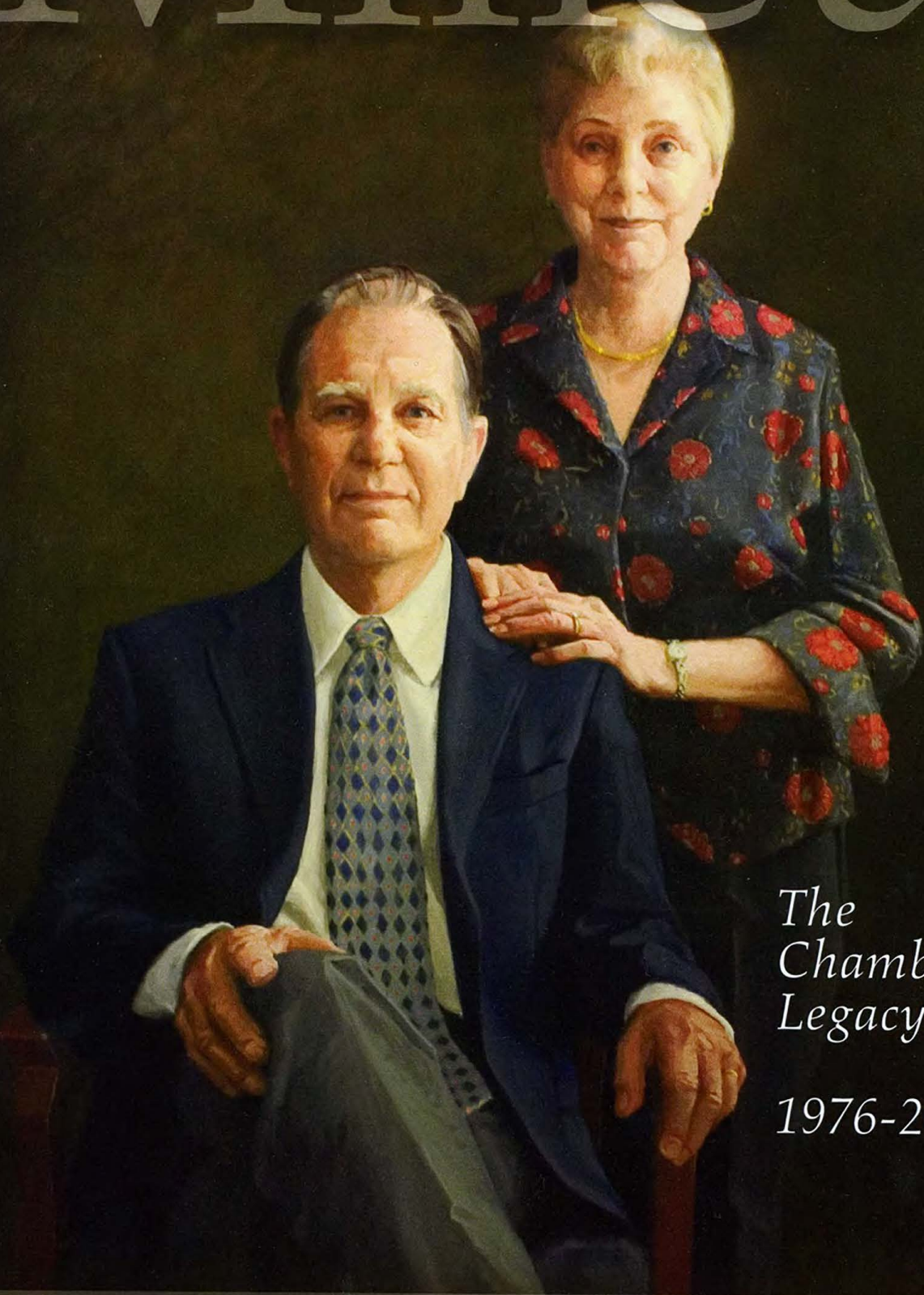


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Every year, the School of Music's Christmas concert in Wesley Chapel is unique and wonderful, but I especially remember the one in 1990.

I had moved to Houghton the previous year, after the death of my husband Jim Spear '53. That first year after his death was difficult: I had to find a house, a job and an identity, and I had to sort out my faith.

I walked to the chapel on that clear, cold night and chose to sit in the balcony. From there I looked out and saw big, soft snowflakes tumbling to the ground. I had the sense of being inside one of those glass globes that someone had shaken to create a snow storm.

As it was time for the concert to begin, the lights went out, except for the large wreath at the back of the stage and the Christmas tree beside the steps. The audience seemed to hold its breath as the choir entered, carrying lighted candles. The beautiful harmonies rose to fill the chapel and, at that moment, I was aware of being enveloped in God's love. I could see how God had provided through that awful first year of bereavement, and I felt I had come home.

—Eileen Spear '52



The Chapel is not only the worship center. It is the community center, and, appropriately, the focal point of the campus.



Architect's conceptual illustration



It is the place where people most frequently come together. Today, the chapel requires structural enhancements to regain its luster as a center for spiritual formation: effective sound and lighting systems, refurbished seating; new floor, wall and window treatments; and air conditioning.

We're not talking about a palace or a high-tech wonder. The medium won't overshadow the message.

We want to emphasize the college's continuing desire to integrate faith and learning; to provide a comfortable setting for students, faculty and staff to come together to pray, fellowship and worship.

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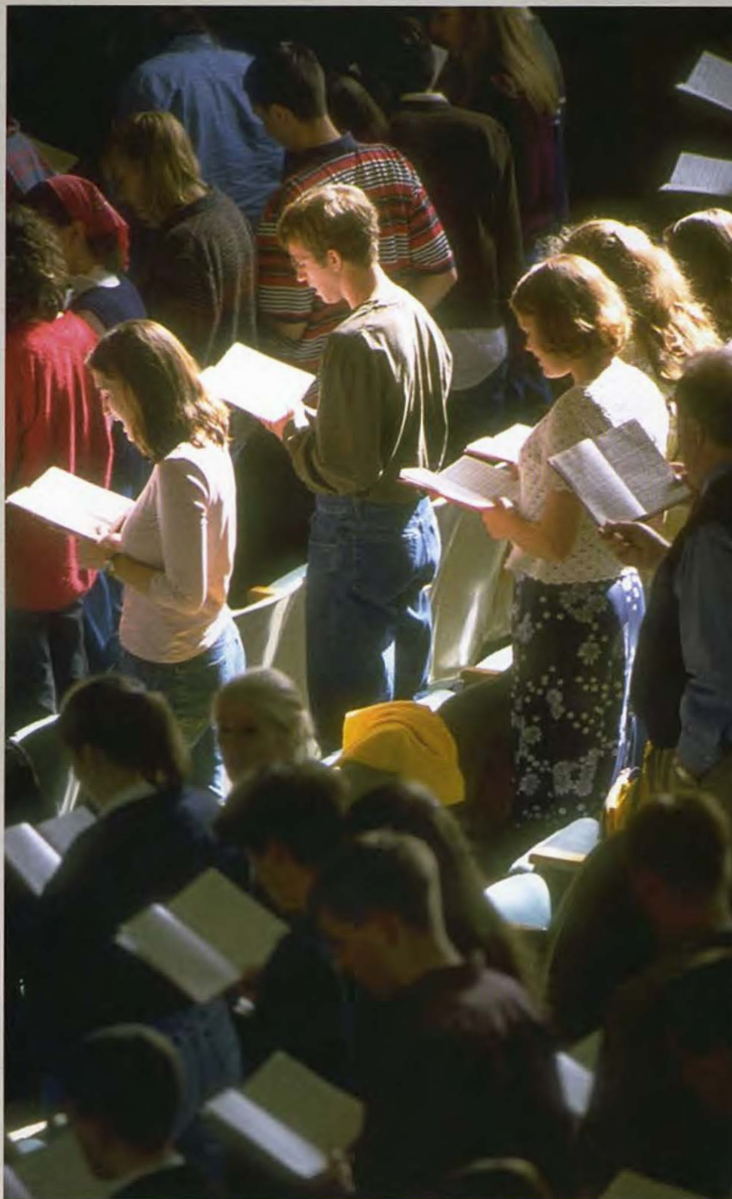
*Special opportunities:*

**JOIN THE JOHN AND CHARLES WESLEY SOCIETY** by pledging a total of \$10,000 to be given over the next five years. Members will be listed on a plaque in the foyer of the chapel, and will receive special recognition at the rededication of the chapel in the fall of 2006.

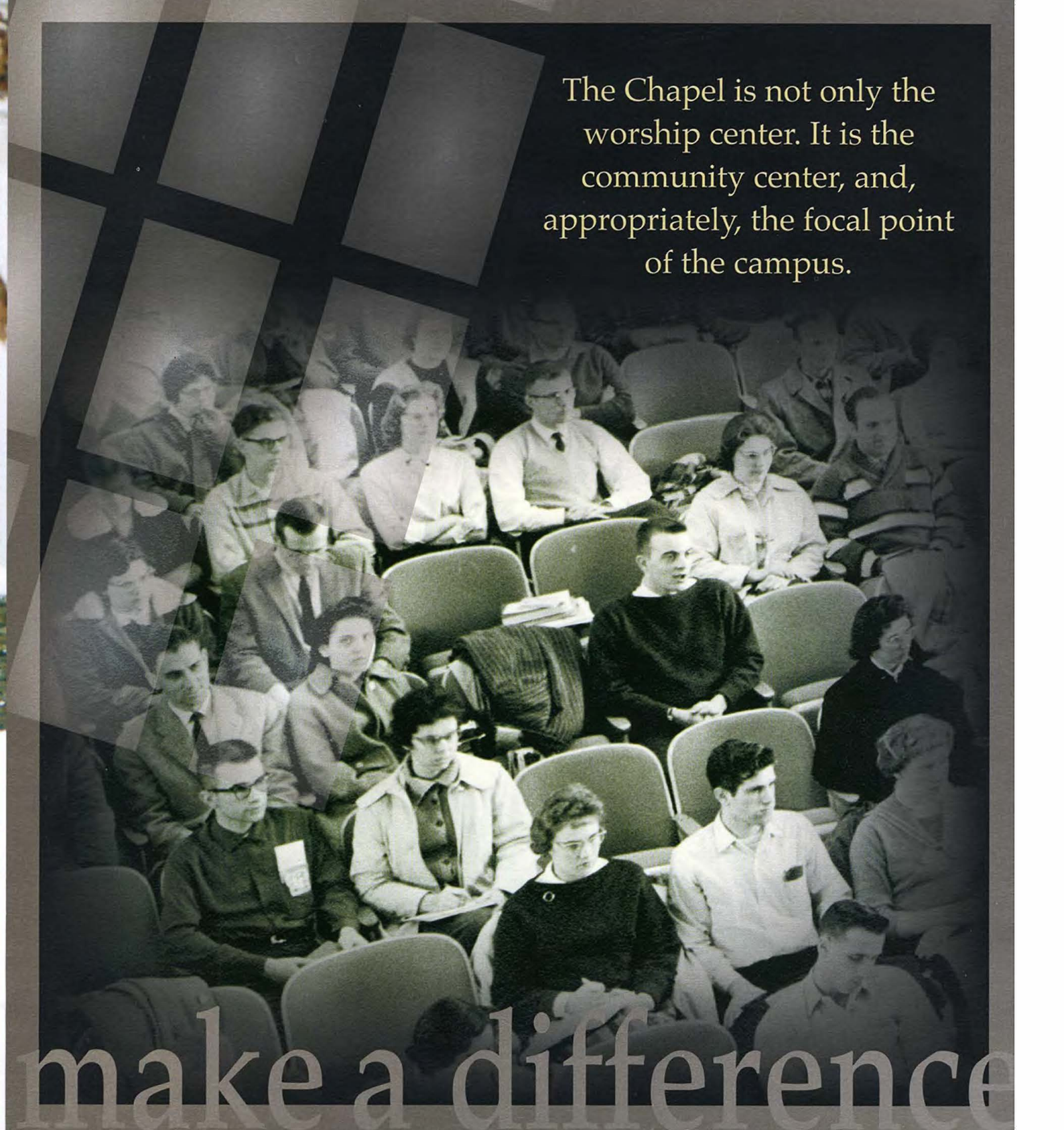
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**SPONSOR A CHAPEL SEAT** by pledging \$1,000 to be given over the next five years. The college will place a plaque on the seat of your choice honoring or remembering someone of importance to your Houghton experience.

In addition to the giving societies and seat sponsorship, there are other naming opportunities in support of the chapel project. Please contact the Office of Advancement for additional information.

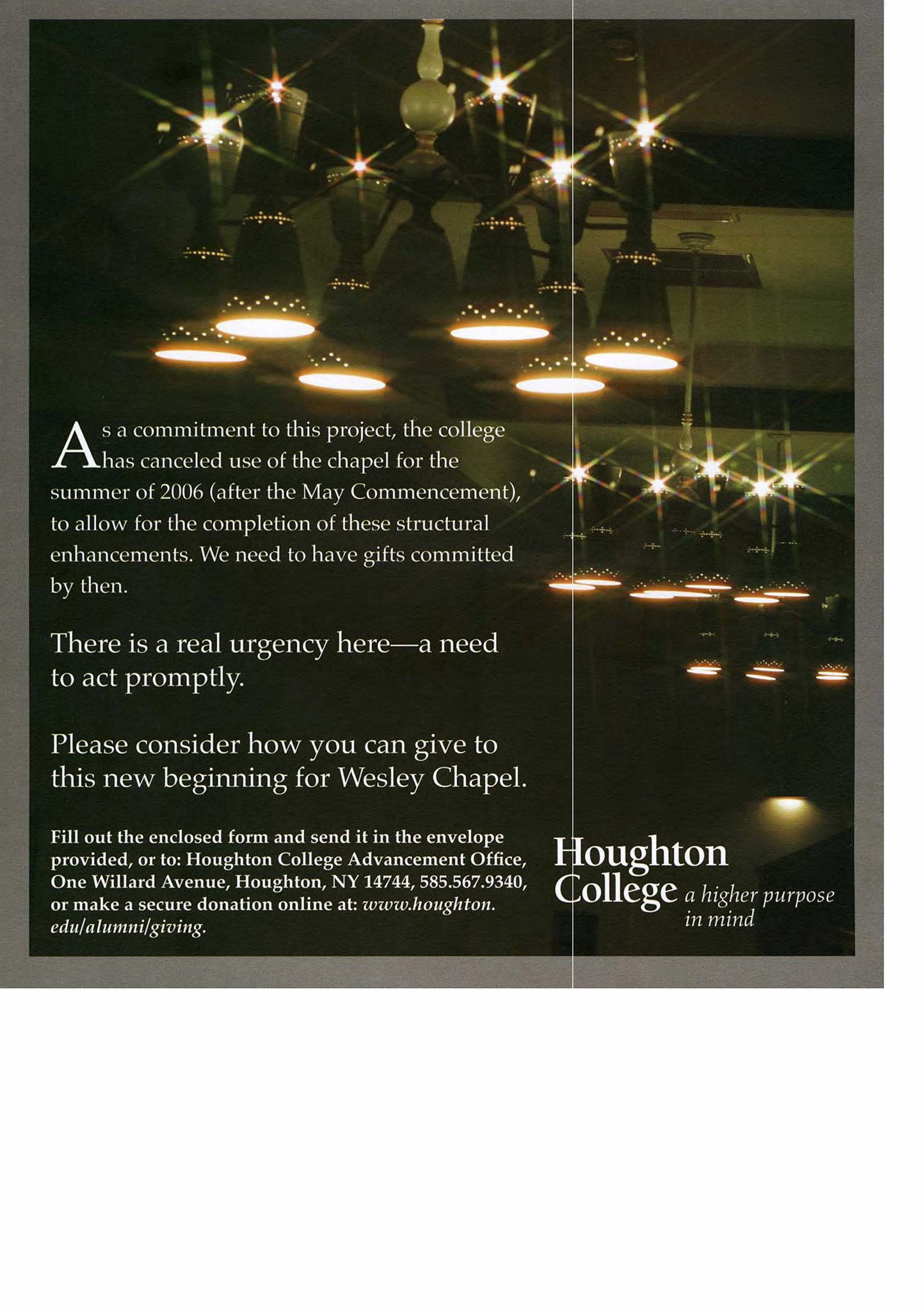


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As a commitment to this project, the college has canceled use of the chapel for the summer of 2006 (after the May Commencement), to allow for the completion of these structural enhancements. We need to have gifts committed by then.

There is a real urgency here—a need to act promptly.

Please consider how you can give to this new beginning for Wesley Chapel.

Fill out the enclosed form and send it in the envelope provided, or to: Houghton College Advancement Office, One Willard Avenue, Houghton, NY 14744, 585.567.9340, or make a secure donation online at: [www.houghton.edu/alumni/giving](http://www.houghton.edu/alumni/giving).

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## A Great Joy

by Daniel R. Chamberlain

It has been a great joy to serve Houghton College, and as Joyce and I anticipate our retirement, I would like to acknowledge some of the many people who have helped make that joy complete. First, Joyce herself. Several weeks ago, a community member came up to Joyce and me and said "You folks are going to be hard to replace." Then she looked at Joyce and added, "Especially you."

I agree, except I would contend that it will be impossible to replace Joyce! I thank her for being my best friend, my most honest critic, and an incredible partner ever since we first met 56 years ago as college freshmen. I was elected class president, and she was elected social chair, and thus our roles were assigned and defined from that time until now!

Together with Joyce, let me acknowledge the support of my family. Joyce and I have seven children, plus our wonderful Chinese girls, each living in a different part of the country (plus one in Costa Rica and one in China!). When we came to Houghton nearly 30 years ago, we had just one grandchild. We now have twenty-two, plus our four Chinese grandchildren! And now we have our first great-grandchild. When my parents attended my inauguration, my father was the age that I am now. I treasure my wonderful memories of him and cherish the benefits that come from having such committed Christian parents, including my mother who recently celebrated her 98th birthday.

In addition to my family, I would like to thank The Wesleyan Church, which has given me spiritual nurture, and many opportunities to serve. The church's support of Wesleyan higher education in general—and Houghton College in particular—has been vital to our spiritual foundation and fiscal stability.

I thank my educational colleagues, many of whom came to Houghton recently to celebrate with me my retirement. In addition, I acknowledge and express my appreciation to the boards of the college, the alumni association, the Willard J. Houghton Foundation and the President's Advisory Board, as well as the faculty, staff and administrative colleagues, all of whom have counseled me well and encouraged me in difficult and joyful times.

Finally, let me express my love and appreciation to Houghton's students and alumni, whose accomplishments continue to bring me great joy when I meet them wherever I travel. Some of you have astonished me! Others have accomplished what I always knew you would.

By God's grace, and with your continued support, I will strive to run this race faithfully until my successor accepts the baton in the very near future.



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## By the numbers

What a great idea to focus on the math department ("People & Programs," fall 2005 issue). I was not one of the star math students—just getting my gen. ed. credit in Modern Math class—but I was

## More than Just Grades

Excellent articles by my favorite professor/coach/sponsor/advisor! [Jake's] comments about grades being an insignificant part of the whole experience were right on. As a less-than-stellar student during my five years in college, I was often caught up in the pressure to score well as a means to success after college. The things I learned about life have been worth so much more than my hours spent in class. I applaud Jake specifically for his dedication to the field of mathematics and generally for his dedication to making all students better people. I certainly count myself as one of those!

**Paul Maurer '71**  
Tallahassee, FL

## Scholar-servant-athlete

Last May I had the opportunity through my job as the assistant men's basketball coach at Gordon College to travel with Sports Ambassadors to Taiwan. This was a chance to live out the lessons learned from mentors during my days at Houghton in the role of a "scholar-servant."

We would play a game to draw a crowd and at halftime share the Gospel of Jesus Christ with the audience, many of whom had never heard it before. It became my role to preach the Gospel at each halftime, after a player shared his personal testimony. It was a step of faith, beyond my usual comfort zone. I was also given the opportunity to lead devotionals with our team and help disciple

young men to a closer relationship with Christ. It was an unbelievable and life-changing experience to wake up every

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*"What am I going to do for the Kingdom of God today?"*

morning asking, "What am I going to do for the Kingdom of God today?"

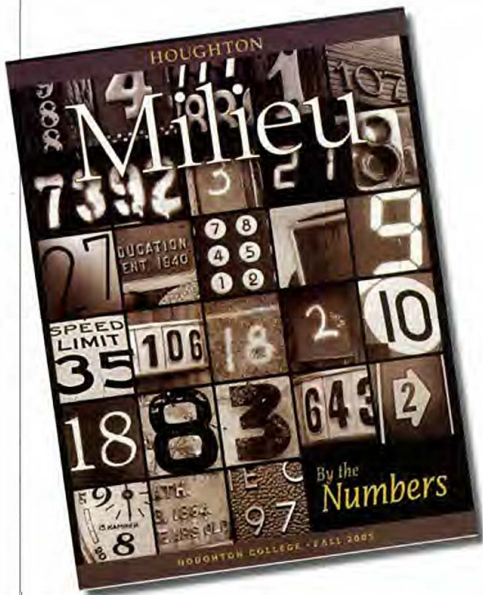
Before leaving for Taiwan, I took out the purple hand towel that I was given on the day I graduated from Houghton and spent some time thinking about what my time there meant to me and the personal growth and spiritual development that happened in those years. I am excited to read about all the sports missions that the athletic department continues to do ("Using Sports as a Platform," summer 2005 issue) and am grateful to be part of a heritage of scholar-servants from Houghton.

**Jeremy Martin '01**  
Danvers, MA

## Bess Fancher remembered

*In the summer 2005 issue, Milieu noted that Fancher Hall turns 100 this year. An alumna recalled one of the Fanchers for whom the building was named.—Ed.*

Bess Fancher began her career at a time when the state of New York was in such need of teachers that they lowered the age requirement to get more



grateful for Jake Jacobson's gentleness with my inability to understand what he was trying to teach me. He was an example of Christ to me, even though we only interacted for one brief semester. When I think of Houghton, I think fondly of Jake and his family (I was a faithful attendee at Rob's Sunday evening Celebrations), who gave me an understanding of serving to the full where you are.

The poem he selected about serving in a place where no one can see what one is doing, really spoke to me. When I left Houghton, I was out to improve the world for Christ. He put me in a place where few people know what I do. Reading the poem reminded me that the only ones whose recognition really count are the people I serve and my loving Savior who put me there. With His blessing, I am improving my little part of the world. It turns out that I do not need much math to do what I do, but I did need the seed of Christ's love that Jake Jacobson planted in my life.

**Heather (Forster '92) Huang**  
Flushing, NY

## Correction and additional information:

In the fall 2005 *Milieu*, we wrote about a presentation by Associate Professor of Education Cathy Freytag and Associate Academic Dean Darlene Bressler done in conjunction with two students, one of whom was incorrectly identified. That student was **Angela (Truax) Lewis '06**, and we apologize to her. Additionally, the middle school student and parent who played pivotal roles in the presentation were Jane Koerner and Luke Johnson.—Ed.

candidates. She, a convinced Christian, already knew her vocation as a young woman, and never deserted it. Many of us students in the '40s were privileged to share some of her experiences in education courses as we plodded our own ways through New York state's requirements. She taught informally, allowing for much discussion, but included memory work in her teaching. I'm sure I won't be the only past student who can still recite the four necessary characteristics for a good teacher: 1. An already accumulated wealth (through knowledge of one's own subject matter), 2. The ability to enrich life through knowledge, 3. A capacity for vicarious experience, and 4. (And she stressed this:) A willingness to be forgotten.

Yet I find myself unwilling that she should be forgotten. She upheld the nobility of the teaching profession from an idealistic point of view. "I'll tell you," she used to say to us about teaching, "I don't think there's any way you can do more good."

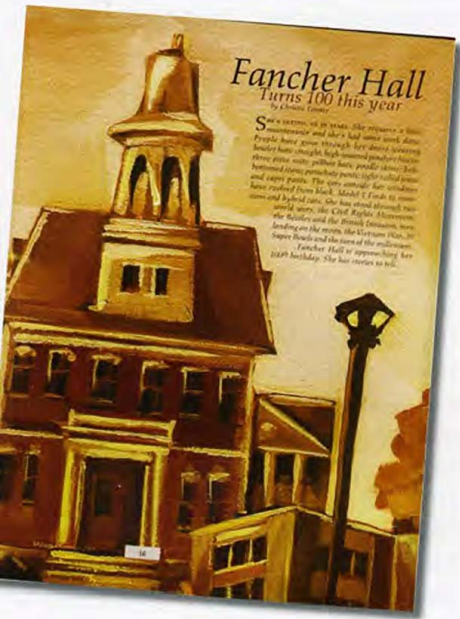
**Mary (Dukeshire '46) Burke**  
Cambridge, England



*On the cover:*

The painting of the Chamberlains on the cover was done by **Kyle Stevenson '96** (far right in the picture) and presented to the Chamberlains at the Celebration Luncheon held during Homecoming Weekend. It will be hung in the Chamberlain Center on permanent display. Stevenson was an art major at Houghton, and earned a master's of fine arts from the University of Delaware in 2002. He teaches drawing and painting at Mercer County Community College near Trenton, NJ. He is married to the former **Sarah Gagnon '00**.

Stevenson has additional connections to both Houghton and the Chamberlains as well. His grandfather, **Dr. Herbert Stevenson**, was chair of the board of trustees when Chamberlain was hired to be president in 1976. Kyle's father **Daryl Stevenson '70**, professor of psychology, shared a story of that hiring process at the luncheon, noting that his father had asked Chamberlain three times to consider serving as Houghton's president before he acquiesced. Chamberlain confirmed the story at the luncheon, adding that he and Herbert Stevenson had enjoyed a long friendship and mutual respect for each other in their respective roles as president and chairman of the board.



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## Faculty and Staff News

Professor of Art **Gary Baxter** had a piece juried into the *In Our Cups* exhibit held in the Lockhart Gallery at the State University of New York Geneseo.

*The Law of the Spirit: Experience of the Spirit and Displacement of the Law in Romans 8:1-16*, a book by Interim Assistant Professor of New Testament **John Bertone**, was published by Peter Lang Publishing in September.

**Bruce Brenneman**, assistant professor of English, was named to *Who's Who Among America's Teachers*. This is the second time he has received this honor.

Dean of the Chapel **John Brittain** spoke at the Festival of Faith Weekend at the First Baptist Church of Penn Yan.

**Jonathan Case**, associate professor of theology, and **Mike Walters '86**, professor of Christian ministries, presented papers at the recent Wesleyan Theological Educators Doctrinal Symposium. "I Felt My Church Warmly Changed: A 'Sanctified' Ecclesiology for the 21st Century" was the title of Walter's paper, while Case wrote on "Conventional or Reversionary? Situating the Doctrines of Sin and the Works of Grace Within Contemporary Theological Paradigms."

Associate Professor of Voice and Opera **Shirley Close**, accompanied by Instructor of Piano **Virginia Halberg '71**, presented the special music for the 9th Annual Conference of Christians for Biblical Equality held at Eastern University in St. Davids, PA. Halberg and **Sharon Neff '02** also provided the worship music for the event. Close also spoke and sang for the Women's Fellowship at the First Baptist Church (79th and Broadway) in New York City.

Assistant Professor of Spanish **Marlene Collins** had an article pub-



**Joyce Chamberlain** received the 2005 Ken Boon Community Service Award during Homecoming Weekend. The college established the Boon Award to recognize a Houghton College employee who has excelled in community service. Professor **Ken Boon '62's** long and distinguished service as chief of Houghton's Volunteer Fire Department was the motivating example.

Chamberlain was recognized for her work "behind the scenes, despite being very visible." She was cited for her work at the Houghton Wesleyan Church, where she was a member of the Wesleyan Women's group and Anna Houghton Daughters. She has served on the missions committee and been a key person in a Lay Shepherd group,

coordinating meals for families with newborns, visiting those who are sick and organizing dinners. She has sung in the choir for 29 years.

Her volunteer and community work hasn't been limited to the church. She was an organizer of the community's Supper Club. She was a "taxi driver"—at no cost to her passengers—specializing in taking international students to the airport, the Social Security office, or to any of a dozen other places. She also was part of a game club with community members from Houghton and Fillmore.

Chamberlain is the second recipient of the award; in 2004 the college honored John Van Wicklin for his work with the Royal Family Kids Camp.

## Students and Faculty Continue Collaborative Research

**Houghton** students and professors continue to collaborate on research in their fields, providing valuable experience for the students. Recently, Laurie Dashnau, associate professor of English, presented a paper written by **Christina Turner '05** at the Penn-York Undergraduate Research Conference at SUNY Alfred. Other presenters at the conference included **Karis Koett '06** (whose faculty mentor was Professor of English **Linda Mills '74 Woolsey**), **Benjamin Walker '07** (faculty mentor was Professor of English **Stephen Woolsey '73**),

**Brandon Hawk '07** (faculty mentor was Professor of Education Mark LaCelle-Peterson) and **Timothy Wilson '07** (faculty mentors were Assistant Professor of Mathematics **Dave Perkins '88** and Associate Professor of Mathematics and Computer Science Wei Hu).

Biology major **M. Indriati Hood '06** presented the results of her research project—conducted with Associate Professor of Biology Matthew Pelletier—to the Rochester Academy of Sciences at Finger Lakes Community College.

## Student Writers Win Awards

**RACHEL INGRAHAM '06** and **Christina Turner '05** captured three of nine national awards given in the Conference for Christianity and Literature's 2005 Student Writing Contest. Ingraham and Turner's works were chosen from 169 poetry and 44 fiction manuscripts submitted by students from 44 colleges and universities across the country.

Turner's stories, "Nativity," and "Vida," won second and third place re-

spectively in the fiction category. She was one of three valedictorians of her class last spring, double-majoring in English and writing. This year she is teaching English at a Chinese university.

Ingraham won second place in the poetry category for a manuscript of three poems. She is an English major with additional interests in religion and women's/gender studies.


lished in *Hispanic Review*. The title of the article was "Subversive Demythologizing in Calderon de la Barca's *Fineza contra fineza: The Metamorphosis of Diana*."

Professor of Organ **Judy Congdon** had an article entitled "New Organ Music for Lent and Easter: A Resource List" published in the December 2005 issue of *Reformed Worship* magazine. She also presented a workshop based on the work she did for this article at the Grand Rapids chapter of the American Guild of Organists. Congdon presented a workshop at the Calvin Symposium on Worship and the Arts in January.

The artwork of **Roselyn Danner '84**, manager of the college art collection, was featured in two area art galleries last fall. She was one of four artists included in the Wellsville Art Association's Featured Artist Series at the David Howe Library in Wellsville during September. In October, her one-person exhibit hung in the Fountain Art Gallery in Belmont. Danner also received two awards for her artwork displayed at the Wellsville Art Association's Annual Show: a first place in the Landscape Category and honorable mention in the Still Life Category.

**Laurie Dashnau**, associate professor of English, taught a course entitled "Crafting the Essay" at Johns Hopkins Center for Talented Youth's summer residential site at Siena College. Dashnau also had a biographical entry on Maya Angelou published in *The Women's Encyclopedia of Autobiography* and a poem, "One Instructor's Dawning," published in *The Utah English Journal*. Dashnau also presented a paper entitled "Speaking the Unspeakable: Elie Wiesel's Duty to Bear Witness" at the English Association of Pennsylvania State Universities Conference.

Professor of Music **Paul DeBoer** was invited to perform at the 2006  
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## Alumni Take Note: Placement Files to be Culled!

**T**HE CAREER SERVICES office at Houghton College is facing a pressing issue (literally). The office stores over 30 years' worth of credential files (formerly known as placement files), and is adding 50-100 files each year. That's a lot of file space. Increasingly, job-seekers are moving towards electronic submission of materials, but the college is still years away from eliminating all paper files, so something has to go.

Many—perhaps most—of the files that Career Services now stores have been dormant for years, some for decades, which give them little or no value for job searches. So the office is beginning to cull some of the files, and initiating a new policy.

First, anyone who wants to maintain a "file for life" may continue to do so. However, to ensure that those files are kept up-to-date (and, therefore, usable) the Career Services office is requiring that the fileholder contact the office periodically (at least once every

five years).

Second, any files that are more than ten years old and that have not been used or updated in the previous five years will be discarded at the end of this academic year (May 2006). If you would like Career Services to retain your file, please contact them by phone (585.567.9622) or e-mail ([careers@houghton.edu](mailto:careers@houghton.edu)).

Finally, current students' files will be considered active for 10 years. At the 10-year mark, files not used or updated within the last five years will be deleted, unless the person notifies Career Services.

If you have any questions, or if you wish to discuss the status of your file, please contact Director of Career Services Timothy Nichols (585.567.9623 or [timothy.nichols@houghton.edu](mailto:timothy.nichols@houghton.edu)) or Eva Hillman, administrative assistant (585.567.9622 or [eva.hillman@houghton.edu](mailto:eva.hillman@houghton.edu)).

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International Trumpet Guild's Festival of Trumpets concert at Rowen State University in New Jersey.

Associate Professor of Education **Cathy Freytag** made a presentation entitled "Content Enhancement Routines: Research-Validated Planning and Teaching Tools for Inclusive Classrooms" at the annual meeting of the New York State Council for Exceptional Children in Long Island.

Professor of Business **Richard Halberg '71** presented his paper "Doing Business with a Servant's Heart—Becoming God's Fiduciary and Developing a Meaningful Legacy" at the national conference of the Christian Business Faculty Association, held at Point Loma Nazarene University.

**Lin He**, assistant professor of violin, was named assistant principle second violin for the 2005 Aspen Music Festival, where he was a featured violinist for the world premiere concert of American-Chinese composer Huang Ruo. He was also invited by Eugenia Strauss of CityMusic Cleveland, a professional chamber orchestra, to present 25 concerts during the 2005-2006 year. He was also invited to be the concertmaster of the 2006 season of the Rome Festival Orchestra in Italy.

Professor of History **David Howard** was named to the 60th anniversary edition of *Who's Who in America*.

Professor of Christian Ministries **Harold Kingdon '57** was named to *Who's Who Among America's Teachers*.

**David Lewis**, women's soccer coach, received the NAIA Region IX Coach of Character Award. This season Lewis broke the NAIA record for career wins as a women's soccer coach—it was 234) his career record now stands at 236-51-11.

Professor of Sociology **Jayne Maugans**, along with faculty from SUNY Buffalo and Buffalo State, pre-

## Moreland Scholarship Seeks Matching Funds

THE COLLEGE HAS received a \$10,000 gift to establish a scholarship in memory of Professor George E. Moreland, with the promise of up to \$15,000 more in matching funds. Proceeds from the invested scholarship funds will be used to pay the college expenses of financially challenged students who have demonstrated academic abilities and a serious intent to pursue careers as doctors of medicine, dentists or in biological or physical science. Each year, several dozen Houghton students in these fields require significant financial aid.

The scholarship is in memory of Moreland, a professor at Houghton from 1941-1966. During his time at the college, Moreland also served as dean of men, acting dean of the college and chair

of the science department (1942-60). One biographer noted that Moreland's reputation—and that of the pre-med program he built at Houghton—grew to the point where "his name on a recommendation was tantamount to a ticket into medical school."

**Joseph G. Fortner, M.D. '45** made the initial donation of \$10,000 and has agreed to match others' donations to this scholarship during the next year on a dollar-for-dollar basis, up to \$25,000. After the year is over, Fortner has agreed to review the scholarship and the response to his challenge, with the possibility of expanding it further. For details, contact the Office of Advancement at 585.567.9340 or e-mail [advancement@houghton.edu](mailto:advancement@houghton.edu).

## Adult Degree Program Graduates 32 in October Ceremony

HOUGHTON COLLEGE'S PROGRAM for Accelerating College Education (P.A.C.E.) graduated 32 students during its October commencement. In his commencement address Assistant Professor of English Bruce Brenneman reminded the graduates of the importance of relationships: "We send you forth equipped with skills, confidence to use those skills, and, we hope, the ability to establish and encourage those relationships that can create a very effective workplace—and perhaps even the world."

P.A.C.E. is an accelerated adult

degree completion program that allows adults with two years of college completed to finish a bachelor's of science degree in management in 16 months by attending classes one evening per week and taking one course at a time. Houghton offers P.A.C.E. adult degree completion programs in West Seneca,

Olean, Jamestown, Arcade and Dansville. For more information visit [www.houghton.edu/pace](http://www.houghton.edu/pace), call 888.874.7223 or e-mail [pace@houghton.edu](mailto:pace@houghton.edu).



## New Athletics Logos Unveiled

HOUGHTON COLLEGE'S NEW—and first official—athletics brand identity made its public debut at Homecoming at the annual Campus Store Fashion Show. The event featured the unveiling of the primary Highlander logo by



President Dan Chamberlain, in full Scottish regalia, waving a five-by-eight-foot, logo-embazoned flag. The show also had student-athletes modeling new uniforms and team apparel and merchandise from the Campus Store.

The primary Highlander logo consists of a waving flag above the words "Houghton Highlanders." In the center of the flag is a rampant lion, similar to what appears on the Scottish royal banner. Secondary marks feature the college name and the letters "HC," as well as combinations of the primary logo.

The ceremony marked the culmination of a year-long project by a committee of student-athletes, faculty, staff, coaches, alumni and student leaders. The group addressed a variety of design concepts—talking to alumni, students, faculty and staff—before choosing the final design.

"We are really excited about how this came together," said Athletics Director Skip Lord '80. He noted that the



committee talked to various groups to get input, and the overwhelming response was to retain purple and gold as primary colors. "The problem was that there was no specific purple, gold or rendition of the beloved Highlander," Lord explained.

Houghton, which instituted intercollegiate athletics in 1967, had never had an official athletics logo. A variety of different designs—most featuring a

Scottish man in a kilt carrying a sword or bagpipes—had been used through the years, but no single identity was ever incorporated.

So the department hired Phoenix Design Works, a graphic design firm out of New York City, to help with the process. "They met with our committee and interviewed us to get a feel for what we were looking for, then they presented several initial concepts before we chose the flag design. Then they worked with us through a number of revisions until they presented the Highlander design and logo package we have today," said Lord.

The official Highlander colors remain purple and gold, although the shade of purple has been darkened and the gold has been changed from a yellow to a truer gold, similar to that used by Notre Dame, Boston College and Florida State. White and a lighter shade of purple are also used as highlights and borders on the new logos.

sented "Geriatric Access to Dental Care: Urban and Rural Difference" and "Expanding Dental Students' Community Educational Experience" at a national conference in Orlando. Maugans and faculty from SUNY Buffalo and Buffalo State also presented "A Public Health Social Work Challenge: Older Adults' Experiencing Mental Health Barrier to Dental Care" at the Public Health Social Work in the 21st Century conference at Boston University.

An essay on "Open Borders" by Peter Meilaender, assistant professor of political science, appeared in Matthew J. Gibney and Randall Hansen's book *Immigration and Asylum: From 1900 to the Present*, published last summer by ABC-CLIO.

Associate Professor of History Meic Pearse presented his paper "Between Bosnia and the BBC: Balkan Religious Minorities Between the Confessional State and Compulsory Meaninglessness" at Baylor University's 2005 Pruitt Memorial Symposium. He also presented lectures at the Evangelical Theological Seminary in Osijek, Croatia.

"What I Learned From Project NEXt," written by Assistant Professor of Mathematics Dave Perkins '88, was published in the Aug/Sept 2005 issue of *Focus*, the newsletter of the Mathematical Association of America. Perkins also gave a presentation at the Midwest Conference on Computing, Cryptography and Combinatorics, entitled "Chip-firing Games and Cayley's Formula." Perkins' paper "Combinatorial Proof of an Abel-Type Identity" was published in the *Journal of Combinatorial Mathematics and Combinatorial Computing*.

Professor of Old Testament Carl Schultz presented a paper entitled "Religion, Scholarship and the Post-modern University" at the University of Cambridge as part of the Third (continued on page 10)

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International Conference on New Directions in the Humanities.

Professor of Theology **John Tyson** had two articles published recently. "Wesley's Small Groups" appeared in *Wesleyan Life* (Summer 2005) and "John Wesley's Critique of Liberal Democracy" was published in the *Wesleyan Theological Journal* (Fall 2005).

Assistant Professor of Mathematics Education **Paul Watson '98** was named to *Who's Who Among America's Teachers*. This is the second time he has received this honor.

Professor of Education **Dan Woolsey '77**, Associate Professor of Education **Cathy Freytag**, Professor of Linguistics **Andrew Gallman** and Eileen Brittain traveled to Zambia with World Hope to see the relief and development work that they do and to get a sense of the educational system and needs in Zambia. Woolsey's article on this trip appeared in World Hope's "Hope Corps" newsletter.

Professor of English **Stephen Woolsey '73** represented Houghton College at the 15th annual national conference of the Lilly Fellows Program in Humanities and Arts. He also participated in the conference "Intellectuals and War from Verdun to Baghdad" at the University of Westminster in London. Woolsey presented his paper entitled "'No Battlefield or Shattered Country so Ugly:' Willa Cather's One of Ours and American Ambivalence in The Great War."

Professor of Psychology **Paul Young '76** taught a series of Bible studies on the Sermon on the Mount at the Central New York District Wesleyan Church camp at Chambers, NY.

## Fall Sports Review

**T**OPPING THE LIST OF Highlander fall sports accomplishments was the milestone reached by David Lewis, women's soccer head coach, who became the all-time wins leader in the history of women's soccer in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA). Lewis (career record of 236-51-12—all at Houghton) continues to field winning teams that also excel in the classroom and in their Christian walk. The 2005 team advanced to the quarterfinals of the NAIA national tournament and finished with a program record 20 wins, one loss and one tie. The American Midwest Conference (AMC) named Lewis Coach of the Year (North Division) and the NAIA's Region IX did the same.

**Bethany Kowalczyk '08** led the team with 29 goals and earned NAIA First Team All America honors for the second year. She also repeated as NAIA Region IX Player of the Year and AMC North Player of the Year. **Jenn Switzer '07** earned NAIA Second Team All America honors. **Hannah Swift '09** won the AMC North Freshman of the Year Award and five other players earned conference and region honors.

The women earned the team award from the AMC North for fair play. To cap off the season, the NAIA chose



leadership and sportsmanship), both on and off the field.

The field hockey team welcomed a new head coach to the sideline this fall: former Highlander athlete and Hall of Honor member **Darlene Wells '75**. The team responded by posting a 12-5 mark. **Kelly Mazzeo '06** broke school career records for goals (54) and points (132).

Cross country, men's soccer, and volleyball had their shares of ups and downs, but each showed signs of improvement as their seasons progressed, and each advanced to the AMC playoffs. The men's soccer team battled injuries early on while starting 0-8, then roared back to win seven of its next nine games and earn the right to host a playoff game. The team dropped that contest 2-0 to end its season at 7-11, but with high expectations for next year. Six players earned all-conference honors. Volleyball finished 14-21 and four team members were named all-conference.

In the classroom, six athletes were named NAIA All-America Scholar-Athletes: **Andy Walton '06**, men's soccer; **Sarah Rowley '07**, **Jessica Stack '06**, and **Bridget Toth '07**, women's soccer; **Hannah Becker '06** and **Mary Gibson '06**, cross country. Several members of the volleyball team have also been nominated; those awards will be announced after *Milieu* goes to press.



the Highlanders—from 213 NAIA women's soccer teams—for its Champions of Character Buffalo Funds Five Star Award, in recognition of the team's dedication to and implementation of the program's five core character values (respect, responsibility, integrity, servant



# Doing Business with a Servant's Heart

by Richard A. Halberg '71



ACCOUNTING SCANDALS HAVE rocked society in recent years. Some have even involved professing Christian executives. How do we avoid these problems and determine what defines the responsible Christian in business or accounting? Ultimately, the Christian scholar-servant in business must become a fiduciary in all aspects of life to achieve his or her highest calling and purpose.

A fiduciary is legally appointed and authorized to hold assets in trust for another person. The fiduciary manages assets for the benefit of the other person rather than for his or her own profits. This provides a powerful framework for Christian conduct in organizations. In general, all fiduciary law rests on two core principles: the care norm (the duty of prudent administration) and the loyalty norm (the duty to administer the trust for the benefit of the beneficiary).

To discharge fiduciary duties with skill and prudence implies the need for special knowledge obtained through a combination of education, training and experience. The Christian scholar-servant in business must possess a high level of acquired knowledge in order to meet the expectations of those being served. Good intentions and a desire to serve are not enough. Trustees of old were amateurs, but trustees today are typically fee-paid professionals who manage complex financial assets that include equities, bonds, insurance contracts, pensions and annuity interests, closely-held corporations and partnerships. They must be life-long learners who work continually to maintain the knowledge and expertise necessary to carry out their fiduciary duties in serving the needs of others, as God commands in Philippians 2:4.

Once we acknowledge our fiduciary responsibilities we need a means of evaluation. Legacy provides the evidence. As we implement our fiduciary responsibilities we will build a legacy, we will have an assessment of how well we carried out our fiduciary responsibilities, and we will see the extent of our commitment to the life of a scholar-servant. Through life's activities, each of us will leave a personal, social, financial and corporate legacy.

Our personal legacy grows from our convictions, values and beliefs, and should be the foundation for everything else that we do in life. Personal legacy relates to who I am rather than to what I do. Social legacy develops through servant-hood, as we give of ourselves without expecting anything in return. The handling of our material assets and our acts of generosity will determine the extent of our financial legacy. As our wealth increases, so does our fiduciary responsibility before God. The final component of our legacy grows from building a reputation as a competent, dependable and trustworthy employee as we work heartily as unto the Lord. We serve others as we provide quality products and services and treat our coworkers and customers with respect.

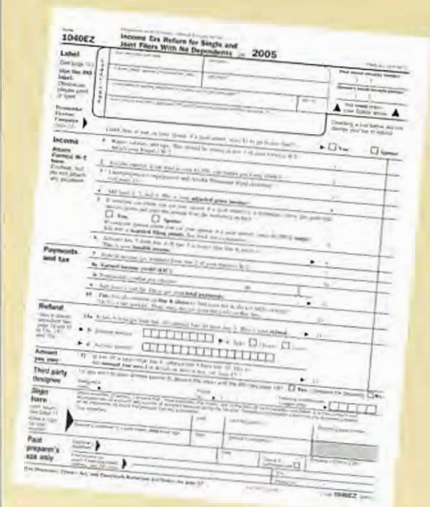
In conclusion, as we embrace fiduciary responsibility as being at the center of being a Christian scholar-servant in business, we can become competent and caring people who do business with a servant's heart. In turn we will build lasting legacies that contribute to building God's kingdom.

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## Tax Time an Opportunity for Service Learning

Each spring for the last 13 years, Houghton College students have helped community residents prepare their income tax returns, free of charge. Co-sponsored by the business department and the IRS as part of the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) Program, the service gives accounting and business students the opportunity to apply classroom knowledge and experience to the real world.

Students who have taken the Federal Income Taxation Course are available every Monday and Wednesday from 6:30-9 p.m. to answer questions, check forms and teach community members how to prepare their own tax forms. The students' involvement in service learning doesn't end there, either. Students in more than half a dozen classes have done research, reviews, evaluations and plans for a variety of businesses in western New York.



## Student Endowment Management Group Beats the Market

It's one thing to study investing and fiduciary responsibility while sitting at a desk in a classroom. It's quite another when you are given money to invest. Three years ago, a small group of Houghton College business students got started with real-world investing when the college allowed them to invest \$25,000 of the college's endowment (then \$20 million). They did well, and the college decided to give the group an additional \$75,000 to invest. Today, a small group of Houghton College business students continues to provide above-average returns in managing a fund that has grown to over \$150,000 of the college's \$30 million endowment.

The Student Endowment Management Group (SEMG), using a collaborative research approach under the direction of Dick Halberg '71, professor of business, has produced one-, two- and three-year annualized returns of 14.1 percent, 13.2 percent and 10.6 percent, respectively. During the same period the S&P 500 Index provided returns of 6.3 percent, 12.5 percent and 8.3 percent.

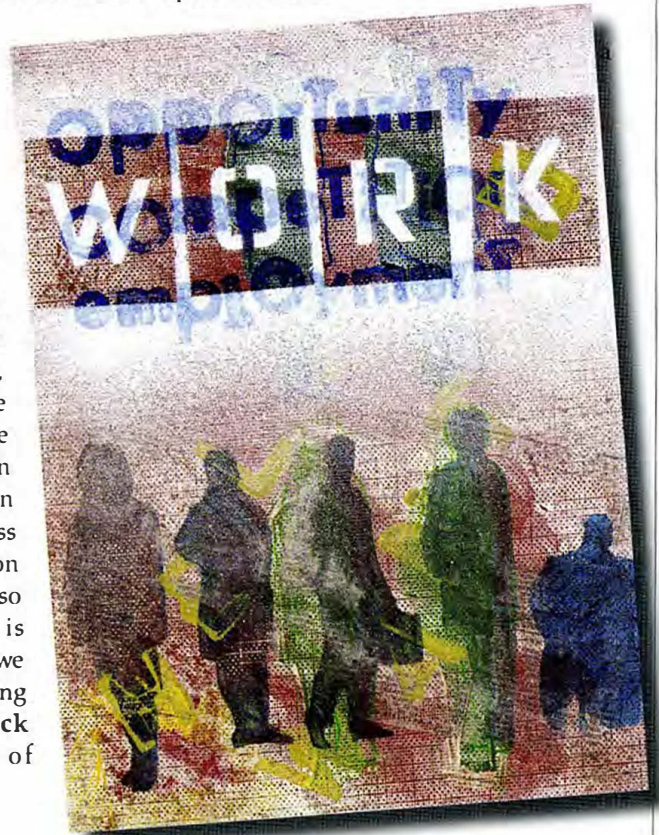
Business and accounting major Chirag Desai '06, an SEMG member, says that "My time in this group has given me a great foundation into thinking deeper about the philosophies of investment, the science and art that surround it, and ultimately continues to unfold the investment management world that was initially bounded by the syllabus in the classroom."

"The students recognize the fiduciary responsibility that comes with managing real money and they take their work seriously," says Halberg. "Our performance is the icing on the cake for an invaluable learning experience, whatever the results."

## How Students Benefit from Their Internship Experience: Two Views

OUR BUFFALO-BASED INTERNSHIP program has benefited the department and our students in several ways. Students benefit from first-hand exposure to a profession or field they may want to pursue following graduation. Some confirm a career choice while others decide to move in a different direction. They have a chance to test what they have learned in the classroom, experience the demands of a professional work environment, gain valuable addition to their résumé and begin building their professional network.

A few receive job offers; virtually all receive a valuable recommendation that they can use during their job search. As a result of the internship program, Houghton College and the business department have enhanced name recognition and built a strong reputation in the Buffalo-area business community. The question "Where's Houghton?" so common in the 1970s is rarely heard today. In fact we often receive calls requesting a Houghton intern.—Dick Halberg '71, professor of business



Houghton's internship program was a very valuable and rewarding part of my college experience. I really enjoyed living in West Seneca and getting a taste of the working world. It was a great way to bring together and apply everything I learned during my years at Houghton. My internship was in the accounting department at HSBC Mortgage Corporation. I helped with a major software conversion, prepared reports for the monthly report package and completed other miscellaneous tasks.

In addition to the mortgage-related experience and knowledge that I gained, I learned business skills that are best taught through experience. I learned what an employer expects, saw acceptable ways to conduct oneself in a variety of business situations and learned many other things. I attended meetings and was involved in other areas that an entry level employee wouldn't have been exposed to. This allowed me to learn more about banking and HSBC, and to see how VPs and Senior VPs conducted themselves in a business setting.

Finally, the most rewarding part of my experience was that it allowed me to prove myself and led to my first job after graduation: employed in the same department, where I learned more about the mortgage and banking industries. —Kara (Sandefer '05) Chitty

## Fellenstein is "Executive-in-Residence"



**H**OUGHTON'S BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS department gives students the opportunity to learn from and interact with business professionals, through a variety of ways. For example, Craig Fellenstein, chief architect and senior executive consultant for IBM's global services division, is now serving as executive-in-residence and adjunct professor of business at Houghton College.

"Faculty, students and staff are privileged for the opportunity to work and learn with Fellenstein," says Ken Bates,

chair of the department. "At IBM he's been given the label of 'inventor mentor.' At Houghton he's already being described as an 'innovation guru.'"

As Houghton's executive-in-residence, Fellenstein is serving as an adjunct professor, teaching a class on entrepreneurship. He will also deliver a campus-wide interactive presentation entitled "Innovation, Invention and Houghton College," which looks at the history of inventions, including the inventions of Wilson Greatbatch and Houghton alumni and the innovations of current students.

Additionally, Fellenstein plans to work on the development of a "center for innovation" which would include a new public facility, develop plans for an Inventors' Camp, create a business model and plan for an "invention farm" and serve as the liaison for book proposals

from Houghton faculty and students for consideration by Pearson Publishing and Prentice-Hall.

Last March, Fellenstein was a presenter at one of Houghton's guest executive dinners. Since then he has consulted with various departments at Houghton and volunteered his time to co-teach a pilot course on innovation during Houghton's Mayterm.

At IBM, Fellenstein specializes in critical technology deployment areas, including areas of advanced education, business development and advanced technologies. He is an active inventor, with more than 80 patents on file—many in the areas of advanced telecommunications services, grid computing, autonomic computing, airline cockpit systems and broadband delivery services. He has written more than 20 articles about inventions and intellectual property. He also created the IBM "On Demand" book series, which includes several books he wrote.

Each semester, the business department holds several guest executive dinners, inviting professionals to come and share their experiences and insights with students. The idea began when the student business club invited executives to campus to talk business. The club eventually disbanded, but the idea for the guest executive dinners caught on. Open to any students interested in business, the dinners are held monthly each semester, in a closed-off section of the dining hall, usually on Friday evenings. The dress is business-casual.

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In November, David Findley '68, chief operating officer of St. Paul Travelers Insurance Company, visited. He spoke on business trends and ethics, and stressed the importance of faith in the marketplace, saying, it's "living your life

for Christ, morning and night. It's interacting with people around you, and letting Christ's light shine through you."

Using a PowerPoint presentation, Findley gave an overview of the structure and many operations of "The Travelers," a company for which he has worked over 30 years. From his vantage point, he commented on changes in the business world, and what it is like today.

Findley challenged the students to consider the future now, and encouraged them to be future-focused in their endeavors and decisions. He told them to approach and develop factors such as how to spend their summers, jobs on campus, volunteer/leadership opportunities, public speaking experience and writing abilities with the future in mind. "Core skills," such as communication and prob-

lem-solving skills, a good attitude and an entrepreneurial spirit, equip a person to be a capable employee in any profession, according to Findley. "I can teach [that person] anything," he said.

Findley also encouraged the students to learn from others' mistakes; then proceeded to list mistakes he'd made during his years in business and explained how the students could avoid making the same errors.

Finally, he stressed the importance of a close and personal relationship with God, which affects all aspects of life. "If you don't lean on your faith for the development of your vocation, for the selection of your vocation and as you get into your vocation, then you're missing an opportunity," he said.

## Prepared for Demanding Work by Brian Brenneman '91

IT IS AMAZING TO ME THAT almost 15 years have passed since I left Houghton! I am a second vice president of investments at Citigroup/Smith Barney. My job has evolved over the last decade from selling stocks to managing wealth. I help affluent individuals realize and understand the assets they have accumulated or inherited, then help them define their needs and goals. (These could be anything from having a certain dollar amount at retirement to sending their kids to college.)

Once they have defined their goals, I tailor a financial plan which acts as a roadmap to help the clients realize them. The plan usually encompasses investing, wills and trusts, estate planning and gifting. Once the plan is done, I monitor their progress to make sure they realize their objectives.

At Houghton I majored in accounting, with a minor in business administration. I thought my career path would include accounting until I had a summer job at Focus on the Family and realized that Jeff Spear made accounting far more exciting than it really was! His classes prepared me for the demanding work that would come my way in the years to follow. I have greatly appreciated his friendship over the last 10 years. Accounting forced me to focus on a certain area and not lift my head up until I had finished the project before me. (Although I cannot say that my grades would back up my claim!)

Another professor that I was fortunate enough to have was Dick Halberg. His class on investments was my introduction to the markets, and, if I remember correctly, he even introduced us to asset allocation. This is the name of the game in financial planning. It is extremely important to have a client's money properly positioned between money managers, bonds and cash in order to attain their goals. This is critical because

of the way markets have evolved since 1991. The volume of stocks traded in a single day in 1991 is now traded in less than one hour. The markets are quicker, larger and less maneuverable than when I first kept track of my Nike and GM stock for Professor Halberg's class.

After graduating from Houghton College I went on to do graduate work at Union College in Schenectady, NY, and then at Tennessee State University in Nashville, TN, which is where I currently reside. I remember in graduate school thinking that my Houghton professors had prepared me quite well. The study habits that I formed while attending Houghton made my graduate school tenure much easier than I expected.

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After graduate school I began working for a small discount brokerage firm. It was a fantastic way to learn the business. While there, I had to pass numerous exams and licenses (seven, if memory serves). The industry standard at the time was: fail one test and you are fired! I saw it happen more times than I care to remember. I figured nothing could be harder than all those accounting exams, and, as it turned out, that was true! The main exam is called the series seven and we were given three months to study for this six-hour exam. I used three weeks of my three months and passed with flying colors.

I spent two years at the discount firm, then decided that to work with the high-net-worth clients that I wanted to build my business around would require a change. I moved to a full-service, regional firm, where I realized that the economic classes that I took at Houghton and in graduate school gave me a working knowledge of world economies that

other brokers did not have. In hindsight, for anyone wanting to enter the financial services industry, economics and marketing would probably be better precursors to my job than accounting.

In 2000 my company was bought and sold—twice! The first time was to a big



New York firm and the second to a Swiss bank. That was enough for me. I made a move (in 2002) to Citigroup/Smith Barney. In Nashville (and, arguably, world wide) Citigroup/Smith Barney is the premier investment firm to work for.

I would say that Houghton prepared me quite well for a world that was about to change rapidly. I came away with a working knowledge in multiple areas of study, the ability to think critically and reason, and, most importantly, a strong work ethic. Maybe I should add ethics in general, which my industry is sorely lacking. Finally, I came away with lasting relationships that include both peers and professors, for which I am grateful.

*In addition to being a second vice president of investments at Citigroup/Smith Barney, Brian Brenneman '91 is the son of Assistant Professor of English Bruce Brenneman and Kathie (Wimer '64) Brenneman, information center coordinator.*

# A Wesleyan look at Romans 9

by John R. Tyson

John Wesley, English theologian and founder of Methodism, is an important figure in Houghton College's past—after all, we began as Houghton Wesleyan Methodist Seminary. John R. Tyson, professor of theology and world-renowned expert on Wesley, has written articles in the past several issues to help us see how Wesley is relevant to today's Christian. In this issue, Tyson answers a question from Rob Hess '99 (Harleysville, PA), who wrote: "I am having difficulty with Romans 9. What do we [Wesleyans] do with that passage?"

The Romans 9 passage does seem quite challenging to Wesleyan readers because many have used it to demonstrate doctrines like God's eternal choice of particular individuals

for salvation (called "Particular Election"). Those from Reformed or Calvinistic circles view this choice as made without specific conditions ("Unconditional") on the human's part, and as being non-refusable; hence it is considered to be the basis of a person's salvation.

We must be careful in how we use the Bible to "do" theology. Most responsible biblical commentators attempt to set Scripture in its original, historical context, before trying to make some sense of it for our time and location. As William Barclay points out, in his very popular *Daily Study Bible: Romans* (pp. 119-22), this particular section is about "the problem of the Jews." In essence, St. Paul is describing the role that the Jews have as God's chosen people, and their relationship to gentile Christians—who have no reason to boast or take pride in their salvation. In essence, the passage teaches that Jews and Gentiles alike will be saved, according to God's plan.

Several examples in Romans 9 show us that God does make choices regarding people; like choosing Abraham (9:6-10), Jacob over Esau (Rom. 9:13), and Moses over Pharaoh—even hardening Pharaoh's heart (Rom. 9:14-18), however, let me point out that this passage does not tell the reader how or on what basis God makes his choices.

The main thrust of Romans 9 is not to explain the mysteries of how God works out His plan of salvation in particular human lives. Rather, the main thrust is to challenge the prevalent Jewish notion of salvation by doing works of the law and by

racial identity. The passage stresses God's choice ("election"), but not necessarily in ways that undercut or do away with human responsibility.

The examples cited in Romans 9 are intended to undercut the "theology of privilege" popular among Paul's Jewish opponents. Paul tells them that the Jews are not automatically chosen of God simply because they are Jews who keep the law. Instead, Paul shows his reader, God accepts some and rejects

others—according to God's own will and God's own standards.

Wesleyans believe that God has chosen all people "in Jesus Christ" (Eph. 1:4a). That is to say, God has chosen to save all people who come to Him through faith in Jesus Christ. So Wesleyans

do not dispute the notion that God chooses people, which is emphasized in Romans 9, but we do dispute the notion that one person is saved while another is lost simply because God chose the first person and rejected the second. The Wesleyan theory of salvation sees God's choice ("election") as being conditional; God chooses or rejects people based on certain standards or criteria (which God has determined).

God's choice is not capricious or arbitrary. It is based on God's standard of acceptance (inner repentance and faith in Jesus Christ), rather than on some hidden, mysterious plan. Wesleyans also stress that God's prevenient grace allows humans to respond to God with either a "Yes," or a "No," at the time of God's call ("election"). We are "wooded" towards salvation, but we have the responsibility to choose God and

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The examples that St. Paul gives us in Romans 9 do not run counter to the Wesleyan approach. In his Notes Upon the New Testament, John Wesley looked at the case of God's choice of Jacob over Esau (Rom. 9:11-13), comment-

ing on the apostle's rhetorical question, "Is there injustice with God?" (Rom. 9:14).

Wesley responds by saying: "Is it unjust in God to give Jacob the blessing rather than Esau?

Or to accept believers, and them only? God forbid—In no wise; this is well consistent with justice; for he has a right to fix the terms on which he will show mercy, according to His declaration to Moses, petitioning for all the people, after they had committed idolatry with the golden calf, I will have mercy on whom I will have mercy — According to the terms I myself have fixed; and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion; namely on those only who submit to my terms, who accept of it in the way that I have appointed." So Wesley puts this example in the context of "conditional election:" those that turn to God in faith and repentance meet God's "conditions" for salvation, and will be saved. Wesley views the "mercy" mentioned in Rom.9:16 as referring to these "conditions."

The second example in Romans 9, the choice of Israel over Egypt and the hardening of Pharaoh's heart (Rom. 9:17-18), is treated in a similar way. God sent Moses to Pharaoh 10 times, and 10 times Moses asked Pharaoh to heed the word of God and let Israel go free. Ten times Pharaoh refused to heed the word of God, and thereby his heart was hardened against God. Ancient commentators, like Gregory of Nyssa (335-95), viewed

Pharaoh as being "self-hardened" by persistently rejecting God's call and offer. Commenting on Ex.

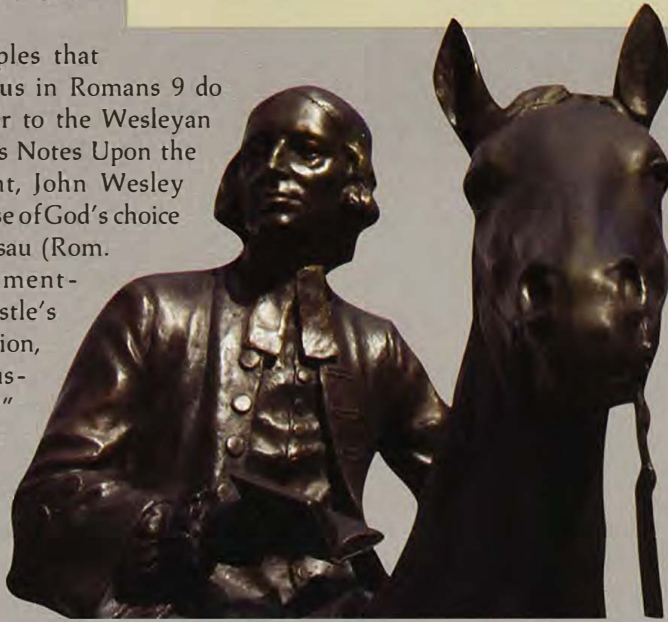
8:15, Charles Wesley's poem turns Pharaoh's plight into that of every sinner:

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John Wesley's Note on Rom. 9:17 is even more specific: "God has an indisputable right to reject those who will not accept the blessings on his own terms. And this he exercised in the case of Pharaoh: to whom, after many instances of stubbornness and rebellion, he said...For this very thing have I raised thee up—That is, unless thou repent, this will surely be the consequence of my raising thee up, making thee a great and glorious kind, that my power will be shown upon thee, (as indeed it was by overwhelming him and his army in the sea)."

Behind the particular examples of Romans 9, however, looms the larger question: "Who is God?" Does your understanding of God see Him as arbitrary and capricious? Does God "hate" Esau for no reason? Does God supernaturally harden Pharaoh's heart and then blame Pharaoh for being hard-hearted? It is inconceivable! The Wesleyan understanding of God is not based in arbitrary power. It is based in self-giving love. An all powerful God lovingly limits His power to make room for human choices and human responsibility. He came into the world in the self-chosen limitation of human form, and laid down his absolute sovereignty—allowing himself to be forced out of the world on the hostile arms of a cross—so that He might call all people to Himself.

*We invite you to send in your questions regarding John or Charles Wesley and their theology. Tyson will endeavor to address such questions in upcoming issues.*



## Joyce Chamberlain Named 2005 Alumna of the Year



*"I would wish that all people everywhere experience the difference Christ makes in a life. It is by God's grace that I'm here. I wish all people could know him."*

AT THE FOUNDER'S DAY CONVOCATION, Friday, October 7, Houghton College Alumni Association President Jim Hilliard presented the 2005 Alumna of the Year Award to Joyce Chamberlain. The award recognizes a person who has demonstrated a firm, personal commitment to Christ and the advancement of His kingdom and who has distinguished herself in her community, church and career.

"There is no doubt that today's recipient has excelled in all of these areas," Hilliard noted. He cited Chamberlain's response a few years ago when she was asked what she would like to share with the few people who have come and gone from Houghton without having been a guest in her house. "I would wish that all people everywhere experience the difference Christ makes in a life," she said, "It is by God's grace that I'm here. I wish all people could know him." Hilliard also noted that Chamberlain's church activities included being a Lay Shepherd Leader, leading a women's Bible study,

singing in the choir and serving on the Missions Committee.

Hilliard went on to talk about Chamberlain's career, sharing that she had earned her bachelor's degree while also bearing the fourth, fifth, and sixth of her seven children. When all seven were in school, she began a full-time teaching career in public schools, and completed her master's degree in her "spare" time. Appropriately, her thesis focused on the children of a working mother. Entitled "Look What I Can Do," it highlighted the independence and skill development that children can gain from being raised in this type of environment. Later in her career, Chamberlain served as an adjunct faculty member in the education department at Houghton College, supervising student teachers.

Finally, Hilliard remarked upon Chamberlain's amazing capacity for hospitality and the impact that it had made on the Houghton community. He referred to the "millions of cookies" she had baked and shared and the

"thousands of guests" the Chamberlains have hosted, but then mentioned a "quieter ministry," described by one of her friends this way: "More than any other person I've observed, Joyce ministers to people who might otherwise not be included. There are countless people in Houghton who have received her attention and care, when they might have been overlooked. Only eternity will tell the numbers of people she has included in her friendship and generosity."

In conclusion, Hilliard praised Chamberlain and her accomplishments as overwhelming: "raising seven children, plus the two Chinese daughters you adopted; finding time to earn both bachelor's and masters' degrees; teaching; leading; volunteering; playing; hosting. And above it all, being a valuable partner to your husband as the leader of Houghton College for 30 years... For all this and more, it is my distinct pleasure to name you Houghton College Alumna of the Year for 2005."







# A Delicate Touch

*Reflecting on 30 Years of  
Dr. Daniel R. Chamberlain's Presidency*

If we could look back nearly 30 years, to May 14, 1976, the day Daniel R. Chamberlain, his wife, Joyce, and their children first visited campus, much of what we would see would

be familiar. The facing of buildings with local creekstone is a long-standing feature of Houghton's distinguished architecture. The rural landscape remains largely unchanged. Community members still greet one another as they pass on the sidewalks, enjoying the close-knit bonds of people who work, live and worship together.

However, much has changed—in our society, and even on our campus. Bell bottoms were the fashion—and are again! Disco came, and—thankfully—went. Spiraling inflation and mortgage rates in the teens abated through recessions, recoveries, expansions, decelerations, gas shortages, trickle-down economies, tax cuts and tax revolts. An unpopular, undeclared war in southeast Asia ended and the country passed through a desert storm and into another unpopular war as “terrorism” became a word we got used to hearing on the evening news.

Through it all, Dr. Chamberlain has guided the college with a delicate touch, at times a catalyst for institutional change, and at other times a reflective voice of caution. Although we often reflect on how much has changed through the decades since he took the presidency, the vital factor for Dr. Chamberlain has always been what this institution has kept: the faith. His guidance has always been firmly anchored on the premise that this college must be a shining example of Christian higher education.

## Exceeded expectations

Houghton College has a unique and challenging mission: to equip scholar-servants to lead and labor in a changing world. The college provides that preparation through the Christian liberal arts, and is committed to making that exceptional education available to all, breaking barriers of income, gender and race. Daniel Chamberlain has lived and breathed these core values throughout his life.

His parents were both missionaries and educators: his mother taught at Holiness Evangelistic Institute in El Monte, CA and his father later served as president there. Dan's first position after graduating from college was on the faculty there, teaching English and history—although by then the school's name had changed to Western Pilgrim College. He later served as its dean. He returned to his alma mater, Upland College in California, to teach and serve as its acting president before bringing his growing family east to New York. After holding positions with the State University of New York, Chamberlain became dean of the college at Messiah, a position he held for eight years before coming to Houghton.

With his strong academic credentials, Dr. Chamberlain was a logical choice to continue Houghton's tradition of academic excellence. He has exceeded expectations. A number of academic programs we now see as central to Houghton life



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*“...committed to making an exceptional education available to all...”*

were instituted or expanded under Dr. Chamberlain, including the art major, the first-year honors program, off-campus programs, the P.A.C.E. program and more. More than 80 percent of the faculty hold terminal degrees in their fields, students' SAT scores continue to edge upwards and Houghton generates more eventual Ph.D. recipients than virtually any other Christian college.

## The body

If the tradition of academic excellence represents the mind of an institution, the physical plant is its body. Dr. Chamberlain has given serious attention to developing each. College facilities have grown in number and quality, with a commitment to good stewardship. The list of new construction is impressive: the ropes course, the Nielsen Phys. Ed. Center, the equestrian center, the Stevens Art Studios, South Hall, the Academic Building, the Randall and Leonard townhouses, the new presidential residence, Houghton Heights townhouses, the Alumni Athletic Complex, the Center for the Arts, the Hazlett townhouses, the Margaret Bush greenhouse, the Perkins townhouses and the College Flats. Other buildings have undergone significant renovation: Fancher Hall, most notably, was renovated twice, moved across the street and spun 90 degrees. Clearly, the president has been willing to embrace unusual suggestions in pursuit of good solutions.

It's important to realize that Dr. Chamberlain has insisted that these capital projects be undertaken for a practical purpose: to support the pursuit of intellectual and spiritual growth by Houghton's students, faculty and staff. Fittingly, change to the Houghton campus continues in this, Dr. Chamberlain's final year. The Paine Science Center is undergoing renovations, an addition to the library is about to commence, and structural enhancements will soon begin on the chapel. According to plans, the chapel renovations will retain the tradition and warmth of the building while incorporating modern conveniences and opening options for a more-useful future—the very qualities that have characterized the campus' growth during the Chamberlain years.

## Living examples

If the academic life of Houghton College represents its intellect and the physical plant its body, then clearly the faith on which this institution was founded is its spirit. That faith is embodied in Houghton's people. Dr. Chamberlain and his wife have been living examples of that spirit since their arrival on campus, so much so that today we recognize them as ideals of the scholar-servant concept that is part of our mission statement. Through chapel addresses; state-of-the-college speeches; meetings with faculty, staff and administrators; written statements; and personal presentations, Dr. Chamberlain consistently and continually reminds us of the importance of the bonds that hold us together as Christians and fellow human beings.

He and his wife, Joyce, have lived this out in our midst for almost 30 years now. They join students each week for dinner. They participate in small group Bible studies and host faculty and staff for pancake breakfasts. They join in the fun at Homecoming. They pray for each of us. They open their doors to us. They have comforted us in times of great loss, such as the Homecoming of 1981 and during the wrenching deaths of faculty and students. They have led us in celebration—who can forget Dr. Chamberlain coming out of the cake during the college's centennial?

Throughout his presidency, President Chamberlain has recognized three vital components of the college: the people, the programs, and the physical plant. It is no accident that he almost always mentions them in that order.

## Prepared and positioned

The Chamberlains' influence will not end when they leave here to enjoy their retirement. Approximately half of all Houghton alumni recognize Dr. Chamberlain as *their* president, and for years to come we will perpetuate the traditions he has begun. He has prepared and positioned Houghton College to meet the challenges ahead, and he has modeled for us the leadership necessary to turn potential crises into opportunities. We will learn from that leadership and benefit from that preparation and positioning and, as we enter our future, we will build upon the solid foundation the Chamberlains will have left us.



1980s

*"...he has fostered a deeper understanding of the 'liberating arts' "*

## Founders' Day Convocation: In Recognition of Chamberlain's Presidency

THIS YEAR'S FOUNDERS' DAY CONVOCATION recognized Daniel R. Chamberlain's presidency. Vice President for Enrollment Management Tim Fuller led the service, which included presentations from visiting dignitaries, special music, a video presentation, a reader's theater skit and a few surprises.

Starting the presentations were The Rev. Dr. Earle Wilson and Rev. Kerry Kind from The Wesleyan Church. Wilson read a proclamation from the church and Kind presented an antique reproduction clock to the Chamberlains. Following a video presentation that highlighted Chamberlain's life and accomplishments, four political representatives made presentations. **Bob Van Wicklin '92**, deputy chief of staff for U.S. Representative Randy Kuhl, led the group, followed by State Senator Catherine Young, State Assemblyman Dan Burling and Allegany County Historian Craig Braack.

After special music from the college choir, Boulder Editor **Kate Morgan '07** presented the first copy of the yearbook to President Chamberlain, to whom it was dedicated. Next, Abraham Lackman, president of the Commission on Independent Colleges and Universities, and Joseph Curtin, president of the Independent College Fund of New York, recognized Chamberlain's service in the higher education community.

Assistant Professor William John Newbrough followed with a piano solo, then **Jim Hilliard '93**, president of the alumni association, presented the Alumna of the Year award to Joyce Chamberlain (see article, page 17). Following a reader's theater skit, Thomas Englund, president of the Christian College Consortium and Chamberlain's son Anthony, director of the Latin American studies program for the Council for Christian Colleges and Universities, made presentations.

Finally, **David White '79** had a surprise announcement from the board of trustees (see sidebar) and President Chamberlain gave a few closing remarks. Student Government Association President Jason Shambach read from Philippians to close the service.

*A DVD of the Founder's Day Convocation program is available for \$8. Call 585.567.9556 or e-mail [doug.roorbach@houghton.edu](mailto:doug.roorbach@houghton.edu) to place an order.*

## Building Renamed to Honor Chamberlains

At the conclusion of the Founder's Day Convocation, **David White '79**, representing the board of trustees, read the following proclamation:

Hear, ye! Hear, ye! This proclamation, with greetings and tidings of joy:

Whereas: Dan and Joyce Chamberlain arrived in this beautiful heart of western New York in the year of our nation's bicentennial, and

Whereas: for three decades they have provided exemplary leadership and positive personal examples to the college community, and the glory of our heavenly Father has shone habitually around them, and

Whereas: they have annually opened their home at holiday time to feed faculty and staff and in May to host graduating seniors and their families and throughout the year to welcome friends and strangers alike, and

Whereas: during the Homecoming celebrations they have been the true king and queen of Houghton College, and

Whereas: during their Houghton years they have been regularly sought out by denominational leaders and academic colleagues for advice and counsel, and

Whereas: during their administration the campus has undergone major renovation through the demolition, construction and even moving of large buildings, while maintaining its natural charm and beauty, and

Whereas: during their time here Houghton has stretched its boundaries through the development of off-campus programs in London, Tanzania, Australia and other points of the compass,

Therefore: today we honor them and recognize their accomplishments for Houghton College and in service to our Lord.

In recognition thereof, we further instruct that this shall be a sign unto all: that in commemoration of the Chamberlains' dedication and devotion to Christian higher education, the building devoted to instruction and counsel and heretofore known as "the Academic Building" shall henceforth and forevermore be known as the Daniel R. and Joyce F. Chamberlain Center. —by order of the board of trustees of Houghton College, **Ian Lennox '51**, chair



1990s  
1960s

*"...the faith on which this institution is founded is its spirit."*

# Dear Dr. and Mrs. Chamberlain,

*Milieu asked friends, colleagues and alumni to share some comments with Dr. and Mrs. Chamberlain. Here are a few of those that space would allow us to print.*

During my time at Houghton, I always looked forward to hearing President Chamberlain speak in chapel. His messages were always honest, articulate and—above all—full of faith. His fine example of compassionate leadership, steadfastness and humility in the Houghton community nurtured the student body's trust in the execution of his office. President Chamberlain is one of the few men whose legacy will be defined by his commitment to the brotherhood of man and the love of Christ.—**Robert Boardman '99**

The Allegany County United Way will miss the effort and valuable input Dr. Chamberlain so generously donated as a director. His commitment to Allegany County is evidenced by the tireless energy he put into helping the United Way achieve its goals. His involvement in this organization has had a positive impact on the lives of all our friends, family members and neighbors throughout the county. We will miss him!—**Julie Briggs Cunningham**, executive director, Allegany County United Way

We have all been inspired by your personal and professional examples of devotion to a higher cause. Congratulations on the conclusion of a magnificent presidency.—**Charles M. Edmondson**, president, Alfred University

I graduated from Houghton in the late '60s, during Dr. Payne's leadership. I remember meeting Dr. C when I went back to speak at a Houghton chapel. To my amazement, he knew who I was and greeted me with warmth. Just last spring, while teaching during Mayterm, he spotted me in a rather full Sunday school room at Houghton church and again came up to spend a few

seconds welcoming me back to campus. I'm honored to be remembered by a college president who meets so many thousands of people year by year.—**Frank Fortunato '67**

We join your family, colleagues and friends around the world in rising to call you "blessed" on the occasion of your Founders' Day recognition. Your leadership of Houghton College over the past three decades can only be described in superlatives. Few can equal your accomplishments in improving academic excellence while overseeing unprecedented campus and student body growth.

We want to thank you also for your partnership with The Salvation Army. Your invaluable support of the School for Officer Training's lengthy quest for accreditation is greatly appreciated. May the Lord continue to bless you and Joyce in the days ahead as you prepare for honored retirement.—**William W. Francis '66**

When I entered Houghton College in 1992, I never imagined that, 13 years later, I would continue in a friendship with the president and his wife. I met the Chamberlains when they sat at my table my freshman year. I was lamenting to my friends that I would need to purchase a new hair dryer because mine was broken; Dr. Chamberlain told me to bring it by his office sometime, and he would see if he could fix it. Since I did custodial work in Luckey, this wouldn't be a problem: I already had the key to his office! Later that week my hair dryer was in working order once again.

That began an exchange of notes left on his desk and quick hellos while he was working late in his office at times. His great sense of humor was often apparent in the notes he wrote, and I enjoyed the bantering as it made a dull job more bearable.



2000s

*"...we will build upon the solid foundation the Chamberlains have left us."*

The Chamberlains are part of what makes Houghton a great college: a warm, godly couple who helped make being away from home a bit easier. We wish them all the best and know they will enjoy the adventure God has in store for these next years.—**Heather (Terry '96) Gillham**

It is with wet eyes that I write to you in gratitude for all your work at Houghton. It was a happy day for Houghton when you agreed to serve as its president, because, from the day of your inauguration (at which I sang in the college choir, as a cock-sure junior!), God has never ceased to bless the college through you. You have always been an example for us to follow: a kind and good man, and a hard-working man, a man who in adversity is always positive, resolved, and full of the Spirit of God and the spirit of wisdom.

Your life has blessed the lives of countless others in ways you can never know... neither I nor any of the students who attended during your tenure as president will ever forget your character or your achievements at Houghton College.

I am sure that your dear wife has supported you every minute and been a great source of comfort and strength to you, and I thank God for her good influence at the college.—**John Hugo '78**

Daniel R. Chamberlain, you personify the requisite characteristics of the Houghton ideal of a "scholar-servant"—always exhibiting the utmost competence and unselfish willingness to serve.

For 30 years—a remarkable tenure—you have served as Houghton College's visionary leader; the chief architect for the growth and development of its academic and physical landscapes. You are a caring role model and admirable mentor for your college community.

Always willing to reach beyond the classroom and campus, you have ably and graciously shared your talents with the higher education community and New York's independent sector as well. As an enthusiastic advocate, an active and engaged member, and during terms on the Commission on Independent Colleges and Universities (cicu) board of trustees, your experience and perspective has enriched our dialogue and purpose for decades.

You leave an esteemed legacy of accomplishment. We laud your long-lasting devotion, and extraordinary competence and gracious service.—**Abraham M. Lackman, president, CICU**



Thank you, Dr. Chamberlain, for the ministry you have had to our children—**Terry Slye '79, Sharon (Slye '84) Beaman, Laurie (Slye '94) Chandler**—and our grandchildren (**Laura Slye '05, Kate Beaman '07**). We have appreciated your kind ways, humble spirit and caring attitude. May God's special blessing rest upon you and Mrs. Chamberlain as you begin your retirement.—**Jim and Olive Slye**

I was a lowly sophomore at Houghton when you took over as president. We all loved you from the start. I was fortunate enough to get to know both you and your wife while I was at Houghton, and then to renew acquaintance with you over the ensuing years. The last time we met was probably 10 or 11 years ago when you made the trip to the Southwest to attend our chapter meeting in the Phoenix area. Much to my surprise, you remembered me!

You have led the college well, have implemented so many new plans, for buildings and academics. I have always considered you, as a couple, to be gracious, God-fearing people, who were devoted to each other and to the Lord's service. In the years since I graduated from Houghton, I have never once doubted that opinion.

I find it hard to believe that the time has come for you to step down from your position. (For some reason, I know that I'm getting older, but don't expect those who I know to do the same!) It will be hard to imagine Houghton without you being there, leading the way. I hope that you and Mrs. Chamberlain will enjoy your retirement and that the Lord will give you many more years together.—**Pam (Campbell '78) Todd**



*"...we salute you...and thank you for nurturing our academic community"*

# Houghton Celebrates the Chamberlains



*Celebration of the Chamberlains' 30 years of service to Houghton College*  
 Vice President and Dean of the College  
 Ronald S. Osburn  
 invites you to honor  
 at two on-campus events:  
 Join us for a formal celebration at the  
 Chambers' Day Chapel  
 Friday, October 7, 2005 — 10:30 a.m., Wesley Chapel  
 Join us for a more personal celebration at a special luncheon  
 Saturday, October 8, 2005 — 12:30 p.m., Campus Center  
 Tickets for the luncheon may be purchased for \$20 online by clicking on "Register for Chamberlains Luncheon" or by calling Ruth Hu  
 Houghton College, One Willow Ave., Houghton NY 14344.

ON SATURDAY OF HOMECOMING WEEKEND, October 8, the Houghton community joined together for a luncheon to celebrate the friendships and fun formed through the years that Dan and Joyce Chamberlain have spent here and to wish them well for their upcoming retirement. Professor of Communication Doug Gaerte emceed the event, which featured fine food, amusing anecdotes, a secret scrapbook and touching tales.

Judi Mayhle transformed the dining hall into a world of black and white with red accents, and delighted all with her attention to every detail. Attendees were encouraged to dress in the same colors—and to show some flair, which they did! With the distinctive atmosphere came a fine feast, put together by Pioneer Foods' Fred Libick and his staff.

After the meal, five friends shared stories regarding the Chamberlains and five areas of their lives. **Paul Young '76**, professor of psychology, shared regarding academics and leadership. Here's

a short excerpt from his talk: "The role of a leader is to chart the course, champion those who follow, challenge and cheer...new faculty are challenged with the Chamberlainian charge to pursue competence, Christian character and effective communication: another exam-



ple of his love of alliteration. [He] cheers us on, as the cheerful chef chucking Christmas chow for us to chew, choking down rubber chicken chasing charitable checks so our chattels will not be cheap, chiming in on our chatter with cheerful chestnuts about maraschino cherries or a Chevy chassis chock-full of Chamberlain cherubs and other chipper children, making us chuckle and chortle."

Vice President for Enrollment Management **Tim Fuller '79** told several side-splitting stories about the Chamberlains' competitiveness and frugality, after sharing some of Dan Chamberlain's "pithy sayings," culled from minutes of the Administration Committee's meetings and from others who have interacted with the president: "As a leader, one big challenge is to motivate, of course, so some of the president's remarks have to do with the general subject of motivation. For example, he once said 'it is much easier to rein in a thoroughbred than jump-start a corpse.' Another time he said: 'Reluctant dragons don't burn down many buildings.'..."

"Dan appreciates a job well done, but he's not above recognizing when someone fails to achieve what was expected. In referring to a particularly frustrating experience with poor ser-





vice he once commented: 'just because they botch it up doesn't mean that it's complicated.' ...Dan likes to quote Yogi Berra in his speeches, and I think some of Berra's genius for mangling sayings must have rubbed off on Dan. This one, though, does make sense, if you can follow it all the way to the end: 'The whole point of having an open mind is so that at some point you can come to closure.' Yogi would be proud!"

Doug and Phyllis Gaerte shared their experiences of the Chamberlains' hospitality and lives outside the college. Dick Wing had the crowd in stitches with an "invisible slide show," punctuated with his wry commentary.

Then **Connie Finney '78** told about athletics and leadership. Here's some of what she had to say: "...while other college presidents might rarely be seen at sporting events and even more rarely just mixing casually amidst the gathered crowd, we at Houghton are accustomed to seeing Dr. Chamberlain among us. As a Houghton student in the '70s I played the much-overlooked and little-understood game of field hockey. There on the sidelines in 1976 was my college president, not only rooting for our team, but showing an amazing familiarity with the obscure rules of our sport. Dr. Chamberlain has made generations of athletes at Houghton feel a sense that what we could contribute to our school was of value, whether in the classroom, on the court or in the field of play."

Also included in the program was the presentation of a scrapbook by Professor of Psychology **Daryl Stevenson '70** and his wife, **Gudy '70**, who had put the book together without the Chamberlains' knowledge. It featured pictures and mementos of the Chamberlains' years in Houghton. Daryl's father, **Herb Stevenson '38**, had been chairman of the board of trustees when Chamberlain was hired as president. Daryl and Gudy's son, **Kyle Stevenson '96**, painted a portrait of the Chamberlains, which was unveiled at the luncheon. It will be displayed in the Chamberlain Center.

Finally, **Mike Walters '86** shared some of his experiences regarding the Chamberlains' spiritual depth and caring hearts: "One thing that especially struck me about Dan Chamberlain

was the breadth of his knowledge...one night at a dinner table where both we and the Chamberlains were guests, I made a crack about some off-the-wall musician named John Gage, and Dr. Chamberlain launched into a discourse about this man's 'music' and what it said about the state of culture in our society. That night, I became a true believer. The man's a scholar.

"Sometime after **Jim Spurrier '74** joined the church staff as youth pastor, he told me that he was going to team teach a high school Sunday school class—with Dan Chamberlain. I nearly fell out of my chair...the most powerful man in town, weekly (figuratively) washed the feet of teenagers. The man's a servant."

Walters' summation closed the event with feelings shared by many: "I consider the opportunity to express these things publicly to you as a special gift from God. I was here when you arrived, and, God willing, I'll be here when you leave, and I have to tell you that I'm a blessed man because of that... You may leave town in the coming months, sir, but this place will never, ever be the same because of your service, your obedience, your love for young people, and most of all, because of your love for God. May God's richest blessings rest upon you and Joyce as you continue your grand adventure of faith."



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**39** Willis Elliott and his wife, Loree, celebrated five anniversaries in 2005. The Rev. Loree G. Elliott was ordained to Christian ministry 15 years ago. The Rev. Dr. Willis E. Elliott retired from the New York Theological Seminary in Manhattan 25 years ago. The Elliots were married 60 years ago. Willis was ordained to Christian ministry 65 years ago, and 80 years ago Loree was born.

**43** To celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary, Arnold and Betty (Park '62) Cook visited all of their progeny via a 30-day Amtrak trip. Their 10,000-mile rail journey during May 2005 took them to Colorado, Florida, New York and Michigan. Some unusual digressions from the planned itinerary offered challenges to flexibility. Friends and former students may contact them at 20831 Frank Waters Road, Stanwood, WA 98292.

**49** Andrew Berger, writing under the pseudonym "Andrés Berger-Kiss," had three books published in 2005. In Spain, his poetry

volume *Mis tres patrias y Un puñado de polvo* (*My Three Homelands and a Fistful of Dust*); in Columbia, his novel *Donalejo y sus 186 hijos* (*Domalejo and His 186 Children*); and in Pittsburgh's Latin American Literary Review Press his anthology of 24 short stories and memoirs (in English), *The Sharpener and Other Stories*. Some of the book touches on the Holocaust that took 14 members of his family to the gas chamber.

**54** Rev. Robert Aldrich and his wife, Janet, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on October 21, 2005.

**56** Elaine (Hope) Mallough traveled to Moldova in June 2005 with a mission team from her church. She spent two weeks in the capital city, Chisinau, at the College of Theology and Education, teaching English to both Russian and Romanian-speaking students who are preparing to return to their native countries as pastors or missionaries.

Virginia (Gregg) Polanski represented Houghton College at the inaugu-

ration of Corliss McGee to the presidency of Eastern Nazarene College in Quincy, MA, in September 2005. Polanski, who earned a doctorate at SUNY Buffalo, has been a member of the Stonehill College faculty in Easton, MA since 1987.

**57** Charles "Chuck" F. Gommer, Jr. of Dallas, TX, received the Harold C. Buckingham Award for Outstanding Service at Wyoming Seminary in 2005. The award recognizes exemplary service by a member of the school's board of trustees. Gommer, a member of the board of trustees for 30 years, serves as the board's vice chairman.

**58** John Andrews has returned to Houghton College to teach general physics and geology for the 2005-2006 academic year. Andrews is retired from Bell Laboratories.

Rev. Bob Sabean, executive director of Christian Camping International Latin America, spoke at Gordon College's Convocation in 2005. Sabean has been a camp director in Costa Rica for 40 years.



David and Holly (Keyes '91) Graff

## Down the Aisle

Lewis and Helen (Ott '57) Baker	10-09-2004
Brian and Jennifer (Rimer '02) Baney '03	07-17-2004
Ethan and Amy (Hand '03) Duke	03-06-2005
Michael and Magdolene (Kelada-Sedra '03) Dykstra	07-23-2005
David and Holly (Keyes '91) Graff	08-20-2005
Sandy and Jenn (Rozendal '99) Griffin	11-05-2005
Kevin and Nicole (Clayson '05) Housel '05	05-21-2005
Ben and Shannon (Bates '97) Kitchen	10-08-2005
Derek and Alisha (Slipp '98) Melanson	08-23-2002
Tim and Elizabeth (Bence '03) Schandorff	08-14-2004



**59** Former faculty member **James E. Barcus** has published a critical edition of James Hogg's *Mador of the Moor in the Collected Works of James Hogg*, published by Edinburgh University Press. In June 2005 Barcus served as chief reader for the Advanced Placement Examination in Literature and Composition. In this capacity, he supervised more than 900 university and secondary school instructors who scored nearly 767,000 essays written by high school seniors who were seeking college credit. Barcus is a professor of English at Baylor University in Texas.

**60** **Ayo (Joy) Udo** was admitted to the educators hall of fame of the Niger Delta, and was awarded a medallion for her services as principal, zonal supervisor of schools and chief inspector of education. She was named the director of the Goodnews Community International's Bible College in August 2005.

**61** **Marcella (Frisbie) Thomas** and her husband are in their fifth year of teaching at SIAS International University in Xingheng, China. "We have wonderful opportunities to share the Lord with our students," she writes.

**62** **Leo Angevine** retired in 2000 from United Airlines after more than 34 years as a pilot. Angevine felt a call to ministry after retirement, and studied at Titusville Diocesan School for Ministry. Following his first semester of studies he was diagnosed with cancer, and underwent treatment. A recent checkup assured him that everything is fine. It took him an extra year to complete his studies, but he recently was ordained as an Episcopalian priest at the Church of the Ascension in Bradford, PA. Previously, he was an ordained deacon in the church, assigned to the ministry group BECOMM—the Bi-County Community Episcopalian Ministry. Angevine is a member of the

Otto Township board of supervisors, and a former member of the Bradford Regional Airport Authority. He owns his own airplane and flies on occasion. His wife, **Adeline (Jones '64)**, sometimes accompanies him. She is an organist at the Church of the Ascension. The Angevines live in Rixford, PA, with four horses, a dog, two cats and five kittens.

**63** **Glenna (Stephens) Fleming** writes, "I wish to thank the following institutions and individuals for their significant contributions to my spiritual life from my rebirth to the present: Young Life where I first heard the gospel; and to Houghton College, especially Dr. and Mrs. J. Whitney Shea and extended family members, beloved professors and lifelong college mates. Thank you all."

**64** **David C. Droppa** has been promoted to the rank of associate professor at Seton Hill University in Greensburg, PA. He was appointed to coordinate the liberal arts core for the university. He presented a paper in November 2004 at the annual conference of Baccalaureate Social Work Program Directors on the effectiveness of students doing policy projects in human service organizations as a pedagogical tool in teaching undergraduate social policy.

**69** **Bill Somerville** and his wife, Bonnie, have left their family and home in Simpsonville, SC, to answer God's call to a pastorate at Midler Avenue Wesleyan Church in central New York. Somerville taught in public schools until 1973, at which time both Bill and Bonnie accepted Christ and went into service as youth directors. Somerville has served as a part- and full-time evangelist for the Wesleyan Church with an emphasis on youth evangelism. He pastored several Baptist churches before moving to South Carolina.

**70** **Carol (Lepper) Christian** evacuated Houston in late September, with four cats and her dog, as Hurricane Rita threatened the upper Texas Gulf coast with winds of 150 mph. She stayed at a friend's home for the duration of the storm. Christian has been a reporter for the *Houston Chronicle* for seven years.

**71** In May 2005, **Daniel Boythe** received his doctor of ministry degree from Chicago Theological Seminary. He participated in the Association of Chicago Theological Schools' Doctor of Ministry in Preaching program. Boythe has been serving as pastor of St. Paul's United Church of Christ in Minonk, IL, since 1999.

**72** **Chuck Seaman** was named 2005 administrator of the year at Trevecca Nazarene University, an award given to a university administrator who has provided exemplary service to Trevecca over a period of time and whose contributions are seen as being especially noteworthy to the fulfillment of the mission of the university. He joined the Trevecca staff in 1998. Before joining the Trevecca family, Seaman worked in accounting and management with insurance brokers and medical supply companies. When he isn't working, Seaman spends time with his two granddaughters. He also enjoys helping his three children work on their homes.



Chuck Seaman '72

**78** **Vicki (Grant) Fegley** was appointed deputy commissioner of the Allegany County Department of Social Services in Belmont, NY. She received her Masters in Social Work from the University of Buffalo in August 2005. Residing in Houghton with her children Brandon, **Lia Fegley '07**,

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## Future Alumni

Kevin & Patricia (Carole '90) Carole-O'Reilly	Katelin Elena	06-04-2005
Bruce & Carrie (Martin '95) Dailey	Noah William	11-15-2005
Dan & Sonja (Gurley '92) Davis	Kathryn Noelle	07-06-2005
Michael & Jennifer (Halas '96) DeHaven '96	Karissa Jane	05-26-2005
Joe & Molly (Pettit '85) Dewey	Nathaniel Robert	09-04-2003
Brett & Corina (Guadino '00) Eddy '00	Anna Grace	05-08-2005
Scott & Jennifer (Adams '95) Fasick '94	Isabelle Joy	03-09-2004
Andrew & Jennifer (Prokopchuk '00) George	Lauren McKenna	07-11-2005
Bob & Gina Holliday '96	Jessica Lynn	09-02-2005
Greg & Angelina (Baruffi '97) Hill '97	Lawrence Kenneth	03-10-2005
George & Corenna (Boucher '99) Hoyt	Braden Shayne	02-04-2005
Christian & Kristen (Bauer '01) Huebner '01	Noah Micah Christian	04-04-2005
John & Dee (Abers '79) Lehman	Lily Tseng*	09-19-2003
David & Heidi (Buhr '01) Link	Daniel Alan	02-23-2005
Kevin & Bridget (Thompson '97) Luce '96	Caleb Josiah	09-03-2005
Peter & Eva Meileander**	Veronika Anne	08-20-2005
Derek & Alisha (Slipp '98) Melanson	Ella Leanna	10-07-2004
Chris & Jaynie (Miller '01) Nafziger '02**	Elias Matthew	04-23-2005
Todd & Jennifer (Bock '01) Nelson '93	Trevor James	09-16-2005
Tor & Angela (Bunk '96) Nielsen	Marisa Anne	10-03-2005
Pranjali & Barbara (Johnson '99) Saikia	Anjali Grace	09-28-2005
Bob & Lisa (Alleman '88) Selan	Michael T.	11-16-2005
Geoff & Holly (Hughes '95) Stone	Duncan Avery	05-18-2005
Matt & Carrie (Wenger '00) Thompson	Grant Louis	09-19-2005
Eric & Meaghan Wilkins '96	Isaac Andrew	06-07-2005
Brent & Melissa (Lack '00) Wright '98	Michael	04-25-2005

\*\* faculty/staff  
\*adopted



Braden Shayne Hoyt



Daniel Alan Link



Baby Marisa  
Anne  
Nielsen and  
big sister  
Julia.



Lauren McKenna George



Noah Micah Christian Huebner



Elias Matthew Nafziger

and Shayna, as well as her niece, **Elizabeth Bordonaro '07**, Fegley participates on many local boards and coalitions and does choreography for the local town theatre in her spare time.

**79 Dee Abers** and her husband have adopted a girl from Taiwan (see *Future Alumni*). Abers traveled to Taipei to meet their new daughter. She continues in her career as a nurse at Children's Hospital in Pittsburgh. Prior to that, she worked at Chicago's Children's Memorial Hospital.

**81 Mark Versland** and his wife, **Heidi (Pollock '82)**, have been living outside of Hartford, CT, for about 20 years. Versland is a GI physician at New Britain General Hospital and is an associate professor at the University of Connecticut. He is opening an Endoscopy Center in Plainville, CT. Heidi worked for many years as a medical technologist at Hartford Hospital and Bristol Hospital, but now enjoys being home with her sons (ages nine and 15) and involved in school, church and community service opportunities. The Verslands attend Valley Community Baptist Church in Avon, where they have met several Houghton alumni. They plan to visit Houghton this summer for Mark's 25th reunion. Heidi's sister, **Susan (Pollock '78) May** and her husband, **Chris '77**, are dentists in the Avon, CT, area.

**82 Brian and Chris (Schmidt '81) Davidson** have returned from three years of service in Ethiopia. Chris worked in AIDS ministry and was a member of a team that worked with 120 families in a community where one of the parents was dying of AIDS. Brian was involved with a church-centered sports ministry project called Sports Friends. Their daughter **Joy (Davidson '05) Bell** is living in Maryland. Brian and Chris live with their two younger daughters and son in Charlotte, NC, and can be reached by e-mail at [brian.davidson@sim.org](mailto:brian.davidson@sim.org).



Pictured at right are six friends who lived in what used to be the Davis house. This picture, taken at their 20th reunion in 2003, is very similar to a picture of the same guys at their graduation in 1983 (left). From top left going clockwise are Mark Whitman, Jeff Jordan, Tom MacLutjre, Wesley Zimm, Jamie Boswell and Jack Connell.

**Martha Manikas-Foster** published the article, "Shawn, Jeffrey and the Checkout Girl" in the August-September 2005 issue of *Family Life Journal*, in the column "God's Sticky Notes." Her writing has appeared in several national magazines. She works part-time as a radio announcer for the Family Life Network in Bath, NY.

**86 Dave Lenehan** is in his 11th year of service with Youth for Christ as conference director. His wife, Janet (Caley), is working part-time as an administrator with Youth for Christ. They live with their three boys in Schenectady, NY.

**87 Peter Stiles** participated in the Delaware Multiple Sclerosis Bike to the Bay, a 76.1-mile bike ride, and raised close to \$2,000 for multiple sclerosis. Stiles was on a team with his doctor and two physical therapy graduate students. Stiles has been in rehabilitation at the University of Delaware's physical therapy clinic since a car accident left him with head trauma and injuries to his legs and back. He was hospitalized for nearly a month before beginning his rehabilitation, going from wheelchair to walker to crutches. When Stiles and his companions finished the ride, he was greeted by his wife, **Carol Allston-Stiles '83**, and their son.

**90 Eric Ashley** received his professional engineering in civil engineering certificate in December 2005 after passing the professional exam. He is an engineer covering four counties in Pennsylvania.

**Ted Kennett** was selected as a 2005 Pennsylvania Rising Star Lawyer. Only 2.5 percent of all Pennsylvania attorneys receive this honor. He was recognized in the December 2005 issues of *Philadelphia Magazine* and *Pennsylvania Super Lawyers Magazine*. Kennett is a partner with Atlee, Hall & Brookhart, LLP.

**91 Holly (Keyes) Graff** was married (see *Down the Aisle*) in a ceremony featuring two flower girls who are the daughters of fellow classmate **Brynne (Caves) Purcell**.

**93 Todd Nelson** has been admitted to the Illinois bar and his wife, **Jennifer (Bock '01)**, has completed her master's degree in painting. Jennifer has been teaching visual culture at Judson College. They are now living in Quincy, IL, where Todd is working as a public defender. They had a son (see *Future Alumni*) in 2005. Friends can reach Todd at [trnelson@gmail.com](mailto:trnelson@gmail.com) and Jennifer at [jbocknelson@yahoo.com](mailto:jbocknelson@yahoo.com).

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**94 Daniel Dominguez** has achieved partner at his law firm, where his practice concentrates on general corporate, mergers and acquisitions, finance and business planning matters.

**96 Bob Holliday** is the director/head of Global Oncology Training at Novartis Pharmaceuticals in New Jersey. He and his wife, along with their firstborn daughter Amanda, welcomed a daughter in September 2005 (see *Future Alumni*).

**Eric Kappus** is working as a high school chemistry teacher in El Paso, TX, and volunteers with a local after-school program in a poor neighborhood. In May 2001, he discovered about 1,000 dinosaur tracks in the El Paso region. He fought to get the tracks preserved, and 211 acres of land, full of fossils and rocks were donated to a local museum. Kappus was featured in *Backpacker Magazine* in September 2004 for his discovery. He has visited elementary schools all over the city to give talks about the dinosaur tracks, and taken at least 40 field trips with groups of all sizes and ages to the tracks. Kappus is working toward his master's degree.

**Heidi (Oberholtzer) Lee** presented a paper at the fourth biennial meeting of the Society of Early Americanists in Alexandria, VA. Her paper was titled

"Real Men Eat Meat: Culinary Choice and Masculinity in the Journals of Lewis and Clark." Lee is a doctoral student at Notre Dame University.

**Jeremy Tracey** has been serving in adult contemporary Christian music radio for nearly six years. After earning a master's in communications from Wheaton College, Tracey worked for one of the nation's top-20 Christian music stations, WRCM in Charlotte, NC, from January 2000 to April 2004. While there he met and married his wife, Jill. In April 2004 Tracey became the production director and afternoon drive host at WCIC in Peoria, IL. The station has enjoyed 41 percent growth in its weekly audience and was named the Gospel Music Association's Station of the Year in a Small Market. Tracey is now the assistant program director for the station and the senior production director for the New Life Media Network, which covers most of Illinois as well as portions of Indiana and Missouri. Last May Tracey traveled to Lima, Peru to report on the work of Compassion International. The Traceys recently bought a home in Peoria, and enjoy being involved at Northwoods Community Church. Friends can contact Jeremy at [jeremy@wcicfm.org](mailto:jeremy@wcicfm.org).

**98 In October 2004, Christian Esh** co-presented a paper entitled "The Soul of a Graduate University" at the Conference on Faith and History at Hope College in Holland, MI. Esh is a lecturer and doctoral candidate in U.S. history at the University of Maryland, College Park. He and his wife, **Laura (Gaylor) Esh**, are actively involved in College Park Wesleyan Church, where she plays the piano for services, and with the praise band "More Than a Song." She began directing the church choir in June 2005. Laura was recently listed in *Who's Who in America* for her work as a piano and voice instructor at Lopez Studios, a private performing arts studio. As Piano Chair there,

Laura manages both the private piano and group lesson programs. The Eshes live in Reston, VA.

**Janis Gilman** is working as a nanny in Coquitlam, British Columbia, Canada. She cares for two girls, Elayna and Elysa, four-year-old twins who do "everything they can to keep her very busy!" Whenever she gets a spare moment, Gilman still loves to dive into a book, and she has started a Christian book club at her home church. Friends are invited to write her at [janisgilman@hotmail.com](mailto:janisgilman@hotmail.com).



Derek and Alisha (Slipp '98) Melanson with baby Ella

In addition to being a private piano teacher, **Alisha (Slipp) Melanson** shares the position of pastor at Blissville United Methodist Church in New Brunswick, Canada with her husband, Derek (see *Down the Aisle*). Derek is a theology scholar and is working towards his doctorate at McMaster University. Once ordained, the Melansons and their baby, Ella (see *Future Alumni*), will be moving to Nerepsis, New Brunswick, where Derek will serve as pastor of Nerepsis Baptist Church. Alisha will continue work on her master's degree while teaching piano lessons, being a mom, and "finding time for deer hunting!" Friends may reach them at [moosefam@nb.sympatico.ca](mailto:moosefam@nb.sympatico.ca).

**Jon Stiansen** received his master's degree in marriage and family therapy from Cal Baptist University in May



Friends and former roommates gathered for a mini-reunion to celebrate their 30th birthdays this summer. Pictured from left to right: Kelly (Daugherty '97) Studley holding Raleigh Studley, Jenny (Cox '97) Fralic, Bridget (Thompson '97) Luce with Savannah Luce, and Jennifer (Lyle '97) McNiven.

2005. He is working with a foster family agency. He and his wife, **Jaimie (Housepian '99)**, are living in Running Springs, CA, and can be reached at [stiansen@verizon.net](mailto:stiansen@verizon.net).

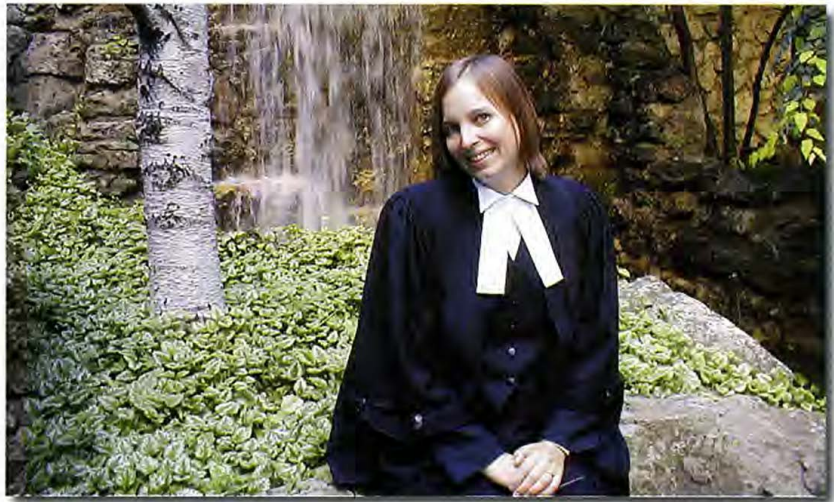
**99 Erin (Bennett) Banks**, who illustrated the cover of the summer 2005 *Milieu*, has won the Oppenheim Toy Portfolio Gold Award for her work in illustrating the Candlewick Press book *The Patchwork Path*. She has signed on to illustrate another children's book that is by Freddi Williams Evans, called *Hush Harbor*, about the beginning of African American churches in America. Banks works as the director of admission for Savannah College of Art and Design in Atlanta.

**Scot and Lisa (Harvey '97) Hourston** were featured in the *Campus Crusade for Christ Canada May-August 2005 Ministry Update*. Scot joined an Athletes In Action (AIA) soccer tour to Southeast Asia in the summer of 2000, and joined AIA full-time upon his return. He has gone on international tours to at least ten different countries. He works as the AIA Associate Soccer Director, overseeing a variety of ministry initiatives, including the National Soccer Project, AIA soccer teams and numerous soccer camps. Lisa began



Scot and Lisa (Harvey '97) Hourston

working with AIA as a volunteer. She joined the staff in 2004 as a ministry coordinator for the AIA office in Vancouver, coordinating and providing leadership to international sports tours



Julie Ann (Davis '00) Wakeman

in conjunction with SportAid, AIA's humanitarian arm. She recently returned from a trip to Brazil and Paraguay where she led the AIA women's soccer team that competed in South America.

**Keely Jones** completed her doctorate in sociology and is teaching at the University of Georgia as an assistant professor in public administration and policy. She writes, "I am involved in the creation of a nonprofit studies concentration in their master's of public policy program and teach courses and do research on the nonprofit sector...I also do research on civic participation, organizations, culture, poverty, and income inequality. I'm still learning about the Athens area and adjusting to being a Southerner, so I haven't found a church home, etc. yet." Friends may contact her at [kjones1@uga.edu](mailto:kjones1@uga.edu).

**Aaron F. Wells** received his doctorate in ecology from Utah State University in Logan. He currently holds a post-doctoral position with Montana State University in Bozeman. He can be contacted at [aaron\\_wlls@yahoo.com](mailto:aaron_wlls@yahoo.com).

**00 Jennifer (Prokopchuck) George** and her husband had a daughter (see *Future Alumni*) in 2005. George changed jobs from public accounting to the posi-

tion of general accountant at a Danaher manufacturing company, Qualitrol Corporation. She can be reached at [jgeorge@qualitrolcorp.com](mailto:jgeorge@qualitrolcorp.com).

**Eric Hamlin** has recently been appointed as western section youth representative for the New York State District Assembly of God Church. Hamlin is the youth pastor at the Lewiston (NY) Assembly of God church, where he has served for three years. His additional duties will include coordinating the youth groups of 35 Assemblies of God churches, including monthly youth rallies, a yearly weekend retreat and a sectional fine arts festival. Hamlin will help coordinate and supervise the New York State Assemblies of God youth convention held in Syracuse each year. He and his wife live in Youngstown, NY.

**Rob Luckey** graduated from New York Chiropractic College in April 2005. In October, he and classmate **Scott Mills** opened Victor Advanced Chiropractic in Victor, NY. Rob's wife, **Melissa (Smith '01)** completed her master's degree in May 2005 and is a fifth grade teacher.

**Dionne Miller** is the new sports anchorperson for Fox 6 in San Diego, CA. Miller has worked at stations in Billings, MT and Burlington, VT.

**Carrie (Derr) Radford** and her husband have partnered with Baptist

Faith Missions to serve a two-year term in Kenya as full-time missionaries. Their primary focus will be on prison and orphanage ministry. They can be contacted at [caradford1@yahoo.com](mailto:caradford1@yahoo.com).

**Jule Ann (Davis) Wakeman** received the degree of Barrister of Laws and was called to the bar of Ontario, Canada in September 2005. She graduated from the University of Toronto with the degree of *Juris Doctor* in June 2004

and classmates can contact the Martins at [jeremartin@aol.com](mailto:jeremartin@aol.com).

Five friends and Houghton classmates earned their medical degrees on the same weekend in May 2005. **Kevin Malone** and **Jessica (McCann) Pearcey** received the doctor of podiatric medicine degree from Temple University (Philadelphia, PA), while **Benjamin Rudd**, **Inez Stoltzfus** and **Jeffrey Thompson** received medical degrees, from Upstate

teaches middle and high school students about renewable energy through hydrogen-fuel-cell technology. Sherman and 50 students from all grade levels will embark upon a statewide project, creating hydrogen-fuel-cell-powered model cars, culminating in the Middle School Fuel Cell Championship event at North Carolina State University.

**03 Magdolene (Kelada-Sedra) Dykstra** is teaching physics and science at Ft. Erie High School in Ontario. She was married over the summer (*see Down the Aisle*) to Michael Dykstra, who is a computer programmer.

**Elizabeth (Bence) Schandorff** was married in 2004, with **BJ Haas** and **Meaghan O'Brien** as attendants. Elizabeth met her husband, Tim, while studying at Eastern University, where both received master's degrees in International Economic Development. The couple spent four months in Costa Rica, Panama and Nicaragua, working with local churches and micro-enterprise organizations, and learned how to scuba dive. Elizabeth works for Geneva Global Inc., conducting research on HIV/AIDS, human trafficking and child soldiers.

**04 Rachel "Beth" Miner** is working as a school program assistant for Boston University's Sargent Center for Outdoor Education in Hancock, NH. She presents outdoor education to students in grades five through eight. She writes, "We engage them in a way that is hard to replicate with a traditional classroom. We provide students with positive experiences of how they can make a difference in the world's social and environmental future. Each year, the school hosts more than 3,000 students from across New England for one- to five-day residential programs."

**Andrea Pfeiffer** has accepted a position with Jefferson County College in Watertown, NY, as an alumni development officer.



*Jeremy Martin '01 went to Taiwan for two weeks on a mission trip. The entire Gordon College men's basketball team went through an organization called Sports Ambassadors which is a part of One Challenge International.*

and spent the past year working for a criminal defense firm in Ottawa. Friends can reach Jule and her husband at [juleannwakeman@gmail.com](mailto:juleannwakeman@gmail.com).

**01 Jeremy Martin** and his wife are living in Danvers, MA, and celebrated their first wedding anniversary in August 2005. Jeremy is entering his third year as the assistant men's basketball coach at Gordon College and his second year working in the Center for Christian Studies there. Friends

Medical University (Syracuse, NY), Drexel University (Philadelphia, PA) and the University at Buffalo (Buffalo, NY), respectively.

**Tad Sherman** and his fellow teachers at Salem Middle School are constantly coming up with activities to both engage students and incorporate lessons from the curriculum. Sherman was featured in his local newspaper for securing a grant of \$4,000 in money and supplies from Students Fueling the Future, an educational program that

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**05** Kevin Housel married Nicole (Clayson) in May 2005 (see *Down the Aisle*). The couple lives in Windsor, NY, and work as Spanish teachers.

Joshua N. Miller presented a paper at the 2005 Florida College English Association Conference, in November at Daytona Beach. Miller's paper, "The Paradox of Dostoevsky's Positively Good Idiot," was written during his final year at Houghton as preparation for a senior honors thesis. Miller is in the first year of a two-year master's program in English

at the University of Florida.

Christina Turner was honored by the Conference for Christianity and Literature's 2005 Student Writing Contest, capturing two out of the nine awards given nationwide. Turner's stories, "Nativity," and "Vida," won second and third place in the fiction category. Turner's work was chosen from 44 fiction manuscripts submitted by students from forty-four colleges and universities across the country.

### P.A.C.E.

**C4** Gregory Sammons has been named chief of University Police at Alfred State College. He enforces laws to ensure the safety and security of all campus community members, and responds to various criminal, medical, domestic, and service-related incidents. Prior to his position at Alfred State, Sammons served as a campus security officer at Finger Lake Community College.

## REMEMBRANCE

**40** W. Henry Ortlip died September 26, 2005 in his Houghton home. He was married to Elizabeth (Carlson '42), who survives.

Ortlip was a missionary minister in China and Haiti. Surviving besides his wife are a daughter and son-in-law, David and Karen (Ortlip '69) Daugherty of Houghton; three sons, David W. Ortlip '75 of Columbus, OH, Jonathan and wife Ruthie (Rothenbuhler '83) Ortlip '81 of Chagrin Falls, OH, and Daniel Ortlip '86 of Irvine, CA; 10 grandchildren; two sisters, retired faculty member Aileen Shea and her husband, Alton Shea '36, and retired faculty member Marjorie Stockin, both of Houghton; three brothers, including Stephen and Doris (Armstrong '44) Ortlip '42 of Avondale Estates, GA; and honorary alumnus Paul D. Ortlip of Highland Beach, FL; and several nieces and nephews, including Eila Shea '66, current faculty member Paul Shea '69 and his wife Deborah (Greenmeyer '69).



*Elizabeth (Carlson '42) with her late husband, W. Henry Ortlip '40*

**50 Ruth Violet Winger (Smith) Bitner** died at Messiah Village, Mechanicsburg, PA, on September 11, 2005, after an illness of ten months. She is survived by her husband, Robert O. Bitner, whom she married on September 13, 2003; a brother and numerous nieces and nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews. She was preceded in death by her first husband in 1977, and by two sisters and two brothers. Bitner served on the University of Pennsylvania Hospital staff until 1958. During her marriage to Arthur Smith, she worked for the U.S. Public Health Service and taught for the Bureau of Indian Affairs on the Navajo reservation in Arizona. During this time she earned a master's degree in teaching English as a second language at Northern Arizona University. When Bitner returned to the Mechanicsburg area in 1980, she mentored international students at Messiah College until 1989. She was active at the Grantham Church, where she served on the church board and the Refugee Task Force, sang in the choir, and was a deacon until her illness. She also served on the board of directors of the Friends of Murray Library (Messiah College).

**John Wesley Swauger** died April 16, 2005 in DeLand, FL. "Wes," as he was known by family and friends, developed a love for gospel missions while a student at Houghton College and together with his wife, the late **Harriet (Richards '51)**, studied language translation and jungle survival before going to serve the Colorado tribe in the jungles of Ecuador. Swauger installed and repaired Wycliffe's radios for aircraft used between remote jungle stations. Survivors include siblings and their spouses **Herb and Virginia (Swauger '48) Dongell '46, Paul and Nancy (Phillippe '54) Swauger '54, L. Roberta Swauger '56, Gerald and Martha (Swauger '56) McGraw '54**; three children, and five grandchildren. In addition to his wife, he was predeceased by a son.

**58 Donald R. Kinde**, a former Wesleyan missionary to Sierra Leone, died October

6, 2005 after a year-long battle with esophageal cancer. He was 68. Kinde was awarded an honorary degree from Houghton College in 1992 and served as the commencement speaker for that class. Survivors include his wife of 47 years, Joan; three children, including **Mark Kinde '81**, nine grandchildren; a brother; and friends around the world.

**Joan (Gillette) Whitehead** passed away July 16, 2005. She was a member of the alumni board. Whitehead's appreciation for Houghton College influenced her children, **Kathryn (Whitehead '96) Kempson**, and **Rich Whitehead '92**, both of whom survive her, to attend Houghton. At various times, Whitehead taught art; was a substitute teacher; was a realtor; owned and operated her own restaurant, catering and wedding cake business; wrote a book; published poetry; directed and accompanied choirs and musicals; operated an outreach ministry for women and children; taught Bible studies; tutored children; taught piano and mentored women in their journeys with Christ. Surviving in addition to her children are her husband, grandchildren, a brother, nieces, nephews, grand-nieces and grand-nephews.

**66 Beverly (Quinn) Hall** died March 29, 2005 after an illness of 21 months. She had worked for the U.S. Army as a civilian for many years. She is survived by her husband of 41 years, **Richard Hall '63**, three daughters and seven grandchildren.

**67 Elizabeth "Betty" May Hasard** of Chehalis died September 6, 2005 at the University of Washington Medical Center in Seattle, following a lengthy illness. She studied music and psychology while a student at Houghton College, and later earned a master's degree in psychology from the University of Washington. Hasard was employed as a school psychologist for the Chehalis Central School District for 25 years. She spent her life in the service of others in her community and school district. Surviving are a sister and two brothers.

## Former Faculty

**R. Clyde McCone** passed away May 24, 2004 in his home in Long Beach, CA, at the age of 88. He completed a bachelor's in religion while pastoring churches in the Redfield, SD, area, and was ordained in 1952. He completed his master's degree at South Dakota State University and his doctorate at Michigan State University. McCone taught cultural anthropology and linguistics at Long Beach State University from 1961-



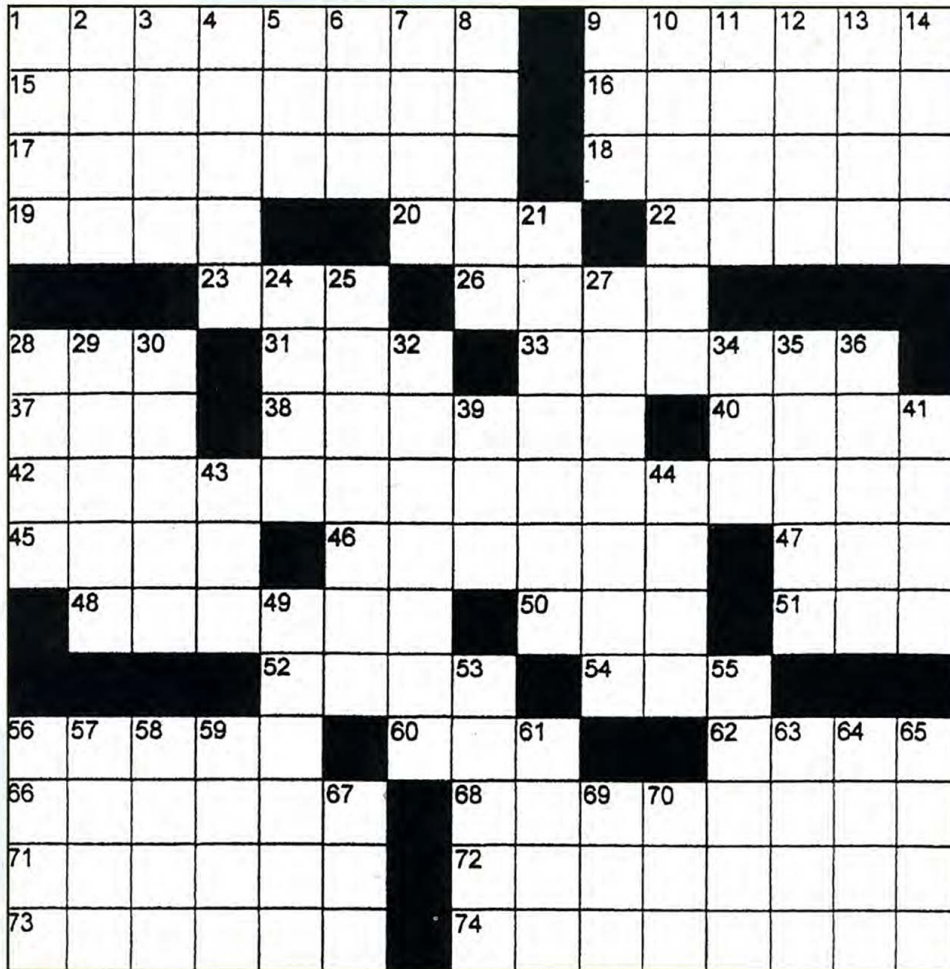
R. Clyde McCone

1986. He also taught Sunday school classes and spoke for youth groups; he was the sponsor for Intervarsity Christian Fellowship on campuses, was active in the Creation Research Society, wrote articles and spoke for professional organizations in the U.S. and abroad, and taught summer sessions at Houghton in 1970 and 1971. His book, *Culture and Controversy*, was published in 1978 and revised in 1997. Survivors include his wife, son and daughter **Vangie (McCone '71) Pearson**.



## Chamberlain Capers

by Brad Wilbur '91



### DOWN

- 1 Loses brightness
- 2 \_\_\_ fixe
- 3 Hip joint
- 4 "Hogan's Heroes" Colonel
- 5 WWII servicewoman
- 6 OJ trial judge Lance \_\_\_
- 7 Disney fish of 2003
- 8 Group of trees
- 9 Charged particle
- 10 Yellow
- 11 Where Gaelic is spoken
- 12 N.Y. neighbor
- 13 Landed, as a butterfly
- 14 Green vegetable choice
- 21 Done
- 24 Pate de fois \_\_\_
- 25 "Doctor Zhivago" setting
- 27 Subject of Paul Revere warning
- 28 Thumbs-up sitcom character
- 29 Norwegian composer
- 30 Laughing animal
- 32 Dan Chamberlain's favorite TV show
- 34 Geological period
- 35 Moving around
- 36 "Come Back, Little \_\_\_"
- 39 Wire service initials
- 41 Salvation \_\_\_
- 43 Dastardly
- 44 "Orinoco Flow" pop singer
- 49 High-pH compound
- 53 Did some lawn care
- 55 Sanders of two-sport fame
- 56 Mascara target
- 57 Razor brand name
- 58 Seattle
- 59 Kansas city
- 61 Dog food selection
- 63 "For here or \_\_\_?"
- 64 Hint
- 65 Makes tracks
- 67 Mai \_\_\_ (rum cocktail)
- 69 Aspiration
- 70 551. to Caesar

### ACROSS

- 1 Dan's first racquetball partner
- 9 Greenland feature
- 15 One transgressing the First Commandment
- 16 Baltimore player
- 17 Dan Chamberlain's birthplace
- 18 Fictional locale of which Dan is fond
- 19 Actor Connery
- 20 Eggs
- 22 Air conditioner parts
- 23 Metric units: abbr.
- 26 To be, in Toulouse
- 28 E-I link-up
- 31 Tease
- 33 Queen Dido's Trojan War beloved
- 37 Kid \_\_\_\_, jazz trombonist
- 38 Overflow
- 40 Workplace safety organization
- 42 First new campus building under President Chamberlain
- 45 Philosopher who wrote forty paradoxes
- 46 "Don't \_\_\_ my parade..."
- 47 PC maker
- 48 Knight of Arthurian legend
- 50 Singing Doris
- 51 Sugar \_\_\_ Leonard
- 52 Be a couch potato
- 54 Slight amount
- 56 Astigmatism cure
- 60 "Cold Mountain" heroine
- 62 Carve a fine line
- 66 Not sunk yet
- 68 Joyce's favorite flowers
- 71 Name yelled by Brando
- 72 Add-on to a novel
- 73 Chamberlain son lives in this state
- 74 Game-night option at the Chamberlains'



# PICTURE THIS

**D**o you recognize who that is coming out of the cake? (Hint: the answer is in one of the featured articles inside!) Do you remember the occasion? Are you one of the lovely ladies standing by? If you were in attendance, drop us a line and share your memories of this landmark Houghton moment.



**FROM LAST ISSUE:** After reading the Fall 2005 *Milieu*, I paused to look at the laundromat picture on the back cover. Much to my surprise I realized that I was the one studying at the table while my friend, **Alice (Bence '67) Davidson**, was folding clothes at the dryer. I remember the walk down the hill from Gaoyadeo, carrying my laundry. As a professor at Indiana Wesleyan University, I took the opportunity to tell my students that I must have used every extra minute to study when I was in college!—**Doris Scott '68**, Marion, IN.

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