

Events to celebrate science center

It's time to celebrate.

With the final portion of the science center project set to be done by the start of the school year, Hope has scheduled a day-long celebration in conjunction with Homecoming Weekend.

"Preparing the Next Generation of Students," featuring a series of addresses by invited speakers, a dedication ceremony and an open house, will take place on Friday, Oct. 8, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The events will begin with a keynote address by Dr. Judith Ramaley, who is assistant director in the Education and Human Resources Directorate of the National Science Foundation.

Two sets of three parallel presentations by Hope alumni scientists will take place at 10:15 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. The speakers will include: Dr. Sylvia Ceyer '74 of Cambridge, Mass., professor of chemistry at MIT; Dr. Tim Laman '83 of Cambridge, a research associate of the Arnold Arboretum at

Harvard University and a wildlife photographer whose work has been featured in *National Geographic*; Dr. Paul Schaap '67 of Grosse Pointe Park, Mich., president of Lumigen; and Dr. George Zuidema '49, professor emeritus of surgery with the University of Michigan.

The dedication ceremony for the science center will take place at 12:30 p.m. at VanAndel Plaza, near the building's main north entrance. An open house will follow from 1:15 p.m. to 3 p.m.

The science center project includes both the construction of a new, 85,900 square foot building and the renovation of the existing, 72,800 square foot Peale Science Center, which had opened in 1973. Construction began in March of 2002. The new building opened for the beginning of the 2003-04 school year, and the renovation of Peale is being completed for this fall.

The project totals \$36 million, and is one of the major components of the *Legacies: A Vision of Hope* comprehensive campaign. ✍



The construction of the new science center and the renovation of Peale have made a major—and essential—difference to the college's science program. With both phases of the project now complete, Hope will mark a day of celebration on Friday, Oct. 8, during Homecoming Weekend.

"Quote, unquote"

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

With the new school year imminent, *news from Hope College* looked back an even 50 years to see what was making campus news during an earlier era's beginning.

In its debut issue for the 1954-55 school year, the *Anchor* student newspaper gave major attention to campus development, coverage occasioned by approval of a loan for the future Kollen Hall and an understanding that the growing institution accordingly needed new facilities. Excerpts appear below. An overview of Hope's current building boom is featured on pages two, five, 10 and 11.

"Construction to Start in January"

"Hope College's new men's dormitory is finally becoming a reality with the FHA approval of a loan of up to one million dollars. A letter approving the application for the loan was received last week from the Housing and Home Finance Agency, a subsidiary of the Federal Housing Administration. Completed specifications are to be submitted within 60 days for final approval.

"Architect Ralph R. Calder of Detroit has received the contract for the construction of the building. His previous work on Hope's campus has been Durfee Hall and the Power Plant. Mr. Calder has met several times with the college administration so that the completed plans will be submitted to government authorities within the allotted time...

"Construction is to begin January 1, 1955, with completion expected by July 1, 1956, according to Dr. Lubbers [Irwin Lubbers '17, Hope's president at the time]. The new dormitory will be four stories of steel, brick and concrete construction and will be located on 12th Street opposite the athletic field. Three hundred men will be housed in the building, and the individual rooms will measure approximately 14 by 15 feet. A lounge and

toilet facilities will be located on each of the three floors. The new project promises not only to add beauty to the campus, but will also provide much needed living quarters for Hope's men."

"Editorials:

"Enrollment on Increase"

"We at Hope College are witnessing one of the most expansive building programs this campus has seen since its founding. Behind this program lies not only much imagination and planning, but careful study and consideration of the present and future needs of Hope College.

"Figures compiled by leading statisticians show a nationwide increase in population of college age. In 1953 the population of college age was 8,001,654; by 1960 a 16 percent increase is expected; a 46 percent increase in 1965 and by 1970 an increase of 70 percent over the number in 1953.

"These figures, complemented by the higher percentage of college age attending college in Michigan over the national average and the increases in percentage of college age attending college, lead to the belief that Hope College in 1970 can expect an enrollment of 2,191.

"To accommodate this increase, a seven fold building project has been initiated. First on the agenda is the men's dormitory and following respectively are the physical education building, music building, Danford Meditation Chapel, dramatics and art center, student union and the sodding of Phelps Field."

The results of meeting the additional needs noted in the editorial include buildings that are today campus mainstays like Nykerk Hall of Music (1956). The process also continues: Carnegie Gymnasium (1906) was rebuilt and renamed Carnegie-Schouten Gymnasium in 1954 but replaced by the Dow Center in 1978; Dow will in turn be complemented by the forthcoming DeVos Fieldhouse.

Kollen Hall itself, which is now co-educational by wing and floor, opened in 1956 and was dedicated on Sept. 1, 1957. ✍



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On the cover

Our main image features Meredith Arwady '00 performing during the Gilmore festival in Kalamazoo, Mich., in May. It was a time of celebration: in March, she was one of only three winners in the New York Metropolitan Opera National Council Auditions. The inset photo shows her singing the alma mater during Commencement four years before.

At top center, Tim Fry '05 is pictured with Zandile Tshabalala, adopted daughter of Katlego Setshogoe '02 and family of South Africa. Tim visited the family during his spring, 2004, internship with World Vision.

At top right, work on the De Vos Fieldhouse progresses during an active summer for campus development.

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