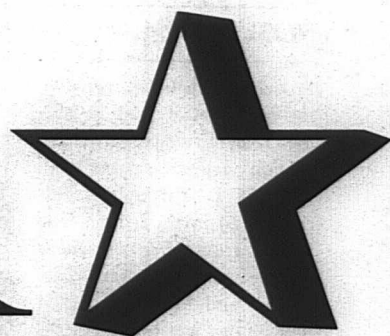


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WORLD AT A GLANCE

William Mann

India - Thousands of gaunt survivors marched through the streets of Bhopal marking the tenth anniversary of a gas leak at Union Carbide which killed 7,000 people.

Somalia - The Italian cruise ship Achille Lauro erupted in flames 125 miles off the coast sending its 977 passengers and crew overboard. A flotilla of ships rerouted to pick up the survivors - only two elderly men died in the tragedy.

Bosnia - A dramatic shift in U.S. policy, and the threat that U.N. forces may withdraw have escalated tension in the Bosnian-Serbian quagmire. NATO leaders are presently debating the fate of security in Bosnia, while Russia's President Boris Yeltsin has launched an attack on NATO's plans to expand into Eastern Europe.

Algeria - Security forces have killed 49 more Islamic extremists, making the unofficial toll 328 guerrillas killed in the campaign to overthrow the military regime.

Norway - 52.2% of Norwegians voted "no" to membership in the European Union. Sweden, Finland, and Austria have already voted in favor of joining, but Norway's refusal keeps the European Union from making a clean sweep this year.

Mexico - The inauguration of President-elect Ernesto Zedillo Ponce de Leon was interrupted by rock throwing and shouts of protests.

QUOTATION OF THE WEEK

"It's a fairly embarrassing situation to admit that we can't find 90 percent of the universe."

-Astrophysicist, Dr. Bruce H. Margon after Hubble Space Telescope surveys fail to provide any new information.

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Students approve constitution

Victoria LaBoy

On November 8, 1994, the student body passed the new Student Government Association Constitution by a vote of 224 yes and 23 no. Many voters asked voters, "What am I voting for?" and "Sum it up for me, please." Others declined their voting privilege, because they did not want to vote for something that they had not read. Senators tried to highlight the major differences between last year's Constitution

and the new one.

The first major change to the Constitution was how the Commissioner of Finance is elected. Under the old Constitution the Commissioner of Finance was hired. The new Constitution clarifies this and requires that the Commissioner of Finance be reviewed by a committee consisting of the president, a business faculty member, the current Treasurer (unless he is running for reelection), and a student at large.

The Speaker of the Senate's

roles were disputed and changed to specifically "answer on behalf of the Senate in an official capacity, questions pertaining to Senate." In addition, the Speaker of the Senate chairs the Senate meetings under the supervision of the Vice-President. The Vice-President is not the supreme authority in Senate meetings, which goes along with the claim of separation of powers under the new S.G.A. Constitution.

A cumulative quality grade point average of 3.00 or higher

is required of presidential candidates. After election, this may not drop below a 2.75 without loss of office. It was stated that the 3.00 G.P.A. was mandatory to ensure excellence in the office of President.

Finally, ratification requirements for the Constitution were changed from a near impossible two-thirds yes vote by two-thirds of the entire student body to a 50%+1 (simple majority) yes vote of the those students who vote.

New technology enhances WJSL



photo by Public Information Office

WJSL managers David Donnelly, Professor Manney, Jeremy Tracey, and Robin Stewart test the new radio broadcast training equipment.

Jeremy Tracey
Paul Dehart

This new year has brought many changes to WJSL. With almost a totally new management staff the station has had a number of new opportunities: WJSL received a complete control room from HCJB World Radio, started broadcasting 24

hours a day in September, and currently has satellite capabilities to receive a variety of programming material.

Professor Manney, the general manager of WJSL, was a missionary with HCJB before he came to Houghton seven years ago. This past January he went to Ukraine for a month with HCJB to teach radio pro-

duction to Russian students. In Kiev he met David Kealy, the Euro-Asia Director for HCJB.

Kealy and Professor Manney crossed paths again this fall when Kealy came to Houghton. During his short stay here he met with Dean Mannoia and President Chamberlain and asked if they thought that WJSL could accept a control room from HCJB as a gift. Both Dean Mannoia and President Chamberlain had positive reactions.

Within three weeks after David Kealy left, the control room arrived in the mail. The control room is almost identical to the ones used by HCJB in the mission field. The control room consists of an Electro-Voice Control Board, a Sony stereo cassette deck, a Technics stereo dual cassette deck, a Technics multi-compact disc changer, an Anchor speaker, three different microphones, plus microphone stands and accompanying cords for the equipment.

This new control room could mean a lot of different things to WJSL in the future. Professor Manney's primary goal has always been to train up men and women for the mission field. "It's certainly hoped that for the future this will become another encouragement for Houghton College students to serve, to intern, to get a view of what God's doing in the world and maybe become a part of God's work, that's the highest goal."

The control room will serve primarily as a training center for students interested in radio missions, which was one of HCJB's primary purposes. It will also be used in training Russians and central Europeans, sent by HCJB to Houghton to train in radio. The similarity of the control room will make it easier for them to learn.

Professor Manney is also changing the Advanced Radio

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HC team runs well at nationals

Doug Gillham

It may be a little known fact around campus, but both the men's and women's cross country teams qualified for and competed at the National cross country meet on November 19th in Kenosha, Wisconsin. For the men it was their fifth trip to the national meet in five years, and for the women it was their third trip in four years.

Tougher qualifying standards made the level of competition at this year's national meet stronger than ever. Nevertheless, the men's teams had their best showing ever at Nationals with 29th place, and the women had their second best showing ever with 24th place. There were over 90 schools repre-

sented at the meet, with 36 complete teams in the men's race and 35 in the women's race.

Our Highlanders placing at National is even more impressive when one considers that neither the men nor the women had enough runners to score as a team only six years ago. The fact that Houghton's cross country program is now recognized as the strongest in the conference and one of the stronger programs in the State is a testimony to the hard work and dedication of Coach Bob Smalley and the entire team.

The two teams left Houghton Thursday morning and headed for Wisconsin where the racing would commence that Saturday.

The Houghton women were

caught back in the pack early on in the race and had to fight their way through the crowd. Amy Chamberlain lead the way for the Highlander's with a 118th place.

Naomi Castellani was right behind in 123rd place. This was the final college race for the stand out senior and co-captain.

Leslie Roberts was third for Houghton, placing 166th. Lauren Keepert survived two falls in the final mile to place 183rd.

Janelle Chapin rounded out the scoring for the women with the fastest time of her career and 248th place. Julie Cummings was right behind with 250th place. Sharon Sylvester also had a strong race, placing 305th.

A very fast field of runners

competed in the men's race. Simeon Sawe of Lubbock Christian University, covered the 8k course in a meet record

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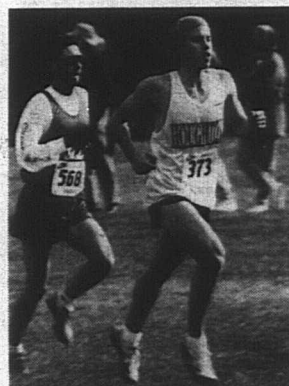


photo courtesy of Doug Gillham

Junior co-captain, Ken Perry races ahead of the pack. Perry finished third for the Houghton men at nationals.

WJSL from pg. 1

Production Practicum to involve the new control room so students can have the opportunity to train on this new equipment.

WJSL is currently broadcasting 24 hours a day. The station acquired a new audio processing unit for the transmitter, and broadcasting 24 hours a day was best for regulating the temperature in the transmitter. This may be no more expensive than broadcasting for 19 hours.

The station has also acquired two satellite hookups. The first satellite is connected to Mars Hill network through a KU

Band. According to Professor Manney, this enables a clearer signal and full stereo.

Formerly the station was connected to the Mars Hill network through an FM receiver. The improvement in the signal had an impact on the decision by the Radio Corporation Board to go on the air 24 hours a day.

The second satellite link is an auxiliary hook up. There are a number of Christian programs available through this link. Programs received from the link are recorded by WJSL and then broadcasted at a later time.

WJSL looks forward to see what God will do with the ministry.

News release: Upward Bound

Public Information Office

Six Bolivar/Richburg High School students rang in the Christmas season last Friday by organizing a coffeehouse to benefit the homeless of Allegany and Cattaraugus Counties.

The event fulfilled their community service commitment to Upward Bound, a federally-funded youth program sponsored by Houghton College. Some 300 people attended in the college cafeteria.

Several local businesses donated desserts and coffee. All proceeds are being given to Genesis House, a private shelter for homeless families in the Olean area, slated to open later this month.

The high school students who designed this public service were Amber Bess of Ceres,

Richard Chind of Friendship, Jason Gilliland of Friendship, Kelly Greene of Cuba, Sally Greene of Cuba, and Mike Swanson of Bolivar. Their Houghton College student leaders were Carolyn Crouch and Hans Hinterkopf.

Upward Bound is designed to offer support services for academic, social and personal growth to Alegany and Cattaraugus County high school students. The program provides college student tutors at area high schools during the school year. The high school students attend a six-week summer academic program at Houghton. The goal is to provide participants with skills necessary to complete a four-year college or university degree.

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Students attend Wheaton multicultural event

Carolyn Crouch

Between November 16-20, eleven students and two advisors embarked on a trip to Chicago for the Eighth Annual National Christian Multicultural Student Leadership Conference, held at Wheaton College.

This year the theme was "A Whole New World." Sophomore Agnus Lau said, "There I experienced the powerful feeling of the unity of Christians. As an individual trying to make a difference, one often feels alone, but as a community of believers working together to support and affirm, I know we will make things happen."

There was no way to generalize the "type" of students attending this conference. Diversity was the only way to describe it. Students came from all over the country. Thirty Christian Colleges were represented. Many ethnic groups and nationalities were present.

The conference proved to be a growing and sharing experience. Adriane Tucker, a freshmen, confronted her ethnicity for the first time,

and out of that, was able to better understand why, based on her relationship with the Lord, she feels so strongly about multicultural issues.

The purpose of the conference was to prepare students to face the tensions of spiritual, academic, social and leadership development within the multi-ethnic context.

Host Site Director, Rodney Sisco said, "In order to handle societal challenges with victory, we must prepare ourselves. Our contemporary society does not want us to understand the complex levels of tension that exist. It is only through understanding of challenges that each of us will be effective agents of Christ-centered social change."

The rigorous schedule was packed with church services, workshops, ethnicity sessions,



Houghton students Carolyn Crouch and Adriane Tucker (second row; far right) with students from Arizona, California, Washington, DC and Minnesota, during an ethnicity session.

interactive exercises, Open Mike, praise and prayer, student presentations, and a concert/variety show. The keynote speaker, Rev. Brenda Salter McNeil spoke about the recognition that though differences exist between us as people, we remain uniquely called to one Lord as one people.

The conference is founded upon the concept of unity-diversity illustrated in Romans 12:4-5: "Just as there are many parts of our bodies, so it is with Christ's body. We are all parts of it, as it takes every one of us to make it complete, for we have different work to do, so we belong to each other and each needs all the others."

Peace Corps: an overseas option

Sarah Kolz

Ruth Gates, Peace Corps representative, recently visited Houghton campus to inform students about opportunities in her organization.

The Peace Corps is a federal nonprofit agency which sends interested and skilled American citizens with college degrees to work in developing countries. Volunteers may go to one of ninety-three third world countries.

A volunteer commits to work for twenty seven-months; three months include language, technical and cultural training, which is funded

by the corps. Volunteers earn benefits and a living allowance paid in local currency and based upon local standards of living.

Student loans are deferred during the time of service, and several universities offer scholarships to returning Peace Corps volunteers. After the two-year term, volunteers receive a \$5,400 readjustment allowance.

The Peace Corps may be used as a ministry. "Workers are free to express religious views, but are asked not to proselytize," said Gates. "This does not prohibit sharing one's faith one-on-one." The Peace Corps discourages excessive religious and political involvement because it

can hurt the working relationships of volunteers and hinder their performance.

The Peace Corps recruits volunteers to work in four main areas: education, skilled trades, health and nutrition, and agricul-

"Workers are free to express religious views..."

-Ruth Gates

ture. There are presently 6,500 volunteers in the Corps and 1,600 available teaching positions.

Anyone interested may contact Ruth Gates at the University at Buffalo, (716) 645-2629.

Obituaries

Homer John Fero, a former Houghton dentist and recipient of the very first PACE Award, went to be with his Lord on November 12.

Mr. Fero was born in Levant, NY, on September 6, 1909, the son of Wesleyan Methodist pastors, A.D. and Pearl Fero. He graduated from Houghton Academy in

1927, Houghton College in 1931, and the University of Buffalo Dental School in 1935.

In 1932, he married Mildred Stevenson, whom he had met at Houghton College. Homer practiced dentistry in Mildred's father's practice until he moved his family to Houghton in 1946.

During his 41 years of practicing dentistry in Houghton, Homer was a member of the Rotary Club and of the Hough-

ton College board of trustees for 24 years. He received the silver beaver award in recognition of his service to the Boy Scouts, was the first person to receive the annual award from the President's Advisory Council on Excellence, and was named to the Houghton College One Hundred in the college's centennial year.

Homer retired in 1987 at the age of 78 and lived at home with his wife until August.

Charles H. Pocock, father of math professor Dr. Richard Pocock, died November 20 after a brief illness.

His college career began at Houghton in 1919; afterward he went on to become a math teacher, principal, and town justice at various times in western New York.

Retirement found him back at Houghton again, this

time working in the Public Relations Office and actively being involved in the Houghton Senior Citizens and The Houghton Community Association.

He lived ninety-six years. It has been said of him that, "he always expressed awareness that the Lord had given him whatever he had, and it was all willingly dedicated to Him."

corrections:

The headline on last issue's story on The closing of King's College should have read: "Influx of HC students prompted by King's closing

Senate Report:

Michael Mayer

November 17, 1994

Vice President Anne Ingraham ran the meeting where senators received proposals from organizations petitioning for money from the \$4,132 Special Resource Fund. Organizations that requested funds were the Horsemanship Program, Outdoor Adventure Club, Music Education Club, Youth For Christ, the Previous Ministries, the Houghton Star, College Relations Office, The Boulder, the International Student Organization, and Current Issues Weekend. Each organization was allowed to have a representative explain its proposal.

It was announced that Winter Weekend will be February 10 and 11. Two senators from each class are needed. Shannon Dininny and Victoria Laboy volunteered.

December 1

This meeting took place in the NAB Telelink room because the Alumni Dining Room was occupied. Senate elected Lynn Rundall to serve on the Homecoming Committee. One member is still needed.

Most of the meeting was spent discussing the petitions and allocating the funds for the Special Resource Fund.

There was a lengthy discussion regarding an updated security phone system. Senate voted to hold over \$2000 of the fund until next semester as the expected cost would be greater than the amount allocated each semester. Therefore, the money held over will be needed next semester to pay for the new security phone system.

Faculty advisor, Dr. Benedict, noted that Senate already had money set aside in the budget to spend on a current events weekend to be sponsored by Student Senate, the Houghton Star, and College Republicans.

In addition, because the International Student Association did not require the funds for the international dinner until next semester their proposal will be considered then. Funds requested for the Paul Maxwell Memorial Award will come from the Senate budget.

The Music Education Club was allocated \$450. After some discussion, \$400 was allocated to the Previous Ministries. Following discussion, \$500 was given to a proposal by the Outdoor Adventure Club that is looking into improving the indoor track. After a failed motion to allocate the remaining \$782 to the Boulder, the remaining funds were allocated to Youth For Christ.

Adjournment followed so that Senators could help in decorating the chapel for Christmas.

November encounter weekend sets record

Victoria Silveri

On Encounter day, November 11, a record number of prospective students came to kick the tires of Houghton tires to see if it was for them.

These 131 "prospectives" - accompanied by parents, siblings, sleeping bags, and suitcases - roomed with current students, attended chapel, ate in the cafeteria, observed classes, hung out in Big Al's, and tried to taste the flavor of Houghton life, to decide whether or not to devote the next four years of their academic lives to it.

David Mee, Associate Director of Admissions said, "We definitely had more than ever before," comparing the 131 visitors to 79 during last November's Encounter Day. To date, 610 prospective students have visited since September, compared to approximately 525 last fall.

Mee also said this increase is partially due to the closing of The King's College near Manhattan. He said many students from King's have already visited and 35 have applied for admission for January, which brings the total number of applicants for January admission to 99. Mee says they expect approximately 60 new students in January, but it may exceed

that number.

As of Dec. 1, the admissions office had received 718 applications for next fall, 24 less than last year at this time. This decrease does not discourage the Admissions Office. It is too early to predict the size of the class of 1999.

The past few years have seen a continual increase in new students: Fall of '92: 378; Fall of '93: 401; Fall of '94: 431. The present student body of 1225 students, represents a healthy level of enrollment according to Mee.

"Numbers can't be most important; they are a gauge, not a true measure of success," said Mee.

He said Houghton is looking to bring the right people to its campus, spiritually, emotionally, intellectually; those who will benefit from Houghton, as well as be a benefit to Houghton. "We're not just recruiting freshmen, we're recruiting alumni, which is why we have counselors who travel thousands of miles to find the best people to bring to Houghton."

Many of the prospectives have already commented on their visit, mainly praising the friendliness of the students, chapel service, and dorm life. Encounter Days are scheduled for January and February.

Houghton hosts NYSMA

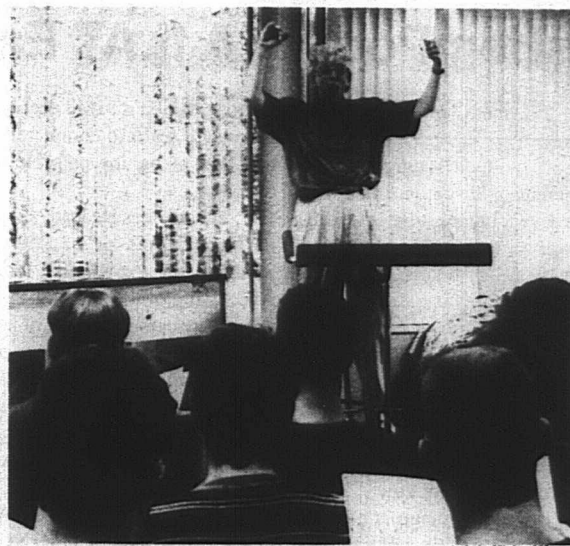
Renee Steffy

Hard work, dedication and preparation paid off on November 19 when the Area All-State orchestra, chorus, and symphonic band performed a concert in Wesley Chapel.

Two hundred and fifty aspiring musicians, from thirty-seven high schools in a six-county range, participated in the festival which was sponsored by the New York State School Music Association. The musicians were selected by the conductors after a long application and audition process. The three groups rehearsed on campus Friday and Saturday and gave a joint concert Saturday afternoon.

Conducting the sixty-five member orchestra was Houghton Music Director, Dr. Steven Bird. The orchestra performed selections by Rimski, Korsakov, Bizet, and Prokofiev.

The one hundred and ten



Jean Reigles conducts high school choir members during the NYSMA practice two weeks ago.

voice chorus was under the direction of Professor Barbara Jean Reigles, Director of Choral Activities at Houghton. The varied program included pieces by Palestrina, Mendelssohn, and John Rutter.

Gary Stith, Instrumental Music Coordinator for the Williamsville, NY, School District, conducted the symphonic band. The band played four selections, including an ar-

range of "God of our Fathers," narrated by Dr. Bruce Brown.

The Area All-State Festival is designed to give talented high school musicians an opportunity to learn and perform challenging music with equally gifted students from a large geographic region.

Many of the organizational responsibilities fell to members of the music ed club.

Christian College enrollments increase

Dr. B. Sue Crider

Christian College Coalition News

Many Coalition colleges are reporting stunning increases in freshman enrollments this fall.

Total headcounts are rising too, with officials at many institutions reporting record highs and the addition of new residence halls, personnel and course offerings just to keep up with the demand.

Seventy-three of the 88 colleges responding to a recent Coalition enrollment survey reported increases either in numbers of freshmen or in total headcount. Only 15 colleges were down in both categories.

The pattern set during the 1980s seems to be persisting. During that decade, enrollments at the (then) 82 Coalition member colleges rose 21% while those at all four-year colleges increased by only 13%, according to research by John Letarte of Taylor University (IN).

So what's behind these rising figures? Admissions directors cite many reasons: solid

'94 freshman increases

Simpson College-38%
Bryan College-34%
The Master's College-27%
Campbellsville College-25%
Geneva College-25%
The King's Univ. College-21%
Judson College-19%
Warner Pacific College-19%
Belhaven College-18%
Trinity College-17%
Houghton College-17%
Lee College-17%

enrollment management planning and personnel, visionary leadership, an emphasis on "customer service" resulting in strong retention, marketing that clearly reflects the institution's distinctive mission and goals, increased recruitment into graduate and degree completion programs, and competitive

financial aid packages, to name a few.

A number of colleges report that "quality indicators" are up with the enrollment figures. President Jud Carlberg of Gordon College (MA) is particularly excited about this year's freshman class: "Not only are their academic scores much higher, as evidenced by an increase of 28 points on the SAT in one year," he said, "but they also appear to be more serious about study and dedicated to preparing themselves for leadership."

One admissions director speculated that his institution's decrease in enrollment was a side effect of increasing competition among Christian colleges.

Dr. Crider is a professor of English and Communication at Houghton on sabbatical as the Director of Special Services for the Christian College Coalition.

Poetry at coffeehouse

The campus literary magazine, the *Lantern*, announces its first coffeehouse of the year on Friday, December 9th at 10:00 pm in Woolsey Auditorium. An open mic poetry reading will be featured throughout the evening and music will be provided by the group Dawn Treader. Exotic refreshments will also be provided.

The coffeehouse serves in part to help promote creative expression within the Houghton community.



Transracial adoption is for the good of the child. It has been proven that minority children who grow up in white homes don't suffer any negative effects. Many minority children who aren't adopted by a white family will usually go from foster home to foster home or be institutionalized. Transracial adoption helps a child to be loved more than just day-to-day.

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Elizabeth Jenner

God's tango. Every minute of life is concerned with it. Every human alive is searching how to do it. They look it up in astrology books. They hike the Himalayas, straining to reach the gurus who might tell them how to do it. They look to marriage, to movie stars, the fast paced corporate ladder, metaphysical experiences and LSD, sex, control, power, and thrills to find out how.

God's tango is a dance that fulfills; it's holding His warm hand, letting Him lead, surrendering. When a person holds the hand of the Maker and is touched by His presence, there is no more need to ask the gurus how to dance into freedom, no need to consult the mediums on how to dance past injury and evil, no desire to slip beyond reality into hallucinations. To

tango with God is to fall deeply in love, to learn to completely trust His steps, the path He's choosing.

Where does He lead? Into the front lines of battles - Afghanistan's civil war, the AIDS wing of the hospital, seances, gay bars. Have any of us ever thought of walking into a gay bar and striking up a conversation with someone who's looking to dance the fulfilling tango in a subculture that has no idea what the tango's all about? ARE WE TOO AFRAID OF A GAY PERSON COMING ONTO US THAT WE WON'T TELL THEM ABOUT JESUS? Love on people. Invite them into His presence. He brings us to sit next to the would be drive-by shooter in a restaurant in Rochester so we can talk about the tango before destructive hatred inside the kid blows up. ARE WE SO SCARED BY A

KID WITH A GUN IN HIS JACKET THAT WE CAN'T TELL HIM ABOUT REAL LOVE? I thought Goliath was dead. What does fear have over us? Make today National Love Someone Who's Scary And Not Quite Like You Day.

Where does He lead us? Deeper into love with Himself. Till His love, acceptance, freedom, joy, and etc., etc. is oozing and screaming out of our pores, getting on everybody we come in contact with. Till we can surrender our wills to Him, till the cows come home, till we can't keep our mouths shut about Him, or our lives portray Him perfectly. If we let Him take us to the bank when the robber's going to be there, then He will dance us over to where we can take the hands of the thief and embrace him.

Whatever

Jennifer Watson, Columnist

Flipping through some women's magazine today, I noticed that at least 60% of it was advertisements; there are thousands of products designed for the sole purpose of changing the way we appear to others.

In a class I attended recently, the professor said that 80% of women in this country are dissatisfied with their appearance, and this is a message that we are sending to children, whether we mean to or not. A survey taken of fourth grade girls showed that 80% were already dieting.

There is absolutely no reason why people should be so anxious to change themselves.

The desire to be stick thin

breeds anorexia; the desire to have perfect skin breeds zits; the desire to have perfect hair leads to the most incredible split ends.

The worst part about all of this is that it pits women against other women in some sort of sick competition to see who can win, although I'm not sure what the prize is.

I cannot count how many times I have heard other girls say that they hated another simply because she was thinner, or had thicker hair, or some other pathetic rea-

son.

Does it really matter? I don't think that the people who are closest to me became that way because I have such a nice "perm." The fascination that

people have with their appearance shows an incredible selfishness.

There is nothing wrong with wanting to look your best; when it becomes an

obsession, and causes you to conceal who you really are and what you really look like, there's a serious lack of self-esteem.

Be content.

"A survey taken of fourth grade girls showed that 80% were already dieting."

Editor's Mail Bag

Dear Houghton Students:

It is with concern that I write this letter. Several changes have taken place with your food service over the past few months. I truly feel explanations are needed, that for some reason or another may not have been totally explained or understood by our customers.

The board program is based on percentage of attendance. We know that everyone will not eat every meal provided. This is why we base our cost to the students on this percentage of attendance. When students miss a meal we have already taken this missed meal into consideration when figuring your board rate. This year we have been asked to provide carry-out type meals or special meals for many groups and organizations on campus. This takes up much needed management and staff time which would ordinarily be spent in overseeing and enhanc-

ing the board program. We cannot maximize our skills in the board program when we are doing eight to ten other food-related programs for groups of 12 to 20 people per week at no or minimal extra income.

Last Thursday I saw a student putting a loaf of homemade bread in his knapsack and before I could stop him, he took it out of the cafeteria. I later saw him and asked him why he had done so and told him that it was against the rules to take food out of the cafeteria. He said he did not know this. I asked him if he realized what it would cost if 700 or 800 loaves of bread left the cafeteria in one night.

Another problem area that seems to be getting a little worse is paper and some food items being tossed in the cafeteria. Every night after the evening meal we find salt shakers emptied on the tables with pictures

drawn in the salt, 12 to 24 trays left on the tables with all the dirty dishes on them, 100 to 150 paper napkins on the floor, banana peels, apple cores, orange peels, and assorted jello, as well as bubble gum ground into the rug.

The other day I was talking to a college administrator. He told me he had a potential donor to eat lunch with him in the cafeteria. While they were eating, two students started tossing meatballs at each other. Now, when he brings a guest to lunch, he tries to find a spot to eat where the guest's back is to the largest part of the cafeteria.

Sometimes it is just easier to throw a paper or napkins to get someone's attention then to walk over and talk to that person. With busy schedules it is easier to leave your tray on the table for someone else to clean up.

Big Al

editorial

I Just Work Here

Angela Fulkroad Editorial

Imagine that you work as a desk proctor for either Lambein or East Hall during open house hours. It is the middle of the semester and all residents are familiar with the standard procedures. A couple enters the dorm and walks over to the desk; instead of handing you a picture I.D., he smiles sheepishly and explains that he forgot it. Having nothing of value with him he offers to leave his hat. They appear to be a nice couple, but the dorm rules you are hired to enforce prohibit allowing a male to visit a room without appropriate identification. Your reply: "I'm sorry. I can't let you in, but you both are welcome to stay in the lounge." The seemingly mild couple angers quickly when they are not regarded as an exception to the rule. The guy raises his voice and asks, "What's the big deal?" and the girl begins to pout. "You're ruining our entire night!" You demonstrate great control by not sarcastically quipping, "Maybe he ruined your night by forgetting his I.D." Instead you smile sympathetically and repeat, "I'm sorry, but..."

Is dorm life too much for you? Let's journey to the campus center where you are now employed at the Info Center. Looking out the window, a student jumping on the furniture immediately catches your eye (why this problem occurs on a college campus and is not confined to nursery school is unknown). After informing the student that he is not permitted to jump on the furniture, he stares at you blankly and says, "O.K., you told me to stop," and continues to jump!

Quickly opting for another place of employment, you now are employed by Big Al as a scanner. Although you are a social person and Houghton's small enrollment gives you apt opportunity to at least recognize, if not personally meet the majority of the students on campus, there are some who managed to be hiding away. A girl you have never seen before (although it is confirmed later that she is a H.C. student) proceeds walking up the stairs without scanning when you call to her and ask her to come back. She rants about paying \$900 for the board plan and not being able to eat. You have no intention on starving the girl, but you do need to record her name and if she would only comply, she could be eating her lunch by now.

These are true illustrations of how student workers are used as some type of verbal anti-stress ball by other students who happen to be irritated about a matter the worker has absolutely no control over.

Student workers are employed to help enforce the rules, made by the college, not the student, and they are not in the position nor do they have the authority to override these rules. Therefore, it is unfair, un-Christian, and selfishly immature to be rude to student workers, regardless if one is having a bad hair day or frustrated with life in general. Nasty comments and snickers are not going to boost your credit, they will not result in you getting your own way, and they will not change the rules. These thoughtless actions hurt an innocent person who is working to pay for college and provide a service. Rude comments may take only an instant to spout out but they last for more than a moment.

Dear Editor:

A lack of campus safety is an increasing problem for all colleges, including Houghton.

I'm not going to give statistics and reports of problems occurring at Houghton including theft, assault, etc., though I easily could. These numbers will not mean anything until one of these incidents occurs to us personally.

Why worry about a problem that has not affected us personally? There are three reasons people give to support his nonchalant attitude that I believe are not valid.

First, the reason which says, "This is a Christian college." College campus, we've got to wake up and realize sin abounds! Yes, there are values that Christians strive to attain, but people aren't perfect. When people see a book bag or door unlocked, the temptation is there. They still have a choice, even if they are "new creatures in Christ."

Second, "This college is located in a rural setting; nothing bad (or good and exciting, some add) happens here." Students, open your eyes and see there are others living in Houghton and the surrounding communities which have access to the campus.

Finally, "I never hear of anything unsafe happening here." Talk to some staff and security. You will find they will have more than a few incidents to share with you which are not so encouraging. I did, and it was shocking.

Yes, there are advantages to being at a rural Christian college. It's true campus safety may not be as much of a problem here as it is at other colleges; however, I urge you to realize that campus safety is not an issue we should take lightly. Remove your nonchalant attitude and false sense of security and start using common sense to insure your safety.

Megan Timura



on hold

Encouragement from a guest writer

This week, *On Hold* is by Kathie Brenneman's daughter, Suzanne Brenneman, who is a '94 Houghton Graduate

Who would have thought last December, as I debated whether or not to take that computer class with Professor Bates, that I would be working on an article for the STAR from my office in Manhattan. Yes, believe it or not, Suzanne (the girl who barely survived computer applications) is now responsible for the upkeep of twenty of those dreaded machines called computers. It just goes to show that the class you take just to fill a requirement may come in handy some day.

For those of you who my mother hasn't already told about my last seven months, let me fill you in. I am the guest writer because my life is exciting now that I have graduated and moved away from Houghton. At least that is what Mom told me. Seriously, God's power has become so evident to me ever since graduation. I was fortunate to have my first interview two days after graduation and I was hired

and working in Manhattan five days later. I found housing on 34th Street in a beautiful women's residence. My building was close enough that I walked to work every day.

I was hired as the Education Coordinator for the Salvation Army Adult Rehabilitation Center in Manhattan. What exactly does that mean? I am still learning. I work with adults who are now living in the ARC because they are addicted to drugs or alcohol, or they are homeless, or the are mandated by the courts, or possibly all of the above. It is my responsibility to test every new resident to find out their educational level and then to put them on an academic program that meets their needs. I work with some of them to prepare them to take the test to get their GED and others I work with on memory skills. Most of the work they do is done on computers and all of their records are on my computer. So it turns out that class with Professor Bates was more important than I realized.

Don't think that my Psychology major is not being put to use however. I also take on the role of a friendly advisor to many of these guys in here. (The residence includes 120 men and 10 women. Talk about a reverse from Houghton's 3:2 ratio!) They don't see me as a threat so they often feel comfortable talking to me.

It has been unbelievable to me the transformation from be-

ing in safe, quiet, (some might say dull) Houghton to living in NYC and working in a rehab. I love it here. Although it gets hard at times, I know that this is where God wants me to be right now. I no longer live on 34th Street for which I am thankful. When you trust in God, miracles happen. Now I have my own studio apartment and I am still able to walk to work every morning.

"So it turns out that class with Professor Bates was more important than I realized."

I remember that this was the worst time of the semester; trying to get ready for finals. Remember that every class does have a point, even if you don't understand it right now. Someday you might discover you learned something.

For those of you who are seniors, do everything you can to prepare for life after graduation. Write your resume and send it out. Interview whenever possible; it is good practice. Once you have done all that you can to prepare - QUIT STRESSING - put it in God's hands. He will direct your path. Let Him.

Good luck with finals and have a very merry Christmas!

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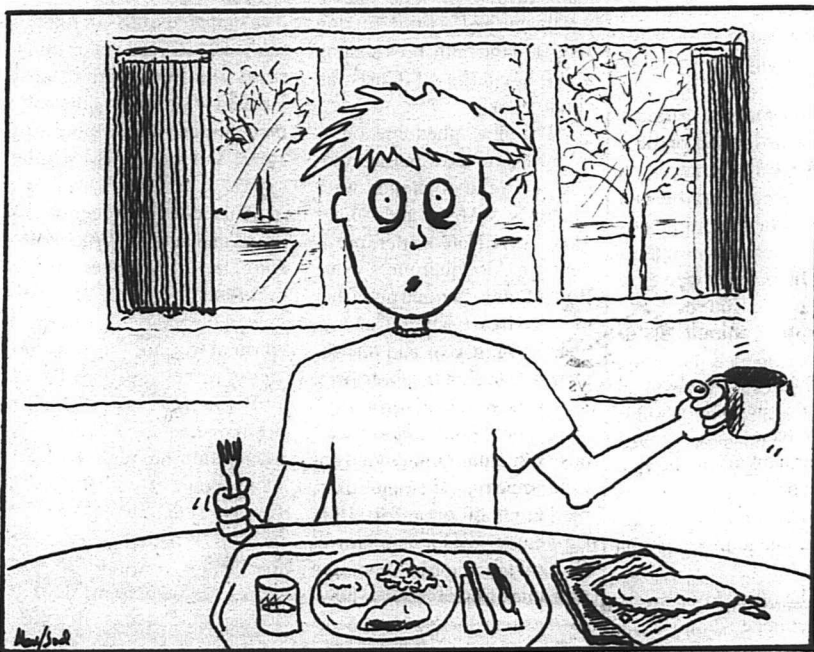
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Can you find the hidden book classics?

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BRAVE NEW WORLD
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DOCTOR FAUSTUS
EMMA
ETHAN FROME
HARD TIMES
IVANHOE

LORD JIM
LORD OF THE FLIES
MOBY DICK
1984
OLIVER TWIST
OUR TOWN
SILAS MARNER
THE ILIAD
THE ODYSSEY
WALDEN
WAR AND PEACE

Alan Armes and Joel Bennett



Amid the stress of finals, Clayton inadvertently pours gravy on his homework, and studies his potatoes.

This End Up



David Huth

Answer to puzzle in next issue!

Doodle-Park

Adam Owen



ANSWERS TO PUZZLES FROM LAST WEEK

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Sound Doctrine to preform 'technology-based music'

Cynthia Smith

On Tuesday, December 13, at 9:00 pm, the Houghton College synth group, Sound Doctrine, will perform their third concert in the Wesley Chapel auditorium.

Sound Doctrine originated last year as a result of the growing synth program begun by Professor Ted Norton four years ago in an attempt to introduce technology-based music to the school.

After Mr. Norton retired, Dr. George Boespflug took over the program, and as a nucleus of keyboard talent emerged from both music and non-music majors under his direction, Sound Doctrine was born.

By the end of the fall semester of 1993, the members had composed enough music for their first concert which attracted 100 people. Encouraged, the musicians worked toward a spring concert which brought in an audience of over



photo by Michael Maxwell

Sound Doctrine practices for their upcoming concert.

200 people. In preparation for their upcoming concert, Sound Doctrine members anticipate an even larger audience.

Featured in the December 13 concert will be original keyboard works and songs composed and arranged by individuals in the group. Members include John Lilley, Nate Brown, Mike Balassone, Aron Cole, Kevin Maguire, Ken Snellenburger, and Dr. Boespflug. Additional participants in the non-keyboard areas include Eric Perry, drummer; Kristen Knutsen, vocalist; and Phil Phaneuf, sound technician.

Dr. Boespflug said, "We have some very talented composers and performers who have

the potential to make it in the music industry, and the concert should be an enjoyable experience for the audience."

Although Sound Doctrine's long-term goal is performance, the members benefit both individually and as a group during studio time.

Lilley said, "As a music composition major, it's great for me to have a chance to apply what I'm learning to pop music. It's fun to be creative and work together."

Sound Doctrine searches for and welcomes new talent. Creative musicians with original music who are interested in participating may contact Dr. Boespflug for further information.

HC alumni sailor ministers in Cuba

Sgt. Duff E. McFadden

EMPIRE RANGE, Panama - Waves of heat radiate from the warm tropical sun, as a solitary figure walks slowly past a row of open-faced tents.

A man of the cloth, clad in the uniform of a U.S. Navy officer, he visits each one offering a kind word here, encouragement to yet another.

"How are you," he asks in Spanish, as he visits yet another residence.

"We are well," is the reply. "Do you have a moment, Padre, in which we may talk to you," they ask.

He smiles. "God bless you," he says, as he enters the dwelling.

This is the world of Navy Chaplain and Lt. Cdr. Kenneth G. Winters, assistant chaplain for Operation Safe Haven's

Cuban Community Camp No. 3 located along the west bank of the historic Panama Canal.

Winters, a Conservative Congregational Christian Conference minister, traveled a long way from his Shepherd of the Sea congregation at the Naval Submarine Base in New London, Conn.

Since Sept. 14, the Gales Ferry, Ct., resident, has provided pastoral care for both the U.S. military soldiers, airmen, sailors and Marines, and the Cubans who have settled here as part of Operation Safe Haven.

Operation Safe Haven provides a six-month temporary humanitarian support and safe haven to Cubans transported from Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, to Panama. The Empire Range Camp Complex, consisting of four sub-camps with a capacity

of 2,500 people each, provides food, shelter, safety, basic hygiene and medical care.

Winters provides ministry, a Wednesday night Bible study, and daybreak services for the U.S. military, while "facilitating the Cuban ministry. They set the pattern for worship, the music and the hymns. We try very hard to ensure that every faith group has a

meaningful worship opportunity."

"Cuban worship is much more dynamic, more expressive. There's lots of clapping, lots of volume, lots of joy. It just goes to show how the love of the Lord brings people together across language and other barriers."

As with any people in transition, he says there's lots of spiritual hunger and questions.

"These people maybe had four Bibles for an entire congregation. There was no opportunity for them to grow in their knowledge of scripture."

Since then, hundreds of Bibles have flooded the camp, with help from a Panamanian church coalition called "Unidos en Amor," Spanish for "United in Love," and American organizations.

And when Bible studies are held, they not only bring pen and paper, but an insatiable appetite for knowledge.

"At our first Sunday school, we had five kids. As word got out, we had a steady stream of kids coming to the chapel. We've had people three deep in front of the tent during Bible lessons listening to the study."

Winters believes what he'll remember most are the Cubans themselves.

"Even though they've given up everything, left everything behind, and don't even know what their future holds, they are so positive, Winters said. "Through the grace of the Lord, they're worshipping, praising and thankful for each new day He has given them."



photo courtesy of U.S. Army

U.S. Navy Chaplain Kenneth Winters shares in a Bible study with Virgilio Daudino, a temporary Cuban resident living at Operation Safe Haven Community.

CDC suggests: travel abroad

Esther Wetherbee

"When I graduated from college last year, few jobs were available. Most of my friends continued on to graduate school solely to have something to do for the next two or three years. Others took the first job they could find--generally low-paying and unchallenging and unrelated to their scholastic achievements and ability. I decided that if I was going to work at a job with no connection to my degree, it would have to be the opportunity of a lifetime. . . ."

These were the observations and thoughts of Shari Brooks which guided her decision to work overseas. She wanted to do something meaningful in her career field. As jobs in the United States were limited, and she didn't want to attend graduate school right away, she went to England and worked for a year. She had opportunities to travel to various places as well as form friendships with people from many cultures, experiences that broadened her horizons.

Perhaps YOU should consider undertaking a similar adventure. Many people take a year or two off before entering graduate school in order to get some experience in their field of interest. All of the opportunities that you can take advantage of in the United States have similar counterparts in many countries. Internships, jobs, and volunteer work can all be found in the country of your choice. Most of these are short-term (one year or less) yet are wonderful experiences. You may find something in your specific field of interest, or get a job working on a cruise ship or waitressing just for the international experience.

I will be covering this topic for several weeks, addressing such issues as where to find international jobs, volunteering overseas, and doing an international internship. If you think that you might be interested already, here are some resources the Career Development Center has which you can pour through: Transitions Abroad (magazine); Work Your Way Around the World, by Susan Griffith; International Jobs, by Eric Kocher; The Directory of Jobs and Careers Abroad, by Andre De Vries.

*"Work Abroad After College," by Shari Brooks, *Transitions Abroad*, May/June 1994.

Christian comics on the rise

Toni Cashnelli
Binghamton Press & Sun Bulliten

Drawn by Loveland, Ohio, animator John Celestri, the *Crusader* is one of a handful of pen-and-ink heroes with more than mayhem on their minds. An unabashed, sword-bearing keeper of the faith, he's leading a '90's charge of Christian comic books.

"The new phenomenon is trying to do comics that are competing head-to-head with Marvel's *X-Men* and *Spider Man*," says Nate Butler, president of Albuquerque's Nate Butler Studio Inc. and publisher of Christian Comics Catalog, launched last year and distributed free to 2,500 subscribers. "It's something that's growing."

Although subjects are serious, "Christian comics tend not to be preachy," says Ron Vozar, marketing director for Bible Games Inc., the Fredericktown, Ohio-based distributor of the *Crusader* series and a new-

comer called *Kids of the King*."

"I've found most of them are fun to read, have a good story line, great artwork, but more than anything else there is a positive message that even a non-Christian can read and be blessed by."

Compared to DC or Marvel, sales of Christian comics - thousands vs. millions - are a drop in the bucket. "Ninety-nine point nine percent are produced by small independents," Butler says.

Philadelphia's Reggie Byers draws and publishes *Kidz of the King*, featuring a street-savvy, multi-ethnic quartet of super-powered youths who engage in spiritual warfare. "It's just my way of witnessing," says Byers.

Before *Kidz* was born, "I'd been concentrating on my faith, my relationship with the Lord. I told people, hypothetically, if I was to stand before God and he said, 'What did you do with that gift I gave you,' I'd say, 'I represented him in my work.'"

Christmas Candlelight service to be held in Wesley Chapel on Sunday

Houghton College's annual Candlelight Christmas Celebration is scheduled for Sunday, December 11 at 6:30 pm in Wesley Chapel.

The Chapel, College, and Women's choirs will participate, as well as the Philharmonia Orchestra and the handbell choir.

A Houghton tradition, the candlelight celebration begins with a processional choral piece, involving all of the participants.

The evening, which is a Service of Lessons and Carols, will conclude with an arrangement of Joy to the World, composed by Mark Hijleh, assistant professor of theory and composition.

Admission is free. For more information, call the Music Office at 567-9400.

Men Open Season at 3-4

Bob Price, sports editor

The Houghton College men's basketball team, under the direction of first year man, Greg Berry, are trying to make amends after last season's disheartening 4-21 finish.

Despite the subpar record thus far in the season, many are optimistic that this year will showcase an incredible turnaround for the Highlanders.

November 18th, the men opened the season on the right foot, dumping Cincinnati Bible College, 124-83 in the first round of the Houghton College Classic.

Senior forward, Andrew Gustafson was unstoppable, pouring in 32 points to lead the way to victory. Junior point guard, Jason Weyforth added 23 to boost the scoring.

The following afternoon the men faced powerhouse, Mount Vernon Nazarene in the finals and lost, 103-92.

Once again, Gustafson found the rim friendly, totaling 20 points for the Highlanders. Big-man, Judson Odell and Weyforth added 19 and 18 points, respectively. Weyforth and Gustafson were voted on the all-tournament team.

November 21st, the men were in action again versus D'Youville College. Five Highlanders scored in double-figures

to lead to an easy 94-71 victory.

The men kept things rolling that Wednesday, November 23rd, as they tripped up St. John Fisher College, 87-76 at home.

Jason Weyforth was feeling the heat as he erupted for 30 points to lead the way for Houghton. Sophomore forward, Bill Price added 15 points, while blocking 6 shots.

The Highlanders faced a tough Nyack team over Thanksgiving break and lost at the buzzer, 69-67.

In the final seconds of the game, Weyforth was followed in the act of shooting and was rewarded three shots from the charity stripe. The junior coolly sank all three shots putting the Highlanders ahead by one, 67-66.

After a time-out, Nyack star, Ethan Smith (21 points) dribbled the length of the court and shot a desperation three that found nothing but the bottom of the net as the final horn sounded. The tragic loss

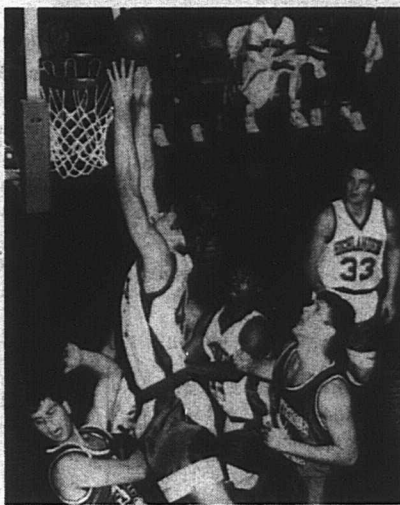


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Junior center, Judson Odell powers his way for two points in the finals of the Houghton College Classic.

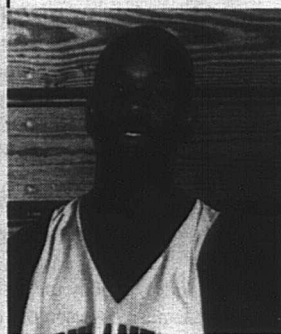
seemed to hit the Highlanders hard, as they dropped the next two games to Daemen College (91-75), and rival Roberts Wesleyan (96-89).

The three game skid put the Houghton men at 3-4 by weeks' end.

Coach Berry, despite the recent setback, feels optimistic about his troops.

"We have the potential to be an excellent team," said Berry, who inherits a program that lost only one senior from last year. "The important thing for us is to improve week by week. If we do that then our record will take care of itself," he added.

MEET THE HIGHLANDERS

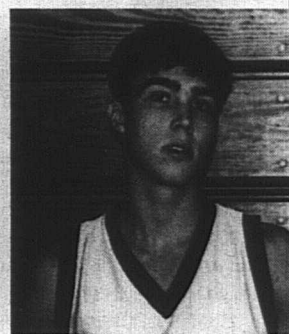


Andrew Smith III
Age: 19
Year: Junior
Hometown: Brooklyn, NY
Height: 6'2"
Weight: 185
Position: Forward
Major: English/Secondary Education

Scouting Report: Andrew's phenomenal leaping ability and natural athleticism should prove to be valuable assets to the Highlanders this season. The big transfer from Cobleskill Junior College should make an impact in his first year at Houghton. Tough on the boards, and fills the lanes on the break nicely.

Future Goals: Would like to teach and perhaps go into counseling.

Outlook on Season: Very optimistic. Good team this year with a lot of scoring power and depth.



Jason John Weyforth
Age: 21
Year: Junior
Hometown: Baltimore, MD
Height: 6'2"
Weight: 175
Position: Guard
Major: Business Administration

Scouting Report: Jason's uncanny court sense, wizard-like ball handling ability, and soft shooting touch, puts him in a class by himself.

This junior point guard packs scoring power with genuine basketball smarts into a 6'2" frame that spells trouble for all opposing teams. 1994/95 should be Jason's year.

Future Goals: Would like to work at the beach somewhere near home.

Outlook on Season: We have the potential to do damage if we're willing to work. Very optimistic on this year's team.

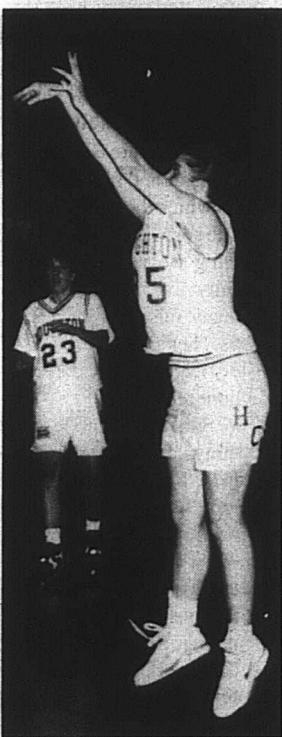


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Shooting expert, Almee Bence displays her soft stroke in a recent home game versus Daemen College.

Rebecca Gee

The Houghton girl's basketball team has started out the season well. Losing only one starter, the team is looking stronger than ever.

Junior Brenda Johnson was recruited from Central College in Kansas and has already become a crucial part of the team. The team is fortunate this year to have eight rotating starters: Almee Bence (captain), Lynn Jensen, Brenda Johnson (co-

Ladies dump Roberts, 61-52

captain), Missy Niedzielski (co-captain), April Batt, Charity O'Conner, Abby Kennedy, and April Stone.

The Lady Highlanders started their season out by winning the Messiah tournament. In the first game against Eastern College, Lynn Jensen led the ladies with fourteen points, while the team played great offense and defense to win, 78-38.

The next day against Messiah College, April Batt lit up the floor, scoring nineteen points and playing great defense. Missy Niedzielski chipped in eleven points to help win the game, 74-58. April Batt's performance was rewarded with being named most valuable player of the tournament while Charity O'Conner made the all-tournament team.

On November 21st, the Highlanders lost a heart breaker in overtime to ranked powerhouse, St. John Fisher. The loss was partly due to the fact that seven players and Coach Lord were sick with different illnesses.

The Lady Highlanders were led in scoring by Missy Niedzielski, Charity O'Conner, and April Batt, who each had twelve points. The final score was 58-57.

After Thanksgiving break, the troops were defeated by

Daemen College, 65-55. The team had a difficult time coming together after the break and struggled during the game. Charity O'Conner had twelve points along Aimee Bence and April Batt.

Things started to change after a few good practices and, as Charity O'Conner said, "The team started to come together."

Consequently, the lady Highlanders were ready to play rival, Roberts Wesleyan College last Saturday. The girls came out ready to play up to their potential from the beginning. They were ahead from the tip-off and at half time led by twelve points.

In the second half, Houghton got into foul trouble. Two key players spent much time on the bench, but by using the team's depth, they were able to pull off a strong win, 61-52.

April Batt continued to amaze, scoring fourteen points, Charity O'Conner had thirteen points, Missy Niedzielski had eleven, Brenda Johnson had seven, Lynn Jensen and April Stone both had six, and Aimee Bence and Rebecca Gee both had two points each.

The team was also encouraged greatly by its bench. The ladies are positive this year and looking forward to a successful season. At week's end, they stand at 3-2.

First time horsemanship competitors win ribbons

Jo-Anne Young

December 3 brought sunny skies and temperatures in the 60's - an unheard of event for the Christmas Fun Horse Show. Most of the classes were held outdoors. Fifty-six riders vied for ribbons in the twenty different classes offered, with a number of classes having to be split into go-rounds of the large number of entries. Julie Cleland of Kane, PA, judged.

Nathan Brown and his horse Bo placed third in advanced western equitation, third in western pleasure and third in western riding pattern. It was the first competition for both Nate and his horse, which he trained himself. They also won the prize money in the Ride-a-Buck.

Sophomore Becky Lloyd placed second in advanced western equitation, first in western pleasure and first in hunter under saddle with her horse Cat Go Yonder.

Heather Givens wore a big smile as she rode Rosendale

Percival to second place in Hunter Hack, fifth place in low hunter and first place in intermediate equitation over fences.

Sara Harvey had a terrific first show with her new young horse Gentleman Jackson, placing second in hunter under saddle, third in low hunter and garnering a blue ribbon of excellence in the intermediate equitation on the flat.

Stacy Bunce piloted her jumping buddy Blue Zephyr to a fourth place in hunter hack, and third place ribbons in advanced equitation over fences and working hunter classes.

Sixth place in advanced western equitation was awarded to Betsy Swartz who rode Shawnee.

The following Horsemanship I students were awarded a blue ribbon of excellence from the judge in beginner walk-trot equitation: Jeffery Shafer, Andrea Siccadi, Kristen Kvasnica, Jennifer Nelson, Daralyn Heisler, Katherine Croyle, Miriam Antolick, and Karina Karlson.

Soccer Correction:

The Houghton Star regrets that in the last issue, the men's soccer story stated it was the first time the team had made it to the NAIA National Championship. This was incorrect.

The Houghton Highlanders appeared in the National tournament in 1975 and 1976. In 1979, 80, and 86, the team went to the NCCAA national tournament.

Men's soccer season ends at nationals

Bob Price

The Houghton Highlander men's soccer season screeched to a halt at the national tournament in Mobile, Alabama last week, ending a magnificent year for the team.

November 21, the team took on Incarnate Word out of San Antonio, Texas and lost in a high scoring affair, 5-4.

Houghton all-time leading scorer, Jaime Wellington, led the Highlanders with three goals on the day. Freshman midfielder, Justin Keolker added another to round out the scoring for the Highlanders. Keolker and junior forward, Bob Schwaner each added an assist.

"We played poorly in the first half," said first year coach, Pete Fuller. "I think the guys were a little nervous and somewhat tentative," he added.

It may have been overwhelming for the men to be playing in the national spotlight, but in the second half the team looked like its' old self again.

"I think we really picked things up in the second," Fuller said. "The last 20 minutes were ours."

Houghton had many scoring opportunities throughout the contest, but the victory just wasn't meant to be. Nonetheless, coach Fuller was proud of his troops despite the loss.

"I thought we played really well considering the fact that it was the first time any of these guys have been here," added Fuller.

The following day the team took on Lindsay Wilson out of Kentucky, and lost a wild one, 7-5.

Once again Wellington was superb, scoring three goals on the afternoon. Keolker and Schwaner added the other two. Wellington, Lincoln Achelonu, and Terry Merchant each added an assist to help the Highlanders cause.

Wellington was voted to the national All-tournament team for his stellar play. This senior sensation led the nation in scoring this season. No doubt Wellington will be sorely missed by the Highlanders next year.

Coach Fuller was exceptionally proud of the fan support that made the trip south. "I think we had about 50 fans for the first game and about 100 for the game the next day," he said.

All season long the Houghton fan support was

Highlanders Regular Season

Home Team in CAPS

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incredible, and the number of people who made the enduring trip to Mobile was a testimony to that fact.

Coach Fuller also noted the play of Dave Eisenried throughout the tournament.

"Dave had the job of checking their toughest player," said Fuller. "He's done a great job all season long."

Truly Eisenried is just one of many who helped to make the dream come alive for the Highlanders this year. His re-

lentless hustle on defense was a big reason the team was able to advance as they did.

Besides the milestones of All-American, Wellington, there were others on the team who had marvelous seasons.

Schwaner broke the school assist record while sophomore keeper, Dave Dixon, made All-Conference team. Fuller would also like to commend the play of Lincoln Achelonu, Josh Haines, and Keolker. "They played great all season," said Fuller of his recruits. Definitely the future looks bright for the Highlanders with these young stars returning.

Although the team didn't win in Mobile, coach Fuller couldn't have asked for anything more from his troops in his first term of office. The team's advancement to the national tournament put an exclamation mark on a cinderella season that was often blackened by injury and other ailments. The Highlanders have done their service for one year and will no doubt continue to amaze next season. The team finished a remarkable 20-3 on the year.

"Our goal at the beginning of the season was to get to nationals and we did it," said Fuller. "This season was all I could hope for."

Coach Smalley: A Giant in His Field

Bob Price, Sports editor

Houghton College cross-country coach, Bob Smalley, is no stranger to success. This soft-spoken, mild-mannered, coaching "wizard", was named Keystone Conference Coach of the Year this season for the fifth time in a row. Despite the fame and recognition Smalley so deservedly receives, he is humble about his contributions as a coach.

"I don't think of myself as that great of a coach," laughed Smalley in a recent interview. "I haven't been with cross-country long enough yet."

But what he has accomplished in his six years with Houghton cross-country, is mind-boggling.

In 1988, Coach Smalley started the X-country program at Houghton. Since that time,

it has been "off and running", as the team has appeared in the National tournament five years in a row. Six seasons as head coach, five national tournament appearances.

Besides coaching X-country, Smalley also was the first women's soccer coach and the last women's softball coach at Houghton. The versatile coach even directed women's basketball for a brief stint.

Star runner, Lee Thurber, who placed 63rd at the national meet, is especially proud of Smalley. "He makes us overachievers," said Thurber. "He makes us believe we can do it even when we feel we can't."

Certainly the success these Houghton runners have found is a credit to the kind of coach Smalley is. But what else makes Houghton cross-country so successful?

Smalley feels the key is intrinsic motivation. "The type of athletes we bring in have excellent work ethics," says Smalley. "That makes my job much easier as a coach."

In addition to coaching cross-country, Smalley is currently the director of intramurals, "Highlander" leader, and recreation and physical education teacher.

"The goals we set for our team are God first, be disci-



photo by Michael Maxwell
Coach Bob Smalley has been X-Country coach at Houghton since 1988. Since that time he has led the men's team to 5 national tournament appearances, while the women have gone 3 straight times.

plined, and work to be better athletes all the time," says Smalley.

Good advice to from a man who knows success.

Houghton's cross country teams are no strangers to nationals



photo courtesy of Doug Gillham
The 1994 Houghton X-country team is all smiles after finishing another successful season, which ended with a trip to the national tournament in Wisconsin.

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and course record time of 23:42.

Houghton's men got off to a strong start as a team. Lee Thurber led the way for the Highlanders with a 63rd place finish and a time of 26:22. Both were the best ever by a Houghton men's runner at the national meet.

Nathan Howes came back from a stress fracture to run his best time. His finish of 27:01 put him 147th overall. Kenley

Perry was the Highlander's third man in with a placing of 231. Jason Wiens and Brent Wright finished 239th and 275th, respectively.

Alan Belford was right behind with a 277th place. Marshall Merriam also ran very well in finishing 279th.

Both teams had excellent seasons and should continue to do well next year. The women's team will welcome back five runners next year. The top eight men will return in the fall.

Sports Corner

Greg Berry, Men's Basketball Coach

Athletic director and women's coach Skip Lord can frequently be heard stating his hope that Houghton's athletic programs will become models for other schools to emulate. What other schools may be doing before or beside us is largely irrelevant because we use Biblical principles in formulating our values and priorities, not the world's norm at the time.

Several ideas are prominent. One, rabid enthusiasm for one's own team does not include disrespect towards the other. A Christian perspective on support of an athletic team would never include belittling, denigrating, or booing an opponent, be it player or coach. As a result of playing a basketball game at Houghton would an opponent be favorably impressed toward Christ, or will they think, "If that's how a Christian acts I don't want any part of it?"

If fans think that being obnoxious towards opponents somehow helps the home team, it has been my observation that, in fact, the opposite is the effect. Formidable opponents use such behavior as a motivational force to make them more determined in their play than ever. Support Houghton players as enthusiastically as you can, by not fan makes our job easier by disrespecting an opponent.

Another clear principle of Scripture is a respect for authority. The authorities in a basketball game are the referees. It is shocking and dismaying to attend athletic contests and observe the behavior of people, who at other times and in other ways, identify themselves as Christians. They seem to think, "At the game I can say or do anything I want." Judging by the venomous nature of their words and behavior one must feel there is a tremendous amount of anger and frustration pent up inside for which they use athletics as a release. The gospel, after all, is not merely something we verbally declare but practically live. Officials rarely make as many mistakes during a game as the coaches or players do. They have a difficult job and the vast majority do it honorably.

Sanctification means, among other things, that wherever I go or whatever I do, I conduct myself as an accurate representation of the Lord Jesus Christ. A temporary divorce should not occur when I approach the site of an athletic contest. If I can't take Christ with me to the event then I should not be participating. Referees should be able to view their work at Houghton College as the highlight of their officiating season.

Thirdly, I believe the entire sport world will advance significantly when fans (remember, it is an abbreviation for fanatics) are influenced by respected leaders to attend athletic events and have an appreciation for excellence, regardless of which team or competitor is displaying it. Applause for an outstanding play or hustle is appropriate regardless of the jersey color of the player accomplishing it.

Athletic events offer an avenue for emotional expression, but it befits believers to be novel, clever, and humorous, not sarcastic, vulgar, nor vicious. As participants in the athletic department we appreciate your cheering, enthusiasm, and support. We only ask you to support us in Christ, not as an emulation of the world.