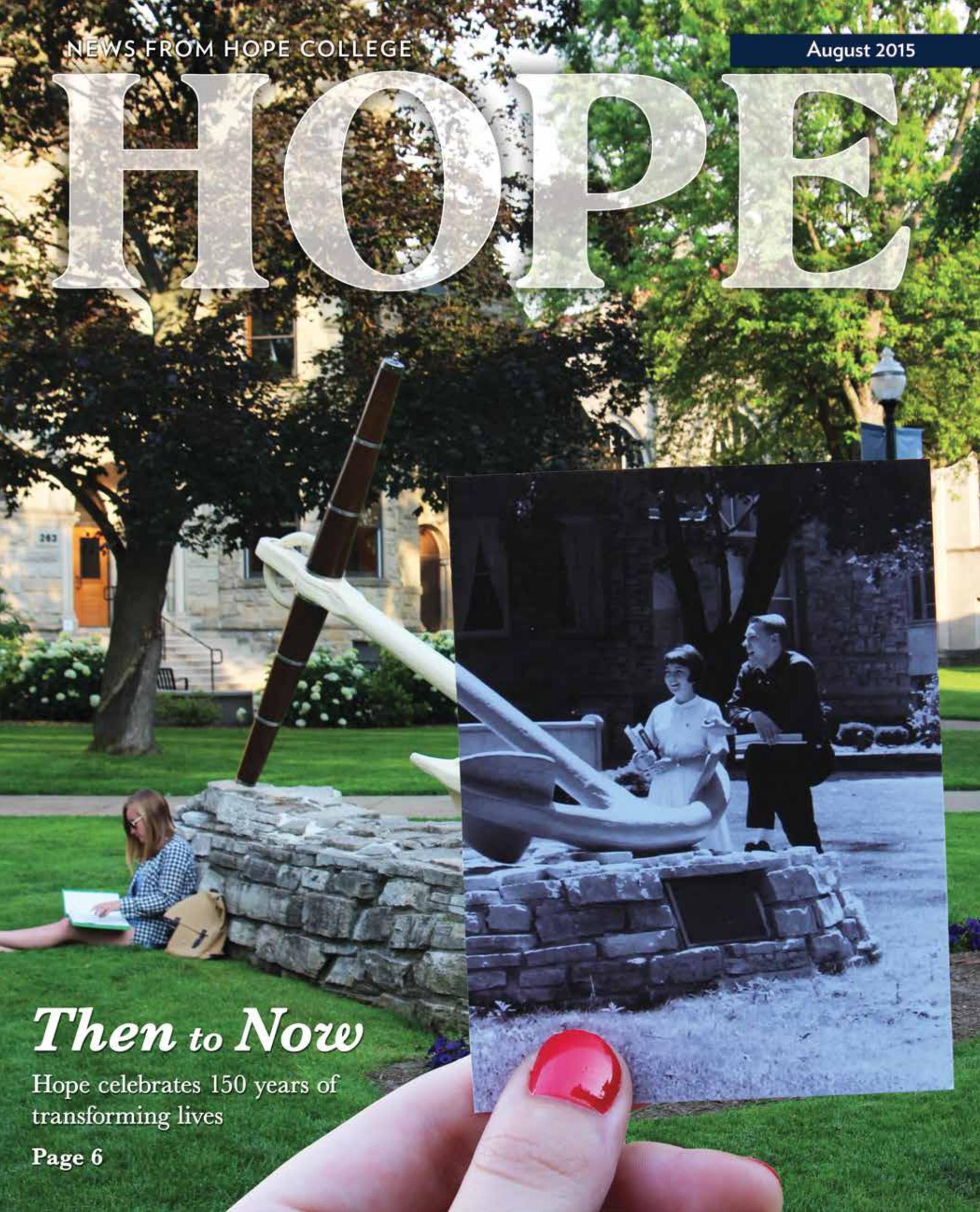


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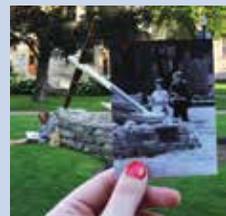


Then to Now

Hope celebrates 150 years of transforming lives

On the Cover

Past and present meet at the admiralty anchor, symbol of Hope, that has stood on the lawn of Graves Hall since 1965. In this composite image by Amy Van Dommelen '15, created to help mark the college's sesquicentennial celebration, Rachel Nielson '15 enjoys the beloved campus landmark along with two earlier visitors from the 1960s.

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“Quote, unquote”

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

Hope is one of only 283 colleges and universities nationwide to have a chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, the nation's oldest and most widely recognized collegiate honor society. This past spring, Dr. John Churchill, the society's chief executive officer and head of its national office, spoke on campus, presenting “The What, the How, and the Why: the Arts and Sciences as Transformative Experience.”

He noted that while much attention nationally is currently paid to whether or not college and university graduates find work immediately upon graduation, both individuals and society need education to do more.



“Please understand that I do understand that preparation for a remunerative career is a very important part of college. But it isn't just the first job that counts, it's the career. And there is life beyond paid work. There is citizenship, civic life, family life, and the fullness of human experience. Phi Beta Kappa's aim is to enlarge the discussion of the purposes of higher education, deepening the economic focus from the first job to the whole career, and broadening the scope of things across a wider, and more inclusive spectrum of human goods...

“First, *liberal arts and sciences enlarge opportunity*. Full access to the ladder of opportunity depends not only on training for the first job, but also on education that equips people for careers and for all of life. In an egalitarian society, that means that the benefits of arts and sciences education should be as widely accessible as possible, because everyone deserves a shot at this kind of learning, and everyone can benefit in some way.

“Phi Beta Kappa believes in the intrinsic value of studying arts and sciences for their own sake, but it's also important to say that arts and sciences education provides lifelong economic opportunity in a constantly shifting job market. By engaging students in a variety of subject matters, disciplines, and different points of view, the arts and sciences provide flexibility and resilience.

“Multiple surveys have shown that businesses seek employees with the skills and capacities

nurtured in the arts and sciences. Those skills include communication capacities of reading, writing, speaking, and listening; critical and analytical thinking abilities; intellectual flexibility and resilience; the capacity to entertain multiple perspectives; the cultivation of sympathetic imagination; and so on.

“In what human endeavor are these attributes not needed? It is time to replace the English major/barista jokes with an understanding of the great career preparation involved in acquiring these skills.

“The second thing Phi Beta Kappa is saying, in our National Arts & Sciences Initiative, is that *the arts and sciences drive innovation and ingenuity*. As the national and world economies evolve, securing new jobs and crafting fulfilling lives will depend critically on ingenuity—the ability to see things in new ways, generating creative ideas, products, and services; and on innovation—the capacity and willingness to create novel means to success. Businesses competing on a world stage will increasingly need leaders and employees who can create, innovate, and collaborate at home and across cultures.

“While some American political leaders question the value of the arts and sciences, countries like Singapore and China see an arts and sciences education as key to innovation. What an irony it would be if America stops cultivating its seedbed of creativity in the liberal arts and sciences, just as their power is recognized and taken up abroad.

“The third message Phi Beta Kappa brings to the conversation—after opportunity and innovative ingenuity—is this: The arts and sciences are investment in America. I have spoken so far of their economic value—investment in an obvious, literal sense. But the arts and sciences are also an investment in the country's life as a democracy. To be a participatory citizen, you need to make choices *well*, and you need to make *good* choices. We also need, as a society, a well-educated supply of those whose career choices have been shaped by a sense of societal purpose.

“Several years ago, we asked large numbers of old members of Phi Beta Kappa about what had been of most lasting value about their liberal arts experiences. They gave a consistent answer: they valued their deliberative abilities. This is important. If it is the dream of democracy that the great multifarious multitude should find, if not common ground, at least accommodation and ways forward through persistent difference, then deliberative skills are essential to the flourishing—maybe the survival—of democracy.”

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DISTINCTIVE Hope



Participation in research at Hope isn't busy work for students. It's the opportunity to engage in the process of discovery: asking questions that matter, finding answers, and then sharing the information, often as a colleague during major professional gatherings. Senior Clara Schriemer of Vicksburg, Michigan, a biology major on a pre-public health track, is pictured with her advisor Dr. Jonathan Hagood, associate professor of history, during the Cross-Cultural Health Care Conference: Collaborative and Multidisciplinary Interventions, held in Honolulu, Hawaii, during the spring 2015 semester. She presented her research project "Migrant Seasonal Farmworker Health Care in Southwest Michigan," which she developed through her participation in the multi-disciplinary Mellon Scholars Program. Working with a team of three other students, she interviewed health care professionals who have worked with migrant seasonal farmworkers, collected oral histories from the farmworkers themselves and created a video for InterCare Community Health Network. Only 11 posters were accepted for the conference, and Schriemer's was the only one produced by an undergraduate. "In fact, several people assumed that Clara was a graduate student and asked if her project was part of her dissertation research," Dr. Hagood said.



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Events

ADMISSIONS

Campus Visits: The Admissions Office is open 8 a.m.-5 p.m. weekdays, and from September through May is also open 9 a.m.-noon on Saturdays. Tours and admissions interviews are available, with appointments recommended.

Visit Days: Visit Days offer specific programs for prospective students.

The days for 2015-16 are:

Fri., Sept. 25	Mon., Jan. 18
Fri., Oct. 9	Fri., Jan. 22
Mon., Oct. 12	Fri., Jan. 29
Fri., Oct. 16	Fri., Feb. 5
Fri., Oct. 23	Fri., Feb. 19
Fri., Oct. 30	Fri., Feb. 26
Fri., Nov. 6	Fri., March 4
Fri., Nov. 13	Fri., March 11
Fri., Nov. 20	

Junior Days:

Fri., April 1	Fri., April 15
Fri., April 8	

For further information, please call toll free at 1.800.968.7850 or check on-line at hope.edu/admissions.

DANCE

H2 Dance Co.—Friday-Saturday, Oct. 30-31; Friday-Saturday, Nov. 6-7

Student Dance Showcase—Friday-Saturday, Nov. 20-21

Student Dance Showcase—Monday-Tuesday, Nov. 23-24
All performances begin at 7:30 p.m.

DE PREE GALLERY

“Dusk to Dusk: Unsettled, Unraveled, Unreal”—Friday, Aug. 28-Saturday, Oct. 31

Juried Student Show—Friday, Nov. 13-Sunday, Dec. 13

KRUIZENGA ART MUSEUM

“Past Present East West: Highlights from the Permanent Collection”—Wednesday, Sept. 9-Saturday, May 14

JACK RIDL VISITING WRITERS SERIES

Matthew Baker '09 and Kathleen McGooley '88—Thursday, Sept. 24
Angela Pelster and David James Poissant—Thursday, Oct. 15
Tim O'Brien—Thursday, Nov. 19, in partnership with The Big Read Holland Area
The events begin at 7 p.m.

GREAT PERFORMANCE SERIES

Thodos Dance Chicago—Thursday-Friday, Sept. 17-18

Barbara Furtuna with Constantinople—Thursday, Oct. 29

Julian Lage Trio—Friday, Nov. 20

Julian Sands in “An Evening with Harold Pinter”—Friday, Jan. 29

Bang on a Can All-Stars—Saturday, Feb. 27

Imani Winds—Friday, April 8
All performances begin at 7:30 p.m.

ALUMNI, PARENTS & FRIENDS

Community Day—Saturday, Sept. 5
Homecoming Weekend—Friday-Sunday, Oct. 23-25

Family Weekend—Friday-Sunday, Oct. 30-Nov. 1

Rivalry Satellite Parties—Saturday, Feb. 20

Alumni Weekend—Friday-Saturday, April 29-30

MUSIC

Faculty Recital—Sunday, Oct. 11: Adam Briggs, saxophone, 2 p.m.

Chamber Side-by-Side Concert—Monday, Oct. 12, 7:30 p.m.

Jazz Arts Collective and Combos—Thursday, Oct. 15, 7:30 p.m.

Wind Ensemble Halloween Concert—Friday, Oct. 30, 5 p.m.

Orchestra Concert—Friday, Nov. 6, 7:30 p.m.

Concert Band Concert—Thursday, Nov. 12, 7:30 p.m.

Faculty Woodwind Trio Recital—Sunday, Nov. 15, 2 p.m.

Jazz Combos—Monday, Nov. 16, 7:30 p.m.

Vocal Jazz—Tuesday, Nov. 17, 7:30 p.m.

Wind Chamber Recital—Wednesday, Nov. 18, 7:30 p.m.

Jazz Arts Collective—Thursday, Nov. 19, 7:30 p.m.

Women's Chamber Choir Concert—Monday, Nov. 23: with Luminescence and 12th Street Harmony, 7:30 p.m.

Christmas Vespers—Saturday-Sunday, Dec. 5-6. The services are on Saturday, Dec. 5, at 4:30 p.m. and 8 p.m., and Sunday, Dec. 6, at 2 p.m. and 5 p.m.

Madrigal Feast—Friday-Saturday, Dec. 11-12

Columnist David Brooks to Speak



The Presidential Colloquium lecture series will begin its third year with *New York Times* columnist and best-selling author David Brooks on Wednesday, Sept. 30, in Dimmet Memorial Chapel.

The Presidential Colloquium brings prominent internationally

known thinkers to the college to share their insights on the academy, leadership and global civic engagement. The Sept. 30 event will address the theme “The Value and Relevance of a Faith-Based Liberal Arts Education in the 21st Century.”

Brooks, who is also a commentator for *PBS NewsHour*, is the editor or author of several books, including most recently *The Road to Character*. He will receive an honorary degree from the college during his visit.

Tickets will be available beginning Wednesday, Sept. 2, through the Events and Conferences Office in the Anderson-Werkman Financial Center, which is open weekdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and can be called at 616.395.7890.

HOPE COLLEGE CONCERT SERIES

The Tallest Man on Earth—Saturday, Sept. 5

Ben Rector—Friday, Sept. 18

David Bazan—Friday, Oct. 9
All performances begin at 8 p.m.

SPORTS SCHEDULES

Please visit the college online for schedules for the 2015-16 fall and winter seasons. Pocket schedules can be picked up at the Hope College ticket office in the Anderson-Werkman Financial Center and DeVos Fieldhouse.

TRADITIONAL EVENTS

Opening Convocation—Sunday, Aug. 30, 2 p.m.

Pull Tug-of-War—Saturday, Sept. 26, 3 p.m.

Nykerk Cup Competition—Saturday, Oct. 31, 7 p.m.

Christmas Vespers—Saturday-Sunday, Dec. 5-6

Critical Issues Symposium—Wednesday-Thursday, Feb. 24-25

(note change from fall)

Topic: “Engaging the Middle East: Understanding Contemporary Changes”

THEATRE

The Christians—Friday-Saturday, Oct. 9-10

The Sparrow—Wednesday-Saturday, Nov. 18-21

All performances begin at 7:30 p.m.

GUEST ARTISTS

Ester Rada—Thursday, Sept. 10, 7:30 p.m.

Aaron Diehl Trio—Friday, Oct. 16, 7:30 p.m.

John Mortensen—Saturday, Oct. 17, 7:30 p.m.

Expansions: The Dave Liebman Group—Monday, Oct. 19, 7:30 p.m.

Chucho Valdés—Irakere 40—Saturday, Nov. 7, 7:30 p.m.

Van-Anh Vanessa Vo—Tuesday, Nov. 10, 7:30 p.m., in partnership with The Big Read Holland Area

Actors from the London Stage in *A Midsummer Night's*

Dream—Thursday-Friday, Nov. 12-13, 7:30 p.m.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

More information, including regarding admission to events and locations, is available online.

hope.edu/events



H.O.P.E. AWARD: The faculty member who is presented the “Hope Outstanding Professor Educator” Award by the graduating class during Commencement doesn’t normally give a speech, but this year was an exception.

As it happened, the recipient of the award when it was announced on Sunday, May 3, Tim Schoonveld '96 was also the scheduled speaker. Following his unexpected additional role on the ceremony stage, he presented the address “Into What World Are You Being Sent?,” exploring how the graduating seniors can choose lives of substance in a world that stresses appearances.

hope.edu/graduation2015

WEB LAUNCH:

Please visit the college online to experience Hope’s new website. The full launch is an on-going process that will run across the first months of the new school year, but many of the main landing pages have already gone live.

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SPRING SPORTS REPORT:

Hope’s Top-25 finish in the Learfield Sports Directors’ Cup NCAA Division III all-sports standings was among many highlights this spring. Five Hope teams had student-athletes participate in NCAA Tournament play: men’s and women’s golf, softball, women’s tennis, and women’s track and field. That’s 11 Hope teams in NCAA postseason competition during the 2014-15 school year.



Learn more about the season and enjoy highlights from all of 2014-15 through the Hope Athletics website, and keep up-to-date through the site or social media channels.

athletics.hope.edu

EXCEPTIONALITY HONORED: Hope has appointed four current members of the faculty and staff to endowed positions.

Charles Mason has been appointed the first Margaret Feldmann Kruizenga Curator of the Kruizenga Art Museum, Dr. William A. Pannacker has been appointed to a 10-year term as the DuMez Professor of English, Dr. Jonathan W. Peterson '84 has been appointed to a four-year term as the Lavern and Betty DePree VanKley Professor of the Geological and Environmental Sciences, and Dr. Sonja Trent-Brown has been appointed to a four-year term as the John and Jeanne M. Jacobson Associate Professor of Psychology.

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FAMILY-FRIENDLY COMMUNITY:

The college’s hometown of Holland, Michigan, has again earned national recognition, this time as one of livability.com’s top-10 best cities for families.



The site chose cities based on criteria such as air quality, crime rate, commute times, cost of living, quality of schools, parks, libraries, and high populations of children but low populations of children living in poverty.

Holland has received acclaim in multiple rankings through the years, ranging from having one of the top eight main streets in the nation according to *Parade* magazine last year, to repeated recognition through the national America in Bloom competition, to earning second place nationally in the 2009 “Gallup-Healthways Well Being Index.” Livability.com had also recognized Holland previously, including the community on its 2010 listing of the top-10 best cities for water activities.



Douglas Conant

NEW TRUSTEES: Three new members have been elected to the Hope College Board of Trustees.

Newly elected to serve four-year terms on the board are Douglas R. Conant of Chicago, Illinois; Brian Gibbs '84 of Bad Homburg, Germany; and Margaret (Meg) Miller '86 Willit of Grandville, Michigan.



Brian Gibbs '84

The board has also re-elected Mary VanDis '80 Bauman of Grand Rapids, Michigan; David Charnin '96 of Greenwich, Connecticut; Nancy Dirkse '81 DeWitt of Cincinnati, Ohio; J. Lindsey Dood '87 of Grand Rapids; Lisa Reenders '89 Granger of Lansing, Michigan; Monica Newendorp of Pella, Iowa; Dr. A. Paul Schaap '67 of Grosse Point Park; and the Rev. Scott VanOostendorp '75 of Zeeland, Michigan, to four-year terms.



Meg Miller '86 Willit

Concluding his time on the board, after 16 years of service, is Thomas H. Claus '75 of East Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Bauman was re-elected to a second four-year term as chairperson, and Dr. David W. Lowry '89 of Holland, Michigan, is continuing to serve as secretary. Mark VanGenderen '90 of Cedarburg, Wisconsin, has been elected to a two-year term as vice-chair, succeeding the Rev. Dr. William R. Boersma '75 of Holland, whose tenure on the board is continuing.

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THREE-PEAT REPEAT:

Hope fans supported men’s basketball, women’s basketball and women’s volleyball teams at DeVos Fieldhouse like no other in NCAA Division III during the 2014-15 school year.

Hope led the nation in attendance in all three sports for the second consecutive school year. The Flying Dutchmen topped Division III in home basketball attendance for the 13th consecutive time with an average of 2,331 fans per game. Women’s basketball was first in Division III for the seventh consecutive season with 963 fans per home game. The national-champion volleyball team drew a Division III-high 830 fans per home match.

hope.edu/nfhc



A NEW YEAR:

The college’s sesquicentennial-celebration year will open in a most appropriate way: with the arrival of students, as the incoming Class of 2019 begins orientation on Friday, Aug. 28.



The academic year will begin formally with the annual Opening Convocation on Sunday, Aug. 30, at 2 p.m. in the Richard and Helen DeVos Fieldhouse. The featured speaker will be Dr. Virginia Beard, who is an associate professor of political science and director of the Women’s and Gender Studies Program at Hope. The public is invited to the convocation, and admission is free.

Residence halls for new students will open on Friday, Aug. 28, at 10 a.m., with New Student Orientation beginning later that day and continuing through Monday, Aug. 31. Residence halls for returning students will open on Sunday, Aug. 30, at noon. Fall semester classes will begin on Tuesday, Sept. 1, at 8 a.m.

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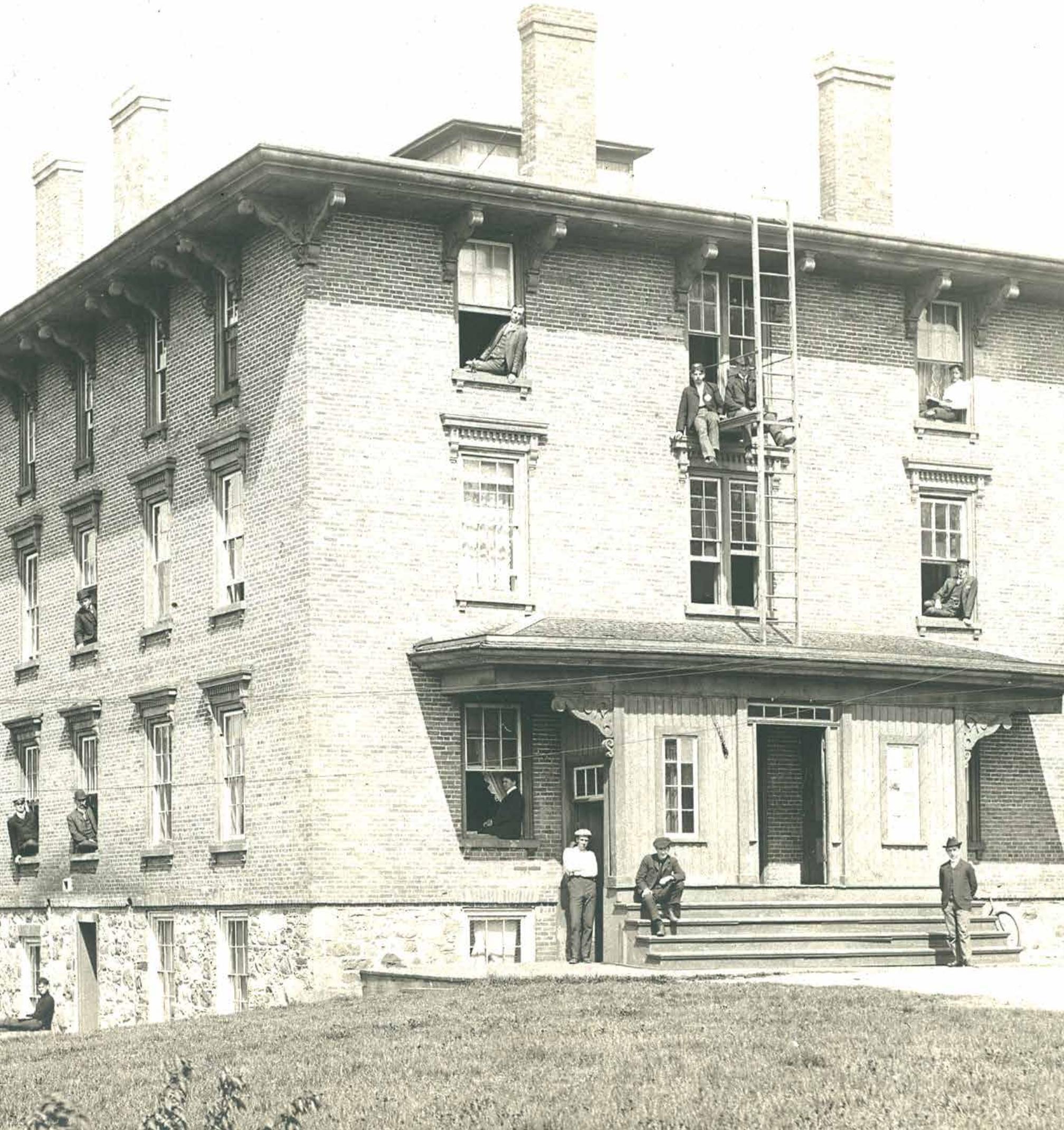
Please visit the college online to enjoy extensive photo galleries organized by topic and



chronicling a variety of events in the life of Hope. At right is an image from this past spring’s graduation activities on Sunday, May 3. In addition to multiple images from Baccalaureate and Commencement, content available online includes the text of the Baccalaureate sermon and of the Commencement address, and video of the Commencement ceremony.

hope.edu/pr/gallery

Van Vleck Hall, circa 1900. (Photo courtesy of the Joint Archives of Holland)



Origin of Hope

A sesquicentennial marks 150 years, and for Hope the milestone harkens back to the college’s formal chartering by the State of Michigan on May 14, 1866, but the origin story is not quite so simple.

In its fullness it’s actually a great deal more meaningful than the functionality of the founding occasion might suggest. The events leading to the charter—and they track back very directly another 15 years—have everything to do with why Hope is Hope, not just committed to but passionate about helping students grow into their fullest potential not only in career but life.

That story begins with the October 1851 creation of the Holland colony’s Pioneer School. The Pioneer School eventually evolved into the Holland Academy and then the college as the community’s educational needs progressed from elementary to secondary to higher.

Like so many immigrants before and since, the Dutch who arrived together in West Michigan and established Holland in the latter 1840s were seeking a better life, driven in particular by poor conditions in Europe (including a devastating potato blight) that left them little hope for themselves or their children. The Pioneer School was established, with support from the Reformed Church in America, because community founder the Rev. Albertus C. Van Raalte knew that education was critically important, and he wanted Holland’s children to receive education with a Christian character—an option not guaranteed through state-supported schooling—with a priority on preparation for college. It began just four years after Holland was settled, on land donated by Van Raalte (who also later contributed additional acreage for the college).

In his history *A Century of Hope*, published to commemorate the 1966 centennial of the college’s chartering, former Hope president Dr. Wynand Wichers (Class of 1909) noted, “Not only did Van Raalte feel the need for elementary education for all children, but he also was much in earnest about the need of a church-controlled secondary school.”

“He was mindful of the need for educated ministers and teachers,” Wichers wrote. “It was his conviction that higher education was a prime essential in the process of Americanization and for the preservation and extension of the Dutch church in the West.”

Hope’s name and seal both originate from an observation Van Raalte made regarding the Pioneer School: “This is my anchor of hope for this people in the future.” The symbolism follows the Epistle to the Hebrews 6:19, “We have this hope, a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul...”

Hope’s motto, taken from Psalm 42:5, echoes the sentiment: *Spera in Deo* (“Hope in God”).

The first principal of the Pioneer School was Walter T. Taylor, who served from 1851 to 1854. He was succeeded briefly by Rev. F.B. Beidler, who was then followed by the Rev. John Van Vleck, principal from 1855 to 1859. It was during Van Vleck’s tenure that the Pioneer School grew into the Academy in 1857 and that Van Vleck Hall, today the college’s oldest structure, was constructed.

The academy succeeded in preparing area students for college, but their destination was Rutgers College (now University), which was then an RCA institution, in New Brunswick, New Jersey—quite a trek in the mid-19th century. The denomination was interested in establishing a college in what was then considered “the West,” a goal that matched Van Raalte’s aspirations for the young school. And so when the Rev. Philip Phelps Jr. succeeded Van Vleck in 1859, he began work with that outcome in mind.

(Today there are two other RCA-affiliated colleges farther west than Hope, but both either became associated with the denomination later or were established later. Central College in Pella, Iowa, was founded in 1853, but was a Baptist institution until transferred to the RCA in 1916. Northwestern College in Orange City, Iowa, began as an academy in 1882, became a junior college in 1928 and became a four-year college in 1960.)

The first freshman class enrolled in the fall of 1862, nearly four years before Hope received the charter from which it tracks its anniversaries. The first commencement, however, followed the charter, with eight seniors graduating on July 17, 1866.

Phelps served as the college’s founding president until 1878, with Van Raalte serving as president of the college Council (equivalent to today’s Board of Trustees) until his death in 1876. Phelps was a very hands-on president, not only teaching multiple courses but even supervising the students in cutting the lumber for and building the college’s first gymnasium and chapel in 1862.

Hope didn’t develop its guiding mission statement until more than a century later, but every phrase echoes the Phelps years, from the breadth of the curriculum, to national reach and international engagement that included enrolling students from Japan in the 1870s—and of course from across the country and around the world since. And it owes everything to a commitment to shaping young lives that was so strong that it took root before the community itself might have been considered fully planted:

“The mission of Hope College is to educate students for lives of leadership and service in a global society through academic and co-curricular programs of recognized excellence in the liberal arts and in the context of the historic Christian faith.” ✎

“The events leading to the college’s charter in 1866 have everything to do why Hope is Hope.”



Celebrating CELEBRATIONS PAST

The college's anniversary celebrations themselves have a history, with activities through the years including three-hour historical pageants, parades, concerts, lectures and the first-ever Community Day picnic.

1890

The 25th-anniversary celebration in June 1890 (the beginning of the anniversary year) seemed to be heading for disaster.

It didn't start out that way. Beloved founding President Philip Phelps Jr. was returning for the event, during which the alumni would be presenting the college with a portrait they'd commissioned of him. The festivities were scheduled to coincide with Commencement, itself a magnificent celebration.

Unfortunately, most of the senior class boycotted the graduation ceremony.

The seniors were upset about the schedule. Commencement in those days was held on a Wednesday, and in recent years had taken place in the evening. To accommodate a banquet in Phelps's honor, however, the Council of the college (the equivalent of today's Board of Trustees) had returned Commencement to the morning, which was the time frame specified for the annual ceremony despite actual practice.

Almost no one backed down. The events took place as planned, with only one of the seven members of the Class of 1890 present for the graduation ceremony. That might well have produced a rather gloomy result, but those gathered simply forged ahead and enjoyed their time together (and the other graduating class members received their degrees later).

And the portrait? It's still a part of Hope, hanging in the Presidents' Room in Graves Hall.

1916

By the time of the semi-centennial in June 1916, the college had opted to celebrate at the end of the anniversary year instead of the beginning.

The 50th featured activities across more than a week in conjunction with Commencement, including a three-and-a-half hour (!) outdoor pageant presented by students that retold the history of the community and Hope (some 6,000 attended), and a massive parade that hosted alumni whose graduation years reached back to the debut Class of 1866.

News reports state that "hundreds upon hundreds" watched the parade, with spectators lining "every space" along the route, which traveled from the central campus west around the far side of Centennial Park and back. Holland's mayor offered a welcome as the alumni passed City Hall, and as recalled years later in the book *A Century of Hope* by former president Wynand Wichers (Class of 1909), who was a faculty member at the time, "Teachers and pupils of the public schools formed ranks on three sides of Centennial Park to greet the procession."

It was a special point of pride that the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America was meeting in Holland for the first time, in conjunction with the celebration. Even better, the Rev. Peter Moerdyke (Class of 1866), a member of the college's first graduating class, was elected General Synod president during the meeting.



The college's 50th anniversary celebration in 1916 included a parade from campus around Centennial Park and back by alumni from as far back as the debut Class of 1866. News reports share that "hundreds upon hundreds" watched the event, including groups of school children dismissed from class expressly for the occasion. (Photo courtesy of the Joint Archives of Holland)

1926

The 1916 pageant was such a success that the tradition continued during three more anniversary celebrations (1926, 1936 and 1941). The June 1926 pageant itself marked three anniversaries: the sesquicentennial of the signing of the Declaration of Independence, the 80th anniversary of the arrival of the Dutch in Michigan and the college's 60th (the student portraying Albertus C. Van Raalte, founder of Holland and co-founder of Hope, wore Van Raalte's own silk hat.) As in 1916, the RCA's General Synod met in Holland during the same month.

1941

The 75th anniversary celebration in June 1941 included the conferral of honorary degrees on four recipients, all of course notable but one especially so: Her Royal Highness Princess Juliana of the Netherlands. The princess and her husband, Prince Bernhard, were in exile from their homeland, which had been occupied by Nazi Germany the year before, and during an interview she expressed confidence that her nation would one day be free.

The ceremony honoring the princess preceded the main celebration by a week, taking place during the meeting of the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America, held on campus that year. The celebration itself ran five days, and among those who attended was Frances F.C. Phelps (Class of 1882) Otte, daughter of the college's first president and one of Hope's first two female graduates. In addition to the student historical pageant, highlights included the placing of the cornerstone for a new science building, today's Lubbers Hall.

1966

The college's 100th-anniversary celebration robustly spanned more than a year. It began with recognition of the centennial during the 1965 Commencement, continued during Homecoming '65 (which featured the dedication of the anchor in front of Graves Hall) and ran in earnest during Homecoming in October 1966. Multiple concerts and lectures were presented across the five-day festival, among them a keynote address by Michigan Governor George Romney. Activity highlights included a community ox roast envisioned by Holland Mayor Nelson Bosman as a way of celebrating the relationship between the college and city that has continued every year since, known for the past several years as Community Day (celebrating its 50th in September).

Hope unveiled its "Centennial Decade Master Plan" as part of the celebration, a vision for the future that ultimately realized the construction of the DeWitt Student and Cultural Center, and the start of funding for the Peale Science Center (today part of the A. Paul Schaap Science Center), the Wynand Wichers Addition to Nykerk Hall of Music and two residence halls.

The commemoration also included publication of the book *A Century of Hope* by former president Wynand Wichers (Class of 1909). Wichers had himself lived much of the college story, including not only as president but as a student, faculty member and alumnus.

1991

The college marked its 125th anniversary simply, with the publication of an eponymous pictorial volume. The book featured photographs taken by John de Visser across the 1990-91 school year, with additional content including a concise chronology of Hope as well as a 32-page anniversary photographic retrospective compiled by Larry Wagenaar '87, archivist of the Joint Archives of Holland.



BIRTHDAY BASH

The college is celebrating its sesquicentennial across 2015-16, a birthday party that will begin in earnest with the arrival of two major presents.

Hope will even be opening them a little early. The Kruizenga Art Museum and the Jack H. Miller Center for Musical Arts will be highlighted through public events in September and October respectively, but they'll be going to work with the start of the school year later this month.

As with the best gifts, they fit the occasion perfectly, at once a celebration of the past and well suited to the future. In that way, they epitomize an added meaning in the anniversary milestone, reflecting the strength and growth of the preceding 150 years and ready to serve students for decades to come.

Just like the college.

"Hope has a tremendous history and a bright future," said President John C. Knapp. "We're looking forward to engaging the entire Hope family in celebrating both across the next year."

"Certainly we'll be looking back at the past one-and-a-half centuries, and reflecting on the difference that Hope has already made in thousands of lives," he said. "But we're no less excited about what the years ahead will bring. At a time when many colleges and universities are struggling, Hope is in an enviable position. Our programs are strong, demand for a Hope education has never been higher, and the college's new strategic plan will guide us in building on that firm foundation across the next decade to offer an even more outstanding experience."

The building-focused celebrations will be just two of the many events planned in conjunction with the college's sesquicentennial across 2015-16. The year-long commemoration, which started with Hope's 150th Commencement on Sunday, May 3, and a picnic for faculty and staff on Wednesday, July 29, will lead up to the 150th anniversary of the college's formal chartering by the State of Michigan on May 14, 1866.

The featured events will begin with the groundbreaking for the Jim and Martie Bultman Student Center on Monday, Aug. 31, near Nykerk Hall of Music, the location the new building will occupy. They will continue within the week, on Saturday, Sept. 5, with the 50th Hope-Holland Community Day, which will include a picnic at Windmill Island Gardens and home football and men's soccer competition. The Kruizenga Art Museum will feature its debut exhibition, "Past Present East West: Highlights from the Permanent Collection," beginning on Wednesday, Sept. 9, with an opening event on Friday, Sept. 11, in partnership with the opening for the exhibition "Dusk to Dusk: Unsettled, Unraveled, Unreal" in the De Pree Art Center and Gallery.

The Presidential Colloquium lecture series will open for the school year on Wednesday, Sept. 30, with an

address by David Brooks, who is a *New York Times* writer and author or editor of five books, including *The Road to Character*, published earlier this year.

The college's Homecoming Weekend, running Friday-Sunday, Oct. 23-25, will feature the sesquicentennial theme throughout. Highlights will include an arts and humanities symposium on Friday, Oct. 23, at the Jack H. Miller Center for Musical Arts, which will also be celebrated through an open house on Saturday, Oct. 24.

The sesquicentennial theme will continue with the college's Family Weekend, which will take place on Friday-Saturday, Oct. 31-Nov. 1, and conclude, as always, with the freshman-sophomore Nykerk Cup competition.

Spring-semester events are still being finalized, but will include the opening performances in the main concert hall of the Jack H. Miller Center for Musical Arts on Friday and Saturday, Feb. 5 and 6; the Presidential Colloquium in March; commemoration of the 150th day of classes in the mid-spring semester (date flexible until the potential



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151st Commencement
Sunday, May 8

for snow days has passed); Alumni Weekend on Friday-Saturday, April 29-30; and the college's 151st Commencement on Sunday, May 8.

While the events will provide multiple opportunities to celebrate the college's anniversary year, two books that will provide lasting chronicles of the Hope story are also being developed.

A comprehensive history of the college is in the works, the first since *A Century of Hope* by former president Wynand Wichers (Class of 1909) was published following Hope's centennial. The new volume is being co-authored by Dr. Jacob Nyenhus, who is provost emeritus and professor emeritus of Classics and director of the A.C. Van Raalte Institute, and Dr. James Kennedy, a former Hope history faculty member now with the University of Amsterdam in the Netherlands, with contributions by many others.

A history of Hope athletics from 1970 through the spring of 2015 is being written by Tom Renner '67, who retired in 2013 as associate vice president for public and community relations and served for decades as sports information director at Hope. The new volume

will carry forward the story begun in two books by Gord Brewer '48, professor emeritus of kinesiology: "...*But How You Played the Game!*" *A History of Intercollegiate Athletics at Hope College 1862-1955* (published in 1992) and *Journey of Hope: Names and Games Remembered, Hope College Athletics – 1955-1970* (published in 2002).

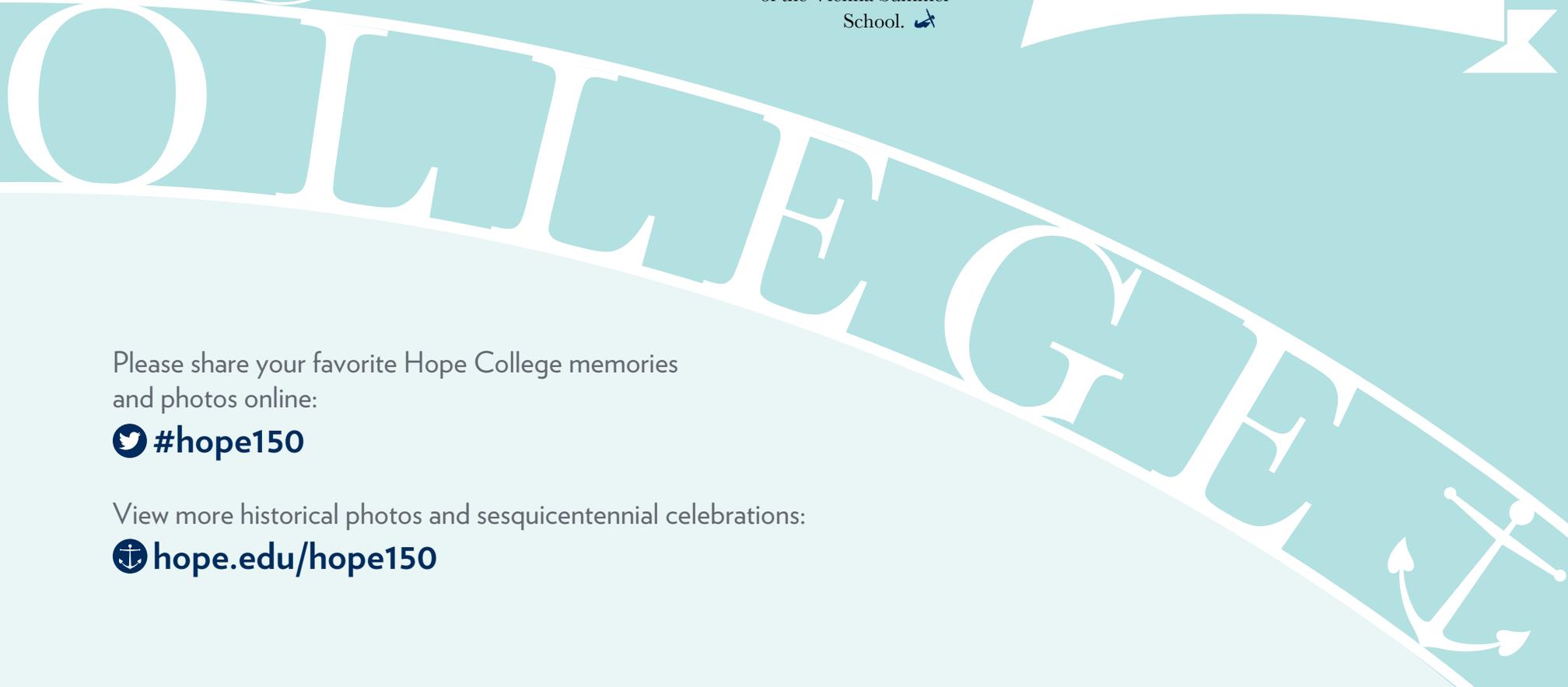
It happens to be a big year for Hope milestones and anniversaries in general. Community Day's forthcoming 50th installment tracks from the event's debut during the college's centennial celebration in October 1966. The arch that tops the pillars in front of Graves Hall was installed 75 years ago, in May 1940, and the landmark anchor on the lawn in front of Graves was dedicated during Homecoming in October 1965, a half century past. Christmas Vespers, which coincidentally premiered on Pearl Harbor Day, Sunday, Dec. 7, 1941, will take place for the 75th time on Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 5-6. As noted later in this issue, the Washington Honors Semester program marked its 40th anniversary this past spring. This year marks 50 years of partnership with Meiji Gakuin University of Japan, with commemoration events in Tokyo this past May and another celebration scheduled to take place this fall. This coming summer will be the 60th anniversary of the Vienna Summer School. 

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HOPE FOR THE WORLD: COLLEGE ADOPTS PLAN FOCUSED ON GLOBAL, INTERDISCIPLINARY EDUCATION

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NUCLEAR DEAL
Iran seeks to arm emb...

VIENNA — The new deal nuclear accord, on Monday for the U.N. arms the country — deal that the U.S. opposes as it seeks to curb Tehran's Mideast influence.

Speaking on an already-extended date for a comment, a senior official and a U.S. diplomat said Iran and the U.S. have powers that are not with are also with U.N. resolution endorse any further deal.

Lifting the sanctions would be a long-term accord sees limits on Iranian programs in exchange for relief from economic sanctions. Islamic Republic also sees existing resolutions affecting nuclear program accompanying unjust and illegal deal.

CANCER DOCTOR-F...

Exper...

By Amy Biolchini

Editor's Note: It matters tremendously to *Hope* to be located in Holland, Michigan, and the award-winning community contributes enormously to the quality and character of the *Hope* experience. By the same token, *Hope* has an impact on its hometown, and events and developments at the college frequently make the news. As *Hope* begins implementing **Hope for the World: 2025**, the strategic plan adopted in May, *News from Hope College* thought that readers might enjoy seeing how neighboring eyes view the transformational initiative. A version of the story which follows was published on the front page of **The Holland Sentinel** on Tuesday, July 7, 2015, and is reprinted with permission.

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Although Hope's "vital signs" are strong, Knapp and college leaders are conscious of the challenges they could face in the near future: fewer graduating high school seniors in the upper Midwest, changing attitudes when it comes to religion and an increasingly global society.

The plan pushes the college's curriculum to be global, interdisciplinary, hands-on and to remain true to its faith mission while adapting a "come as you are" approach to students of diverse backgrounds and religions.

"We need to be sure we can support students in their development of faith, whatever background they may bring to us," Knapp said. "We will be welcoming fewer students in the future who come to us in backgrounds growing up in homes where the church was a normal part of their life experience."

A commitment to value is also at the forefront. Knapp acknowledged private colleges aren't cheap, but noted recent construction on campus hasn't been funded by tuition. The college is also looking to increase its endowment from \$200 million to \$350 million in the next decade.

WHAT'S NEW

Increasing diversity among faculty, staff and students is at the core of the strategic plan, as the college works to create a community reflective of the world at large.

"In order for us to prepare students to live in a world of difference and diversity, we need to provide that experience on our campus," Knapp said. "This is a college that serves its majority population extremely well, but there are students who come to the college with backgrounds that are different

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who have yet to feel completely at home, in part because there are not enough people like them here."

To move Hope in a more global, interdisciplinary direction, the college will be reviewing its curriculum to see how it can connect courses and professors together.

"We think that's something that Hope College can do, that a large, expansive university can't do as well, because we have the faculty who know each other and work together well and it's much easier to create cross-disciplinary collaboration here than it is at places where people are more siloed in large schools and departments," Knapp said.

Students will soon be required to participate in a hands-on, experiential learning activity supervised by a faculty member in order to graduate. Growing the number of students that participate in off-campus learning opportunities from 50 percent to 75 percent is another goal and doesn't necessarily mean studying abroad. Programs also bring Hope students to live and study in Philadelphia, Chicago and Los Angeles. The college will also be engaging its global alumni network in a more targeted way to open up doors for students, Knapp said.

Every employee of the college will also have a personalized development plan and will be trained in cross-cultural understanding. The college has created a new position to oversee that process; Knapp said it will take significant time and resources to do so.

WHAT'S NOT CHANGING

Hope is renewing its commitment to being a four-year undergraduate liberal arts institution, in a time when other institutions with similar missions find themselves turning to a more technical, skills-based curriculum. "We're, in a sense, strengthening our commitment to being a faith-based undergraduate liberal arts institution at a time when many pundits in Washington and in the media who would like to see higher ed reduced to a trade school," Knapp said. "I think this plan ensures that we can maintain our competitive advantage in our competitive environment."

During the planning process it was clear that those in the Hope community did not want to extend its reach to graduate students, Knapp said.



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"I think Hope does (undergraduate education) exceedingly well, and it's an important differentiator in a time that there are more options available for higher education than ever," Knapp said.

Although the college has experienced record-breaking enrollment in 2014-15, Knapp said administrators are moving to bring enrollment down to a level that the college is able to accommodate comfortably. No target enrollment figures have been set, however.

"We're only going to admit as many students as we can serve well with the resources that we have," Knapp said. 🙌

To learn more about our strategic plan, *Hope for the World: 2025*, please visit: hope.edu/president/strategic



GLOBAL SCOPE, LASTING IMPACT

Although the Kruizenga Art Museum hasn't even opened yet, the building has already made a lasting difference at Hope, leading to major contributions to the Permanent Art Collection that will enrich student learning for generations to come.

It's an assortment headlined by more than 500 recently arrived works of art contributed by California residents David Kamansky and Gerald Wheaton. The significant personal collection—Kamansky is a former director of the Pacific Asia Museum in Pasadena—consists primarily of works from across Asia, ranging from the second century to the late 20th, but also from Europe (some from the 16th century) and North America, and thousands of related books and catalogs.

Among others, Hope has also received works of contemporary North American art from Dr. Richard Kruizenga '52 of Dallas, Texas, and Holland, Michigan, who with his late wife Margaret (Feldmann '52) had provided the founding gift for the museum, and is anticipating collections of Ethiopian art from Dr. Neal Sobania '68 of Lakewood, Washington, who is a member of the history faculty at Pacific Lutheran University, and his wife Elizabeth '00; Japanese art from the family of retired missionaries Dr. John and Etta Hesselink of Holland; and European art from Dr. Larry Siedentop '57 of London, England, who is a political philosopher and historian of political thought retired from the faculty of Keble College at the University of Oxford.

All of the works are valued additions, but founding director Charles Mason is particularly pleased by the range of traditions represented by the accessions. They significantly expand the educational value of the Permanent Collection, which previously emphasized 19th- and 20th-century European and American art.

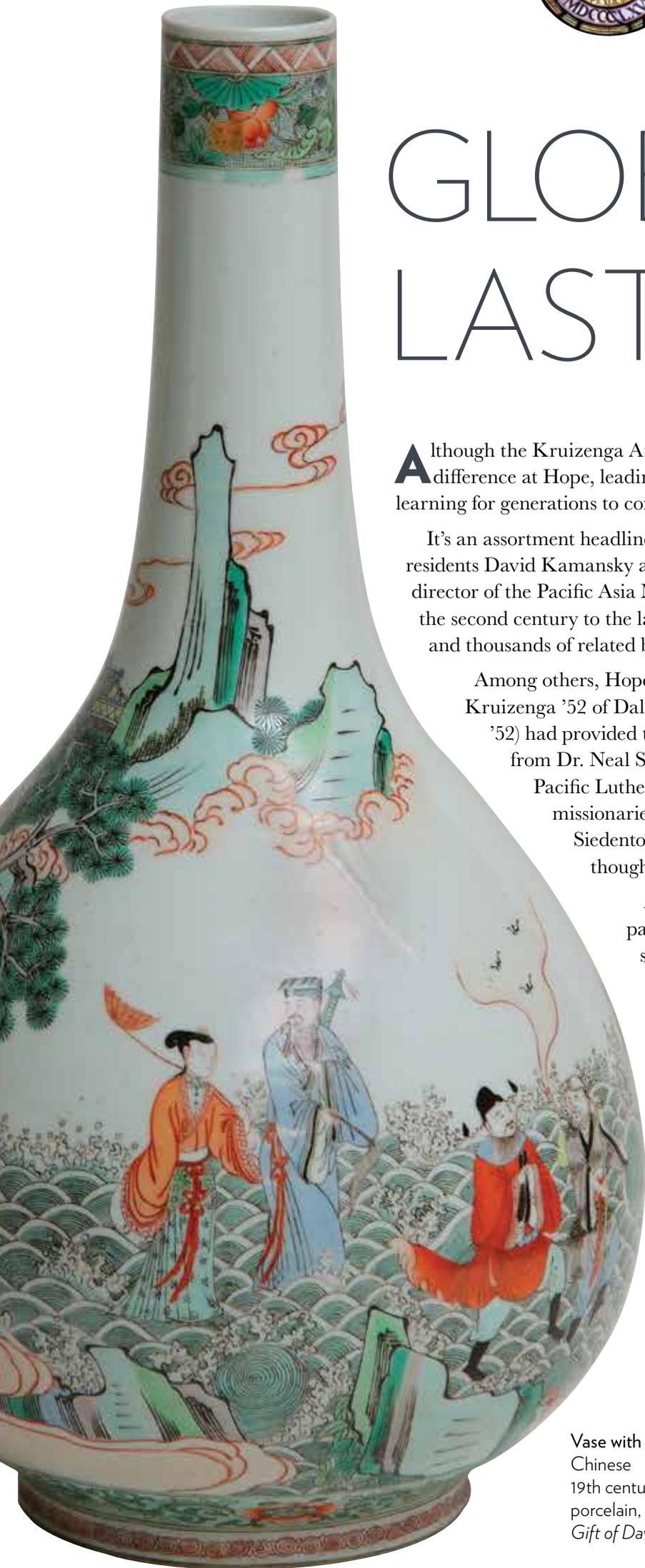
“The museum is not part of the art department, it's its own department, and its mission is to serve the entire campus,” Mason said. “So if we have a broader range of art, we're better able to serve the constituencies all across the campus.”

“What is very fortuitous about these gifts is that they dovetail very well with the initiative in the new strategic plan to increase global awareness and the global scope of Hope's curriculum and its student body,” he said.

The additions also poise the museum to play a leading role regionally and even nationally.

“For example, the Kamansky-Wheaton collection is very rich in Himalayan, Mongolian and Tibetan art, of which there's very, very little in the state of Michigan,” Mason said.

Vase with Eight Daoist Immortals
Chinese
19th century
porcelain, enamels
Gift of David Kamansky and Gerald Wheaton



Tibetan Thangkas: Boe gyi thang ga /
Rezin, Dorji; Ou, Chaogui
Published Beijing, China, 1987
Gift of David Kamansky and Gerald Wheaton

“And most of the collections of African art in this country focus on West Africa and a few on South Africa, but not so many on East Africa,” he said. “And so the collection of East African art that was put together by Neal Sobania, who is a scholar of these cultures and that area, will be an incredible and distinctive resource.”

Mason is eager to see the museum connect with departments in every academic division—not only the arts, but also the humanities, natural and applied sciences, and social sciences—to find ways that the objects, their history and their context can enrich the experience of students campus-wide. One themed exhibition, for example, might include a concert featuring music from the tradition represented. Another might compare and contrast Tibetan and European monastic traditions.

Visitors to the museum will be able to see the vision begin to take shape and maybe even become inspired to become a part of it this fall, as the museum dedicates its debut year to highlighting the strength and variety of the Permanent Collection.

“Our goal for the first year is to show the breadth and overall quality of the collection, to give people a sense of the range of material that we have in the collection and how it could

potentially be used to support a wide range of academic disciplines,” Mason said. “So it’s to some extent going to be a kind of ‘greatest hits’ of the Permanent Collection, but with an eye toward having pieces out that we can use to begin conversations with

faculty and students from different academic departments across campus about ways that we could integrate the museum into teaching and learning.”

The holistic approach and focus on education were no less important than the museum itself in fostering the latest gifts. Kamansky, for example, had developed the collection he shares with Wheaton (a native of Michigan) across more than 50 years, and noted that they especially appreciate that the works will provide a resource not previously available. They learned about the new museum and its mission through Mason, who had directed the Pacific Asia Museum immediately prior to coming to Hope in 2013.

“Gerald and I like the idea of our art going to a part of Michigan where Asian art in particular is not well represented,” Kamansky said.



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Untitled Suprematist Composition
 Victor Mall (American, 1901-1982)
 1928
 watercolor on paper
 Gift of David Kamansky and Gerald Wheaton

The fact that Hope was equally interested in the related art library, which went to the Van Wylen Library, was also a major consideration. “The library was formed in conjunction with the art collection, and it is wonderful that students will be able to use the books and catalogs as they are learning about the art,” Kamansky said.

That’s exactly the plan. “The collection directly supports the art collection given by Mr. Kamansky and Mr. Wheaton both as research materials for the works of art and also by providing background on the history and culture of China, Japan, Tibet, South Asia and other countries,” said Kelly Jacobsma, who is the Geneva Thome Begg Dean of Libraries with rank of associate professor.

In the same way, Dr. Sobania’s collection includes not only hundreds of objects, ranging from woven baskets to illuminated parchment books to religious icons, but extensive documentation, such as books, photographs and even video showing some of the contemporary artists at work. Dr. Sobania, who prior to joining PLU in 2006 was director of international education and a

member of the history faculty at Hope for 25 years, began acquiring pieces while in Ethiopia as a Peace Corps volunteer after graduating

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from Hope. He has continued to do so across his career, including while co-directing research for an exhibition held at Michigan State University in 1994.

“We were buying things for Michigan State’s museum, but at the same time, if there were two objects I would sometimes pick one up for myself,” he said. “I know where these pieces were purchased, I know when they were purchased. That makes it rather unusual.”

Dr. Sobania likewise values his *alma mater’s* emphasis on bringing the world to life through art and the larger story of which it’s a part.

“In my teaching I’ve sometimes been able to use the actual objects,” he said. “For students to actually be able to hold a parchment book and see the guiding pinpricks used by scribes to write in a straight line brings things alive in a way that just reading about it doesn’t.”

Like all of education, like travel, the experience is broadening, often in unexpected ways. Such as the time a student was struck especially by how Ethiopian depictions of Jesus differed from his own mental image, expanding his appreciation of the diversity within the Christian faith.

“Just little things like that for some students can be earthshaking,” Dr. Sobania said. ✍️



Abuna Gebre Manfes Qeddus
Gabra Sellase Abadi Walda Maryam (Ethiopian, ?-early 1980s)
c. 1971-72
paper (cardboard), pigment, ribbon, thread
Gift of Neal '68 and Elizabeth '00 Sobania





Everything in Its Place

For generations to come, the organ in the new Jack H. Miller Center for Musical Arts will be known for the beauty it adds to performances in the 800-seat main concert hall, its dynamic range extending from the quietest passages to triumphant fanfare. There is no less artistry, however, in the instrument itself, a seamless blending of attention to detail and massive scale. Hidden away but ready to serve are some 3,092 pipes ranging from the size of a pencil to some 20 feet tall, all arranged in careful precision in 54 ranks spread across three chambers high behind the hall's eastern edge. The console, bewildering in complexity to the layperson but a skilled musician's playground, waits today in a secret room behind the stage, a mobile

platform ready to take the spotlight or a supporting role with just a few moments' preparation.

A gift of David P. Roossien of Holland, Michigan, the organ was custom-crafted for Hope by Casavant Frères (Casavant Brothers) in Saint-Hyacinthe, Quebec, Canada, where after testing it was disassembled, packed into a horde of boxes and crates, shipped to Holland and rebuilt piece by piece in just three weeks this summer. Final voicing, to attune the organ specifically to its home, will take place in November, with the instrument ready for the main hall's concert debut in early February. The rest of the building will open in time for the start of classes later this month. 🦋



To view a gallery of the complete installation process visit:

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THE GIVING GAME

By Eva Dean Folkert '83

The shortstop and the point guard sat together in a DeVos Fieldhouse classroom and fidgeted. Out of uniform and out of their element, an unease swept over them, not because they lacked confidence or feared the circumstance. They'd been in that classroom plenty of times before. No, discomfort arose when they were asked to talk about themselves and their good deeds. Humility, when young and sincere, has a way of tying up tongues.

Jenna Maury can fearlessly and without hesitation field a rocket deep in the shortstop's hole at Wolters Stadium for the Flying Dutch. Ask her, though, to divulge specifics on what deep inside caused her to create Buddy Bags Inc., a non-profit organization that helps feed hungry children in her hometown of Lawton,

Michigan, and her words get a little bobbled by nervous laughter.

Ben Gardner's sneaky assists on the DeVos basketball court always wow a Hope College crowd and stun Flying Dutchmen opponents. But inquire about his assisting role in the origination and operation of Jesse G Clothing, a line of t-shirts and accessories whose profits benefit Ethiopian children, and Gardner's own disclosure about his attributes within the organization would hardly amaze. In fact, his personal revelations are as furtive as his behind-the-back passes, selflessly giving scoring credit to others.

Now, the two Hope seniors, while reticent to talk about their charitable acts, have found that others are willing to get the word out for them.

This past spring, at the annual Hope Awards ceremony – Hope Athletics' version of ESPYs, Gardner and Maury were each presented with the Karen Page Courage Award which honors beloved former Hope women's tennis coach Karen Page, who lost her brave, five-year battle with breast cancer in the summer of 2009, and recognizes student-athletes who walk in similar courageous footsteps.

This year, Page Award recipients Gardner and Maury proved that bravery can be also defined as conviction put into action, a daring adherence to the active golden rule that starts with a simple but important two-letter word: do.

The striving of a 16-year-old to make a well-rooted impact on her community might seem audacious. What could a teenager—with limited resources and experience—truly do to change her world? For Maury, a sophomore in high school at the time, age would not define nor have any bearing on her resolve to make a difference. In fact, the exuberance of youth may have blinded her to all of the impediments that could have been in the way. She heard a call for help in church one Sunday, remembers squeezing her mother's hand in acknowledgment of that call, and determined then and there to be the one who would answer. The need was great, Maury felt, in a small Michigan town where a large part of the population struggled financially. She would be the one to do something.

So Maury started Buddy Bags Inc., packing children's backpacks with food items to send home on the weekends when subsidized or free lunch is not available. Enlisting the support of her parents and the Lawton High School Honor Society to get the organization started, Maury and Buddy Bags initially helped six families. Today, 30 families are the beneficiaries of her convictions.

"Overall in high school, it wasn't the cool thing to do (to start up Buddy Bags), but I didn't care," says Maury, a psychology major. "I just did it anyway."

The families who receive Buddy Bag aid are identified by school counselors and remain anonymous to Maury and other volunteers who then set out to get donations of packs and non-perishable food through local businesses and food banks. But it was an encounter with a friend at school one day whose family was receiving a Buddy Bag that solidified Maury's single-minded moxie.

"I mean, I had no idea," she says of her friend's revelation. "It really hit me. That moment I really gave myself fully to the Lord. I knew I'm here for more than me. I'm here for other people. I'm here to do His will and that (encounter) really set me straight."

Even while she is away at Hope, Maury, as president of Buddy Bags Inc., keeps close tabs on her creation's operations and progress. She has expanded its scope to a couple other local schools as well as sending food boxes home to families every two weeks in the summer. And when she can—between classes and studying and interning and playing softball at Hope—she returns to her hands-on, can-do role of stuffing bags.

"I'm one for the underdog," Maury concedes. "I want people to come through and shine. I just love that. And I love that little things can make a big impact."

JENNA MAURY

Buddy Bags Inc.



A little boy from Ethiopia has an American clothing line named after him thanks to childhood friends from Carmel, Indiana.

Three-year-old Jesse Getiso Craig is the adopted son of Kathy Craig, a friend and Young Life mentor to Gardner and Riley Rapp. Craig's stories of her travels to Ethiopia and adoption of Jesse were the inspiration for Gardner and Rapp, along with another friend, Hannah Blachly, to start a clothing company that serves a greater purpose. Their tags declare their gear is Not Just for You.

"Jesse G Clothing started with our faith," says Gardner, who has visited Ethiopia. "Growing up we had a ton of positive influences in our lives, and we knew God said to love Him first and others second. We realized when we witnessed kids in Ethiopia who were struggling that it was an opportunity to further God's kingdom."

Creating t-shirts seemed like an accessible idea, a good fit, but the partners quickly learned that starting a small business was no tiny task. From design, to production, to sales, to shipping, the company's logistical and financial

responsibilities required literal heavy lifting. Gardner's commitment, though, was hefty too.

"I've learned a lot from the mistakes we've made," says Gardner, an accounting major who would like to start his own business someday. "All of this experience, though, has lessons that will benefit me in the future."

For the first two years, the clothing line's proceeds gave tangible goods—food, clothing—to the orphanage where Jesse G first lived. Now, the company has partnered with Ethiopia Reads to build a library in the little boy's hometown. With a literacy rate at 39 percent and ranked 195th in the world, Ethiopians will now be given the opportunity to read due to the shirts on people's backs.

"A guy came up to congratulate me after the Hopeys and said he bought a shirt online during my acceptance speech. I thought that was so sweet," Gardner recalls with awe. "I didn't even know his name and I still don't. It is so cool to see stuff like that happen."

It turns out everyone is a winner in a giving game. ✈

BEN GARDNER

Jesse G Clothing



NOW THERE'S AN APP FOR THAT

By Greg Chandler



Kurtis Cunningham takes a couple of classes at Hope every semester, hosts a weekly show on the college's radio station, WTHS, and loves singing, sports and country music. He is outgoing and has many friends on the Hope campus.

However, because of 27 missing genes in his genetic makeup, Kurtis has trouble with visual spatial relationships. His condition is called Williams' syndrome.

"He knows what he sees. He has no trouble seeing the 'what,' it's where it is in space that's difficult," says his mother, Erin.

Up until recently, Kurtis' condition made it difficult for him to get around to the places he wanted to go. But thanks to the efforts of students mentored by Dr. Michael Jipping of the computer science faculty, Kurtis now has an application, or "app," on his Android phone that allows him to use the Macatawa Area Express, the public transit system that serves the Holland-Zeeland area.

The app, "MAXTracks," provides step-by-step instructions for Kurtis, who is part of Ready for Life—a program housed at Hope that provides educational opportunities and living skills courses for people with disabilities—on how to get to the bus stop and at what stop he needs to exit the bus to reach his desired location. He regularly rides the MAX to visit his friends, as well as his favorite coffee shops and restaurants.

"The app helps me getting to the location on time. I don't want to be late for anything," Kurtis says.

"MAXTracks" was developed as part of a summer software development project last year by Hope students Kalli Crandell, a senior from Grand Ledge, Michigan; Victoria Gonda, a senior from Joliet, Illinois; and Cole Watson, a junior from Louisville, Colorado. However, the process that led to the app's development goes back two summers, when Dr. Jipping received a phone call from Erin Cunningham, whom he had not met before.

"From the beginning, we had the whole Ralph Waldo Emerson idea: go where there is no path and leave a trail," Erin said. "It's not uncommon for me to have ideas for things Kurtis could use that don't exist. I've never been afraid to call people and just say, 'Hey, can you help us out? How can we make this work? Is this possible?'"

Initially, Dr. Jipping didn't have a solution to Kurtis' dilemma. But as time passed and he started to think about a project for his students in the Hope Software Institute program, an idea began to take shape.

"The summer before, we had put together

a new initiative to write a big project to teach students software engineering techniques,” Dr. Jipping said. “I thought this would be an interesting idea: to come up with an application using those techniques.”

So Dr. Jipping called Erin Cunningham back, and the two soon met to try to come up with a plan. It wasn't long before the three student researchers became involved in the process.

“We talked about what things would be helpful for Kurt, what things might be difficult, and the overall goal for what we wanted the app to do,” Victoria Gonda said. “We found that it would be best to have two sides of the app, one that Kurt uses for his navigation and another for his helpers to set things up for him. We wanted it to be intuitive for both types of users.”

Collecting the information to develop the app was a fairly time-consuming process. The student researchers spent a lot of time riding the MAX so they could map out all the bus stops Kurtis might use.

“They had to track every GPS location for every single stop on all the routes,” Erin Cunningham said.

As the summer went on, Kurtis tested out the app as he rode on the MAX and provided feedback to the students to try to help them improve the app.

“We went on group trips with the client so that we could observe first-hand how the app was being used, and if we were on the right track with some of our designs,” Kalli Crandell said.

THE APP DEVELOPED BY A TEAM OF HOPE STUDENTS HAS MADE A MAJOR DIFFERENCE FOR HOLLAND, MICHIGAN, RESIDENT KURTIS CUNNINGHAM, WHO BECAUSE OF WILLIAMS' SYNDROME HAS TROUBLE WITH SPACE-TIME RELATIONSHIPS.

Along the way, Dr. Jipping says the student researchers learned valuable lessons that they would never have learned in a classroom setting.

“We learned how to write software, we learned how to debug efficiently, but we also learned how to test, and we learned how to interact with someone that works with software differently than we do,” Dr. Jipping said.

“The students did all the registration with



The college's signature emphasizes on providing meaningful collaborative learning experiences and being of service melded in development of the app “MAXTracks,” a project mentored by Dr. Mike Jipping of the computer science faculty. Pictured from left to right are senior Victoria Gonda, Dr. Michael Jipping, junior Cole Watson and senior Kalli Crandell.

Google, they put it up in the Google Store, they put the updates up. They did all the work.” The app is currently restricted in the Google Store, but the restriction is expected to be removed soon so that anyone can use it. Meanwhile, students who were part of the Hope Software Institute this summer worked with Dr. Jipping on developing an app that can be used on Apple's iPhones. That app could be available in the iTunes Store this fall, Dr. Jipping said.

MAX marketing and customer service manager Beth Higgs said the app that the Hope students developed is the first of its kind that she's come across. She says she's aware of applications that some visually-impaired riders of the system use, but that this was the first to help riders who have cognitive issues such as Kurtis'. Roughly one of every three MAX users has a disability that's been verified under the Americans With Disabilities Act.

“That's so great for the students, to see what the app does in real time,” Higgs said.

Dr. Jipping hopes that future Hope students will have similar opportunities to get real-world experience in developing software. He has been contacted by several people about developing additional applications. “We want to write service-oriented apps, assistive-technology apps,” he said.

The students' experiences in working on “MAXTracks” are already paying dividends. For example, Kalli Crandell credits the project with helping her get an internship this summer

at Open Systems Technologies, a Grand Rapids, Michigan-based software developer.

“I am beyond excited to get to spend the summer working alongside such awesome developers,” Crandell said. “I completely credit this opportunity to my research experience.”

Victoria Gonda is also hopeful about landing a position in the software field after she graduates from Hope next year.

“I learned about what it is like to develop in an agile development environment, how to design in respect to someone else's ideas, and how to carry a larger project from start to finish,” she said.

Dr. Jipping says Hope's financial commitment to undergraduate research has made the work of the Software Institute possible. He is seeking additional funding, perhaps through outside grants, to provide even more opportunities for students to get involved in this kind of assistive software.

“It changes our curriculum to focus on using business and outside community sources to drive how we teach our students,” Dr. Jipping said.

Meanwhile, Erin Cunningham marvels at the work the Hope developers put into developing the app for her son, and is thankful for their efforts to continually work with Kurtis to make the app—and his life—better.

“They just did an amazing job,” she said. 🐱

Campus Profile



60 YEARS OF HANDS-ON LEARNING IN THE NATION'S CAPITAL

By Chris Lewis '09

As a child, Bonnie Nelson, a senior geology and history major from Roselle, Illinois, was fascinated by television documentaries that featured Washington, D.C.'s, Smithsonian Institution. She often dreamed of working at the institution one day, but never imagined the opportunity would arise before she graduated from college.

But then she learned about Hope's Washington Honors Semester, after discussing her interest in museum studies with Dr. Marc Baer, professor of history. So, this past spring, she signed up for the interdisciplinary program, interviewed at the Smithsonian and enjoyed the opportunity of a lifetime: an internship at the institution's American Art Museum/National Portrait Gallery and Anthropology Library.

For nearly four months, she staffed a circulation desk, responded to patrons' research requests, prepared for bi-annual book sales, and interviewed scientists and librarians. As a result of her experiences, she is considering a potential move East, once she completes her studies at Hope.

"The internship had an immediate impact on me," says Nelson, who is interested in pursuing a master's degree in library science

from the University of Maryland. "It put my plans after college into perspective, as I now have a goal to work towards."

She adds, "It was not easy transitioning from taking a few classes every day to working full-time, but it was definitely worth it. And I believe other students will have similar experiences, regardless of their fields of study, as they will learn what it's like to live in the real world."

Hope has offered students like Nelson practical, hands-on learning opportunities in the nation's capital for nearly 60 years. The college's ties with Washington, D.C., began in 1956, when Hope participated in a program coordinated by American University. After that association ended in 1969, the college began to operate its own program in the mid-1970s, initially as a May Term, and then as the Washington Honors Semester. This spring, the semester program celebrated its 40th anniversary, as current and former participants gathered on campus and in Washington, D.C., to discuss their experiences and the ways in which the program has impacted their lives.

"When the program was first founded, the political science department had a strong vision to provide students hands-on experiences,

rather than just academic reading and writing assignments," says Dr. Robert Elder, professor emeritus of political science, who developed the semester, modeling it after an honors program at Colgate University, his undergraduate *alma mater*. "Although it was founded by the department, the program was never designed just for political science majors either, since the variety of internships available in Washington, D.C., has always been quite broad."

Over the years, the program has evolved, as students now spend one day per week in a group setting, interacting with senators, congressmen, lobbyists, and other public policymakers. Students also attend classes every week, and often complete their IDS Senior Seminar requirement through a course titled "Values in Washington." And, if students are majoring in political science, they may choose to also write their senior capstone research papers.

In addition, students meet every week to discuss the impact of their experiences in Washington, D.C., and the ways in which their interviews with policymakers are connected to the knowledge they have acquired during their internships, arguably the most important aspect of the program. Students have the option to intern

with two organizations, rather than just one, as they have literally thousands of employers to choose from, including non-profits, congressional offices—and even the White House.

“I am a strong believer in off-campus learning,” says Dr. Joel Toppen ’91, associate professor of political science, and Washington Honors Semester program director in 2006 and 2015. “Students almost always refer to their time spent studying off-campus as the most significant term of their college years, as they grow tremendously in three areas—educationally, professionally and personally.”

Such was the case for Justin Wormmeester ’99, who interned for California congressman Ron Packard, as well as Amway’s government affairs office, from January to May 1999. A business administration and political science major, Wormmeester had never contemplated a career in government affairs or public service, prior to interning in Washington, D.C. But shortly after he returned to Hope and graduated, he moved back to the nation’s capital, and accepted a job offer in the office of Congressman Pete Hoekstra ’75, where he worked in a variety of capacities, including transportation. After Congressman Hoekstra retired from Congress in 2011, Wormmeester accepted an offer from BNSF Railway, as the director of government affairs.

“The Washington Honors Semester definitely had a profound impact on my career. It didn’t take long for me to realize that Washington, D.C., was where I wanted to be after college,” Wormmeester says. “I originally came to Washington, D.C., looking for an off-campus experience. But, through my internships, I found a passion for the issues and policy debates that drive the city instead.”

John Dryfhout ’64 of Cornish, New Hampshire, and Barbara Freggens ’64 O’Brien of Alexandria, Virginia, were similarly affected by their experiences in the program coordinated by American University. The spring of 1963—the era of Camelot, with the Cuban Missile Crisis having occurred the previous fall—was a particularly interesting time to live and study in the nation’s capital.

“John (‘Jack’) F. Kennedy was president and Lyndon Johnson was vice president. Gerald Ford was Hope’s congressional district member and Republican Conference leader,” Dryfhout

recalls about his time in D.C., in an article he and O’Brien co-authored about Hope’s involvement with the American University program. “The great orator Everett Dirksen was my Illinois U.S. senator, and it was a treat for us to hear his occasional speeches, using only a 3x5 card for his notes.”

Dryfhout and O’Brien each wrote articles published in the *Anchor*, the student newspaper, based on their experiences; one article in particular, written by Dryfhout, especially stands out, as it described his personal observations at a Kennedy press conference. The photo that accompanies this article, showing them with Congressman Ford, originally ran with an *Anchor* piece that they wrote together.

As with Wormmeester, Dryfhout’s and O’Brien’s career paths were influenced by their experiences in Washington, D.C., as Dryfhout became a lifelong career civil service employee of the U.S. Department of the Interior, ultimately retiring as superintendent and chief curator in 2004. In the meantime, O’Brien accepted an entry-level position in the office of Congressman James Delaney of Bronx, New York, prior to working as

a case manager for Congressman William S. Broomfield of Royal Oak, Michigan.

“It was exciting to be in the circle of power in the country, and to see the inner workings of the legislative process,” O’Brien says. “After participating in the program, I knew I wanted to return to work for Congress.”

On the surface it seems a bit paradoxical, but it’s really not: students leave Hope to learn. The key, though, is that students use the knowledge they acquire to prepare for the next chapters of their lives, whether they have recently lived and worked in Washington, D.C., or any of the dozens of other locations in which Hope provides off-campus study opportunities.

“The Washington Honors Semester, like other off-campus study programs, provides students opportunities to step outside the friendly confines of campus and challenge themselves,” Wormmeester says. “And they will work with people who are experts on various issues, helping to inform, shape or confirm their own thoughts and opinions. I think that is the ultimate value of the program, and I am forever grateful for it.” ✍️

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Justin Wormmeester ’99



*Barbara Freggens ’64 O’Brien and John Dryfhout ’64 are pictured with Congressman Gerald Ford in the spring of 1963, an image that originally ran in the *Anchor* student newspaper on April 12, 1963.*



Senior Bonnie Nelson enjoyed a once-in-a-lifetime chance this spring to intern with the Smithsonian Institution at the National Portrait Gallery and the Anthropology Library.



Scott Travis '06
Director of Alumni and
Parent Relations

As we enter the 150th year of Hope's charter, many on campus have been brushing up on Latin. After all, the *dies natalis* of our *alma mater* is worth celebrating! This issue outlines many of the events planned for the occasion of Hope's *sesquicentennial*.

We all know that these celebrations are a longstanding part of life. Children, adults, marriages, countries and organizations all celebrate anniversaries in one way or another. But have you ever stopped to wonder why?

Anniversaries can be a powerful symbol of community. They generate a sense of belonging and place a commemorative stamp on the passing of time. They provide an opportunity to look back, with reflection often their byproduct. In fact, remembering during anniversaries is so important, it is a major relational *faux pas* to forget one!

These milestones also offer a chance to pass on lived experience. In many cultural festivals, elders participate in community storytelling, perpetuating a common history and shared values. Here the occasion of anniversary can be best thought of as a tradition builder. In reference to Hope's centennial, a 1966 article in the *Anchor* referred to this as "a feeling of unity with the past."

This same article, printed at Hope 50 years ago, goes on to state that these celebrations should "not consist solely of banquets and hoopla. Rather, the emphasis [should] look at education and its role in preparing leaders. [It] ought to be a time for reflection on one's history and future." The student continues, "the nature of Hope College does not consist in the brick and stained glass in the chapel or even in the test tubes of the science building. The nature of this College lies in the people who teach and learn here and the values to which they commit themselves."

Increasingly, thankfulness is one of the values expressed on campus as we celebrate 150 years of Hope College. Perhaps this conveyance of gratitude is the overlooked reason we commemorate occasions such as this. During our sesquicentennial, we are thankful for those that have gone before us and laid the foundation. We are thankful for the grace of God articulated in our college's motto. We are thankful for the opportunity we have to participate in this story of Hope.

Finally, we can be thankful that our Latin lessons don't include *dodransbicentennial*; at least not until 2041 anyway.

Window to Hope's History



The forthcoming school year will be filled with milestone anniversaries, but one campus mainstay received its due as the year just past neared its close. Students, alumni, faculty and staff (and families!) gathered on Friday, April 17, to mark the 50th-anniversary year of VanderWerf Hall. Activities included multiple seminars by alumni and a birthday party outside to wrap up the celebration. VanderWerf opened for the 1964-65 school year as "Physics Mathematics Hall," was renamed for Dr. Calvin VanderWerf, former president of Hope, in 1981, and was extensively renovated in 1989 and 2011. The building today houses computer science, engineering (in the Haworth Engineering Center added in 2013), mathematics and physics.

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All submissions received by Public Affairs and Marketing by Tuesday, June 30, 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, Oct. 20.

50s

Randall Vande Water '52 and Mary Stam '72 Vande Water composed an Arcadia Publishing Co. Images of Modern America book titled

Holland, published in April. Featured in the 166 illustrations are the evolving eras of Holland during the last half century with chapters on Windmill *De Zwaan*; Tulip Time; education, including Hope College; Industry and Retail; Community Life; Attractions and Festivals; and Organizations and Institutions. The book is available in the Hope-Geneva Bookstore.

MaryAlice Ferguson '57 Ritsema of Saugatuck, Michigan, has retired and has closed her business, Tot Time. She started Tot Time in her home 40 years ago.

Tiger Teusink '58 of Holland, Michigan, was honored as one of the area's Top 10 High School coaches by the *Holland Sentinel*. He coached tennis for 52 years, including 15 years at Hope.

60s

Ralph Houston '63 and his wife celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in February.

James Flagg '65 of Sacramento, California, was married on Dec. 6, 2014.

Wenche Nilsen '65 Haverkamp of Chicago, Illinois, retired from the Academy of the Sacred Heart in 2013 and then accepted an appointment to the school's board of trustees. She also spends one day most weeks looking after

her two grandchildren.

Marion Hoekstra '65 of Laurel, Maryland, following retirement after 31 years as a linguist and manager with the Department of Defense, has been a volunteer with the American Red Cross for blood drives for 15 years. She made her first blood donation at Hope College and has continued to donate blood, and while allowing for deferments for foreign travel, she has donated more than 24 gallons of blood to help those in need. She also volunteers and is active in her church and in the community. Her most recent big trip was to Kenya and Tanzania for an African safari. Prior to that she traveled down under to Australia and New Zealand and explored the beaches at Normandy, learning about D-Day from people who were there, including nine Americans in her group who were on the beaches that fateful day. She is also proud that a great niece is a freshman at Hope.

Richard Mc Fall '65 of Portland, Oregon, is completing his 49th year in secondary education and his two sons are both college professors. One is a history professor in Wichita, Kansas, and **Ryan Mc Fall '93** is a computer science professor at Hope.

Ronald Mulder '65 of Holland, Michigan, is a member of the board of trustees and its executive committee at Lithuanian Christian College in

Klaipeda, Lithuania. He also received an honorary distinguished alumni award from Behue College in Mishawaka, Indiana, and was designated a fellow by Palmer College of Chiropractic in Davenport, Iowa.

Gail DeBoer '65 Smant of Grand Haven, Michigan, reports that she has four grandchildren.

George Van Dahm '65 of Frankfort, Illinois, served in Vietnam in 1968 and 1969, and received the Purple Heart, Bronze Star and Air Medal.

Peter van Lierop '65 of Morrisville, Pennsylvania, pastored four Presbyterian churches in South Jersey and Long Island from 1969 to 1990, was a senior adjunct professor of psychology at Burlington County College from 1975 to 1983 and a vocational rehabilitation counselor in Long Island from 1990 to 1999, and was a therapist at the Mental Health Center in Pennel, Pennsylvania, from 1999 until retiring in 2010.

70s

Charles Bigelow '70 of Dexter, Michigan, recently retired after 40 years in ministry. He served in the First Reformed Church of Little Falls, New Jersey, for 26 years, and in the Montville Reformed Church of Montville, New Jersey, for the last 14 years. He and his wife are beginning a new chapter in Dexter, where they are closer to family.

Nathelee Roelofs '70 Bowman of Appleton, Wisconsin, reports that she is enjoying retirement and yoga classes.

Kenneth Bradsell '70 is currently a pastor of the Protestant Church in Oman. He and his wife live in Muscat, Oman.

David Gouwens '70 of Fort Worth, Texas, has retired as emeritus professor of theology at Brite Divinity School after 32 years of service. He and his wife are moving to Thetford Center, Vermont.

Deanna Burke '70 Hansen of Holland, Michigan, reports that as much as she loved teaching elementary children at Holland Christian Schools, she now appreciates the freedom of retirement, spending time with family and friends and traveling.

Steven Harms '70 retired from his law firm in June 2014 after 39 years as principal. He continues as a clinical professor of law at Walsh College, where he has taught online and in the classroom for 24 years. His recent books include a *For Dummies* volume for Wiley Publishing, a book covering aspects of international law for Thomson Publishing and numerous books he has authored or contributed

New Alumni Board Members



Josh Augustine '17



Jonathan Liepe '91



Matt Wixson '08



Hideo Yamazaki '76

During its May meeting, the Hope College Alumni Association Board of Directors elected new officers and appointed four new members.

Newly elected to a two-year term as president is Victoria Brunn '84 of Santa Monica, California. She succeeds Tom Kyros '89 of Grand Rapids, Michigan, whose service on the board is continuing.

Newly appointed as vice president is Nancy Clair '78 Otterstrom of Bethel, Connecticut.

Otterstrom had previously served a two-year term as secretary.

Succeeding Otterstrom as secretary is Bradley Norden '04 of Christiansburg, Virginia.

The board's new members are: Josh Augustine, a junior from Maple Grove, Minnesota; Jonathan Liepe '91 of Colorado Springs, Colorado; Matt Wixson '08 of Ann Arbor, Michigan; and Hideo Yamazaki '76 of Tokyo, Japan.

Connor Brady '15 of Walker, formerly Senior Class

Representative, was appointed representative of the most recent graduating class. Alison Claucherty of Haslett, formerly Junior Class Representative, was appointed Senior Class Representative.

The board members who have concluded their service are: Ralph Bohrer '83 of Scottsdale, Arizona; Brian Gibbs '84 of Bad Homburg, Germany; Samantha Rushton '14 of Warren, Michigan; and Janice Day '87 Suhajda of Rochester Hills, Michigan.

Retirement, but Not Farewell

Although he's newly retired from the role that he held at Hope for 42 years, Mark Cook '73 hasn't said farewell to the college.

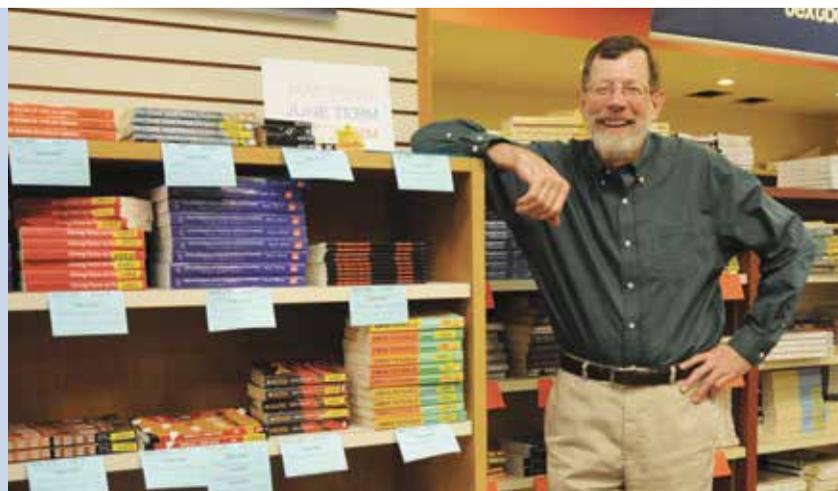
Cook, who retired in July after serving as manager of the Hope-Geneva Bookstore since 1973, has taken on a new part-time role focused on special projects related to auxiliary enterprises at the college. It's a mix of responsibilities that will range from examining credit card processing in light of new technical requirements, to helping plan the future of the bookstore as its current location in the DeWitt Center becomes reconfigured as a connecting link to the forthcoming Jim and Martie Bultman Student Center.

In short, Hope will continue to benefit from his decades of experience and a deep commitment to the place and its people.

"It will be fun to stay involved with the college," he said. "I've put in a lot of years here. If I can use that in different ways—solve different problems or help in different arenas—I'm interested in doing that."

Cook also intends to devote more time to his map-making business. He has earned multiple commissions for his hand-drawn (and often extensively illustrated) cartography through the years, including for numerous histories published by the A.C. Van Raalte Institute. He and wife Janet Ann Ross '76 Cook are also looking forward to the flexibility to visit their three children, who are in Boston, Massachusetts; Portland, Oregon; and Austin, Texas.

Cook didn't anticipate a career at the college when a professor suggested during his senior year that he look into the manager's position when Hope announced



the retirement of his predecessor, E. Duffield "Duffy" Wade. An English major, he had already committed to a summer teaching English in Taiwan through a program of the Reformed Church in America, but he loved books, figured it didn't hurt to apply, and didn't hesitate to say yes when offered the position during his interview.

And so, he worked in the bookstore for about a month

after graduation, spent the next several months overseas and then returned just in time for the fall book rush—and stayed.

"It was a job I thought I'd do maybe two or three years, and it lasted longer than that," he said. "And for those 42 years I have had the privilege of working directly with smart, interesting people, supporting the students and faculty of a college that I have a great affection for."

to for the Institute of Continuing Legal Education. He reports that he and his wife enjoy spending time with their family, including their eight grandchildren.

Mary Luckey '70 of Oakland, California, is the author of *Membrane Structural Biology*, second edition, published by Cambridge University Press in 2014. She reports that she is working on two other writing projects, plus enjoying her two grandsons. She and her husband visited their son and daughter-in-law in Patagonia.

Christine Peacock '70 Powers of Aurora, Colorado, was honored by Arapahoe House for 15 years of service on the organization's board of directors and outstanding fundraising. In April she began her 29th year of volunteering at the Denver Museum of Nature and Science. The last two summers, she and her husband have volunteered for a work project at the Jicarilla Apache Reformed Church in Dulce, New Mexico.

Stanley Sterk '70 of Jenison, Michigan, joined Rehmann Group CPAs in January as a partner.

Tom Welscott '70 of Greenbush, Michigan, was ordained by Zeeland Classis in 1975 and began his full-time ministry at The Other Way Ministries in Grand Rapids, where he met and married his wife. They have both served at Hope Community Church in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Ebenezer Reformed Church in Ontario, Belltower Reformed Church in Ellsworth, Michigan, and Spruce and Westminster

Presbyterian Churches in Northeast Michigan. He retired in June 2014. He reports that they are enjoying the additional time with their four children and five grandchildren in Michigan, California and Yukon (Canada).

Vicki Detlefs '70 Wendell of Los Gatos, California, is supervising student teachers and traveling. She recently went dog sledding in the Grand Tetons with Road Scholar. She has four grandchildren, who she reports are great fun.

Wendell Wierenga '70 of Rancho Santa Fe, California, retired as executive vice president, research and development at Santarus and is on the board of directors at XenoPort, Cytokinetics, Ocera Therapeutics, Apricus Biosciens, SRI International and Anacor Pharmaceuticals.

Deborah French '71 Nykamp of Holland, Michigan, retired from the Hope College advancement services office in June 2013. In 2014 she became a Jamberry (nails) independent consultant. She reports that she is enjoying that and spending time with her family.

John Schmidt '73 of Holland, Michigan, is the executive director of the Holland Chorale. He will act as the chief ambassador and will facilitate the long-term success and sustainability of the Chorale.

Chad Busk '74 of Rockford, Michigan, had two articles published in the *Michigan Bar Journal* earlier this year: "Fighting the Good Fight: Plain-Language Tales from the Corporate

Trenches" (in January) and "Why I Made Plain-Language Changes to Your Contract" (in February).

Barbara Small '75 Akan of Cathedral City, California, is semi-retired, working in human resources at Target. She plans on retiring fully soon and moving back to Illinois to be close to family. She reports that she may be the only person who moves from Palm Springs, California, to retire in Illinois.

Barbara Stone '75 Burns of Collierville, Tennessee, reports that she has four grandchildren.

Sharon Boven '75 Carter of Stone Mountain, Georgia, is the chairman of the board of associates for Tallulah Falls School, a private, college prep, day/boarding school.

Marcia-Anne Beard '75 Dunbar of Loudon, New Hampshire, reports that she is still enjoying (most days) homeschooling her youngest son, James, who is in high school. Their other son, Jonathan, is a junior at Hope, double majoring in computer science and English with a creative writing emphasis.

Eric Jones '75 of West Olive, Michigan, reports he has had many changes in his life. He lost his wife due to cancer in March 2014 and retired in December 2014, and his oldest grandchild started college.

Pamela Leestma '75 of Bellflower, California, is enjoying her 35th year of teaching second grade at Valley Christian Elementary School and her 40th year of teaching in Christian education. She continues to enjoy

integrating space-related topics into the curriculum using NASA resources and is on the board of directors for the Columbia Memorial Space Center in Downey, California.

Nancy Hogroian '75 Leonard of Fullerton, California, completed the California clear credential program at UCLA in June 2014.

Jill Morrone '75 Lewis of Troy, Michigan, has been teaching for 40 years and hopes to retire soon to pursue



Charles Gossett '73 was the alumni representative from Hope College at the presidential installation ceremony at Hiram College in Ohio. He was most recently the interim association vice president for academic personnel and employee relations and continues to serve in a variety of different faculty and administrative roles at Sacramento State in California.

her second passion as a writer and entrepreneur. She will also be assisting her son, **Christopher Lewis '09**, in his free-lance writing business, Innovative Written Solutions as a writer, editor and researcher. She will also be helping her husband in their seasonal business in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan.

Bruce Martin '75 of Erie, Colorado, moved to Colorado to be closer to children, grandchildren and the mountains. He is starting up a new medical practice as part of Centura Health's Plan to develop a network of neighborhood wellness centers.

Janet Brevicek '75 Naymick of North Muskegon, Michigan, is an adjunct English instructor at Muskegon Community College and a board member on MAGC (Michigan Association for Gifted Children).

Linda Hawkins '75 Plunkett of Seminole, Florida, and her husband have retired to Western Florida. Linda continues to counsel through Hope for the Hurting, a 501c3 organization. She also offers workshops and retreats, and will be publishing a new book later this year.

David Rawlings '75 of Naples, Florida, reports that his daughter, Brittany, is a fashion-entertainment lawyer; daughter, Jacquelyn, is an events/project coordinator for GILT; and son, Andrew, works IT for national law enforcement agencies.

Jerry Root '75 of Holland, Michigan, concluded his 30th year coaching middle school basketball for Holland Public Schools.

Dennis Sturtevant '75 of West Olive, Michigan, was appointed to the Interagency Council on Homelessness by Governor Rick Snyder. He is the CEO

of Dwelling Place Non Profit Housing Corporation in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Linda Guth '75 Trout of Grand Rapids, Michigan, retired from East Grand Rapids Schools in June 2012 after 36 years of teaching. She reports that she and her husband moved to a wonderful condo in Grand Rapids and are looking forward to a trip to Germany, Greece and Turkey in the fall.

Richard Van Oss '75 of Zeeland, Michigan, has retired after 39 years of public school teaching. He continues to work as the organist/director of music at First Reformed Church in Holland, Michigan. He played during Hope's Tulip Time Recitals in May.

Michael Waalkes '75 of Raleigh, North Carolina, retired in 2014 from the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences.

Janice Bares '75 White of Spring Lake, Michigan, was responsible for bringing the Pedaling for Parkinson's physical therapy intervention program to western Michigan. She is hoping to implement a Dancing for Parkinson's program this year in the Grand Haven area. She is currently playing violin in the Shoreline Symphony and teaching violin privately.

Rich "Blue" Williams '75 of Albuquerque, New Mexico, has directed the New Mexico MainStreet Program since 2003. Governor Susana Martinez signed into law in April an increase in funding for the project. The new funding will expand community development services primarily directed to rural New Mexico villages and towns. The program currently serves 54 community projects across the state. Williams still lives in north Valley of

Albuquerque along historic acequias and the Rio Grande.

Beverly Kerlikowske '76 Butler of Mill Valley, California, was promoted to senior vice president at Wells Fargo Treasury Management. She was also awarded a paid volunteer sabbatical for her work as a philanthropist. She spent her time helping Theatre Bay Area (TBA) with marketing and strategic planning. She is the vice chair for the TBA and serves on the board of several Bay Area non-profit organizations.

Kay Hapke '76 Dimon received a CAS in teaching/curriculum from Syracuse University in May 2014.

Larry Koops '76 of Holland, Michigan, has been appointed to the Michigan Strategic Fund board of directors by Governor Rick Snyder.

JoAnn Whitefleet-Smith '76 of Worcester, Massachusetts, has been promoted to associate teaching professor of biology and biotechnology at Worcester Polytechnic Institute. She had previously served the biology and biotechnology department as a senior lab instructor, adjunct instructor, adjunct assistant professor and assistant teaching professor.

Gary van der Wege '77 of Kyle, Texas, was awarded the title of fencing master by the USFCA/Academie d'Armes Internationale. He is now one of about 100 certified Fencing Masters in the United States. A two-time Paralympian, he teaches sport fencing at the University of Incarnate Work, Texas State and St. Edwards Universities.

Kris Kropf '78 retired from the Lowell Public Schools. He has dedicated 37 years to teaching in the schools. He has also spent the last 20 years as a coach

for high school varsity baseball, football and basketball.

Marianne Walck '78 of Albuquerque, New Mexico, was named vice president of Sandia's California laboratory and leads the energy and climate program. She is the director of Sandia's Geoscience, Climate and Consequence Effects Center.

Peter Warnock '79 of Columbia, Missouri, was elected interim vice president of the Archaeological Institute of America's St. Louis Society. He is a Missouri Valley college professor.

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Rosemary Christie '80 of Naples, Florida, reports that she moved to Florida from New York two years ago and is loving it. She is working part-time for IBM and plans to retire at the end of the year.

Beth Bischoff '80 Marrie of Swampscott, Massachusetts, is the pool director for Eastern Yacht Club in Marblehead, Massachusetts. Her husband is a self-employed owner of Interstate Delivery systems.

Jennifer Nielsen '80 Mulvaney of Elkhart, Indiana, left Elkhart General Hospital after more than 20 years to take a position at Pentec Health, where she now visits patients' homes and refills intrathecal pumps.

Douglas Mulvaney '80 of Elkhart, Indiana, reports that he just finished his 46th year on skis and 14th year on a snowboard.

Judith Cook '80 Vander Zwaag of Holland, Michigan, is an inventory coordinator at Saugatuck Brewing



*Phyllis "PJ" Sherman '50 Booi
and Duane Booi '49*

Giving Hope to Students Who Need Assistance

Duane '49 and Phyllis "PJ" Sherman '50 Booi met at Hope College in 1946. The two connected while singing in the late Professor Jantina Holleman's madrigal group. "One of the songs was, 'I shot an arrow through the air; it fell to earth I know not where.' I was shooting make-believe arrows across the void, and we started going together, as it was called back then," Duane recalls. They married in 1950 in Dimnent Memorial Chapel.

Sharing why they made the decision to include Hope in their estate plans, Duane explains, "Hope was where we met and married, and giving back was the natural thing to do. We're pleased that some of what we have left will go to help future students."

Hope is grateful to all of the 700-plus members of the Dimnent Heritage Society for their generosity in supporting its students and faculty. Throughout the college's history, planned gifts from friends like Duane and PJ have helped shape the character of Hope College and its community.

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Company in Douglas, Michigan.
Elizabeth Wright '80 Hughes Wargo is entering her 20th year as a kindergarten teacher for a small school district in Riverside, California. She received her master's in education from Azusa Pacific University in 2001. She reports that she is happily married and has two beautiful daughters who live nearby. She enjoys visiting her two playful grandchildren often. She enjoys vacations in San Diego and Palm Springs, California.

Susan Miller '81 Den Herder of Zeeland, Michigan, was honored by Make-A-Wish Michigan as the organization's 2014 Wish-Granting Volunteer of the Year.

Debra Kunzi '81 Khoriaty of Wyoming, Michigan, is a sales support supervisor with Charter Communications.

Katherine Koops '81 of Atlanta, Georgia, has joined Taylor English Duma LLP in the firm's corporate and business practice. She has also served as an adjunct professor at Emory Law School.

Steve Sayer '81 of East Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania, was installed as the 13th pastor of The Community Church in Harrington Park on Sunday, March 22.

Mark Stevens '81 is the new chief financial officer for Amway and is responsible for leading Amway's worldwide financial functions. He most recently served as vice president, worldwide sales finance for Apple.

Robin Steinhauer '83 Buchler is the new superintendent for Mattawan Consolidated School. She was the district's assistant superintendent of instruction for the past four years.

Cynthia Van Iten '85 Hurless of Van Wert, Ohio, is a member of the Van Wert City Schools board of education.

Robert Kryger '85 of Lakeland, Florida, completed his first decade as a businessman/entrepreneur in 2014, a career outcome he reports he never would have imagined while studying physics at Hope. He and his wife, **Judy Kingsley '86 Kryger**, relocated to central Florida in 1995 and loves the weather and conservative culture. Three of their four sons are out of the house, with the youngest having three more years of high school left.

Mary Lokers '85 Merrill of Zeeland, Michigan, is in her 23rd year as staff chaplain at Pine Rest Christian Mental Health Services.

Ann Bower '85 Muenger of Coloma, Michigan, has been an elementary school volunteer for more than 20 years. She reports that she enjoys working with kids, which is why she is also an acolyte coordinator at her church.

Kathleen VanGiessen '85 Scholten of Akron, Ohio, is an instructional specialist at Lake Center Christian School in Hartsville, Ohio.

David "D.J." Covell '86 of Ludlow, Vermont, came out of retirement and accepted a position as the commander of professional services for the Rutland City Police Department. He is the acting chief of police for the department.

Paula Gikas-Nagelvoort '86 of Holland, Michigan, was promoted to human resources administrator with Lakewood Construction. She has been with Lakewood since 2005.

James Hop '86 was promoted to associate professor and continues as department chair - entrepreneurship and department chair - franchising management at Northwood University in Midland, Michigan. The program is the only undergraduate program in North America for franchising management.

Mark Scholten '86 is the new pastor at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Martinez, Georgia. He has been a pastor for 23 years, most recently at Faith Presbyterian in Akron, Ohio.

George "Jay" Quist '86 of Grand Rapids, Michigan was appointed by Governor Rick Snyder to be the judge for the 17th Circuit Court.

Barbara Haan '88 Kiekintveld has opened a counseling and consulting practice in Holland, Michigan.

Mike Maurer '88 of Williamston, Michigan, was recognized as the 2014 Leader of the Year from Accident Fund Holding, Inc. He is responsible for marketing and underwriting in Southeast Michigan.

Scott Wolterink '88 of Holland, Michigan, is the major gift director for the Boy Scouts of America Foundation.

Paul Harper '88 of Grand Rapids, Michigan, spoke on "X-rays shed light

on lipid interactions with sugar and with vitamin E" during an engineering seminar at Hope honoring the 50th anniversary of VanderWerf Hall on Friday, April 17. He is in the physics and astronomy department at Calvin College.

Greg Keith '89 and Laura Karasiewicz '89 Keith announce the adoption of their daughter, Ellery Tricia, from Shenzhen, China, born July 7, 2013, and brought home in March.

Donna Berkey '89 Lowry is the new president and CEO of Ready for School.

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Laura VandeVelde '90 Steenwyk of Grand Rapids, Michigan, was promoted to principal at Rehmann, a CPA, wealth management and corporate investigators firm.

Christine Becher-Tennyson '91 received an Ed.D. in educational leadership from Trevecca Nazarene University in Nashville, Tennessee, in May.

Steven Brunink '91 of Byron Township, Michigan, is the new Grand Rapids district court magistrate.

Christa Aronson '91 Galer of Big Rapids, Michigan, is a behavioral health/social worker with Spectrum Health Big Rapids Hospital - Family Medicine.

Lisa Lober '92 Ashley is the administrator of Bay Bluffs, a 120-bed, long-term care facility in Harbor Springs, Michigan. It is one of the largest employers in the county, providing long-term residential care, short-term rehab and end-of-life care. She spent the last 18 years working in the hospice community, most recently as CEO of the Hospice and

Palliative Care Association of Michigan.
Stephanie Smith '92 DeChambeau recently became the grants manager for Meds & Food for Kids, an organization committed to ending child malnutrition and sparking economic development in Haiti. She is looking forward to her first trip to Haiti this fall.

Veronica Vroon '92 Lehman is the founder of the Pure Bar, a healthy organic snack she created for her children. The company's website is located at thepurebar.com. It was incorrect in the last issue. *News from Hope College* apologizes for the error.

Anna Rangel-Clawson '93 of Holland, Michigan, will become the new assistant director of student services for Holland Public Schools. She will be overseeing the new behavioral support system.

Todd Helmus '93 and Rena Rudavsky-Helmus announce the birth of Charlotte Louise on Feb. 7, 2015.

Doug Mesecar '93 of Leesburg, Virginia, published a new paper on performance based funding in education for Lexington Institute: lexingtoninstitute.org/performance-based-funding-in-new-jersey-leveraging-education-spending-to-close-stark-achievement-gaps/

Dirk Hollebeek '95 is the new principal at Holland Christian Middle School.

Jennifer Vander Meer '95 is the associate dean, service and health division at the Wisconsin Rapids Campus of Mid-State Technical College.

Todd VanderVeen '95 and Carrie Maines '98 VanderVeen announce the birth of Cameron Todd on Feb. 5, 2015.

Susan Essenburgh '96 Behrendt of Holland, Michigan, received her ACE

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certification in group fitness instruction and is teaching group fitness at Family Fitness in Holland.

Amy Haverdink '96 Kraal has moved her human resource company, HR Solutions Group, to Zeeland, Michigan.

Jennifer Whitesell '96 Norder stepped down as artistic director of the West Michigan Youth Ballet to relocate to Ohio for husband **Jeff Norder '95's** job with Cardinal Health.

Phillip Torrence '96 of Portage, Michigan, was named to Law 360's seven-member Capital Markets editorial advisory board. He is a partner at Honigman Miller Schwartz and Cohn. **Jalaa' Abdelwahab '97** is working towards the global goal of a polio-free world by 2018. He has spent the past 15 years dedicated to eradicating polio. He has worked in Egypt, Somalia, South Sudan, Afghanistan, and Pakistan with organizations including the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, World Health Organization, and UNICEF. He now serves as senior health advisor and deputy to the global polio team leader at UNICEF Headquarters.

Jeremy Beard '97 of Grand Rapids, Michigan, was promoted to vice president/product manager at JPMorgan Chase.

Christa Wierks '97 Murphy and Robert Murphy announce the birth of Ezra Christian Robert on March 13, 2015.

Jeff Bates '98 of Ann Arbor, Michigan, spoke during a computer science seminar at Hope honoring the 50th anniversary of VanderWerf Hall, "From Wyckoff Hall to the Googleplex" on Thursday, April 16. He is a manager at Google.

Miluska Monroy '98 Benko and Michael Benko '03 announce the birth of Vivian Milena on March 18, 2015.

Daniel Hansen '98 received his Master of Education degree from Cardinal Stritch University.

Sarah Todd '04 Brummels of Holland, Michigan, and her husband are participants in Mika's Lunch, a growing food ministry in the Dominican Republic for school children from the village of Batey Fao. Sarah made her first trip to the Dominican Republic in 2007 and was touched by that experience. They met children attending a Christian school who would struggle during the day because of the lack of food their families could provide. Mika's Lunch gives a noon meal not only to the students at the school but to all that are struggling. In more than three years, Mika's Lunch has expanded to two villages and three schools and is now feeding over 713 children.

Jesse Koskey '98 received a Medical Degree from the Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons in July and began a psychiatry residency at New York University.

Sheri Hoving '99 of Grand Rapids, Michigan, finished her 15th year of teaching and coaching at East Kentwood High School. She is also currently in her 10th year of coaching the varsity softball team and as the student council advisor.

Jenny Passchier '99 of Denver, Colorado, received the national Distinguished Principal of the Year award for Colorado. She is the principal for Crawford Elementary School.

Anthony Petkus '99 and Emily Broekhuis '04 Petkus announce the birth of Viviana Marie on May 13, 2015.

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Todd Haulenbeek '00 and Quinn Kelley '00 are the founders of an entrepreneurial venture called CelebrateOurState.com, which celebrates the great state of Michigan. It offers its members perpetual discounts at many quality businesses while providing those businesses increased patronage and interest in their product or service lines. The site also welcomes its members to submit their own Michigan experiences through stories or pictures.

Jen Morris '00 recently finished a 10-week tour with the folk singing group Northern Harmony. The 16-member *a cappella* group performed nightly concerts featuring folk music from Bulgaria, Caucasus Georgia, Lithuania and South Africa, as well as early-American shape note singing. She taught singing workshops to adults in the UK, France, Switzerland and Germany. After her return, she resumed her 14th year of teaching at Northwest School for Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing Children, and continued directing Seattle's only Georgian folk choir, onefourfive, and singing with the Balkan women's ensemble Dunava.

Allicia Stojic '00 Smrha and Adam Smrha announce the birth of Mae Lucille on March 19, 2015.

John Tyrrell '00 and Anna Tyrrell announce the birth of Beckham Norton on Feb. 27, 2105. He joins his sisters Aili (three-and-a-half) and Reese (two).

Paul Vander Heide '00 of Grand Rapids, Michigan, is the owner of Vander Mill Cider in Spring Lake, Michigan. He recently purchased a new facility in Grand Rapids that will help increase production from one million to six million gallons.

Kristen DeYoung '01 Van Noord and Jared Van Noord '02 announce the birth of their seventh child, Judah Edwards, born on Nov. 23, 2014.

Geri Klug '02 Calvetti and Andrew

Calvetti announce the birth of Stella.

Steven Haulenbeek '02 was recently named one of the top 25 designers in America by Sight Unseen.com and Design Within Reach 2014 American Design Hot List. He has also been featured in the September 2014 issue of *Chicago Tribune Sunday Trib Home* magazine and the April issue of the *New York Times Style* magazine. See his ice cast bronze technique at chicagotribune.com/Haulenbeek.

Adam Hopkins '02 and Kelly Clor were married on Sept. 12, 2014, in Holland, Michigan.

Bettye Ann Daniels '02 Kittle and Kevin Kittle '03 announce the birth of Marielle Jane on Oct. 1, 2014.

Rachael Pridgeon '02 Peckham of Huntington, West Virginia, won the Marshall University Pickens-Queen Teacher Award. She has been at Marshall since 2009.

Erica Fulmer '03 Darragh and Matthew Darragh announce the birth of Carly Grace on May 8, 2015.

James Grosse '03 and Alison Fineout '07 Grosse announce the birth of Ella Nicole on June 8, 2015.

Keith Lam '03 and Rachel

Kapenga '06 Lam announce the birth of Zoe Joy on July 22, 2014.

April Sipe '03 Lawrence received her MSN with an emphasis in education in December of 2014 from California Baptist University. She is part of the nursing faculty at California State University, San Marcos.

Bryant Loomis '03 of Columbia, Maryland, spoke on "NASA GRACE satellite mission and a history of measuring gravity from space," during an engineering seminar at Hope honoring the 50th anniversary of VanderWerf Hall, on Friday, April 17. He is a chief scientist for SGT Inc. at NASA Goddard Space Flight Center. **Lily Mihalkova '03** of Los Angeles, California, spoke during the Computer Science Colloquium at Hope on "Extracting Concepts from Text" on Thursday, March 26. She is a senior software engineer at Google.

Katie Carlston '03 Saldanha and Christopher Saldanha announce the birth of Cohen Russell on Feb. 25, 2015. He joins sister, Easley (five) and brother, Thatcher (three).

Sarah Sanderson '03 of Holland, Michigan, was awarded one of Rotary International's Peace Fellowships and will be pursuing a Master of Arts degree in peace and conflict resolution at the International Christian University in Tokyo, Japan, beginning this fall.

Benjamin Schoettle '03 and Sarah Schoettle announce the birth of Lydia Joy on May 8, 2015.

Elizabeth Slentz '03 celebrated her 10th anniversary at DELTA Resources, a defense contracting firm in Washington, D.C., in April.



Jeff Guy '07 of Traverse City, Michigan, along with four of his friends paddle boarded across Lake Michigan in June and they were the first to make the 60-mile trip without assistance. The trip was not without difficulties: temperatures fell to 40 degrees, and Lake Michigan water temperatures were near freezing. The trip raised money for a non-profit dedicated to the protection of the Great Lakes based in Chicago, Illinois. They were sponsored by Ford Motor Co. and will hopefully be featured in Ford's "Go Further" campaign.

She supports the Naval Sea Systems Command and performs program management, financial management and strategic planning for a group that is responsible for executing the development and procurement of all destroyers, amphibious ships, special mission and support ships, and special warfare craft.

Stephanie Ross '04 Brower and Marcus Brower announce the birth of Hudson Ross on Feb. 19, 2015.

Kyle Delhagen '04 of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, was ordained as a minister of word and sacrament in the Reformed Church in America on Saturday, April 11.

Michael Douma '04 is director of Georgetown University's Institute of Marketing & Ethics.

Jill Van De Water '04 Isola of Hartsville, South Carolina, was ordained as a teaching elder in the ministry of word and sacrament in the Presbyterian Church.

Daniel R. Morrison '04 and Hilary Morrison announce the birth of Finlay Webster on June 16, 2015.

Shannon Dykema '04 Schamback and Justin Schamback announce the birth of Selah Grace on May 30, 2015.

Cristi DeGraff '05 Boersma and John Boersma Jr. '05 announce the birth of Hunter John on June 9, 2015.

Erica Heeg '05 Coffelt and Luke Coffelt announce the birth of Henry Alexander on Feb. 21, 2015.

Lindsey Kuipers '05 Compton and James Compton announce the birth of Mason James on Jan. 5, 2015.

Alumni Fulbright Honors

Three recent graduates have received recognition through the Fulbright U.S. Student Program sponsored by the U.S. Department of State.

Graduating senior **Sydney Bryer '15** of Olathe, Kansas, and **Kimberly Collins '14** of Carmel, Indiana, have each received English Teaching Assistantships. **Crystal Hollis '10** of Elmhurst, Illinois, has been named an alternate for a research fellowship.

Several Hope students or recent graduates have received the awards through the years,

including three last year and a total of 24 since 2008.

Bryer, a German and special education major, is spending August through June 2016 in Germany. Collins, a Spanish and international studies major, anticipates spending most of 2016 in Uruguay. Hollis, who remains under consideration for a research fellowship should one become available, would study medieval graffiti in English churches and how they relate to religious and superstitious beliefs, work that she would tie to a doctoral program in the United Kingdom.

William Guy '05 received his Ph.D. in clinical psychology from the University of Detroit Mercy in May.

Glenn Lester '05 of Kansas City, Missouri, was honored with the Dusing-Proudfoot Award by Park University on Wednesday, April 8, during the university's 20th annual Dr. Doris A. Howell Leadership Awards. The event celebrates the leadership achievement of Park students, faculty and staff, and his award was given to honor an outstanding contribution. He is an instructor of English and program coordinator for first-year writing. **Samantha Smith '05 Michael** and Troy Michael announce the birth of their third child, Callahan Michael, on Feb. 5, 2014.

Travis Spaman '05 and Lindsey Schaap '06 Spaman announce the birth of Abigail Margaret on March 11, 2015.

Anna DeHaan '05 White and Joshua White announce the birth of Moira DeHaan on April 9, 2015.

Meg Barlow '06 Bartlett and Nick Bartlett announce the birth of Max on Nov. 4, 2014.

Kaleena Chilcote '06 has been awarded a fellowship in psychosomatic medicine and psycho-oncology by Harvard Medical School that began in July. Her practice includes work at the Brigham & Women's Hospital and Dana-Farber Cancer Institute in Boston. She is currently a fourth-year resident in psychiatry at University of North Carolina Health Care in Chapel Hill. **Bria Ebels '06 DeBoer** and David DeBoer announce the birth of Lauryn Jean on April 27, 2015.

Candice Evenhouse '06 Fetzer and Derek Fetzer announce the birth of Aidan Ryan born on April 20, 2015.

Elizabeth Hammon '06 Geurink and Chad Geurink '07 announce the

birth of Eastyn Grace on April 30, 2015.

Greg Immink '06 is the new boys' varsity basketball coach for Grand Haven, Michigan. He previously coached in Traverse City, Michigan. **Heidi Lam '06 Winkler** and Shawn Winkler announce the birth of Luke Patrick on March 19, 2015. Heidi also received her master's in education at Grand Valley State University in April. **Daniel Zomerlei '06** of Zeeland, Michigan, is co-owner of Alliance Counseling Group, a private counseling practice in Grandville, Michigan. He also received his Ph.D. in human development and family studies with a specialization in couple and family therapy from Michigan State University this year.

Sommer Amundsen '07 of Roseville, Minnesota, received a Ph.D. in bioengineering: biomechanics and neural engineering from the University of Kansas in December 2013 and has spent three months teaching English in India. She and Jon Huffmaster were married in January 2015.

Hillary Miedema '07 Cash and Jason Cash '07 announce the birth of Mackenzie Joy on March 18, 2015.

Kurtis DeHorn '07 and Stephanie Poll '07 DeHorn announce the birth of Coby James on April 28, 2015.

Heather Vlietstra '07 Dykhuis and Joseph Dykhuis announce the birth of Eloise Noelle on April 1, 2015.

Holly Sneller '07 Goodman and Ryan Goodman announce the birth of Cameron Elliott on March 23, 2015.

Margaret Fylstra '07 Jaglowski of Chicago, Illinois, was a Peace Corps volunteer from 2007 to 2011.

Jeffrey Mulder '07 and Marci Mulder announce the birth of Rowan Jack on April 21, 2015.

Christian Piers '07 has been elected

national president of the American Student Dental Association (ASDA). Piers, a third-year dental student at the University of Colorado, will now lead the 22,000-member association, which represents 90 percent of dental students in the country. His primary goals are to reform the dental licensure process, decrease the burdens of student debt and improve access to oral healthcare. He now serves as chair of the ASDA Board of Trustees and spokesperson for the association. Piers has previously served the association as contributing editor and editor-in-chief, and continues to serve as the sole student member of the Colorado Dental Association Board of Trustees and American Dental Association (ADA) Council on Communications. He lives with his wife, **Rachael Sauermaun '07 Piers**, in Denver, Colorado.

Megan Worley '07 Ringnald and Adam Ringnald '07 announce the birth of Harold Russell on Nov. 22, 2014.

Cara Lawton '08 Bowen and Christopher Bowen '08 announce the birth of Melia Jean on March 2, 2015.

Sanders Frye '08 is the new Traverse City West boys' head basketball coach.

Emilie Dykstra '08 Goris and Donald Goris announce the birth of Henry Robert on March 9, 2015.

Emily Koopman '08 Heavener and Michael Heavener announce the birth of Gerrit Parker on Feb. 24, 2015.

Karly Visser '08 Leidig and Jonathan Leidig announce the birth of their second daughter, Stella Lynn, born on April 14, 2015.

Steven Martindale '08 of East Grand Rapids, Michigan, is the associate vice president investment/investment officer at Wells Fargo Advisor LLC. He has been in the wealth management industry for seven years and at Wells Fargo advisors in the private client group for four years.

Tyler Racey '08 recently traveled with a group of 23 high school students from the church youth group, FUSE, and eight other leaders from Cornerstone Baptist Church in Ludington, Michigan, on a mission trip to Belize earlier this past spring. They partnered with Thirst Missions and spent the week serving La Iglesia Templo La Hermosa in Progreso, Corozal District. They helped continue construction on their church buildings, provided the congregation with three more brand-new wood benches, and helped lead several church services and small-group Bible studies for the men and women during the week (in both English and Spanish). They also spent lots of time playing f'tbol (soccer) and ultimate frisbee with the local children, visited local shut-in residents and spent time with them in addition to bringing needed supplies, enjoyed the local culture and the cuisine with their generous hosts, visited the Maya ruins at

Lamanai, and spent some time in Caye Caulker, including snorkeling along the Belize Barrier Reef.

Matthew Sattler '08 and Kristina Sattler announce the birth of Nixon James on June 1, 2015.

Kristen Murch '08 Vande Guchte and Nathan Vande Guchte '08 announce the birth of Bennett Asher on April 26, 2015.

Heidi Snyder '08 Wolfe and Brian Wolfe announce the birth of Gideon Emmanuel on Jan. 30, 2015.

Kerri Barberio '09 received her Doctorate of Dental Surgery degree from the University of Michigan in May and is practicing dentistry at Sunrise Community Health in Loveland, Colorado.

Katie Wieringa '09 Bouwkamp and Ross Bouwkamp announce the birth of Emery Joy on April 15, 2015.

Elise Regula '09 Huber was honored as a "Shining Star" at the Davita HealthCare Partners national village-wide gathering held on May 11-14. She was recognized for her daily commitment to Davita HealthCare Partners mission and values in her day-to-day role as a center nurse administrator in Orlando, Florida.

Chris Lewis '09 currently owns Innovative Written Solutions, a freelance writing and editing services company. Since 2009, he has written and edited articles, press releases, white papers, and case studies for companies like CareerBuilder, Golf Channel, and ManpowerGroup. He has also regularly contributed to *News From Hope College* the last five years.

Abigail Drake '09 Lininger and **Bradley Lininger '09** announce the birth of Charles "Charlie" Drake on Jan. 13, 2015.

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Kimberly Boyd '10 graduated from the University of Cincinnati Medical School in May and will begin residency with a one-year internal medicine internship at the Naval Medical Center in Portsmouth, Virginia. She was recently promoted from the rank of ensign USNR to lieutenant, USN (Active Duty).

Adam Green '10 and Lauren Geswein '10 Green announce the birth of Charlie Nicholas on May 10, 2015. **Alison Meshkin '10 Sale** and Scott Sale announce the birth of Audrey Victoria on May 20, 2015.

Colleen McIntrye '11 Largent of Munster, Indiana, received a Doctor of Optometry degree from Indiana University in May and is doing her residency at the VA Medical Center in Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Joanie Kasten '11 Ostroskie and

David Ostroskie announce the birth of Jacob David on May 2, 2015.
Emily Towner '11 Otto and Ryan Otto announce the birth of Lucie Grace on Feb. 28, 2015.

Katherine Hiner '11 and Nicholas Pillsbury '12 were married on June 23, 2012.

Audrey Griffith '11 Snoor and Greg Snoor announce the birth of Everett James on Dec. 28, 2014.

Mark Waterstone '11 accepted the call to be the senior pastor at First Reformed Church in Sanborn, Iowa.

Elena Caruthers '12 of Columbus, Ohio, was featured in the National Science Foundation (NSF) brochure during the Women's History Month. She is a third-year Ph.D. student at The Ohio State University, working in the neuromuscular biomechanics laboratory.
Dean Hazle '12 of East Grand Rapids, Michigan, is a geologist with the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, Office of Waste Management and Radiological Protection, at the Grand Rapids district office.

Hannah McFarland '12 has joined OsySure, a global leader and medical device innovator, as a territory sales manager in Michigan.

Lauren Verner '12 of York, United Kingdom, completed a Master of Arts degree in applied linguistics: TESOL in 2013 at York St. John University. She taught at Shandong Agricultural University, Tai'an, Shandong, China, from February to July 2014. She and

Everetta Cole '12 of Holland, Michigan, received the GRAHEN (Grand Rapids Area Higher Education Network) 2015 Student of the Year Award. The award is given to a Master of Social Work student representing all of GVSU as the year's outstanding adult learner.

Matthew Hudghton were married on Jan. 10, 2015. She plans to teach English as a second language.

Alex Yared '12 completed the Certified Protection Officer (CPO) certification program through the International Foundation for Protection Officers (IFPO). He is an employee of Securitas Security Services USA and is assigned to the company's client site at Perrigo in Allegan, Michigan.

Paige Barendse '13 Bosma and Noah Bosma announce the birth of Sydney Elizabeth on April 10, 2015.

Drew Gudeman '13 and Ashley Mahar '14 were married on July 19, 2015 in Hinsdale, Illinois.

Kristina Rikkonen '13 will pursue a Master of Arts degree in psychology at New York University.

Kirsten Van Reenen '13 is teaching English as a second language in Yangon, Myanmar.

Paige Brenneck '14 is a menswear manager for Burberry in downtown

Chicago, Illinois.

Mitch Green '14 received his Michigan State CPA certificate. He is a staff accountant for Geenen and Kolean PC.

Carter Jones '14 will pursue a Master of Social Work degree in Ferris State's clinical/counseling program.

Class of 2015

David Abiera '15 is working for BMO Harris Bank in downtown Chicago, Illinois, in the business banking development program.

Katie Afton '15 is a physical therapy technician at Agility Physical Therapy and Sports Performance.

Chelsea Barfield '15 is working at Melton & Melton LLP as an assurance associate.

Makenzie Bortell '15 is a zip line/rock-climbing guide working in Skagway, Alaska, with Alaska Mountain Guides Incorporated.

Allison Brower '15 is a foster-care specialist with Catholic Charities West Michigan in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Cody Brumm '15 will pursue a master's degree in public health from Grand Valley State University.

Jacob Buikema '15 of Holland, Michigan is participating in Hope's student teacher exchange program in Australia from August through December.

Matt Chema '15 is an account

manager with Coca-Cola Refreshments.

Kaitlyn Chiazza '15 is working at Willis in Chicago, Illinois, as a risk-management analyst.

Abigail Dalton '15 will pursue a Master of Social Work degree in medical social work at the University of Michigan.

Anna De Groot '15 is the human resources specialist for Steelcast in DeSoto, Texas.

Cameron Dice '15 is working at JR Automation.

Katelyn Dickerson '15 will be attending Eastern Illinois University in the historical administration program.

Brooke Dippel '15 is a health promotions manager at Peak Performance Physical Therapy in Lansing, Michigan.

Kyle Dipre '15 will pursue a Master of Divinity degree through a fellowship at Princeton Theological Seminary.

Marie Dollar '15 will pursue a Master of Social Work degree at the University of Michigan, specializing in geriatrics.

Haley Donahue '15 moved to Chicago, Illinois, and is working in the marketing department at Shedd Aquarium.

Cassidy Duffey '15 is a project engineer for GA Richards in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Kara Dunn '15 is working at Bethany Christian Services in Holland, Michigan and will be attending Western Michigan University in Grand Rapids. Her program is counselor education, with a marriage-couple and family-therapy focus.

Maria Eguiluz '15 is a software developer for GE in San Francisco, California.

Steven Felusme '15 is a sales and recruiting manager at DishOne.

Karly Ferguson '15 is working with Bethany Christian Services in Holland, Michigan.

Brent Folsom '15 will pursue a medical degree from the University of Michigan Medical School.

Ashley Fox '15 is a physical therapy technician for Team Rehabilitation and the Detroit Lions.

Matthew Fredrick '15 will pursue a master's degree in athletic training at the University of Arkansas.

Paige Garwood '15 will pursue a Master of Social Work degree through University of Michigan's 16-month program.

Anna Gazmarian '15 was awarded a teaching assistantship at George Mason and will be pursuing a Master of Fine Arts nonfiction degree.

Jenna Grasmeyer '15 will pursue an occupational therapy degree at Grand Valley State University.

Eileen Guinane '15 is a preschool teacher at Harvest Christian Academy in Elgin, Illinois.

Alyssa Guzman '15 is a social media and marketing intern in Cape Town, South Africa.

Multiple Graduates Receive NSF Recognition

A total of seven Hope College graduating seniors or recent graduates have received recognition through the prestigious Graduate Research Fellowship program of the National Science Foundation (NSF).

Graduating seniors **Joseph Dennis '15** of Marshall, Michigan, and **Isabel Morris '15** of Albuquerque, New Mexico, received fellowships through the program, and graduating senior **Lisa McLellan '15** of Fort Wayne, Indiana, received honorable mention.

In addition, four alumni received honorable mention: **Meagan Elinski '13**, **Danielle Goodman '13**, **Elizabeth Miller '12** and **Ingrid Slette '12**. Elinski had also received honorable mention last year.

Hope students or graduates have received fellowships or honorable mention through the



program every year for more than 20 years, and this is the eighth year in a row that multiple graduating seniors or recent alumni have been recognized. The NSF awarded 2,000 of the fellowships nationwide this year. There were 16,500 applicants.

Dennis, a chemistry major, intends to pursue graduate study in chemistry with an emphasis in chemical catalysis at M.I.T. Morris, an engineering and Classics dual-major, intends to pursue graduate study in civil engineering at Princeton,

combining her interest in engineering with her studies in the Classics and her interest in historical building preservation and renovation. McLellan, a biology major, will be pursuing graduate study in microbial biology at Washington University in St. Louis, Missouri.

Elinski, a chemistry major, is pursuing graduate study in chemistry (surface and nanochemistry) at Texas A&M University in College Station. Goodman, a biochemistry and molecular biology major, is pursuing graduate study in virology at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. Miller, a chemistry major, is pursuing graduate study in materials chemistry at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Slette is pursuing graduate study in ecology at Colorado State University.

Alumni Tradition Continues



Wes Wooley '89



Alex Stradal '14

For the second time in history, the reins of cheerleading at Hope are passing from mentor to mentee.

Alex Stradal '14 has been named cheerleading coach, succeeding **Wes Wooley '89**, who stepped down in May after 19 seasons.

He is just the third head coach since the program began. Maxine DeBruyn of the dance faculty guided cheerleading from 1968 until succeeded in 1996 by Wooley, who like Stradal had been on the squad as a student.

Stradal, who participated in cheerleading for three years, said he is thrilled to be given the opportunity to coach at his *alma mater* and carry on the co-ed program's legacy. "It means I get to give back to the program that really made my college experience," he said.

He said he learned from his former Hope cheerleading coach and is grateful for Wooley's confidence in him. "Wes gave everything he had. I will do nothing less but the same," he said.

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Lily Hanrath '15 will be attending Penn State in the Ph.D./master's program. She will be pursuing a master's in criminology and a doctorate in sociology.

Kristine Hansen '15 will be attending physical therapy school at Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine.

Samantha Hartman '15 will pursue a Master of Social Work degree in trauma-focused cognitive behavioral therapy at Western Michigan University.

Ryan Hobby '15 will pursue a master's degree in physician assistant studies at Grand Valley State University.

Allyson Hoffman '15 will attend the University of South Florida in Tampa in the Master of Fine Arts program for creative writing. She will also pursue a certificate in professional and technical writing.

Jordan Hoogerhyde '15 will be attending physical therapy school at Florida Gulf Coast University.

Laurie Jellison '15 is a public accountant for Ernst and Young.

Rachael Kabagabu '15 will be a French teacher at Cypress Falls High School in Houston, Texas.

Minchul Kim '15 will pursue a Ph.D. at the University of Minnesota in the materials science department.

Janelle Kirsch '15 will pursue a Ph.D. in chemistry at the University of Michigan.

Taylor Ann Krahn '15 is a touring actor/director with the Missoula Children's Theater.

Jessica Krantz '15 will pursue an accelerated BSN at Michigan State University.

Emma Krive '15 will pursue a Master of Social Work degree at Grand Valley State University.

Emily Lane '15 will pursue a master's in social work at Florida International University in Miami, Florida.

Abbie Larink '15 moved to Richmond, Virginia, and is the associate community organizer for RISC (Richmonders Involved to Strengthen our Communities), which is an affiliate of The DART Center.

Nathan Leppink '15 is a banking and financial services executive recruiter for Management Recruiters of Berkeley in the San Francisco, California, area.

Conor Livingston '15 is a junior software engineer with SpinDance.

Grant Ludema '15 is a staff consultant for Crowe Horwath LLP in

Carli Capestany '15 of Hudsonville, Michigan (women's tennis, social work major), and **Julie Sobieski '15** of St. Charles, Illinois (softball, public accounting major) each received Capital One Academic All-America recognition this spring from the College Sports Information Directors of America, as did current student **Sarah Sheridan '16** of Richmond,

Nashville, Tennessee.

Ben Mason '15 is a digital marketing and graphic design specialist for Perrigo. He also co-owns a recording studio in Holland, Michigan.

Andrea Matthew '15 is attending the University of Michigan Medical School.

Matthew Milliken '15 will pursue a master's in social work, specializing in integrated health at the University of Michigan.

Amy Morrow '15 will pursue a master's in trauma counseling at Grand Rapids Theological Seminary.

Andrew O'Brien '15 moved to Nashville, Tennessee, and is an analyst at Ford Motor Credit Company.

Andrew Peecher '15 will pursue a Master in Divinity degree from Princeton Theological Seminary.

Charlyn Pelter '15 will pursue a Juris Doctorate degree at UC Davis School of Law.

Sarah Peterson '15 will pursue a Ph.D. in clinical psychology at the University of Kentucky.

Kendall Phillips '15 will be a special education teacher with Teach for America in Milwaukee for two years.

Amanda Porter '15 will attend Mayo Medical School.

Steven Rachor '15 will pursue a Juris Doctorate degree at Michigan State University.

Alicia Schubert '15 will be working with the Episcopal Service Corps in Providence, Rhode Island.

Julie Sobieski '15 is a staff auditor for Deloitte & Touche in Chicago, Illinois.

Marvin Solberg '15 will be serving the Peace Corps in Cameroon as a community health educator from September until November 2017.

Nicole Sparbanie '15 will be teaching English to seventh through 12th graders and helping teachers with curriculum development and technology integration in Rwanda as a Peace Corps volunteer. She will be there from September through December. She has a blog set up where she will record her stories: nicolesparbanie.wix.com/peaceseeker.

Britton Theodoroff '15 is a tax associate at PwC in Detroit, Michigan.

Victoria Underhill '15 will pursue a master's degree in ecology and

Indiana (diver, physics education major). The three join **Kirby Crook '15** of Beech Grove, Indiana (football, management major) and **Jenna Grasmeyer '15** of Jenison, Michigan (volleyball, exercise science major), who were honored in December. Hope student-athletes now have been selected CoSIDA Academic All-Americans 55 times.

evolutionary biology at the University of Wisconsin Milwaukee.

Graham Vanderheide '15 is working for Deloitte in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Laura VanOss '15 will be teaching middle school English at International School of Tegucigalpa in Honduras.

Ben Wells '15 will pursue a Master of Divinity degree at Fuller Theological Seminary.

Jeb Wierenga '15 is a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army and is stationed at Joint Base Lewis-McChord in Tacoma, Washington, as a quartermaster officer.

Katelynne Wohlferf '15 is a registered nurse at Zeeland Community Hospital.

Deaths

The college is often privileged to receive additional information in celebration of the lives of members of the Hope community who have passed away. Please visit the expanded obituaries we have made available online if you wish to read more about those whose loss is noted in this issue.

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Patricia VerHulst '38 Purchase of Richmond, Virginia, died on Sunday, Feb. 22, 2015. She was 98.

Survivors include her daughter, Laurel (Fred Gray) Purchase; and son, Stephen Purchase.

John Wybenga '39 of Lilburn, Georgia, died on Saturday, May 9, 2015. He was 97.

He served in World War II and retired from the U.S. Army Reserves as a lieutenant colonel.

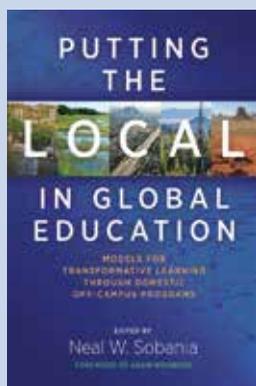
He retired as a Michigan educator after 40 years of service. After retiring, he ran his own tax preparer business for 24 years.

Survivors include his wife, Willine Wybenga; daughter, Nancy (Calvin) Heitzenrater; son, Erwin (Mary) Wybenga; grandson, Doug Johnson; granddaughter, Katie Wybenga; brother, Ray Wybenga; and four sisters, and Clara Veeneman, Anna Rood, Agnes Wybenga, and Katherine Schneider.

Helen VanKooy '41 Marcus-Reek of Holland, Michigan, died on Tuesday, April 7, 2015. She was 96.

She taught at Harrington School in Holland, Michigan until she retired in 1978.

Survivors include her three children, Jim (Carol) Marcus '69, Marc (Jan) Marcus, and Mary (Jim) Engel; seven grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; sister-in-law, Doris Delia; brother-in-law, Harold Radspinner; three step-children, Jim (Bev) Reek, Claudia (Dave) Barber and Annie Ingalls; nine step-children; 19 step-great-grandchildren; and three step-



Three members of the extended Hope community are among the authors who contributed to the book *Putting the Local in Global Education: Models for Transformative Learning through Domestic Off-Campus Programs*, published earlier this year by Stylus Publishing.

The book was edited by **Neal Sobania '68**, who also wrote the opening chapter, "The Faraway Nearby: Making the Case." Neal is a professor of history at Pacific Lutheran University, where he was formerly executive director of

the Wang Center for International Programs, and prior to joining PLU in 2006 was director of international education and a member of the history faculty at Hope for 25 years.

Rosina Miller, formerly executive director of The Philadelphia Center, wrote the chapter "Is Place the Thing? Integrative Learning in Philadelphia." One of the nation's oldest experiential education programs, The Philadelphia Center was founded in 1967 by the Great Lakes Colleges Association and is managed by Hope.

JoDee Keller '74, who is chair of the Global Studies Program and an associate professor of social work at PLU, co-wrote "The Power of Place: University-Community Partnership in the Development of an Urban Semester." As it happens, JoDee participated in The Philadelphia Center as a Hope student.

great-great-grandchildren.

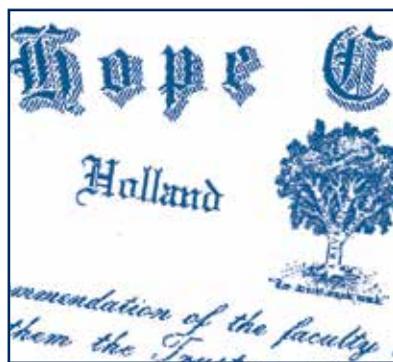
Chester Toren '41 of Munster, Indiana, died on Thursday, June 11, 2015. He was 94.

He served in the military, discharged with the rank of staff sergeant.

He was an assistant vice-president at Zurich Insurance Company.

Survivors include his children, John (Susan Maassen '77) Toren, Glenn (Nancy) Toren '77, Carl (Margaret) Toren '79, Paul (Heidi Perez '81) Toren '80, and Kevin (Shelley Vonk '86) Toren '83; many grandchildren; and great-grandchildren.

Girard Veenschoten '41 of Kalamazoo, Michigan, died on Saturday,



A total of 284 seniors graduated with honors in May. Please visit the college's website for the list.

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March 7, 2015. He was 96.

He served in the Army Medical Corps in the South Pacific and received an honorable discharge as a captain.

He was a physician, practicing in Washington, Illinois and Michigan.

Survivors include his sister, Joann Veenschoten (Jack) Hill; three step-children; five step-grandchildren; and eight step-great-grandchildren.

Wendell Anderson '44 of Whitehall, Michigan, died on Monday, June 8, 2015. He was 92.

He served in the United States Army during World War II.

He retired as the business manager at Whitehall Public Schools.

Survivors include his wife of 57 years, Betty Jo Anderson; son, Wendell (Andy) Jr.; daughter, Sandra; two grand-sons; brothers-in-law, Lawrence (Joyce) Anderson, and Terrence (Judy) Anderson; and sister-in-law, Doris Anderson.

Paul Dame '44 of Kalamazoo, Michigan, died on Thursday, May 7, 2015. He was 92.

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

He was the manager of office services for The Upjohn Company for 37 years.

He served as president of the Hope College Alumni Association from 1959 to 1961.

Survivors include his wife of 67 years, Marie Dame; four sons, Donald (Diana) Dame '74, Kenneth Dame, David (Fran) Dame and Robert

(Cindy Hoffman '85) Dame '83; seven grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and sister, Marian Dame '47 Hoekstra.

Robert Lucking '44 of Grand Haven, Michigan, died on Monday, March 30, 2015. He was 92.

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

He was a self-employed public accountant.

Survivors include his wife, Kathleen Lucking; son, Robert (Victoria) Lucking, Jr. '73; two grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and sister, Marjory Lucking '48 French.

Word has been received of the death of **Theresa DeHaan '45 Knight**, who died on Monday, April 27, 2015. She was 91.

Marjorie Gysbers '47 Chappell of Grand Haven, Michigan, died on Tuesday, March 10, 2015. She was 90.

She taught high school for 20 years in Southern California.

Survivors include her son, Stephen (Deborah) Chappell '80, five grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and brother, Norman (Elinor Arendt) Gysbers '54.

Robert Schuller '47 of Artesia, California died on Thursday, April 2, 2015. He was 88.

He started his first ministry in 1955 at a drive-in theater. He went on to become one of America's most prominent evangelical preachers, known for his *Hour of Power* television program and building the iconic Garden Grove church campus with its glass-paned cathedral.

His wife, Arvella, served on the college's Board of Trustees. He was the college's Commencement speaker in May 1992, and had also spoken during a weekday Chapel service at Hope in March 2010. The Hope College Alumni Association presented him with a Distinguished Alumni Award in 1970, and he received an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree from Hope in 1973.

An endowed scholarship was established at Hope in honor of Robert H. and Arvella Schuller in 1997 by William R. Biggs, an educator, entrepreneur and motivator, and his wife Ruth Ann. The scholarship is designed to help deserving students so that they can make positive contributions to the world.

Survivors include his five children, daughters, Sheila Schuller '73 (James) Coleman and Carol (Tim) Milner, Jeanne Dunn and Gretchen Penner; son, Robert (Donna) Schuller '76; 19 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Frank Beach '48 of Rochester Hills, Michigan, died on Wednesday, March 25, 2015. He was 90.

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

He was an assistant highway, subdivision streets and planning engineer

in Wayne County.

Survivors include his wife of 57 years, Josephine Beach; children, Nancy (Greg) Dykstra, Marcia (Chris) Sullivan and Janice (John) Martin; seven grandchildren; one great granddaughter; and sisters, Phyllis (Allen) Decker and Norma Beach.

Lorraine Bult '48 Brewer of Holland, Michigan, died on Saturday, June 20, 2015. She was 89.

She taught elementary school.

Survivors include her husband of 67 years, Gordon Brewer '48; children, Robert Brewer, Lawrence Brewer '75, Daniel (Donna) Brewer and Susan (Thomas) Harrier; and three grandchildren.

Word has been received of the death of **Willard Curtis '48**, who died Monday, April 6, 2015. He was 93.

Ernest Post '48 of Huntington, Pennsylvania, died on Wednesday, June 3, 2015. He was 89.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Ellen Brower '48 Post; son, Jon (Diane) Post '77; and brother, Lynn (Phillis DeWeerd '54) Post '56.

Lillian Sikkema '48 Woodyatt of Flossmoor, Illinois, died on Friday, Feb. 26, 2015. She was 89.

Survivors include her children, Mary (John) Cordani, John (Susan) Woodyatt and Paul Woodyatt; three grandchildren; and brothers, Vern (Lorraine VanFarowe '50) Sikkema '51, and Ron (Kathy) Sikkema '60.

Alice Moolenaar '49 Van Dyke of Menomonee Falls, and formerly of Oostburg, Wisconsin, died on Sunday, Feb. 25, 2015. She was 87.

She helped pastor various churches with her husband in South Dakota, Illinois, Wisconsin and Iowa.

Survivors include her daughters, Mary (Larry) Davis, Linda (Henry) VanWyk, Ruth Pyle '81 Borchardt and Carol Pyle '84 (Eric) Tribby; 11 grandchildren; a brother, Robert (Laura Evers '57) Moolenaar '53; two sisters-in-law, Shirley Troast, Gloria (Bud) Munsch; and stepchildren, step-grandchildren and step-great-grandchildren.

Alice deBoom '49 Morris of Owosso, Michigan, died on Sunday, March 1, 2015. She was 85.

She and her husband owned the House of Wheels bike shop.

Survivors include her children, Richard (Pam) Morris, Susan (Michael) Treen, Jan Reeves and Jeff Reeves; eight grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and brothers, Edward (Mary Lou) deBoom '50 and Frederick (Mary) deBoom.

Gordon Alderink '50 of Zeeland, Michigan, died on Tuesday, March 31, 2015. He was 87.

He served in the U.S. Navy from 1945 to 1947 in the Pacific.

He was a pastor for five parishes in Michigan, Illinois, Iowa and New York, and retired in 1990.

Survivors include his wife of 62 years, Marian Alderink; children, Kathy (Harlan) VanRhee, Gordon (Sally Meeusen '76) Alderink '76, Janice (Dave) Bilek, Ruth (Mike) Rush, Nancy (Eric) Boone and Marcia (Bill) Roberts-Mikels; 27 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

Roger Hendricks '50 of Grand Rapids, Michigan, died on Tuesday, March 17, 2015. He was 89.

He served in the U.S. Army during World War II, and was awarded the Bronze Star and Purple Heart. He later retired as Lt. Colonel Chaplain, serving in the U.S. Air Force Reserves.

He served as a pastor for the Reformed Church in America throughout Michigan, ending his career at First Reformed Church in Portage.

Survivors include his children, Paul Hendricks '75, Robert (Doreen) Hendricks, David "Al" (Jane Wolboldt '77) Hendricks '77, Timothy (Julie) Hendricks, and Yp Peuchen; nine grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; brother, John (Beverly) Hendricks; and sisters-in-law, Marian Alderink and Joyce Bader.

Geraldine Hirschy '50 Johnson of State College, Pennsylvania, died on Wednesday, March 11, 2015. She was 87. She worked as an elementary music and high school English teacher.

Survivors include her husband of 60 years, Melvin Johnson; daughter, Melanie (Jack) Raitto; son, M. Eric (Nancy) Johnson; and five grandchildren.

Word has been received of the death of **James Pfingstel '50**, who died on Thursday, May 28, 2015. He was 88.

Word has been received of the death of **James Sector '50**, who died on Saturday, April 11, 2015. He was 90.

Doris Miller '50 VanderBroek of Jenison, Michigan, died on Sunday, May 31, 2015. She was 87.

She volunteered with many organizations in her community.

Survivors include her children, Carole VanderBroek '71 (Al) Scholten, Susan (John) Smith, Marilyn Redeker, David (Sandi) VanderBroek, Ruth (Jack) Powell, Stephen (Sharon) VanderBroek and Timothy VanderBroek; 10 grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and brother, Jaye (Pat) Miller.

Howard Claus '51 of Grand Rapids, Michigan, died on Wednesday, May 13, 2015. He was 90.

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

He served as the executive director of Kent Community Hospital for more than 17 years and worked as an interim

director at various rural hospitals in West Michigan.

Survivors include his wife of 66 years, Lucille Riekse '50 Claus; sons, H. David (Karen) Claus '74, Thomas (Nancy) Claus '75 and Timothy (Terry) Claus; nine grandchildren; and one great-granddaughter.

Marijane Borr '51 Mead of Sidney, Ohio, died on Wednesday, April 1, 2015. She was 85.

She was employed as a flight attendant, a teacher and a homemaker.

Survivors include her husband, Earle Mead; three children, Carol (Eric) Sterbenz, Judith (Chris) Tenney and Matthew (Kimberly) Mead; four grandchildren; and three siblings, Bernice Whitefleet, Earl Borr and Carolyn (Ron) Simpson.

Kenneth Smouse '51 of Antioch, Illinois, died on Tuesday, June 16, 2015. He was 86.

He served in the U.S. Marine Corps.

He was head of the English department for Antioch Community High School and co-founder of the Jack Benny Theater Company.

Survivors include his wife of 63 years, Betty Dowd '52 Smouse; four sons, Steve (Gerianna) Smouse, Jerry (Jody) Smouse, Rick Smouse and Jeff (Shari) Smouse; six grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Elma Wolters '52 Hamelink of Jackson, Michigan, died on Monday, March 9, 2015. She was 83.

She taught at a country school.

Survivors include her children, Mark (Fanny) Hamelin, Nelva Hamelink, John (Sandy) Hamelink, and Scott (Karen) Hamelink; three grandchildren; three step-grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

Richard Huff '52 of Holland, Michigan, died on Monday, March 30, 2015. He was 86.

He was the vice president of Standard & Poors, and AMBAC Indemnity.

Survivors include his former wife, Phyllis; his daughter, Nancy (Mark); son, Tom; and two grandsons.

Verna VanZyl '52 Post of Tacoma, Washington, died on Sunday, March 29, 2015. She was 85.

She was a speech therapist in an elementary school.

Survivors include her husband, Andrew Post; three boys; nine grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Word has been received of the death of **Nellie Ten Brinke '52**, who died on Saturday, March 14, 2015. She was 84.

Verne Fuder '53 of Holland, Michigan, died on Tuesday, May 5, 2015. He was 87.

He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy.

He retired from USF Holland, Inc. after 30 years as a claims manager.

Survivors include his wife of 61 years, Kathleen Kempers '53 Fuder; children, John (Nellie) Fuder, Patti Fuder, and David (Robyn) Fuder; five grandchildren; one great-granddaughter; brothers and sister, Alan Fuder, Marjorie Barendse and Edwin (Joan) Fuder '58; and brothers and sisters-in-law, Roger (Marsha) Kempers, David (Marjory) Kempers and Margie (Ronald) Wiegerink.

Richard Coffill '54 of Holland, Michigan, died on Saturday, May 16, 2015. He was 83.

He served as a pastor in three Reformed Church in America churches, retiring from Deepark Reformed Church in Port Jervis, New York.

Survivors include his wife of 61 years, Elaine Ford '54 Coffill; children, Randall (Valarie) Coffill '80, Gretchen Coffill '79 (Sam) Narvarte and Harry (Michele) Coffill '89; and three grandchildren.

Word has been received of the death of **Beatrice Smith '54**, who died on Thursday, March 12, 2015. She was 90.

Henry Van Houten '54 of Boonton, New Jersey, died on Thursday, April 9, 2015. He was 83.

He had his own law practice and served as Municipal Court Judge for the towns of Boonton, Montville and Boonton Township, where he was also the town lawyer.

Survivors include his children, Carolyn (Thomas) Minsky, Marilyn Van Houten and Robert DeVito, and Jane (Christopher) Castello; sisters, Esther Van Ark, Jane Wiersma and Celesta Root; brother, Adrian Van Houten; four grandchildren; and step-grandchildren.

Rindert Kiemel Jr. '55 of Madison, Wisconsin, died on Tuesday, June 23, 2015. He was 81.

He was a U.S. Army veteran.

He was the director of research for the Wisconsin Taxpayer Alliance.

Survivors include his wife, Carol Kiemel; sons, David Kiemel and Timothy (Woei-Nan Bair); daughter, Karen Kiemel; and brother, Kenneth (Catherine) Kiemel.

Herbert Morgan '55 of Noblesville, Indiana, died on Saturday, March 28, 2015. He was 82.

He was a U.S. Army veteran.

He was an educator, serving Marion, Indiana High School for 28 years and Grand Haven, Michigan for three years.

Survivors include his wife, Joan Morgan; three children, Beth (Bob) Keck, Carol (Gerry) Bailey and Evan (Debra) Morgan; sister, Myrtle Butler; sister-in-law, Florence Morgan; and eight grandchildren.

Walter Vander Meulen '55 of Frankfort, Michigan, died on Tuesday, June 17, 2015. He was 84.

Notable Alumni Wanted!

For the Hope history book being written in conjunction with the sesquicentennial (discussed on pages 10-11), Dr. Elton Bruins '50 is compiling a list of the college's most notable alumni. If you are aware of someone who should be included, even yourself, please send the person's name and the reason for the nomination to:

A.C. Van Raalte Institute
Attn: Elton Bruins
Hope College
PO Box 9000
Holland, MI 49422-9000

He taught for 38 years, also serving as a principal and coach.

Survivors include his wife Janet Vander Meulen; children, Marc (Jill Jalving '82) Vander Meulen '82, Kirk Vander Meulen and Patricia Vander Meulen '82 Watson; and three grandchildren.

Glen "Pete" De Pree '56 of Holland, Michigan, died on Monday, March 2, 2015. He was 79.

He served two years in the armed forces.

He worked in the family business, Quality Home Furnishing.

Survivors include his children, Paul De Pree, Robert De Pree and Timothy (Kristy) De Pree; two grandchildren; former wife, Beverly De Pree; and siblings, Bruce (Elaine) De Pree, Lila (Ken, deceased) McCormack, Willard (Elizabeth) De Pree and Gordon (Lenore) De Pree.

Fred Hoesli '56 of Holland, Michigan, died on Tuesday, June 9, 2015. He was 85.

He dedicated 30 years to St. Vincent Ferrer, in the priory, the parish and the high school. He assisted at St. Francis de Sales Catholic Parish, hospitals and local prisons.

Survivors include his brother, Robert Hoesli; and sisters, Mary Bekker and Helen (Donald) Anderson.

Paul Koets '58 of Orange City, Iowa, died on Tuesday, June 23, 2015. He was 79.

He taught fifth grade at the Maurice-Orange City Elementary School in Orange City, retiring in 1995 after 27 years of service.

Survivors include his wife of 57 years, Francis Kramer '57 Koets; children, Mary and (Chuck) Schira and David (Terri) Koets; two grandchildren; and four step-grandchildren.

Joyce VerSchure '58 Nyboer of Holland, Michigan, died on Wednesday, April 8, 2015. She was 78. Survivors include her husband

of 58 years, Wayne Nyboer '58; children, Larry Nyboer '82, Pam (Dale) Senogles and Sheri (Rod) Van Loo; six grandchildren; one great-grandson; brother, Al (Carla) VerSchure; and brother-in-law, Chet Johnson.

Erwin Voogd '58 of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, died on Friday, March 27, 2015. He was 78.

He was a pastor at many churches in Minnesota, Iowa, and South Dakota. He was director of Hope Haven in Rock Valley, Iowa, and began Hope Haven's wheelchair ministry, which is now an international operation.

Survivors include his wife, Jan Van Peurseem '59 Voogd; five children, Brenda Ellis, Beth Coker, Tim Voogd, Suzi Gausman and Alicia Sample; 15 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Donald Andree '59 of Richland, Michigan died on Tuesday, Jan. 13, 2015. He was 77.

He was a teacher at Gull Lake Community Schools for more than 30 years.

Survivors include his wife, Janice Lamer '67 Andree; children, Christian (Sara) Andree, Kyle (Isabelle) Andree, Leah (Mark) Taylor, Anna (Matt) Dowling and Stebbin Rinehart; eight grandchildren; and two siblings, Robert (Mary Kay Diephuis '58) Andree '58 and Ardythe (Jerry) Vander Velde.

Lois Puehl '59 Ohl of Bryon Center, Michigan, died on Friday, May 1, 2015. She was 78.

She taught elementary school in the Godwin Heights, Saginaw and Grand Rapids school systems.

Survivors include her husband of 50 years, Donald Ohl; two children, Sandra Ohl and David (Lucinda) Ohl; three grandchildren; and brother, Carl (Nancy) Puehl Jr.

J. Calvin Bruins '61 of Mount Pleasant, South Carolina, died on Monday, May 11, 2015. He was 76.

He was a principal of Arcadia High School.

Survivors include his wife of 54 years, Bonnie Beyers-Bruins '61; children, Christi Bruins '85 (Michael) Kern, Katie Bruins '88 (Todd '88) Winkler and Charles Bruins; seven grandchildren; one great-grandson; sisters, Betty Bruins '64 (Larry) Daane, Gail (Dick) Wetzels and Helene (Ron) Daane; and brother, Bill (Mary) Bruins.

Philip "Tom" Piaget '61 of Holland, Michigan, died on Monday, June 22, 2015. He was 76.

He worked as a sales representative for Kraft Foods-Maxwell House division.

Survivors include his wife, Barbara Timmers '63 Piaget; children, Tom Piaget, Leslie Piaget, Susan (Mark) Faga and Christina (Jim Trujillo) Piaget; daughter-in-law, Rhonda Piaget;

12 grandchildren; and one great-granddaughter.

James Vander Weg '62 of Marshall, Michigan, died on Wednesday, March 11, 2015. He was 75.

He worked for State Farm for 40 years, most recently as an agency resource manager.

Survivors include his wife, Marcia Vander Weg; three children, Michael (Shelley) Vander Weg, David (Renee) Vander Weg and Mark (Denise) Vander Weg; six grandchildren; sister, Jeanne (Norman) Pugh; and brother, Marvin (Susan) Vander Weg.

Word has been received of the death of **Sandra VanderBerg '63 Elzinga**, who died on Thursday, June 18, 2015. She was 73.

Thomas Wolterink '63 of Holland, Michigan, died on Saturday, April 25, 2015. He was 74.

He worked for Herman Miller Inc., where he earned the distinguished Carl Frost Award in 1979 for outstanding performance.

Survivors include his wife, Sandra Stucky Buller; and former wife, Karen Kolean Wolterink; children, Scott (Heather Northuis '88) Wolterink '88 and Lisa (David Dunneback) Wolterink '90; three grandchildren; step-children, Rick (Jennifer) Buller and Randy (Michelle Gianturco) Buller '92; and four step-grandchildren.

Wendell Kollen '64 of Perrysburg, Ohio, died on Monday, June 8, 2015. He was 80.

He worked for Owens Illinois as a physicist and was a research professor at the Polymer Institute at the University of Toledo.

Survivors include his wife, Gayle Kollen; children, Lane (Maggie) Kollen, Brian (Carol) Kollen, Julie (Steve) Aardema and Jodie (Greg) Stamm; 10 grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and sisters, Elaine TerAvest, Barbara (Don) Rabuck and Anita (Terry) Nyhuis.

George Vander Velde '65 of Naperville, Illinois, died on Wednesday, April 1, 2015. He was 71.

He was vice president of Chemical Waste Management, the director of Illinois Waste Management Resource Center and vice president of campus development at Trinity College.

Survivors include his wife, Harriet Vander Velde; children, Anya (Jeffrey) Herlien, Erica Vander Velde and Jonathan (Jennifer) Vander Velde '99; and two grandchildren.

Word has been received of the death of **Carolyn Kunz '65 Welwood**, who died on Saturday, March 21, 2015. She was 73.

James Tillema '67 of Tucson, Arizona, died on Friday, May 1, 2015.

He was 69.

He served in the U.S. Army, and was a medic with one tour in Vietnam.

He was a clinical social worker for 22 years, providing counseling for veterans struggling with PTSD.

Survivors include his wife of 46 years, Linda Hamming '67 Tillema; daughter, Sara Tillema '00 (Karl) Ver Burg; one granddaughter; mother, Cornelia Tillema; sisters, Peg Tillema '63 (Ted) Trimble, Mary (Tom) Zmolek and Anne Slachta; sister-in-law, Sherryl (Frank) Avitabile; and brother-in-law, Jim Hamming.

Joan Hondorp '75 Stafford of Holland, Michigan, died on Tuesday, Feb. 3, 2015. She was 61.

She taught fifth grade at North Godwin Elementary for 31 years.

Survivors include her husband of 34 years, Greg Stafford; mother, Virginia Hondorp; brother, Bill (Sue Broekstra '71) Hondorp '71; and in-laws, Dave (Barb) Stafford, Steve (Mary) Stafford and John (Lisa) Stafford.

Emily Gibson '69 Ow of West Chester, Pennsylvania, died on Sunday, March 29, 2015. She was 68.

She taught in the Lansing Public School District until 1972 then taught developmental reading at Lansing Community College and English to speakers of other languages at LC, MSU and elsewhere.

Survivors include her husband, Welly Ow; daughter, Millicent (Kevin) Sullivan, two grandchildren; and sister, Julie (Richard) Cox.

Patricia Sierdsma '75 Anning of San Augustine, Texas, died on June 8, 2015. She was 68.

She was the organist and choir director at St. Paul's Anglican Catholic Church in Grand Rapids, Michigan, and the Church of the Epiphany in Shreveport, Louisiana.

Survivors include her husband, Charles Anning; daughter, Gaylin Walli; son, Erik Kliphuis; step-sons, Jonathan Anning and Charles Anning; step-daughters, Victoria Fahrion and Tiffany Horning; and seven grandchildren.

Word has been received of the death of **Catharina Hillebrand '75**, who died on Friday, June 26, 2015. She was 90.

Christopher "Stumpy" Joseph '81 of Leesburg, Virginia, died on Sunday, April 5, 2015. He was 56.

He had worked for Universal Forest Products for 29 years.

Survivors include his wife of 28 years, Janet Mountcastle '83 Joseph; daughters, Jessica and Malorie; son, Jake; sisters, Sheryl (Jack) O'Roark, Michelle (Pat) Hughes, Carol Brown and Cindy (Ron Covey) Joseph; mother-in-law, Joann Mountcastle; sisters-in-law, Karen (Marty) and Gayle (John); and brother-in-

law, Jim (Jody).

Joy Huttar '84 of Holland, Michigan, died on Tuesday, June 16, 2015. She was 84.

Survivors include her husband, Charles Huttar; children, Lydia Huttar '76 (Mark '77) Brown, Sarah Huttar (Paul '88) Brown, Rachel Huttar '78 (David) Vos, Charles (Robin) Huttar '80, Julia Huttar '83 (Ken Wilson) Bailey, Elizabeth Huttar '87 (David) Naka and Tom (Nancy Kirkpatrick) Huttar; 18 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; brothers, William Culbertson and Paul Culbertson; sister, Ruth (Arvid) Bush; and brothers-in-law, David (Ethel) Huttar and George (Mary) Huttar.

Brian Botkin '91 of Macomb, Michigan died on Tuesday, April 14, 2015. He was 46.

He was the director of logistics for the Michigan Air National Guard, and from 2010 to 2012 he commanded the 127th logistics readiness squadron, MIANG at Selfridge ANGB, Michigan.

Survivors include his wife, Kelly Botkin; children, Emily, Aidan and Megan; parents, Ray (Marcia) Botkin; brothers, Chip Botkin and Christopher (Holly Jennings) Botkin; and sisters, Kathleen Botkin Gohsman, Sandra (Al) McMurrey and Suzanne (Jerry) McGhee.

James Loats '91 of Granville, Ohio, died on Friday, May 8, 2015. He was 46.

He taught biology at Central Ohio Technical College for the past 11 years.

Survivors include his wife of 23 years, Carrie Maples '92 Loats; sons, Jason and Aaron Loats; parents, Ken (Marcy) Loats; brother, Steve Loats; and sister and brother-in-law, Sarah (Tony) Zimmermann.

Brad Knitter '95 of Holland, Michigan, died on Wednesday, May 27, 2015. He was 42.

He worked at Haworth and more recently at Carini Farms.

Survivors include his wife, Aris Knitter; mother, Lorna (Charles) Wray; father, Robert (Kay) Knitter; brother and sister, Alan Knitter and Michelle Knitter; mother-in-law, Marlene Barkel; father-in-law, Charles Kleis; and brother-in-law, Chad (Natalie) Kleis.

Sympathy to

The family of **Hazel Houting** of Holland, Michigan, who died on Saturday, April 25, 2015. She was 90.

She worked in the De Witt Center Kletz for nearly 20 years.

The family of **Joyce Plewes** of Zeeland, Michigan, who died on Tuesday, May 5, 2015. She was 96.

She worked in the Department of Geology at Hope for 26 years.

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HOMECOMING

OCTOBER 23 – 25, 2015



FRIDAY

Homecoming on 8th Street Event
Academic and Arts Events
Kruizenga Art Museum Gallery
Volleyball and Hockey Games
Resource Center and Scavenger Hunt



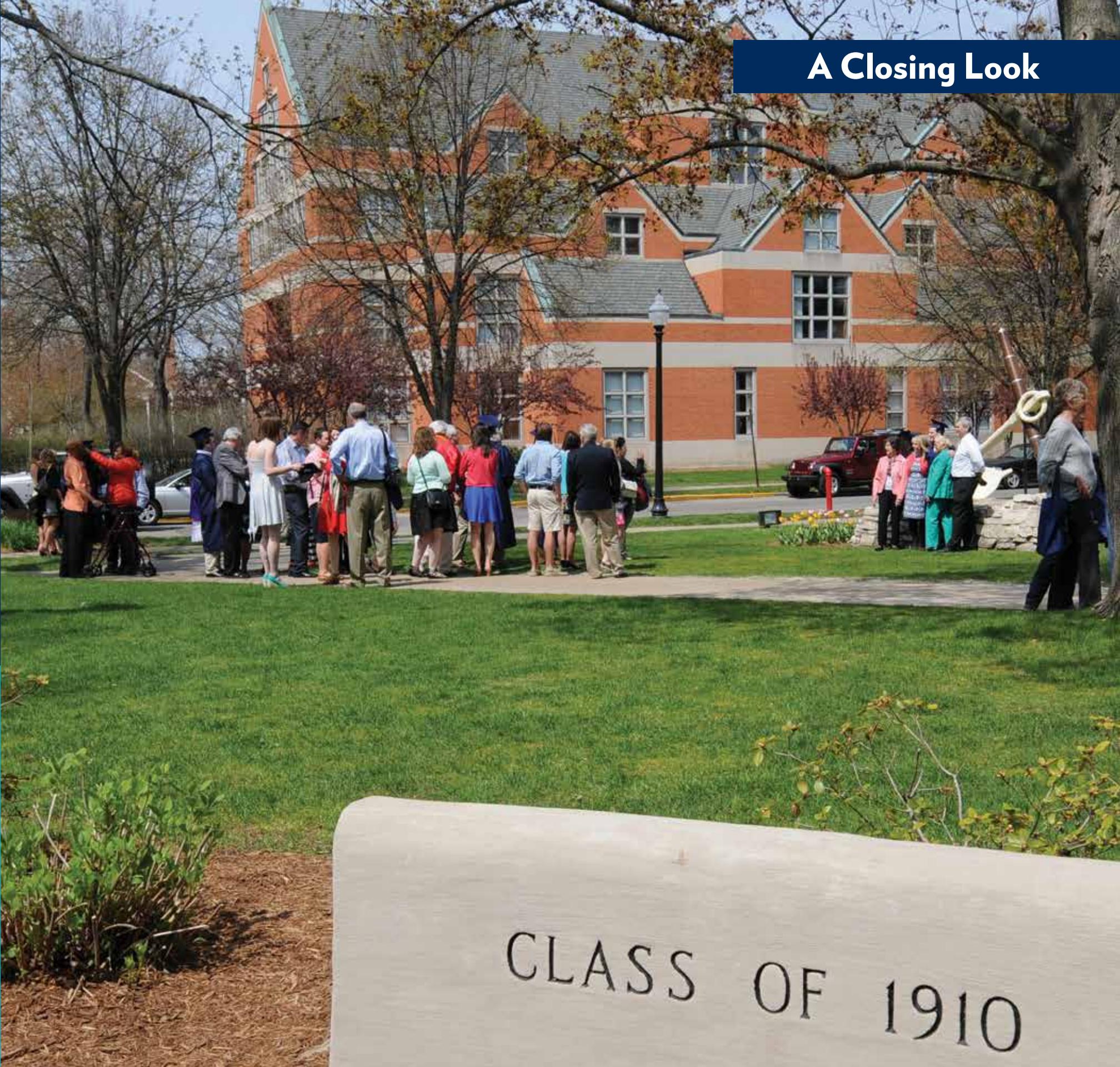
SATURDAY

Taste of the South
with John and Kelly Knapp
Jack H. Miller Center for Musical Arts
Opening Celebration
Homecoming 5K Run
Greek Life, Arts & Affinity Events
Volleyball, Soccer, Football & H-Club Tent
25th Class Reunion Gathering



SUNDAY

Alumni Chapel Choir
Homecoming Worship Service
Dimnent Heritage Society Brunch
The Gathering



CONTINUITY OF HOPE

As they enjoy the campus following Baccalaureate in Dimnent Memorial Chapel on Sunday, May 3, each celebrating a once-in-a-lifetime milestone, the members of the Class of 2015 and their families and friends are surrounded by echoes of those who have preceded them. They stand where the Class of 1910 once trod and left its mark through the gift of a cement bench (after a century of service the distinctive semi-circular seat eventually crumbled, as one day do all things physical, but its inscribed backrest has been retained near new successors). They pass by the pillars contributed by the Class of 1912, and beneath the arch donated by the college's chapter of the Blue Key honor society in 1940. And of course, like thousands before and sure to be thousands since, they pose by the anchor, beloved symbol, brought to *alma mater* by Hope's chapter of Alpha Phi Omega in 1965. It is a tableau at once both historic and timeless, and simultaneously shared and singular, and it has happened 150 times so far.

Hope College and the City of Holland invite you to the 50th Hope-Holland



COMMUNITY DAY



Saturday, September 5, 2015



Explore Holland and Windmill Island Gardens

9–11 a.m. Velo City Community Day Ride. Participate in a family-friendly bicycle ride around Hope College, Windmill Island Gardens and the City of Holland. Meet at DeVos Fieldhouse on the Hope College Campus, 222 Fairbanks Avenue, at 9 a.m.

9:30 a.m. – 5 p.m. Bring your ticket stub to Windmill Island Gardens for free admission.

- Enjoy *De Zwaan*, the 254-year-old Dutch windmill; explore 36 acres of gardens, dikes, and canals; visit the Posthouse museum; and shop at the unique Windmill Island stores.
- Children will enjoy the playground, Children's Gardens, and the Antique Carousel.



Enjoy a Picnic with Entertainment

Windmill Island Gardens, 7th Street and Lincoln Avenue

11 a.m. – 2 p.m. Picnic

- Win prizes.
- Enjoy music by Holland's American Legion Band, 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. and Grupo Ayé, 12:30 p.m. – 2 p.m.



Cheer Hope College Home Athletics

10:30 a.m. Men's and Women's Cross Country, 50th anniversary of the Vanderbilt Invitational Ridge Point Community Church, 340 104th Avenue

1:30 p.m. Football – Hope hosts Monmouth, Illinois Ray and Sue Smith Stadium, 16th St. & Fairbanks Avenue

7:00 p.m. Men's Soccer Bergsma Memorial Tournament – Hope hosts Illinois Wesleyan VanAndel Stadium, 225 Fairbanks Avenue

Admission to all athletic contests is free with your ticket!

TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

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