religious studies

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### Recommended Reading

**The Ruggled Edge of Imagination:** *Art and Design in the Dutch Golden Age* by Richard Gibson, published by the Rijksmuseum in Amsterdam.

*Vera Felker* ’88, part-time lecturer in English

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### Marriages

We welcome your news. In fact, we love printing it, so please keep it coming. Please note, though, that we don’t publish **household engagement announcements**—that’s what this “marriages” section is for. Please write us after your wedding takes place.


Linda Bush ’74 and Donald W. Vaughn, April 25, 1999.

Daniel Gumm ’84 and Barbara E. Mehorn, Sept. 22, 1999, Nashville, N.H.

Bruce Martin ’82 and Stacey Anne Kautz, Sept. 19, 1999, New York City.


Bill Fayler ’87 and Kurt Eisenberg, March 5, 1999, Grand Rapids, Mich.


Colleen Every ’92 and Donald Cotlar, May 3, 1999.

Tim Rembitz ’92 and Madalena Rose ’90, Sept. 6, 1999, Shelby, Mich.

Michelle Timmer ’92 and Alden Collier, May 2, 1999.

Virginia Beach, Va.


Mary Murray ’95 and Scott Glasgow, April 10, 1999.

Christin Van Wek ’95 and Christopher Griswold ’96, March 27, 1999.


Amelia Sheahan ’97 and Eric Zenner, July 8, 1999, Schererville, Ind.


University City, N.J.


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### Books


Kathleen LeCarafa ’90 and linen and Brenda Lincoln, Jan. 19, 1999.

Elizabeth Murphy ’85 and Bryan Nolan, March 16, 1999.

Tayne Murphy, March 26, 1999.


Andrew Hart, June 6, 1999.


Stacy Richy ’91 and Patterson and Colleen, April, 3, 1999.

Kim McCall ’90 and Amy Cotgram ’93, Howard and Reed Grant, Dec. 23, 1999.

Stephen Summers ’91 and Monica Sunday, March 17, 1999.


Andrew Marnich ’92 and Darcy McPherson ’93, Markwardt, Bremen basic, Jan. 25, 1999.


Evan Emst ’92 and Amanda Rose ’91, Scott and Mark Emst, Megan, Jan. 22, 1999.

The Courage to Teach, by Parker Palmer

For those who believe that teaching is simply one option in a long list of vocations, Parker Palmer's insights will inspire, challenge, and change you. It matters little who, what, or where you teach: please make sure you read this treasure.

(Dr. Ronald Wolthuis, associate professor of education)

Cry, the Beloved Country, by Alan Paton

Because it is breath-taking prose about apartheid in South Africa in the middle of this century and how its practice affected two families, one white, one black. This Christian themes and biblical parallels further enrich this story of fathers and sons.

(Nancy Nicolosi, professor emerita of English)

Deaths

Agnes VanOostenbrugge '35 Albers of Grand Rapids, Mich., died on Thursday, April 8, 1999.

She was a graduate of East Grand Rapids High School. She did graduate work in psychology at the University in Delft, Fla. She was an elementary teacher before her marriage in 1938 to Dr. Donald Albert.

Survivors include two daughters, Dorothy (George) Doucet of Great Falls, Va., and Barbara (Richard) Resen of Kentwood, Ill.; five granddaughters, Heather Doucet (Mark) Holland, Stephanie Douce (Cameron) Cole, Richard Resen Jr. and Anne Resen; three great-granddaughters, Jonathan Hunt Holland and Sarah Claire Holland; a cousin, Charlotte (Daniel) Basker of Grand Rapids; a niece, Anne E. Vanderberg of Grand Rapids; and a nephew, John (Thelma) Yoonkam of Holland, Mich.

Word has been received of the death of Genevieve Vanderven '80 Arendall of Holland, Mich., who died on Tuesday, June 1, 1999. More will appear in the next issue.

Harry R. Boer '37 of Grand Rapids, Mich., died on Wednesday, April 21, 1999. He was 86.

He was a chaplain with the U.S. Marine Corps during World War II. He was professor of missions at Calvin Theological Seminary, where he was associate pastor of St. John's Church in South Africa, and served as a missionary in Nigeria, culminating with the principaship of the Nigerian Reformed College of Northern Nigeria. He also wrote 11 books.

Survivors include his sister, Elizabeth Bateman of Holland, Mich.; nieces and nephews; Frances Boer of Grand Rapids; and races and nephews.

Alfred G. Borgman '43 of Wimington, N.C., died on Saturday, Jan. 9, 1999. He was 77.

He was born on May 28, 1921, in DeMotte, Ind., the son of the late Raymond and Jennie Haan Borgman.

He served in the U.S. Navy as a lieutenant (jg.) during World War II. He retired as manager of the Appraisal Division of GAB Business Services Inc. of Parsippany, N.J., in 1988.

He was a member of Lutheran Church of Reconciliation.

Survivors include his wife, Joan; Harvey Borgman of Boston, Mass., two daughters, Barbara (Russell) Robinson of Columbus, Ohio, and Betty (James) Fox of Atlanta, Ga.; and four grandchildren.

Raymond W. Bos '42 of Byron Center, Mich., died on Saturday, April 3, 1999. He was 76.

He was a veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps, serving during World War II. He owned the Holland Coin Shop for 24 years.

His wife, Violet, preceded him in death.

Survivors include his children, Jack Bos of Indiana, Mary, Cook of Montville, N.J., and Kathy Bos of Byron Center; his brother, Bob; and two grandchildren.

Nona Jean Zimmerman '61 Boykin of Spring Lake, Mich., died on Saturday, March 6, 1999, from injuries sustained in an automobile accident.

She was born on April 11, 1939, in Ferryburg, Mich., to Herbert W. and Mary (Farrar) Zimmerman.

She graduated from Grand Haven (Mich.) High School in 1957.

She married Donald W. Boykin, who survives her, on July 16, 1960, in Spring Lake.

She taught for North Muskegon Public Schools and most recently for Spring Lake Public Schools.

She was a member of First Baptist Church in Spring Lake, a Sunday school teacher, AWANA director and co-director of senior citizen activities.

She also directed Christmas programs and the children's program to be born, Michael, to chicken church teacher and member of the Gilead Assembly.

In addition to her husband, survivors include two daughters, Elizabeth Boykin of Grand Haven, and Paul (Jephy) Verderbee of Upper Darby, Pa.; a son, Jason (Karen) Boykin of Spring Lake; a granddaughter, Makayla Boykin, her mother, Margaret Engineer of Spring Lake; and a brother, Herbert (Sylvia) Zimmerman Jr. of Niantic, Mich.

She was preceded in death by her father, Herbert Zimmerman Sr.

Harry L. Brewer '28 of Grandville, Mich., died on Wednesday, March 10, 1999. He was 93.

He served as a pastor in the Reformed Church in America for 41 years. His pastorates included Nisswa, Minn.; Weyburn, Sask.; and Alliston, Ont.

He was ordained in the Sioux Center, Iowa, and Grace Reformed Church in Wyoming, Mich. He also served as interim pastor of West Palm Beach Reformed Church.

He was also a member of the Wyoming City Council from the mid-1970s through the early 1980s.

Survivors include his wife, Jean; his children, Joel; Paul; and Robert; his grandchildren, of the U.S. Marines.

He was a civil engineer and president of Baldwin & Cornelius Civil Engineering and Surveying Company in Freeport, Long Island, N.Y., retiring in 1986. He was a member of Freeport Reformed Church and Hempsland and Court Country Club for many years before retiring.

He was preceded in death by his son, Edward Hill Carlin Jr.

Survivors include his wife, Margaret Carlin; and his children, Dorothy and Kathleen; his grandchildren, Noreen, Margaret, Elizabeth and Brian; and his great-grandchildren.

Word has been received of the death of Peter B. DeVitt '31 of Grand Haven, Mich., who died on Wednesday, March 17, 1999. More information will appear in the next issue.

Word has been received of the death of Martha Wilson '34 Fisher of Fairview, Ill., who died on Wednesday, November 11, 1999.

She was the widow of his first wife, Bessie Miller, a nurse; and the wife of Ronald, a pastor.

Arjel J. "Bub" Feuling '50 of Grand Rapids, Mich., died on Saturday, April 10, 1999. He was 72.

He was born in Grand Rapids and attended Central High School. He did graduate work at Cornell, Harvard and Michigan State University.

He served in World War II as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Navy in the Pacific Theatre. He was licensed as a landscape architect in Michigan and was the former owner of Feuling-Merdlin Floral Company. He was a life-long member of Central Reformed Church.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Henrietta, and two sons, Edward and Robert.

Survivors include his daughter, Marcia (Campbell) (Jethro) Helfert of Holland, Mich.; three grandchildren; Claire (William) Bosmina of Holland, N.D.; Robert (Beth) Necas of Georgetown Township, Mich.; and Mary Sue (John Becker) Eerland of Charlotte, Mich.

She majored in education (Leander) Edeyman of Grand Haven, Mich.; four great-grandchildren; and one sister, Lucille (Albert) VanderLaan of Grand Rapids.

Kathleen McCarthy '79 Gifford of Tulia, Okla., died on Thursday, May 13, 1999. She was 41.

She was a resident of Holland, Mich., and graduated from Spring Lake High School.

Survivors include her husband of 15 years, James; her parents, Paul and Lottie McCarthy of reporters-in-law; William and Virginia Gifford of Port Charlotte, Fla.; and her children, Michael, and Elizabeth, and four nieces, and nephews.

Bruce Goodwin '64 of Hawthorne, N.J., died on Friday, Jan. 21, 1999, after a long battle with cancer.

He was a veteran of the U.S. Army Air Corps, serving in World War II.

He included his wife of 50 years, Elizabeth; children, Susan Scalzi, David Goodson of Chicago, and James and Goshom of Garden City; and his grandchildren.

Stanley Gough of Saugatuck, Mich., and George and Goshom of Garden City, a sister, Mrs. Bruce (Harriete) Dekker of Holland, Mich.; three grandchildren.

She was a graduate of Calvin College in science at Hope, where her activities included the Biology Club and the Sorenis Society (Sigma Sigma Sigma)

She studied nursing at the University of Chicago. She had been a science instructor in the Preceptorium, School of Nursing, in Chicago, Ill., from 1938 to 1944.

She also had been in Newkale, and earlier had lived in Coral Gables, Fl. She was a member of Coral Gables Congregational Church.

She was preceded in death by her son, Ralph Gray, her daughter, and her grandchildren.

Julie DenHerder '54 of Gray of Miami, Fla., died on Wednesday, Dec. 19, 1998. She was 77.

She was a graduate of Hope College, serving in World War II.

She included her wife; his grandchildren; her grandchildren; and her great-grandchildren.

Word has been received of the death of Alice Gifford of Newton, Okla., died on July 23, 1999.

She was a resident of Grand Haven, Mich., and served in the Marine Corps, retiring.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Ralph Gray, her daughter, and her grandchildren.

Frank A. Jillson '51 of Alto, Mich., died on Friday, April 2, 1999. He was 71.

He was a veteran of World War II, a son, and a great-grandchild.

Debbie and Ed Frazier, Laura Johnson, and Julianne
and Steve Ralph, stepchildren, Mark and Sue Varangiel, Jeff and Jackie Varangiel, and Kurt Varangiel; 18 grandchildren; a sister, Rose Springfield; and a sister-in-law, Peggy Kunkler. He was preceded in death by a granddaughter, Jordan Ralph.

Anna Koeman '31, Joist of Holiday, Fla., died on Sunday, April 16, 1999. She was 93. She was born in Yonkers, N.Y., on Sept. 11, 1905, the daughter of Dr. Leo Van Deursen and Elise LaCrone Van Deursen. She taught at Arlyne Institute in Avonville, Ky., and for 37 years in the Yonkers Public Schools as an English teacher and librarian. She retired in 1970.

She was a long-time member of the Park Hill First Reformed Church in Yonkers. She joined the Manchester United Methodist Church in New Hampshire before moving to the area in 1969. She was a former president of the Auxiliary of the Hudson River Museum in Yonkers. She also served as a leader of the Silver House, a restored pre-revolutionary farm house. She was a member of the Retired Teachers Association of the Yonkers Public Schools, as well as several volunteer organizations like the Silver Bay Association, a YWCA Conference Center in upstate New York.

She died on April 12, 1990. He preceded her in death, in 1963. She was also preceded in death by three brothers, Victor W. Brush, Louis V. Van Deursen and Dr. William Van Deursen. Survivors include her sons, Robert O. Koeman '46 and Perry O. Koeman, Jr., both of Manchester, and William Koeman '69 and Judy Muto '69 Koeman of Shippensburg, Pa., and six grandchildren, Kurt, Karen, Kevin, Kari, Kevin, and Bill and Heather.

Word has been received of the death of Aedan Kolman '37 of De Queen, Ark. After graduating from Hope, he graduated from Northwestern Presbyterian Seminary with an M.Div.

During a span of 58 years, he served as a missionary in the area of Tennessee, Arkansas, Louisiana and Texas. He retired five years ago. Survivors include his wife, Mary In Morrisson Kolman; two daughters; a granddaughter; and a great-granddaughter.

Iva Kleerk '32 LaCrone of Holland, Mich., died on Thursday, April 22, 1999. She was 89. She was born in Kalkaska, Mich., the daughter of LaVerne and Aida Kleerk. She was preceded in death by her husband, Fred, in 1974, and by a grandson, Frederick LaCrone.

Survivors include her stepchildren, Margaret and James Rogers of Afton, Mich., and Frederick and Eula LaCrone of West Palm Beach, Fla.; seven grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

William D. Laing '35 of Huntington, Long Island, N.Y., and formerly of White River Junction, Vt., and Boysen Point, Fla., died on Sunday, Feb. 28, 1999, of cancer. He was 69.

He served in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War. After getting out of the service, he was a financial consultant until retiring in 1987. He was a member of Central Presbyterian Church in Bellefontaine, Ohio, and served as a deacon for many years. He loved sailing, and sailed the Eastern shore from Massachusetts to Florida for 35 years.

Survivors include his wife of 46 years, Erna Pick Laing; three daughters, Margaret L. Laing '75 Van Deursen of Middletown, Conn., and Elizabeth E. Gordon of Hudson, N.H., and Virginia A. Bentz of Northport, Long Island, N.Y.; and nine grandchildren.

Martha Muller '44 Miller of Holland, Mich., died on Sunday, May 16, 1999. She was 98. Born in Grand Rapids, III., she grew up in Holland. In addition to her, she attended the University of Wisconsin.

She was a lifelong resident of Zeeland, Mich. She was an organizer for the Zeeland Girl Scouts, a member of a local baseball club for women and the Women's Society of the Second Reformed Church.

She was an officer of the Howard Miller Clock Company. The company was founded by her husband, Howard Miller, who preceded her in death.

Her interest in the Zeeland Library prompted a family donation that led to the construction of the Howard Miller Library, which was dedicated in 1995.


Clara Rodol '64 Grandhiem of Lansing, Mich., died on Thursday, May 15, 1999, at 98.

She was born on Nov. 18, 1900, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rodol, of Yonkers, N.Y. She was a registered nurse. She was a member of the Westminster Presbyterian Church in Yonkers.

In 1927, she married Cornelius Groen '34 of Huntington, Ind., and served there as minister. She taught handicapped children in Illinois and Florida.

She was a member of the Royal School of Organists, Altrincham, England; and of the Nolton Choristers. She taught music in numerous Christian schools.

Ernst W. Rezec, who preceded her in death, in 1988, was the co-president and co-founder of the National Guild of Organists and a co-patron of the Choir of the Guild. The church's music is performed in numerous Christian schools.


Janet Arnold '44 Newendorp of Williamsburg, Va., died on Sunday, April 11, 1999. She was 76. She was born in Algonquin, Ill., the daughter of LaVerne and Ida Klinker Arnold. She met her husband of 56 years, Ken Newendorp '42, who survives her, while attending Hope. She was a graduate of The Eastman School of Music and a student in the Master of Music, with a degree in music therapy.

She taught handicapped children and adults for more than 46 years. She taught in the music department and in the music department at Hope College, where she taught in the summer program for adults and shared her love of music with young children.

She was a member of the Board of Directors of the North American Guild of Organists and the Dr. W. A. E. Grassie Organ(s) at the Williamsburg Symphonic Longitude and Spotswood Golf Association at the Golden Homesite. She was a member of the Westminster Presbyterian Church in Williamsburg, Va.

In addition to her husband, survivors include a son, Donald Newendorp of Williamsburg, Va., and a granddaughter, Nicole Newendorp and her husband, David Tayor '79. They have a daughter, who has been in residence in the area for many years as a musician.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Newendorp of Los Angeles, Calif.; and a great-grandfather, Frances C. Taylor '56.

Herman Dale Neibnhs '54 of Yonkers, N.Y., died on Friday, April 16, 1999, of cancer. He was 72.

He was born in Zeeland, Mich., the son of George and Bessie Neibnhs. He held a medical degree from the University of Michigan School of Medicine.


He was a member of the State Medical Association, Indiana Medical Association, American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Caroll United Methodist Church, Kiwanis Club, and the University of Michigan Alumni Association.

Survivors include his wife, Nancy; children, Dr. David and Deb Niehns of Brookfield, Wis., and Sarah and Jim Hedge of Elm Grove, a brother, Arnold and LaVina Neibnhs of Zeeland, six grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

Oliver Stewart Page '41 of Holland, Mich., died on Monday, April 11, 1999, of cancer. He was 72.

He was born in June 2, 1920, in Washburn, Wis., the son of John Bapst and Marie Mende Page. He attended school in Washburn, and later Apprenticeship to a career in chemistry. He attended the University of Wisconsin and earned his master of science degree in 1945.

He was ordained to the Gospel ministry, and following a pastorate at Zion Lutheran and Rosamere, Mich., he traveled to the Middle East, where he taught for one year at the Baptist School in Alexandria, Egypt. After his return to the States, he accepted a pastorate at the Congregational Church at South Lake, Md., and then at Breda, Belgium, where he served as pastor for two years, before being married.

He then served as pastor at the Baptist Church in Amsterdam, N.Y., and later at the Baptist Church in Yonkers, N.Y. He was married to Elise niehns of Fairview, Pa., in 1967.

He was a member of the Glenelg United Methodist Church. He had volunteered for the MD Therapeutic Recreation Society, by a partner in RJ Chemical Company, and the YMCA. He died on Friday, May 14, 1999.

Word has been received of the death of Lavern R. Sandy '37 of Fort Wayne, Ind., who died on Monday, May 24, 1999. More will appear in the next issue.

Word has been received of the death of Joyce Van Oss '36 Schreiner of Galivard, Mich., who died on Friday, May 13, 1999. More will appear in the next issue.

Howard Bliss Scholl '36 of Walnut Creek, Calif., died on Monday, March 8, 1999. He was born in Allou, Iowa, and grew up on a farm. He was a member of the Commonwealth Society at Hope. He graduated from Western Theological Seminary in 1933.

He married his childhood sweetheart, Gertrude Karver '31, who survives him. In May of 1952, they had one child, Connie, who preceded him in death.

He pastored churches in Michigan and California, and the Commonwealth Church, before entering the military as a chaplain.

After his first tour of active duty was in the reserve, he continued serving in the military, serving in the reserves.

He then studied to be an Episcopal priest, and was ordained in 1949 at Grace Cathedral.

He was recalled to active duty, and retired from the U.S. Air Force in 1967 as a lieutenant colonel.

After retiring, he became chaplain at San Rafael Medical Academy for three years. He also served as a minister in a variety of Episcopal churches as
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NFHC June 1999
Hope sweeps All-Sports triad

After presenting a single all-sports award for seven decades, the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association this year instituted an expanded program to recognize men’s and women’s sports in addition to the cumulative effort.

The new configuration made no difference as far as Hope College athletics was concerned.

Already the winner of more all-sports awards than any other MIAA-member college, Hope swept all three of the reconfigured awards.

Hope won its league-record 22nd all-sports award, now known as the Commissioner’s Cup, and captured the first men’s and women’s all-sports awards.

With championship teams in six conference sports, Hope led the Commissioner’s Cup standings with 213 points, followed by Calvin with 192, Albion 151, Alma and Kalamazoo 137 each, Olivet 90, Adrian 70 and Defiance 64. Hope and Calvin were also one-two in the men’s and women’s all-sports standings.

During the year, Hope captured MIAA championships in women’s golf, women’s swimming, women’s tennis and volleyball, and won co-championships in men’s basketball and baseball.

The spring sports season was highlighted by outstanding team and individual efforts, including three All-American performances.

**VICTORY IN SEASON FINALE GIVES DUTCHMEN BASEBALL TITLE**

The Flying Dutchmen had their back to the fence during most of the league season in their bid to repeat as MIAA champions. By winning six of their last seven league games, including a season-ending showdown at Alma, coach Stuart Fritz’s Dutchmen were able to gain a share of the championship and finish the season 18-17. The title was Hope’s sixth in the decade of the ‘90s.

Senior rightfielder Ryan Tanis of Holland, Mich., was voted the league’s most valuable player. Playing the final three weeks of the season with a leg injury, he inspired the Dutchmen to their third straight league crown. In one game, he hit home runs in three consecutive at-bats.

Six players were voted to the All-MIAA teams. Senior shortstop Dean Esteves of Jenison, Mich., was voted to the first team for the third consecutive year. He was joined on the first team by Tanis and sophomore third baseman Sean Bateman of Saline, Mich.

Esteves became the MIAA’s career leader in home runs with 10. Voted to the All-MIAA second team were senior second baseman Matt Klein of DeWitt, Mich., junior outfielder Ben Fellow of Lansing, Mich., and senior pitcher Adam Labbe of Cadillac, Mich.

**DUTCH REPEAT AS MIAA WOMEN’S TENNIS CHAMPS**

The Flying Dutch clinched their fourth straight MIAA championship by going undefeated in league dual matches and sweeping the conference tournament.

Coach Karen Page’s Dutch posted a 17-5 overall dual match record. The Dutch have won 30 consecutive league matches over five seasons.

At the league tournament, Hope players captured championships in five-of-six singles flights and two-of-three doubles flights.

Junior Jennifer Smith of Holland, Mich., and sophomore Julie Murray of Spring Lake, Mich., were voted to the All-MIAA first team, while sophomore Kristen Kooyer of Holland, Mich., received second team recognition.

**HOPE CROWNS TWO NCAA TRACK ALL-AMERICANS**

Two Hope tracksters achieved All-America status at the NCAA Division III track and field championships. Sophomores Emily Sowers of Grand Rapids, Mich., finished fifth in the discus, while junior Jennifer Ernst of Westerville, Ohio, was seventh in the 10,000-meter run.

This was the second time that Hope has had two track All-Americans in the same year. It last occurred in 1985.

Competing at nationals for the second consecutive year, Sowers had a throw of 142 feet, 1 inch, in the finals. As a freshman she finished 15th in the nation. Earlier in the season, she established a school record with a throw of 145 feet, 7 inches.

Ernst had a school-record time (36:23.70) in becoming Hope’s third NCAA All-American in the 10,000. She also competed in the 5,000-meter, finishing 15th in a field of 21 runners.

The Flying Dutch finished second in the MIAA women’s track and field standings, while the Flying Dutchmen tied for third place in the men’s field.

Seven tracksters were voted All-MIAA. Junior Paul Berke of Park Ridge, Ill., the league champion in the 10,000-meter run, was the only men’s team honoree. Voted to the women’s All-MIAA team were freshman Sarah Burgess of Niles, Mich., Ernst, senior Becky Timmer of Pella, Iowa, freshman Elizabeth Chapman of Marquette, Mich.; junior Kim Richardson of Sanford, Mich., and Sowers. Ernst was the MIAA champion in the 5,000 and 10,000 meters. Burgess captured the gold in the shotput, Sowers repeated as league champion in the discus and Richardson took first in the high jump.

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