Campus Notes

Naming honors long-time service

Hope has recognized four couples who have played significant roles in the life of the college by naming portions of the new Richard and Helen DeVos Fieldhouse in their honor.

Russ ’45 and Doris Koskamp ’50 DeVette, Bob ’56 and Marcia Smith ’55 DeYoung, Ray and Sue Lightner ’74 Smith, and Dr. Glenn ’64 and Jackie Nyboer ’67 Van Wieren have all been honored for their decades of service to Hope. Bronze plaques commemorating the recognition were unveiled before the men’s basketball game on Wednesday, Dec. 28, during the Russ DeVette Holiday Tournament.

“These are four very special couples who have had an extraordinary impact on the Hope and Holland communities with their career-long commitments,” said President James E. Bultman ’63. “We honor them as couples because each in their own special way has been a team that has had a profound impact on generations of Hope students.”

“Hope is a better college and Holland is a better community because of their contributions to our quality of life,” he said.

Career-long service to Hope has been recognized by naming sites within the DeVos Fieldhouse. Pictured with first couple Martie Tucker ’63 Bultman and President James Bultman ’63 (second couple from right) are Ray and Sue Lightner ’74 Smith; Jackie Nyboer ’67 Van Wieren and Dr. Glenn Van Wieren ’64; Doris Koskamp ’50 DeVette and Russ DeVette ’45; and Bob ’56 and Marcia Smith ’55 DeYoung.

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