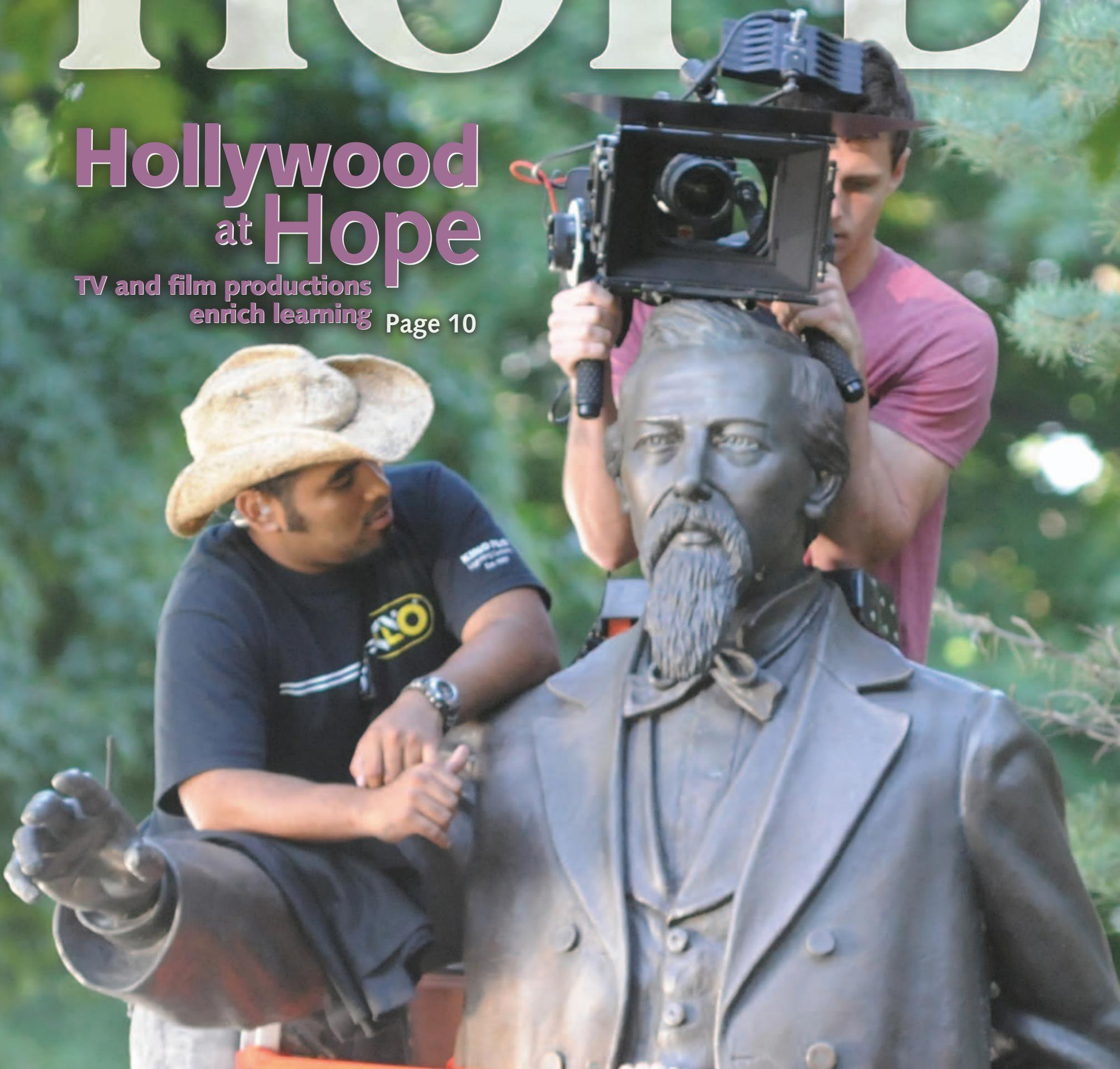


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**On the Cover**

Members of the crew borrow the statue of A.C. Van Raalte that faces campus from Centennial Park as they set up a shot while filming *Return to the Hiding Place* this summer. Both the film and the new Sprout network children's program *Noodle and Doodle* shot in Holland and at Hope, providing unique learning opportunities for students and adding a bit of Hollywood excitement to the college's off-season.

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**"Quote, unquote"**

**Q**quote, unquote is an eclectic sampling of things said at and about Hope College.



With the members of the Class of 2014 at the beginning of their college experience, speaker Dr. Sonja Trent-Brown, assistant professor of psychology, suggested ways to make the most of the learning opportunities ahead.

She presented the address "A Multi-'tude' of Opportunity" during the college's Opening Convocation on Sunday, Aug. 29, in the Richard and Helen DeVos Fieldhouse.

The entire address is available online.

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Dr. Trent-Brown included the colloquial short form of the word "attitude" in the title of her address to emphasize that how the students approach their education will play a key role in what they gain from it. She suggested that they adopt a multitude of "'tudes" in pursuing the multiple lessons that their years at Hope will offer.

First, she encouraged the students to embrace the way that the college's "multi-disciplinary" liberal arts education can give them additional perspectives with which to understand the world and make a difference in it. "As we better comprehend the world in which we live—its intricacies, nuances and subtleties—we are better prepared to meet its needs, to battle its ills, and to uplift its joys; making informed contributions and providing effective service," she said.

Next, Dr. Trent-Brown said that they should also take full advantage of Hope's "multicontextual focus," or emphasis on educating the whole person. "At Hope we identify three primary contexts within which we want students to grow—the academic, the co-curricular and the spiritual," she said. "Hope strives to be a place where the integration across these multiple contexts forges interconnections

that produce more substantial learning outcomes for students than could any of the single contexts alone."

Third, she noted that the students should be open to the different styles of learning, or "multidirectional pedagogy," that they would encounter, from traditional classroom teaching, to hands-on laboratory sessions, to field placements, service-learning projects and more. "First, it encourages us to be open to learning in ways that may be very different from what we have been accustomed to, because, you know, it may turn out that it works for you," she said. "Second, our 'multi-'tude' encourages us to jump right in with full willingness to participate. If we only give something a weak, half-attempt, we're already putting ourselves at a disadvantage for reaping maximum benefit from the experience."

Fourth, she encouraged them to be open to the many prospects that the college will offer for "multicultural encounter," from on-campus coursework to domestic or overseas off-campus study to learning from others at Hope who are from different races and traditions. "We've heard about the necessities of globalization and being able to participate effectively in the changing world, in effect, becoming adept global citizens. So, yes, this will be important for your careers, but more importantly, for your lives," she said. "Our 'multi-'tude' here encourages openness, hospitality, patience, honesty, humility and compassion. It also undergirds courage—it can be scary moving outside your comfort zone, making 'first contact,' not knowing what you might find and how it might change your life... change you."

Dr. Trent-Brown also asked the students to pursue the multiple attitudes in a unified way, "thoughtful, intentional and prayerful in discerning amongst the choices." She reflected on the way that the Christian faith informs learning at Hope and cited Philippians 2:1-11, in which Paul calls for his readers to follow Christ's example and act in faith and humility, and with regard for others.

"It has been said that 'it is your attitude... that determines your altitude,' meaning that you can achieve new heights in your life if you are intentional about your attitude," she said. "Class of 2014, there is no limit to the heights you might achieve sharing the attitude of Christ, and a 'multi-'tude approach to your education; you just have to rise to the occasion." 



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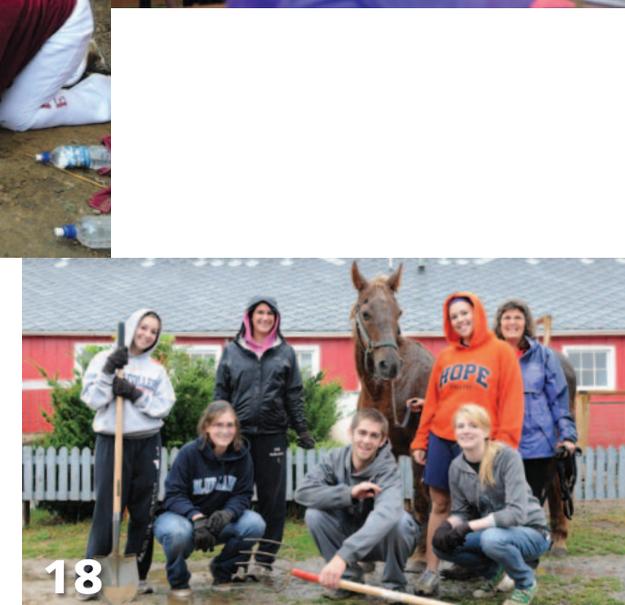
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# Events

## ACADEMIC CALENDAR

### Fall Semester

Nov. 5-7, Friday-Sunday—Family Weekend

Nov. 25-29, Thursday, 8 a.m. to Monday, 8 a.m.—Thanksgiving Recess.

Dec. 10, Friday—Last day of classes

Dec. 13-17, Monday-Friday—Semester examinations

Dec. 17, Friday—Residence halls close, 5 p.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 days for 2010-11 are:

Fri., Nov. 5	Fri., Jan. 28
Fri., Nov. 12	Fri., Feb. 4
Fri., Nov. 19	Mon., Feb. 21
Mon., Jan. 17	Fri., March 4

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](http://www.hope.edu/admissions); or write: Hope College Admissions Office; 69 E. 10th St.; PO Box 9000; Holland, MI; 49422-9000.

## GREAT PERFORMANCE SERIES

**Turtle Island Quartet**—Friday, Nov. 12: Dimnent Memorial Chapel, 7:30 p.m.

**Claremont Trio**—Thursday, Jan. 27: Dimnent Memorial Chapel, 7:30 p.m.

**CIRCO AEREO**—Friday-Saturday, Feb. 25-26: Knickerbocker Theatre, 7:30 p.m.

**Rose Ensemble**—Thursday, March 31: Dimnent Memorial Chapel, 7:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$18 for regular admission, \$13 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.

## DANCE

**Student Dance Concert**—Monday-Tuesday, Nov. 22-23  
Dow Center, 8 p.m.  
Admission is free.

**Student Dance Concert**—Monday-Tuesday, Dec. 6-7  
Knickerbocker Theatre, 8 p.m.  
Admission is free.



## DE PREE GALLERY

**Katherine Sullivan: The Docile Body**—Through Friday, Nov. 19  
A series of paintings on the dialectics of power, works by Professor Sullivan during her 2009-10 sabbatical.

**Juried Student Art Show**—Friday, Dec. 3-Wednesday, Dec. 15.  
Opening reception: Friday, Dec. 3, 5-6 p.m.  
Work by Hope students.

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.



## TRADITIONAL EVENTS

**Nykerk Cup Competition**—Saturday, Nov. 6, 7 p.m.  
Holland Civic Center

**Christmas Vespers**—Saturday-Sunday, Dec. 4-5  
Dimnent Memorial Chapel

**Baccalaureate and Commencement**—Sunday, May 8

## 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](http://www.hope.edu/pr/events.html).

## THEATRE

**Street Scene**—Wednesday-Saturday, Nov. 17-20  
DeWitt Center, main theatre, 8 p.m.

Tickets for Hope College Theatre productions are \$10 for regular admission, \$7 for senior citizens, and \$5 for children 18 and under, and are available at the ticket office in the front lobby of the DeVos Fieldhouse.

## JACK RIDL VISITING WRITERS SERIES

**David Shields, fiction/nonfiction**—Thursday, Nov. 11

The reading will be at the Knickerbocker Theatre beginning at 7 p.m. Live music by the Jazz Chamber Ensemble will precede the event beginning at 6:30 p.m. Admission is free.

## ALUMNI, PARENTS & FRIENDS

**Family Weekend**—Friday-Sunday, Nov. 5-7

**Satellite Basketball Gatherings**—Saturday, Jan. 29

Gatherings around the country to watch the 3 p.m. Hope-at-Calvin men's basketball game live. [www.hopecalvin.com](http://www.hopecalvin.com)

**Alumni Weekend**—Friday-Saturday, April 29-30

Includes reunions for every fifth class from 1961 through 1981, and a 50-Year Circle brunch for all classes from 1960 and earlier.

For more information, please call the Office of Alumni and Parent Relations at (616) 395-7250 or visit the Alumni Association online at: [www.hope.edu/alumni](http://www.hope.edu/alumni).



## SPORTS SCHEDULES

Please visit the college online at [www.hope.edu/athletics/winter.html](http://www.hope.edu/athletics/winter.html) for schedules for the winter athletic season, including men's basketball, women's basketball, and men's and women's swimming. Copies may be obtained by calling (616) 395-7860.

## 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.



## MUSIC

**Carlos Perez, guitar**—Friday, Nov. 19: Knickerbocker Theatre, 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10 for regular admission, \$7 for senior citizens, and \$5 for children 18 and under, and are available at the ticket office in the front lobby of the DeVos Fieldhouse.

**Women's Chamber Choir Performance**—Monday, Nov. 22: St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church, 195 W. 13th St., at Maple Avenue, 7:30 p.m. Admission is free.

**Liederabend**—Tuesday, Nov. 23: Holland Area Arts Council, 150 E. Eighth St., 7:30 p.m. Admission is free.

**Jazz Combos Concert**—Monday, Nov. 29: Wichers Auditorium of Nykerk Hall of Music, 7:30 p.m. Admission is free.

**Vocal Jazz Workshop**—Tuesday, Nov. 30: Wichers Auditorium of Nykerk Hall of Music, 7:30 p.m. Admission is free.

**Concert Band Performance**—Thursday, Dec. 2: Dimnent Memorial Chapel, 7:30 p.m. Admission is free.

**Brown Bag Concert**—Friday, Dec. 3: Holland Area Arts Council, 150 E. Eighth St., noon. Admission is free.

**Christmas Vespers**—Saturday-Sunday, Dec. 4-5: Dimnent Memorial Chapel. The services will be on Saturday, Dec. 4, at 4:30 p.m. and 8 p.m., and on Sunday, Dec. 5, at 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. The public sale of tickets will take place on Saturday, Nov. 20, from 10 a.m. until gone at the ticket office in the main lobby of the DeVos Fieldhouse. Tickets are \$10 each, with a limit of four per person.

**Wind Ensemble Concert**—Wednesday, Dec. 8: Dimnent Memorial Chapel, 7 p.m. Admission is free.

**Madrigal Dinner**—Friday-Saturday, Dec. 10-11: Maas Center, auditorium, 6 p.m. Ticket availability through ticket office.





## STRONG ENROLLMENT:

The Hope campus continues to operate at capacity with enrollment above 3,200 for the fifth consecutive year.

Hope has enrolled 3,202 students this fall, the fifth time since the fall of 2006 that enrollment has topped 3,200. Last year's enrollment headcount was 3,230.

The student body consists of 1,267 men and 1,935 women from 44 states and territories and 29 foreign countries. The total includes 766 first-time students.

With the enrollment headcount remaining high, the college's full-time-equivalent enrollment is tied for the second-highest level ever. The "full-time-equivalent" figures are a synthesis of full-time and part-time enrollment, and help the college measure the demand on its resources. Hope's total this year 3,177.1, tied with the fall 2008 figure; last year's total was a record-high 3,201.8.

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**A NEW EDITION:** A dramatic change greeted visitors to the Hope-Geneva Bookstore as the new semester began.

The front check-out area of the store has been extensively remodeled,

with a new layout, a new counter and décor that emphasizes the store's Hope roots. It's the first major renovation of the space since the bookstore opened in its DeWitt Center location in 1982.

The aesthetic changes are most noticeable day-to-day, but functionality played a large role in the project. The new counter can be rearranged as needed to handle the large number of students who visit simultaneously for their books at the start of each semester, the better to reduce the amount of time they spend in line.

There's a certain irony in the impetus for the change, although based on the passage of time itself the bookstore was anticipating some updating in the near future anyway. The store moved to its current site following the 1980 burning of Van Raalte Hall, which prompted the relocation of several campus offices. This summer's renovation culminated work that began after a rainstorm-induced flood in the summer of 2009 filled the space several inches deep with water and made it necessary to empty out the store and start over.

The planning enjoyed an added Hope touch. Mary Piers '68 George of Holland, Mich., was the overall design consultant, and Chris Wiers '81 of Zeeland, Mich., created a large-scale anchor-themed wall graphic and hanging signs for the store.

## MENTORING HONORED:

Senior Reed Swift of Midland, Mich., received the July "Senator's Award for Men in Mentoring" from State Senator Wayne Kuipers (R-Holland).

Swift is a mentor with Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Lakeshore. He received the award during a ceremony on Friday, July 23.

The award highlights the importance of mentoring by males in particular, since nationwide two thirds of all youth in need of mentors are male but only one third of mentors are male, and is presented monthly to volunteers with programs that are partnered with the Ottawa County Mentoring Collaborative, with each program able to identify one recipient per year.

Swift noted that he appreciates the importance of the program for personal experience, since he had a Big Brother for several years while growing up. "The least I can do is give back and return the favor," he said.

He was the third Hope student in a year to receive the monthly recognition.

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**INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE:** Researchers in China and the U.S. participated in a conference at Hope this summer with no one going home with jet lag.

Hope has been a part of the Regional Chemistry REU Symposium annually for the past 17 years. The event is for the students and faculty of colleges and universities that have held summer support through the National Science Foundation's "Research Experiences for Undergraduates" program. The students present posters and seminars concerning their work.

Although as the symposium's title reflects, the symposium is for REU-supported schools in the general area—Hope, Notre Dame University and the University of Michigan in 2010—this year's installment brought in participants from Peking University and Tsinghua University in China as well. The universities were included through U of M's grant, which has an exchange component. Through the magic of the Internet—Skype in particular—participants in the symposium at Hope and from the universities in China could share their presentations live with their colleagues half a world away.



**GUIDE ACCLAIM:** Hope continues to fare well in multiple college guides, with the newest editions of a variety of the publications debuting in tandem with the advent of the school year.

Recent guides that list Hope among the select number of institutions they single out for praise include the 2011 *Best Colleges* published by *U.S. News & World Report*, the 2011 *Fiske Guide to Colleges* and the *America's Best Colleges 2010* published by *Forbes Magazine*.

The annual rankings compiled by *U.S. News & World Report* have once again included Hope among the 100 best liberal arts colleges in the nation.

The college is 88th out of 266 institutions that are considered national liberal arts colleges in the rankings. A year ago Hope was ranked 92nd.

In addition, Hope also continues to be included among the institutions that the publication recognizes for providing outstanding undergraduate research/creative project opportunities, and the college is also included in a new category that highlights the nation's best undergraduate teaching.

The *Fiske Guide to Colleges*, now in its 27th edition, continues to include Hope as one of only about 310 colleges and universities that it highlights as "the best and most interesting institutions in the nation—the ones that students most want to know about." The guide does not rank the institutions it selects, but instead includes statistical information for each—such as enrollment, test-score ranges and graduation rate—and multi-paragraph profiles that discuss qualities such as the academic and social environments.

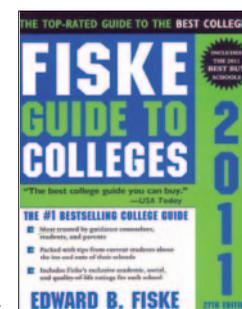
Hope is 229th out of only 610 institutions selected for inclusion in the *America's Best Colleges 2010* guide published by *Forbes Magazine*. The publication notes, "Whether they're in the top 10 or near the end of the list, all 610 schools in this ranking count among the best in the country: we review just 9% of the 6,600 accredited postsecondary institutions in the U.S., so appearing on our list at all is an indication that a school meets a high standard."

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**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. At right Dutch and two student Orientation Assistants take time to be photographed during Move-In Day in August. The OAs, volunteers every one, do yeoman's service in helping every new student move from vehicle to campus room, so that the families don't have to.

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# Forging the Tradition

**D**r. Ken Weller '48 admits that he finds the attention more than a little embarrassing.

A member of the Hope economics and business administration faculty from 1949 to 1969 and a former football coach, he has been recognized through an endowed professorship created in his name because he made an important difference in the lives of his students.

The college's new Ken Weller Endowed Professorship honors distinguished teaching in management. The first faculty recipient will be appointed during the coming months.

Dr. Weller is pleased to see outstanding teaching supported at the college. As he considers colleagues past and present, however, he simply doesn't think he's unique.

And that, he notes, is what makes Hope exceptional.

"One of the key accomplishments in teaching is developing caring relationships between faculty members and students," Dr. Weller said. "What gives Hope College the special dimension of greatness is the relationship between people as people and not simply as purveyors and consumers of knowledge."

"My role is not unique," he said. "To be singled out is a bit awkward. I would hope that this would be seen as more than a tribute to a particular teacher but as a tribute to many across the generations."

The Weller Professorship was established through a lead gift by Jim '63 and Virginia Huizenga '64 Jurries of Holland, Mich., to honor a mentor who changed their lives.

"We want to recognize Ken Weller for how important he has been to us, and to recognize Hope College because Hope attracts people like Ken Weller and the rest of the professors and coaches who impact students' lives," Jim Jurries said.

In the fall of 1961, Jim Jurries was a new transfer to Hope, a first-semester junior who—as he himself tells it—was coasting through his classes and content with the mid-level grades that he was achieving as a result. Dr. Weller, who was teaching two of his courses, knew he was capable of more, and cared enough to say so.

"Dr. Weller said, 'You're smart enough to do four-point work at Hope College.' He



**Dr. Ken Weller '48 sees his 20 years on the Hope faculty as a link in a chain that covers more than a century, extending back generations before he was a student and continuing through generations since. He sees the recognition that he is receiving through the endowed professorship that has been established**

said, 'Would you do me a favor? You have the potential to earn As in my classes, and I'm going to challenge you to do it. Would you try it for me?'" Jurries remembered.

"I started studying for his courses, and soon I was getting As," he said. "I thought, 'If that's all it takes, why not do that with the rest of my courses?'"

Jim Jurries finished Hope on the Dean's List and aspiring to graduate school, but because of his earlier grades was initially turned down by his top and only choice: the University of Michigan. However, Dr. Weller, who was himself a graduate of the program, spoke to the school on his behalf, and the university reviewed his application and gave him a chance. A year later Jurries had his MBA and his first job, and was embarked upon a highly successful career in business.

Dr. Weller went on to major success beyond the Hope campus as well. After two decades teaching and coaching football at the college, he served as president of Central College in Pella, Iowa, for the next 21 years. During his

**in his honor as a tribute to the many caring faculty for whom uncommon commitment to students has been and is a common virtue. Adorning the wall of his home office is a framed photograph that shows him playing in a game against Kalamazoo College in 1947 at Riverview Park.**

presidency, Central experienced significant growth in its enrollment, endowment, physical plant and programs. He provided distinguished national leadership in the governance of small-college athletics and the support of independent higher education. In 1988, he was named one of the top 100 college presidents in the nation.

For Dr. Weller, who retired from Central in 1990, the key to his approach as a college president was his deeply rooted experience as a teacher.

"Whatever successes I may have had as a college president came because I saw myself

as a teacher who took on some additional responsibilities later in his career," he said. "Not as an 'administrator' who once spent a few days in the classroom."

As both a former college president and a former college professor, Dr. Weller appreciates the importance of endowed funds in support of teaching. Endowed professorships help recognize outstanding faculty members for the high quality of their contributions as teachers and scholars and provide resources in support of their work.

Hope currently has a total of 28 endowed professorships, most for specific academic departments, ranging from art to dance to chemistry to English to education and religion; some for distinguished scholars without designating a program; and one each for the library and campus ministries. The college's strategic goal is to have 36 by the 2012-13 academic year. The most recently created professorships to have faculty appointments are the Geneva Thome Begg Director of Libraries (Kelly Jacobsma, 2008), the Granger Endowed Professorship (Dr. Todd Steen, economics, 2008), and the Leonard and Marjorie Maas Endowed Professorship in Reformed Theology (Dr. Mark Husbands, 2007)

Stephanie Milanowski of the art and art history faculty is one of Hope's newest appointees to an endowed professorship. A member of the faculty since last fall, she was named to the Howard R. and Margaret E. Sluyter Endowed Professorship earlier this year.

Established in the 1980s, the Sluyter Professorship is designated for a design professional who will continue to work independently while also teaching at the college, bringing immediate career experience to the classroom. Professor Milanowski has worked in and taught graphic design for the past two decades, and has been the principal with her own firm since 1999. She appreciates the way that the Sluyter Professorship enhances her teaching.

"It ensures that every year I'll have support for my efforts in the classroom," she said.

"The endowment opens up purchasing new equipment, travel to design firms with students, and the ability for me to travel as well—to visit

other firms and bring back what I've learned to the classroom."

Professor Milanowski is pleased to have returned to higher education after some years away.

"Ever since I was young, I wanted to be a teacher," she said, noting that she enjoys equally the students who are interested in design as a career and those in other fields. "It's just wonderful when students catch on and see how design influences their discipline and their gifts," she said.

"I'm at Hope, and I'm presented with this endowed professorship that is specifically for design. It's just incredible," Professor Milanowski said.

*(In an interesting bit of serendipity, shortly before News from Hope College went to press we learned that Professor Milanowski had been a particularly important mentor to Dr. Weller's granddaughter, Claire Weller '10. Small world.)*

The current generation of faculty is the latest link in a chain that has stretched unbroken since the college's earliest days. Dr. Weller sees it directly in his own case. As a Hope student and young faculty member he was mentored by Professor Alvin Vanderbush '29, who had previously been mentored by the legendary Jack Schouten. Now Dr. Weller is hearing from former students who appreciated his influence in their lives, including some in teaching who influence students of their own—and they in turn for succeeding generations. He is pleased and amused that he can identify links in the chain over more than 100 years. Through the new Weller Professorship, created through the leadership of one of those former students, a new chain will be forged, with a dedicated faculty member supported in making a difference in still other lives—in ways and numbers that stagger the imagination.

"Throughout its history, Hope has been a place where students are not only educated well but are the beneficiaries of a great deal of care by the institution and the faculty," Dr. Weller said. "That's what makes Hope great."

"It's been a great pleasure in my life to be a link in that chain—the chain of paying back those who have helped me by paying forward in caring for a host of new faces. In reality it's not that big a deal. It's just a matter of doing what's natural and what's good, perhaps a reflection of religious commitment. The big deal is the unusual success and generosity of the donor," he said.

*(Note: Friends and former students of Dr. Weller who are interested in contributing to the endowed professorship are encouraged to contact the Office of College Advancement at Hope by calling (616) 395-7775.)*

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– Dr. Ken Weller '48

Virginia Huizenga '64 Jurries and Jim Jurries '63 provided a leadership gift to found the Ken Weller Endowed Professorship as a way of celebrating Dr. Weller's transformational role in their lives and in so doing to provide lasting support for new generations of faculty to make a difference to students to come.





# Best in the Nation



The college's Alcor Chapter of the national Mortar Board national honor society has received the organization's highest honor for a collegiate chapter, recognition for exemplifying the society's ideals of scholarship, leadership and service in the most outstanding manner.

Pictured from left to right with the chapter's display during the Mortar Board National Conference this summer are Kelsey Bos, this year's chapter president; Phoebe Burtless-Creps, this year's chapter treasurer; and Andrea Eddy '10, 2009-10 chapter treasurer.

Hope students have earned a top national award for their commitment to helping others.

The college's Alcor Chapter of the national Mortar Board college honor society received the organization's highest honor for a collegiate

chapter, the Ruth Weimer Mount Chapter Excellence Award, during the 2010 Mortar Board National Conference, held on Friday-Sunday, July 23-25, in Chicago, Ill.

The award is presented to the chapter that exemplifies the society's ideals of scholarship, leadership and service in the most outstanding manner. The recipient is chosen on the basis of criteria including chapter operations, campus visibility, member participation, advising, communications and chapter projects.

It was one of multiple honors that Hope received during the national conference. The chapter also earned its fourth consecutive Golden Torch Award for overall excellence; eight service-oriented Project Excellence Awards, a record equaled by only one other chapter; and an additional commendation for having been the top chapter in the national "Reading is Leading" Virtual Book Drive in both 2008 and 2009.

The Hope chapter's recognition as the national winner this year follows having been among the finalists for the award annually since 2007 and having received a variety of other national awards from the society during the past four years.

The Chapter Excellence Award reflects a strong tradition of commitment and countless hours of dedicated volunteer service by the chapter's student members. Faculty co-advisor Dr. Dianne Portfleet also believes that chapter

thrives because the national organization's ideals are well represented at Hope.

"Mortar Board stands for scholarship, leadership and service, and that fits so well with the mission of Hope, to train servant-leaders," said Dr. Portfleet, an adjunct associate professor of English, who co-advises the chapter with Martie Tucker '63 Bultman, the wife of Hope College president James E. Bultman '63.

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"That's where we have an advantage over many, many colleges, because they do not emphasize that service," she said. "It just seems to go so well here."

In that respect, the Hope chapter embodies a trait that runs true throughout the general campus community. The college's service ethos manifests itself campus-wide in multiple ways across the school year, from the "Time to Serve" day of service designed to introduce new students to the concept as the fall semester begins; to major student-led, all-college efforts such as the Relay for Life for the American Cancer Society and the Dance Marathon held on behalf of Helen DeVos Children's Hospital; to service projects coordinated by the college's fraternities and sororities and other student organizations; to individual service by students throughout the community.

"They're students who've done this at Hope for three years already," Martie Bultman said of the chapter's members.

"They apply to Mortar Board because they've been students who've been in leadership in service," she said. "It comes naturally to them because it's what they've done."

Mortar Board itself gets involved in a variety of the other efforts in addition to the several that it coordinates, and the individual members are all frequently involved in myriad other service projects as well.

The national Mortar Board society recognizes college seniors for outstanding achievement in scholarship, leadership and service, and provides opportunities for continued leadership development, promotes service to colleges and universities, and encourages lifelong contributions to the global community. Since its founding in 1918, the organization has grown from four founding chapters to 228 collegiate chapters with nearly 250,000 initiated members across the nation.

The Alcor Chapter has existed at Hope since the 1936-37 academic year, although it did not become part of the national Mortar Board organization until 1961. The chapter had 37 members during the 2009-10 school year, and the president was Abbie Gowman '10 of Rochester Hills, Mich.

While election to the society is an honor, the Alcor Chapter views membership instead as a starting point. "Before they ever accept their invitation, we tell them what they're getting into," Dr. Portfleet said.

The eight projects from 2009-10 that received "Project Excellence Awards" during the annual conference demonstrate the breadth of the group's work. This year's awards recognized the chapter's First Book Alumni Book Drive; Last Lecture Series featuring faculty members; CASA pumpkin carving, stocking stuffing, tutoring and Borders gift cards; Relay for Life fundraising for the American Cancer Society; full college scholarships for eight students in Tanzania; Mortar Board Project Week; the "Jungle Safari" Disability Prom; the Kiva Project to loan funds to support primary education in Sierra Leone; and the Wearing of the Blue Brunch for freshman and sophomore students named to the dean's list.

Each project is chaired by one or two students, with others—maybe even the entire membership—getting involved based on their interest and the need.

"One of my favorite events was the Disability Prom," recalled Andrea Eddy '10 of Coloma, Mich., who was the chapter's webmaster last year and was among those attending the conference on Hope's behalf. "Members from area group homes came to campus for a fun night of dancing and pictures. We all enjoyed dressing up for the jungle theme and dancing to songs from *The Lion King* and other popular favorites."

"I felt that the chapter was really able to bond with each other and our guests," she said. "It was a night to let go of all inhibition and embrace diversity. Disability Prom was a huge success, and I hope the future chapters will continue to hold and enjoy such a fun event."

With the chapter's honors having been so plentiful, it's helpful to remember that the

degree of achievement is anything but common.

The Alcor Chapter has consistently been a leader in receiving multiple "Project Excellence Awards," and received eight of the awards last year as well as this year. Only 38 Project Excellence Awards were presented to 19 chapters during the July national conference.

The Hope chapter led the nation in Mortar Board's Virtual Book Drive in both 2008 and 2009, for which the chapter received the "First Book Hero Award Plaque" during the conference. The national effort has raised a total of \$50,000, of which \$12,000 was raised by Hope's Alcor Chapter. Hope's effort benefited West Michigan specifically, supporting not only campus-based CASA but also the Van Raalte and Pine Creek elementary schools.

The Alcor Chapter has received the "Golden Torch Award" every year since 2007. Only 22 chapters received the recognition this year.

In addition to the other honors that the chapter has earned in the past four years, Dr. Portfleet received one of three national Excellence in Advising Awards during the conference in 2007.

With each fall a new start, such a storied history could seem daunting, but that's not the way that the chapter works. The accolades aren't the goal, but instead an outcome that follows getting things right, and Dr. Portfleet knows that the new members care about the process every bit as much as their predecessors. Already last year, newly inducted, they were participating in some of the spring projects, and during the summer she was hearing from members eager to get together and plan for 2010-11.

"I'm excited about this year," she said. "It's a good group."



The Alcor Chapter is a highly visible presence during the Homecoming game as it conducts its annual book drive. The chapter led the nation in Mortar Board's Virtual Book Drive in both 2008 and 2009.



The annual Disability Prom organized by the chapter each year provides an opportunity for members from area group homes to enjoy an evening of dancing and socializing with each other and the Mortar Board students.





# Lights, Camera, Action



Film and television production on campus and in Holland this summer provided unique behind-the-scenes perspective and learning opportunities for students in a variety of disciplines. The campus and area stood in for the World War II-

era Netherlands during the filming of the *Return to the Hiding Place*. Extras cast for the production, pictured on the set with Graves Hall in the background, included junior Rebekah Taylor, senior Jackie Richards and Alex Martin '10.

It might have been a typical afternoon on the Hope campus, with groups of students outside Graves Hall making their way to and fro' the other destinations of the day.

It might have been, except for the decidedly retro fashions, the unlikely presence of World War II-era German soldiers, and the film crew just a few steps away. Instead, during that most *unique* afternoon in July, Hope represented a site not in Holland, Mich., but in the original Holland, and more than six decades in the past.

The college provided locations for the independent film *Return to the Hiding Place*, which tells the story of Dutch students who risked their lives to save Jews during World War II. The title is a reference to the home of the ten Boom family, who sheltered Jews from the Nazis during the war. Corrie ten Boom, who wrote the book *The Hiding Place*, is portrayed as a character in the film.

The activity was part of a busy summer for both Hope and West Michigan in hosting a variety of television and film productions. The filming leant a bit of Hollywood excitement to the nation's Midwest west coast, and for Hope students provided some singular hands-on learning opportunities as well.

For the college, the activity began in May with the return of Grand Rapids, Mich.-based Enthusiastic Productions, which had previously spent time on campus from 2006 to 2008 filming the award-winning children's television program *Come On Over!* The production company was back this year to film *Noodle and Doodle*, a new television series for preschoolers and their families that debuted on the Sprout network in September.

Upon learning that Sprout was planning a new children's show, Theresa Thome, president of Enthusiastic Productions, immediately recommended West Michigan, not least of all because of her company's very positive

experiences at Hope, which included not only the outstanding studio in the Martha Miller Center for Global Communication but a friendly and helpful campus community.

"I don't think there's a better place to produce something like this," Thome said. "The campus is incredibly conducive to production."

Involving students in the process, she noted, was a major bonus, both because they bring "a great energy" to their work and because education is a priority for Enthusiastic Productions beyond what appears on-screen.

"The process that you're going through is equally important to or more important than the product. It's important to us that the process involve learning," Thome said. "We're thrilled to be giving students the opportunity to learn, whether or not they want to pursue a career in television or film."

Not unlike a college campus, a television or film production is something of a community of its own, requiring a variety of services and skill sets. For students, that meant a range of opportunities to get involved, from working with props; to assisting the program's food stylist; to serving as a "kid wrangler," helping and entertaining the preschoolers in the cast between takes.

And they stayed busy doing it.

"Production is one of the most intense work experiences that you can give to somebody in college or just getting out," said Thome, who noted that Enthusiastic Productions completed 26 shows in 27 days.

Senior communication major Brooke Henderson of Wheaton, Ill., signed on as a production assistant as career exploration. "My goal for the summer was to get an internship or something in the field of communication, to see if I liked it or not," she said.

Her verdict? "I like how fast-paced production is," she said. "And I'm never doing the same thing."

Junior art major Andrew Gras of Holland,

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Mich., who worked as a grip (a crewmember who helps set up equipment), found his experience a good complement to other career-oriented experiences that he's pursued.

"I'd like to go to graduate school for lighting design specifically, so it's one of the steps toward that," Gras said. "It's been a good learning experience doing something new, and learning a different area of television."

History and religion major Jake Paarlberg, a senior from Lynwood, Ill., who also worked as a grip, plans to teach at the high school level, but likewise valued the chance to learn.

"I've always been interested in television and film and such, and thought it'd be an interesting experience—and it certainly has been," he said. "Just seeing how stuff like this is done and the amount of work involved for a minute of film is unbelievable."

*Return to the Hiding Place* came to Hope only a few short weeks after *Noodle and Doodle* wrapped—and was drawn, as was the television show, because of previous experience. The film, scheduled for release in 2011, is being co-produced by Manistee, Mich.-based 10 West Studios, whose president is Matt Tailford '97. From his student days, he remembered the Holland community and campus as well-suited to standing in for Dutch locations.

"Knowing what Hope and Holland offered from a Dutch architectural standpoint, it was really my starting point," he said. "It was a great opportunity to bring Hope into the mix."

In addition to campus locations like the chapel, Graves Hall and Voorhees Hall, filming included community sites such as Centennial Park, Windmill Island and the Felt Mansion in Laketown Township southwest of town. Shooting is also taking place in the Netherlands, Texas and Manistee.

Beyond familiar Hope locales, the film will also include members of the Hope community, with students and recent graduates among those who answered the call for extras.

For chemistry major and pre-medical student Rebekah Taylor, a junior from Zeeland, Mich., who had been working on campus, the film provided a once-in-a-lifetime way to wrap up the summer.

"I had finished working this summer at Upward Bound as an office assistant," she said. "It seemed like something interesting to do."

Senior Jackie Richards of Worthington, Ohio, and Alex Martin '10 of Fort Wayne, Ind., both signed on as a way of gaining career-related experience. Both also worked with Hope Summer Repertory Theatre (HSRT) this year and are hoping to pursue careers in theatre.

"It's incredibly beneficial for our careers

to have these experiences and opportunities," Martin said.

"This has been my first experience working with a film," he said. "I've learned a lot."

Richards, who had worked as an extra before, noted that she enjoyed seeing how many people are involved in creating a film and also the process itself, with multiple takes behind getting each moment just right. "We'll do the same thing, only it'll be from a different angle throughout," she said.

She appreciated the work as a complement to her time with HSRT, which itself gathers theatre professionals from around the world and provides a living learning experience for the students who work with the program. "It's a really great group that gets together—very talented," she said.

Grateful for the college's accommodation as host, Tailford, like Thome earlier in the summer, valued the chance for students to get involved.

"It was my hope that it could be that kind of reciprocal relationship," he said.

"We definitely want to present those kinds of opportunities," Tailford said. "To be able to come back and offer students that kind of thing is pretty cool." 🐦

*(Editor's Note: Links to additional information about both Noodle and Doodle and Return to the Hiding Place, as well as a gallery of photos taken while Return to the Hiding Place filmed at Hope, are available on the college's website.*

More ONLINE [www.hope.edu/pr/nfnc](http://www.hope.edu/pr/nfnc)



Senior Brooke Henderson worked as a production assistant with the television program *Noodle and Doodle* as it filmed on campus and in Holland this summer, an internship that helped her explore options in her chosen field of communication.



Filming a scene for *Return to the Hiding Place* in the Pine Grove. The film, scheduled for release in 2011, is being co-produced by 10 West Studios, whose president is Matt Tailford '97.





# Jazz in Japan:

## Music, Community, Culture

By Chris Lewis '09

**T**hriving. Dynamic. Unique.

Such words tend to describe the tremendous impact that the distinctly American art form of jazz has had on Japanese culture throughout the past several decades, since it first became popular during the Roaring Twenties.

Although Japan's rich jazz tradition is widely unknown in the United States, its inimitable grasp on the greater Japanese culture first caught the attention of Dr. Robert Hodson '89, associate professor of music, many years ago, well before he began teaching at Hope in 2002. Through a unique collaborative research project that included a three-week visit to Japan in July with a group of jazz students, he is hoping that the tradition will soon be better understood by others as well.

This summer's experience built on Dr. Hodson's time in Japan in the fall of 2008, when his interest in Japanese culture and admiration of jazz history led him to a semester-long position as an exchange professor at Meiji Gakuin University. In addition to enjoying the opportunity to teach two jazz courses at the university, which is located in Tokyo and has had close ties with Hope since the 1960s, Dr. Hodson took complete advantage of the time he had away from the classroom – by fully exploring the Tokyo jazz scene.

"Tokyo has a huge, thriving, and highly developed jazz scene. There are literally dozens of jazz clubs featuring live music every night and many high-level, skillful, and creative jazz musicians play on the Tokyo scene," he said. "The scene rivals – and, in some ways, surpasses – the jazz scene in New York, which is considered the 'Jazz Capital of the World'."

Throughout his semester-long teaching

experience, as well as his continuous explorations of Tokyo's jazz scene, Dr. Hodson's curiosity and fascination in the unusual development of jazz in Japan only increased.

"I was primarily interested by the fact that jazz is an indigenous American art form that developed in New Orleans around the turn of the 20th century from a fusion of African and European musical styles. It's a quintessentially 'American' art form and is even described by many as 'America's Classical Music'," he said. "At the time, I thought it was very, very intriguing that the jazz scene in Tokyo is so highly-developed, so I decided I wanted to explore this vibrant scene further."

The opportunity to do so came through a competitive student-faculty research fellowship from the ASIANetwork, which is a consortium of more than 170 North American colleges, including Hope. Significantly, the \$26,000 fellowship not only enabled Dr. Hodson to return to Japan this summer but included support for a team of students to accompany him as collaborative researchers and experience the influence of jazz in Japan first-hand themselves.

During the three-week visit, Dr. Hodson, senior Larry Figueroa of Holland, Mich.,



A faculty-student research project mentored by Dr. Robert Hodson '89 of the music faculty has provided an opportunity for students to learn about, and even contribute to, Japan's thriving jazz scene. While visiting the country this summer, the students not only attended performances and spoke with musicians and others about the tradition, which the project is chronicling, but performed as well. Above, Larry Figueroa, Zach Pedigo, David Webster and Nate Roberts play a gig at "Live Inn Magic" in Tokyo.

sophomore Zach Pedigo of Chippewa Falls, Wis., junior Nate Roberts of Milton, Pa., and sophomore David Webster of Troy, Mich., attended approximately 20 jazz performances; spoke with several jazz musicians, club owners and audience members; visited a wide assortment of clubs, ranging from large, expensive clubs to small, relatively unknown clubs throughout the downtown Tokyo area; and even performed themselves.

Their experiences also included opportunities to gather with Hope alumni in the area and to connect with students and friends from a number of the institutions in Japan with which Hope has on-going relationships, including not only Meiji Gakuin

University but also Ferris University, Technos College, Waseda University and Seigakuin University. They performed jazz jam sessions at both Meiji Gakuin and Ferris, which is located in Yokohama, and conducted a jam session with the Waseda University (Tokyo) Modern Jazz Club, an unofficial jazz program in which upper-level university students teach younger students about jazz.

The experiences have helped Dr. Hodson realize that jazz's influence on the Japanese culture was even greater than he had previously thought.

"The students and I found that jazz in Japan, as well as the Tokyo jazz scene, are both surprisingly developed and thriving. There are so

Through a unique collaborative research project that included a three-week visit to Japan in July with a group of jazz students, Dr. Robert Hodson '89 of the Hope music faculty is hoping that Japan's rich jazz tradition will soon be better understood by others as well.

many clubs and musicians throughout the area and the quality of the performers are top-notch," he said.

Dr. Hodson is not satisfied with only having his small group of students learn about the rich tradition of jazz in Japan. He wants to extend the knowledge and experiences of his students to other people, in all four corners of the world.

"One outcome that I hope arises from this project is that information on the Tokyo jazz scene will be made available for the rest of the world," he said. "Because of the language barrier between Japan and other countries, the fantastic Tokyo jazz scene seems like a somewhat closed or self-contained environment, and we would like to help others learn about it and to experience it."

To accomplish their goals, Dr. Hodson and his student team are planning multiple presentations and performances to share what they have learned.

For example, they are designing a website that will fully describe their experiences throughout their three weeks in Japan, as well as the jazz clubs they visited and the musicians they met.

"The website will assist anyone who is planning on visiting Tokyo and is interested in its jazz scene. Our team will compile the reviews we completed for each performance we attended, as well as links to YouTube videos to assist those who wish to learn more about the personnel of each of the jazz groups we heard," Figueroa said. "We hope that our reviews will make it a bit easier for people to navigate through the variety of highly talented jazz musicians that perform throughout Japan."

In the coming months, the students will also bring music composed specifically by Japanese jazz musicians to U.S. audiences directly. They're planning concert performances at Hope and at the ASIANetwork conference in April.

In addition, Dr. Hodson and his students are also going to be presenting their findings during the ASIANetwork conference, as well as to the campus through the Hope Global Coffee Hour and the college's department of music.

Even as the follow-up activities will dramatically extend the reach of the trip, they are also expanding the students' learning experience, building upon the already considerable lessons of the three weeks they spent abroad. It's an opportunity for which they are grateful.

"Our trip to Japan was a 'once in a lifetime' experience," Figueroa said. "I am very thankful for this amazing experience and I hope that others will not only benefit from our research, but will also feel motivated to travel and to see and hear jazz performances in Japan for themselves." 🐦



The research visit included an opportunity to connect with some of the many Hope alumni and friends in Japan. Nate Roberts, Zach Pedigo, David Webster and Larry Figueroa are pictured outside the "Miles' Café" in Tokyo shortly before a Hope event.





# Seeing Less And More

By Greg Olgers '87

Most people can relate to the experience of having trouble putting a name with a face. Maybe it eventually comes to us, particularly if the encounter goes beyond a salutation, but maybe it doesn't and we muddle through the ensuing conversation as best we can, hoping that the other person didn't notice.

For those who have prosopagnosia or "face blindness," like Dr. Heather Sellers of the Hope English faculty, it's a much bigger challenge. Their vision functions, but no face looks familiar, not ever.

"I have failed to recognize my step kids, my best friends, even my then-husband," said Dr. Sellers, who has taught at Hope since 1995. "I can't even recognize myself in a photo or video unless I remember what I was wearing that day, although my huge hair helps."

Prosopagnosia is a neurological disorder through which the brain is unable to interpret the information that it receives from the eyes, with the effect specific to the section or process that deals with face recognition. Researchers are still seeking to understand how prosopagnosia happens. Some who have it have suffered a head trauma, but others, like Dr. Sellers, have not. About two percent of the population is believed to have the disorder, with varying severity.

Dr. Sellers has been face-blind her entire life, but went nearly four decades without being diagnosed. Throughout her life she knew that something was wrong, but even at an early age she compensated by becoming adept at interpreting other cues such as hair style, clothing, voice and setting, which enabled her to minimize any indication that there was problem—at least some of the time.

"When I was very young, the trouble wasn't that apparent because the neighborhood provided context—Paige always came out of Paige's house, Martha came out of Martha's house," she recalled. "But as I got older, I wouldn't necessarily recognize Paige or Martha at school, let alone at the pool or the grocery store."

The challenge intensified as her circle of friends and acquaintances broadened, such as during college.



Heather Sellers has found students receptive to understanding her face blindness, in keeping with the positive experience she had when she first notified her faculty and staff colleagues about her condition in 2005. As a bonus, she has found that her own openness yields benefits, helping inspire a spirit of honesty and cooperation that makes for a better overall classroom experience.

"Once at the Spaghetti Station, on a date with a guy I was crazy about, I went to the bathroom," she recalled. "When I came back, I decided, in a rash move, to sit on the same side of the booth as him. A few seconds later—I've already got a bad feeling—this guy—looks a lot like my date!—is yelling at us... I'd sat down with the wrong guy."

As the years passed, she became increasingly aware that her experience was anything but typical, but had no idea why. She even began to fear that she might be mentally ill. She did some investigating, and eventually connected with the Prosopagnosia Research Center at Harvard University, which confirmed through testing in 2005 that she was, as she puts it, "off-the-charts face blind."

Dr. Sellers was relieved by the diagnosis, but after a lifetime of hiding her inability to recognize faces was initially reluctant to let others know.

"I believed people would assume I was mentally ill when they found out I was face blind," she said. "I worried I would lose my job, or that my judgment would be called into question. I feared no one would understand."

She decided to start with a Hope faculty friend, Dr. Lorna Hernandez Jarvis. A cognitive

psychologist who had long been teaching about face blindness in her classes, she turned out to be a remarkably good choice.

"We've been running buddies for a long time, and we were on one of our runs," Dr. Jarvis said. "I said, 'That tends to be a very rare disorder. How did you figure it out?' She just stopped and held my arm and said, 'You know what it is?' To see her expression—the relief in her face..."

Dr. Sellers next set about crafting an e-mail message to share the message with the rest of her faculty and staff colleagues.

As a nationally acclaimed professional writer, Dr. Sellers is no stranger to either the hard work of putting words to paper nor how to do so well. Nevertheless, she struggled with that four-paragraph e-mail.

"I spent the whole summer writing the message and getting the courage to send it," she said. "It was one of the hardest things I'd ever done in my life, because my whole life was structured around pretending to know, and here I was admitting that I didn't know. That I had to have help."

She needn't have worried.

"There was just this massive outpouring of support," she said. "So many people wrote and said, 'How can I be helpful to you?'"

The revelation has also been helpful in her teaching. While previously she was anxious about missing a name, relying on seating charts to help her get through, now she tells students about her disorder on the first day—and finds that they are universally understanding and thoughtful. Crucially, the conversation fosters

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— Dr. Heather Sellers, Professor of English, regarding face-blindness

openness and cooperation that she feels enrich her writing classes in a broader sense. "It's just a calmer, more focused, more open, more honest place," she said.

"The past five years, having this happen here, I just feel so lucky and so grateful to everyone here at Hope and Holland for helping me through this amazingly difficult experience," she said. "I can't imagine having gone through this someplace else."

Dr. Sellers has since spoken around the country about her experience with face blindness. She has appeared on NBC's *Today* show and ABC's *Dateline*. In 2007 she gave a presentation about face blindness during the Winter Happening event coordinated by the college's office of public and community relations.

To share her experience more broadly, she has also written a memoir, *You Don't Look Like Anyone I Know: A True Story of Family, Face Blindness, and Forgiveness*, published earlier this fall by Riverhead Books. She started by focusing on her face blindness, but soon found that her experience with prosopagnosia was only part of the story she needed to tell. The book sets her quest to identify and understand the disorder in the context of a childhood that she realized was significantly shaped by her parents' struggles with mental illness and addictive behaviors—even as she loved them and they, clearly, loved her.

As she reflected, she found, unexpectedly, that face blindness provided her with a perspective that she might otherwise have missed—a way of looking at people, and life, which she hopes will help others.

"I'm isolated by this condition," Dr. Sellers said. "And at the same time, it's what connects me so deeply to other people: we all have this experience of trying to love others and that is basically a process of attempting to 'see' someone, know which person they are."

"Love is recognition," she said. "My whole life—while it was a very odd childhood—turned out to be this kind of school in vision, in knowing, in some other kind of recognition. A deeper kind of knowing."

She hopes that others who read about her journey may find help in their own.

"In some ways, we all are keeping part of ourself even from ourselves," she said. "I hope that it helps someone who is struggling to fit together parts that maybe don't all fit. That's my hope, that it's a positive story." 🐾

(NOTE: *Copies of You Don't Look Like Anyone I Know: A True Story of Family, Face Blindness, and Forgiveness* are available through the college's Hope-Geneva Bookstore, which can be visited online at [www.hope.edu/bookstore/](http://www.hope.edu/bookstore/) or called at 800-946-4673.)



Decades of frustrating, embarrassing and even frightening experiences finally found explanation in 2005 when Dr. Heather Sellers of the English faculty learned that she has prosopagnosia, or face blindness, a disorder that affects about two percent of the population. She can't recognize faces, not even those of her closest relatives.



# Ageless Echoes



For a gallery of more than 70 images from this year's Pull, please visit the college online. [More ONLINE www.hope.edu/pr/nfhc](http://www.hope.edu/pr/nfhc)



Say that the Pull is in its third century, and the annual freshman-sophomore tug-of-war takes on the aura of immutable bedrock, and conjures images of origins in the days not of the Holland Kolonie but of the Colonies.

The scale becomes a bit less grand when understood as a technicality, stretching not from about the time Ben Franklin was born but instead from the closing years of the 19th century, across the 20th and through the opening decade of the 21st—a bit less epic, but perhaps not much. Particularly in the collegiate context in which student generations pass every 48 months, there's something to a tradition that not only endures but thrives after 113 years.

To be sure, many specifics have evolved. The few tantalizing hints from the earliest days hint at informal teams standing across a modest streamlet dammed temporarily to create a worthy divide. For most of living memory, the naturally substantial Black River has been the Pull's home.



And the Pull is anything but informal, with the Even-Year and Odd-Year competitors highly organized, intensely trained and absolutely committed to spending three hours on the rope, unless they compel the other side to spend less.

Just maybe, as the sophomore Class of 2013 painstakingly worked its way to victory over the freshman Class of 2014 on Saturday, Sept. 25, the reasons were all there to see: working together, the seniors guiding the sophomores, and the juniors guiding the freshmen, as they themselves were guided, by others who once were, too, all the way back to 1898; the supportive shouts of alumni, classmates, parents and friends, deafening in intensity; the site so much a part of the experience that it is difficult to imagine any other; the hint of fall in the slight chill and the emerging splash of color in the leaves. All familiar and new at the same time.



Moments from a timeless tradition. Clockwise from top center: the large class banners conceal the action from the opposition (until torn down in confidence); sophomores John Firek and CristiEllen Zarvas at foreground as '13 collects the slack to begin the event; freshmen Mitch Vlasak and Elaine Lebel work the rope; the sophomores celebrate their win; Even-Year/freshman fans—part of an enthusiastic audience that is always several rows deep.



# Neither Rain

Service isn't just a platitude at Hope, an idea that sounds appealing but receives little attention. It's a part of the culture.

Students give of themselves in numerous ways big and small, from volunteering individually with community organizations to coming together by the hundreds through major events like Dance Marathon and Relay for Life. It's activity that the college fosters as a learning experience, in keeping with Hope's mission to educate students for lives of leadership and service in a global society in the context of the historic Christian faith.

"Time to Serve" day both inaugurates and exemplifies the concept, with students volunteering for service projects throughout the community at the beginning of the fall semester. Hope organizes the program on behalf of new students, to provide a chance for them to get to know each other as well as Holland and the service opportunities available locally, but it's also popular with upperclassmen.

This year's installment on Saturday, Sept. 11, was decidedly rainy, but it seemed to make little difference to the participants. Inside or out, the smiles and spirit were the same.

And when the weather did matter, as with assisting a local resident who was going to be evicted if his mobile home wasn't painted by the end of the week, the students embraced the spirit and not the letter of the event. Knowing how much their help would matter, 10 of them returned two days later to complete the work.



Clockwise from center left: moving sand at the Critter Barn; groundskeeping at First United Methodist Church and First Presbyterian Church; cleaning at the Community Kitchen; and painting a home. A gallery of images from the day is featured on the college's website. [More ONLINE www.hope.edu/pr/nfhc](http://www.hope.edu/pr/nfhc)





**POETRY PUBLISHED:** Dr. David Cho, assistant professor of English, is the author of *Song of Our Songs*, a chapbook of poetry published by Finishing Line Press of Georgetown, Ky.

The collection is based primarily on Dr. Cho's own life experiences as a Chicago-born and raised child of Korean parents, who immigrated to America in 1971. The chapbook provides a series of poetic "snapshots" of Dr. Cho's own life, and the lives of fellow family members. And as the title indicates, the poems serve as an homage to the Midwestern and wider Korean American experience.

Dr. Cho has previously had poems published or accepted for publication in journals including *Amerasia*, *Many Mountains Moving*, *Prairie Schooner*, *Theology Today*, and the Asian American Special Edition of *Flyway Literary Review*.



His areas of scholarly interest include late 19th to 20th century American literature; critical theory and theories of cultural nationalism; American ethnic literatures; Asian American literature; postcolonial literatures and theory; contemporary and modern American poetry and fiction; creative writing; and critical pedagogy.

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**ACS RESEARCH AWARD:** Dr. Jeff Johnson, an assistant professor of chemistry and Towsley Research Scholar, has received an Undergraduate New Investigator Grant from the American Chemical Society's Petroleum Research Fund (ACS-PRF).

He has been awarded \$50,000 for the next two years for his project "Toward Greater Understanding and Expanded Utility of the Palladium-Catalyzed Activation of Carbon-Carbon Single Bonds." The ACS makes approximately 45 of the awards nationwide each year.

The Undergraduate New Investigator grants provide funds for scientists and engineers who are in the beginning years of their independent careers in academia, and are intended as seed money for generating preliminary results that can be used in applying for further funding from other agencies. Recipients must be in departments without doctoral programs and must involve undergraduate students in the work being supported.

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**HONORED ALUMNA:** Dr. Susan Dunn of the nursing faculty is among the alumni of the nursing college at Michigan State University highlighted in a calendar produced to commemorate the program's 60th anniversary.

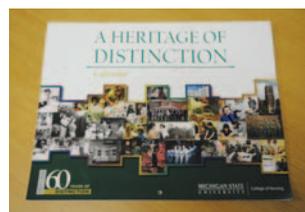
Dr. Dunn, who is an associate professor of nursing and chairperson of the department, completed her doctorate at Michigan State University in 2005.

The College of Nursing at Michigan State University was established in 1950. Titled "A Heritage of Distinction," the program's year-long celebration honors the alumni and historical accomplishments of the college and their impact on healthcare in local communities.

The 16-month calendar, covering July of this year through December 2011, profiles 60 alumni in addition to featuring historical accomplishments of the college, research by faculty, and other information about the nursing college. It includes photographs and biographical sketches of undergraduate- and graduate-level alumni from the 1950s through the 2000s.

Dr. Dunn is one of 10 BSN, MSN or Ph.D. graduates from the 2000s featured.

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**GALLERY EXHIBIT:** The gallery of the De Pree Art Center is featuring "The Docile Body" by faculty member Katherine Sullivan through Friday, Nov. 19.

The exhibit highlights work from her sabbatical during the 2009-10 school year. An associate professor of art, she reflects in a series of paintings on the dialectics of power.

Professor Sullivan's most recent fellowships include Cooper Union, the Virginia Center for Creative Arts and Ragdale. She has recently had solo exhibitions of her work at Ithaca College's Handwerker Gallery in Ithaca, N.Y., and the University of Indianapolis in Indiana. She spends her summers painting in Newfoundland, Canada.

Most recently, she received third place in the 2009 Young Painters Competition at Miami University. She has received many other awards for her work including 2008's Best in Show, "Interpretations of the Figure," at the University of Indianapolis.

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## ENDOWED PROFESSORSHIP:

Stephanie Milanowski of the art and art history faculty has been appointed to the college's Howard R. and Margaret E. Sluyter Endowed Professorship in the field of design.

Professor Milanowski (pictured during her investiture ceremony with Provost Dr. Richard Ray) joined the Hope faculty in the fall of 2009 as an assistant professor of art, and teaches introductory and advanced design classes. Her appointment to the endowed professorship began with the start of the new school year.

She has spent more than two decades working with a variety of clients in guiding design ideas from concept to market, experience that she brings to her classroom instruction. In addition to teaching at Hope, she currently works professionally as an art director, designer and consultant through Grand Rapids-based Stephanie Milanowski Design, which she established in 1999. Her emphases include digital media products as well as products and design for paper and giftware industries, corporate collateral, identity packages, annual reports, brochures, books, catalogs, and commissioned drawings for corporate and private collections and exhibition displays.

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**ACS FELLOW:** Dr. William F. Polik, who is the Edward and Elizabeth Hofma Professor of Chemistry, has been named a 2010 ACS Fellow by the American Chemical Society.

The ACS Fellows program recognizes members of the professional organization for demonstrated excellence in the chemical sciences and outstanding service to the ACS. Fellows come from the entire breadth of ACS's membership, which exceeds 161,000 worldwide, and the chemical enterprise—including high school teaching, entrepreneurship, government service, and all sectors of industry and academia.

This is the second year in the ACS Fellows program. Although most of this year's 192 fellows are educators, only three are from primarily four-year liberal arts colleges.

The 2010 ACS Fellows were honored at a special ceremony during the ACS National Meeting in Boston, Mass., on Monday, Aug. 23. A listing of the Fellows was also included in the national *Chemical & Engineering News* professional journal in August.

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**Scott Travis '06**  
Director of Alumni and Parent Relations

**A**s the sun first shines in through my Michigan window, it is shining the last rays of daylight over Australia. I wake up and have waffles made with mix from Seattle, butter from Boston, syrup from Grand Rapids, and a “Belgian” waffle maker whose maker is in China. The waffles sit on German plates which are resting on a table put together in Malaysia. Glancing at a painting my wife purchased at a market in Guayaquil, Ecuador, I head out the door.

I pull out of the driveway in a truck partially manufactured in Venezuela by an American company. At the office, I check e-mail from an Alumni Board member living in Germany and another on a business trip in Brazil. I share campus with faculty and students from more than 40 countries around the world, many of them connected in real-time to half a billion people via online social networks. My mobile phone rings. It’s designed by a Canadian firm, manufactured in Mexico, powered by a Japanese battery and banned in the United Arab Emirates. It’s my wife. She’s calling from her Korean-made device on a network owned by a British multinational.

We truly live in a global society. No matter where you are or how you are connected to those around you, here are some tips for staying in touch with your alma mater and the 30,000 alumni that call Hope home:

- Log on to [www.hope.edu/alumni](http://www.hope.edu/alumni) to search the Alumni Directory, use the Career Center or access other services, including the quarterly Alumni E-newsletter.
- Write an email, letter or card to an old friend. If you are unsure of what address to use, let us help. In addition to the online directory, alumni can email [alumni@hope.edu](mailto:alumni@hope.edu) or call 800-238-8220 for assistance.
- Follow the Hope College Alumni Association on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/hopealumni](http://www.facebook.com/hopealumni).
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- Connect in person at Hope events on campus and around the world. For a list of upcoming events visit [www.hope.edu/alumni/events](http://www.hope.edu/alumni/events).

# Window to Hope's History



As discussed in the story on pages 10-11, the Hope campus stood in for the World War II-era Netherlands during filming this summer for the independent production *Return to the Hidden Place*. As a part of home-front America, the campus played an active role itself during the war years as a site for the Army Specialized Training Program (ASTP), shown in front of Graves Hall. The program, developed to produce officers from the enlisted ranks, brought some 250 servicemen to campus from November 1943 to March 1944. It was disbanded and the participants dispersed to other duty as the army changed its manpower emphasis.

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News and information for class notes, marriages, advanced degrees and deaths are compiled for *News from Hope College* by Julie Rawlings '83 Huisingh. 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.

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All submissions received by the Public Relations Office by Tuesday, Sept. 7, 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, Nov. 2.

## 40s

**Jean Meulendyke '47 Millard** and **Howard Millard '50** of Zeeland, Mich., celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary in July.

## 50s

**Abraham Moerland '50** and his wife, **Elin (Ellie) Veenschoten '52 Moerland** of Holland, Mich., celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary in August.

**Myron (Mike) VanArk '51** of Holland, Mich., and his wife celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary in August.

**Joanne VanLierop '58 Izenbart** and **Rev. Larry Izenbart '59** of Zeeland, Mich., celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in August.

**Charles Vandenberg '58** and **Jeanene Baldwin '62 Vandenberg** of Holland, Mich., celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in August.

**Paul Wiegerink '58** of Holland, Mich., and his wife celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in August.

## 60s

**Ruth Laning '60 Custer** and her husband celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in August.

**Yvonne Douma '63 Stadt** of

## Learning with Friends

The concept of life-long learning found full expression in the "Mediterranean Odyssey" for alumni and friends of the college, with participants ranging in age from their first year (ie, nine months old) to their seventh decade.

Coordinated through the Office of Alumni and Parent Relations and led by faculty members Dr. Donald Luidens '69 and Dr. Roger Nemeth, the seminar-format program in June included a cruise of the eastern Mediterranean with stops in Italy, Greece and Turkey. Some 46 attended.

The striking scenery is reason enough for many to visit the region, but the trip emphasized no less its storied history. Drs. Luidens and Nemeth distributed a suggested reading list in advance and throughout the trip presented a series of seminars that explored the significance of the sites to both the past and present.

The educational component was more than appropriate given the trip's Hope connection, and crucially it was a dimension that the participants wanted.

"Again and again, the theme that came through was, 'We don't just want a boat ride. We want a seminar where we're going to learn something,'" Dr. Luidens said.

Gary, Ind., has written a book, *Welcome to Cousins' Camp*, which emphasizes her Christian heritage and gives grandparents many creative ideas for time well spent with their grandchildren. Yvonne is a retired elementary school teacher.

**Barbara Fisher '64 Happel** of Grand Haven, Mich., performed during the Tuesday Musicales at the Grand Haven Community Center on September 14.

**Darrel Staat '64** of Lexington, S.C., became system president of the South Carolina Technical College in Columbia, S.C., this fall.

**James W. Serum '65** was the speaker at Hope College's summer research seminar, presenting *Summer Research- The first day of the rest of your life*. He is current the president of SciTek Ventures LLC. He and his wife, **Marilyn Hoffman '66 Serum**,



History and fellowship were a winning combination during the "Mediterranean Odyssey" trip this summer for alumni and friends of Hope. The group is pictured visiting ruins at Ephesus.

"It enriched the experience greatly to have this kind of academic, scholarly component to it," Dr. Nemeth said. "They were eager to get the most out of this."

Serendipity contributed as well. Australians aboard ship at Gallipoli provided personal perspective concerning their nation's role in the First World War battle at the site. Europe's contemporary economic struggles were brought into focus when a dockworkers' strike broke out in Athens shortly after the ship made port.

There were also rich discussions afterward.

"The lead-up information about the places we would visit was informative, but I liked even better the conversations with members of our group after the land visits, getting various perspectives on what we had seen," said Barbara

Pleues '71 Osborn of Holland, Mich., who participated with her husband Jon '70.

The participants' shared Hope ties—even if through friendship or parenthood—also provided a built-in collegiality. "During the 14-day trip, it didn't take long for us to feel like a friendly group with a united purpose: to see new places, to learn new things, to have a great time," Osborn said. "I think we were all grateful for this amazing opportunity."

The Office of Alumni and Parent Relations has hosted 15 educational trips since 1992, and is currently anticipating that the next installment will take place in 2012.

Additional reflections regarding this year's trip, written by Dr. Luidens, are available online.

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## 70s

**Arlan TenClay '71** of Fort Myers, Fla, is the Apostolic Leader for the Florida Classis of the Reformed Church in America.

**Deborah Laug '72 Limoncelli** of Palatine Bridge, N.Y., retired in June from the Canajoharie, N.Y., Central School District after 34 years of teaching physical education. During her career she coached a total of 21 years; the sports included volleyball, softball and basketball.

**Peter Orbeton '72** of Peterborough, N.H., retired as a Senior Development and Architecture Manager in IBM Software Group specializing in structured content systems after a 30-year career in software development. He notes that having fled the type-A

The more than 1,700 artists from around the world who competed in the September 22-October 10 ArtPrize competition in Grand Rapids, Mich., included multiple members of the Hope family—among them at least 13 alumni. They and their works were: **Judy Kaiser '75 Dethmers** of Champaign, Ill., “Glory Days”; **Joel Schoon-Tanis '89** of Holland, Mich., “Church Lawn: Three Lions”; **Michelle VanderVelde '90 Calkins** of Holland, “Abstract Color and Pattern Study-Create Rinse Repeat”; **Wade Gugino '92** of Holland, “Living Tree”; **Mary Westenbroek ter Veen '93** of Glenn, Mich., “Transformations”; **Melissa Cooper '95 Prince** of Rockford, Mich., “Til Death Do Us Part”; **Russ Karsten '97** of Grand Rapids, a collaboration with his wife, Leslie, “I loved you this much”; **Erin Overmeyer '99** of Grand Rapids, “Fotias Dry Cleaners”; **Amy Kazmarski '02 Bateman** of Holland,

“PEACE in pieces”; **Cassie Krause '02** of Holland, “Inside Voices”; **Monique Murray '05** of Wyoming, Mich., “Discriminated, Persecuted and Crucified”; and **Derek Nevenzel '07** of Holland, “GR”; **Anna Vander Zouwen '07** of Zeeland, Mich., “Ixil Tomorrow.” Hope participants also included senior studio art major **Chelsea Tarnas** of West Bloomfield, Mich., “Untitled Scroll”; and faculty member **Tamara Fox**, assistant professor of art, “Blot.” If other members of the Hope community participated in the competition, *News from Hope College* would enjoy hearing from them via alumni@hope.edu so that their names, too, can be shared. Hope hosted a reception at PNC Bank in Grand Rapids, Mich., on Monday, Sept. 27, that featured remarks by ArtPrize founder Rick DeVos as well as displays of art and musical performances by faculty and students.

confines of Boston for rural New Hampshire, he is currently the president of New Hampshire's first co-housing community homeowners association, Nubanusit Neighborhood & Farm in Peterborough. **Donald Steele '72** of New York, N.Y., has had his 10-minute play *The Coffee Hour* named a finalist for the 2010 Heideman Award at Actors Theatre of Louisville. His 10-minute play *Dearly Beloved* was a finalist for the Heideman Award in 2006 and since then has

been produced numerous times. A production is planned as part of Holland is Ready. **Sheila Schuller '73 Coleman** of Orange, Calif., was formally installed as the senior pastor at the Crystal Cathedral in July. **Scott Lenheiser '74** of Farmington Hills, Mich., took third place at the Tri-County Invitational Shoot Off, an event featuring surplus military rifles of the First and Second World War. He won using a 1941 Lee-

Enfield (Austrian) Lithgow bolt action rifle (with a mirror-bore), using a handloaded .303 British caliber ammunition at 200 yards. He is also interested in pursuing an instructional position in the field of business and/or commercial law in Hong Kong. **David Baker '77** of Galesburg, Mich., is Ferris State University's program coordinator for the digital animation and game design degree program. **Sharon Adcock '78** of Holland, Mich., has relocated her public relations/marketing consulting business from Manhattan Beach, Calif., to Holland, Mich., and will commute between Holland, Los Angeles and London, England, for business meetings in the film and broadcast industries. **Scott Dwyer '78** of Grand Rapids, Mich., was included in the 2011 edition of the Best Lawyers in America. Lawyers are selected for inclusion in Best Lawyers solely on the basis of a nationally-conducted peer-review survey in which more than 25,000 leading lawyers vote on the legal abilities and professional achievements of other lawyers in their specialties. He is employed at Mika Meyers Beckett & Jones PLC. **Sharon Carnahan '79** of Winter Park, Fla., has been named a Cornell Distinguished Faculty Member for Service at Rollins College, where she has taught since 1990. She has also been named to the Fulbright Roster of Experts for 2010-15. **Michael Engelhardt '79** of Decorah, Iowa, presented *Sanctuaries and Slammed Doors: Immigration, Arizona and the Constitution* on Thursday, Sept. 16, at Luther College, where he is a professor of political science.



Several former Dykstra hall roommates and friends from the early 1970s are pictured outside of the Stanley Hotel Villa in Estes Park, Colo., where they went to celebrate the 60th birthday of several of the women. Pictured are: Mary Jo Brown '72 Kiefer, Robin Rinkus '75 Baker, Lynne Walchenbach '73 Hendricks, Bev Remtema '72 Zondervan, Debbie Karle '72 DeFouw, Jeanie Maring '72 Luyendyk, Kay Nordskog '72 Scott. Unable to attend; Sandy Goosen '72 Briuschat and Jan DeWitt '72 Formsma.

## 80s

**Paul Bosch '81** of Phoenix, Ariz., is a biology professor at South Mountain Community College in Phoenix. His dissertation (please see “Advanced Degrees”) was on a bilingual college nursing education program. **Paul VanHeest '82** of Holland, Mich., will be exhibiting *4 just 2 I's 2 C - Works of Paul VanHeest* at the Holland Area Arts Council running through Saturday, Nov. 6.



Front Row, from left: Alverna Hoving '66 De Visser, Rev. Don Jansma '54, Elsie Vande Zande '57 Redeker; Back Row, from left: Rev. Jack Millard '61, June Veldheer-Millard '62, Dr. David De Visser '64, Karl Vander Laan '56, Jerry Redeker '56, Mary Mouw '72.

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## Alumni Grow DHS

We are proud and thankful of the dedicated alumni volunteers and Dimnent Heritage Society members who helped recruit and attract new interest and support in benefitting Hope College through estate gifts. Their work has helped provide financial assistance to deserving students beyond state and federal aid.

Hope College is grateful to the 700-plus members of the Dimnent Heritage Society for their continued generosity in supporting the students, faculty and mission of the college.





One in eight of Hope's new students include an alumna or alumnus among their direct ancestors. From left to right are the third-, fourth- and fifth-generation members of the Class of 2014: Row 1: Kevin Bauman (4), Josh Kamstra (4), Kimberly Boerigter (3), Sarah Taylor (4), Dan Schriemer (3), Taylor Votto (3), Parker Bussies (5), Brady VanMalsen (4), Catherine Calyore (4), Kristen Slotman (3), Hannah Nyboer (3), Austin Homkes (3), Jake Bylsma (3), Meredith Busman (3), Rachel Slotman (3); Row 2: Jonathan Redeker (3), Nina Droppers (4), Jennifer Hielkema (3), Rachael Ayers (3), Krystal Hornecker (4), Jake Hedges (4), Kaitlyn Schmidt (3), Kelsey Bekius (3), Rachel Rebhan (3), Katie Buck (3), Mallory Smith (3), Craig Toren (3), Hannah Heneveld (3), Christopher DeWitt (3), Maddie Werley (3), Katelyn Kleinheksel (3), Eric Thompson (3). The full listing of all 96 of this year's Generational New Students and their alumni ties can be found online at [www.hope.edu/pr/nfhc](http://www.hope.edu/pr/nfhc).

**Lisa Doornbos '83 Heneveld** of Zeeland, Mich., was highlighted in the *Holland Sentinel* for going above and beyond through involvement in local sports. Lisa has made signs for all four of her children and those students who also participated in sports at Zeeland East High School.

**Mark Holmes '83** was awarded tenure and promoted to the rank of associate professor at Knox College. He teaches sculpture and ceramics. He and his wife, **Jennifer Forton '83 Holmes** reside in Galesburg, Ill.

**Jeff Beswick '84** of Grand Haven, Mich., was recently honored by the Greater Ottawa County United Way with its G.W. Haworth Strength of the Community Award. The award is presented to an individual who most embodies and exemplifies United Way's leadership, spirit of volunteering, philanthropy and community decision-making.

**Wesley Blood '84** and his wife, **Marjorie Fabrici '85 Blood**, of Toledo, Ohio, along with their children are involved in a multi-facted outreach effort to the immigrant and international students population in their city.

**Mark S. Werley '84** of Zeeland, Mich., is the new basketball coach for the Zeeland Dux.

**David Zimmer '84** of Holland, Mich., is the new finance director at Holland Christian School.

**Paul Baker '85** has finished his master's certificates in commercial and federal contract management from Villanova University, Villanova, Pa.

**Dayna Beal '85** of Holland, Mich., recently joined Elevator Up as a partner, leading the company operations and strategic consulting services. His company helps ideas and companies start up and grow by blending cultural trends and technical solutions into new business strategies. He is also the mentor director for Momentum, the venture capital incubator program based in Grand Rapids. He notes that he enjoys sitting on boards of various companies now led by classmates from Hope College! Dayna continues to be very involved coaching his four children in club soccer and traveling with his family on extreme vacations and mission trips.

**Leigh Ann Schott '85 DenHartog**

and her husband, **Steven DenHartog '86**, have been missionaries in the Chapala area of Jalisco, Mexico. They have worked with local orphanages, and have taught ESL and Bible studies. This fall they started a ministry on the border in Laredo, Texas.

**Richard Helder '85** of East Lansing, Mich., wrote and directed *Murder at Locker 069*, performed at the Renegade Theatre Festival in Old Town Lansing.

**Margaret Oklatner '85 McCarty** of Clifford, Pa., became the senior pastor of three churches on Thursday, July 1: East Lemon United Methodist Church, the West Nicholson United Methodist Church, and the Lemon United Methodist Church.

**Gwen Griffin '85 Van Ark** of Chapel Hill, N.C., is active as a volunteer for Penland School of Crafts and for the multiple sclerosis society annual bike MS, which competes across North Carolina in running, biking and triathlon races.

**Paul Bolt '86** of Colorado Springs, Colo., recently returned home after teaching at Nanyang Technological University in Singapore on a Fulbright Scholarship.

**Wendy West '87 Mis** of Munster, Ind., is the new executive director of the Munster Chamber of Commerce.

**Timothy DuMez '88** of Holland, Mich., is director of donor services for the Community Foundation of the Holland/Zeeland area.

**Claudia Ruf '88** of Tigard, Ore., has been promoted to principal at Mountain View Middle School in the Beaverton School District, after working for six years as assistant principal at Beaverton High School. She is looking forward to the new challenges ahead and wants to thank the education department at Hope

College for providing a great base for her as she continues working in the education field.

**Jeffrey Kammeraad '89** of Holland, Mich., was named professional of the year for 2009 by FourSquare Financial Group in Grand Rapids, Mich. He has offered financial planning services in Holland for more than 20 years and started his own firm in 2004.

**Elizabeth Larson '89 Moraw** of Holland, Mich., is the new director of instruction for pre-kindergarten through seventh grade at Holland Public Schools.

## 90s

**Joel Anderle '90** of Peabody, Mass., was elected president of the Massachusetts Council of Churches in January, 2010. The council consists of 17 Christian denominational bodies, Protestant and Orthodox, with nearly 1,700 local churches along with additional representation from the four Roman Catholic dioceses in Massachusetts. The two-year term includes oversight of the board and staff, implementation of the council's strategic plan, and participation in ecumenical and interfaith events and conversations in Massachusetts. He previously served as vice-president and chaired the strategic planning committee.

**Brian Andrew '90** of Grand Rapids, Mich., has opened up his own law practice in Grand Rapids, Mich.

**James Breyfogle '90** of Riverside, Pa., was selected and attended the Odyssey Fantasy Writers workshop this summer.

**Erika Hyde '90 Clancy** has moved from New York to Melbourne, Fla., where her husband is now working.



**Robert Wuerfel '88** of Holland, Mich., was awarded the Robert J. Jay award by his fellow members of the Michigan Land Title Association (MLTA) at their annual convention in July. The award recognizes outstanding leadership and countless contributions to the MLTA.



**Laurie Camiller '92 Poll** of Zeeland, Mich., led a group of 20 from Calvary Christian Reformed Church to Haiti this summer to be a part of the teacher summit. Eighty-five Haitian teachers took part in the summit, some traveling hours to get there. Laurie along with Mary Graham '92 Elhart spent several days exchanging ideas and information. Mary's son Gregg '13 also went, interacting with the Haitian children, playing soccer and swimming. He also spent time in a Haitian orphanage.

**Rebecca Moen '90** of Palatine, Ill., has been looking after consumer and market insights for Unilever's deodorant brands in North America (Degree, Dove, Axe, Suave), as well as work for the Rexona brand (Degree) globally.

**Michael Ray '90** of Phoenix, Ariz., has left the property and casualty insurance industry after 20 years and is the new senior business architect with PegaSystems, Inc. based in Cambridge, Mass. His focus will be with software development in the P&C industry. Michael, his wife and two dogs will continue to reside in Phoenix.

**Steven Schwind '90** of Pasadena, Calif., is completing his graduate degree and anticipates moving to Ethiopia next year with his wife and children to work.

**Kirk Slater '90** of Kampala, Uganda, recently completed his Doctor of Ministry (please see "Advanced Degrees"). His dissertation was titled *Spiritual Formation in Uganda: a study of how Christians in Kisoro are being transformed in Christ's image*.

**Dal Townsend '90** of Beulah, Mich., is employed with Buckley Community Schools.

**Ann Watson '90** of Traverse City, Mich., is the lead medical officer with Holland America Line Cruise Ships. She has been on the medical staff there since 2006. She had spent 16 years working in the ICU of local hospitals.

**Michael Stevens '91** of Alto, Mich., is owner of Founders Brewing Co.,

which was recently named one of the fastest growing craft breweries in America by the Brewers Association. Michael and business partner **David Engbers '93** are involved in a \$6.6 million expansion this fall to the facility.

**Seth Weeldreyer '91** of Marshall, Mich., was installed as the new pastor of the First Presbyterian Church in Kalamazoo.

**Stephen Mauger '92** has joined Lakshore Health Partners in Holland, Mich.

**Reynolds Brissenden '94** and **Megan Holden '95 Brissenden** have relocated to Austin, Texas. Reynolds is an attorney with the office of the Attorney General for the State of Texas, and Megan is a stay-at-home mom for their two children, Lexie and Ethan.

**Gregory Gemmen '94** worked as a scientific consultant/staff scientist at Ocusense, Inc. in San Diego, Calif., from 2006 to 2008, completed his postdoc at the University of Oregon in 2008-09, and is currently a research associate for The Scripps Research Institute in La Jolla, Calif. He is researching single molecule/oligomer biophysics work to understand the molecular underpinnings of Alzheimer's and Parkinson's.

**Terrance Haynes '94** of Nashville, Tenn., has been promoted to principal of Napier Enhance Option Elementary School in Nashville.

**Shawn McFarland '94** and his wife and their three children, Anneka (four), Anson (three), and Finley (three), have moved to Mountain Home, Idaho, where Shawn is one of two pediatricians at Mountain Home Air Force Base.

**Peter Goers '95** of Grand Haven, Mich., recently won the Midwest Professional Volleyball Association's Grand Haven Fourth of July Open.

**Dirk Hollebeek '95** of Gallup, N.M., is a school counselor at Gallup McKinley County Schools. He and his wife have three children.

**Amy White '95 Kubichek** (please see "Marriages") is working on her Ph.D. in sociology from the University of Pittsburgh.

**Sara Murphy '95** of Chicago, Ill., is the manager of annual giving at the Field Museum of Natural History.

**Jennifer Chilcoat '95 Shaw** of Columbus, Ohio, had a song from her album *Love Broke Through* hit number-three on the national worship radio charts. She writes on her blog that she was asked to sing the National Anthem in August at the Pirates/Reds baseball game at the PNC park in Pittsburgh, Pa.

**Dana Thomson-Peroni '95** of Watkinsville, Ga., enjoys owning her own ambulatory horse veterinary practice. She specializes in all areas of lameness, including acupuncture and alternative therapies.

**Todd VanderVeen '95** of Arlington

Heights, Ill., was recently promoted to director at Allstate Insurance Company. As a state manager, Todd is responsible for developing and managing all auto/homeowners product, price, and risk management decisions associated with eight states within Encompass, a division of Allstate. He evaluates opportunities and challenges in the marketplace and builds integrated strategies with sales to address them. He and **Carrie Maines '98 VanderVeen** recently celebrated their 10th wedding anniversary with a second honeymoon to Hawaii.

**Jenifer Hodge '95 VanZanten** and **Brian VanZanten '95** of Holland, Mich., added a daughter, Ana Hope to their family in April 2008. Ana Hope came home from Guatemala. They report that she has been the perfect addition to the family and is very much loved by her brother Joel, and her sister, Grace. They have been blessed by continuing to be a part of the Hope community through Brian's coaching and by attending events on campus. Their children are also involved in several classes for home-schooled children through Hope.

**Dirk DeWitt '96** of Charleston, N.C., was recently featured in *The Post and Courier* regarding his company, Velocity Sports Performance. He along with his wife, Tracy, and **Scott Greenman '06**, director of sports performance, work with a variety of athletics ranging from NFL players to high schoolers and children to adults. **Joel Reisig '96** of Birmingham, Mich., held a seminar in August called *Be Your Own Hollywood*, focusing on screenwriting, funding, hiring a cast and crew and shooting on budget. His next production will be *Small Town Saints*, a G-rated Christmas film slated to shoot in Rockford in February.

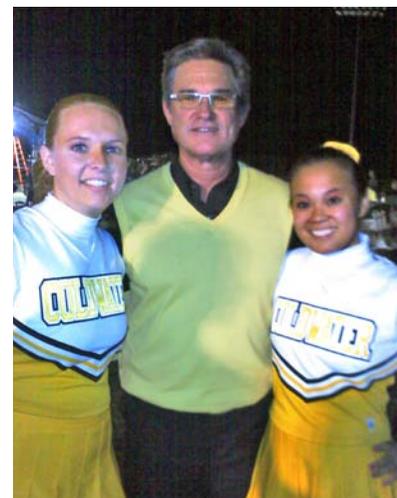
**Rachel Hall '97** recently opened up her own photography business in Scottsdale, Ariz., *Photos by Rachel*. Her studio specializes in children's photography, events and family photos as well as special-needs children's photos. Rachel has had 11 years experience in the classroom as well as free lance photography work.

**Ryan VanderZwart '97** of Byron Center, Mich., was featured in the August 30 edition of *Forbes Magazine*. His company, Lorence & VanderZwart Wealth Management, registered representatives with Next Financial Group Inc., were featured in *Forbes* last year as well.

**Greg Vlietstra '97** of Portage, Mich., is the deputy county treasurer for Kalamazoo County.

**Anthony Bull '98** of San Francisco, Calif., recently left Yahoo! and joined Shop It To Me (the leading personal shopping site for apparel) as senior web developer.

**Karen Randinitis '98** of Estes Park, Colo., is teaching in the Durango School District.



The summer of 2010 was an active time in television and film in West Michigan, which hosted a number of productions. *Touchback*, which stars Kurt Russell and filmed in Coopersville and other are locations, provided an opportunity for former football players and cheerleaders to play a role. Those cast from Hope included former players **Matthew Anderson '09** and **Joshua Lanser '08** and (pictured with Russell) former cheerleaders **Meredith Visser '04** and **Alicia Voyles '08**.

**Sufjan Stevens '98** has released a new EP, *All Delighted People*. Recognition received by the eight-track album includes being named to *Time* magazine's "Short List" for the week of Monday, Sept. 6, and "The Must List" of the Friday, Sept. 10, issue of *Entertainment Weekly*.

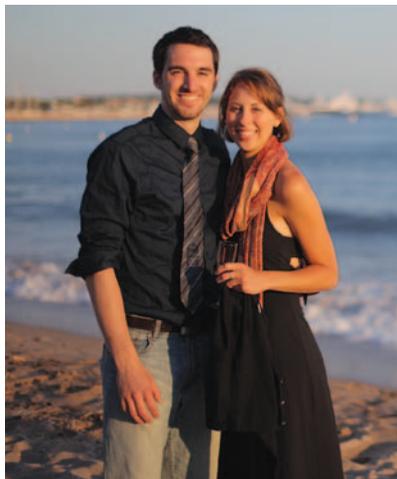
**Amy Bos '99** of Washington, D.C., was recently promoted to legislative director for Congressman James Sensenbrenner (R-Wis.). As legislative director, she is responsible for establishing the congressman's legislative agenda, directing and supervising legislative staff, and briefing the congressman on all legislative matters pending in the House of Representatives. She also acts as the primary staffer on health care and judiciary issues.

**Zachary Jonker '99** of Petoskey, Mich., will be the new Petoskey High School boys' soccer coach.

**Michael McCune '99** of Saint Joseph, Mich., is a market research manager for The Kellogg Company. Michael has also been named to the Michigan State University master's in marketing research advisory board.

**Mark Youngs '99** of Caledonia, Mich., has been named the Basketball Coaches Association of Michigan's women's coach of the year for the 2009-10 season. He coaches Davenport University's women's basketball team.





**Carl Morrison '09** of Pickford, Mich., recently won a video contest for MOFILM. He won first prize for a video for Coke Light which he wrote, directed and filmed. He used music from Bella Ruse, a group made up of Joseph Barker '09 and Kay Gillette '09. Among several prizes won, he was given a trip to Cannes, France. He is pictured in Cannes with Maggie McGurn '09. The video is at <http://www.mofilm.com/std/d3cca0>

## 00s

**Leslie Cogan '00 Adamski** of New York, N.Y., is currently a stay-at-home mom to two children (please see "New Arrivals").

**Bryan Boersma '00** of Rockford, Mich., is the new associate pastor at Rockford Reformed Church. He was the associate pastor at First Reformed Church in Oak Harbor, Wash., for the past six years.

**Emily Dubois '00 Fritz** of Bath, Mich., is Portland High School's new student counselor.

**Elizabeth Gibbs '00** of Grand Haven, Mich., is an occupational therapist at Agility Health.

**Christopher Howell '00** has joined Lakeshore Health Partners - internal medicine in Holland, Mich.

**Janet Librizzi '00 Kucek** of Woodridge, Ill., is a K-4 Reading Specialist at Pleasantdale Elementary School in LaGrange, Ill.

**Amy Champaigne '00 Miller** of Holt, Mich., has recently become the lead therapist for an MDOC grant providing substance abuse therapy to parolees and probationers.

**Jennifer Morris '00** of Shoreline, Wash., recently returned from a three-week trip to the Republic of Georgia, where she was studying polyphonic folksinging from Georgian songmasters. In May, she directed a group of 12 singers and they performed an all-Georgian set at Seattle's Folklife Festival. In August,

she did a one-month internship with Village Harmony, continuing to sing and study folk music before returning to her 10th year of teaching.

**W. Patrick Schoonveld '00** of Jersey City, N.J. has joined Undertone Networks as product manager.

**Steven J. Rypma '01** of Indianapolis, Ind., has joined Honigman Miller Schwartz and Cohn LLP as an attorney in its real estate department, located in Kalamazoo, Mich.

**Anthony Grech '02** of Holland, Mich., is a social studies teacher at Saugatuck Middle School.

**Katrina Te Winkle '02 Meyer** of West Olive, Mich., has earned her Master of Arts degree in counseling and is licensed as a limited license professional counselor in Michigan.

**John Andersen '03** of Holland, Mich., will be exhibiting his work, *Light and Atmosphere - Landscapes*, at the Holland Area Arts Council through Saturday, Nov. 6.

**Benjamin Fuhrman '04** has been appointed composer in residence for ART342 in Fort Collins, Colo.

**Meridith De Avila '04 Khan** of Lynchburg, Va., has been hired by Sweet Briar College as the official photographer for the campus. She works in the office of media, marketing and communications, and provides visual insights for the school's website and a variety of campus publications. Sweet Briar is a private women's college located on 3,200 acres located in Central Virginia in the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains.

**Kyle Morrison '04** of Holland, Mich., won first place during the 15K Mount Baldhead Challenge on Saturday, Sept. 11.

**Kyle Nevenzel '04** of Holland, Mich., is the new boys soccer coach for Fennville High School.

**Dave Stefanich '04** is the new principal at Great Lakes Elementary School in Holland, Mich.

**Kathryn Kuipers '05 Baer** of Wyoming, Mich., is the Spanish teacher at Grandville Public Schools.

**Anthony Bordenkircher '05** of Pasadena, Calif., is the marriage and family therapy intern at Citrus Counseling.

**Caroline Camp '05** of Chester, Ill., is teaching first and second grade at Christ Lutheran School in Jacob, Ill.

**Erica Heeg '05 Coffelt** of Orange Park, Fla., has accepted the position of instructor of ESL at Ohio University in Athens, Ohio.

**Sara Burns '05 Creighton** recently completed her M.D. (please see "Advanced Degrees") and has started her pediatric residency at OSF Saint Francis Medical Center/Children's Hospital of Illinois in Peoria.

**Kathryn Ewing '05 Davis** of North Manchester, Ind., is an assistant professor of chemistry at Manchester College.

**Dawn Flandermeyer '05** of Saint Charles, Mont., is an obstetrics and

gynecology resident physician at the University of Washington.

**Elizabeth Irvine '05** of Rochester, N.Y., is a teacher at the Charles Finney School and is currently attending the Eastman School of Music to pursue her Master of Arts in music education.

**Daniel Kampsen '05** of Royal Oak, Mich., received a Fulbright Fellowship for this academic year. He is researching at Adam Mickiewicz University in Poland.

**Allison McCabe '05 Koster** of Holland, Mich., is the shelter coordinator for the Allegan County Animal Shelter.

**Hannah Allen '05 Miller** of Brighton, Mich., is a contractual psychologist with the Maccomb Oakland Regional Center and will be starting the doctoral program in psychology at the Michigan School of Professional Psychology this year.

**Rebecca Hillyard '05 Patton** of Rochester, N.Y., earned a Bachelor of Science degree in anthropology at The College of Brockport, State University of New York, in May and has been accepted into SUNY Brockport's Master of Arts in liberal studies program.

**Ashley Williams '05 Potts** of Holland, Mich., has been promoted within BDO to business development manager of the West Michigan tax practice.

**Stephanie Buck '05 Thomas** of Denver, Colo., is the seventh- and eighth-grade literacy teacher at Aurora Public Schools.

**Matthew Waterstone '05** of South Holland Ill., placed fifth during the 15K Mount Baldhead Challenge on Saturday, Sept. 11.

**Jenna VanWagoner '05 Weiler** of Holland, Mich., and her husband have opened Ambrose, a non-profit

organization to foster an area where today's youth can be creative and entrepreneurial.

**Katherine VanOss '05 Welch** of Cincinnati, Ohio, recently earned an M.D. (please see "Advanced Degrees") and is a surgery resident at the University Hospital of the University of Cincinnati.

**Allison Arend '06** of St. Joseph, Mich., has been awarded the Paul and Mavis Pitzer endowed scholarship for urban teaching. She is currently a post-baccalaureate secondary education student at Michigan State University.

**Emily Ellis-Liang '05** is an English and ballet teacher at Spring International Kids Academy in Seoul, South Korea.

**Lisa Ekdorn '06 Engers** of Grand Haven, Mich., is co-coaching the Zeeland girls swimming team this fall. She was the assistant coach for the past two years.

**Rachel Achtemeier '06 Rhodes** recently accepted a call as the associate pastor for youth and family ministry at First Presbyterian Church in Haddonfield, N.J. Rachel will be ordained as a Minister of the Word and Sacrament in her hometown of Dubuque, Iowa.

**David Weatherly '06** of Grosse Pointe, Mich., recently earned an M.D. (please see "Advanced Degrees") and is a resident in urology at Wayne State University.

**Peter Wright '06** of Palo Alto, Calif., completed his second season as the head coach of the Menlo-Atherton High School wrestling team, in Atherton, Calif., by winning the 2009-10 division championship with an undefeated regular season. With eight returning varsity wrestlers

**Shirley Bradley '10** is author of the article *My Passion for Research*, which discusses her experience with undergraduate research at Hope and is featured in the September edition of *Enzymatic*, the newsletter of the Undergraduate Affiliates Network of the American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology. Reflecting on her four years working in the laboratory of Dr. Maria Burnatowska-Hledin, she highlights her growth across her time with the research group, and concludes by describing the feeling of accomplishment that accompanies answering research questions; the benefits in attending regional and national scientific meetings; and the important guidance provided by her research mentor. She also discusses opportunities that she enjoyed beyond her academic and



research experiences, and her commitment to giving back by sharing her experiences, such as through science demonstrations for students at her former middle and high school. She is currently pursuing a doctorate in biochemistry and molecular biology at the Mayo Clinic.



**Jennifer Scamehorn '10** has gained a lot of experience this summer as the team trainer for the Traverse City Beach Bums, a professional men's baseball team. She travels with the team, getting to the park five hours before the start of every game. Jennifer worked with several teams while she was at Hope. She will be working on her master's degree next year.

for the 2010-11 season, Peter plans to continue to build on the team's success.

**Erica Oosting '06 Zeiders** graduated with distinction from the Michigan College of Optometry in Big Rapids, Mich. (please see "Advanced Degrees"). She is currently living in Chicago, Ill., with her husband and completing her

residency in pediatrics and binocular vision at the Illinois College of Optometry.

**Abby Kosta '07 Bedford** of Grand Rapids, Mich., will be joining the faculty at Grand Valley State University as the liaison librarian for the nursing program.

**Jeff Brown '07** of Howell, N.J., was named teacher of the year in his third year of teaching K-8 music at Belmar Elementary School. He is currently employed in the Wall Township School District, teaching elementary general, choral and beginning instrumental music.

**Audrey Converse '07 Fosburg** of Paw Paw, Mich., has received the excellence in education award from the Van Buren Intermediate School District as outstanding educator. She was honored at a reception on Thursday, May 6.

**Shuchen Li '07** of Singapore, has been promoted to assistant manager for new media, overseeing the entire New Media and Online Communications for the Ministry of Community Development. She is responsible for developing and steering the communication of government policy and initiatives that are under her government organization's portfolio.

**Emily Slavicek '07** of Coldwater, Mich., received her M.Div. (please see "Advanced Degrees") and was appointed pastor of Girard United Methodist Church in September.

**Meaghan Wind '07** of Canton, Mich.,

recently completed her MSW degree (please see "Advanced Degrees") and is now employed with The University of Michigan Health System in the department of neurosurgery.

**Amy Lamoreaux '08 Jeltema** of Jenison, Mich., is the new special education teacher for grades three-five at Godfrey Lee Elementary School in Wyoming, Mich.

**Elise Nelson '08** is pursuing a Ph.D. in international economics at the University of California at Santa Cruz.

**Tiffany Fifer '09** is a first-time homeowner in Grand Rapids, Mich., and a first-year law student at Thomas M. Cooley Law School in Grand Rapids.

**Jason Folkert '09** of Holland, Mich., is teaching science with the Otsego Public Schools. He is also a resident director in Wyckoff Hall at Hope.

**Benjamin Herrman '09** of Benton Harbor, Mich., is the new varsity swim coach for the South Haven Rams.

**Amanda Hutchins '09** of South Haven, Mich., received the 2009 Business Excellence Award for Chamber Volunteer of the Year, presented by the South Haven Area Chamber of Commerce on Thursday, June 3.

**Kathryn Josephson '09** of Ada, Mich., is a registered nurse at Helen DeVos Children's Hospital of Spectrum Health in Grand Rapids, Mich., on the pediatric oncology/hematology/blood and marrow transplant floor.

**Laura Morningstar '09** of Fisher, Ind., is attending Valparaiso University to pursue a doctorate of nursing

practice degree.

**Ashleigh Shiffler '09** of Holland, Mich., recently returned from two years of Peace Corps service in Guatemala.

**Allison Taber '09** of Holland, Mich., is teaching first grade at Georgetown Elementary in Hudsonville, Mich.

**Sarah Williams '09** of Indianapolis, Ind., is pursuing a Master of Arts degree in dance history and criticism from the University of New Mexico with a graduate teaching assistantship in dance appreciation.

## 10s

**Andrea Firlit '10** of Northville, Mich., is employed by Saints Mary & Elizabeth Medical Center in Chicago, Ill., as a registered nurse in cardiac special procedures.

**Tara Hamming '10** of Hudsonville, Mich., is teaching fifth grade at Douglas Elementary School.

**Christopher Tidmarsh '10** of South Bend, Ind., is serving in the Lutheran Volunteer Corps in Seattle, Wash., working for an environmental advocacy organization, Hanford Challenge.

## Marriages

Kathryn (Kit) Janssen Leggett '66 and Stan Witteveen, Dec. 2, 2009, Holland, Mich.

Janice Johnson '83 Gibson and Stephen Williford, May 8, 2010, Saugatuck, Mich.

Holly Villepique '92 and John Hickey, July 31, 2010, Brookeville, Md.

Elana TenHuisen '94 and Kam Brewer, Sept. 5, 2009, Chadds Ford, Pa.

Amy White '95 and John Kubichek, Aug. 8, 2009.

Amanda J. Matthews '99 and Jim Oppenhuizen, April 24, 2010, Grand Rapids, Mich.



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Amy Champaigne '00 and Nicholas Miller, August 7, 2010.  
 Jennifer Kossoris '00 and Kevin Keegan, July 16, 2010, Chicago, Ill.  
 Jennifer Hoover '01 and Paul-Christian Ronzier Lara, June 26, 2010, Sturgeon Bay, Mich.  
 Sarah Werner '01 and Adam Shell, June 26, 2010, Ann Arbor, Mich.  
 Meredith Care '02 and Chad Segur, June 26, 2010, Grand Rapids, Mich.  
 Julie Brownell '04 and Eric Carter, June 5, 2010, Kalamazoo, Mich.  
 Sara Holleman '04 and Adam Marcionetti, June 5, 2010.  
 Chrystial Agre '05 and Leon Hedding, Aug. 14, 2010, Florence, Ky.  
 Katherine Zuhr '05 and Brent Blank, July 31, 2010.  
 Katrina Herron '05 and John Gendreau, July 3, 2010, Isle of Skye, Scotland.  
 Emily Liang '05 and Robert Ellis, Aug. 28, 2010, Holland, Mich.  
 Rachel Achtemeier '06 and Matthew Rhodes, June 20, 2010, Princeton, N.J.  
 Elizabeth Alderink '06 and Michael Williams, July 5, 2008.  
 Lisa Bailey '06 and Matthew Huyser, Aug. 21, 2010.  
 Candice Evenhouse '06 and Derek Fetzer, Aug. 7, 2010, LaMoille, Ill.  
 Maureen Warfield '06 and Brian Taylor, June 19, 2010, Holland, Mich.  
 Kara Lise de Jong '07 and Andrew Forrest, July 2, 2010.  
 Dalen Mendiola '07 and Amanda Baron '08, July 9, 2010.  
 Justyna Zienda '07 and Nicholas Pohl, July 10, 2010, Wheaton, Ill.  
 Jordyn Boles '08 and Brent Solberg '09, May 22, 2010, Grand Rapids, Mich.  
 Christopher Bowen '08 and Cara Lawton '08, June 19, 2010.  
 Andrew Kadzban '08 and Samantha Pedigo '08, Aug. 21, 2010, Grandville, Mich.  
 David Nyitray '08 and Elizabeth Richert '08, July 24, 2010.  
 Benjamin Smith '08 and Amy VanDerMeulen '08, July 24, 2009.

Sarah Brower '09 and Phillip Guajardo '09, July 17, 2010, Grand Rapids, Mich.  
 Heather Urling '09 and Zack Golin, August 21, 2010, Holland, Mich.  
 Shannon Dudley '10 and Frances (Patrick) McElgunn '10, July 24, 2010.  
 Kayla Lankheet '10 and Isaac Koert, July 23, 2010.  
 Colleen Leikert '10 and Stephen Laskowski, Aug. 14, 2010, Ludington, Mich.  
 Alison Meshkin '10 and Scott Sale, May 29, 2010, Holland, Mich.  
 Jeanne Oxendine '10 and Nathan Poel '10, July 12, 2010, Holland, Mich.  
 Nicole VanDerKolk '10 and Ross Lundy, May 22, 2010, Holland, Mich.

## New Arrivals

Thomas Van Den Brink '88 and Thitiporn Van Den Brink, Mali Isabelle, Oct. 19, 2006, and Thomas Jarat, Feb. 27, 2010.  
 Deborah Quint '90 Pellegrini and Nicholas Pellegrini, Liam Quint and Lucas Albert, March 6, 2010.  
 Laura VandeVelde '90 Steenwyk and Daniel Steenwyk, Zoe Mae, Jan. 26, 2010.  
 Robert Van Order '90 and Tara Van Order, Graeme Charles, July 25, 2010.  
 Linda Warner '91 and Matthew Rohr '92, Danielle Christine, Sept. 1, 2010.  
 Andrea Escorcia '92 Martin and Greg Martin, Lila Virginia, July 17, 2010.  
 Laura Wilson '93 and Michael Uldrich, Karsten John, April 30, 2009.  
 Allison Goins '95 Ash and Jeff Ash, Eloise Sophia, Jan. 12, 2010.  
 Elana TenHuisen '94 Brewer and Kam Brewer, Kalista Nicole, June 1, 2010.  
 Stacy Ann Tigelaar '95 Bonnema and David Bonnema, Annalise, Jan. 21, 2008, and Emersyn, Feb. 8, 2010.

Blair Farwell '95 and Nicole Hauck '97 Farwell, Madeline Faith, July 7, 2010.  
 Kimberly Kleiman '95 Richardson and Jeff Richardson, Ella Grace, Aug. 6, 2010.  
 Bradley Balder '96 and Holly Balder, Bryson Edward, Aug. 17, 2010.  
 Kyle DeYoung '96 and Cari DeYoung, Zeke Alan, Aug. 18, 2010.  
 Robert Ferguson '96 and Amy Ferguson, Sophia Elizabeth, March 25, 2008, and Robert Steven, July 29, 2009.  
 Melissa O'Connor '96 Meuzelaar and Tom Meuzelaar, Benjamin William, June 30, 2010.  
 Paul Rosenbrook '96 and Elizabeth VanderLind '00 Rosenbrook, Rachel Nicole, March 11, 2007, and Lucas James, Jan. 10, 2009.  
 Monica Mellen '97 Crandell and Bradley Mellen-Crandell '98, Dinah Grace, Aug. 8, 2010.  
 Matt Dietsche '97 and Valerie Kleinheksel '98 Dietsche, Faith Ryan, Aug. 24, 2010.  
 Aimee Euvrand '98 Terry and Eric Terry, Harper Evelyn, Aug. 30, 2010.  
 Michael Adamski '99 and Leslie Cogan '00 Adamski, David H., July 30, 2009.  
 Rebecca Timmer '99 Benson and Timothy Benson '00, Andrew Zachary, Nov. 4, 2008.  
 Vanessa Timm '99 Derwin and Thomas Derwin, Laine Elizabeth, June 14, 2010.  
 Molly Arnold '99 Formsma and Christopher Formsma '00, Emmarie Jane, April 30, 2010.  
 Jeremy Heavilin '99 and Kelli McDonald '00 Heavilin, Davis William, Jan. 6, 2010.  
 Jill Beck '99 Kohlmeier and Jace Kohlmeier, Quinn Avery, August 2010.  
 Phung Lam '99 and Lynette Lam, Paxton Connor, Aug. 1, 2010.  
 Andrew Low '99 and Jill Deboer '00 Low, Katy, May 5, 2010.  
 Jeremy L. Luhmann '99 and Patricia Deyoung '00 Luhmann, Mariah Faith, July 14, 2010.  
 Jeffrey Penney '99 and Autumn Penney, Elizabeth Jane, April 27, 2010.  
 Toni May '99 Smith and Lucas Smith '00, Leo James, March 8, 2010.  
 Alicia Tomicich '99 Wiley and Glenn Wiley, Brennan Patrick, July 8, 2010.  
 Brett Bebbler '00 and Emily Bebbler, Quinn, June 21, 2010.  
 Bryan Boersma '00 and Melissa Nienhuis '00 Boersma, Andrew Campbell, Jan. 6, 2010.  
 Ann Zeneberg '00 Boyer and Jonathan Boyer, Tate Liam, Oct. 15, 2009.  
 Lindsay Albers '00 DeBoer and Jason DeBoer, Hannah Grace, June 1, 2010.  
 Kerri Bouws '00 de Vries and Ryan de Vries, Charles Bryan, Aug. 13, 2008.  
 Seth D. Gardner '00 and Cher Gardner, Lincoln, June 6, 2010.  
 Kimberly Richardson '00 Gaskell and Guy Gaskell, Sydney Lynn, April

13, 2010.  
 Jennifer Yonker '00 Harris and Chad Harris, Sydney J., Nov. 19, 2009.  
 Cynthia Knight '00 Calhoun and Tyler Calhoun, Romy Marie, July 11, 2010.  
 Joshua Krikke '00 and Kelli Krikke, Drew Alan, Aug. 5, 2010.  
 Kendra Maloni '00 Linde and Chris Linde, Benjamin Asher, Jan. 29, 2008, and Miriam Clare, Jan. 12, 2010.  
 Amy Vincent '00 Marshall and William Marshall, William David, Jan. 28, 2009.  
 Lisa Hoekstra '00 Schaub and Jeff Schaub, Zachary David, Aug. 10, 2010.  
 Allicia Stojic '00 Smrha and Adam Smrha, Ella Rose, Aug. 3, 2010.  
 Jill Klinger '00 Snook and Bill Snook, Grant, March 7, 2009.  
 Christine Orejuela '00 Winkelman and Thomas Winkelman, Claire, Oct. 14, 2009.  
 Dana Iler '01 Clausen and Ashley Clausen, Graham Elijah, Aug. 15, 2010.  
 Melanie Hall '01 Groen and Don Groen, Avery Jane, July 9, 2010.  
 Katie Wierenga '01 Leestma and John Leestma, Penelope Eden, Jan. 21, 2010.  
 Marcy Slotman '01 Yonker and Eric Yonker, Cambry Faith, July 21, 2010.  
 Whitney Hadanek '02 and Brian Sauer, Aiden Lee, June 4, 2010.  
 Jennifer DeVree '02 Kloosterman and Kevin Kloosterman, Kallie Ann, Jan. 20, 2010.  
 Samuel Martin '02 and Colleen Corey '03 Martin, Caleb Samuel, June 28, 2010.  
 Breanne Borin '02 Wallaker and Douglas Wallaker, Isaac Douglas, Dec. 11, 2009.  
 Matthew Camp '03 and Sheri Oppenhuizen '04 Camp, Charles Matthew, Aug. 10, 2010.  
 Luke Rumohr '03 and Lindsay Brown '05 Rumohr, Emmy Watterson, Aug. 4, 2010.  
 Benjamin Schoettle '03 and Sarah Schoettle, Noah Casey, July 21, 2010.  
 Derek Torno '03 and Michelle Torno, Natalie Joy, July 7, 2010.  
 Monica Merkle '04 Lininger and Chris Lininger '05, Taylor Grace, June 16, 2010.  
 Jennifer Troke '04 Neubert and Fred Neubert, Gloria Joy, July 20, 2010.  
 Anna Olmstead '05 Bristle and Timothy Bristle, Skylar James, May 18, 2010.  
 Sarah Stowell '05 Cole and Lee Cole, Hunter David, April 9, 2010.  
 Thomas LaRoche '05 and Tara LaRoche, Ella, Feb. 4, 2010.  
 Katrina Alvesteffer '05 Olson and Michael Olson, Amelia R., April 14, 2010.  
 Kristin Zwart '05 Ortmann and Joe Ortmann, Natalie, May 24, 2010.  
 Lisa Bauer '05 Post and Eric Post '05, Sophia Rose, May 19, 2010.  
 Michelle Barton '05 Scheffers and Bryan Scheffers, Elliot Thomas, July 27, 2010.



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Samantha Smith '05 Michael and Troy Michael, Broden Charles, June 29, 2008, and Lawson Graham, May 5, 2010.  
 Alison Rickey '05 Westerlind and Kyle Westerlind, Madelyn Joy, April 21, 2010.  
 Keri Boeve '06 Desmarais and Douglas Desmarais, Hayden Robert, Aug. 23, 2010.  
 Angela Dykhuis '06 Reynolds and Ryan Reynolds, Ariana Noelle, Aug. 11, 2010.  
 Allison Quigley '07 Dubbink and Michael Dubbink, Jocelyn Hope, July 15, 2010.  
 Ana Loreda '08 Fernandez and Gabriel Fernandez, Anahi Ysabela, July 28, 2010.  
 Amy Lamoreaux '08 Jeltema and Kyle Jeltema '08, Ryley Sue, July 9, 2010.

## Advanced Degrees

Thomas DeYoung '71, Master of Science in accounting, Governors State University, April 2010.  
 David Baker '77, Master of Science in career and technical education, Ferris State University.  
 Paul Bosch '81, Ed.D in curriculum and instruction, Northern Arizona University, August 2008.  
 Kirk Slater '90, Doctor of Ministry, Columbia International University, 2010.  
 Gregory Gemmen '94, Ph.D. in physics, dissertation in single molecule biophysics.  
 Kathryn Schoon-Tanis '95, Ph.D in curriculum, instructions & teacher ed., Michigan State University, 2010.  
 Mami Kato '97, J.D., *cum laude*, Wayne State University, May 2010.  
 Elizabeth Gibbs '00, Master of Science in occupational therapy, Grand Valley State University, 2009.  
 Rachel Meengs '00, Master of Art in special education administration, Grand Valley State University, 2010.  
 Elizabeth VanderLind '00 Rosenbrook, Master of Social Work, Grand Valley State University, 2007.  
 Megan Riley '01, Master of Education in reading and secondary language arts, Grand Valley State University, December 2009.  
 Julie Barton '02 Grech, Master of Science in Nursing, Grand Valley State University, August 2010.  
 Anthony Grech '02, Master's in educational leadership, Grand Valley State University, May 2010.  
 Paul Hendricks '02, Master of Arts, with honors, international relations from the social science division, University of Chicago, June 2010.  
 Brian Murphy '04, Ph.D. in neuroscience, University of Cincinnati, Aug. 5, 2010.  
 Anthony Bordenkircher '05, Master of Science in marriage and family therapy, Fuller Theological Seminary, June 2010.  
 Sara Burns '05 Creighton, M.D.,

University of Illinois College of Medicine.  
 Kathryn Ewing '05 Davis, Ph.D. in chemistry, University of Pittsburgh, June 2010.  
 John Drake '05, Ph.D. in ecology, University of Illinois, 2010.  
 Helen Fylstra '05, Master of Social Work, University of Illinois at Chicago, May 7, 2010.  
 Erica Heeg '05 Coffelt, Master of Art in teaching English as a foreign language, The American University in Cairo, June 2010.  
 Elizabeth Martin '05, Master of Science in occupational therapy, Western Michigan University, 2010.  
 Stephanie McCann '05, Master of Social Work with a certificate in clinical social work with families, Michigan State University, May 2009.  
 Kristin Zwart '05 Ortmann, Master of Science in education (curriculum and instruction), Wayne State College, May 2010.  
 Katherine VanOss '05 Welch, M.D., Medical College of Wisconsin, 2009.  
 Danae VanderLaan '06 Pena, Master of Social Work, Grand Valley State University, May 1, 2010.  
 Matthew Pridgeon '06, M.D., Ohio State University College of Medicine, June 13, 2010.  
 Rachel Achtemeier '06 Rhodes, Master of Divinity, Princeton Theological Seminary, May 22, 2010. She was also the recipient of The Kenyon J. Wildrick Award for Excellence in Homiletics.  
 Danae VanderLaan '06 Pena, Master of Social Work, Grand Valley State University, May 1, 2010.  
 David Weatherly '06, M.D., Wayne State University, 2010.  
 Erica Oosting '06 Zeiders, Michigan College of Optometry, May 2010.  
 Abby Kosta '07 Bedford, Master of Science in information, University of Michigan School of Information.  
 Amanda McConnell '07, Master of Education in college student personnel, University of Maryland, College Park.  
 Emily Slavicek '07, Master of Divinity, Garrett Evangelical Theological Seminary, May 14, 2010.  
 Meghan Wind '07, Master of Social Work, Wayne State University, May 2010.

## Deaths

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**Marvin Bonzelaar '45** of Holland, Mich., died on Tuesday, Sept. 7, 2010. He was 87.  
 He served his country in the U.S. Navy in World War II and the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict.  
 He worked for General Motors and practiced medicine in Grand Rapids for more than 50 years.

He was preceded in death by his son, Robert, and four siblings, Gerald Bonzelaar, Hazel DeVries, Lorretta Bonzelaar '48 Helminck and Dr. Alvin Bonzelaar '45.  
 Survivors included his wife of 60 years, Annette Cousins '50 Bonzelaar; daughters, Barbara Bonzelaar '73 (Theodore '72) Etheridge, Nancy Bonzelaar '76 (Douglas) Ditmar and Betty Bonzelaar '85 (David) Doezema; daughter-in-law, Jennifer Bonzelaar; 10 grandchildren, including Allison Ethridge '97 Houlihan, Harrison Doezema '13 and Brianna Bonzelaar '14; and five great-grandchildren.

**Gerrit Boogerd '54** of Sheldon, Iowa, died on Sunday, April 4, 2010. He was 82.

He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict.

He served as a Reformed Church in America minister and then taught and coached for 23 years.

He was preceded in death by two children, Jean Boogerd and John Boogerd; his parents; two sisters; and a brother.

Survivors include his wife of 57 years, Joyce Boogerd; and four daughters, Ruth (David) Hobson, Laurie (Russ) Forbes, Rebecca (Butch) Anderson and Lois (Kenny) Schilling; 15 grandchildren, including Tracey Forbes '03 (Karl '07) Hoesch and Michael (Anna Herzog '07) Forbes '07; and eight great-grandchildren.

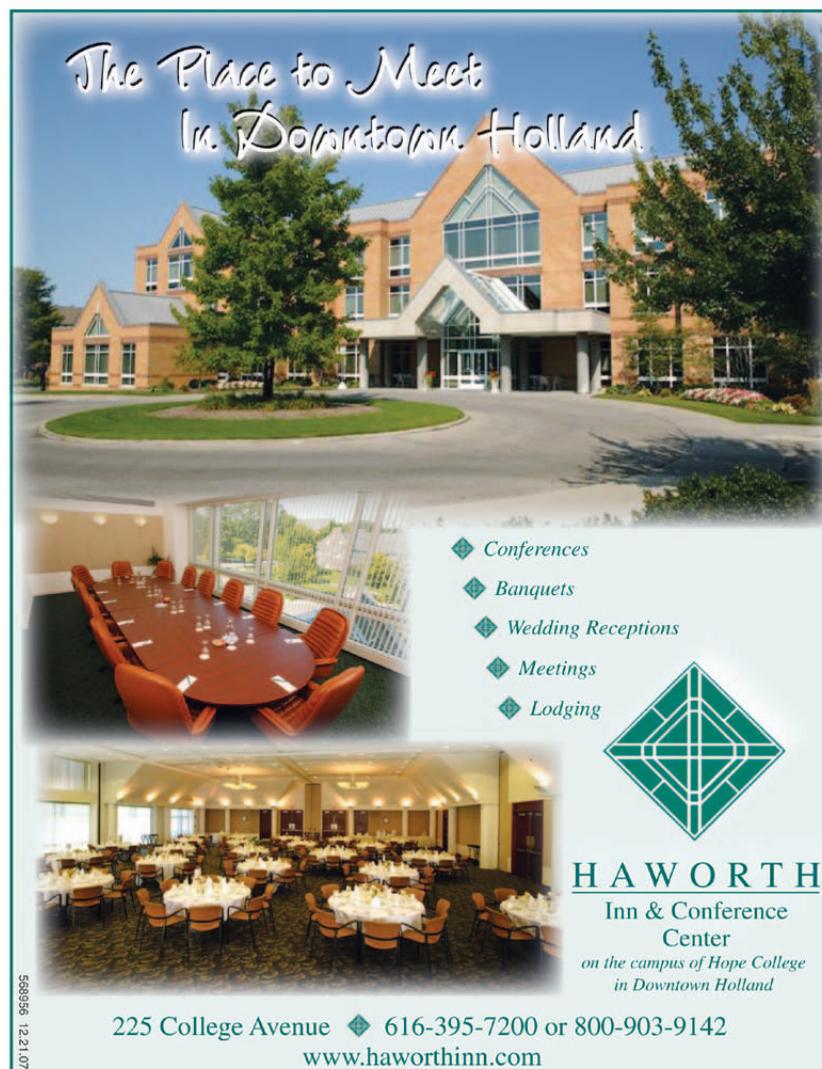
**Julia Klinge '38 Bouws** of Holland, Mich., died on Friday, Sept. 10, 2010. She was 92.  
 She and her husband established the Russ' restaurant chain in Holland. She was a Charter Member of Holland Heights Christian Reformed Church.  
 She was preceded in death by her husband of 52 years, J. Russel Bouws, and a great-granddaughter, Leah Slenk.  
 Survivors included her children, Darlene (Ron) Dykstra, Linda (Paul) Kalkman, John (Bonnie) Bouws and Bryan (Cathy) Bouws; 13 grandchildren, including Kelli Bouws '94 Hoeksema, Kerri Bouws '00 (Ryan) deVries and Rusty (Melissa Cech '95) Bouws '95; 41 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

**Dr. Donald De Vries '57** of Holland, Mich., died on Saturday, Sept. 11, 2010. He was 75.

He worked as a research chemist at ARCO and later as a printing manager for The Bible League.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his sister-in-law, Johanna Wieberdink.

Survivors included his wife of 51 years, Alma DeVries; his children, Douglas (Linda) DeVries, Jane (Quentin) Reynhout and Carl (Kathy) De Vries; 11 grandchildren; his siblings, Roger (Shara) De Vries '60, Ruth (Bob) Bush and Carol (Ben) Jansen; and several nieces and nephews, including Dr. Keith DeVries '86.



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**Richard Adrian DeWitt '31** of Holland, Mich., died on Monday, July 26, 2010. He was 96.

He joined the U.S. Navy when he was 20 and served based in San Diego, Calif. He along with his brothers, Jack and Ben, started a hatchery business which is now named Big Dutchman. Richard served on the Board of Trustees at Hope College from 1970 to 1976 and was later an honorary member.

Survivors include his wife, Betty Ripma DeWitt; his stepson, Gordon Ripma and stepdaughter, Pam Tignor; and his brother, Jack (Marlies) DeWitt '32. Surviving from his marriage to Mary Lou Schueller DeWitt are his stepson, Doug Schueller and stepdaughter, Tracy Schueller. Surviving from his first marriage of 50 years to Julia DeWitt are his daughters, Judith Anne DeWitt Appleton and Kathleen DeWitt Hughes; and daughter-in-law, Eunice DeWitt. Also surviving are many grandchildren, including Denise DeWitt '93 Zylman, and many great-grandchildren.

**Jean Brondyke '51 Droppers** of Wyckoff, N.J., died on Tuesday, August 10, 2010. She was 85.

She was an active member of Hope College Women's League. Prior to her retirement she was a registered nurse.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 46 years, Neil Droppers '52.

Survivors include her children, Kristi Droppers '76, Kent (Alice Hayes '78) Droppers '78, Kurt (Deborah VanHoeven '79) Droppers '79, Karl (Lori Visscher '83) Droppers '82 and Kathleen Droppers '84 (Frank

Mutterer; and 14 grandchildren, including Jacob Droppers '08, Neil Droppers '10 and current Hope students, Joshua '11, Jack '12 and Nina '14 Droppers.

**Inez VonIns '38 Dumville** of Pekin, Ill., died on Saturday, Aug. 14, 2010. She was 92.

She retired in 1979 after 30 years of teaching in Pekin, Ill.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Rev. Charles Dumville '39, and grandson Evan Manley.

Survivors include her daughters, Charla (Lyle) Pfeffinger, Suzanne (Robert Calfee) Barchers and Constance Dumville '75 (Donna Daly) Mantarro; four grandchildren and two step-grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren and five step-great-grandchildren.

**Marilyn Zandstra '44 Ettema** of Holland, Mich., died on Monday, Sept. 20, 2010. She was 88.

She was preceded in death by her husband, the Rev. John Ettema '43; her father, Frederick Zandstra (1912); her brother, the Rev. Theodore Zandstra '41; and her sister, Evelyn Frobom.

Survivors include her five children, James (Elaine), Dale (Elizabeth), Pamela (Krishna), Michael and Roger (Janelle); seven grandchildren and two step-grandchildren; and niece, Barbara Zandstra '68 (Benjamin '68) Nykamp.

**David Folkert '70** of Spring Lake, Mich., died on Thursday, Sept. 23, 2010. He was 62.

He was the owner of Harbor Steel for the past 25 years.

He was preceded in death by his father, Floyd Folkert '39.

Survivors include his wife, Carol Folkert; his children, Cindy (Brad) Haverkamp and Todd (Abbey) Folkert; five grandchildren; and his sister, Carole Folkert '67 (John) Whittemore.

**Robert E. Franken '60** of Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, died on Wednesday, Sept. 3, 2008.

He had been a professor at the University of Calgary and written a classic textbook on human motivation.

Survivors include his wife of 40 years, Helen; his children, Ryan (Tara) and Renee (Cam); and four grandchildren.

**Jacob Fris '44** of Holland, Mich., died on Friday, Aug. 6, 2010. He was 88.

He served as a captain in the U. S. Army Air Corps during World War II.

He owned and operated the Fris stores in Holland, Mich.

Survivors include his wife of 65 years, Mary; children, Victoria Fris '68 (Bruce '66) Menning, J. Dale (Barbara) Fris and John (Allyson Davies '86) Fris; 11 grandchildren, including Rebekah Menning '97 and Rachel Menning '93 Fletter; and three great-grandchildren.

**Eric Grabo '69** of Daytona Beach, Fla., died on Tuesday, Aug. 3, 2010. He was 64.

Survivors included his cousins and caregivers, Tom and Marti Benz.

**Timothy Harrison '49** of Rumford, R.I., died on Wednesday, July, 21, 2010. He was 83.

He served in the U.S. Navy from 1944 to 1946.

He was a professor of surgery at

University of Michigan Medical School from 1962 to 1975 and later professor of surgery and molecular physiology at Pennsylvania State University's Milton S. Hershey Medical Center from 1975 to 1994.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, Clinton Harrison '43 and Paul Harrison '42, and a step-sister, Virginia Bilkert '47 Koop.

Survivors include his wife of 49 years, Lizie Harrison; two daughters, Abigail DeNormandie Harrison and Emily Cope Harrison; sons-in-law, Mark N. Lurie and James R. Boyd; two granddaughters, Leah Cope Harrison-Lurie and Madaline Harrison; his sister, Dorothy Harrison; step-sisters, Barbara Bilkert '47 (Donald '48) Mulder and Margaret Bilkert '41 Lemmer; and stepbrother, Monteith Bilkert.

**John Heins '58** of Arlington, Va., died on Wednesday, Aug. 11, 2010. He was 74.

He served in the U.S. Army teaching English to Spanish-speaking recruits in Puerto Rico.

He was a teacher at Annandale High School and helped start a pilot program to teach English as a second language.

Survivors include his wife of 42 years, Edith Heins; two children, Natalie Campbell and David Heins; a brother and two grandchildren.

**Ralph Herron '63** of Ballston Lake, N.Y., died on Friday, July 9, 2010. He was 68.

He was an U.S. Army reservist with the 364th General Hospital.

He was the manager of technical assistance for Coated Worldwide and helped build a plant in Suzhou, China.

Survivors include his wife of 44 years, Patricia Hepp Herron; son, Craig (Gina) Herron; mother, Ruth Herron; and two grandchildren.

**Bruce Hoffman '61** of Flemington, N.J., died on Sunday, Sept. 19, 2010. He was 71.

He served in churches in New York and New Jersey. He was also the chaplain of the Wyckoff PBA for many years.

He was preceded in death by his father, Benjamin Hoffman '35.

Survivors include his wife of 49 years, Joanne Ten Haken '62 Hoffman; his children, Sharon Hoffman '87 (Michael) Hansen and Lynda (Robert) Benton; his four grandchildren; and his sisters, Judith Hoffman '64 (James) Cordia and Marilyn Hoffman '66 (James '65) Serum.

**Elizabeth (Claire) Nieuwsma '38 Houtman** of Tulsa, Okla., died on Thursday, March 2, 2006. She was 88.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Paul Houtman '41, and a brother, Edwin Nieuwsma '46.

Survivors include her brother Dick (Ruth Slotsema '52) Nieuwsma, Jr. '52.



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**Paul Kranendonk '50** of Whiting, N.J., died on Friday, Aug. 20, 2010. He was 83.

He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II.

He retired from the Community Reformed Church in Whiting where he served as associate pastor from 1989 to 1992.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Roy Kranendonk, and a sister, Joanne Zenke.

Survivors include his wife of 59 years, Catherine Sharp '51 Kranendonk; his son, Kevin Kranendonk '82 and daughters, Karen Kranendonk '84 Rozembersky and Amy (Benjamin) Bertolotti; a brother, James Kranendonk '60; and a sister Lois TenPas; and six grandchildren.

**Harold F. Leestma '39** of Anaheim, Calif., died on Friday, July 30, 2010. He was 92.

He served with Robert Schuller at the Garden Grove Community Church. After 10 years pastoring there, he began a new church in southern Orange County, Lake Hills Community Church.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his sister, Ethel Leestma '33 Swets; and his son, Peter Leestma.

Survivors include his wife of 68 years, Lois Voorhorst '39 Leestma; his children, Mary Leestma '66 (David) Greve, Marlene (Peter) Leestma and David (Patti) Leestma; and his sister, Suzanne Leestma '46 (Frank) Pettinga.

**Harvey Lugten '54** of Byron Center, Mich., died on Tuesday, July 20, 2010. He was 88.

Harvey was a World War II veteran and served on the submarine *USS Hake* in the South Pacific.

He was the superintendent for 20 years with Byron Center Public Schools.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Marie Lugten.

Survivors include his daughters, Pat (Ron) VanHeulen, Mary (Dan) Mayhew and Ellen Lapekas; six grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Word has been received of the death of **Claraetta Schaepkoetter '65 Nienhuis** of Grand Rapids, Mich., who died on Friday, Nov. 18, 2005. She was 82.

**Robert Petroelje '69** of Grand Rapids, Mich., died on Monday, July 19, 2010. He was 62.

He was a board certified otolaryngologist serving Grand Rapids for almost 32 years. He was teaching at both Grand Valley State University and Michigan State Medical School (Grand Rapids campus).

He was preceded in death by a brother, Preston Petroelje '51.

Survivors include his wife, Laura; his children, Mark Petroelje, Elizabeth

Petroelje-Stolle and Greg Stolle; three grandchildren; and four brothers, including Glenn (Marilyn) Petroelje '52.

**Marinus Pott '39** of Holland, Mich., died on Monday, Sept. 6, 2010. He was 99.

He retired from the Holland Christian Schools following 35 years of teaching.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Jean; and a daughter-in-law, Mary Voorhorst '71 Pott.

Survivors include his children, Terry Pott, Robert Pott '69 and Naurine (Merlin) McPheron; 13 grandchildren, including Jonathan Pott '97 and Anne Pott '01; and 17 great-grandchildren.

**Joan VanderWerp '58 Robach** of Grand Rapids, Mich., died on Monday, Aug. 23, 2010. She was 75.

She retired from Union Bank, where she worked in data processing for many years.

Survivors include her children, Lou (Sue) Robach, Linda Robach, Tim Robach and Tammy Robach; four grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

**John Schripsema '42** of Holland, Mich., died on Saturday, Aug. 7, 2010. He was 89.

He served during World War II as a chief pharmacist's mate in the Pacific Theater.

He was preceded in death by his grandchildren; Carrie Prince, Brian Prince and Justin Penfold.

Survivors include his wife of 62 years, Janet Schripsema; children, Judy (Jim) Prince, Jim (Mary) Schripsema, Jack (Rita) Schripsema, Jill Veldhoff, Jeff Schripsema and Jan (Tim) Osbeck; 13 grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.

**Donald Smeenge '44** of Holland, Mich., died on Tuesday, Aug. 24, 2010. He was 87.

He was a veteran of the U.S. Army serving during World War II.

In the 1970s he founded Smeenge Appraisal Service, where he worked until he retired in 1992.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Effie Smeenge; a daughter, Lorrie De Waard; and a son, D. Richard Smeenge '71.

Survivors include his wife, Gladys VanHuis Smeenge; his children, Karen (James) Thomas, Merri (Michael) Oberlin and David (Debra) Smeenge; daughter-in-law, Susan Zonnebelt-Smeenge; sons-in-law, Robert DeVries and Mark De Waard; nine grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and one great-great-granddaughter.

**Preston Stegenga '47** of Sacramento, Calif., died on Friday, Sept. 17, 2010. He was 86.

He served in the U.S. Army

Counter-Intelligence Corps during World War II. He earned the Purple Heart.

He retired from International Center at California State University in Sacramento where he was the director. He also served as an advisor to the California State Fair for international programs.

His publications included the book *Anchor of Hope*, a history of Hope College published in 1954.

He was preceded in death by his sister, Ruth Stegenga '42 Luidens; and parents, Dureth Bouma (1915) Stegenga and Miner Stegenga (1915).

Survivors include his wife of 60 years, Marcia DeYoung '48 Stegenga; and his children, James Stegenga '76 and Susan Stegenga.

**Ella Roggen '33 Tellman** of Holland, Mich., died on Monday, Aug. 2, 2010. She was 98.

She played the organ and piano for many churches in the area.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Earle Tellman; son-in-law, Jack Hamelink; a brother, Leon Roggen '44; a sister, Margartet Roggen '39 DePree; and her father, Rev. John Roggen (1907).

Survivors include her children, Georgia Tellman '58 (Kenneth) Horn, Jean Tellman '59 (Steve) Graves, Harry Tellman, Nancy Tellman '62 (Jerry) Hamelink, Marge (Ted) Ellis and Dave (Beth) Tellman; 16 grandchildren; 36 great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren; a brother, Dr. Ivan (Jane) Roggen '36; and a sister, Marian Roggen '40 McGilvra.

**Paul Thompson '50** of Lexington, Ky., died on Thursday, March 19, 2009. He was 81.

He was a medic in the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict and was later stationed in Panama.

He retired from University of Kentucky as librarian for business and economics.

Survivors included his wife, Beth Thompson; his daughter, Marian Thompson; and grandchildren, Dustin, Tarah, Autumn and Ellie.

**Robert Van Dis '47** of Kalamazoo, Mich., died on Thursday, Sept. 16, 2010. He was 87.

He served in the U.S. Army during World War II.

He was the co-owner of the family business, V&A Bootery.

He received the Meritorious Service Award in 1995 and the Hope for Humanity Award in 2002 from Hope College.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Mary Aldrich '45 Van Dis.

Survivors include his second wife, Kay Van Dis; his children, William (Susan Anderson '72) Van Dis, Mary Beth Van Dis '80 (Kenneth '79) Bauman and step-daughter, Michele McLaughlin; and his four grandsons,

Andrew (Emily) Van Dis, Daniel Van Dis '05, Kenneth Bauman '10 and Kevin Bauman '14.

**Fred VanLente Jr. '55** of Portage, Mich., died on Sunday, Aug. 8, 2010. He was 77.

Survivors include his wife, Jan VanLente; his children, Michael VanLente '80, Timothy (Julie) VanLente and Laurie (Mark) Martinez; grandchildren, Keith and Kara Martinez and Erin and Peter VanLente; his sister, Betty VanLente '53 Langwig; and a number of nieces and nephews.

**Wilma Rottschafer '35 VanWieren** of Holland, Mich., died on Monday, Sept. 13, 2010. She was 96.

She taught in the elementary grades for many years in the Holland Public and West Ottawa school systems.

She was preceded in death by her father, William Rottschafer (1905), and her husband Clarence Van Wieren.

Survivors include her children, Dr. Glenn (Jacquelyn Nyboer '67) VanWieren '64, Dr. Clare (Joan TerHaar '67) VanWieren '66 and Carrie VanWieren '69 (Janis) Baskers; 10 grandchildren, including Kuria VanWieren '98, Heidi (John Byrn '98) Van Wieren '96, Jonathan (Staci) VanWieren '94, Michael (Heidi VanLangevelde '01) VanWieren '98, Rev. Gretel (Gerald Ericksen) VanWieren '93, Dustin Price '98 and Christopher (Carolyn Rink '88) VanWieren '87; 20 great-grandchildren; and two sisters-in-law, Jean Van Wieren and Dorothy Rottschafer.

**Dolores Thomas '50 Warnshuis** of Greenville, Mich., died on Thursday, Sept. 16, 2010. She was 82.

She retired from teaching from the Greenville Public Schools.

She was preceded in death by a son, David Warnshuis; her sister, Lois; and her brother, Don.

Survivors include her husband, Paul Warnshuis '50; a son, Mark (Cindy) Warnshuis; three grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and her siblings, Gordon (Jeananne Bondhouse '54) Thomas '53, Gayle Thomas '53, Shirley Thomas '55 (Cornelius) Hegewald, Barbara Cooper and Arthur Russell.

**James Ziegler '56** of Comstock Park, Mich., died on Friday, Aug. 20, 2010. He was 75.

He taught in the Muskegon area for 38 years and was the recreation director for Norton Shores for 29 years.

He was preceded in death by his daughter, Susan Wiseman.

Survivors included his wife, Laurel Ziegler; sons, James Ziegler Jr. and Tommy Dale (Kerri) Ziegler; and step-sons, Brett and Andrew.





# Landscape Format

Picturesque terrain is a major benefit (and challenge) of competing in cross country. During the opening meet of the season, Hope runners Emily Fischer and Taylor Mattarella seem to be passing through a French Impressionist painting. The pastoral environs—which include not only goldenrod-carpeted fields, but swan-graced ponds, shaded woods and rolling hills—are instead much nearer to campus in time and location, Hope’s home course at Ridge Point Community Church on Holland’s east side. The Flying Dutch placed first in the Saturday, Sept. 4, invitational, with Fischer and Mattarella finishing first and second respectively.

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