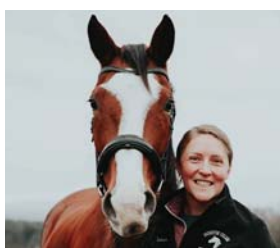
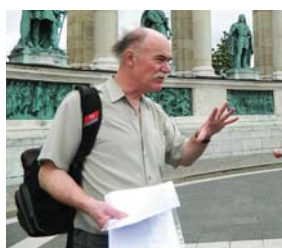
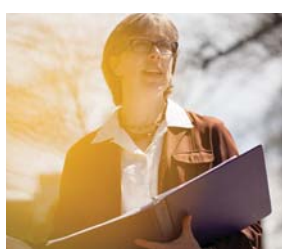
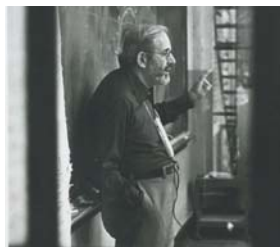
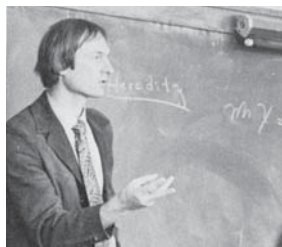
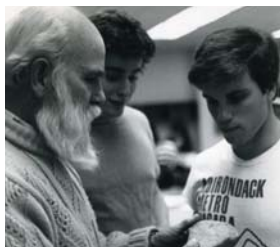


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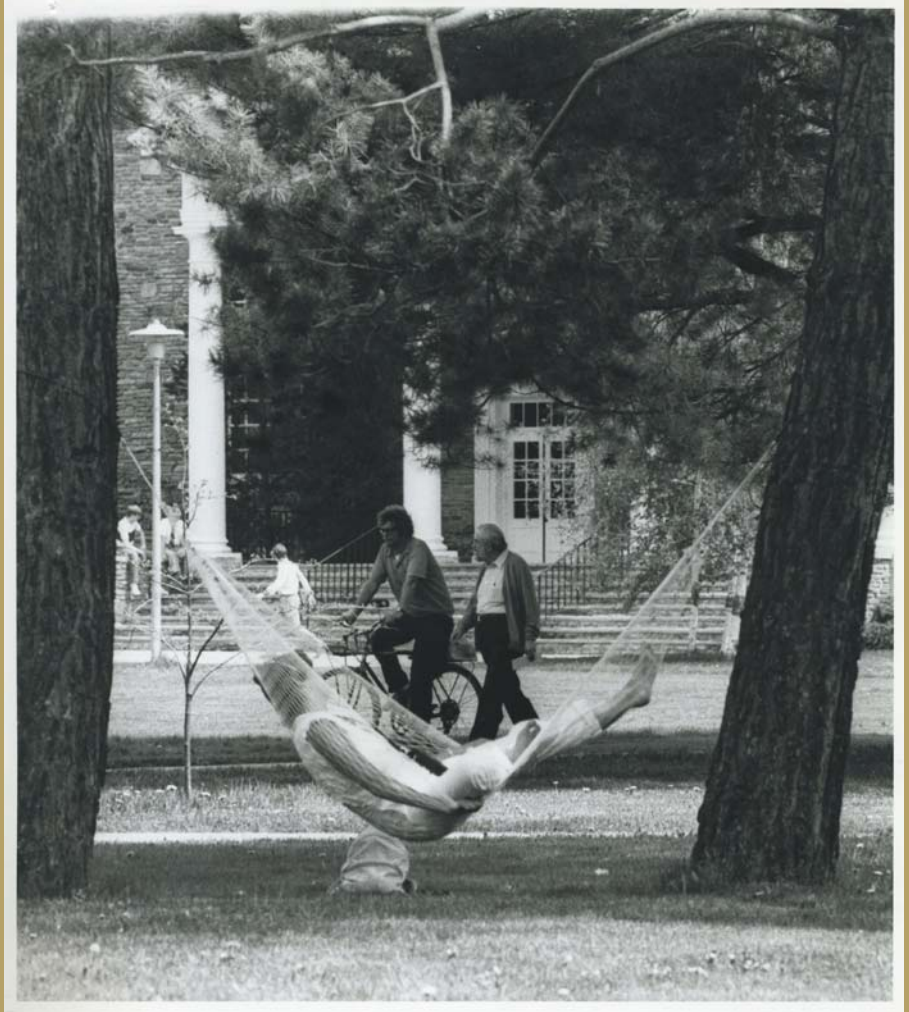
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FROM THE EDITORS

Over the years, some things at Houghton have changed a lot, but one constant from every decade is how the lives of students were impacted by their faculty. In creating this issue of *Houghton*, we sent out a call for alumni stories: Who was your favorite professor and why? What made him or her so great? How did that professor influence your life and calling?

We were overwhelmed with the response! Over 125 of you across seven decades shared your stories. Some of them were short, some lengthy, some hilarious, some touching—all were heartfelt.

This magazine contains excerpts from a handful of alumni from each decade. The magazine website contains stories shared by over 100 alumni. We hope you will take the time to read them and even contribute your own stories at www.houghtonmagazine.com.

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For most of our alumni, the impact of Houghton College is embodied in the person of a faculty or staff mentor. It is this person that alumni want to visit when returning to campus. It is this person they want to honor in named scholarships. It is this person through whom their Houghton education has shaped their lives forever.

For me, and hundreds of other Houghton alumni, that mentor was Professor **Katherine Lindley '43**. For over 30 years, Professor Lindley dedicated herself to compelling Houghton students to pay attention to things that mattered. That meant, for one, the significance of particular moments in history. Whether it was Charles Martel's victory in 732 at the Battle of Tours, Martin Luther's posting of the 95 Theses in 1517, or President Roosevelt's failing health at the 1945 Yalta Conference, she wanted us to know that these specific factors shaped the course of history in one way rather than another forever.

Professor Lindley wanted us to know that our Houghton education mattered. We were not just earning a degree; we were being offered the lavish gift of a Christian liberal arts education. We were being invited to receive the treasures of wisdom and knowledge through the full range of human disciplines, to be sure, but were assured that, ultimately, these riches are found in the person of Jesus Christ (Colossians 2:3).

Professor Lindley wanted us to know that our own lives mattered. From our first encounter with her, she challenged us to see possibilities for our lives that we had not considered for ourselves. She saw in us potential we could not yet see, and her confidence in us helped us to take steps most of us would not have had courage to take on our own. For many of her students, this meant pursuing law school; for me, it meant graduate school in history and a calling in Christian higher education.

As Houghton's president, I have had the privilege of hearing the stories of other Houghton mentors—Professor Shannon, Professor Shea, Professor Kellogg, Pop Mills, Professor Warren Woolsey and, more recently, Professor Yuly, Professor Bates, Professor Kiiti, Coach Lewis, Professor Airhart, Professor Murphy, Professor Hegeman, Professor Gaerte, Dean Danner and many others. We need the diversity of mentors among our faculty and staff to match the rich diversity of gifts and experiences among our student body.

We know the Christian doctrine of incarnation. In Jesus Christ, God's grace and truth came to us—and comes to us—in a person. This doctrine is much more than abstract theology, and the principle of incarnation extends well beyond the Trinity. God mediates his voice and his presence most often in this world through people. As Houghton alumni, God transformed us through the impact of faculty and staff mentors so that we, in turn, might be agents of transformation in the world.

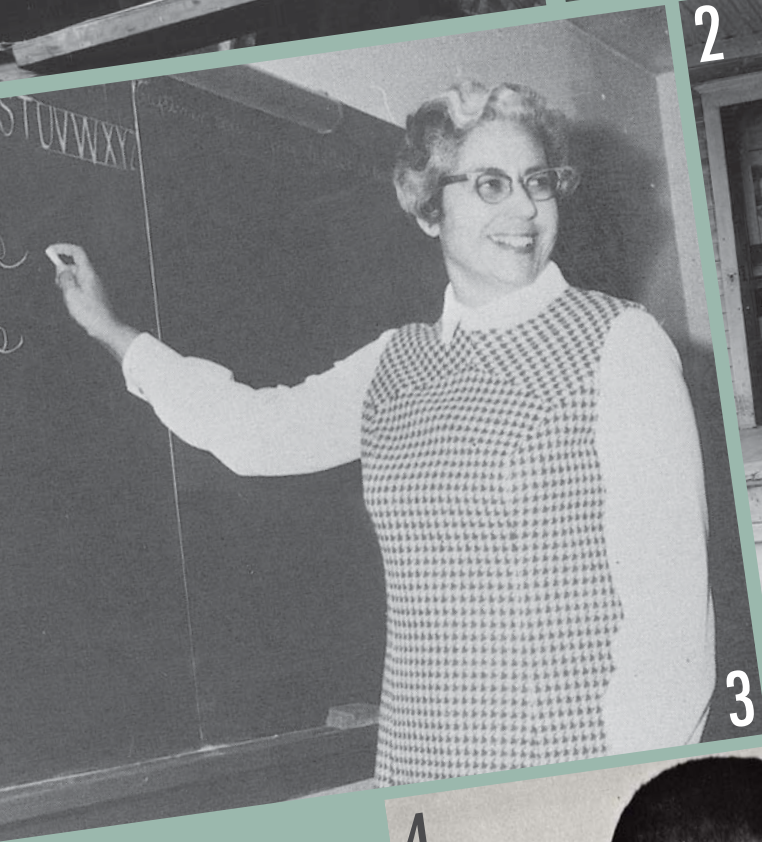
At a time when colleges and universities across the country are opting more and more to cut instructional costs by relying increasingly on adjunct faculty or graduate assistants to teach undergraduate classes, Houghton is choosing deliberately to continue to invest in faculty who are fully committed to the mission and the students of this institution. Transformation happens through sustained interaction in a wide range of settings. Providing for the likelihood of such interaction is a core commitment of Houghton's educational strategy.

It is this transforming work of incarnational mentoring that we celebrate in this issue of *Houghton*. We trust that, as you enjoy these stories, you will be reminded of your own mentors and inspired in the ongoing work of mentoring to which God calls us in our own particular arena of impact.



Shirley A. Mullen, Class of 1976
President

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the '50s & '60s



IN YOUR WORDS:

I was an Art major, and **Ma and Pa Ortlip (1)** took me under their wing. I spent many hours in their home and was intrigued by the chaos of it all. Ma Ortlip said, "You'll never be a great artist if you're too organized." They were loving and kind and so very supportive. Years later, I was struck by how humble they were when I realized how great their talent was and how well-recognized they were in the art field. To me, they were the Real Deal, what a Christian testimony was all about.

Jan (Taylor '57) Rhine

Dorah Burnell (2) was an amazing woman who had some never-to-be-forgotten idiosyncrasies. She had an unusual blue dress whose dye acted as a chemical indicator, so she would wear it when teaching about indicators. When she walked into the classroom wearing that particular dress, the blue would change to pink because of the acidity in the air coming from the lab. Miss Burnell was a wonderful Christian woman who never failed to open class with fervent prayer. Each year, she treated her assistants to a delicious dinner, which she had prepared. Much of my 45 years of success as a chemistry teacher to hundreds of nursing students can be attributed to what she modeled for me.

Fay (Hunting '46) Bennett

I was privileged to take [many] classes from **Dr. Katherine Lindley '43 (3)**. Her patience, her style and her encouraging us to dig deep into profound issues molded my life. She encouraged me to follow my Houghton experience with law school and, ultimately, a very rewarding career in the law. She pulled out of me thoughts and ideas that I never knew were there. She encouraged me to put those thoughts and ideas into words and to publicly defend them. Our final exam for Modern Political Theory was only one question: "Trace the development of the concept of Equality from Plato to the present." The three-hour testing period flew by. There was so much to put down on paper! God used her to transform my vision and my life. For that, I am eternally grateful.

Bruce A. Cross '67, Esq.

Dr. Abraham Davis '55 (4) was a great teacher! He helped me appreciate the proper use of the English language! He was patient, understanding, and flexible but determined we learn proper English!

Ellen (McCarty '65) Fawthrop

Dr. Claude Ries '18 (5) was the genuine article: a scholar of deep, profound faith whose passion for God's Word and enthusiasm for communicating its truths to his students caused me often to just sit in awe and let his exegetical insights flood over me. There was a Man of God!

Manfred Brauch '63

Dr. Nolan Huizenga (6) was my piano professor and music history teacher. He was tough and a perfectionist, particularly about technique, and it is his guidance in excellent technique that I pass on to my students at nearly every lesson. He was encouraging, believing in me even when I felt I was not measuring up to his high standards. I was a student at Houghton when he was courting his future bride, organist Gloria. It was so much fun to see the man come to life with the awakening of romantic love. It kind of "tickled" all of us as students, and our support of him and Gloria was a joy. I was so saddened when I learned of his "home-going" as if a part of me was gone, too. However, his teachings, his passion for music and even his kind way of demanding excellence has continued on in my studio.

Sharlene (Azzarelli '69) Cady

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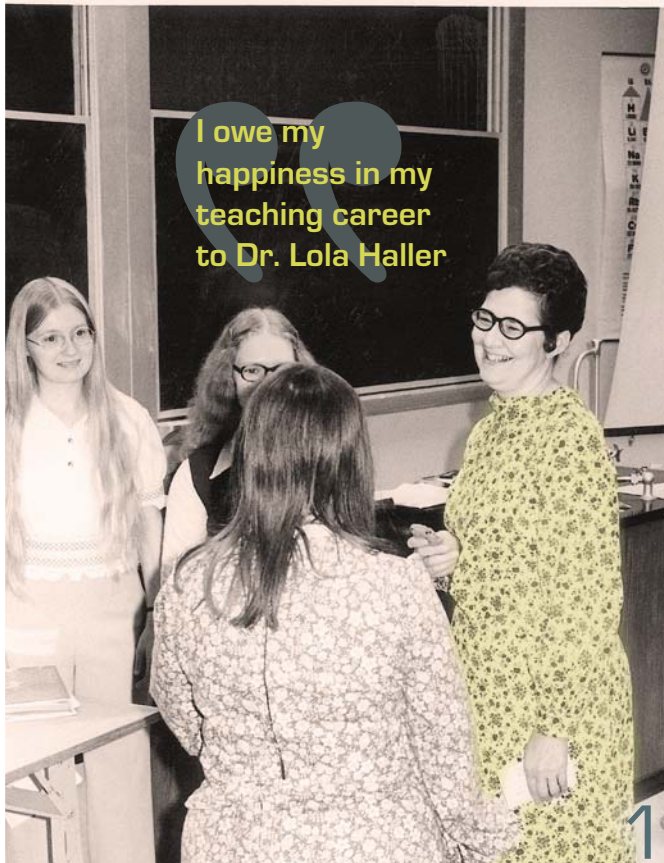
Read more alumni responses about faculty from the 50s and 60s including Hazlett, Rickard, Stockin, Moreland and more at www.houghton.edu/50s-60s.



the '70s

I credit **Elizabeth Cook '62**, affectionately known as “Betty Botany,” with introducing me to all that is plant in the great outdoors. We were out of the classroom more than we were in the classroom observing and collecting specimens from all over southwestern NY (such as Little Rock City in Salamanca and the many visits to her favorite place, Moss Lake Bog near Rushford). Her enthusiasm, energy and plant knowledge were impressive and contagious. I still have my herbarium (collection of pressed plants) and a series of pictures (slides) I took of microscopic algae. Her influence resulted in my preference for the Plant Kingdom, to which any of my former biology students can attest.

Craig Cheeley '71

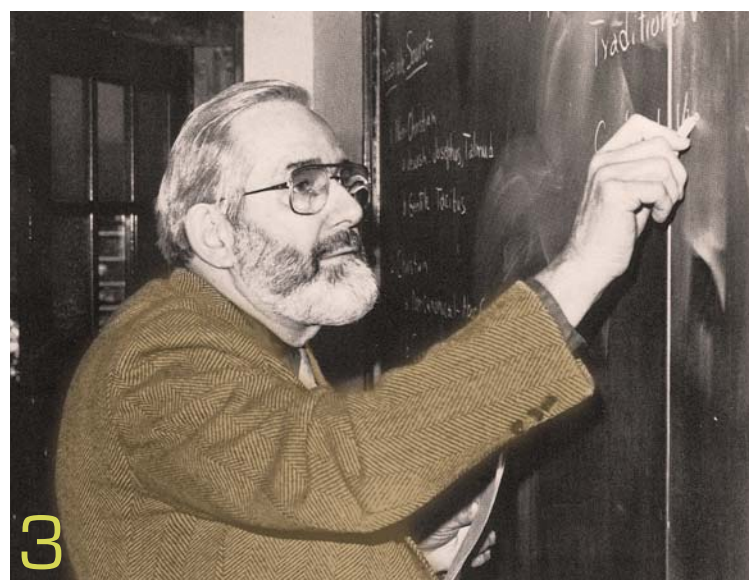


I owe my happiness in my teaching career to Dr. Lola Haller

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I owe my happiness in my teaching career to **Dr. Lola Haller '57 (1)**. When it came time for scheduling student teaching, I told her that all of my experience with children was with third grade on up. She managed to get me a first-grade experience with a young, excellent teacher. I took the placement because job openings were very few in the mid-seventies, and I did not want to turn down a primary grade opening if I was offered one. That experience was so great that first grade became my grade of choice. I was fortunate to get a first-grade classroom, and I was able to incorporate many things that I learned from my cooperating teacher in the 25 years that I taught first grade. Dr. Haller and I exchanged Christmas cards until she died.

Linda Kay (Lyter '74) Swartz

Fred Shannon (2) was unique because of the philosophical quotes and sometimes humorous items he inserted on the pages of his exams. I have kept some of these exams for over 40 years, which makes me seem kind of weird. (The grades on the exams were usually the 3rd letter of the alphabet.) Here is one such quote: "There is nothing more frightful than ignorance in action. —Goethe." Maybe Dr. S. had witnessed some inept chemistry student in the lab at some time. Probably me.

Gary Finger '74

Professor **Warren Woolsey's '43 (3)** Life of Christ class and his classes on the Pauline Epistles were amazing. We know that Professor Woolsey spent much time in prayer before his classes, and that clearly came through in the way he taught. He taught "in the Spirit," and, thus, his classes were taught with wisdom, humility and great insight. He also demonstrated a strong desire to grow in his own walk with Christ. Having grown up in Christian homes, we both knew the Bible fairly well, but taking Professor Woolsey's classes exposed us to the deep and inexhaustible riches of the Scriptures and greatly enhanced our love for the Lord Jesus and our love for God's Word. To this day, we still refer to class notes we received from Professor Woolsey.

Larry and Jill (Pape) Rieck '71



Read more alumni responses about faculty from the 70s including Schultz, Munro, McCallum and Stockin at www.houghton.edu/70s.



THE 80s

Professor Wing (1) had a dry, unusual sense of humor, and he made the classroom a place I didn't want to leave. He even made Technical Writing fun! From teaching the craft of writing to showing he cared about his students, Professor Wing was truly an original, one-of-a-kind professor. It was because of his recommendation to the then-director of public information, **Dean Liddick '60**, that I got my very first job two days after graduation. Professor **Jack Leax '66** was an inspiration. A gifted writer and teacher, he was like a movie star professor to me. He wasn't afraid to question the status quo and write about topics that other Christian writers might not. He never worried about other people's opinions. His writing shed light in dark places, and it still does.

Cynthia (Kinard '85) Machamer

Mrs. **Lois Wilt '46 (2)**, flute teacher and professor of other music classes, was like a mother away from home. She was so caring towards her students, and she even traveled to south Florida to play in my wedding a few years after I graduated! That meant a lot.

Jeannine (Sanson '83) Krieger

Dr. Paul Young '70 (3) taught me that it is possible to be deeply thoughtful about the world around me and still maintain a relevant faith. He challenged me to learn more than I thought I was capable of...and that you should take a walk with your spouse every chance you can.

Jennifer (Wheeler '89) Miller

Harold Kingdon '57 (4) was the Bible professor with whom I took my first Bible class—Inductive Study of the Book of John. It was in that class that I discovered that the Bible is alive! I found that I enjoyed Bible study, and I learned so many ways to study the Word that I still use today. I remember marking up my Bible, finding words that were "alive" and seeing connections between the Word and my life. I read questions, answering them as though pouring through a letter written from a dear friend. It was after that class that I declared a Bible major, changing the direction of my life.

Karen (Eckstrom '80) Clark

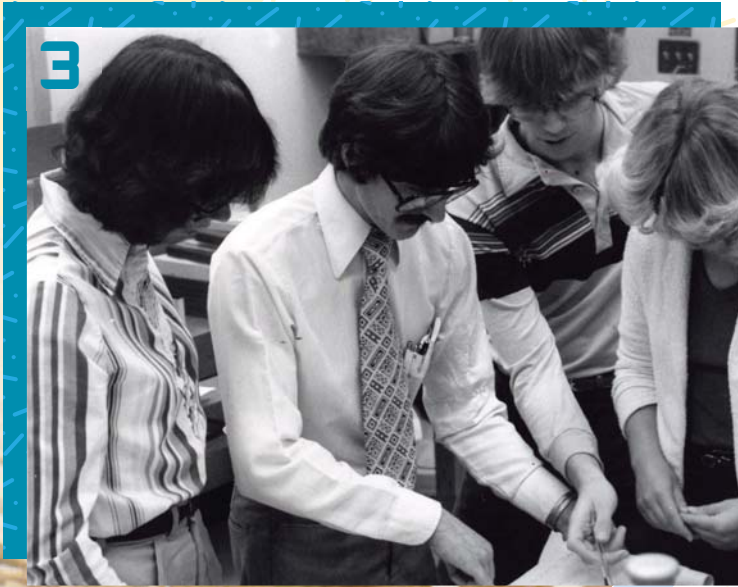
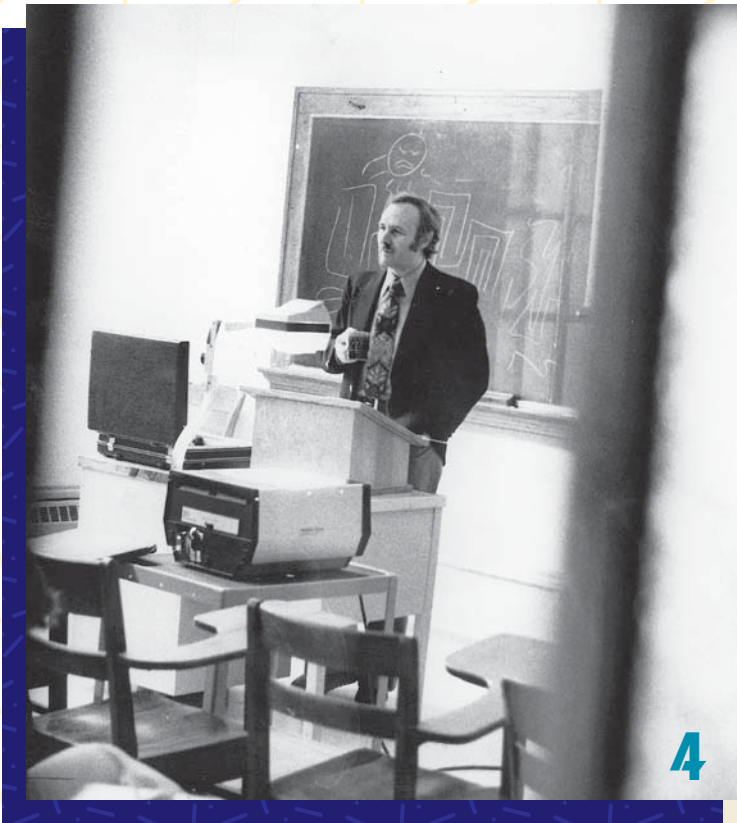
The Houghton faculty member I still remember fondly is **Robert Cummings (5)**. I enjoyed learning about classic German literature in the classes he taught. His classes were so relaxing. More relaxing were the times we students visited his home. Mrs. Cummings always served tea and a home-made goodie. I loved his basement where he had his office and WWII collection. When I got married, the Cummings were invited to the wedding, and Herr Cummings kept my German-speaking Oma entertained during the reception. He was the first person I saw when arriving at Houghton to attend my 10th reunion.

Chris (Schulz '90) Ozemko



Read more about faculty from the 80s including Cummings, Longacre, Trexler, Shannon and more at www.houghton.edu/80s.

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Dr. Cameron Airhart was chair of the History Department when I attended and confirmed my desire to major in History. In class, his lectures felt more like a conversation with an old friend. He was imparting wisdom and knowledge but in a manner that felt like he was telling me the greatest story I had ever heard. Medieval European History came alive to me, Ancient Rome drew me in, and, in my last year, a reading seminar course made me feel like I was his peer. Dr. Airhart and **Dr. Charles Bressler** cooked up a course (Literature and History of England) to allow us to spend spring break in London. What a thrill that was to have scholarly men teach and prepare us for a lifechanging trip to walk the streets of the famous historical figures and literary minds of England. Because of his influence, I became a secondary history teacher and have continued his legacy of making history classes dynamic and engaging for my students.

Rachel (Richardson '94) Stocker



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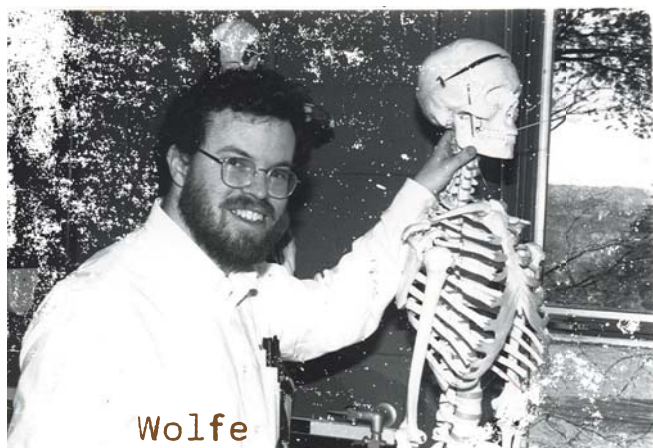


Read about more faculty from the 90s including Greenway, Pool, Tresize, Howard and more at www.houghton.edu/90s.

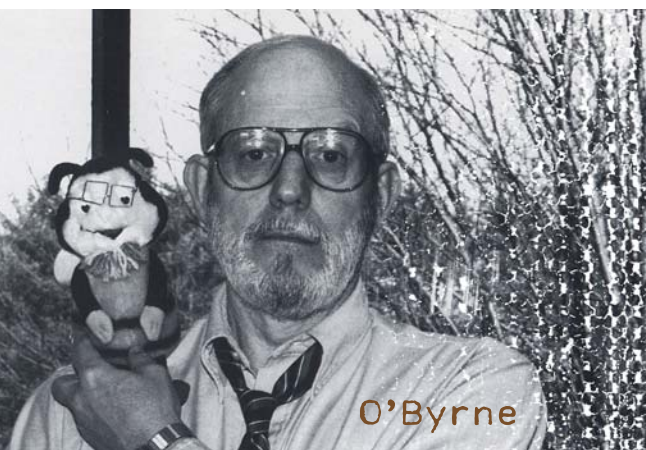




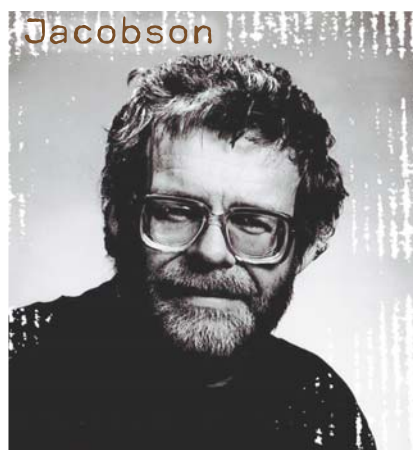
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Jacobson

While **Dr. Rich Eckley** could navigate the world of academia with the best of them, he taught us to DO theology and think about God in a variety of ways so as to deepen our understanding and activity in His Kingdom. He lived out in front of us what it means to follow Jesus Christ daily. He was truly an inspiration.

Al Meyers '94

Field Botany adventures and Ecology excursions with **Dr. Jim Wolfe** are some favorite memories of Houghton. Through lecture, labs and exams, he taught much more than information. He taught us how to process and apply it. He provided an environment for us to learn how to think. Never one to care if students recognized his intelligence, he focused on helping us to make the most of ours. Disguised behind a tattered field coat, brimmed hat and somewhat trimmed beard is a genius with a true heart for students. Thirty years ago, Dr. Wolfe was my favorite professor; now, I'm glad to say he is a true friend.

Eric Ashley '90

I didn't grow up in a Christian home, so, when **Dr. Bill O'Byrne** took me under his wing, it was a time of great spiritual discovery that lead to a lifelong pursuit of Christ. When I arrived at Houghton, I had been a Christian for only one year and wondered what I'd signed up for. The stories, the language and the culture were all brand new to me, and I was doubtful and rebellious at times. Dr. O'Byrne was gentle and non-judgmental and allowed me to ask questions that my peers were often unequipped or afraid to explore with me. When he was sick and receiving full-time care in Houghton, he still took time to speak with me briefly so that I could say goodbye and let him know how important he'd been to me. I believe that my faith is solid because of his encouragement, teaching and love.

Cori (Moshier '96) Doble

I took many a class with **Jake Jacobson** as a math major. "Squiggle" and "blink-blink" will always be part of my lexicon. Jake taught me to think mathematically and how to reason. How to be confident in my reasoning and uncertainties. How to be humble and to link my gifts to a greater purpose. He welcomed me later as a peer and continues to challenge me to grow and to live, learn and lead meaningfully.

Paul Watson II '98

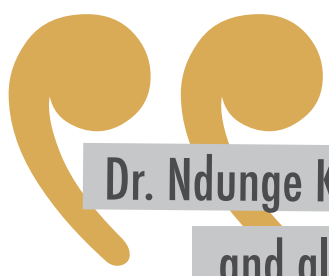
Dr. Sue Crider shares her Christmas cheer as she teaches on the last day of classes before finals begin. Dr. Crider wrapped herself in a strand of white lights, plugged the lights into the wall, and then proceeded to lecture to a class of amazed students.



Dr. Sue (Crider) Atkins was pivotal in my time at Houghton. I'd been struggling to figure out what I was doing with my life, and her classes helped me hone in on my love for writing and marketing. She struck just the right balance of extremely challenging and yet very encouraging. The advertising class I took with her was unlike any other; she had us work alongside design and audio recording students to collaborate on an integrated marketing campaign, providing us with the kinds of skills that would translate into the workplace. I have continued to draw upon what she taught me throughout my career, including my current work with Houghton's Marketing and Communication Department.

Amy (Danna '93) Tetta

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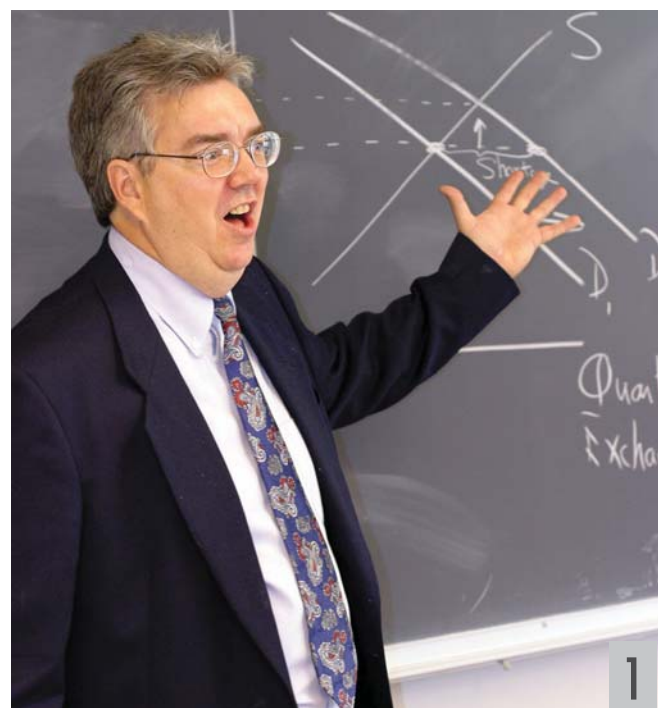


Dr. Ndunge Kiiti '88 - AMAZINGGGGGG
and always opened her doors for
minority students. I truly honor her.

Adele Cameron '09



Kiiti



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Robert Black (1), who goes by “Bobby,” is wicked smart. He can talk fluently about the Federal Reserve the way Jon Gruden talks about blitz packages. Bobby has an encyclopedic knowledge of quantitative concepts and a love for language. But he does not indulge in his strengths. He puts students at ease through gentle humor and a friendly disposition. In the spring of 2009, a fellow classmate ordered t-shirts with Bobby’s picture displayed on the front. I’ve lost the t-shirt, but I have not lost the memories.

Bradford Sargent '09



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The first class I had with **Jean-Louis Roederer '64 (2)** was French 102. I remember, one day after class, he suggested to me, "You should really think about majoring in French." I, of course, laughed at such an idea, and yet, four years later, I found myself graduating with a major in French, and I'm still often baffled that I am now pursuing a master's in French. These are life steps that I would not have taken without the influence and encouragement of Prof. Roederer.

Bethany Romig '08

I tried to drop **Bernie Piersma's (3)** Inorganic Chemistry as I was struggling to keep up with some of the math. I was pre-med, so, if I didn't get through his class, I was done! He was adamant that, if I kept working and touched base with him regularly, I could do it. I met before class often in his office for tea (heated on a Bunsen burner, no less) and reviewed my homework efforts. I survived and received the most rewarding B of my academic career. When I graduated, he signed a book for me on the world's first implantable pacemaker (he had worked on the project). "Andrew, you did well in chemistry—you will make a great doctor!" I work as a doctor specializing in gastroenterology and have been blessed to train at some of the best places in the country. Houghton prepared me well, and Dr. P. was a big part of the story!

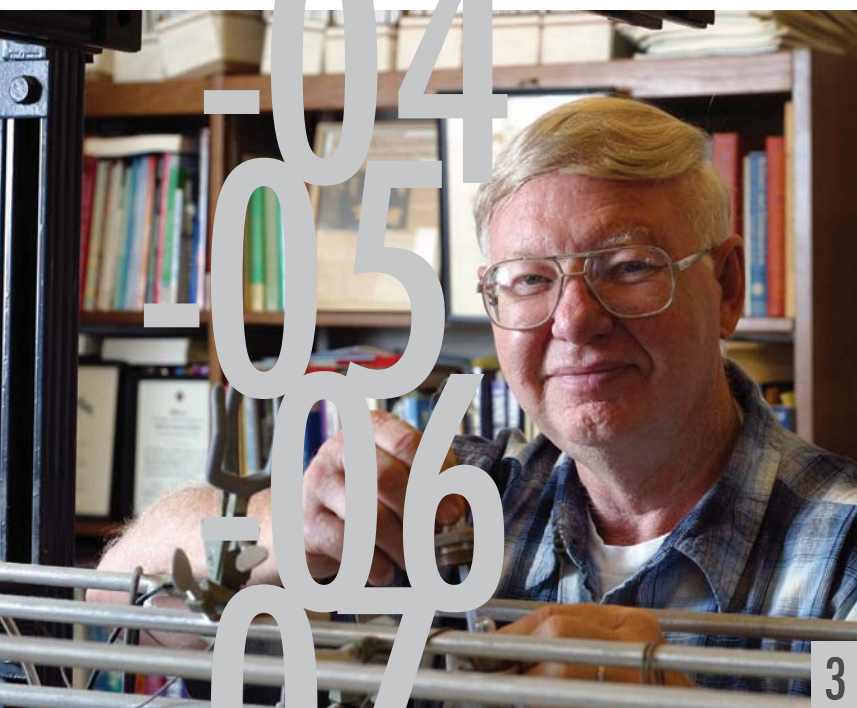
Andrew Tinsley '01

My freshman year at Houghton, I had **Laurie Dashnau's (4)** writing class. It also happened to be her first year of teaching at Houghton, and she was honest and open and made it feel like we were all learning together. She knew that I was struggling and lonely, and she took the time to listen and pray with me. I will never forget her, and I will always be so thankful to God that He brought us together at that time!

Rebekah Smith '04

Nan Hussey impacted me greatly. I did not have any classes with her, but she and I became friends, and she helped encourage me in my writing. She also inspired my faith and challenged me to seek God more wholeheartedly. **Dr. Irma Howard (5)** was always encouraging and promoted the spiritual and emotional welfare of her students. I remember that I could go to her for anything.

Kelly (Hanson '09) Eisbacher



Read about more faculty from the 2000s including Walters, Bates, Lacelle-Peterson, Gallman and more at www.houghton.edu/00s.

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THE 2010s



I absolutely loved working with **Dr. Susan Lipscomb**. She asked great questions and really knew how to lead a discussion. She'd ask a question and wait through that awkward silence we've all experienced until someone started talking. She had that all-important ability to interject and steer a discussion without taking over. When I [served as a] TA for her and **Dr. Ben Lipscomb** my senior year, they'd have me over to their house for dinner with the family. Their ability to balance family life and work life left a real impact on me.

Laura (Jackson '10) Rash

Dr. Rebekah Yates is quirky and fun, and I associate her strongly with the color orange, probably because that is her favorite, and she had orange pants and an orange water bottle and gave us orange syllabi. Rebekah pushed me to work hard in her classes (she taught in a style that practically forced everyone to keep up with the material and reading as our participation or lack thereof was evident in class) and was excellent to talk to at any time. She also made delicious desserts for exam days, a tradition I've semi-carried over to my own teaching.

Laura Ballard '13

“Papa” (Dr. Paul) Shea ’69 wasn’t just a knowledgeable missions professor; he was personable, caring about our everyday lives. He was oh-so-hyper and got distracted often and went off in totally different directions at times, but his love for Jesus, for his students and for missions always shone through.

Kelly (Bennett ’11) Spencer



I suppose that one could say that it is pretty obvious that **Dr. Doug Gaerte** has been influential in my life...after all, he is my dad! I have had a lifetime of watching him be a professor to hundreds of students, myself included. I have never known my dad to say “no” or “not now” to a student. We’ve had students live with us, students eat with us, and students drive home on breaks with us as we headed out on vacation. We’ve delayed dinner to eat as a family because a student needed some extra help on a paper or a personal problem. I’ve helped him pick out crazy costumes for SPOT skits and new sweater vests for special student events. There is nothing he would not do for his students.

Emily (Gaerte ’12) Spateholts

During the Spain and Portugal Art Mayterm, we had finished touring Gaudi’s Casa Mila, and all my classmates left for lunch. I hadn’t attached myself to any one group and found myself standing on the roof of the Casa Mila with **Murph, Gary and Rhett**. They looked over at their stranded freshman nuisance, and Murph said, “Shouldn’t you be with people?”

to which I responded with all my freshman clever genius, “You are people.” No matter how annoyed the three of them may have felt at their unanticipated responsibility, they took me out to this Chinese restaurant and even paid for it, I think. I loved every second of it and every moment spent with them after that.

Jane (Stairs ’15) Harrell



Murph



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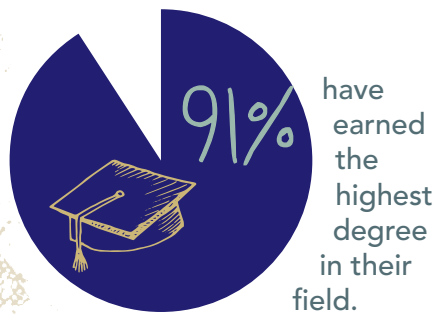
Dr. Sunshine Sullivan went above and beyond. I went through some personal trials while at college, and I was able to just go into her office and cry if I needed to. The crying turned into caring conversations. She even realized that maybe I was not on track with my spiritual life and pushed me in a positive way. Dr. Sullivan never left you in the dust when having assignments for class. She let you ask as many questions as needed and never got frustrated. If the class did not understand one concept, she never moved on to the next until we got it. That meant, if the syllabus needed to be altered, it was no issue. She wanted to see her students succeed!

Andrea Webster ’15



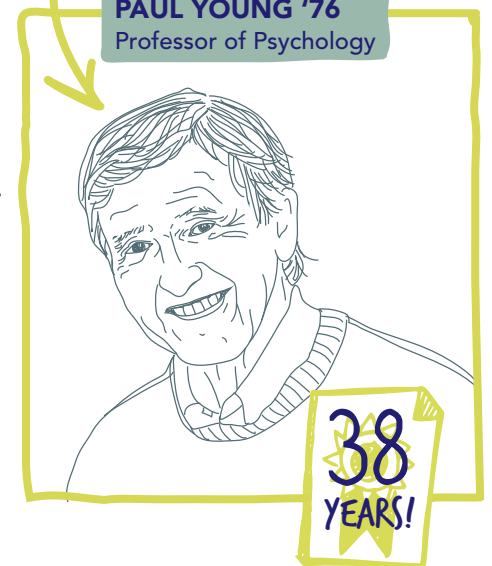
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HOUGHTON FACULTY OF TODAY



Longest serving faculty member:

PAUL YOUNG '76
Professor of Psychology



37% have taught in an off-campus program

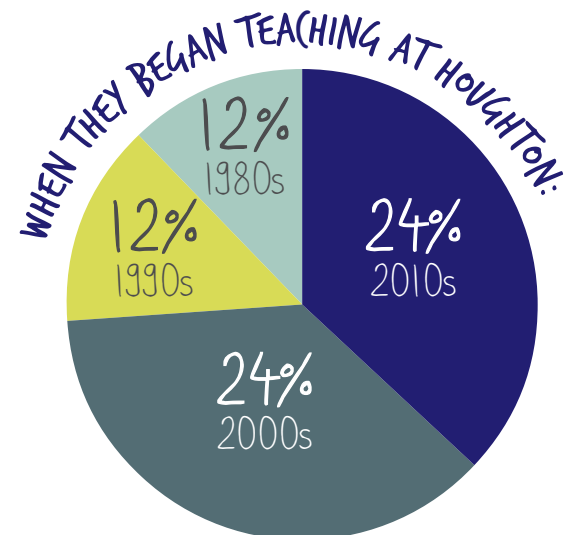
- Houghton, NY
- Houghton Online
- Houghton Buffalo
- Houghton Utica
- Houghton in Tanzania
- Arctic Studies in Alaska
- London Honors
- East Meets West Honors in the Balkans
- Science Honors - Sonoran Desert, Arizona

Also Mayterm locations such as:

- Sierra Leone
- Costa Rica
- Romania
- France
- Honduras

The willingness of professors to meet up before, during and after class time to go over any major points has impacted me more than anything else. They not only want you to succeed; they will do anything in their power to make sure YOU WILL succeed.

Noah Arber '19



Besides excellent teaching in the classroom and advising students, our faculty are also charged with rigorously pursuing scholarship in their fields. Here are just some of what Houghton faculty have been working on recently outside the classroom:

SERVES AS THE CO-PRINCIPLE INVESTIGATOR FOR **"NUCLEAR AND PLASMA DIAGNOSTICS FOR THE EP-OMEGA AND MTW LASER SYSTEMS"** FUNDED BY THE US DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY {Mark Yuly}

PUBLISHED A COMMENTARY ON 1 AND 2 THESSALONIANS {Terry Paige}

PRESENTED AT THE ICCTE BIENNIAL CONFERENCE ON THE TOPIC OF THE CHRISTIAN ETHIC OF CARE

{Cathy Freytag}

{Rebecca Williams} **LED A COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH PROJECT MEASURING ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH OF FISH SPECIES IN THE GENESEE RIVER**

Published his third book of poems with Cascade Books, titled **Ash & Embers** {Jim Zoller}

Lectured on art and culture in China {John Rhett}

PRESENTED AT THE NATIONAL WESTMINSTER CONFERENCE OF SCIENCE AND FAITH, **"MAN AS SUB-CREATOR: HOW HUMAN INVENTION IMITATES GOD'S BIOLOGY DESIGN"**

{Ransom Poythress}

Led communication and leadership workshops with local organizations throughout

Western New York
{Doug Gaerte}

Served as **clinic director for a Certified Horsemanship Association riding instructor certification clinic** {Jo-Anne O. Young '69}

PUBLISHED AN ARTICLE, **"POACHERS AND POVERTY: ASSESSING OBJECTIVE AND SUBJECTIVE MEASURES OF POVERTY AMONG ILLEGAL HUNTERS OUTSIDE RUAHA NATIONAL PARK, TANZANIA,"** IN CONSERVATION AND SOCIETY

{Eli Knapp '00}

COMPOSED A PIECE COMMISSIONED BY GEORGIA COLLEGE, WHICH WAS PREMIERED AT CARNEGIE HALL

{Carrie Magin}

Conducted development research with houghton students in Sierra Leone. **"How Subsistence Farmers Hold and Access Land in Sierra Leone: Blending Subsistence and Commercial Farming"**

{Ron Oakerson}

PRESENTED AT THE GERMAN STUDIES ASSOCIATION AND THE AUSTRIAN STUDIES ASSOCIATION CONFERENCES

{Peter Meilaender}

Co-facilitated the annual Writing with Video Summer Institute for local teachers

{Sunshine Sullivan}

campus News & Notes

Skip Lord Transitions to New Role



H. "Skip" Lord, longtime director of athletics, has transitioned to a key role with the college's advancement and alumni engagement office. This strategic position will allow Lord to serve as a compelling

representative of Houghton athletics and cultivate sustaining sources of investment for the program.

Webb Named Athletic Director

Dr. Matthew Webb has been appointed as director of athletics at Houghton. Webb has served as a coach and administrator in athletics since 1993, including 14 years as head coach of men's soccer. He will provide strategic leadership for athletics and intramural sports at the college.



Wright Transitions to CFO Position

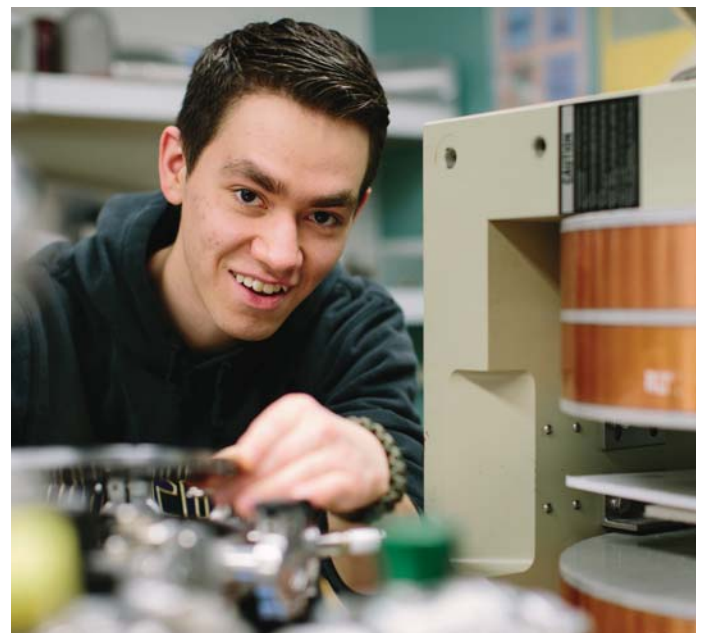


Dale Wright '84 has transitioned into the chief financial officer position at Houghton. Wright has served as the director of human resources since 1995, including interim stints as CFO, and has played key roles in many of the

business and finance functions of the college.

Houghton Adds Electrical Engineering Degree

Houghton is pleased to announce the addition of a Bachelor of Science degree in electrical engineering in the fall of 2019. The program focuses on providing students with the foundational knowledge and experiential learning that readies them for careers in the cutting-edge field of electrical systems engineering.





26
summa
cum
laude

38
magna
cum
laude

35
cum
laude

261
total grads

From 20
countries

The Class of
2018



27 from
Houghton
Buffalo



12 from
Houghton
Online



Speaker:
Richard
Mouw '61

Valedictorian:
Emma
Carpenter

Salutatorian:
Rachel
Zimmerman



The Class of
1968
Golden
Reunion



IMPACT

THE CAMPAIGN FOR GREATER HOUGHTON

STRATEGIC CAMPUS ENHANCEMENT



Mrs. Carol (Sturgis '59) Savolaine has committed \$500,000 for the renewal of the Paine Center for Science. The gift was made to honor the memory of her late husband, **Dr. Edward R. Savolaine**, a pre-med student from the class of **1958**. Construction of the fifth-floor addition is slated to begin this summer, relocating Mathematics to make room for the new Engineering laboratories and classrooms on the second floor and preparing for the launch of Electrical Engineering in Fall 2019.

ACCESS & AFFORDABILITY



A generous will bequest from Mary M. Wood provided Houghton College with a gift of approximately \$1.1 M. In her will, Ms. Wood directed her gift to the Fred H. and Susanne K. Sawada Endowed Scholarship Fund. Ms. Wood was the aunt of alumnus **Dr. Stephen G. Sawada '77** and the sister of Susanne K. Sawada.

In 2007, Dr. Sawada and his sister, Suzanne R. Sawada, established an endowed scholarship fund to honor their parents' perseverance, self-sacrifice, love for the Lord and appreciation for their new country. Their scholarship supports Houghton students who exhibit high citizenship values and may be pastors' or missionaries' dependents or ethnic minority students. This gift grew the scholarship fund to \$1.13 M, making it Houghton's largest single endowed student scholarship fund. The fund is expected to generate approximately \$50,000 in scholarships and is invested wisely to allow for significant future growth.

ACADEMIC & EXPERIENTIAL INVESTMENT



Houghton College is pleased to announce The Kindschi Faith and Justice Symposium, funded through the generous creation of an endowment by **Dr. P. Douglas Kindschi '62** and his wife **Barbara (Pechuman '62) Kindschi**. The new endowed fund creates a permanent stream of funding to support the symposium, a cornerstone of Houghton's Center for Faith, Justice and Global Engagement. The Kindschi Faith and Justice Symposium is an event designed to challenge individuals to think about the intersection of faith and justice as they pertain to a particular global issue, to explore practical application, and to effect a positive change in local and global communities.

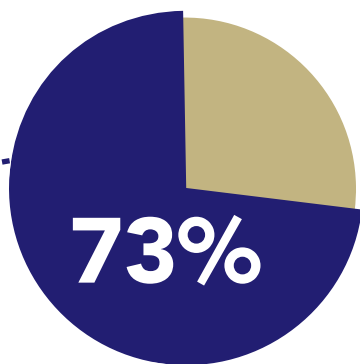
Mrs. Kindschi added, "We are pleased to support this combination of faith and justice," stated Dr. Kindschi. "It is consistent with the message of Jesus. [It] is important to all who see loving God and loving the neighbor as essential to the life of faith. It gives me great pleasure and joy that our gift will challenge and encourage Houghton students to go out into the world to do justice, love kindness and walk humbly with their God."

IMPACT is a multi-year comprehensive campaign supporting the mission of Houghton College. This campaign celebrates:

- The transformative **IMPACT** of the Houghton College experience on our students
- The ongoing **IMPACT** of a Houghton education on our alumni
- The Kingdom **IMPACT** of our alumni on the world
- The local and regional **IMPACT** of Houghton on its communities
- The **IMPACT** of our donors in shaping the future of Houghton College.

The Goal: Expand
Houghton's Capacity
for Global **IMPACT**.

TOTAL PROGRESS:
\$51,309,122 committed of
\$70,000,000 goal by May 31, 2020



STRATEGIC CAMPUS ENHANCEMENT focuses on capital improvements such as the Paine Center for Science and the Equestrian Center, creating and maintaining a campus prepared to impact 21st-century students.



ACCESS AND AFFORDABILITY focuses on the Student Scholarship Fund, endowed scholarships and unrestricted giving, ensuring Houghton's academically challenging, Christ-centered education impacts students from diverse traditions and economic backgrounds.



ACADEMIC AND EXPERIENTIAL INVESTMENT focuses on endowed chairs and endowment for key programs (such as the Summer Research Institute, honors programs and offsite expansion such as Houghton College Buffalo and Utica), providing the high-quality education and experiences necessary to create scholar-servants prepared to have a Kingdom impact on the world.



Above numbers as of 5.31.2018



**THEY HAD AN IMPACT ON YOU;
NOW, YOU CAN HAVE AN IMPACT ON THEM**

Honor the legacy of Houghton faculty through:

- Endowed academic chairs
- Endowed programs or departments
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alumni News & Notes

1952

Shirley (Schruers) and George Cataldo recently celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary. Shirley remembers meeting George in the Gao dining room; George remembers noticing her from the start. The



Cataldos married at 21 and eventually moved to Ontario, New York, where they both taught in the Wayne Central School System. Shirley and George have five children, four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

1958

Bob and Nancy Sabean officially retired from the United World Mission after 52 years of service in Costa Rica. The Sabeanes are staying in Costa Rica, where Bob will still be on staff with Christian Camping International—Latin America and Nancy will continue to teach and provide counsel.



1961

Peter Lee was honored with the 2017 Lifetime Achievement Award by the Human Growth Foundation at the National Press Club in Washington, DC. Since entering semi-retirement,

he continues to provide volunteer clinical care to children with endocrine disorders, including care for the Amish community in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, and continues to travel and lecture extensively. He has been married to **Karin (Landin '61) Lee** for 55 years and has two children and six grandchildren.

David Prull was recently re-elected as Justice for the Town of Canandaigua, a position he has held for the past 32 years.

1965

Mark Amstutz will be retiring in 2018 after 45 years of teaching at Wheaton College. He established the political science department and directed its growth and development over two decades. He also led nine overseas programs. His book *Just Immigration: U.S. Policy in Christian Perspective* was published in 2017. The fifth edition of *International Ethics: Concepts, Theories and Cases in World Politics* will be published in 2018.

1966

Ronald Fessenden published his sixth book, *The Rise (and Fall) of the Secular Church* (Equip Press, 2017). The book is available from Equip Press (Equipress.com) or Amazon.com.

1969

Nadine (Wirth) Scholl retired from her position as Music Director at Savior of All Lutheran Church (LCMS) in Cartersville, Georgia. She recently relocated to be closer to her first grandchild, Everett Alexander Scholl, born March 19, 2017.

1970

Dave and Joanne Ryan celebrated 45 years of marriage this past summer with a ride across the country on a red tandem bike. Beginning in their hometown of Seattle, Washington, and trekking east to their destination of Ocean Grove, New Jersey, the Ryans covered 11 states, 3,200 miles, and 120,000 feet of climbing. Dave and Joanne used their trip to raise money for the women of Chepkorio, Kenya, through the organization Heavenly Treasures. Read more about their adventures at www.crazyguyonabike.com/doc/tandemtour2017.



1972

Jeff Crawford published a book titled *Bat Tongs and other Humorous Reflections on Pastoral Ministry* in October 2017. The book contains 60 reflections covering 33-plus years of pastoral ministry. It highlights characters and experiences that made up the fabric of the four churches Jeff pastored as well as his time as a District Superintendent. The book is available through Amazon.com.



Paul De Ritter was recently invited to join the Amsterdam, Netherlands-

based group the Biggles Bigband on their annual tour of Thailand. Paul is known to music fans in the Twin Tiers of Western New York as the leader of the Paul De Ritter Duo, Quartet and Quintet, where he performed on the trumpet, flugelhorn, cornet



and pocket trumpet and did most of the lead singing. Before retiring to Florida, he taught elementary music in Franklinville, New York, for 35 years.

1975

Bob Van Dyk, the president and chief



executive officer of Van Dyk Health Care and past Board Chair of the National Center for

Assisted Living, was given the 2017 Jan Thayer Pioneer Award at the 68th Annual AHCA/NCAL Convention & Expo in Las Vegas. The award recognizes individuals deemed to have advanced the senior living profession, positively affecting the lives of those served and those who serve.

1979

Ruth (Campbell) Phinney was recently given the International Association of Audio Information Services (IAAIS) C. Stanley Potter Lifetime Achievement Award. Ruth is the program director for Reachout

Radio, WXXI's closed-circuit 24-hour reading radio service for people who are print handicapped, and for Classical 91.5, Rochester's only all-classical music station.

1981

Kim and Shari Babcock are national leaders of King's Castle Argentina, a ministry within the Union of Assemblies of God in Buenos Aires dedicated to reaching teenagers with the good news of Jesus Christ. The Babcocks have served in Argentina for fourteen years, following pastoring churches in the state of Michigan. Learn more at www.ksbabcock.com.



John DeValve successfully defended his doctoral dissertation on the worship music in Songhai/Zarma churches of West Africa. He received his PhD from the Oxford Centre for Mission Studies in January 2018.

Eric Nelson was honored for 20 years as Director of Choral Studies at Emory University at the Emory Concert Choir's fall concert in October 2017, which was dedicated entirely to him. Emory's current concert choir was joined by alumni from the past 20 years who have sung under his direction to celebrate their beloved music professor and choral director.



1983

Walter W. Pickut was recognized as a Rotary Paul Harris Fellow at the Rotary Club of Jamestown in Jamestown, New York. Walt is currently a contributing editor for the Jamestown Gazette, a freelance writer in healthcare and an author.

1990

Michael Pollock was honored to work with his father's co-author, Ruth Van Reken, to revise for the third time the seminal book on Third Culture Kids (TCKs) titled *Growing Up Among Worlds: The Third Culture Experience*. The late **Rev. David C. Pollock '62** was professor of intercultural studies at Houghton College. Michael continues to serve the globally mobile community through his directorship at Daraja (www.daraja.us) with retreats, training, coaching and Member Care audits while residing with his wife, **Kristen (Zike '91) Pollock**, and their children in Michigan.

1992

Amy (Quick) Mahle is co-author and editor of the first edition of *Adult Physical Conditions: Intervention Strategies for Occupational Therapy Assistants*, a comprehensive, 1040-page college textbook. Amy writes, "Through years of teaching occupational therapy assistant students and identifying the need for a better textbook, I paired with colleague Amber L. Ward to author and edit this new resource. We also recruited 41 contributing authors throughout the U.S. to bring their expertise to the project."



Scott McGeorge was recently elected Justice for the Town of Hume in Hume, New York. During the day, Scott continues to teach third grade at Fillmore Central School in Fillmore, New York.

1994

Tim DeTellis recently published his seventh book, *Good Neighbors Make Great Neighborhoods*. Learn more at HowsYourNeighbor.com. In addition to writing and speaking, Tim serves as president of New Missions, an organization dedicated to educating over 10,000 children from Haiti and the Dominican Republic. He lives with his family in Orlando, Florida.

1995

Greg Bish, Director of Service Learning at Gordon College, defended his dissertation for the degree Doctor of Philosophy in Higher Education from Azusa Pacific University, and his degree was conferred in October 2017. His dissertation was titled *Civic Values and Christian Colleges: A Study of Student Involvement Effects*.

Toby Williams was recently named Chief Financial Officer of Paylocity Holding Corporation, a cloud-based provider of payroll and human capital management software solutions. Previously, Toby served as Chief Product and Strategy Officer at Ellucian.



1998

Amy Trezise and Louis Colon were married on May 28, 2017, in Rochester, New York. Amy and Louis live in Rochester with their newborn baby (see future Highlanders).



Paul Watson II, dean of academic services and college transitions at Pennsylvania College of Technology in Williamsport, Pennsylvania, was recently honored as one of Pennsylvania Business Central's top 100 people in business and economic development. Watson oversees the Penn College NOW dual enrollment initiative, which features partnerships with nearly 50 high schools and career and technology centers across Pennsylvania. Paul and his wife, **Julie (Miller '98)**, live in Williamsport with their two sons, Christopher and Paul III.



2017, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The Biscochos live in Jenkintown, Pennsylvania, where Christy is a teacher trainer and mobilization coach for TeachBeyond.

Shawna (Lee) Coleing and her husband have recently taken over as senior pastors of Alive Community Church in Gordonvale, Australia. Shawna also published a book through Amazon titled *Out of the Ordinary Devotions: A Parent's Guide to Using Minecraft as a Devotional Tool* on September 2, 2017.

2002

Sarah Tooley recently accepted a new position as Associate Director of Student Support at Mailman School of Public Health at the Columbia University Medical Center campus in New York City after serving as the Assistant Dean of Students/CARE Case Manager at Wake Forest University in Winston Salem, North Carolina. Sarah is now living in Manhattan and enjoying the hustle and bustle of the Big Apple.



2001

Christy (Ware) Biscocho married Michael Biscocho on August 13,



2003



Amy (Robinson) Patton and Steve Patton were married on October 7, 2017, in Riverside, California.

The Pattons reside in Norwalk, California, where Amy is an administrative assistant at E&J Gallo Winery and Steve works as a valet for Laz Parking.

2007

Stacy (Garber) Bausch married Ryan Bausch on July 30, 2016, in Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania.



The Bauschs make their home in Germantown, Maryland, where Stacy is a middle school teacher and Ryan owns a martial arts school.

Kyla (Quinn) Perry and Mitchell Perry were married on August 20, 2016, in Pultneyville, New York. The couple lives in Hector, New York, where Kyla is a 6–12-grade chorus teacher and Mitchell works as a landscaper and school bus driver.



2008

Stefan Zoller recently presented a solo exhibition of new paintings at Sla307 in New York City titled Bone Memory. The exhibition comprised black and white paintings rooted in

a multi-generational meditation on absence and memory. The imagery used throughout the exhibition was extracted from a group of civil engineering diagrams drawn by his paternal grandfather in the mid-1940s. Stefan currently teaches drawing and design at Rochester Institute of Technology in Rochester, New York.

2010

Kaitlan (Ferris) Barnum and James Barnum were married on April 22, 2017, in Lebanon, Pennsylvania.



In May 2017, Kaitlan completed two degrees from Evangelical Seminary: an M.Div. and an MA in religion with a world Christianity concentration. The Barnums live in Meyerstown, Pennsylvania, where Kaitlan is employed by Evangelical Seminary and James works at Berks Construction and Design.

Captain Zachary Wise was deployed to the Middle East this past November. His wife, **Jenny (Huyett '11)**, and their two-year-old son, Malachi, are praying for his safe return.



2012

Chelsea Ellis is an ENL teacher at the Lafayette International Community School in Buffalo, New York, where many of her students are resettled refugees. This summer, Chelsea had the opportunity to travel to Nepal to see where some of her students had lived and learned as Bhutanese refugees before resettling in the United States. She made the trip with fellow Houghton friend, **Sondra Dawes '11**, who works as a senior case manager of a program for single, pregnant mothers at Jericho Road Community Health Center in Buffalo.

Erika (Harlow) Kamp married Ryan Kamp on August 5, 2017, in Holland,



Michigan. The Kamps reside in Holland.

Sarah (Freeman) String married David String on October 21, 2017, in Pensburg, Pennsylvania. The Strings make their home in Jenkintown, Pennsylvania, where Sarah works for Public Health Management Corporation, a non-profit public health institute, and David is a lawyer.



2013

Elizabeth (Martindale) Liddick MM '15 and **Nicholas Liddick '15** were married on June 3, 2017, in Dallas, Pennsylvania. The Liddicks



are both employed at Houghton College; Elizabeth is the graduate music program coordinator in the Greatbatch School of Music, and Nicholas is a groundskeeper with Sodexo. They make their home in Angelica, New York.

2014

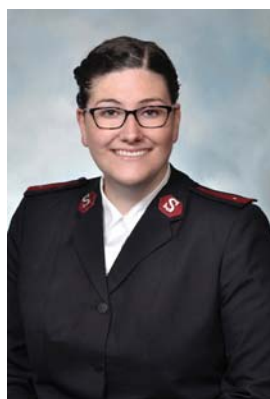
Marissa (Meassick) and Jake Kocher '13 were married on May 28, 2016, in Rochester, New York. The couple lives in Waynesboro, Pennsylvania, where Marissa coaches field hockey and lacrosse at the local high school and is the marketing and social media coordinator for a private school and Jake is the sports director at the YMCA.

Ben Murphy was presented with the Tanner Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching by Graduate Teaching Assistants from the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill in January 2018. Of the university's entire graduate school teaching assistant pool, only five TAs were given the student-nominated Tanner Award of \$5,000. Ben teaches in the English and Comparative Literature Department of the College of Arts and Sciences at UNC.

Jayci Roek completed two years of music therapy equivalency coursework at University of the Pacific in California and then completed her internship in Boise, Idaho, where she worked in a pediatric hospital and in multiple pediatric outpatient clinics. In April 2017, she received her MT-BC credential and is now working as a certified music therapist in the Boise area. In addition, Jayci completed four half-marathons in 30 days for the non-profit organization Fiftytwo.Four to raise awareness about the immense need of orphans in India affected by HIV/AIDS.

2015

Lts. Heather (Hart) Purvis and **Derrick Purvis** were married on June 17, 2017, in Penn Yan, New York—six days after their graduation and commissioning from the Salvation Army College



for Officer Training in Suffern, New York. The husband-and-wife pastoral team lives in Wellsville, New York, where they have been appointed

administrators and pastors of the Wellsville Salvation Army.

2016

Jerbrel Bowens recently began a new position at the Rochester City School District School of the Arts (SOTA), where he teaches Music Theory and Music 7 and is co-director of the jazz combo.

2017

Elizabeth Ibarra married **Kevin Biondolillo** on August 18, 2017, in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. The



Biondolillos make their home in Wheaton, Illinois, where Elizabeth is a school administrator at Jerry Evans School of Music and Kevin

is a graduate student at Wheaton College.

Jennifer (Zacchigna) and Ryan Palmer were married on September 10, 2017, at the Avanti Mansion in



Blasdell, New York. The Palmers live in McLean, Virginia.

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You can submit updates online at www.houghtonmagazine.com. Please submit photos in the highest resolution available. Thank you for keeping in touch with your alma mater!

Gustave Prinsell '48—"Gus" to his friends and "Doc" to five generations of patients he served in Allegany County—recently published his memoir, *The Papa Bear*.

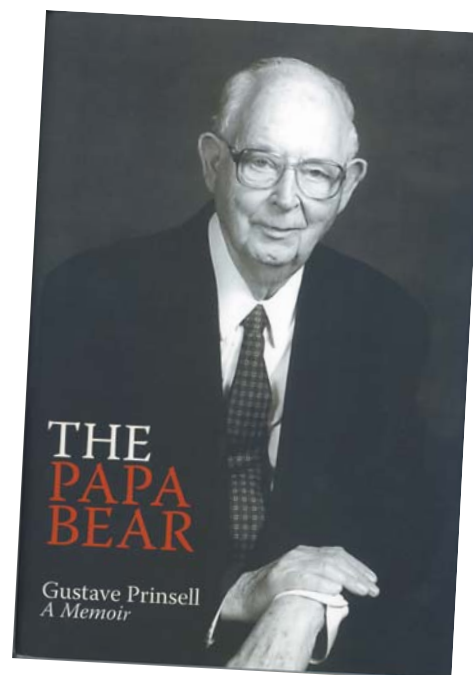
The book—which tells the story of God's faithfulness to Gus and his family throughout a lifetime of serving Him—began as a series of conversations with Houghton College students between 2007 and 2009. Up to that point in their retirement, both Gus and Louise had stayed actively involved with Houghton College. "We loved the students," Gus said. "We sat in the back of the chapel, and if any students would talk to us, we would invite them to go out to lunch." Over time, they developed close friendships with the students, and "they would ask us things about our marriage (now in our 72nd year)—or about my time in the service

(WWII). So we would tell them how the Lord blessed us and helped us—and finally, they said, 'Well, you oughta write this down.' "

It wasn't until Gus's 90th birthday in 2011 that he uncovered his 50+ year-old typewriter and "typed the whole thing as it came to me—it was all up here." His son, Jon Prinsell '70, served as his editor, helping to shape Gus's memories into a book that was ready for publishing.

The Papa Bear recounts diverse tales ranging from the Prinsell family's long sea voyage to Sierra Leone aboard the MS Taurus, Louise protecting the family by shooting a 5-foot black mamba snake out of their mango tree with a 12-gauge shotgun and Gus's 50 years of medical care in one of the poorest counties in New York State.

The Papa Bear is available on Amazon.com and Google Play.



Future Highlanders

1.5.17 | ADELIA RUTH | 1
Andrea (Levack '11) and Levi Rudd '06

3.7.17 | LILLIAN CASANDRA | 2
Sven and Jessica Johnson '00

4.5.17 | LYDIA RUTH | 3
Kayla (Saunders) and Michael Johnson '09

5.30.17 | HANNAH CATHERINE | 4
Bradley '08 and Linnea (Landin '07, MM '12) Burr

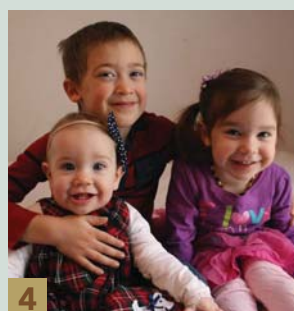
6.17.17* | OLIVIA MIA GRACE | 5
Mark and Danielle (Hull) Sabulsky '95

8.8.17 | EZRA JOHN | 6
Jim and Isabel (Sanders '13) Vitale

10.16.17 | EMILY | 7
Jodi (Bossard) and David Newman '97

2.14.18 | SAMUEL DAVID | 8
Amy (Trezise '98) and Louis Colon

**Olivia Mia Grace was born June 17, 2017 to her adoptive parents, Mark and Danielle*



In Memoriam

1941

Harry Palmer died on September 3, 2017. He was 97 years old. Rev. Harry attended and graduated from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky, and chose to preach in small-town churches during his pastoral career, including congregations in Indiana, Maine, New York and West Virginia.

1945

Margaret (Lewis) Stone passed away peacefully on December 1, 2017. Margaret earned her master's degree in education from Penn State University in 1955 and taught vocal and general music for 17 years in Smethport, Pennsylvania. She earned her Ph.D. from Kent State University in 1971 and taught music education at Kent State and the University of Akron for many years.

Wilbur "Bill" Waaser, 95, passed away on December 18, 2017. Bill served in the U.S. Army Air Corps as a 1st Lt. ferrying Bell P-39 Airacobras from the continental US to Alaska as part of the Lend-Lease program with the Russians during WWII. After the war, Bill earned a master's in business and marketing from Syracuse University, taught marketing at Utica College, and then went into educational sales until his retirement in 1988.

1946

Ruth (Donley) Barker, 92, died on January 11, 2018. Ruth was an art teacher at a Christian school, a successful artist and a jeweler. She is survived by her college sweetheart and husband of 70 years, **Bill Barker**

'48; sons, Bill and Checker; daughter, Laurie; four grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren as well as nieces **Jane (Stevenson '55) Zike**, **Suzanne (Stevenson '58) Burton**, **Donna (Bedford '61) Doig**, **Ruth (Bedford '64) Steiner** and nephews **James Stevenson '63** and **Thomas**

Stevenson '69. She was preceded in death by sisters **Marjorie (Donley '30) Stevenson** and **Janet (Donely '35) Hess**.

1948

Gordon Hosmer passed away on



DR. KATHERINE "KAY" (WALBERGER '43) LINDLEY

She was "Saint Katherine of Houghton" to some dedicated history and political science majors; to others, she was "Dr. Mrs. Katherine Lindley May She Live Forever." To the thousands of underclassman who were challenged and stretched in her Western Civilization class, she was "Dr. Lindley." Friends, colleagues and loved ones called her "Kay." Former Chair of the Division of History and

Political Science at Houghton College and Professor Emerita of European history and political science, **Dr. Katherine "Kay" (Walberger '43) Lindley** passed away March 8, 2018. She was 95 years old.

One of the most respected and beloved members of the Houghton faculty since her arrival in 1963, Dr. Kay Lindley was a "firm but fair" teacher, and her reputation for academic rigor is the stuff of legends. What made her the recipient of Student Senate's first "Teacher of the Year" award, though, was how much she cared for those she taught. "When I was studying with Dr. Lindley, and long after, I was sure I was the best, brightest and most beloved student she had ever had," said **Gary Bahler '73**. "Later, I met others who thought they were her best, brightest and most beloved student. This led me to realize that one of Dr. Lindley's great gifts as a teacher was to make so many of her students feel this way."

Always a champion for the liberal arts, Dr. Lindley invested herself in teaching her students to write well and think critically. "Her phrase 'Think, people!' was an invitation as much as a call to action to dig deep, mine every resource, throw aside temptation to take an easy path, and, well, think," related **Martha Manikas-Foster '82**. "To her, the thinking was the thing," said grandson and current Dean of the Chapel **Dr. Mike Jordan '99**. "It was not so much where you landed as why you landed there."

Kay is survived by daughters **Lois (Lindley '71) Jordan Esq.**; **Margaret "Marty" (Lindley '72) Koch**; and **Eileen (Lindley '77) Williams** and a son, **Dr. Mark Lindley '79** as well as grandchildren including **Dr. J. Michael Jordan '99** and **Dr. Miriam (Koch '99) Gerber**. She was preceded in death by her husband, **Dr. Kenneth "Ken" Lindley**, Professor Emeritus of Physics and Mathematics; Chair, Division of Science and Mathematics.

October 13, 2017, at the age of 91. Gordon entered Houghton in 1942 but left in 1944 to enter the Navy, the Seabees Division, where he was stationed in Okinawa, Japan. At the conclusion of the war, he returned to graduate from Houghton and then went on to earn a master's degree in education from the University of Michigan. After teaching for one year, Gordon became an agent with New York Life Insurance Company, where he continued to work for 55 years.

Myrtle (Grody) Vanderlip passed away peacefully on December 30, 2017. After graduating from Houghton, Myrtle earned her MA in library science from the University of Michigan and spent her career as a librarian at Westmont College in Santa Barbara, California.

1949

Mary Louise (Armstrong) Shenk died on July 5, 2017, a day after celebrating a spectacular evening of fireworks with family. She was 90 years old. Throughout her career, Dr. Shenk brought her love of world travel to thousands of students as a ninth-grade global studies teacher.

Marjorie (Lawrence) Kellogg, 91, passed away on November 13, 2017. Marjorie received a bachelor's degree from Houghton and a master's degree in French from Middleburg College. She taught French and Latin at the high school level as well as French at Houghton. She is survived by her sons, Roger and **David '79**; daughters, Judy Trentini and **Sharon Freeman '82**; her sister, **Esther (Lawrence '57) Swimley**; eight grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and many niece and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband, **Meredith '49**, in 2012; two brothers; and two sisters-in-law. The **Rev. Beverly J. Barnett**, 89,

passed away on August 3, 2017. Beverly was a 1949 graduate of Houghton, where he met his wife of 69 years, **Margie (Miller '49)**. He attended Asbury Seminary before joining the United States Air Force as a chaplain. After 28 years of active duty, Beverly retired as a lieutenant colonel, highlighted by his key role in establishing a church in Nagasaki, Japan. In 1992, he received a doctorate from Westminster Seminary and was a Presbyterian presbyter in northern California. Beverly is survived by his wife; his son and daughter, Mark and Deanne; brothers **Gordon '44** and **Robert '52**; six grandsons; and two great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by a sister, **Lucille (Barnett '47) Beach**, and two brothers, **David '54** and **Glenn '48**.

1951

Retired Covenant minister **Harold Nelson**, 95, died on July 29, 2017. Prior to his 38 years of pastoral ministry, Rev. Nelson served as a boiler technician second class in the US Navy for three years in the Pacific Theater during WWII.

Dorothy "Dot" Vogel passed away on April 24, 2017, at the age of 99. Dot earned her RN from Deaconess Hospital in Buffalo, New York, and spent her 30-year career at the United Methodist Mission Hospital (now called Espanola Hospital) in Espanola, New Mexico.

1952

Marguerite (Krause) De Ruiter died on December 25, 2017, at the age of 87 years. After graduating from Houghton, Marguerite married her college sweetheart, John, and moved to Madera, California, where she began her career as a math teacher in both middle and high school. With time out for raising a family, she

retired from 30 years of teaching in 1991. Marguerite is survived by her husband of 64 years, **John De Ruiter '52**.

Paul LeVan, age 86, died on September 9, 2017. Rev. LeVan earned a master's of divinity from Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary (now Palmer Theological Seminary) in St. Davids, Pennsylvania, and spent his career as a Baptist minister.

1953

Vernon Alexander passed away on September 28, 2016. Following Rev. Alexander's graduation from Houghton, he earned a master's of divinity and a doctorate of the science of theology from the San Francisco Theological Seminary. He also graduated from Hayward State University with a bachelor's degree in vocational counseling. Vern served as a pastor in California for 20 years and then started his own business in vocational counseling with injured workers. He is survived by his wife of 63 years, **Gloria (Moschen '52) Alexander**.

1954

Gerald McGraw passed away in July of 2017. He was 85 years old. Dr. McGraw attended several schools of higher learning after his graduation from Houghton, earning his master's degree from Wheaton College, his MDiv from Chicago Divinity Graduate School, and his Ph.D. from New York University. He pastored for 12 years in Christian and Missionary Alliance churches before serving the remainder of his career as a professor at Toccoa Falls College in Georgia. He is survived by his wife of 61 years, **Martha (Swauger '56)**.

C. Winifred (Simpson) Straub

passed away on September 1, 2017. She was 95 years old. Winifred was an elementary school teacher and assisted her husband as he pastored in the Wesleyan Church for 32 years. For eight years, she was District Director of Wesleyan Women International for the Central New York District of the Wesleyan Church and served in various other capacities in the district.

1955

Marilyn (Strong) Flint passed away on October 13, 2016. Marilyn taught music at Wilson Central School in Wilson, New York. She also taught private piano lessons and was the choir director at Grace Baptist Bible Church in Newfane, New York, for over 45 years. She was preceded in death by her parents as well as her siblings, **Robert W. Strong '40**, **Janice (Strong '43) Sandle** and **Donald Strong '50**, and a granddaughter.

1956

Lois (Burls) McKnight died on February 2, 2018, at the age of 84. Lois was a teacher in Massena, New York, and at Trenton Christian School in Trenton, Ontario. She dedicated her life to raising her children and faithfully serving her Lord and Savior. She is survived by her children, **Joelle (McKnight '81) Pember**, **Glenn McKnight '84**, **Esther (McKnight '89) Shultz**, and **Karen (McKnight '92) Hotchkiss**, as well as 10 grandchildren including **Rebekah Pember '10**, **Nathan Pember '12**, **Ella Hotchkiss '18** and **Julia Hotchkiss '21**; many nieces and nephews including great-niece **Alyson DeMerchant '18**; and a sister. Preceding her in death were her parents, two sisters and two brothers.

1958

Martha (Gifford) Harris passed away on March 17, 2017. She was 80 years old. Martha was a library media specialist for the Penn Yan School District, Dundee High School and Keuka College.

Mary (Stickels) Maude, 80, died on January 3, 2017, after a short illness. She had many happy memories of her days at Houghton and greatly enjoyed the reunion she attended a few years ago.

1959

Katherine "Kay" (Nightengale) Seawright passed away on May 29, 2017, at the age of 80. Kay was a wife, mother and public health nurse retiring in 1998. In her retirement years, Kay formed and led two peripheral neuropathy groups. She is survived by her husband, **Rev. Richard "Dick" Seawright '58**.

1961

Rebecca (Thurston) Leach died on September 26, 2017. She was 77 years old. Rebecca's nursing career spanned 43 years, and, during that time, she established home health care agencies in several counties in southeastern Kentucky, earning her the honorary position of "Kentucky Colonel" by former governor of Kentucky Louie Nunn. Following her time in Kentucky, Rebecca ran the long-term home health care program in Cortland, New York, for 24 years before her retirement. She is survived by her husband, William; son, Paul; and sister **Nancy (Thurston '59) Marantis**.

1963

Judith "Judy" (Lightcap) Richard, age 75, died on August 13, 2017. Judy received her M.Mus. degree in piano performance from the Peabody Conservatory (now Johns Hopkins University) and taught on the music faculty of Philadelphia College of Bible. She was an accomplished musician and valued co-laborer with her husband in his three pastorates and two interim pastorates.

Dorothy (Boyd) Zuver passed away July 18, 2017, following a lengthy illness. After graduating from Houghton, Dorothy went on to SUNY Geneseo to receive her master's degree in special education and spent her teaching career at Angelica/Genesee Valley Central Schools (Angelica, NY, and Belmont, NY). She is survived by two sons, current Houghton College custodial employee **James "Jamie" Zuver** and Chad Zuver.

1964

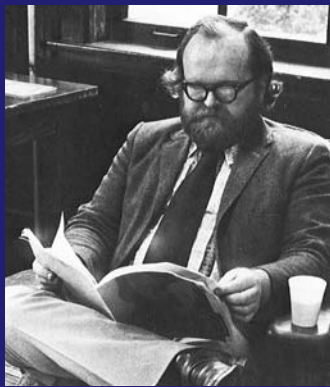
Milton Scott, 75, passed away on November 9, 2017. After his Houghton graduation, Milton spent two years in Colombia, South America, with the Peace Corps and then earned his master's degree from the Harvard Business School. He worked in finance for many years at Geneva College in Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania, then at Advest, Inc., in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Later, he went on to work for the National Fatherhood Initiative. Milton is survived by his wife, **Christie (MacKintosh '64)**.

1967

Tom Danney died on August 5, 2017. He was 73 years old. Rev. Danney was the longtime pastor of the First Reformed Church in Nyack, New York.

DR. RICHARD "DICK" GOULD '61

The year was 1968, and **Dr. Richard "Dick" Gould '61** set foot on the campus of his beloved alma mater, not only as an alum, but now as a new faculty member. Little did this linguistically gifted scholar know that Houghton would remain his home—through a career that spanned more than 40 years as professor of classics—until his passing on January 5, 2018.



Though a man deeply fascinated by mythology and history, Dick could never have predicted becoming such an intricate part of Houghton's lore. He regaled Greek students with Halloween stories and baklava and choruses of "Agios, Agios, Agios" ("Holy, Holy, Holy"). Latin students recall his fondness for the Wheelock's Latin text as well as his affinity for puns, such as "semper ubi sububi" ("always wear underwear"). It was impossible not to smile at his resonant, full-body laugh when something (including his own puns) amused him.

Dick was a man of deep, abiding compassion and scholarship. This quiet collector of facts and knowledge devoted much of conversation to listening—so much so that one waited with bated breath for his thoughtful response. Colleague and friend Dr. James Wolfe remembers "30 years of a million conversations" with the beloved classics professor. Dick was also fully committed to the success of his students and colleagues, ever willing to lend a hand, which he also viewed as an act of service to God. **Joel Tate '95** recalls him as "erudite and kind, thoroughly a scholar and thoroughly a believer."

Dick earned both his master's and doctorate degrees from Princeton University, where he also completed a Woodrow Wilson Fellowship. He taught at Hobart and William Smith College before returning to Houghton. He was predeceased by his parents; a sister, Barbara; a brother, Paul; and reunited with his second brother, Thomas, within hours of Tom's passing. He is survived by a sister-in-law, Sylvia; his niece, Julie; and a nephew, David.

1971

Arthur "Bob" Gregory passed away on March 12, 2016. Bob joined Aramco, a Saudi Arabian national petroleum and natural gas company, in 1980 and worked in Dhahran in the security department as a forensic science consultant until his retirement in 2004. He is survived by his wife, Lois; his brother, Rick; and his sister, **Annie (Gregory '69) Ives**.

1973

Joy (Klotzbach) Yousey, 66, passed away on November 29, 2017. Joy was a kindergarten teacher at Oakfield-Alabama Central School in Oakfield, New York, until her retirement in 2006. She was preceded in death by her father, **Roy Klotzbach '41**.

1974

Robert Chironna, MD, died on

December 14, 2017, at the age of 65. "Dr. C" attended New York Medical College and completed his medical residency at the Rusk Institute/NYU Langone Health Center in New York City, New York. He was a physical medicine and rehabilitation specialist at Patricia Neal Rehabilitation Center for 31 years. Robert is survived by his wife of 38 years, **Barbara (Austin '77)**.

Lola (Cripps) Marshall, age 64, died on August 24, 2017. Active in her community, Lola was a member and past president of the American Legion Post #120 Auxiliary; past president of the Wayne County ALA, 7th District ALA Auxiliary; and chairperson of the Empire State Girls State for three years. In 2015, she retired from the IT department at the Wayne ARC in Newark, New York.

1976

David Swartz passed away on August 10, 2017. David was a veteran of the United States Air Force and served in the Vietnam War. He spent his career teaching fifth grade in a low-economy school and retired in 2008. David is survived by his wife of 43 years, **Dr. Linda (Lytle '74) Swartz**.

1983

Wendy (Ristau) Nelsen passed away on August 29, 2017. After working for several years as a medical technologist, Wendy found her true calling in the field of elder care. She served in various positions at Country Meadows Retirement Community of Hershey, Pennsylvania, for the past 21 years, most recently as the Director of Resident Services. Wendy is survived by college sweetheart and husband, **John Nelsen '85**; a son, Jonathan; a sister, Tammy Ristau; a brother, **Todd Ristau '91**; two nephews; and a niece, **Brionna Childs '21**.

2012

Jacob "Jake" Auerbach died on January 17, 2017, in Erie, Pennsylvania. He was 27. He worked in hotel management and enjoyed playing the drums and the guitar. Jake is survived by his parents, **Susan (Kaltenbaugh '77)** and **Gary Auerbach**; a sister, **Jennifer Gadsby**; a brother, **Joshua Auerbach**; his grandmother, **Jean (Walker '46) Kaltenbaugh**; and uncles, **Robert W. Kaltenbaugh '69** and **Ray Kaltenbaugh '73** as well as cousins **Michele (Kaltenbaugh '97) Mumford** and her husband, **Jason '97**; **Mark Kaltenbaugh '02** and his wife, **Nina**

(**Johnson '03**); and **Lisa Kaltenbaugh '00**. He was predeceased by his grandfather, **Robert "Bob" A. Kaltenbaugh, UWC**.

Former Faculty/Staff

Jane D. Andrews passed away on February 8, 2017, at the age of 75. Jane began her career in the education field by teaching French at the Orchard Park School System in Orchard Park, New York. Later, she enjoyed more than 10 years of service in the Houghton College library.

Former associate professor of music and voice **Gloria McMaster Juhn**

passed away peacefully on July 23, 2017. She was 90 years old. Gloria taught music and voice at the high school and college levels, serving the Rochester Public School System, Youngstown State in Ohio, SUNY Geneseo and Houghton College. Eventually, she became a private teacher at McMaster Music Studio. During her singing career, she was recognized for her operatic performances in New York and Florida and once appeared on the Ed Sullivan Show.

Friends

Generous friend to the college **Madelyn Johnson** passed away on October 21, 2017. She was 93. Madelyn joined the Houghton community after World War II, when her husband, **Richard "Dick" K. Johnson '53**, enrolled in the college on the GI bill. While not a Houghton graduate herself, she helped to put Dick through school, and the couple spoke fondly and often about their time at Houghton. She was preceded in death by her husband.

Malcolm Wetherbee, 88, died on December 26, 2017. Dr. Wetherbee was a professor and then chair of the psychology department at Suffolk University in Boston, Massachusetts; taught in the Peace Corps in Tunisia; and was a volunteer faculty member at both the Oglala Lakota College and the Haskell Indian Nations University. He also taught at Boston University, Boston Conservatory of Music and Berklee College. Dr. Wetherbee was instrumental in helping his sister, **Marjorie Wetherbee '61**, establish an endowed scholarship, the Marjorie Wetherbee International Student Scholarship, which provides financial aid annually for international students wishing to attend Houghton. He was predeceased by his sister, Marge.

For an additional list of obituaries for Houghton, UWC and BBI graduates, visit www.houghtonmagazine.com.



DR. STORER W. EMMETT

Medical missionary, world traveler and former Houghton College physician **Dr. Storer Emmett** embarked on his final journey Friday, August 25, 2017. He was 84. Storer was saved at a young age and felt God's call to medical missions as a teen. His passion for medicine and the gospel resulted in years of faithful ministry around the world.

Serving first in Southern Rhodesia (now Zimbabwe) in a mission hospital as well as a medical officer for the government of Southern Rhodesia, he then journeyed to Haiti where he frequently performed emergency surgeries at the Wesleyan hospitals throughout the country. In 1976, the Emmett family traveled to Houghton, New York, where he served as a family practitioner with the Northern Allegany Medical Group, and as the Houghton College physician for 13 years.

It was while working to meet the medical needs of the people in rural Allegany County that he established the Houghton Medical/Dental Team. Beginning in 1977, Dr. Emmett joined Wesleyan missionary, **Rev. Henry Ortlip '40**, on his rounds to the Wesleyan Churches in the mountains of southern Haiti to provide medical care to the people. Dr. John Nystrom joined a year later to provide dental care. Thanks to the faithfulness of Dr. Emmett and so many others, the team will be taking their 40th annual trip to Haiti this year.

Dr. Emmett is survived by his wife, Wilma; children **Bethany (Emmett '81) Harter**, **Esther (Emmett '83) Slauson**, **S. William "Bill" Emmett III '86**, and **Dr. Faith (Emmett '87) Fisk**; nine grandchildren including **William Slauson '12**; two great-grandchildren; nieces and nephews including **Stephanie (Emmett '90) Paschalis**; and great-nephew **Timothy Paschalis '20**.

THE EDUCATIONAL LEGACY OF THE WOOLSEY FAMILY AT HOUGHTON COLLEGE IS ASTOUNDING.

For 87 of the last 95 years, members of the Woolsey family have served on the faculty—and continue to serve today.

Below, we honor both father and son—Rev. Warren Woolsey and Dr. Daniel Woolsey—for their lifelong service and commitment to Houghton College.



DR. DANIEL WOOLSEY '77

Retired professor of education **Dr. Daniel Woolsey '77** died October 21, 2017, following a decade of decline due to frontotemporal degeneration.

Dr. Woolsey taught in the Houghton College Education Department from 1991 to 2009, and, for 18 years, he shaped, mentored and delighted hundreds of Education majors. His popular Children's Literature class was a celebrated favorite. "Children's Lit was a dream come true for me!" wrote **Heather (Terry '96) Gillham** on the occasion of Dr. Woolsey's retirement in 2009. "He read out loud to us in class! Out loud! In college! I loved it!"

Dr. Woolsey's love of literature and his passion for teaching literacy to children was contagious. He not only showed his future teachers how to connect with their students through literature but also reminded them of the value literature could have in their personal lives. "Before the semester began, I wondered how a class about literature would pertain to me as a future math teacher," confessed **Rebecca Calhoun '08**. "To my surprise, not only was the class relevant, but it also helped me rediscover my love of reading that had been lost for several years."

He is survived by his wife, **Kathie (Keifer '77)**; his children, Caitlin Woolsey and **Jesse Woolsey '10**; two granddaughters; two brothers, **Dr. Stephen Woolsey '73** and **Dr. Matthew Woolsey '76**; a sister, **Ruth Woolsey-Strand '81**; and four nieces and two nephews including **Steve Woolsey '08**, **Naomi Woolsey '10**, **Lydia Strand '13** and **Mary Strand '15**.

He was predeceased by a daughter, Molly Woolsey, in 2016 and followed in death by his parents, **Rev. Warren Woolsey '43** and **Ella (Phelps '43) Woolsey**.

REV. WARREN M. WOOLSEY '43

"Brilliant but humble, orthodox but ever charitable, deeply convicted but infinitely gracious; an incomparable blessing to and builder of the Houghton community both near and far." These words were shared by Houghton community member David Huizenga in tribute to **Rev. Warren M. Woolsey '43**, professor emeritus of the Department of Religion and Philosophy at Houghton College, who passed away on Christmas Eve 2017. He was 95 years old.



From 1966 to 1992, Woolsey taught New Testament theology, Christology and missiology at Houghton College. "Anyone who experienced his courses knew that they were getting the best," remembered emeritus associate professor of missions **Dr. Paul Shea '69**. His most memorable course was Life of Christ. Students from all majors—and even community members as adults—scrambled to get in. "My chance to take it was the fall of my senior year, and I still have the frayed notes!" said Shea. "They are well worn because I've used them over and over again in 45 years of ministry."

"Besides being an excellent teacher, I was always impressed by his quiet, encouraging manner," **Colleen (Muckey '81) Richards** recalled. While Woolsey was serious about the subject matter he was teaching, "his keen intellect and his humor made every class enjoyable," wrote **Dr. Priscilla (Chase '84) Thibault**. "He had a quiet intensity, and it was always great when a smile could be detected under that grey and white beard," said **Jennifer (Deal '89) Becker**. "He was the kind of professor whose very presence in the classroom made you hungry to walk closer to God in your faith," recalls Houghton College Equestrian Director Emeritus, **Jo-Anne (Olsen '69) Young**.

Warren Woolsey's life and legacy has spanned continents—he served in Italy during WWII as an Air Cadet, then spent 16 years in missionary service in Sierra Leone, West Africa, as a Bible teacher, evangelist and college president. The last 26 years of his career was spent serving the students at Houghton College. During that time, he wrote Bible commentaries on First and Second Thessalonians and was honored by the Houghton College Department of Religion and Philosophy with the establishment of the Woolsey Lecture Series in Theology and Culture.

He is survived by three children, **Dr. Stephen A. Woolsey '73**, **Dr. Matthew Woolsey '76** and **Ruth Woolsey-Strand '81**, and a daughter-in-law, **Kathleen (Keifer '77) Woolsey**, as well as eight grandchildren, including **Stephen J. Woolsey '08**, **Jesse Woolsey '10**, **Naomi Woolsey '10**, **Lydia Strand '13**; and **Mary Strand '15**, and two great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a son, **Dr. Daniel Woolsey '77**, and a granddaughter, Molly Woolsey. He was followed in death by his wife of 71 years, **Ella (Phelps '43) Woolsey**, on March 29, 2018. Please see the next issue of *Houghton* for an extended tribute to this beloved Houghton community member.



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