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Date: October 5, 2021

Time: 9:30 AM-10:30 AM

Place: HASP Virtual Classroom, hope.edu/virtualhasp

Program: "The Brass Band of Battle Creek"

The Brass Band of Battle Creek will begin with a video presentation including clips of live performances. This will be followed by a History of the Brass Band of Battle Creek (BBBC). Over the last 30 years the BBC has established itself as one of the premiere brass and percussion ensembles in the world. The BBC is best known for its ability to expertly perform many styles of music, from swing to brass band classics to show tunes, pop, and marches. Offering a wide variety of youth education programming including high school and middle school brass band camps, the Young People's Concerts are designed to introduce kindergarten – 5th grade students to brass band music and live performances.

The mission of the BBBC is "To bring, joy, understanding and inspiration through the power of music."

SPEAKERS:

James and Bill Gray -the founders of the Brass Band of Battle Creek (BBBC) are both trained professionally and practiced as podiatrists, their love for music allowed them to develop relationships with some of the nation's finest brass players and led them in 1989 to form the BBBC.

Jerry Rose - the education director for the BBBC was hired in 2020 after a 33-year career as a music educator and band director in the school districts of Pennfield, Coldwater and Charlotte.

Shannon Aikins - the Executive Director of the BBBC and was appointed to this position in 2020. Shannon has a 25-year history of creating positive customer interactions. She is a champion of multi-tasking.

Upcoming Monthly Programs

November 2, 2021- Edward Woods III- Director of Communications and Outreach Commission for the Michigan Independent Redistricting Commission

December 7, 2021 – West Ottawa High School Jazz Band

(Monthly program venue decisions will be made on a month-by-month basis by the HASP Covid-19 subcommittee)

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE *HASP President: Barbara Stegink: bstegink39@gmail.com, 616.990.7124*

Last month I wrote about “change” and tried to convey how our fall term at HASP will be not only different than usual but will most likely change from time to time as we continue to move through COVID guidelines and restrictions.

Recently I have been thinking about all the ways we use the word “change” in many everyday phrases and if they have much impact on our thinking. Here are some phrases that have come to mind and I hope that you will add to the list.....

Change of heart

Change of focus

Change of career

Change of address

Change of diet

Change of habits

Change of scenery

Change of seasons

I changed my mind!



We have all had many changes during our lives, many that are on this short list. But how does this apply to each of us as lifelong learners of HASP?

Perhaps you usually register for all Social Sciences and SMT courses, this year register for a Humanities or Fine Arts class. How about sitting in a different seat every time you attend an in-person class. This will help all of us become acquainted with members we have not met before. Lifelong learning is about “change” whether it is something as simple as changing your seat or more difficult as changing your mind. HASP is here to help all of us become open to new ideas and discover doors that open to paths of knowledge waiting for each of us to explore - and perhaps help us change our point of view.

As we approach October 2021, I hope that you will enjoy the “change of season” and any other changes you choose to explore!

MEMBERSHIP Membership Chair: Doug Walvoord, doug.walvoord@gmail.com, 616.405.2366



We welcome our new HASP members:

Susan (Sue) Schurman

Profession: Association Management
Education: Ohio State University, Eastern Michigan University, Wayne State University
Hobbies: Walking/hiking, reading, theatre, dance, music
Mentor: Gloria Schurman

Karen Goorhouse

Profession: Acctg, Bus. Mgt., Comp. Sci., Information Literacy, Library Ref., Tech. Instruction
Education: Cornerstone University, GRCC, Holloway Institute
Hobbies: History/genealogies, arts & crafts, music, board games, cards
Mentor: Mary Robinson

Linda Belgiano

Profession: Pharmaceutical Sales
Education: Drexel University
Mentor: Don and Cheryl Swierenga

Susan McIlvain

Profession: Social Science Teacher, Counselor
Education: Wayne State University, Eastern Michigan University
Hobbies: Music, gardening, golf, choral singing
Mentor: Debi Zahn

James McIlvain

Profession: Education, Counseling
Education: The Ohio State University, Eastern Michigan University, Wayne State University
Hobbies: History, reading, birding, golf, Zion Lutheran Choir
Mentor: Larry and Debi Zahn

Pamela (Pam) Padding

Profession: Dental Assistant
Education: Ferris University
Hobbies: Reading, travel, organizing
Mentor: Beth Volkema

Jennifer (Jen) VerHelst

Profession: Special Education, Teacher Consultant for Deaf/Hard of Hearing
Hobbies: Photog., bike/paddle board/ kayak, tennis, animals, hiking, creation care/green/environment
Mentor: Janice VerHelst

Would you like to refer a friend to HASP? We've made it simple for potential members to get started!

Have them visit hope.edu/hasp-new-member

*If a potential member is unable to access the online form they can request personal assistance by contacting Susan Timmer at timmer@hope.edu or 616.395.7919 x2.

Requirements for Membership:

- Be of retirement or semi-retirement status
- Show evidence of broad, humane interest, intellectual vitality in inquisitiveness, and a willingness to contribute to the enrichment of the lives of fellow members, Hope College students, faculty and staff, and members of the surrounding community
- Participate actively in HASP programs and classes

Note: You do not have to be a Hope College alumnus in order to become a member of HASP!

CURRICULUM Curriculum Chair: Sharon Arendshorst, snarendshorst@gmail.com, 616.335.3132



Our Fall term is now under way. Having a variety of ways to engage the curriculum this Fall—in-person in the classroom, over Zoom, or by attending an off-site class—allows participation by all our members in the courses of their choice. Members have expressed their appreciation for the different modalities that are allowing them to engage the courses in ways that best suit their particular needs. We extend a special thank you to Kim and Susan who continue to host Zoom and oversee the technical details of the hybrid courses.

The course coordinators have an additional role to play as they monitor questions to presenters from both the classroom and over Zoom in the hybrid courses.

During October you will have the opportunity to sign up for the second half of the Fall term. Watch the HASP Constant Contact emails for the registration date. Any changes to our COVID precautions will be announced through Constant Contact. Members are still able to enroll in the open September and October courses through our rolling registration.

The curriculum subcommittees have begun to meet to develop and review proposals for the Winter/Spring 2022 term. If you have a proposal idea or course you'd like to teach, please contact the appropriate subcommittee chair as soon as possible. Each subcommittee reviews proposals in their academic areas, assigns coordinators, and helps edit the proposals to a final form. All the proposals from the four subcommittees are due to the curriculum chair on or before October 28. Our eagle-eyed editors will further edit each proposal. The Curriculum Committee then will meet in November for final approval of all course proposals, to approve the course calendar, and to discuss broader curriculum issues.

In-person Class Reminders:

- Masks are required and there is no coffee/cookies service available right now
- Please do not come to the classroom if you are not registered to attend in-person! We cannot accommodate walk-ins.
- The classroom is carefully arranged for a max of 50 persons and social distancing - please do not move tables and chairs around!
- The tables are arranged with either a single chair, or two chairs per table (every other) so that if you are attending with a spouse or a friend in your trusted circle you may share a table.
- There is a designated table/chair for the tech support person with a laptop and camera. This can not be moved.

NOON SERIES

“Noon Series” are occasional third Friday of the month offerings at NOON in the HASP classroom for which there is no charge. We will send out a registration link though as the time gets closer so that we do not exceed the 50 person classroom limit. Mark your calendars and watch your future emails for more details!

Friday, October 15, 12 noon

HSRT's 50th Season is just around the corner. Have an exclusive sit down with Artistic Director, Lenny Banovez, as he shares some of the company's plans to celebrate the milestone year!

Friday, November 19, 12 noon

Dr. Gregory Bassett, French Horn concert!

Click here: [Fall Curriculum Guide](https://hope.edu/offices/hope-academy-senior-professionals/resources/fall-2021-hasp-catalog.pdf), or type the following into your browser:

<https://hope.edu/offices/hope-academy-senior-professionals/resources/fall-2021-hasp-catalog.pdf>

All committees accept course ideas and proposals year-round!

Curriculum Chair Sharon Arendshorst, snarendshorst@gmail.com, 616.335.3132

Fine Arts Sarah Briggs, sarahbriggs969@gmail.com, 517.449.5818

Humanities Amy Henrickson, amy.henrickson@gmail.com, 616.450.8820

Science, Medicine, & Technology (co-chair) Susan Couch, couchsm@gmail.com 616.399.1491

Social Sciences Larry Lynn, oldrun09@gmail.com, 616.617.8944

SIG-Gardeners

Tour the Hope College greenhouse!

DATE: Thursday, October 28th

TIME: 3:30PM

Please RSVP: Susan Miller, semiller976@hotmail.com



Our guide will be Professor Tom Bultman of the Biology Department. This greenhouse supports teaching and research, so the plants that are growing there are not your usual landscape plants. Please RSVP via email to Susan Miller, semiller976@hotmail.com and you will receive follow-up information regarding the greenhouse location and other details.

SERVICE Service Chair: Gloria Goodwin, gagoodwi@yahoo.com, 845.546.6545

Would you like to help an elementary student learn to read?

Woodside Elementary and Pine Creek Elementary are looking for volunteers. For more information contact Melinda Mendels (mendelsm@westottawa.net), Reading Specialist at Woodside Elementary, or Morgan Vandenberg (vandenbergm@westottawa.net) at Pine Creek Elementary.



Spanish Heritage and Spanish Language Opportunities

Professor Berta Carrasco is looking for a Latino who can speak with her *Spanish for Heritage Speakers* class about the experience of being Latino in Western Michigan. Professor Carrasco will work with the volunteer to find a suitable date to talk with her students. Professor Carrasco hopes the visit can be face-to-face but can also arrange a Zoom visit.

Professor Carrasco is also looking for two volunteers to speak with her *Beginning Spanish* students about the importance of knowing other cultures and developing cultural competence. These volunteers might have had a business that employed people from around the world, or have lived in different countries for work, etc. Professor Carrasco will work with the volunteers to find a suitable date to talk with her students. Professor Carrasco hopes the visit can be face-to-face but can also arrange a Zoom visit. Contact: Berta Carrasco carrasco@hope.edu.

HASP Service Grants

Do you volunteer with a local agency that could use extra support from our organization? HASP service grants support projects where our members volunteer. You can find more information and an application online: SERVICE GRANT APPLICATION or hope.edu/hasp>member resources>service opportunities/grants.

SPECIAL EVENTS Special Events Chair: Alyce Doss, agdoss@comcast.net, 616.403.4325

The HASP Special Events committee has scheduled several exciting “happenings” for this fall.

September 27-29, is the **Lincoln Sites trip to Springfield, IL**. Those who have signed up are in for a real treat.

A HASP favorite, “ **Closing of the Grand Hotel**” is scheduled for Oct 30-Nov 1. All openings are taken but you can register for the waiting list by emailing Susan Timmer , timmer@hope.edu.

October 13, at 5:00, we will join the **Hope Women’s Volleyball Game** at the HOPE field house. Coach Schmidt will share her insights, while we dine on a boxed dinner. Then we will watch the Hope vs Adrian game from the reserved section of the fieldhouse. The talk with Coach Schmidt is FULL, but we invite you to sit with the group in the reserved section of the fieldhouse for the game at 6:30pm. Admission for the game is free with your HASP badge.

On November 17, there will be a guided tour and lunch at the **Gilmore Car Museum**. This museum is home to one of the largest car collections in the U.S., with more than 300 classic cars on display. Registration details are below.

Please join us to enjoy traveling with other HASP members. Watch for additional trips and events in the future.



Gilmore Car Museum-November 17

Join fellow HASP members on a bus trip to the Gilmore Car Museum to learn about ‘The Birds and The Bees’ (Plymouth Superbird & Dodge Super Bee) and other classic cars. Stroll through preserved pieces of history such as the “Green Book” Exhibit on the park-like campus of historic buildings (including a 1930s gas station, 1941 Blue Moon Diner, re-created dealership row) and over 400 vintage and collector vehicles from all eras are on display in over a dozen vintage buildings located on 90 acres. The trip includes an hour and a half

docent guided orientation and tour. After a boxed lunch, wander your favorite or specialty exhibits (dust bowl migration, toy cars, pedal cars, muscle cars & Happy Days Fonz’s motorcycle) and visit the Blue Moon Diner for dessert. We will follow mask guidelines that are in place at the time of the event. A registration link will be emailed to all HASP members. To request registration by phone, please email timmer@hope.edu.

Cost: \$50 Registration is open: <https://hopecollegedae.regfox.com/gilmore-car-museum>

Important Reminders Regarding HASP Special Events

Paper Registrations:

To help save paper and streamline our recordkeeping, we will no longer be including registration forms in the newsletter. IF YOU ARE NOT ABLE TO REGISTER ONLINE or need assistance registering for an event, please contact Susan Timmer, timmer@hope.edu, 616.395.7919 extension 2.

HASP Special Events Cancellation Policy:

The following is an amendment to the HASP Special Events Cancellation Policy adopted by the Board of Directors effective January 1, 2014, and revised in August, 2021:

It is recognized that circumstances may result in an event participant canceling reservations for a trip. Acknowledging that plans and arrangements are made far in advance certain cancellation charges are required to cover direct event and administrative costs. The following policy guidelines will be applied:

The Special Event cancellation fee is 10% of the event registration cost or a minimum of \$5.00 per person.

Refunds on Trips/Tours: The Special Events Committee and HASP office will administer refunds to members working with the following established policy:

1. Substitutes will first be taken in order from the “wait list”.
2. If no event “wait list” exists, any and all non-cancellable costs (i.e.: hotel accommodations, meals, tickets, etc.) will be subtracted from the base price. The remainder will be refunded to the participant less the cancellation fee as stated above.
3. No refund will be made to “no shows” or cancellations within 24 hours of departure.
4. Refunds may be made in extenuating/emergency situations at the discretion of the Special Events Committee chair and HASP Director after total expense reports are finalized.

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Program Coordinator: Susan Timmer, timmer@hope.edu, 616.414.2561 x 2

Fall Office Hours:

Please note that HASP office hours are from **9am-4pm. Mon-Thurs., and 9am-Noon on Fridays.**

Now that we have returned to onsite work and are hoping to resume more “normal” office hours, *we kindly request for you to contact us via the HASP office only, 395.7919 during these hours and avoid calling or texting our cell phones unless it is an emergency.*

HASP MEMBERS - THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY IN FUNDING TWO HASP SCHOLARSHIPS!

Congratulations to our 2021-2022 HASP Scholarship Recipients!



Emma Moore, Class of 2025

Emma is from Peru, India and will pursue Psychology, Social Work, and Teaching (Secondary) at Hope College.

Scott Theis, Class of 2025

Scott is from Chiang Rai, Thailand and will pursue Psychology and Communication at Hope College.

There will be a Scholarship Luncheon in the Spring of 2022 when our HASP President and Vice President will have the opportunity to meet our students!

From the HASP Library



The library in our new space is inviting and it will be easy to browse our collection and find a book or DVD of interest. A new committee to support the Library has been formed and they are discussing the purpose of our HASP Library. The committee goals are that our Library should offer books that support our curriculum, encourage lifelong learning opportunities, and reading for pleasure and enjoyment. The committee has started to curate our collection and is requesting that you hold any donations at this time. Watch for more news from the Library soon. Committee members include: Terri Holden, Barbara Bright, Linda Slusar, and Barb Stegink.