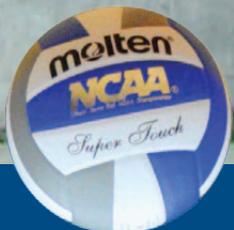


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Giving Hearts

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“Quote, unquote”

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



The Rev. William C. Hillegonds '49 made a profound and lasting difference on both Hope and Hope students during his 1965-78 tenure as the college's chaplain. Rev. Hillegonds, who died on

Dec. 23, 2007, at age 85, has continued to have a direct impact on new generations of students through the William Hillegonds Scholarship established in his honor in the 1980s and which he in turn supported directly. A tree planting on Saturday, Oct. 10, in the Pine Grove provided an additional opportunity to celebrate his memory and his commitment, as expressed through the wording of the scholarship, to furthering inter-cultural contact and understanding. The following excerpts are from remarks by Eric Foster '95, who is today a member of the college's advancement staff and as a student was among the scholarship's recipients.

“Among the many words of counsel that my mother provided me when I transferred to Hope College, she reminded me to always acknowledge the people who support you. Although she worked extremely hard to provide for my education, she was pleased that I had the support of people---the William Hillegonds Scholarship: William Hillegonds '49, and the Hillegonds representatives that I met as a student, Paul Hillegonds and Dr. Paul DeWeese '77. In this regard, I had tangible evidence of supporters who wanted me here. I remember the sense of empowerment I felt with this support as well as the obligation I had to adhere to the wording of that scholarship: ‘Further inter-cultural contact and understanding,’ a philosophy that I lived in my life and in high school.

“When I left a vastly different life in

Washington and came back to Michigan and Hope, one of the first things I did was write Bill and Libby and e-mail Paul Hillegonds and Paul DeWeese. In those communications, I just wanted to acknowledge the people who supported me, express what that support meant to me and explain how the intentions of the Hillegonds Scholarship—seamlessly combined with my childhood lessons and Catholic social teaching--contributed to my being someone working to bring people together. Above all, I wanted to share with Bill the pride that I had in coming back to Hope to help create and expand opportunities in higher education for young men and women who believe in the same thing.

“If Bill was here with us, [he] would probably say that he's just glad that **‘our words and deeds become a team’**—something he once said to the Class of 1968 during one of their reunions. He insisted their words and deeds become a team.

“It may be too much romantic poetry—but perhaps a group of students from different racial backgrounds and cultures leave Chapel after a service where someone has eloquently talked about diversity as the Apostle Paul talked about ‘proving unity in diversity,’ and they walk through the Pine Grove to ponder what deeds they can do to make this a reality, and then they come pass this tree and acquire a thought about the exact thing they can do to make their words and deeds become a team.

“If this is too far-fetched, then I'll stick to basic prose: That personally, I'll make this location a reminder of simple prayer for the wisdom and counsel on how to continue my part in what is the college's mission in making the words of the Hillegonds Scholarship and the man himself combine with the deeds in bringing people together. For it was a poet who once wrote, ‘There are rich counsels in the trees.’

“Thank you Jim [Bultman '63] and the Hillegonds Family for allowing us to have a bit of Bill's counsel—not just his memory—here on campus to remind us that on issues of tolerance, diversity and mutual understanding... our deeds and words must grow together to become a team.” ✍️

On the Cover

Student volunteerism takes many forms, running across the entire school year and featuring activity on campus, throughout Hope's West Michigan home and even around the nation and abroad. On the cover, senior Josh Andrews of Union City, Mich., and junior Caleb Nykamp of Holland, Mich., make friends with some of the elementary-age students attending Eagle College in Miguel Aleman, Mexico, during one of last year's several spring break mission and service trips organized through the Campus Ministries Office. (Photo courtesy of Caleb Nykamp)



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ACADEMIC CALENDAR

- Jan. 10, Sunday—Residence halls open, noon
Jan. 12, Tuesday—Classes begin, 8 a.m.
Feb. 12, Friday—Winter recess begins, 6 p.m.
Feb. 17, Wednesday—Winter recess ends, 8 a.m.

ADMISSIONS

Campus Visits: The Admissions Office is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays, and from September through early June is also open 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.

Visit Days: Visit 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 remaining days for 2009-10 are: Monday, Jan. 18; Friday, Jan. 29; Friday, Feb. 19; and Friday, Feb. 26.

Junior Days: Friday, March 5;
Friday, April 9; Friday, April 16

Pre-Professional Day:
Wednesday, May 19

For further information about any Admissions Office event, please call (616) 395-7850, or toll free 1-800-968-7850; check on-line at www.hope.edu/admissions; or write: Hope College Admissions Office; 69 E. 10th St.; PO Box 9000; Holland, MI; 49422-9000.

DE PREE GALLERY

Captured Light: The Contemporary Katagami Works of Jennifer Falck Linssen—Friday, Jan. 15-Friday, Feb. 12

Mark Paris: The American Dream—Friday, Feb. 26-Friday, March 26

The gallery is open Mondays through Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sundays from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is free. Please call the gallery at (616) 395-7500 for more information.

INSTANT INFORMATION

Updates on events, news and athletics at Hope may be obtained online 24 hours a day at www.hope.edu/pr/events.html.

DANCE

Lehrer Dance—Friday-Saturday, Jan. 22-23

Knickerbocker Theatre, 8 p.m.
Ticket information TBD.

Dance 36—Friday-Saturday, March 5-6; Thursday-Saturday, March 11-13

Knickerbocker Theatre, 8 p.m.
Tickets are \$7 for regular admission and \$5 for senior citizens and students, and will be available at the door.

IDT—Friday-Saturday, April 9-10
Knickerbocker Theatre, 8 p.m.
Tickets are \$7 for regular admission and \$5 for senior citizens and students, and will be available at the door.



GREAT PERFORMANCE SERIES

Cashgore Marionettes—Saturday, Feb. 6: Dimnent Memorial Chapel, 7:30 p.m.

Indo-Pak Coalition—Wednesday, March 10: Dimnent Memorial Chapel, 7:30 p.m.

Kronos Quartet—Tuesday, April 6: Dimnent Memorial Chapel, 7:30 p.m.
Tickets are \$17 for regular admission, \$12 for senior citizens, and \$6 for children under 18 and Hope students, and are available at the ticket office in the front lobby of the DeVos Fieldhouse.

JACK RIDL VISITING WRITERS SERIES

Melissa Delbridge—Thursday, Feb. 4

Terrance Hayes—Tuesday, March 9
George Saunders—Monday, April 12

The readings will be at the Knickerbocker Theatre beginning at 7 p.m. Admission is free.

TRADITIONAL EVENTS

Celebration of Undergraduate Research and Creative Performance—Friday, April 9
DeVos Fieldhouse



MUSIC

Guest Artist—Thursday, Jan. 14: Peter Jankovic, classical guitar, Knickerbocker Theatre, 7:30 p.m.
Ticket information TBD.

Guest Artist—Sunday, Jan. 17: Jerome Lowenthal, pianist, Dimnent Memorial Chapel, 2 p.m.
Admission is free.

Concerto Aria Concert with the Hope College Orchestra—Friday, Jan. 29: Dimnent Chapel, 7:30 p.m.
Admission is free.

Guest Artist—Tuesday, Feb. 2: Paul Galbraith, classical guitar, Knickerbocker Theatre, 7:30 p.m.
Ticket information TBD.

Jazz Ensembles Concert—Thursday, Feb. 25: Dimnent Memorial Chapel, 7:30 p.m.
Admission is free.

Wind Ensemble Concert—Friday, Feb. 26: Dimnent Chapel, 7:30 p.m.
Admission is free.

Musical Showcase—Monday, March 1: DeVos Hall, Grand Rapids, 8 p.m.
Ticket information TBD.

Faculty Recital—Sunday, March 7: Adam Clark, pianist, Dimnent Memorial Chapel, 2 p.m.
Admission is free.

Chamber Music Concert—Thursday, March 11: Wichers Auditorium of Nykerk Hall of Music, 11 a.m.
Admission is free.

Opera Workshop Recital—Thursday, March 11: Wichers Auditorium of Nykerk Hall of Music, 7:30 p.m.
Admission is free.

Orchestra Concert—Friday, March 12: Dimnent Chapel, 7:30 p.m.
Admission is free.

Chapel Choir Home Concert—Wednesday, March 31: St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church, corner of 13th Street and Maple Avenue in Holland, Mich., 7:30 p.m.
Admission is free.



THEATRE

Much Ado About Nothing—Friday-Saturday, March 5-6; Wednesday-Saturday, March 10-13
DeWitt Center, main theatre, 8 p.m.

Tickets for Hope College Theatre productions are \$7 for regular admission and \$4 for senior citizens and students, and are available at the ticket office in the front lobby of the DeVos Fieldhouse.

ALUMNI, PARENTS & FRIENDS

Winter Happening—Saturday, Jan. 23

Includes multiple seminars and home winter sports action.

Satellite Basketball Gatherings—Saturday, Jan. 30

Gatherings around the country to watch the 3 p.m. Calvin-at-Hope men's basketball game live.
www.hopecalvin.com

Alumni Weekend—Friday-Sunday, April 30-May 2.

Includes reunions for every fifth class from 1960 through 1980, and a 50-Year Circle brunch for all classes from 1959 and earlier.

For more information concerning the above events, please call the Office of Public and Community Relations at (616) 395-7860 or the Office of Alumni and Parent Relations at (616) 395-7250 or visit the Alumni Association Web site at: www.hope.edu/alumni.



VESPERS ON THE AIR

This year's Christmas Vespers service will be carried by radio stations around the country. Please visit the college online for the list or call the Office of Public and Community Relations at (616) 395-7860 for more information.

TICKET SALES

For events with advance ticket sales, the ticket office in the front lobby of the DeVos Fieldhouse is open weekdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and can be called at (616) 395-7890.





PRESIDENTIAL PORTRAITS: The rededication of Graves Hall on Friday, Oct. 9, provided a first opportunity for visitors to see the college's newly restored collection of presidential portraits.

Although Graves re-opened for the start of classes, the portraits arrived only shortly before the celebration.

The portraits had previously been featured in the building's former "Presidents Room," a conference room that included the main-floor tower and was scarcely able to hold them all. Their removal for the duration of Graves's restoration provided an opportunity to restore them as well—a process that for the oldest paintings included removing soot from the days that their quarters were heated by coal.

The larger room that now hosts the portraits is on the north end of the building, where in the earliest days the library stacks stood. The collection features the Rev. Albertus C. Van Raalte as well as the college's first 10 presidents—the Rev. Philip Phelps Jr. through Dr. John Jacobson. As the current president, Dr. James Bultman '63 is not yet included.



HERITAGE CELEBRATED: The construction of the new Van Anandel Soccer Stadium included an encounter with Holland's early history that has resulted in lasting commemoration at the facility.

Workers discovered the remnants of a long-forgotten tunnel that was part of the homestead of the Rev. Albertus C. Van Raalte, founder of Holland and one of the founders of Hope. The home was first a red cedar wood structure built in 1847 and later (approximately 1876) expanded to a brick-veneer structure containing 21 rooms. It stood empty for many years, and in 1947 the homestead—a seven-acre property—was donated to Hope by then-owner William Eerdmans of Grand Rapids, Mich. At that time it was hoped that the home could be preserved, but by the early 1960s it had fallen into such disrepair that the college decided to demolish it. Portions of the tunnel, which had reportedly connected the main home with an outbuilding, were simply left in place.

In honor of the locale's history, bricks from the tunnel were used to construct a pillar near the stadium entrance that features a plaque that outlines the site's past as the Van Raalte home.



MENTOR MOURNED: Russell (Russ) B. DeVette '45, a teacher and coach at Hope for four decades, died on Monday, Nov. 23, at Hospice House in Holland, Mich., following a long illness. He was 86.

DeVette taught and coached at Hope for nearly 40 years, from 1948 until retiring in 1988 as professor emeritus of physical education. An outstanding basketball player at Hope, he was the first recipient of the most valuable player award from the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association (MIAA).

At times in his Hope career he coached three sports in the same school year. He coached the men's basketball team from 1948 to 1951 and from 1956 to 1977. He was also the head football coach from 1955 to 1969. He remained on the football coaching staff as defensive coordinator through 1987. He also served as head coach in both baseball and women's track. The teams combined to win 14 MIAA championships.

In 2007 the Hope College Alumni H-Club presented him the "Hope for Humanity Award." A holiday men's basketball tournament is named in his honor (he is pictured above with Coach Glenn Van Wieren '64 and the team following the 2000 event). The main basketball gymnasium in the college's DeVos Fieldhouse honors him and his wife Doris.

A more complete death notice can be found online at www.hope.edu.

SCIENCE HISTORY: The Hope-produced book about the college's science program, highlighted in the August issue of *News from Hope College*, is now available.

A Century of Science: Excellence at Hope College, is part of the college's year-long commemoration of the creation of the departments of chemistry and physics as independent programs in 1909.

Edited and designed by award-winning local author Valerie Van Heest, the book tells the story of all of the college's programs in the natural and applied sciences, including not only chemistry and physics but also biology, computer science, engineering, the geological and environmental sciences, mathematics and nursing.

Copies are available for \$29.95 each from the office of the dean for the natural and applied sciences, located in room 2000 of the A. Paul Schaap Science Center, through mail order or via the dean's Web site, www.hope.edu/academic/natsci, or by calling (616) 395-7190 or e-mailing michner@hope.edu.

More ONLINE www.hope.edu/pr/nfhc

PROFESSIONALISM HONORED: Amy Otis-De Grau '96, who is director of international education, has received the Professional Development Award from IES Abroad.

IES Abroad, which is one of the largest third-party providers of study-abroad experiences in the United States, gives the award to an educator who has served the study-abroad field in a professional and committed manner. Otis-De Grau received the award on Thursday, Oct. 15, during the organization's annual conference in Chicago, Ill. She is pictured at left above with Dr. Mary Dwyer, president and CEO of IES Abroad.



Otis-De Grau has been a member of the international education staff at Hope since 1996, and has served as director of the office since 2007. She was nominated for the Professional Development Award by Dr. Neal Sobania '68, who preceded her as director of international education at Hope before he became executive director of Pacific Lutheran University's Wang Center for International Programs.

More ONLINE www.hope.edu/pr/nfhc

ARTS AND HUMANITIES RESEARCH: A major grant from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation is funding a new program designed to deepen students' scholarship in the arts and humanities through collaborative, interdisciplinary research projects and the use of digital technologies.

The foundation has awarded Hope \$200,000 to create the "Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Scholars Program in the Arts and Humanities." The program, which will begin in the fall of 2010, will involve select students in a series of new courses beginning their sophomore year and enable them across the rest of their time at Hope to develop research projects in areas of scholarly interest with faculty mentors, with a particular emphasis on teaching them how to use new and emerging digital technologies in pursuing and sharing their work.

More ONLINE www.hope.edu/pr/nfhc

HOPE IN PICTURES: Please visit the college online to enjoy extensive photo galleries organized by topic and chronicling a variety of events in the life of Hope. Pictured is a moment from this year's Relay for Life, held on Friday-Saturday, Nov. 13-14, on behalf of the American Cancer Society. The event raised more than \$36,000.



More ONLINE www.hope.edu/pr/gallery



Giving Hearts

By Greg Olgers '87

These Advent weeks are heralded as the season of giving, but at Hope the Christmas spirit lasts year-round.

It's exemplified by a commitment to serving others that finds expression even in students' first days on campus and continues throughout the school year and beyond. It's built into the Hope experience, shepherded with deep devotion by faculty and staff who themselves seek to live the ideals expressed in the college's missional emphasis on educating students for lives of leadership and service, but more than that it reflects that Hope students have giving hearts and appreciate that there is more to the world than themselves.

"Hope students see their education or experience at Hope as not merely a passport to privilege, but as a passport to serving others," said the Rev. Trygve Johnson, who is the Hinga-Boersma Dean of the Chapel at Hope.

"They want an education that enables them to become more," he said. "If all college is is a head trip, then it isn't wisdom. Knowledge needs to be applied."

Freshmen find the opportunities within about 24 hours of when they arrive on campus, when during New Student Orientation they are given the opportunity to sign on for "Time to Serve" the following Saturday. Led by the student-run Volunteer Services office, "Time to Serve" presents about three dozen day-long service projects throughout the community. The work can range from spreading wood chips, to painting, to sorting clothes at a re-sale store, to washing goats.



The campus-wide commitment to service is highlighted well through "Time to Serve," which provides an introduction to the community and volunteer opportunities during the first weekend of the school year. The event is geared toward new students, but it is popular with upperclassmen as well. Here, senior Laura Morningstar of Fishers, Ind., washes a goat—who can't resist sneaking a drink—at the Critter Barn.

"...and it was always said of him that he knew how to keep Christmas well, if any man alive possessed the knowledge."

– Charles Dickens, *A Christmas Carol*



The day is designed to give the students a chance to get to know their new Holland community and especially to start developing a sense of how they can serve as a part of it. It's pretty effective.

"When we were going around that day, people were asking, 'Can we come back to this and serve longer?'" said senior Bryanna Warriner of Eaton Rapids, Mich., who co-directs Volunteer Services with senior Erica Smith of Muskegon, Mich.

That single day can make a profound difference. One group this year helped with a variety of projects at the home of a recently widowed 80-year-old whose nephew was prompted to share word later of their visit's impact. "If they only knew how happy this woman now feels about her house, the dining room, and porch, ceilings, and cabinets all painted and the yard mowed," he wrote. "We will forever remember this day. We will never be able to thank you enough."

The school year can nearly be defined by the large-scale volunteer efforts—from "Time to

Serve" at the beginning, to the "Relay for Life" for the American Cancer Society in November, to "Dance Marathon" on behalf of Helen DeVos Children's Hospital in early March, to the score or so service and mission trips organized in the U.S. and abroad by Campus Ministries during spring break. But with dozens of campus organizations and some 3,200 students, the efforts are much more diverse. During the first half of this fall alone, members of the fraternities and sororities were a major presence during a race held to raise money for Rotary exchange programs; the Environmental Issues Group cleaned up trash along the shoreline in Laketown Township; Hope athletes advocated for cancer awareness during competition in October; Mortar Board continued its award-winning children's book drive; students in the accounting program teamed up for the Holland Rescue Mission's benefit race; and some 100 students signed on as volunteer tutors with the campus-based Children's After School Achievement (CASA) program.

The volume is literally—or at least practically—incalculable. Volunteer Services maintains an electronic bulletin board to which community organizations may post their service needs directly, with students able to respond directly as well. Projects might range from a home-owner's one-time need to have someone dig a five-foot-deep hole in their yard to a shelter's request for on-going assistance.

It was Hope's emphasis on service that led Smith to transfer to the college a year ago and put becoming a part of Volunteer Services—last year, as a part of the planning committee—first on her to-do list.

"One of the things that really appealed to me about Hope was the opportunity to be more involved in the community," she said. "I really enjoyed being able to be on the committee and work with other students who like to volunteer."

Junior Aaron Lawrence of Grand Rapids, Mich., finished high school ready to make a difference. "So when I went off to college I was looking for something to do,"

Early in his freshman year, he connected with "Heights of Hope," a program that serves at-risk youth from kindergarten through 12th grade who live in the apartment neighborhood of Holland Heights. He's been mentoring the same student since his freshman year ("It's been really cool to watch him grow," Lawrence noted), and this summer worked with the program's summer-activity initiative. In August, Lawrence received the "Senator's Award for Men in Mentoring" from State Senator Wayne Kuipers (R-Holland). A psychology and religion major, after graduation he is hoping to



For several years, the Campus Ministries program has coordinated spring break mission trips in the U.S. as well as abroad, providing a variety of opportunities for students to serve and discern how they might share

their talents and training with others. Pre-medical and nursing students traveling to Nicaragua this past year made visits to isolated villages and public schools to help meet a variety of hygiene and medical needs.

work with refugees and child soldiers in Africa or Southeast Asia.

Both sophomore Caleb Nykamp of Holland, Mich., and junior Caroline Sierra of Grand Rapids, Mich., had been active in volunteer service before coming to Hope. What they experienced through their participation in last spring's mission trip to Miguel Aleman, Mexico, however, affected them both deeply.

They worked at Eagle College, a Christian elementary school that is set in a community that struggles with poverty and serves 140 children primarily from families in need. They did one-on-one tutoring, played with the children and generally helped out in any way that they could.

And, they observed and learned.

"I love mission work and I've done it since I was a little kid," Nykamp said. "This was a different mission trip for me."

"One of the things that really appealed to me about Hope was the opportunity to be more involved in the community."

– Erica Smith '10

with civil and mission organizations that seek to better the lives of the local people.

The Center for Faithful Leadership, working in conjunction with the college's leadership minor, focuses on servant-leadership specifically through project-based learning experiences with a service emphasis. Among other activities, students have helped develop an integrated communication plan for a county-wide network of food pantries; marketing plans for a Christian camping program and a children's museum in a low-income community; and an expansion plan for a rural health clinic.

Dr. Steven Hoogerwerf '77, associate professor of religion, became interested in the concept of service-learning after participating in several spring break mission trips and wondering what it could mean to integrate service into a college course.

He has since developed a May Term that brings students to the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota to live and work with the Oglala Lakota tribe. They not only engage in projects—repairing homes, building outhouses and bunk beds—but also practice skills of listening and attentiveness in order to help them learn from and better understand the people they are serving. Even before heading west, the class meets to read about and discuss Lakota history and culture in order to help students relate to those they'll be helping in a spirit of partnership.

"It's service in the context of our emphasis on education," Dr. Hoogerwerf said. "It's people serving in a way that helps them to understand the 'other' and to see themselves differently. We also learn that while serving others, they can also serve us."

Senior Sara Toledo of Wilmette, Ill., went into the May Term intending to pursue a career with a service focus, and was powerfully touched by her encounters with the people.

"My Pine Ridge experience fed my passion for learning about other cultures. I want to do a service year experiencing new cultures after I graduate and I do not know if I would have the same post-college goals without this class," she said.

Bekah Bush, a sophomore from Muskegon, Mich., who also participated this past year and will be returning as a teaching assistant this coming spring, was similarly affected.

"I want to engage in what's going on around me," she said.

"I know that after I graduate I would like to do a couple years of missionary work," Bush said. "I want to engage in the culture, and give of myself and my knowledge."

Brittnee Longwell '09 Blom found

volunteerism and academics a good mix at Hope. She co-directed Volunteer Services for two years and was also active in the Center for Faithful Leadership. She notes that both programs were important preparation for her as she now serves as the youth director and service project coordinator for Immanuel Christian Reformed Church in Hudsonville, Mich.

"It's the perfect blend of what I love and what my Hope experiences prepared me for," she said. "I love working with youth and I love helping others find ways to serve our community."

She particularly appreciates the way that her academic program helped her to find her direction.

"The Center for Faithful Leadership and all that the academic program had to offer changed my life," Blom said. "I went to college unsure of what exactly I would be good at, and when I started the program I realized that leadership—and, essentially, servant-leadership—was exactly the kind of work I'd like to be doing. Not only did it help me rethink volunteerism, but it also helped me realize that leadership is for everyone. It isn't about 'managing' or 'being the boss of' others. It's about teamwork, being servant-hearted and outreach. I think that the concepts that the Center for Faithful Leadership is covering are extremely relevant and they can be paired with whatever occupation you seek." 🐦



The college's fraternities and sororities initiate and participate in multiple service projects each year. In September they were a major presence in a local 5K race held to generate support for Rotary exchange programs, helping to raise \$7,000.





Service that Changes Lives

The college's on-going relationship with the village of Nkuv in Cameroon exemplifies service-learning at its best.

In the four years since it began, the initiative—which is focused on water and health in Nkuv—has made a lasting difference not only to the community in Africa but at Hope as well.

"It gives us the opportunity to apply the ideas that students learn here in class in the world, such that it transforms the lives of the students and the community that we're working in," said Dr. Jeff Brown, an assistant professor of engineering who has helped coordinate the program since it began.

The connection started in 2006 as a project of the college's then-new chapter of Engineers Without Borders (EWB), but quickly became an interdisciplinary effort that now includes the nursing and education departments and has also drawn upon the expertise of other disciplines. In 2008, the program received statewide recognition as one of four finalists for that year's Carter Partnership Award presented by the Michigan Campus Compact.

Hope teams, students and faculty together, travel to the village for an extended stay each May, working to help implement plans developed during the preceding school year.

The initiative began with construction of "bio-sand" filters to help purify the community's water. The filters are three-foot-high poured-concrete towers filled with sand through which water is poured, removing impurities. The initial team in May 2006 trained the villagers in how to construct them, helping to build six.

The village now has 140 of the filters, almost all built by the community. Dr. Brown noted that involving and recognizing the villagers as participants and not as beneficiaries is a key component of the program.

"I focus on getting our students engaged with the community and making the case that if they don't approach the community at the very least as equal partners with knowledge and information that's absolutely critical to the long-term success of the project, then they're missing something," he said. "It's important to



Students from multiple departments have an opportunity to make a lasting difference by working with the people of Nkuv, Cameroon, to help provide the village with clean water and to address a variety of issues related to community health. Here the group celebrates a tap stand that provides water via a newly installed pipeline.

let the community shape the final product and participate in determining what we need to do to make it work."

Getting the water to Nkuv in the first place has long been a challenge. The average villager can spend anywhere between five and 20 minutes collecting one five-gallon bucket of water. The team and villagers have since developed and built a system for piping in the water, resulting in nine tap stands in the village.

Nursing students have been surveying the community's health, looking in particular at the incidence of water-borne diseases in children five and under. Even while noting that community health has improved since the addition of the filters, the team is also seeking to make a larger difference, emphasizing providing lessons in health education. Hope nursing and education students have been working together to help train a core group of women who through the village's established social networks can serve as advocates for community health.

Hope junior and engineering student Laura Petrasky of Marquette, Mich., has been involved in the project since her freshman year. In fact, the project was an important consideration in her college choice.

"That's one of the things that drew me to Hope," Petrasky said. "At Hope I felt like instead of kids partying all the time, everyone's interested in volunteer work."

Petrasky joined the EWB project because she was interested in working with and helping people, but she's noticed some benefits in her professional training. She's gained experience working in teams, has become more confident in making public presentations and has even had a chance to try grant-writing.

Especially, though, she's learned about making a difference.

"Something I've learned since I've been at Hope is that no matter what you go into, you can 'change the world,'" she said. "Whatever job you have, what matters is how you apply it."

Engineering major Tim Carter '09 even credits the EWB project with helping him find his post-Hope path. He's now working with Samaritan's Purse, helping to provide clean water for the people of Kenya.

"Engineers Without Borders provided me with the opportunity to use my Hope College education to help others," he said. "Before joining EWB, I was struggling with how I could use my engineering degree to share God's love by assisting those in need. After traveling to Cameroon with EWB, I really felt God was calling me to engineering missions, which is now my career."

"I feel it is very important that Hope College offers a variety of volunteer opportunities," Carter said. "The mission of Hope College includes educating students for lives of service. It helps students to understand the importance of living a life in service to others, instead of yourself. Without the volunteer opportunities offered at Hope College, my life would be a lot different and much less fulfilling than it is today." 🙌

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— Laura Petrasky '11



Timeless Tradition

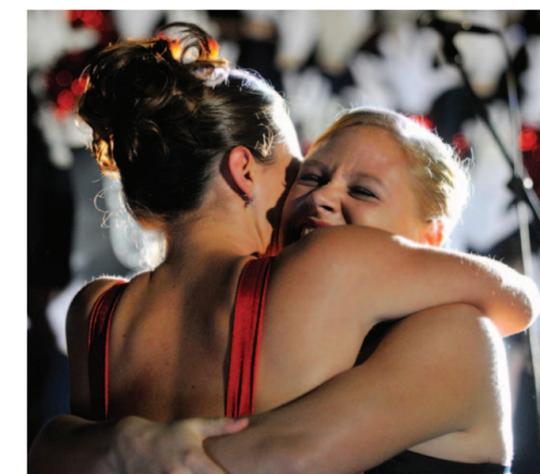
Clearly, faculty member J.B. Nykerk was on to something when in 1936 he established the freshman-sophomore contest that today bears his name. His event including "one oratorical number, one musical selection, and the enactment of a one-act play" not only endures but thrives, offering in its most recent, 75th installment the same opportunities for friendship, good-natured competition and life-long memories that have made Nykerk a treasured tradition for generations.



A mix of moments from this year's Nykerk Cup competition, held at the Holland Civic Center on Saturday, Nov. 7, and featuring the sophomore Class of 2012 and the freshman Class of 2013—and which the freshmen won. Clockwise from the top: the sophomore Class of 2012 play "Aladdin" highlights Nykerk's anniversary; the freshman Class of 2013 play, "That's the Name of the Game"; seniors Emily Cook and Jenna Iverson, coaches of sophomore Song; accompanying the joint freshman-sophomore Song performance of "Don't Stop Believin'"; the freshman Song section performs "Footloose."

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Reading and Writing for a Better World

By Nicole Brace '07

How can one classroom make a lasting difference in a society recovering from war, oppression, or violence?

For the past 12 years, Dr. David Klooster, professor of English and chair of the department, has traveled to various countries in the midst of societal transition in order to help their teachers ask and answer that very question. As a volunteer for the Reading and Writing for Critical Thinking Project (RWCT), he believes that students who “learn how to learn”—the basic hallmark of a liberal arts education and the democratic process—can form a more alert citizenry and sustain a more civil, productive, and humane society. In addition to shaping his teaching at Hope College, Dr. Klooster’s service has

produced a related book, fostered international friendships, and taken him to Armenia, China, Russia, Liberia, Turkey, and the Czech Republic, where his collaborative workshops and seminars invite educators to experience and teach a more open, active way of learning.

After earning his Ph.D. in American literature, Dr. Klooster taught English at DePauw University in Indiana and John Carroll University in Ohio. He joined the Hope faculty in 2000, three years after taking his first trip with the RWCT project. The project’s benefactor, the multi-millionaire George Soros, established RWCT to aid countries whose societies were transitioning from communism to democracy. The first of Dr. Klooster’s many trips sent him to the Czech Republic, and he



Dr. David Klooster of the English faculty sees a liberal arts education as a means for preparing students for citizenship and to themselves transform the world. It’s a view that informs his teaching at Hope and has also prompted him to help educators in nations that are in societal transition to more effectively help inspire their students in the same way.

offers his experience there as a paradigm for his subsequent travels in what he calls “the most important professional opportunity of my lifetime.”

From elementary teachers to university professors, Czech educators who enrolled in the teachers’ workshop asked a central question: “How do we change the educational system to produce a new kind of citizen?”

“After 40 years of communism and a decade after the Berlin wall fell, they were wondering how to produce citizens who were critical thinkers,” Dr. Klooster says. “They wanted citizens to be able to analyze the very ambiguous lifetime, political, and career situations that they found themselves in; it was really an issue of remaking an educational system from a model of indoctrination to one that supported independent-minded, responsible members of society. They were very clear that the change would come from the classroom.”

So Dr. Klooster and his wife, Dr. Patricia Bloem (an associate professor of English at Grand Valley State University in Allendale) began leading workshops that presented alternatives to the prevalent lecture-style

teaching. Teachers engaged in conversation, had debates and discussions, worked on small-group collaborations and research projects, and wrote papers to help them develop their own voice, articulate ideas, and defend them.

The workshop participants agreed to learn these “best practices,” Dr. Klooster notes, but they were skeptical at first. “They were very proud of their educational system, which had produced a lot of notable accomplishments: they were very good at training in the technical fields and the arts, for example. Besides, their former Cold War enemies were now their teachers. You don’t get over that immediately.”

“Education doesn’t just prepare students to join society; it can also prepare them to transform it.”

— Dr. David Klooster

To break down the wall of skepticism, whether in the Czech Republic or more recently in post-civil war Liberia, Dr. Klooster and his colleagues have emphasized meeting their fellow participants as equals in the classroom.

“We didn’t start with lectures, we didn’t start with ideology; we always started by teaching a class,” Dr. Klooster explains. “We said, ‘Give us 45 minutes. Be the 40-year-old person you are, but accept the role of a student. After 45 minutes, let’s talk about the kind of learning that happened for you, and how ideas like these might be useful in your classroom.’ We weren’t lecturing or presenting academic papers. We were just teachers, teaching other teachers something we believed in.”

It worked. “In the classrooms they were used to, one mind was hard at work and 35 minds were trying to imitate that one mind,” Dr. Klooster says. “In this new classroom, there were 35 minds at work: all of them engaged and active, creative and critical. Everyone had a voice.” He and his teammates found that after several days, their new colleagues saw that this kind of teaching was humane, worked with kindness and cooperation, and tapped into their own creativity. Laughter, debate, and

intense discussion characterized the sessions.

And the learning certainly hasn’t been one-sided. Dr. Klooster says he has gained a new understanding of what it means to be devoted to one’s teaching and one’s students despite enormous obstacles. Some of his Armenian colleagues, for example, taught in classrooms with broken windows and no heat; others hadn’t been paid in months. “Yet,” he says, “these teachers came to work everyday, gave their weekends to professional development workshops, and worked with enthusiasm, skill, dedication, and devotion. We found an extraordinary willingness to commit oneself there.”

He also came home from Eastern Europe with new ideas for his own teaching. In particular, he appreciated how teachers in the Czech Republic and Armenia taught their students to have deep disciplinary knowledge of a subject—which they acquired by memorizing and internalizing stories, poems, facts, and dates. “In the United States, we think it’s important to be able to think, but we don’t always think it’s important to be able to know,” he reflects. “I came home from Eastern Europe having decided that a really good education combines both.”

Indeed, Dr. Klooster is constantly refining his view of good education in light of his international service, and he tries to offer his own “best practices” to his students at Hope. When he teaches courses in 19th century American literature, he is especially aware of the links between education and citizenship.

“Those writers—Melville, Emerson, Whitman—are all working out what it means to be a democratic citizen. And those were very abstract issues for me until I saw them playing out in the lives of people in a contemporary setting through RWCT. But what I think about when I teach at Hope is that the students in your classroom are going to be your neighbors. They are going to be voting in the next presidential election; they’re going to be teaching your children and doctoring you and your family when you’re sick. The students in your classroom are your fellow citizens.”

That conviction energizes Dr. Klooster, who is finding that his work abroad has sharpened his research interests, provided him with new publishing opportunities, and invigorated his teaching “with joy.” It has also strengthened his commitment to giving students a robust liberal arts education at Hope.

“It changes the way I think about what I’m doing when I walk into a classroom here,” he says. “Education doesn’t just prepare students to join society; it can also prepare them to transform it.”



Dr. David Klooster’s service as a volunteer for the Reading and Writing for Critical Thinking Project has taken him around the world, including Armenia, China, the Czech Republic, Liberia, Russia and Turkey. Here he is working with educators in Monrovia, Liberia.





Bringing Home to Hope

For 50 years, Third Reformed Church in Holland has helped make the distance between home and Hope at least a little shorter for students and their families.

Since 1960, the church has organized a program through which families may order birthday cakes for their Hope students. The cakes are baked at home by members of the church who then deliver them to campus.

The effort has produced more than 10,000 cakes in its half century, including 376 last year alone. The significance in the mass statistics, however, is in the individual impact—every cake reflects a family's wish to share birthday cheer with a son or daughter far away.

Dr. John '93 and Rachel Miner '94 Skinner of Rochester, Minn., signed up on behalf of their daughter Megan during Move-In Day on Friday, Aug. 28, taking advantage of Third Reformed's presence at an on-campus resource fair for families. Megan was one of the 803

new students settling into Hope—although it happened that she had already put in four years at the college.

"She was born while we went to school here," Rachel said. "John would take her to physics class and she'd sit in the back while he took notes."

New-student families learn about the program through mailings in the summer and fall. For John and Rachel, the letter was a nice reminder of their own time at Hope: they had attended Third Reformed as students. "When that came in the mail, I thought, 'Oh, we have to do this,'" Rachel said.

For \$15, families may order one of four types of cake—white, yellow, chocolate or angel food—with a note to accompany the delivery. Back in the early days the cake baking was managed by the church's women's circles, but it has since become a project of the congregation at large, with some 125 members signing up to bake each year.

Betty Goehner '36 Boven was part of the circle that started the program in 1960, and she baked annually through last year.

"It's been a wonderful fundraiser for the church and it's been a morale booster for Hope and the kids," she said. "I think it shows Christian love and concern, which we are happy to do."

It was the program's personal touch that kept her involved for most of its 50-year run—

"I received a cake when I was a student. It was wonderful to be on the receiving end."

— Sandy Mitter '67 Stielstra, coordinator, Third Reformed Church cake program

Marking 50 years this spring, the birthday cake project coordinated by Third Reformed Church in Holland brings a bit of cheer to students who may be celebrating their birthdays far from home for the first time. At left, Rachel Miner '94 Skinner of Rochester, Minn., orders a cake for daughter Megan during New-Student Move-In Day in August, planning

ahead for an event still some five weeks distant. The order is forwarded to Ellen Lidston '51 Rieck—one of some 125 volunteer bakers who make the project a labor of love—who carefully crafts Megan's cake and then delivers it to her at Gilmore Hall the next day, Sunday, Oct. 4, birthday. An impromptu birthday party follows.

until, she admits, being in her 90s made the deliveries a challenge.

"It was a lot of fun," she said. "What I enjoyed more than anything was in the delivery when we met the kids."

"I always asked where they were from, and we talked a little bit," she said.

With a five-decade history, the program itself has become a church tradition, including third-generation bakers and former students who received cakes and have gone on to become parents of Hope students themselves.

"I received a cake when I was a student," recalled Sandy Mitter '67 Stielstra, who today as a member of the church is the program's coordinator. "It was wonderful to be on the receiving end."

"It really is fun. The parents are fun, and the kids are so appreciative," she said. "When some of the ladies deliver a cake, the students will say, 'Can I give you a hug?'"

The giving continues well beyond each birthday, with Women's Ministries at the church donating the proceeds to multiple causes. Half supports Reformed Church in America missions, 35 percent goes to local charitable agencies, and the remainder is used for refurbishing or replacing items needed by Third Church.

As part of its ministry, the church also contributes cakes *gratis* to Hope's international students who have birthdays during the school year.

"What a wonderful gift for our international students to receive! They are often overwhelmed with the kindness and generosity of Third Reformed Church and are quick to share the cakes with their roommates and friends," said Amy Otis-De Grau '96, director of international education at Hope. "Birthdays and holidays can be lonely experiences for international students who are far from home and this is a wonderful

gesture of making someone feel special."

The Skinners' order came into the care of Ellen Lidston '51 Rieck. Rieck, who is the wife of retired Hope biologist Dr. Norman Rieck '53, has participated in the program for about 20 years, since retiring from teaching in the Holland Public Schools.

Rieck baked the cake on a Saturday afternoon and delivered it the following day, Sunday, Oct. 4, Megan's 19th birthday—the occasion falling, appropriately enough, within a week of Homecoming.

The bakers formerly delivered the cakes as a surprise, but now they call first to make certain that they will connect with the students when they come to campus. In Megan's case it also happened that she knew in advance from her parents what was in store.

"It was fun hearing from my mom this was coming," Megan said. "I think it's awesome. Otherwise, I wouldn't get a cake." 🐦



Hitting New Heights

Volleyball reached new heights at Hope this fall as the Flying Dutch accomplished what no other team had done before. Coached by alumna Becky Schmidt '99, the Flying Dutch advanced to the final four of the NCAA Division III championships before bowing to eventual national champion Washington, Mo., in an exciting five-set semi-final match.

The Flying Dutch won a single-season-record 34 matches, including a perfect 16-0 record in conference play, were ranked as high as sixth among all Division III teams by the American Volleyball Coaches Association (AVCA), and won their first-ever NCAA Great Lakes Regional championship.

Enthusiasm for college volleyball peaked with Hope's season. A Division III record crowd watched a Hope/Calvin match, the Flying Dutch averaged nearly 1,000 fans per home date, and more than 2,000 fans crowded into DeVos Fieldhouse for the regional tournament.

Senior setter Andrea Helminiak of Maumee, Ohio, (pictured right) was chosen an AVCA All-American and the most valuable player in the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association. She became just the second Hope volleyball All-American, joining her coach, Becky Schmidt (pictured in the photo at center below with her team), who was honored her senior year (1998). In six seasons as volleyball coach, Schmidt has guided Hope to 155 victories, three conference championships and three appearances in the NCAA tournament.

Junior outside hitter Jacie Fiedler of Richmond, Ill., and junior middle blocker Kara VandeGuchte of Hamilton, Mich., received honorable mention All-America recognition. Fiedler was named to the national championships all-tournament team.

Other highlights of the fall sports season can be found at: www.hope.edu/athletics/



Celebrating Together



Hope celebrated the opening of the new Van Andel Soccer Stadium on Oct. 17 with a daylong celebration, including youth exhibition games, men's and women's soccer matches, dedication ceremony, community picnic and fireworks display.

The dedication ceremony featured the project's lead donors, alumni David '83 and Carol Girod '81 Van Andel (pictured above).

The series of family friendly events featured special appearances by three Women's Professional Soccer League players, including West Michigan native and two-time Olympic gold medalist Lindsay Tarpley. She was joined by Brittany Bock and Manya Makoski, members of the Los Angeles Sol. The pros led an interaction session for the youth soccer players. The dedication ceremony featured a video appearance by Dutch footballer Rudd van Nistelrooij.

Among the special guests was founding coach Dr. Philip Van Eyl '55 (pictured left) who introduced soccer to Hope in the early 1960s as a way for involving international students in campus life.





Lessons in the Field



By Greg Chandler

“One fishin’” is usually a sign of someone taking some time off, but for Hope biology students it represented serious work.

The students of Biology 315 descended on the ponds of the Outdoor Discovery Center with rods and reels—and a ruler, scale and data chart—to continue an ongoing study of how the ponds’ fish are faring.

It’s just part of the ongoing research Hope students engage in at the 120-acre Outdoor Discovery Center, located on the southern outskirts of Holland. Earlier this year, Hope and the nature center established a partnership to develop a field station that will serve as a classroom, lab facility and research station.

It may look like a moment from summer vacation, but it’s actually the first day of class. The idyllic scene had a serious purpose, with the students of Biology 315 attempting to catch fish as part of an ongoing research project at Holland’s Outdoor Discovery Center focused on the aquans’ health and growth. The center and faculty and students have connected in a variety of ways in the years, a relationship that will continue to grow through a new agreement signed this fall.

The agreement formalized what had already been a positive relationship between Hope and the ODC that dates back to the center’s founding nearly 10 years ago. “They were very welcoming to us from the very beginning,” said Dr. K. Gregory Murray, professor of biology at Hope.

Throughout the center’s history, Hope students and faculty members have used the ODC for a variety of experiences, including tagging fish, banding birds, live trapping and surveying small mammals, gathering seeds and monitoring insects and plant species through the center.

“They get hands-on experience ... like a real zoologist,” said Travis Williams ’98, ODC’s executive director. “That’s what sets people apart when they try to go and get a job.”

Dr. Murray agrees. “They learn a how a nature center runs. A lot of them are going to end up in that business, doing interpretative work, working with the public. That’s a huge opportunity for them,” Dr. Murray said.

The expanded relationship with the center reflects an emphasis on teaching students through involvement in collaborative research with faculty members that has been an educational philosophy at the college for more

than half a century. The late Dr. Gerrit Van Zyl ’18, who taught chemistry at the college from 1923 to 1964, is widely recognized for developing research-based learning at Hope in its modern sense. More than 100 years ago, biologist Dr. Samuel O. Mast had designed research laboratory space for the college’s Van Raalte Hall, which opened in 1903.

Hope has received recognition in a variety of ways for its emphasis on undergraduate research. For the past eight years, since the category debuted, the *America’s Best Colleges* guide published by *U.S. News and World Report* has included Hope on its listing of institutions that are exceptional for their emphasis on undergraduate research and creative projects. Hope ranked fourth in the nation when the category debuted in 2003; the institutions are no longer ranked, but only about three dozen are on the list each year. The guide also

includes Hope among the top 100 national liberal arts colleges in the U.S.

Among other indicators, Hope was one of only 10 liberal arts institutions nationally recognized for innovation and excellence in science instruction by the National Science Foundation (NSF) with an “Award for the Integration of Research and Education” in 1998. In addition, the bulk of the resources that support the college’s research program in the sciences come through competitive research grants from external sources such as the NSF, National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Homeland Security, private foundations and corporations.

Dylana Pinter ’08 did an internship at the ODC while she was a student at Hope. She says the experiences she had helped give her an edge when she interviewed for positions after graduation.

“I was able to put down (on a resume) that I’ve had experience with live animal traps, handling the animals and releasing them into the wild,” said Pinter, who now works as a weekend staff worker at ODC. “It was really practical.”

A double major in biology and studio art while at Hope, Pinter has also been able to incorporate her interest in graphic art into her

position, creating a family guide flip calendar with information on the various activities at the center.

More than 30 Hope students have either served internships or been employed at ODC over its existence, and the potential for more students to become involved in the future is likely to extend beyond those who are majoring in biology or zoology.

“There’s lots and lots of potential across all disciplines, not just the sciences,” Dr. Murray said.

Williams, who has been executive director at ODC since its inception, says student interns who work at the center not only learn through their experiences, but also get a chance to impact lives and the environment.

“We’re not only educating children and help to preserve our environment, but we’re helping people find careers in this field,” he said.

In addition to doing the research, students often have an opportunity to share what they’ve learned with local schoolchildren who visit the center for field trips. The result is a win-win for everybody involved, said Dr. Kathy Winnett-Murray, who with her husband has taught biology at Hope since 1986.

“The kids get to hear about interaction of species in the environment, and how people have changed the environment,” Dr. Winnett-Murray said. “My students get the opportunity to take their research ideas and form them into K-12 lessons.”

“They learn you can teach children every bit as effectively outdoors as you do indoors,” Dr. Winnett-Murray added. “Our students have an opportunity to see really good role models and model that behavior to children.”

Ingrid Slette, a sophomore from Holland, Mich., used the ODC for lab work when she took Biology 260 - Organismal Biology – during winter semester last academic year. She says the experience tapped into her love of the outdoors and made the lessons learned in the classroom more real.

“It was fun to get out of the class and actually see what you’re learning in nature,” Slette said. “I think it’s a real good way to do research and apply the concepts you’ve learned in class.”

Dr. Winnett-Murray says she sees part of her role as letting her colleagues at Hope know about the opportunities that are available for faculty members in all departments to use ODC for class work and research.

“I think we’ve just tapped the surface of things that are going to come,” Dr. Winnett-Murray said. “We want to see this as an extension of Hope’s campus that everyone can use, and we’re just starting to do that.”



Hope biologist Dr. Kathy Winnett-Murray demonstrates how to band a red-winged blackbird at the Outdoor Discovery Center. The new expanded relationship between the center and the college underscores and extends the center’s important role in providing hands-on lessons for Hope students even as it serves as a resource for the broader community.

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– Ingrid Slette ’12





Much More than a Bandage

The college's Health Center typically does its work quietly, but events last year put the program in the spotlight and showed that the center, operating in tandem with the broader Hope community, also does its work well.

In fact, Hope's handling of a norovirus outbreak last fall—which led to the college closing across a weekend and the next two class days to help defeat the illness—has made Hope a go-to site for colleges and universities preparing for similar situations.

"Already last fall we had other colleges calling us and asking what they should do as they responded to or prepared for norovirus outbreaks of their own," said Cindy Sabo, a registered nurse who is in her 10th year as coordinator of the Health Center. "Since the arrival of H1N1 last spring, that outside interest has only grown, and we're pleased to be able to share our story to help others more effectively serve their communities."

The center worked closely with the Ottawa County Health Department as the norovirus outbreak developed to identify and limit the spread of the illness. Beyond such interaction, Hope has an ongoing connection with the health department through the college's participation as a voluntary reporting site in the Michigan component of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Influenza Sentinel Surveillance Program. There are 97 such sites in the state, and Hope is one of three in Ottawa County, committed to sharing data and alerting the local health department to changing patterns.

"We participate as a community service," Sabo said. "The information from the sites enables health officials to start to gain a better understanding of potential health threats."

Hope's involvement in the program led to some of the earliest detection of H1N1 cases in Michigan this past spring, when 10 samples



The comprehensive nature of the services provided college's Health Center makes the center akin to a family practice rather than an acute-care setting—as do the staff's collegiality and complementary skill sets. From left to right are Cindy Sabo, clinic coordinator and RN; Carolyn Mossing, physician's assistant; Toni Bulthuis, RN; Barb Helmus, office staff; Cheryl Smith, RN-C; Linda Bos, RN-C; and Terry Nyboer, insurance specialist. Not pictured is Carol Ray, office staff.

provided by the center following an apparent spike in influenza in April tested positive for the virus. The state subsequently praised the college for its role in helping officials track the new virus and gain a sense of the populations it affects.

"Your involvement and efforts have contributed greatly to the public health of Michigan's citizens," said Janet Olszewski, director of the Michigan Department of Community Health.

Sabo credits the student-centered dedication of the entire faculty and staff with making the college's responses so effective. For example, when the norovirus situation developed exceptionally quickly last fall, from three cases one morning to some 120 by the next, everyone—from residence life to the custodial staff to the dining service—came together to do their best for the college's students.

"Everybody just jumped in and helped immediately. It was just a quick response by everybody," Sabo said.

"I feel that this place has great interpersonal relations," she said. "We know the staff in the other offices at Hope and were able to just

pick up the phone and say, 'Hey, this is what we have,' and when we do that they take us seriously and help deal with it."

That commitment is also true of the Health Center staff itself, who didn't hesitate to put in extra hours—evenings, the weekend, whatever it took—to be available for the students as they sought treatment.

"There isn't one person that said 'No, I

won't do that,'" Sabo said. "Everybody took their turn."

It's a team effort, and a giving spirit, that has been noticed and appreciated by the Ottawa County Health Department.

"I can't say enough positive things about the Health Center and also about the culture at Hope College and how they base their decisions on what's best for the student population," said Lisa Stefanovsky, who is the county health officer. "I think that the Health Center is doing a fantastic job and we very much appreciate the work that they're doing."

"There's a very good relationship and very good communication, and that goes a long way to working together," Stefanovsky said. "We felt like we were a part of the family over there in coming up with the right actions for the challenges that we were faced with."

While it's the crises that gain attention, it's the center's goal to serve the college's students in an on-going way. Among other activities, that focus involves not only being available to help as students deal with acute illnesses and injuries, but also providing immunizations, including for groups traveling abroad as well

as the H1N1 vaccine for students earlier this year; helping students who are managing stable chronic illnesses; and diagnosing and treating mild to moderate depression. The center has even conducted or recommended health exams that have helped students identify cancer early.

"Hope provides a pretty comprehensive wellness center," said Dr. Mark Stid '84, who has served as the college's medical director since about 1997 in addition to maintaining his own practice with South Washington Family Medicine in Holland. "It's almost like a mini family-practice set-up as opposed to an acute care clinic."

To help facilitate treatment, the college requires that all full-time students carry medical insurance, making it available to those who don't already have it. In addition, all full-time students are enrolled in the college's Student Health Services Plan, which covers services provided by the center.

The health center itself has been a part of the campus for generations, although its range of services is much more comprehensive than was true in an earlier era. The center has been located in the Dow Center since the building opened in 1978. It was previously based in a house on 12th Street and College Avenue.

Sabo noted that the specializations of the staff—including a physician's assistant and four RNs—serve well by being highly complementary, ranging from previous experience in a college setting, to background in pediatric nursing and even psychiatric nursing. The staff also enjoys a sense of collegiality.

"It goes so well because we work well together and support each other," she said.

The campus staff is complemented by a team of local physicians who visit on a regular basis for appointments with students or provide other services based on their specializations, including not only Dr. Stid but also fellow alumni Dr. Russell Dykstra '83, Dr. Kiersten Krause '97 and Dr. Peter Vance '90, and Dr. Paul Dykema and Dr. David Young.

Dr. Stid admits that he had never had occasion to visit the Health Center during his student days, but that as a medical professional now himself he values what the center offers and the way it does its work. He also appreciates the opportunity to share his professional training with his alma mater, where as an alumnus he sees the same character—in the everyday work as well as the challenging times—that had appealed to him as a prospective student nearly three decades ago.

"It's a nice way to come back and give back a little bit," Dr. Stid said. "It's a nice atmosphere, for all the reasons that I went to Hope to begin with." 🐾



The college's effective institutional response to last fall's norovirus outbreak has helped put Hope's expertise in demand as other institutions plan for similar situations of their own—including the potential of H1N1 outbreaks this year. Above, members of the physical plant help assemble cleaning kits that were distributed last November for the college-wide sanitization effort conducted as a response.

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Health Lessons

Student-professor roles often reverse in the Hope employee wellness program, a winning effort that teaches on multiple levels.

Established in January 2007, the “H2O” (“Hope’s Healthy Options”) initiative provides activity classes, health assessments and related programming designed to improve the well-being of the college’s faculty and staff. Students play a leadership role, helping to manage the program, conducting the testing and even teaching classes.

“We want to get our students involved as much as we can,” said Dr. Maureen Odland Dunn, an associate professor of kinesiology who led the program’s design and implementation and managed it for

its first two years. “It’s good experience for them to be able to be involved—especially to act in a professional manner with adults. It can be a little intimidating when they work with professors.”

Senior Haleigh Gokey of Mattawan, Mich., is an exercise-science major who is one of two student interns with the program. Other students working in the program will visit faculty and staff in their offices to measure characteristics such as blood pressure, heart rate and body composition, scheduling that Gokey coordinates. She also taught a five-week “fitness fundamentals” course that she designed while working with program director Sue Beckman this summer.



Hope’s goal is to educate students holistically, but the philosophy also carries through in the college’s custom-designed “H2O” (“Hope’s Healthy Options”) employee wellness program, which provides a variety of activity classes, health assessments and related programming designed to help make healthier living not just a practice but a way of being. Students become involved in a variety of ways, helping to plan and run the program, leading some of the classes and conducting the assessments. From left to right are program director Sue Beckman and student interns Amy Linton and Haleigh Gokey.

It’s experience that matches precisely Gokey’s interest in becoming a college educator with an emphasis on corporate wellness and community health.

“Sue Beckman gives me a lot of different tasks and responsibilities, and that really helps me to understand what corporate wellness is about,” Gokey said. “It’s been a really great experience.”

She finds the opportunity to apply her academic work especially helpful.

“We’re actually working with someone who is not in our peer group,” Gokey said. “You can stress professionalism all you want, but when you’re out there working with people who you respect and are older than you, it really helps nail it down.”

Juniors Elizabeth Barnes of Jenison, Mich., and Laura Wollan of Eden Prairie, Minn., are among the students conducting the office visits, each gaining experience en route to their post-Hope careers.

Barnes is an exercise-science major who plans to become a physician’s assistant. “I think that this program will help me with my goals because it simulates medical staff-patient relationships, gives me responsibilities and provides hands-on experience for skills that I may need to do often in my future,” she said.

Wollan is a nursing major who hopes to work in a hospital. “This program helps

you build confidence with necessary skills but also is helpful with patient-to-nurse communication scenarios,” she said.

Operated through the college’s human resources office, the program began—as have such efforts at institutions across the nation—with a strong sense of the health-care benefits, particularly as the college works to manage insurance costs. The U.S. Department of Agriculture, for example, estimates that better diets could reduce health-care costs nationwide by at least \$71 billion a year, while the Centers for Disease Control estimates that

an additional \$77 billion could be saved if Americans became more active.

The motivation at Hope, however, is deeper than the bottom line. Hope treats its students as whole people, emphasizing their education on the intellectual, social, spiritual and physical dimensions. H2O seeks to help the college’s faculty and staff approach their lives in a holistic way as well.

“It’s driven by two things. One is to be good stewards of our dollars—health-care expenses continue to rise,” said Beckman, whose graduate degrees include both an M.S. in health promotion from Purdue University and an MDiv. from Western Theological Seminary. “But it’s also driven by being good stewards of the bodies God has given us.”

“My passion is to help people to be all that God intended them to be,” she said.

The program reflects surveys of Hope’s employees to determine their needs and interests. In addition to an opportunity to be tested on health measures, participants can track their daily wellness behavior—such as their number of steps, amount of exercise, and dietary intake, as well whether or not they engaged in “positive living” behaviors of some sort, like a hobby or relaxation—and can sign on for a variety of contests, clubs and classes. The “million-step” contest, for example,

awards a prize to the first participant to reach a million steps in the semester. Additional efforts include H2O-oriented meal design at the Kletz snack bar and the opportunity for faculty and staff to eat the balanced, nutritional meals at Phelps Dining Hall.

Dr. Debra Harvey ’83 Swanson, professor of sociology, has enjoyed the program since the beginning. She has participated in yoga, cardio, tennis, zumba, pilates and a muscle-movement class, has competed in the million-step challenge, tracks her diet and exercise, and has taken advantage of the blood draw/screening.

She has appreciated the impact.

“The tracking program has made me more aware of the foods that I eat—even when I am not eating well,” Dr. Swanson said. “I am more conscious of eating fruits and vegetables, and continue to eat whole grains. I have cut off lots of sugar, except dark chocolate, and switched to soy in my coffee.”

Her cholesterol level has dropped and she’s lost weight, and she is enjoying being more active—this May, she and her son even took a six-day bike ride across the state.

She’s even worked activity into her teaching, having designed a walking-focused First-Year Seminar after participating in the challenge. “It was such a good experience for me that I wanted to share that with students,” she said.

Members of the faculty and staff also bring their expertise into the program itself in a variety of ways—participation that Beckman encourages in seeking to see wellness become not just a program, but a culture.

“More and more we are trying to get the employees who are interested involved in sharing their skills,” she said. “It’s just fun to have access to the kinds of resources that people at Hope College have.”

Dr. Greg Fraley, associate professor of biology, teaches a Tae Kwon Do class. A third-degree black belt, he’d been doing so even before H2O began, but folding his class into H2O was a natural step.

“Tae Kwon Do is a very aerobic activity,” Dr. Fraley said. “We also do a little bit of strength training.”

He gears the class toward beginners—although since he’s started, he’s had five students go on to achieve their own black belts. His classes include faculty, staff and students, a mix that he notes he and the participants alike have enjoyed.

“The faculty and staff who come enjoy it—they enjoy interacting with students,” Dr. Fraley said. “It’s a different level of interaction of course, and it’s the only time in the students’ lives when they will be encouraged to punch and kick at their professors.”



The wide range of activity classes offered through H2O helps participants find options that fit their interests and activity level. The classes can also offer unique opportunities for interaction outside the classroom, like the Tae Kwon Do sessions offered by biologist Dr. Greg Fraley, a third-degree black belt, in which faculty, staff and students alike enroll. “It’s the only time in the students’ lives when they will be encouraged to punch and kick at their professors,” he notes.

“We want to get our students involved as much as we can. For them to be able to be involved with something here is a good experience for them—especially to act in a professional manner with adults.”
— Dr. Maureen Odland Dunn, associate professor of kinesiology



Faculty Kudos

TWO MEMBERS OF THE FACULTY were honored by the college's students during halftime of the Homecoming game on Saturday, Oct. 10.

Dr. James Boelkins '66, provost and professor of biology, who announced in August that he will be retiring at the end of the school year, received special recognition



for his service to the college as Hope's chief academic officer. **Dr. Steven Hoogerwerf '77**, associate professor of religion, in the photo at left, received the 14th "Faculty Appreciation Award" presented by the student body and awarded annually since 1996.



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DR. JACOB E. NYENHUIS, who is director of the A.C. Van Raalte Institute and provost emeritus and professor emeritus of classics, was managing editor of *Aunt Tena, Called to Serve: Journals and Letters of Tena A. Huizenga, Missionary Nurse to Nigeria*, which provides insights into the foreign-mission experience through the writings and correspondence of long-time medical missionary Tena A. Huizenga.

Serving as co-editors were **Dr. Robert P. Swierenga**, who is the A.C. Van Raalte Research Professor at the Van Raalte Institute and professor of history emeritus at Kent State University, and **Lauren M. Berka '08**, who was a student research assistant at the institute and is now a graduate fellow in history at Arizona State University.

The book focuses on Huizenga's service in remote Lupwe, Nigeria, through the Christian Reformed Church from 1937 to 1954. It has been published by the William B. Eerdmans Company as part of the Historical Series of the Reformed Church in America.

The book was commissioned by Huizenga's nephew, Peter H. Huizenga '60 of Oak Brook, Ill. Peter H. Huizenga's father, Petro (Peter), was Tena Huizenga's younger brother, and was a regular correspondent during her mission years.

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MATTHEW THORNTON, assistant professor of dance, participated as a performer in the commercial openers for the 2009 NFL season on the NFL Network. He was involved through his ongoing work with Pilobolus Dance Theater, which teamed up with the network to produce the short shadow plays. Last year's collaboration between the company and network yielded a nomination for a sports Emmy, and hopes are high that the relationship will continue.

DR. RHODA JANZEN, associate professor of English, is author of the memoir *Mennonite in a Little Black Dress*, which was published in October by Henry Holt and Company. The book has been receiving national attention, in publications ranging from *Entertainment Weekly* to *Good Housekeeping* to the *New York Times*, the latter of which in its November review called the volume "snort-up-your-coffee funny, breezy yet profound, and poetic without trying."

Dr. Janzen, newly 42 and recently recovered from a hysterectomy, found her world turned upside down in the fall of 2006. As she explains in the book, her husband of 15 years left her for a man whom he met online, and a car accident that same week left her seriously injured.

Already scheduled for a sabbatical leave that spring, she decided against her original research plans and instead went home to the California Mennonite community in which she had been raised. She had set aside the conservative religion in pursuing her own path as an academic, but—as shared in her memoir—in the four months she spent living with her parents and immersed again in the culture and faith of her childhood, she found healing in a safe place that gave her a chance to come to terms with her failed marriage; her desire, as a young woman, to leave her sheltered world behind; and the choices that both freed and entrapped her.

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DR. R. RICHARD RAY JR., dean for the social sciences, has received the Career Achievement Award presented by the Kinesiology Alumni Society of the University of Michigan.

Dr. Ray, who graduated from the university in 1979 with a major in physical education, was honored on Friday, Sept. 25, in conjunction with homecoming weekend at the university.

The award is presented to a kinesiology alumnus or alumna "who has shown outstanding professional and personal achievement throughout their career in their chosen field and/or public service in any field." Dr. Ray is pictured with KAS Board Member Christina Eyers, who is on the faculty and president of the Michigan Athletic Trainers' Society.

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DR. SUSAN DUNN, associate professor of nursing and chairperson of the department, received the "Excellence in Nursing Education Award" during the Saturday, Nov. 14, induction and installation ceremony of the Kappa Epsilon Chapter-at-Large of the Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing.

She is pictured at right with senior Marlee Bogema of Grandville, Mich., who received the "Excellence in Student Performance Award."

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DR. GRAHAM PEASLEE, professor of chemistry and chairperson of the department, and professor of geology/environmental science, is co-author of *Watershed Investigations: 12 Labs for High School Students*, published by the National Science Teachers Association Press.

He co-authored the workbook with Jennifer Soukhome, who teaches biology and environmental science at Zeeland West High School; Carl Van Faasen '91, who teaches chemistry at Holland High School; and William Statema '07, who is now teaching in the Chicago, Ill., area.

The lab manual's exercises have been inspired by the authors' experiences working together to understand the Macatawa Watershed, but are designed to be used in any high school experiment-based environmental science curriculum. The projects are designed to be open ended, with students tasked with developing hypotheses and designing experiments to test the problems presented.

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JACK RIDL, professor emeritus of English, is author of the poetry collection *Losing Season*, released by CavanKerry Press.

The collection follows a fictional, small-town high school team and its community in an experience lived out annually for decades across the country. Capturing the perspective of a mix of participants—coach, players, family, fans—and chronicling highs and lows along the way, the individual poems together create a composite view of a year of hope and defeat both on and off the basketball court.

NPR's *The Story* with Dick Gordon featured Professor Ridl and *Losing Season* on Friday, Nov. 20. Garrison Keillor has featured two of the collection's poems on *The Writer's Almanac*, reading "Head Cheerleader" on Sunday, Nov. 22, and "Scrub Dreams of Taking the Last Shot" on Tuesday, Dec. 1.

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Scott Travis '06
Director of Alumni and Parent Relations

In 2007, Jean M. Twenge, Ph.D. published *Generation Me*, in which she asserts that today's students are more self-centered than ever before.

While she presents compelling research, as I look around Hope's campus something doesn't add up. The actions and attitudes of Hope students shows a generation that is anything but narcissistic. Whereas Twenge sees a GenMe that is "straightforward and unapologetic about their self-focus," I see a generation aware of the challenges in the world and quick to lend a hand. Allow me to present some of the evidence:

- Since 1968 and 1987 respectively, Hope students have tutored at-risk students in the community through Upward Bound and CASA.
- Each spring, hundreds of Hope students can be found serving during spring break in places ranging from California to New York and from Guatemala to India.
- For the past four years an interdisciplinary group of students have travelled to Nkuv, Cameroon to bring clean water technology and health education.
- Hope is in the top-10 nationwide among small colleges and universities in producing Peace Corps Volunteers among its graduates. The evidence is impressive (more on pages six-nine), but are all of these students really serving selflessly, or is there something in it for them?

As a sophomore at Hope I had the opportunity to experience first hand the symbiotic effects of service learning. Preparing for a trip to Chiapas, Mexico, I left with a self-righteous attitude, departing to serve those less fortunate than I. After working with and befriending residents of San Cristobal de las Casas, I realized that I had much to learn.

In fact, the cultural understanding and friendships that continue to this day proved not only beneficial in classroom discussions, but enriched and enlightened my entire life. As experiences like these continually happen each semester at Hope, today's students are concurrently serving selflessly...and learning selfishly. Perhaps they are part of Generation Me after all.

In the photo above, Scott Travis '06 and Domingo Hernandez work together to build a school in Chiapas. Today, the two friends live and work in Holland, Mich.

Window to Hope's History



Highlighted on pages six-nine, student involvement in service has a long history at Hope. The earliest related images preserved in the Hope College Collection of the Joint Archives of Holland include a formal, posed photograph identified, helpfully enough, as "First Student Volunteer Group - Hope - 1886." The above photo is a bit more recent than that, showing members of the Fraternal Society spreading some Christmas cheer to children in 1965. Alumni of the era who think that the shot looks familiar should applaud their memories; it was pictured on page 148 of the 1966 *Milestone*.

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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 Kathy Miller. In addition to featuring information provided directly by alumni, this section includes news compiled from a variety of public sources and shared here to enhance its service as a way of keeping the members of the Hope family up to date about each other.

News should be mailed to: Alumni News; Hope College Public Relations; 141 E. 12th St.; PO Box 9000; Holland, MI 49422-9000. Internet users may send to alumni@hope.edu or submit information via [myHope](http://myHope.com) at www.hope.edu/alumni.

All submissions received by the Public Relations Office by Tuesday, Oct. 27, 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 been held for the next issue, the deadline for which is Tuesday, March 2.

40s

T. Phillip Waalkes '41 of Fredericksburg, Va., has begun a new venture in cartoon art. He uses colored pencils to sketch scenes of people, most with crazy hair and noses, riding in horse-drawn carriages or old jalopies. He has been living with his daughter since the recent death of his second wife.

60s

Ty Rupp '60 of Rossford, Ohio, was inducted into the Wauseon (Ohio) High School Hall of Fame on Saturday, Dec. 5. He earned six letters during high school, playing football with All-State and All-American recognition, basketball with all-league recognition, and baseball.

Jack Siebers '63 of Holland, Mich., was selected by his peers for inclusion in the 2009 *Super Lawyers* magazine as a Michigan Super Lawyer in the field of business-corporate law. He practices law at Siebers Mohny PLC.

Barbara Hoskins '64 Turnwall of Orange City, Iowa, was honored by the Iowa Council of Teachers of English with the Distinguished Service Award at the organization's fall conference in Johnston, Iowa, on Friday, Oct. 2. She has been a member of Northwestern College's English faculty since 1966, and has served as an advisory board and steering committee member for the Iowa Writing Project. She also served as chair of Northwestern's English department for nine years.

Al McGeehan '66 was honored at a banquet on Thursday, Oct. 29, for his service to the city of Holland, Mich. This fall he concluded 16 years as mayor, and he had been a councilman at large for another 16 years before that.

Dennis Wegner '66 of Collaborative Laboratory Services in Ottumwa, Iowa, presented "No Mercy for Methicillin-Resistant Staph Aureus (MRSA)" on Friday, Nov. 20, at the Schaaap Science

Three Hope alumni — **Stuart Padnos '42**, **Randy VandeWater '52** and **Becky Arenas '86** — and former Hope president, Dr. Gordon Van Wylen, are among the recipients of the 2009 Resthaven ENCORE! Lakeshore Award, "Seven Over Seventy." The award celebrates individuals, nominated by community members, who have achieved something significant or contributed to the greater good in a special way while engaging in something different from their earlier careers. All are residents of Holland, Mich., and were recognized at a gala event at Macatawa Legends on Thursday, Oct. 15.

Randy Vande Water has written 10 books since he retired 20 years ago as managing editor at the *Holland Sentinel*. He is devoted to preserving local history, continuing to write articles for the Holland newspaper and serving as a speaker. He also volunteers for Tulip Time.

Stuart Padnos recently retired from his scrap metal business. He serves the community on the boards of several local charities, is an engaged benefactor to many local groups, and creates and donates interpretive metal sculpture from pieces of metal from his scrap yards.

After she retired from the Holland Human Relations Commission, Becky Arenas took a position with Life Services System in Holland, an organization dedicated to strengthening and promoting the well being of children and their families. She also volunteers extensively.

Dr. Van Wylen, who was president of Hope from 1972 until retiring in 1987, was recognized for his involvement in Riverview Group, a downtown development organization that played a major role in the economic development of Holland in the 1980s and 1990s, and for his service to numerous boards in charitable and civic areas.

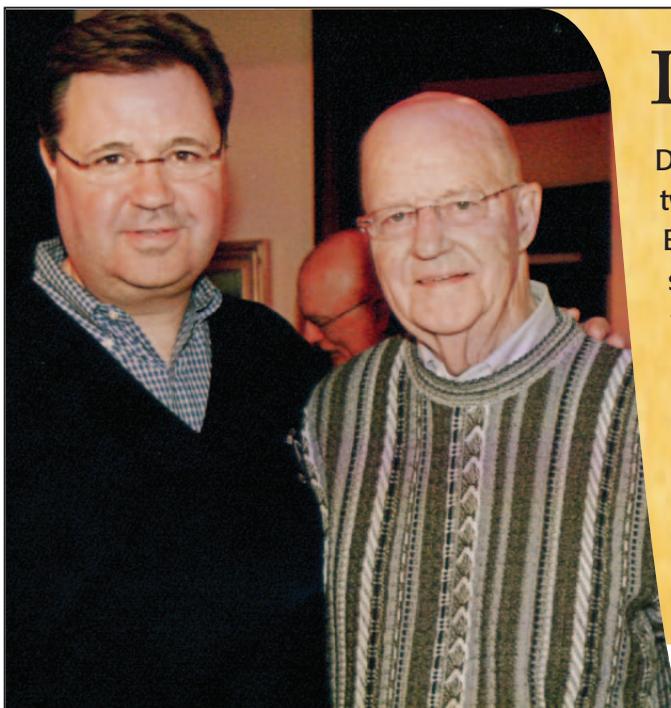
Center. The seminar was sponsored by Hope's department of biology.

Nancy Aumann '68 of Cortland, N.Y., became interim associate dean of education in the School of Education at SUNY Cortland in August. She also continues to oversee the college's curriculum matters as associate provost

for academic affairs, a position she has filled since 2005.

Dave Bruininks '68 accepted a call to plant a Reformed Church in America (RCA) church in Kalamazoo, Mich.

Rick Veenstra '69 of Spring Lake, Mich., is the acting regional



The late Dr. Harold E. Van Dyke '45 at right above with son the Rev. Dr. David A. Van Dyke '84.

Deferred Giving Works

Dr. Harold E. Van Dyke '45 was grateful for having attended Hope College for two years prior to joining the army during World War II, and he and his wife Bonnie were ever-present members of the Hope community and supported scholarship efforts prior to their deaths in 2008 and 2006 respectively. They transferred ownership of a life insurance policy and corresponding stock whereby Hope would benefit through their estate, a deferred gift arrangement that greatly benefitted the 1940s Memorial Scholarship which remembers World War II veterans. Hope College is grateful for the generosity of the Van Dykes and all the 700-plus members of the Dimnent Heritage Society for supporting the college through planned gifts. For more than 30 years, planned gifts have helped shape the character of Hope. Please let us help you create your Hope legacy.



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Hope presented **Elton Bruins '50** of Holland, Mich., with a Meritorious Service Award on Friday, Oct. 9, during the rededication for Graves Hall, a ceremony that celebrated a project in which he played an important role. Dr. Bruins is a scholar of and writer about the building's history and was a member of the committee that guided the planning for the restoration. He was a member of the faculty in the department of religion from 1966 until retiring in 1992. From 1984 to 1989 he served as dean for the arts and humanities, and in fall 1989 as acting provost. He became founding director of Hope's A.C. Van Raalte Institute in 1994, a position he held until 2002;



he was subsequently named the Philip Phelps Jr. Research Professor at the institute. He retired from his research position in 2008, although he continues to work with the program informally. He is pictured with Mark VanGenderen '90, president of the board of directors of the Hope College Alumni Association, who presented the award.

executive and the regional revitalizaion consultant for the Synod of the Great Lakes, Reformed Church in America.

70s

Lynn Davis '71 Austin of Orland Park, Ill., recently had *Though Waters Roar* published by Bethany House. The novel follows four generations of women who take part in different social issues of their time, including the abolition of slavery, social justice for women and children, and women's suffrage. Lynne has won five Christy awards for her historical fiction. One of those novels, *Hidden Places*, was made into a Hallmark Channel movie. **Donald Steele '72** and **Roger A. Mooney** were married in Lenox, Mass., on Friday, Aug. 7, 2009, their 27th anniversary. The ceremony was held at the Wheatleigh Hotel. Among the guests were Dean Howd '72 and his wife. Donald and Roger's godson was their ring bearer. **Doug Smith '73** of Holland, Mich., is

in his 29th year as an assistant football coach at Hope. He played the game as a student under coaches Russ DeVette '45 and Ray Smith, and then returned to coach after graduation, taking a year off now and then to watch his three daughters play college volleyball. He continues to teach in the Jenison Public Schools.

E. Jonathan Soderstrom '76 of Madison, Conn., was elected to the board of directors of Koltan Pharmaceuticals Inc., a next-generation oncology therapeutics company. He is currently the managing director of the office of cooperative research at Yale University, where he has participated in the formation of more than 25 new ventures.

Eugene Sutton '76 of Washington, D.C., received an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree from Virginia Theological Seminary at the school's annual Academic Convocation on Tuesday, Oct. 6.

John Vander Kolk '78 of Grand Rapids, Mich., was profiled in the Sunday, Oct. 4, edition of the *Grand Rapids Press*. He is dental director at

Health Intervention Services, a Burton Heights, Mich., clinic that serves the working poor, offering steeply discounted medical and dental care. Following a mission trip to a refugee camp in the Sahara four years ago, he felt called to help people who couldn't pay and he gave up his private practice. Three times a year he travels to remote villages in Africa to treat patients there. John and his wife have four children: Patrick (age 22), Anthony (age 20), Nick (age 17) and Gina (age 16).

80s

R. Todd DeYoung '80 of Lake Bluff, Ill., joined Career Education Corporation (CEC) as senior vice president of corporate marketing and chief marketing officer. The corporation serves more than 90,000 students across the world in a variety of career-oriented disciplines. Todd previously served as a corporate vice president for the Latin American region of Motorola Inc.

Derek Emerson '85 of Holland, Mich., began serving on the Tulip Time Festival's board of directors last summer. Derek is director of events and conferences at Hope.

Michael Wedlock '86 and Ron Fuchs were married at The Red Inn in Provincetown, Mass., on May 16, 2009. Rachel Peters, Justice of the Peace, performed the ceremony in the presence of family and friends. After the wedding they honeymooned in Venice.

Stephen Grose '88 of Holland, Mich., became executive director of Jubilee Ministries last summer. The non-profit organization is focused on the revitalization of Holland's core city, and is housed in the former E.E. Fell and Community Education buildings. Steve had previously worked at Johnson Controls for 19 years.

James Walters '88 and his family of Spring Lake, Mich., participated in the Grand Haven (Mich.) Triathlon last summer to raise money for Athletes for a Cure. James, a prostate cancer survivor, was diagnosed two years ago at age 41. He and his wife and sons, Ben and Sam, all competed. They hope to participate again next year.

America's Health System for the Next Several Decades" on Wednesday, Nov. 4, in the Maas Center conference room at Hope. The department of political science sponsored his presentation, which was followed by a question-and-answer session. Tom is director of government affairs with Novo Nordisk Inc., a healthcare company and world leader in diabetes care.

Jon Siebers '93 joined Smith Haughey Rice & Roegge's Grand Rapids, Mich., office as a shareholder in the business and real estate practice departments. Jon is accredited as a LEED Green Associate by the U.S. Green Building Certification Institute.

Cary Harger '94 of Muskegon, Mich., was a member of the adjunct faculty of the life science department at Muskegon Community College last summer, teaching a lab section of human anatomy & physiology.

Andrew Rassi '94 of Grand Rapids, Mich., was selected by his peers for inclusion in the 2009 *Super Lawyers* magazine as a Michigan Rising Star in the field of closely held business law. He practices law at Siebers Mohny PLC.

Paulette Greenfield '95 of Honolulu, Hawaii, competed in her first triathlon event, the Honolulu Tinman Triathlon, last July, and then competed in the Na Wahine Sprint Triathlon in August. In September she celebrated her 10th year as a bird keeper at the Honolulu Zoo.



Several members of the Class of '61 vacationed in Ireland together last September, continuing a tradition begun following their 45th reunion at Hope in 2006. In addition, they traveled to Eastern Europe in 2008 and to Germany and Austria in 2007. Pictured in Ireland are: Row 1: Lois Hibbits, **Adina Yonan '61 Van Buren**, **Marilyn Rocks '61 Cox**, **Carol Joelson '61 Sytsma**; Row 2: Marlys Walters, Bev Mulder, Janet Jackson, **Wally Van Buren '61**, Sue Linn, **Arlene Cizak '61 Schoon**, Don Sytsma, Mayo Raynor, Margaret Horstman; Row 3: Maryellen Betke, **Jim Betke '61**, **Roger Mulder '61**, Bruce Jackson, Jim Hofert, **Dale Schoon '59**, Stuart Raynor.

Hope College Invites Provost Applications

The provost is the chief academic officer of Hope College, reporting directly to the president and acting as chief administrative officer in the absence of the president. Qualifications include a commitment to exceptional professional performance; a mature understanding of and commitment to the Christian faith; a strong work ethic; an earned doctorate or its equivalent; a record of achievement sufficient to merit a tenured appointment to the rank of professor; demonstrated competence as an administrator; and a balanced, college-wide interest in teaching and learning, scholarship, and collaborative grant-funded undergraduate research.

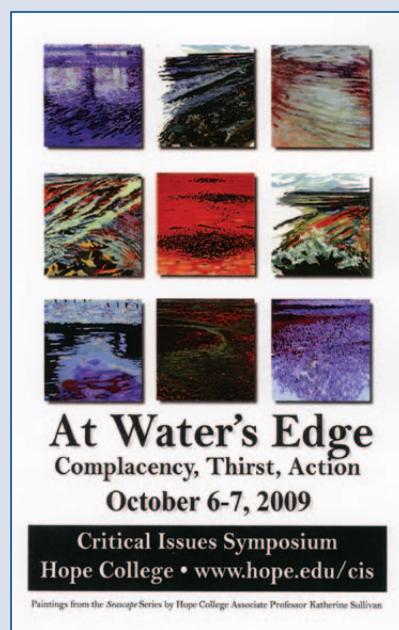
A full description of the position, desired qualifications of applicants and the process for applying is available online at www.hope.edu/admin/hr/employment/jobs/provost.html. Consideration of applicants is underway with an employment date on or about July 1, 2010.

90s

Thomas TerMaat '90 of Grand Rapids, Mich., was recently selected by his peers for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America* 2010 in the field of insurance law. He is an attorney with Siebers Mohny PLC.

Tom Boyer '91 Daly City, Calif., presented "Health Insurance Reform vs. Healthcare Reform: A Brief Overview of How Political Debate Is Shaping

Charles Dunning '75 of Madison, Wis., participated in the Hope College Critical Issues Symposium, "At Water's Edge: Complacency, Thirst, Action," held Tuesday-Wednesday, Oct. 6-7, on the campus. Charles is assistant director of the Wisconsin Water Science Center, United States Geological Survey in Middleton, Wis. He shares responsibility for fiscal and science operations and supervises teams of scientists focusing on groundwater, water quality and ecosystem health, and mercury in the environment. He spoke on "Knowing the Water Commons: A Scientific Foundation for Action."



Steve Shilling '95 of McMurray, Pa., had poems published recently in *Falling Star Magazine*, *Off the Coast*, and *The Loyalhanna Review*. He has poems forthcoming in *Puffin Circus*, *River Oak Review*, *Thirty First Bird Review*, *Plain Spoke*, *hoi polloi*, *Utah English Journal*, *Tipton Poetry Journal*, and *Aethlon: The Journal of Sports Literature*. In addition, five of his poems have been accepted by *Waterways*, a magazine of contemporary poets. The poems will be spread out among four issues between October and February. The magazine is also archived in the New York Public Library.

Tracie DeBoer '96 Kraai of Zeeland, Mich., is an account executive specializing in employee benefits for Ottawa Kent Insurance.

Amy Otis-De Grau '96 of Holland, Mich., received the Professional Development Award from IES Abroad on Thursday, Oct. 15, during the organization's annual conference in Chicago, Ill. Amy is director of international education at Hope. IES is one of the largest third-party providers of study-abroad experiences in the United States.

Laurel Plotzke '96 earned a master's degree in kinesiology with an emphasis in biomechanics. She works for Human Kinetics Publishing as an acquisitions editor for sports and fitness books and DVDs, specializing in products about running, tennis, skiing, and volleyball.

Lora Clark '97 Kolean of Holland, Mich., played at the dedication of the new Mason & Hamlin grand piano at First Reformed Church of Holland, Mich., on Sunday, Oct. 18. Laura serves as staff accompanist at Hope and has recently performed solo and chamber works with the Hope College Symphonette, at the Herrick District Library Concert Series, and in the Chamber Music Festival of Saugatuck, Mich.

Rebecca Spencer-Chambers '97 of Amherst, Mass., presented "Sleep and Memory: The Case Against Pulling an All-nighter" on Thursday, Oct.

22, at the Schaap Science Center at Hope. Rebecca is an assistant professor of psychology at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst.

David Schrier '98 received an Honorable Discharge from the U.S. Army, and has relocated to Hamilton, New Zealand, for a one-year position as an anaesthetist at Waikato Hospital.

Greg Vlietstra '98 of Portage, Mich., is the new business manager for Galesburg-Augusta Community Schools, overseeing payroll, accounts payable and accounting. He previously served as finance director for the Kalamazoo County Road Commission.

Cory Den Uyl '99 of Grand Rapids, Mich., is the investment advisor for Educational Community Credit Union in Kalamazoo, Mich., and its other branches. He works with credit union members in the areas of investments, financial planning, and life insurance.

Jannah Thompson '99 Harmon completed her residency in urology at the University of Buffalo last June. She is doing a fellowship in Saint Paul/Minneapolis, Minn., sub-specializing in female urology.

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Mandy Creighton '00 stopped in Holland, Mich., in October, wrapping up a year-long 6,000-mile bicycle ride begun in San Francisco, Calif. She spoke at Hope College and at one of **Sarah Klaasen '99 Kapenga's** biology classes at Hamilton (Mich.) High School. The months-long effort has included visiting sustainable communities, doing public presentations, and gathering footage for a feature-length documentary to be unveiled on Earth Day 2011.

Lisa Breuker '01 Dore and her husband of six years live in Lake Isabella, Mich.

Jessica Case '02 Eisenberg recently completed a Ph.D. (please see "Advanced Degrees") and is a post-doctoral research fellow with the cell/molecular biology and pulmonary divisions at Northwestern University in

James Munger '81 of Torrance, Calif., is the mission operations manager for Northrop Grumman on the NASA LCROSS program. He is responsible for the spacecraft subsystem specialists on the flight crew, and the NG Remote Operations Centers in Redondo Beach, Calif., and Lanham, Md. The LCROSS mission impacted the Moon on Friday, Oct. 9, to search for water at the lunar south pole.

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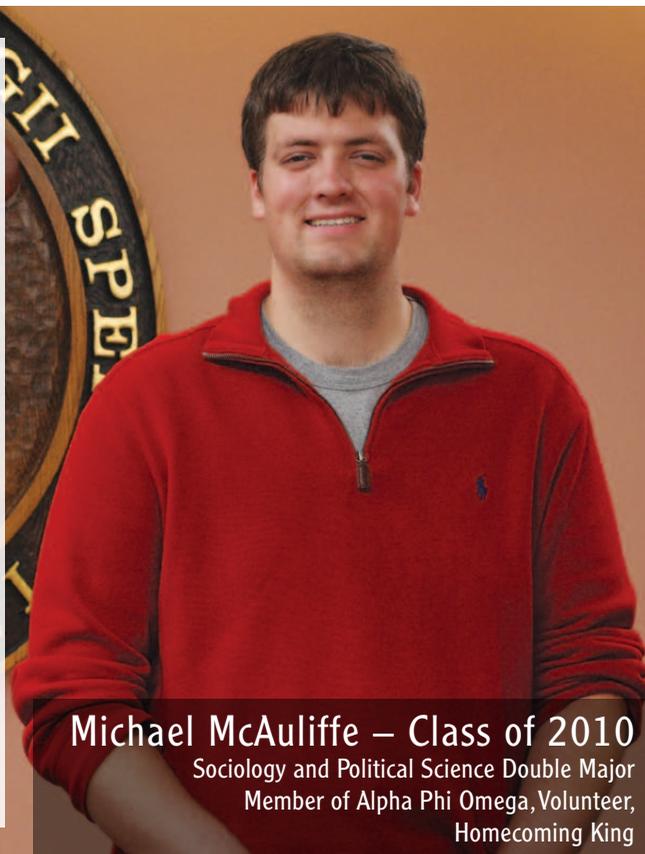
Stephen Hulst '03, an associate attorney at Rhoades McKee P.C. in Grand Rapids, Mich., was selected for inclusion in *Michigan Super Lawyers-Rising Stars* 2009 edition. His primary area of practice is business litigation. No more than 2.5 percent of the lawyers in the state of Michigan are named to the list.

Michelle Smith '04 Sandeen and her husband spent the first four months of their marriage (please see "Marriages") in England while he trained with Wycliffe Bible Translators. They plan to live and work in Tanzania, where Michelle has been working with Wycliffe since 2006.

Abby TeGrotenhuis '05 Chatelain of Grand Rapids, Mich., teaches art part time in the middle school and high school of the Allegan Public Schools.

Kathryn Ewing '05 Davis of

"The sense of community at Hope is fantastic. Not only are students friendly and outgoing, they take the idea of service very seriously. It is so easy to get involved in service activities on Hope's campus. I initially got involved through the Time to Serve event that kicks off the school year. This got me excited about volunteering and was a catalyst for me to get involved in many other ways."



Michael McAuliffe – Class of 2010
Sociology and Political Science Double Major
Member of Alpha Phi Omega, Volunteer,
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Pittsburgh, Pa., presented "Charge Transfer Properties of Immobilized Biomolecules: Small Steps Toward New Molecular Devices" on Friday, Sept. 18, at the Schaap Science Center. The seminar was sponsored by Hope's department of chemistry. Kathy is a graduate student researcher at the University of Pittsburgh.

Marciela Mireles '05 Garza of Holland, Mich., is a bilingual parent educator in the Ottawa Area Intermediate School District.

Steven R. Haack '06 of Norfolk, Va., is the C4 amphibious officer for U.S. Marine Corps Forces Command.

Holly Dustin '06 Wiggin of Minneapolis, Minn., recently married (please see "Marriages"). The wedding featured a bagpipe procession, an Indian buffet was served at the reception, and the couple's first dance was a tango. Holly is pursuing a career in the fine arts.

Kyle Williams '06 is in his second year of a Master of Environmental Science program at Yale University in New Haven, Conn. He received a Foreign Language and Area Studies fellowship from the U.S. Department of Education to study Zulu.

Elly Blacquiere '07 returned to West Michigan to compete in the Bee Brave 5K run in Alto on Saturday, Oct. 10. The event raised support for the Mary Kay Ash Charitable Foundation, which is dedicated to ending women's cancers and domestic abuse. Elly, a teacher and softball coach at Dreher High School in Columbia, S.C., was diagnosed with breast cancer last spring and has been undergoing chemotherapy treatments.

Reagan Chesnut '08 returned to Hope to direct a performance of the stage adaption of Chaim Potok's novel *My Name Is Asher Lev* on Wednesday, Nov. 4, in the De Witt Center. The performers are members of the Phelps Scholars First-Year Seminar, led by Dr.

Chuck Green, who directs the Phelps Scholars Program at Hope.

Stacy Warsen '08 of Grand Rapids, Mich., is the varsity girls' basketball coach at Kelloggsville High School.

Kevin Costello '09 is a member of AmeriCorps, working last fall on trail construction and repair in Maine to make the state a nicer place to visit.

Vera Dusenbery '09 of Geneva, Ill., began pursuing a certificate in education at Judson University in Elgin, Ill., last July. She reports that it is her dream to apply what she learned in her history courses at Hope and teach her knowledge of the subject to others and make her students like the subject as much as she does.

Marriages

Laurel Plotzke '96 and Floren Garcia, Sept. 13, 2009, Santa Fe, N.M.

Michelle Smith '04 and Andrew Sandeen, July 18, 2009, Olympia, Wash.

Jasmine Rave '05 and Aaron Buseman, May 9, 2009, Sioux Falls, S.D.

Holly Dustin '06 and Timothy Wiggin, June 27, 2009, Ann Arbor, Mich.

Steven R. Haack '06 and Abigail E. Cleveland, July 3, 2009.

Jonathan Kladder '06 and Elizabeth Hoekstra, July 31, 2009, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Brett Schlender '06 and Shauna Smith, Aug. 8, 2009.

Aaron Kenemer '07 and Rachel Selle, Aug. 8, 2009, Zeeland, Mich.

Lynde Seaver '08 and Daniel Szczenbara, Aug. 15, 2009, Grand Haven, Mich.

New Arrivals

Bill Van Eyl-Godin '81 and Christina Van Eyl-Godin '82 adopted Lily (born April 13, 2004) and Lewi (born Aug. 18, 2006) and brought them home from Ethiopia on Aug. 29, 2009.

Dan Brady '95 and Kathy Mixer '95 Brady, Kyle Matthew and Ethan Jack, Jan. 4, 2009.

Kelly Dermody '96 Ybema and Charles Ybema, Cecile Jeanine, March 27, 2009.

Heather Brown '97 Wagner and Shane Wagner '97, Alex Charles, Oct. 19, 2009.

Elayne Provost '98 and Michael Wolfgang, Alexandria Provost Wolfgang, Aug. 15, 2009.

Bethany Rathbun '99 Bruns and Eric Bruns '00, Duncan Christopher, July 2, 2009.

Jannah Thompson '99 Harmon and Rob Harmon, Avery James, April 3, 2009.

Krista Menden '99 Schrotenboer and Jason Schrotenboer, Grant Weston, Oct. 1, 2009.

Shana de Avila '99 Ver Helst and Joshua Ver Helst, Sabella Lena, Oct. 11, 2008.

Debra Burr '00 Kemppainen and Ryan Kemppainen, Myah Aileen, Oct. 10, 2009.

Carrie Gilligan '00 Leonard and Benjamin Leonard, Lauren Elisabeth, Sept. 10, 2009.

Holly Van Dam '00 Meeuwsen and Todd Meeuwsen, Anya Sophia, Aug. 26, 2009.

Beth Timmer '00 Szczerowski and Andrew Szczerowski, MaryAnne Elizabeth, May 24, 2007, and Dominic Alexander, Aug. 12, 2008.

Joshua Carstens '01 and Lena Carstens, Gavin Alexander, July 2, 2009.

Lisa Breuker '01 Dore and Aaron Dore, Lauren Elyse, May 23, 2008.

Kristin Brown '01 Engel and Steve Engel, Ella Starr, April 3, 2009.

Elizabeth Hofstra '01 Miedema and Eric Miedema, Alaina Jeanne, May 13, 2009.

Megan Timmer '02 Blondin and Rus Blondin '02, Reid Daniel, Oct. 29, 2009.

Natalia Vander Hoek '02 Powers and William Powers '02, Lydia Ruth, April 25, 2009.

Beth Otto '02 Stapleton and Joel Stapleton, Augustus John Martin Stapleton, born and adopted on June 18, 2009.

Diane Harkes '04 Katsma and Cal Katsma, Samuel Richard, Feb. 19, 2009.

Kari Chase '05 Law and Joshua Law, Sydney Faith, Aug. 20, 2009.

Christina Churchill '05 Rumbley and Joe Rumbley '05, Emmett Joseph, Sept. 4, 2009.

Ryan Zietlow '06 and Sarah Mol '07 Zietlow, Zachary Ryan, Sept. 24, 2009.

Advanced Degrees

Susan Eenigenburg '67, D.Min. in pastoral counseling, Andover Newton Theological School, May 2009.

Elizabeth Cochrane '89 Christinidis, Master of Arts in teaching-elementary education, Oakland University, April 2008.

Jennifer Brady-Johnson '92, Master of Arts in occupational therapy, *magna cum laude*, College of St. Catherine, May 2009.

Jessica Case '02 Eisenberg, Ph.D. in chemistry, University of Chicago, August 2009.

Stephanie Kortering '05 Bussema, master's degree in zoology, Michigan State University, summer 2009.

Jennifer Boone '06 Vander Lugt, master's degree in music education, University of Oklahoma, July 2009.

Deaths

The college is often privileged to receive additional information in celebration of the lives of members of the Hope community who have



Lesley Woodall '01 Coghill

of West Olive, Mich., received the 2009 "Outstanding Agency Professional for Ottawa County" award at the eighth annual "Together We Can" dinner sponsored by the Lakeshore Alliance Against Domestic and Sexual Violence (LAADSV) and the Allegan County Coordinating Council on Domestic Violence (ACCCDV) on Tuesday, Oct. 27. The award recognizes Lesley's outstanding contributions to the community in assisting victims of domestic and sexual abuse. She has led the DELTA Project, a LAADSV violence-prevention program in partnership with the Center for Women in Transition, since 2003. Her accomplishments include creating a youth healthy relationships curriculum and working with the faith community to bring awareness of domestic and sexual violence. This past summer she taught a six-week class on preventing teen dating violence to Upward Bound students at Hope.

passed away. Please visit the expanded obituaries we have made available online if you wish to read more about those whose loss is noted in this issue.

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Clarence E. Bobb '50 of Cedar Springs, Mich., died on Sunday, Nov. 1, 2009. He was 89.

He was a veteran who served in the U.S. Army Air Corps in the Asiatic Pacific Theatre in the 9th Engine Overhaul Squadron as a sergeant.

After graduating from Hope, he went to work for the U.S. Government in the Defense Logistics Agency, where he served until he retired at age 81.



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He is survived by his wife of 57 years, Martha Bobb; his children, Paul Bobb, Carolyn (Ted) Spears, Rhoda (Eric) Kreuzer, Clare Bobb, Joe Bobb, and Susan (Brian) Bishop; five grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Marion Pless '64 Burger of Fishkill, N.Y., died on Saturday, Sept. 26, 2009. She was 67.

She was employed as an administrator for the Environmental Protection Agency in New York City until her retirement.

Survivors include her father, Andrew Pless, and her sister, Jane VanBeek.

Richard V. Dievendorf '44 of Mt. Dora, Fla., died on Friday, Sept. 25, 2009. He was 88.

He was a veteran who served in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II.

He worked at the Keeler Brass Company in Grand Rapids, Mich., for 36 years.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Maxine Den Herder '44 Dievendorf, and his sister, Rose.

Survivors include three sons, David '70 (Nancy) Dievendorf, Robert (Kathleen) Dievendorf, and Mark (Mary Jo) Dievendorf; nine grandchildren; several great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

Kathryn Mae Fredricks '34 of Holland, Mich., died on Wednesday, Nov. 4, 2009. She was 97.

During her career, she worked in the dental office of John Sterenberg D.D.S. and later in the Holland Christian School office. After she retired, she worked for many years as a teaching assistant in community education, teaching English as a second language.

Survivors include her sister, Juliana Rypma, and sister-in-law, Sue Fredricks.

H. Sidney Heersma '30 of Kalamazoo, Mich., died on Sunday, Oct. 11, 2009. He was 100.

In 1937, following medical school, internship and residency, he established the first pediatrics practice in Kalamazoo. He spent the next 61 years treating and advocating for children, particularly those with special needs.

Dr. Heersma established the Heersma-Schrock Family Scholarship Fund at Hope.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 66 years, Ellen Heersma, in 2001; his daughter, Claudia Schrock, last January; and siblings, Gerald Heersma '34 and Teresa Giese.

Survivors include his son, James Sidney Heersma; four granddaughters, including Frances Schrock '89 Traisman and Abigail Schrock '93; six great-grandchildren; and his siblings, Ruth Polk and James '46 (Dottie) Heersma.

Kenneth J. Heuvelman '52 of Allendale, Mich., died on Wednesday, Oct. 28, 2009. He was 80.

He was a veteran of the Korean conflict, serving in the Central Intelligence Corps of the U.S. Army.

His lifelong career in teaching and administration included serving as assistant superintendent of the Ottawa Area Intermediate School District, director of special education.

Survivors include his wife of 57 years, Carol Vanden Brink Heuvelman; his children, Jack (Judy) Heuvelman and Jill (Craig) Bowles; five grandchildren; and his siblings, Henry (Florence) Heuvelman and Marcia (Nelson) DeJonge.

Shirley Knol '49 Leslie of Leesburg, Fla., died on Wednesday, Aug. 26, 2009. She was 81.

Survivors include her husband of 60 years, Craig Leslie '51; her children, Dwight '72 (Beth) Leslie, Nancy (Rick) Atchison, Bill (Betsy) Leslie, and Linda Leslie '82; and six grandchildren.

John C. Russell '65 of Indianapolis, Ind., died on Wednesday, Sept. 9, 2009. He was 65.

He was first employed in the construction industry with P.R. Duke, and later became owner/operator of Beckman Corporation for more than 10 years.

Survivors include his wife of 45 years, Donna Russell; his children, Jon. T. (Chanin) Russell, Lisa (Edward) Pluckebaum, and Julie (Mitchell) Robinson; his sister, Roberta Russell '62 Ponis; and six grandchildren.

Carol Buseman '53 Shay of Fruitland, Mich., died on Thursday, Aug. 13, 2009. She was 78.

She served with her husband, Mervyn Shay '51, in his ministry with the United Methodist Church. He preceded her in death in 2004.

Survivors include her sister, Evelyn (Jake) Schaad; her daughter,

Kathryn Shay; sons, Nathan (Carol) Shay and Jerry (Donna) Shay; and five grandchildren.

Helen Wagner '48 Spicuzza of Mason, Mich., died on Wednesday, Oct. 21, 2009. She was 83.

She taught at Mason Middle School for 33 years and was supervisor of teachers for eight years at Michigan State University.

She was preceded in death by her husbands, Gerald VanSingel '49 and Joseph Spicuzza.

Survivors include her two sons, Dirk (Barb) VanSingel and Chris '77 (Kathy) VanSingel; three grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Charles P. Truby '61 of Wilmington, N.C., died on Thursday, Oct. 8, 2009. He was 72.

He served in executive vice president, vice president and director positions with STERIS-Isomedix Services, American Home Product's Sherwood Davis & Geck, Becton Dickinson & Company, and the NASA Apollo program.

Survivors include his wife of 49 years, Nancy Truby; three children, Chuck (Deanna) Truby, Lauren (Mike) Vollmin, and Tim (Tracey) Truby; six grandchildren; and two sisters, Katherine Ewoltd and Sandi (David) Perillo.

Benjamin R. Van Slooten '51 of West Olive, Mich., died on Saturday, Aug. 8, 2009. He was 84.

He was a veteran of World War II who served in Europe.

He was the controller for Reynolds Metal Company in Wyoming, Mich., and in his retirement continued to work each tax season preparing income tax returns.

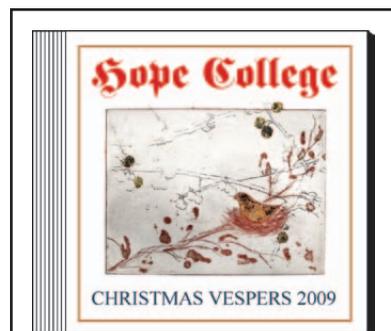
Survivors include his wife of 56 years, Marian Van Slooten; his son, Benjamin Van Slooten III; his daughter, Ruth Van Slooten '80 (Mark) Howard; and two grandchildren, including Scott Howard '12.

Jennie DeVries '36 Venhuizen of Fulton, Ill., died on Monday, Oct. 26, 2009. She was 94.

She taught for five years in a one-room country school, and most recently taught for 16 years at the Fulton Elementary School.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Jacob Venhuizen, in 2004; one son, Robert G. Venhuizen; one daughter, Lois Van Zee; and two siblings, Marie VanZuiden and Herman DeVries.

Survivors include two sons, Stanley (Maryellen) Venhuizen and Gary (Barbara) Venhuizen; one son-in-law, Terry Van Zee; seven grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and her siblings, Ella Mae (Alfred) Norman and John (Ruth) DeVries.



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flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth."
John 1:14*

— Jim and Martie Bultman



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