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## Res Life Staff Swap

### *Nichols, Bakerink Take on New Roles*

Becca JungDhari

As reported in last week's *Star*, Sharon Givler, Director of Career Services, will be leaving Houghton in March. What you might not know is that her replacement has been found, and it is our very own Tim Nichols, who currently serves as Director of Residence Life.

Tim Nichols started out in residence life as an RD in Shen. He has been back here at Houghton for the past 10 years working as Director of Residence Life. When I asked him about his decision to take the newly available position Nichols replied, "There is usually a balance between the good things I do in residence life and the negative aspects of the job. But for the past three years, I have felt slightly overwhelmed by the disciplinary requirements, the negative part, of my position."

As Director of Residence Life, Nichols is the one who has to tell people when they don't get their CLO. He also determines much of the disciplinary action when problems arise. For the most part Nichols is able to leave work at the office when he goes home, but deciding who must be held responsible for what is not a task he takes lightly. It is something that weighs heavily on his mind, at the office and at home.

For these reasons, when Nichols heard of Givler's leaving, he began to think about the



possibility of filling her position in career services. Thinking that, "It would be nice change to have students coming to see me because they wanted to, not because they were required." Surprisingly, Dean Danner approached Nichols with a similar idea, that of his taking Sharon's position and Denise Bakerink, RD of East Hall, taking Nichols' job.

Although he hasn't worked in career services directly, Nichols has been a part of student life for 20 years. The new position seems slightly daunting, but Nichols thinks that

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## Administrators Retreat

### *College Leaders Enjoy Fellowship; Discuss Budget, Future Meetings*

Steve Maxon

The leadership of Houghton College carefully reviewed next year's budget and discussed routine administrative items at the annual administrative retreat held earlier this month.

Tops on the retreat agenda was a discussion of the budget for next year, with an emphasis placed on enrollment and giving projections, as well as predicted expenses. Members of the administration also prepared for their February meeting with the Houghton College Board of Trustees.

Tim Fuller, Vice-President for Enrollment Management at the college, said that one special highlight of the January mini-retreat is the chance to fellowship with pastors and spouses from the Western New York District of the Wesleyan Church, who meet in retreat format at the same time. "Since this is our home district of our sponsoring denomination," Fuller said, "the core of pastors is an important support group for the college."

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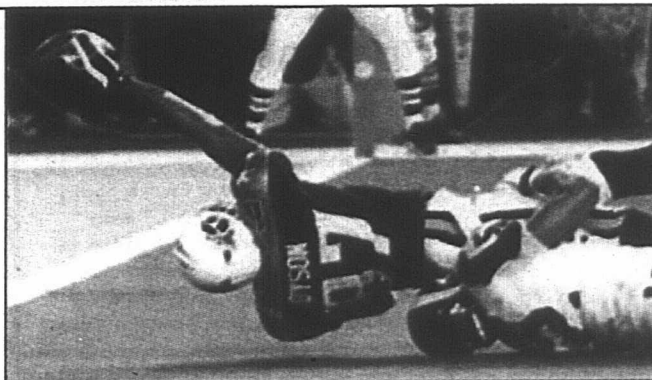
## Super Sunday at Houghton

### *Bowl Goes Down to the Wire as Fans Celebrate*

Jea Adams

It's official; the 1999-2000 NFL season is over. The Saint Louis Rams are the champions, after defeating the Tennessee Titans by a score of 23-16.

Some are saying it was one of the best Super Bowls ever, I especially found the last few plays of the game incredible. As seconds were remaining on the clock, Titans Quarterback Steve McNair scrambled until he could find a receiver for a completion and call a time-out for one last play. With the ending moments expiring, McNair threw another pass to right a receiver who was tackled at the one-yard line!



Rams Win!

I saw on TV the next morning that four of the five top commercials featured pets. My personal favorite was the Mountain Dew ad that involved a parody of Queen's hit song "Bohemian Rhapsody."

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# EDITORIAL

## Letter from the Editor:

Tim Graffam

Jon Mekjean, Jim Walton, Al and Bev Maurer, Dan and Barb Richbart, Pastor Will, Bill Hamlen, and Dick and Maryann Murphy.

Those names probably don't mean much more to any of the Houghtonites reading this than the names Mr. Jones or Mrs. Baker. For all you know I could have leafed through a phone book and randomly picked out names. Or even made them up.

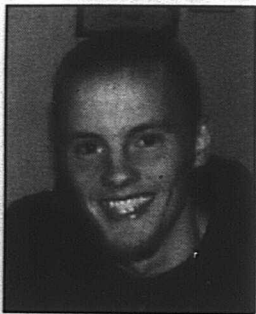
George and Sharon Kroetsch, Rick and Bonnie Arnold, Ron and Becky Schumacher, Pastor Decker, and Doug Cole.

Probably the only time you'll ever be exposed to these names is right now, reading this article. There's a good chance the names will be forgotten shortly after your eyes trail off the last sentence of this paragraph. By now I'm sure you're starting to understand what I'm trying to say. These names mean nothing to you and with good reason. You don't know any of the people these names belong to.

George Eckert, Ann Bruscia, Dave and Ada Coulter, Lee Greenley, Paul and Pat James, Bill and Jean Hynd, and Sam Richbart.

This running list so random and empty to you holds overwhelming meaning and importance to me. I've grown up with the faces and personalities represented by the names. Some are old acquaintances and some are relatively new relationships. Most

are the adults I grew up surrounded by at church. Each one has impacted my life in countless ways. Though some have come and gone, the people behind these names have unknowingly earned my respect and admiration simply by allowing me to observe and be a part of their lives. They have provided me with a model on how life ought to be lived, as I grow older and (hopefully) more mature.



Eric and Deb Alcott, Larry and Ellen Parsons, Scott and Debbie Brown, and Nobby and Setsuko Kadohama.

Though to most everyone here at Houghton this list of names is just that, merely a list of names, I'm sure each

and every one reading this article could come up with a list of their own. To me it would represent people I'll never meet living in some far off place. I'll never be, but to you it is the person that taught you the lessons integral to life and pointed you in the right direction, leading by example. Each individual, their life, is a blessing.

Ryan Lehigh, Melissa Sams, Aunt Grace and Uncle Ken, and, of course, mom and pops Graffam, Al and Joanne.

The names herein don't even scratch the surface. To this day my list continues to get longer and longer. God continues to bless me with new people who lead by example. I have been and continue to be supported by strong and remarkable people. My goal is emulation. I pray God will bless me with the wisdom and righteousness to one day make it on to someone's list.

## London Speak Learning English...Again

Matthew Eubanks  
Houghton in London program

Dear Mom and Dad,

London is a fantastic city! Although they speak the same language, the English have quite a different dialect. May I demonstrate? Cheerio... I took the tube down to the Thames where I grabbed a fizzy drink at a nice little concession stand and thus proceeded to chuck it into a rubbish bin because of its foul taste. Then my trousers ripped while I was standing in a queue, waiting to pick up some cutlery for my take away fish and chips. Later, I went to a football game after buy-

ing the ticket from a tote off the street. Fifty pounds. At St. Pancras I failed to mind the gap and slipped on some petro, landing on the tracks, whilst a train thus proceeded to dismember me. A bobby helped me back on to the platform while another kind bloke retrieved my bloody arm. A nice chap ran to the tele and rang 999; the ambulance and fire brigade soon arrived. At the hospital, the surgeon, who was not a doctor, sewed my arm back on. But what a lovely time I have had, cheerio!

Your son,  
Matthew



This is my cat Maggie, quite possibly the cutest cat in the world. No, definitely the cutest. Anyway, if you'd prefer the editorial page have opinions on it rather than pets, take the time, ink, and paper to express your opinion (not necessarily about cats). Write a column and let your voice be heard. Want details? Come to the *Star* office or call at ext. 2100.

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#### THINGS TO DO: Thurs. 2/3

##### 1) ATTEND SUMMER EMPLOYMENT DAY

- 40 Organizations
- Lots of positions available
- Good chance for me to get a job for this summer
- Earn money - have fun - learn
- Convenient - right in the Campus Center lounge - lunch or dinner time (11am - 7pm)

##### 2) PICK UP LIST OF EMPLOYERS at Career Services Info Rack



# NEWS

## Mind Your Manners

### Career Services Hosts Etiquette Dinner

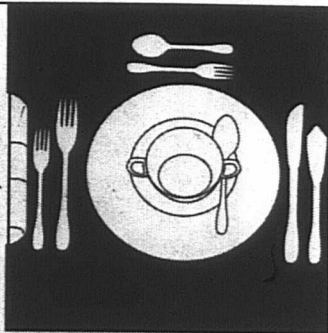
Kristin Leach

Career Services created an Etiquette Dinner and Fashion Show on Friday, January 28. Forty-five juniors and seniors attended the event.

The evening began at a reception in the NAB Atrium as students mingled with hors d'oeuvres. Sharon Givler, the hostess, shared tips on meeting someone, mingling at a party, and how to correctly eat and balance your food (Hint: Eat solid food first and then go back for a drink...otherwise it's too tricky to hold everything).

After the attendees shifted to the South End for dinner, the evening continued with a skit performed by Nancy Murphy, Shelly Hilman, Olivia and Aaron Wardwell, Shannon Daugherty, and Sally and Ben Murphy.

Throughout the four course formal dinner, Givler continued to explain various rules of proper etiquette. She addressed many issues from when, where, and how to place your napkin and your silverware, to



how to eat bread, soup, and salad. For dinner talk, Givler prepared several interview questions to help students practice for future employment dinners.

Robin Ha, the Assistant Director of the Annual Fund, and Angela Babbit, the office manager for Technology services, worked together to present fashion advice. With student models, Ha explained what to wear on an interview and what is business casual.

About the evening, Andrew Tinsley said, "It was an extremely worthwhile endeavor that's given me practical skills and more confidence."

## Super Bowl cont.

mian Rhapsody", and Federal Express using a Wizard of Oz take-off was clever too!

Of course, the first half-time show in the 21st century wouldn't be complete without at least one blond teen idol (Christina Aguilera of "Genie in a Bottle"

fame. I guess Britney Spears was booked for that night) or a Latin singer (Enrique Iglesias) who likes to shake his hips. (Actually, if I were on the entertainment committee, Phish

would be out there with lots of lights and lasers darting around the stadium complete with free glow-sticks.)

Around campus people had different ways of watching the game. Junior Ryan Fitzgerald had 14 people over to her Brookside (Randall) townhouse. They had lots of junk food, plenty of disappointments during the first half of the game, and tons of fun.

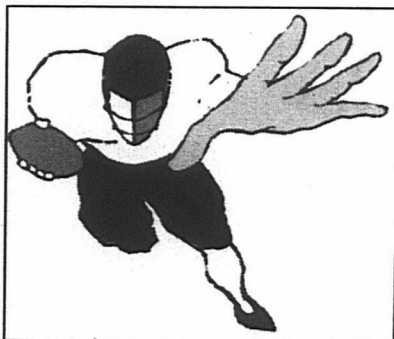
Senior Sanjeev Parmar said that the campus center party "had

good atmosphere," as he and an estimated 150-175 students gathered to devour 800 hot wings, 25 pizzas and watch the game as it was projected on what has been described as a "huge white cloth".

Houghton basketball team members, junior Jeremy Martin and freshman Katie Packard, opted for a different sort of Super Bowl celebration. They drove to Franklinville High School (in the snow)

and shared a little about their faith during halftime to the FCA members gathered there.

My Super Bowl gala this year was pretty low key. Perhaps it was the weather, my anxiety about finishing my T.S. Eliot report due Tuesday, or maybe the fact that I'm a Redskins fan. However, I wouldn't have changed chilling at the Disco Barn with 3 friends, Tostitos, and a crazy Boxer dog named Jack for the world!



## The World Out There

Jay Jennings

### Gore Admits Change of Stance on Abortion

Answering a question posed to him about his congressional record on abortion, Al Gore stated that he had changed his position on the subject, saying he no longer believes that abortion "is arguably the taking of a human life" as he wrote in a letter to a constituent in 1987. This comes in the heat of campaigning for the New Hampshire primaries where Gore is losing his lead to Bradley who had been claiming that he was the only true pro-choice candidate.

### Secretary of State Albright Travels to Moscow

Albright is to meet this week with acting Russian President Vladimir Putin on Arms control and the war in Chechnya. This will be the first time for Albright to meet with Putin who took over as President December 31st after Yeltsin's resignation. Putin is popular in Russia for his hard stand on Chechnya and is a favorite to win the March 26 election for president.

### The Super Bowl

The St. Louis Rams defeated the Tennessee Titans 23-16 as NFL and Super Bowl MVP Kurt Warner passed for a Super Bowl record 414 yards.

### The NBA

If the Playoffs started today, these are the teams that would be in (as of 1/30/00).

#### Eastern Conference

	W	L
Indiana	28	15
Miami	26	16
New York	26	16
Charlotte	24	18
Philadelphia	24	19
Toronto	24	19
Milwaukee	24	20
Detroit	22	21

#### Western Conference

	W	L
LA Lakers	34	10
Portland	33	10
Sacramento	27	15
Utah	27	15
San Antonio	28	16
Seattle	28	17
Minnesota	24	17
Phoenix	24	18

## Nichols cont.

his past experience, and Eva Hillman's continuing as administrative assistant for career services will be a great help. As to leaving his current position, Nichols commented, "I have a lot of respect for Denise's talents and abilities. It makes the transition that much easier having her take my place."

Nichols will not permanently switch over to career services until the spring. After Givler leaves, he and Bakerink will fill the positions of career services and residence life together. Looking

forward, Nichols sees the next three months as a crash course in learning the particulars of career service with the spring and summer as a time to prepare further. He will be attending conferences and visiting other colleges to see how their career services are run. About these future plans, Nichols comments, "I never thought I would go back to school after I received my doctorate, but in a way that's exactly what I am doing. I guess you really are never done learning."

### What are you doing next year?

How about running for...

\*the Boulder?

\*the STAR?

\*the Lanthorn?

\*the SGA Cabinet?

Chaplain

Treasurer of Activities

Commissioner of Activities (CAB)

Commissioner of Finance

Commissioner of Communications

Vice-President (must be junior or senior)

President (must be junior or senior)

Petitions can be found in the SGA office and will be due February 11. Don't waste time! Talk to current position holders and start attending Senate meetings (required for Cabinet positions). All positions have scholarships and the experience looks great on a resume! For more info, stop by the SGA office or contact Kris Clester.

## It's Election Time!

## Winter Activities at Houghton

### *Easy Ways to Enjoy the Frosty Outdoors*

Dionne Miller

At Houghton we are not strangers to cold weather and endless feet of snow. Each year, sometime in late fall, the grass disappears under a blanket of snow, not to be seen again until sometime in March...even April.

From inside a warm house, or dorm room, it is nearly picture perfect-snow resting on countless tree branches and icicles trimming every building. Anxious to enjoy this beauty at your fingertips, you long to be outside. But what can be done outdoors in the bitter cold of winter, without sacrificing valuable extremities? Good news-there are plenty of options.

Obviously, just going out for a walk in sub-zero temperatures may not appeal. If you are properly bundled with sufficient layers, however, and really get moving, you'll be warm in no time. Taking a hike through snow covered woods, alone or with a friend, can quickly rejuvenate you. Trails run all over the woods here at Houghton, or if you're feeling re-

ally adventurous, check out other places in the area. There is plenty of natural beauty right here in Western New York, just waiting to be explored and experienced.

Another activity that gets you into the winter season is skiing. For decades, downhill or cross-country skiing has been gaining popularity and continues to do so today with the newest craze of snowboarding. Our area offers several places to experience this time of year in such a fashion. (See listings) If you do not own your own equipment, most places have rentals available, and often run discounted ski nights for students. If lack of a vehicle keeps you from getting to the slopes, let that stop you no longer. Right here at Houghton ski equipment for both downhill and cross-country is available at the physical education center.

Ice skating is also a fun way to enjoy cooler temperatures and can be done either indoors or outdoors. There are several rinks in the area to enjoy such an activity at minimal cost. Contact the Information Center (ext. 2000 or



567-9200) for telephone numbers if you are interested.

For those who desire to experience nature first hand this time of year, winter camping may appeal. This particular pastime proves fun, especially with a group of friends. Proper equipment is essential if spending nights outside, however, so make sure you are prepared for any sort of Winter encounter.

Another way to enjoy months of Winter Wonderland is to gather a group of friends to go sledding. All that is needed is a sled and a steep hill, which Houghton certainly does not lack.

Sometimes spending time outside sparks the desire to build a snowman or have a good old fashioned snowball fight, both of which serve as ways to enjoy the outdoors and make memories.

Winter weather can be frustrating, but staying indoors out of the fresh air is boring and a sedentary lifestyle is obviously unhealthy. So get outside and enjoy the snow while you can. No matter what appeals to you most, energy and rejuvenation are guaranteed. And coming inside to a steaming cup of hot chocolate or a bowl of warm soup tops off any activity in the tundra.

## Snow Fun and Ski Areas

Art Roscoe X-Country Ski Area 716-354-9163

Bristol Mountain Ski & Snowboarding Resort (Canadaigua) 716-374-6000

Buffalo Ski Club Ski Area 716-941-6444

Hunt Hollow Ski Club (Naples) 716-374-5428

Holiday Valley Resort (Ellicottville) 716-699-2345

Kissing Bridge Ski Area (Glenwood) 716-592-4963



O'Deas Mountain Snowtubing Paradise (Allegheny) 716-373-5471

Ski S Golf Course - X-Country Skiing (Transit Bridge, Belfast) 716-365-2201

Ski Tamarack (Colden) 716-941-5654

Ski Valley Club, Inc. (Naples) 716-374-5157

Swain Ski & Snowboarding Center (Swain) 607-545-6511

Windy Hills Campgrounds X-Country Skiing (Houghton) 716-567-2779

Question of the Week: "What do you like most about winter weather?"



-- Lynda Jones  
(Senior)

"I like to go cross country skiing."



-- Nate Ward  
(Senior)

"I like to downhill ski... when I'm not playing basketball."

photos by Tim Graffam and Kurt Sauder



## What's the Weather Like?

*Doug Gilham, Forecaster and Houghton Alumnus*

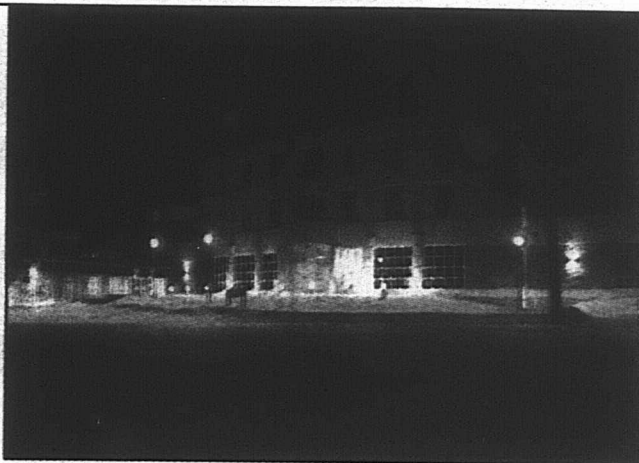
Susanna Rosenbaum

*I dropped my friend off at the airport and turned back towards Houghton. Within ten minutes, snow was falling heavily-visibility was poor, even with the windshield wipers on warp speed, and the road was disappearing under rapidly accumulating snow. Later, after three hours of crawling through near blizzard conditions, I was shocked as I drove into Houghton on perfectly clear roads.*

As many of us have experienced, the weather in surrounding areas can be quite different from Houghton weather. Is it possible to know exactly what the weather here will be like? It might surprise you to learn that each

morning the Info Center receives a Houghton-specific weather forecast from a 1994 Houghton alumnus.

Meteorologist Doug



explains, is Houghton's location on the edge of a snow belt fueled by lake effect snow. For the meteorology ignoramus among us, lake effect snow is formed when bands of cold air warm blow over water and absorb its moisture. Once the air gets cold again, it can no longer hold the moisture (only warm air holds moisture) and the air releases what it picked up from the lake as snow.

Wind direction determines who gets snow-a southwest wind will dump its snow in Buffalo while a southern wind will bring snow to Houghton. (Even within one city, snowfall can vary drastically depending on the wind's exact direction. Doug recalls a time when one area of Buf-

### Weather Websites

<http://iwin.nws.noaa.gov/iwin/graphicsversion/main.html>

To get local weather forecasts for anywhere in the United States, click on the box that says Local Weather in the top left hand corner. This will give you a map of all of the states. Click on the state that you want weather information for.

<http://tgs5.nws.noaa.gov/er/buf/fcsts.htm>

This is from the National Weather Service office in Buffalo. You can click on a county in Western or Central NY to get a local forecast (click on Allegany for Houghton weather).

<http://www.intellicast.com/LocalWeather/World/UnitedStates/Radar/>

This image shows where there is rain, snow, sleet etc. in the United States. Click on any portion of the US for a closer look. For a look at the Buffalo radar, and what is happening around Western NY, go to: <http://www.intellicast.com/LocalWeather/World/UnitedStates/Northeast/NewYork/Buffalo/BaseReflectivity/>

Gilham currently teaches weather forecasting at Mississippi State University, but even while he was studying earth science at Houghton, he

was already practicing his forecasting techniques. Originally, he

posted the weather forecast on his door in Shen; later, at the suggestion of Kathie Brenneman, he posted the weather on the Info Center

door. He also announced Houghton's forecast on WJSL radio.

The extreme variability of Houghton's weather fascinated Doug. "We would get so much snow at times... I have many memories of going skiing in shorts and a T-shirt. One February day we had a record high of 70 degrees F, but there were still 8 to 12 inches of snow in the woods! That was a great day for skiing!"

What makes Houghton weather so unpredictable, Doug

falo had only 1 inch of snow, but another area of the city only four miles away had 32 inches!")

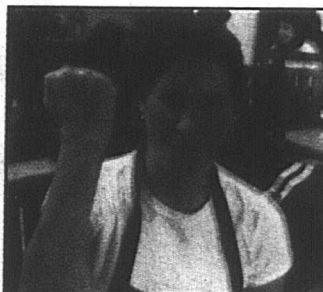
So next time you are in the Info Center, be sure to check out Doug's specially tailored forecast. Or check out one of the websites accompanying this article.

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-- Monica Sams  
(Junior)

**"I like to push my friends in the snow!"**



-- Melissa Roberts  
(Senior)

**"I like the way no one clears the snow off the roads so getting to class can be a matter of life and death."**



# COMMUNITY

## Spotlight on Faculty: Mike Lastoria

Monica Sams

Tucked away in the Counseling Center is a man who, unfortunately, many students never get a chance to experience. However, Dr. Michael Lastoria is an integral part of our school and community. Dr. Lastoria keeps busy in his role as the Director of Counseling Services, while teaching two psychology courses; Introduction to Family Systems and Theories of Counseling and Psychotherapy.

Dr. Lastoria grew up in Northeastern Ohio, as evidenced by his love for the Cleveland Browns. After completing a degree in Engineering from Rutgers University, he was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the Air Force serving as a Communications Systems Officer. It was also during this time that he met and dated his wife, Help Desk Coordinator Cindy Lastoria, whom he met while working at a local golf course immediately after graduating in May of 1970. They married in August of 1972, and started their new life in Omaha, Nebraska, where Dr. Lastoria was stationed.

He became interested in psychology after coming to know the Lord, when he felt God was calling him to work with people, not computers. He "restarted" his education, obtaining a Masters in Agency Counseling from the University of Nebraska and a Certificate of Completion in Bible and Theology from Grace College of the Bible in Omaha Nebraska. Mike and Cindy then moved to Chicago, where Mike had been offered a position as Resident Director at the Moody Bible Institute. After two years as a Resident Director, he took an opening as a Staff Counselor while obtaining his doctorate in Counselor Education at Loyola University in May of 1982.

Dr. Lastoria came to Houghton in June of 1982 with



Cindy and their two children, Erin and Michael, to take the position of Director of Counseling Services. Since that time, he has been a full-time counselor and a part-time professor. He says he is fortunate because he has such high job satisfaction, and Houghton has provided him with a working environment that ensures that there is never a dull moment. He values the new experiences Houghton has to offer, which is why he'll be teaching for the London program next fall. He also enjoys speaking at other schools, and will be speaking at Taylor University this March for "Relationship Enrichment Week" (similar in format to our C.L.E.W. week).

Besides these responsibilities, Dr. Lastoria has also served as a Staff Trainer for Royal Family Kids Camp, a camp for abused and neglected children. In this context one sees a different side of Dr. Lastoria, as campers love to dunk him in the swimming pool or laugh with him in the drama as he portrays the "mean wolf."

Dr. Lastoria is truly a multi-faceted, talented individual who has made Houghton a better place. He has a love and empathy for people in pain, as evidenced by his dedication to outreach through the Counseling Center. I have to agree with him that, "Life is difficult, but God's sufficiency is released in community with others." I agree and believe God's sufficiency shines through Dr. Michael Lastoria.

## Spring Play At a Glance "The Miracle Worker"

**The Miracle Worker**  
by William Gibson

Presented on **March 16-18**; four performances - three evening at 8:00 pm and one afternoon matinee at 2:00 on Saturday, March 18

All performances will be held at the Rosemary Tysinger Auditorium at Houghton Academy.

**Director** - Bruce Brenneman

**Cast members:** Mark Paliani, Alyson Horn, Colin Beers, Rachel Buckwalter, Anna Ireland, Brett Eddy, Dave Shaw, Erin O'Brien, Simone Williams, Courtney Eddy and Sarah Lawlor.

**Synopsis:** This stirring dramatization of the story of Helen Keller is one of the most successful and warmly admired plays of the modern stage. Blind and mute, and nobody knows what Helen's fate might have been had she not come under the tutelage of Annie Sullivan, an Irish girl who had been born blind. The Miracle Worker is principally concerned with the emotional relationship between the lonely teacher and her blind charge. Little Helen, trapped in her secret world, is bitter, violent, spoiled and almost animal-like. Only Annie realizes that there is a mind waiting to be rescued from that dark, tortured silence. Annie's success with Helen comes only after some of the most turbulent, violent, and emotion-packed scenes ever presented on the stage.

## Winter Weekend Schedule

### Week of Romance: February 6-12, 2000

#### Sunday, February 6

1:00-5:00pm Class Competitions at the gym (Basketball, Handball, Soccer, Volleyball, and Climbing Wall) Be sure to sign up for your class teams this week!

#### Monday, February 7

8:00-11:00pm Class Competitions at the gym

#### Tuesday, February 8

8:00-11:00pm Class Competitions at the gym

#### Wednesday, February 9

6:30-?? Super Mario Kart Tournament in the Campus Center Lounge  
6:30-?? Ping pong, Chess, Pool, and Dutch Blitz Tournament in the Campus Center  
Prizes for Tournament winners include Holiday Valley passes, Olde Library gift certificates, passes for Bowling at Letchworth Pines, and much more!

8:00 Movie: "Runaway Bride" in the Chapel FREE

#### Thursday, February 10

8:00 Coffeehouse in the Auxiliary Gym featuring the artists formerly known as Fantasy Mission Force and the Fat Astronauts...and Mo!

#### Friday, February 11

10:00pm SPOT in the Chapel  
Auditions to be determined. Look for signs in the Campus Center

#### Saturday, February 12

6:00 Banquet (\$5 a ticket)  
8:00 Artist Series featuring Lisitsa & Kuznetsoff

**Winter Weekend**  
All Next Week  
(and weekend!)  
**Get Involved!**

**Thursday** - Coffeehouse  
with that cool new band  
**Friday** - SPOT  
**Saturday** - Banquet and  
Artist Series

Friday,  
February 4, 2000  
7:00 pm  
In Wesley Chapel

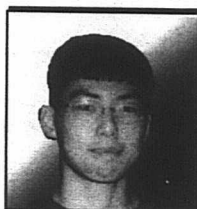
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# ENTERTAINMENT



Mo Nishihata

## Motoi on Music

### Invincible

#### Skillet

Forefront Records

For those who are curious as to how "Skillet" came up with their band name, here is what happened: Three guys came together with their different musical backgrounds and put them in a "skillet" and what was created was the final result. Skillet's successful debut album was a rock/pop album with a raw sound, reminding us of bands such as Nirvana and Common Children. The second album added the use of electronia-rock and since this change the band has continued in this direction.

But there is no need to fear that Skillet has become a techno or a dance band. As lead vocalist/bassist John Cooper comments "we are a pop group living in an electronia-rock band's body." Guitarist Ken Steorts (founding member) has departed from the band and has been replaced with Kevin Haaland. The band also has picked up a fourth member, Korey Cooper (pianos/synthesizers), the wife of John Cooper (lead vocal/bass).

Skillet's third album *Invincible* (forefront records) continues their journey of the electronia-rock era and adds more of a edgier sound to their arsenal. The album title is contrary to what the band members want others to think about them. They got the title "Invincible" from a character in the X-files movie that said "you can kill a man, but you can't stop what he stands for." No matter what happens in the world, no one can stop the "kingdom from coming." Their first single, "Best Kept Se-

cret," a song that has been stuck in my head because of its greatness, speaks of discovering God and the experience of this moment.

There are technically twelve songs on the album, but there is a thirteenth song, "Angels fall down" which is not numbered as a song. The album has a good balance of high-energy rocking songs ("Best Kept Secret," "You take my Rights away," "The fire breathes," "You're in my Brain") and more soft songs such as "Rest," "Angels fall down," and "Each Other." John Cooper writes lyrics that are at its core, praise and worship songs, but also goes into topics such as laying down one's life to Christ, boldness of proclaiming the Gospel, and the invincibility of what we stand for even if our

physical bodies die.

I have seen Skillet in concert and I think that they are one of the best underground bands that are around right now. Their first two albums have only sold over 100,000 copies, and while numbers are of no concern to them, it is a concern to me that only a small percentage of the population have heard of this band. But there are indications that

Skillet will be going mainstream since "Locked in a Cage" from their second album has received much attention from radio stations across the States. Look for Skillet at music festivals over the summer and look for their new release, "Invincible" in the bookstore soon. (Listen to it in the demo section if you would like to hear it first).



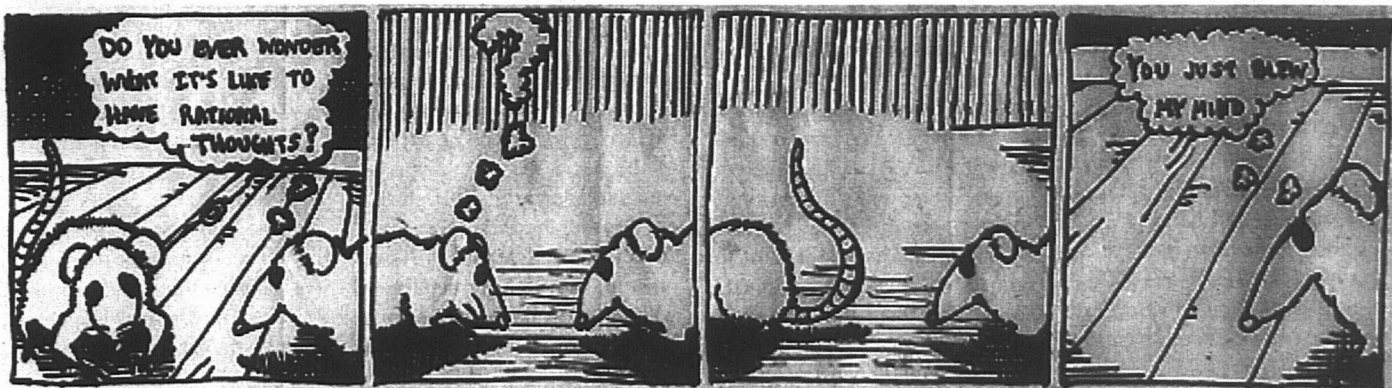
### As It Were...

by Kevin MacDonald



"Sorry, there's been a policy change. You have to sing 'The Star Spangled Banner,' solve this calculus equation, and juggle these three machetes before you can go eat lunch."

### Man and Snail



By Donovan Church

## The Top Ten

### Actual Quotes From Houghton College Webpages

by Steve Maxon

10 "Evaluate the conflicting claims about PMS."

9 "Thomas Scriven thought the Pantene lady was hot."

8 "But all those things wouldn't happen if you just let me live in Belfast!"

7 "(we have a table)"

6 "Justin Lawrence asked if anybody had any candidates for the open financial positions for next year. No one did."

5 "Picture of the week — molecular structure of co deine."

4 "Has the college done recent studies to see if exploitable natural gas exists below?"

3 "I am particularly interested in Web pages on sex education and sexual disorders."

2 "This amazing old gentleman also won the 1998 Buffalo Int'l \$5000 Jumping Mini-Prix, and is willing to baby-sit beginners."

1 "Basketball fans are in for a pleasant surprise."



# SPORTS

## Intramurals

### Women's Basketball

Hitchhikers	2-2
Globetrotters	0-4
Dribblers	3-3
The Last Hoorah	4-1
Cannibals	0-5
Silence of the Lams	3-0
Chai Shakers	5-0
Winebrenner	2-4

### Coed Volleyball

Mostly Music Majors	3-2
Zenith	3-2
Sauder	4-1
Kwasakwasa	4-1
Atlantis	3-3
Jenna Louise	5-1
Hezekiah 8:2	2-3
Ghetto Superstars	2-4
Nelson's Team	4-4
11 Schwann Cells	2-5
We Just Want A T-Shirt	5-1
Crazy Mutha's	4-2
Kibebe Maziwa	4-3
Insufficient Mund's	1-6
Persnicketty Smash	0-5

## Women Vye For Lacrosse Club Team Players Await SGA Approval and Funds

Shelley Dooley

Trekking to the gym several days a week, the Houghton men's lacrosse club can be viewed with their sticks in hand and excitement over a new sport pasted on their faces. In a few short weeks, a small group of ladies hopes to join their male counterparts in similar lacrosse actions.

Freshman Ursula Brush has been a key player in working to develop the ladies' lacrosse club after realizing that the men's club would exclude her. Brush played lacrosse during high school and loves the skill and determination

that the game demands.

Games would be played with St. Bonaventure and Geneseo if the SGA accepts their constitution and allocates money towards uniforms and equipment. Practices will take place with the men's team on Tuesdays, Thursdays and some weekends, to strengthen the girls' skills in throwing and catching.

Lacrosse, a sport started by Native Americans, is distinguished from other sports by its netted racquet that is used to pick the ball off the ground to throw it into a goal to score a point. The main rule of the game is that hands are never to touch the ball. The

game is originally rooted in legend and is still used in some Native American cultures to vent anger and settle disputes. Currently lacrosse is one of the fastest growing sports in the world and the women's game more closely resembles the Indian game of the past, while the men play a more technical version.

As the Ladies' Lacrosse Club continues to develop they will not only be starting a new tradition at Houghton, but will carry on a game that dates back to the original inhabitants of North America.

## Men's Basketball

Jason Mucher

**Daemen College 75,  
Houghton 63  
January 26, 2000**

Despite playing without leading scorer Jeremy Martin, who was out with an ankle injury, the Highlanders played tough against conference-leading Daemen College, before dropping a 75-63 decision.

Houghton struggled to find someone to fill Martin's scoring shoes early, managing just two field goals in the game's first 10 minutes, as Daemen raced to a 15-4 lead. The lead was 20-7 with un-

der seven minutes left, before a 10-0 run, sparked by back-to-back three pointers by Seth Edwards and Kurt Sauder, cut the lead to four (23-19) with four minutes to go. Daemen used their own 10-0 run to push the advantage up to 14, but Houghton outscored the hosts, 5-2, in the last 1:35 of the half to trail by just 11 at the break.

After surrendering a layup on Daemen's first possession of the second half, Houghton scored seven-straight points to narrow the margin to six (37-31), but Daemen responded, scoring the next 10 points following up with a 30-12 run to take their largest lead of the game, 67-43.

Daemen still led by 24 (70-46) with five minutes to go, but Houghton wouldn't go without a fight. The Highlanders, sparked by another three pointer by Edwards, exploded for a 13-2 run to narrow the lead to 13 with one minute remaining.

Houghton shot 59 percent from the field in the second half (51% for the game) and hit 6-of-12 three pointers on the night. The Highlanders held a 40-31 rebounding advantage.

Seth Edwards led in scoring with 16 points. Kurt Sauder scored 13 points, Jeremy Thomas added 12 points, and Ryan Pauling chipped in with 11 points. Pauling dished out a game-high five assists, while Edwards, Thomas, and Sauder each added five rebounds. Ruben Jurik had seven rebounds.

## Women's Basketball

Jason Mucher

**Houghton 73,  
William Smith College 61 (OT)  
January 27, 2000**

With Houghton trailing William Smith College 56-54 with fifteen seconds left, Alicia Campbell hit two free throws to send the game to overtime, and the Lady Highlanders outscored the visitors 17-5 in the extra session to take a 73-61 win. William Smith (14-4) was ranked No. 19 in NCAA Division III.

Houghton (11-4) came out of the blocks on fire, jumping out to a 9-0 lead and taking a 25-11 lead with 8:30 left in the first half. But it was still early and William Smith methodically worked its way back into the contest, narrowing the margin to 25-22. Wendy

Ivey scored seven-straight points to push the lead back to 10, and Houghton led 32-24 at the break. Houghton shot 54 percent from the field in the first half and hit 4-of-7 three pointers.

But the second stanza was another story. Houghton struggled to score from the outside, missing seven three point attempts in the half's first six minutes. The Lady Highlanders scored just six points during that span as William Smith cut the margin to 38-34.

Houghton was able to put the lead back to eight, but committed eight turnovers during a four-minute span, and William Smith took advantage, scoring 11-straight points to take its first lead of the game at 43-42 with nine minutes to go. The visitors stretched the lead to four (56-52) with 2:17 left, but they would not score again in

regulation.

Ivey found Sarah Tooley for a short jumper on Houghton's next possession to cut the lead to two, but neither team could convert on successive trips down the court. With 15 seconds remaining, Campbell pulled down a defensive rebound, was fouled, and converted both free throws to tie the game at 56.

On William Smith's next possession, Ivey forced a jumpball to give Houghton possession with 2 seconds left. Ivey missed an off-balance 23 footer as time expired. In the extra session it was all Houghton as the Lady Highlanders scored the first 12 points. Tooley hit two free throws 30 seconds in, Janelle Tombs followed with a three on the next possession, and Ivey followed that with a free throw and a short jumper.

Campbell sank two free throws and Ivey hit two more to give Houghton a 68-56 lead with one minute to go.

A William Smith three pointer was followed by two more free throws by Campbell, and Tombs answered a William Smith bucket with two more free tosses. Tooley hit one of two from the charity stripe for the final margin.

Houghton hit 20-of-28 free throws in the game, including 12-of-14 in overtime. Campbell, who finished with 13 points, seven rebounds, and five assists, was a perfect 8-8 from the line.

Ivey led all scorers with 20 points, and added nine rebounds, six assists, and eight steals. Tombs chipped in with 19 points. Libby Shaw added eight points, five rebounds, four assists, two blocked shots, and two steals.

The win was Houghton's eighth-straight and 25th in a row at home.