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# For Paul and Jim...

We found  
the hole at the bottom edge  
of this fist deep  
pocket of reality  
they slipped through.

It will be  
long in mending and  
emptier than ever,  
till we patch it  
with understanding  
till we fill it with memories.

Fingers wriggle  
through the ragged tear  
groping  
for these two  
we have lost, while  
with the other hand  
we feel along the seams  
that stitch us together.

by J.N.W.



# HOMELESS IN HOUGHTON

by Kelly Patterson

**H**oughton, our home away from home. Yet, what kind of home is it that causes such controversy? With the campus at an emotionally drained juncture, much negative sentiment has been aired and many in the student body have felt the need to question existing policies.

According to the 1990-93 Student Guide, "All non-married students are required to live in college-owned or college-approved housing unless they receive a waiver from the Director of Residence Life (presently Dianne Janes)." It is this specific policy as well as the manner in which it is currently enforced that has been the source of the conflict. That is to say, three students have been called to

attention by the student development office after being found in unapproved off-campus housing. All three were given the ultimatum to relocate to approved accommodations by Octo-

ber 15.

When asked about the reasoning behind this policy and its enforcement, both Assistant Dean of Student Development Dianne Janes and Dean of Students Robert Danner were categorical in affirming that the motivation is two-fold and essen-

tially socioeconomical. According to Danner, "If all the students were able to live in non-approved housing, then the individual cost for those living in the dorms would increase to

a point where this institution would no longer be as affordable as the founders had intended." The second reason offered has to do with campus environment. Both interviewees suggested that the unity and character of the campus would be negatively affected if students were allowed to live wherever they pleased. That which makes Houghton what it is would, in essence, be undermined.

Brian Hare, among the students interviewed, had presumed another theory. He had thought instead that the administration held this policy to maintain a form of control over those students living outside of residence halls. Asked to comment, Janes and Danner emphatically denied this.

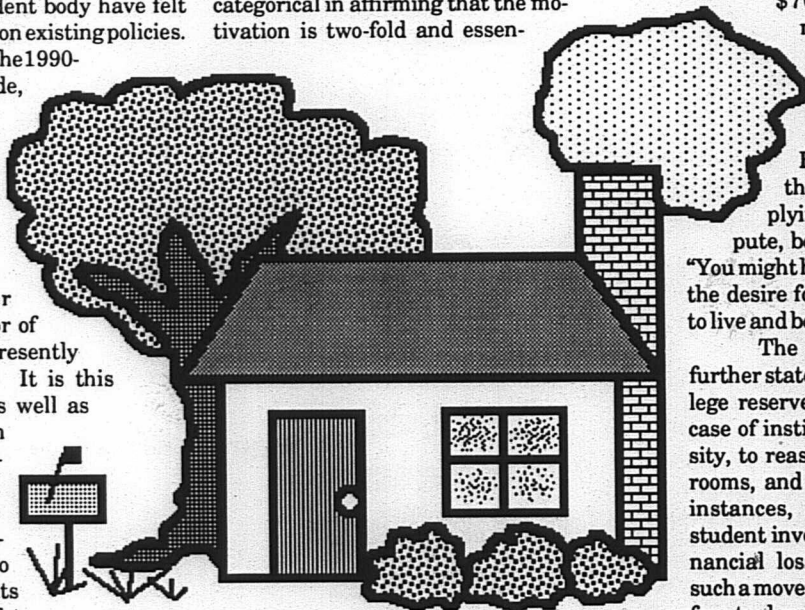
Hare, one of the three found in violation of policy and was asked by the student development office to move into approved housing by the 15th. To him, this meant a loss of

\$700 in rent money and security deposits which he had previously made.

Hare stated that he was complying without dispute, because he feels "You might have to sacrifice the desire for this freedom to live and be at Houghton."

The housing policy further states that "The college reserves the right, in case of institutional necessity, to reassign dormitory rooms, and it will in such instances, reimburse the student involved for any financial loss sustained in such a move." Although this refers to dormitories, the re-

imbursement issue pertaining to housing changes was brought up in the student development interview. According to Danner, this policy "ONLY refers to moves between dor-





mitories, such as one from Shenawanna to South. Those who are asked to move due to housing violations will not be reimbursed because of their infractions."

When speaking of approved housing and the reason for the migration

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of so many from dorms to houses, money always seems to be an instrumental reason. With approximately 30% of the students at Houghton living in off-campus housing, many of them feel their decision to search for alternative housing is due to the financial aspect of this option.

Mike Kessler and Dan Crawford, two seniors, can definitely relate to the affordability of post-dormitory life. Both of them have worked and financed their college educations basically unassisted, and have found it almost impossible to meet the tuition costs when dormitory expenses are added. With unapproved housing (and approved in the past) they were able to save a substantial amount of money, and were able to continue attending.

This situation changed over the past summer when both Kessler and Crawford decided to devote their summer to Camp Sandy Hills. Due to the fact that this work was at a nominal payment, they were unable to save as much money for the upcoming semester as they had in previous years. When both of their housing prospects fell through, Kessler and Crawford went in search of alternate housing. They found it in what they were told was a college approved house. Unfortunately,

this turned out to be false information.

The first letter regarding their situation was received shortly after they arrived. After talking with the office of student development, they were told to seek out housing that was college approved and return with their findings. Kessler and Crawford both expressed their willingness to move if it was at all financially feasible. Unfortunately, their search turned up fruitless.

After coming back with no results, the office of student development tried to intercede by offering them a room in Shen, which was ill-equipped in that it had only one bed and desk, and gave them until the 25th of September to move or be suspended "until compliance". Since this was back to the basic problem of finances, Kessler and Crawford found the alternative not to be viable. They instead tried to find other solutions through house parents and parental interceding. This also did not resolve the problem.

When the situation was brought up in the interview, both Dean Danner and Dianne Janes made no comment, due to the policy of confidentiality in individual cases.

Kessler and Crawford then began to correspond with the student development office through letters. One excerpt from a letter sent to the development office is as follows: "At

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this point in the semester we both realize that we are in violation of the current housing policy. We will gladly seek affordable, suitable, college-approved housing for the spring semester if similar living arrangements cannot be agreed upon."

This letter was met with little response at first, but is now receiving many more positive reactions. Steps are being taken to resolve the situation and restore some of the relationship between the student body and the development office, which is desired by both parties.

To some, or most of those students outside the circumstances, referring to the housing policy was out of the question. This simply illustrates the point of the tension in this issue. The student development office expressed their desire to remain a vital part of student life, and their sympathy for the problems which have arisen due to the enforcement of policy.

Those who chose to comment on the housing policy were few, but greatly appreciated. Mike Kessler made this comment: "Freedom of an apartment shouldn't be for everyone. But to someone who is brought up to be independent, to expect anything less after 3 years of college is somewhat difficult to accept...the policy needs to be changed."

Phil Ginter also agreed that the policy needs changing, due to its "vagueness which puts all the responsibility and pressure of enforcement on one person."

Lastly, Dan Crawford expressed his feelings by saying that, "Seniors deserve a break after 3 years. I don't have a problem living in the dorm freshmen and sophomore years, but living in an independent environment in your senior year should be taken as a part of the liberal arts experience. To experience making your own food and paying the bills is what consists of the transitional stage to post college life."

# Co-op Moves to Fillmore: Grand Opening Planned

by Michael Evans

Ten years ago, a group of local people decided that food prices in local stores were too high. In an attempt to remedy this, they formed a buying club here in Houghton and started to buy food in bulk and divide it among its members. The popularity of this idea quickly spread around the Community and a store was established that year on Route 19. Since then the group has been called "The Northern Allegany County Food Co-op."

"Originally it was formed to provide wholesome food at good prices and to educate people about different types of food," said Carol Fuller, a longtime manager and member of the co-op. She said that the co-op did not provide any pre-packaged or sweet items at first, but because of the market and demand, the co-op couldn't realistically survive as a "purist" institution.

The group has always been a non-profit organization staffed by volunteers. The members pay a fee and volunteer two hours a month in order to receive discounts, although non-members can shop at the Co-op as well. Many of the members are Houghton faculty and staff and some are students.

Seven people divided the management tasks until about a month ago when Dave Perkins, the son of Dr. Richard Perkins (currently on sabbatical leave), became the store's

part-time manager. "I don't see it as a place that needs to be changed very much, I think it has a good philosophy and it sells good food," said Perkins, a houseparent at the Hazlett-Leonard Houghton Fellowship. Nevertheless, there are two things that he would like to see happen in the future. He said, "For

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example, I don't think people know how to prepare tabule. They buy the box for directions. I'd like to sell it in bulk and educate people how to cook it." Secondly, he would like to have a cookbook reading area where people could get recipes from cookbooks and each other.

The store sells a variety of nuts, dried fruits, snacks, spices, flours, honey and nutbutter of all kinds in bulk. They also sell things not readily available in conventional grocery stores, such as snacks

sweetened with fruit juice, bulgur, caraway seeds, carob chips, tofu, and dark brown corn chips made with "blue corn." There are fresh green apples, potatoes, and onions in the front window and many pre-packaged items around the store.

Jane Miner, a member and president of the board of directors stressed that the co-op is a "people place." Says Miner, "I'm not a health food nut, but I like getting a healthy variety. Also you get a blending of people from all around. It's a good outreach. Most of us are Christians sharing whatever we can. It takes a special kind of people...that makes it neat."

Recently the board of seven directors decided to move the store to a downtown Fillmore location in order to attract more members and improve its financial standing. As Jane Miner showed me the new store, she said "The large windows and better lighting make it seem bigger...business has been a lot better since we moved a month ago." The Houghton store was closed on Friday, August 23, volunteers moved everything overnight and the Fillmore store opened on Saturday.

The co-op will be celebrating its tenth year this November. A grand opening will be held October 10 - 12. The store is located across from the Norstar Bank on Fillmore's Main Street. Anyone who is interested is welcome. ☆

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# AND IN OTHER NEWS

International News Briefs by Amy Littlejohn

•In Haiti, an army-led coup has overthrown elected president Aristide despite widespread public support for the government. Representatives of the Organization for American States were driven out

of the country at gunpoint.

•The U.S.S.R. has finally cut off all official aid to Cuba, including the sugar-for-petroleum exchange. The Soviets have also withdrawn their troops from the island.

•Czechoslovakia is struggling through something akin to a witch-hunt for former members of the secret police. But innocent people may be accused due to poor or incriminating records.

•Croatia seceded from Yugoslavia and civil war broke out. A truce has been established, in part due to threats of economic sanctions from the E.C. (European Community).

•American hostage John Pettis has been released. A videotape showing a healthy, hopeful Terry Anderson has also appeared, in which he promises more good news in the future.

•Mikhail Gorbachev is making plans to reduce

Soviet both long and short range nuclear weapons in response to a similar statement from President Bush.

•Iraq has admitted to recent skirmishes with the Kurds, which have resulted in approximately four hundred casualties. U.N. inspectors are now allowed to fly over Iraq in helicopters, and they are beginning to disassemble the "super gun" (a weapon capable of launching rocket-assisted, meter-wide shells with a range of approximately 120 miles).

•In South Africa, blacks and whites are blaming each other for renewed violence which, once again, occurred at the funeral of an anti-apartheid activist.

## Senate Report

by Stephen Virkler

**D**he most recent meeting of the student senate, originally scheduled for October 1, was instead held on October 8 to allow senators to attend the memorial service on the first. At this meeting, the senate discussed different options for securing the cafeteria/hallways in the campus center and installing money order machines, the possibility of an open forum on campus, and the election of a new admissions committee representative.

Director of security Ray Parlett and head of food services Al Rehn came to this senate meeting to discuss the ways in which the cafeteria and the hallways in the campus center could be secured. According to Parlett, the hallways could be locked off by either putting up gates at

the ends of the hallways, which would cost about \$1000, or changing the locks on the hallway doors, which would be "fairly cost free". He also said that the cafeteria could be locked up for three to four thousand dollars by putting up one gate at each of the two main stairwells leading to the cafeteria. Al said that he would prefer to have just the food service area (where the food is) blocked off, which would allow students to use the dining hall as long as the campus center is open. However, this plan would require four gates; thus, this would cost twice as much as the other plan. One other possibility was to put dividers similar to those in the back of the dining hall at the top of the stairs (either to block off the stairwells or just the food service area). According to Al, that type of divider should cost less than a gate would. The student senate later moved to look into these options further.

At the last senate meeting, the senate voted to look into getting a money order machine installed on campus. At this meeting, senate treasurer Erich Neumann presented two options: an

American Express machine or a Western Union machine. Neumann said that he had no specifics at that time, since the companies hadn't written back to him yet. However, he did say that the manager of the Norstar bank in Fillmore has agreed to help install the system. Stay tuned for more details.

The student senate also voted to attempt to set up an open forum for the students, faculty, and administration. This forum will reportedly take place on October 24 and is designed to be a "constructive" discussion about the major issues on campus (especially those brought up at the Homecoming spot), Chick said. He also said that this forum will probably consist of a moderator asking questions to a panel consisting of some students and administrators. Chick said that he wants there to be some censoring of the questions asked because he doesn't "want this to be a bashing session" (especially of student development).

Finally, the senate elected June Johnson to serve as an admissions committee representative to the senate. ☆



# PHOTO ESSAY

## Homecoming 1991

Photos by Martha Ayres, Ivan Rocha, and  
Public Information Office

Article by

**T**he handle of the cup pierced his ear. Just kidding. Charles Bressler says he's always wanted to open something with that sentence, but it's never seemed quite appropriate. This article is actually about homecoming. We could begin on Thursday, with the Study Break... a well attended function with several men in drag, vying for the title "Ms. Houghton". Congratulations to Jeff Galusha and his tuba talents. Friday night marked the opening of Still Life With Murph...and the *Taming of the Shrew* by the National Shakespeare Company, packing the Chapel upstairs and down. Fear of Isaac played the opening coffee house on the new mini-stages in the campus center, kicking off their highly acclaimed "Where's the Drummer?" tour.

Saturday's parade included the

Right: Sophomore gladiators put on a surprisingly convincing show to accompany their float with a Roman theme. This year's winners, the sophomores put much time and effort into the preparation of their float.

medieval freshmen, sophomores from Rome, Norwegian juniors, Egyptian seniors, and the S.C.U.D. float...from the Students Continuing Undergraduate Degrees (Houghton Lifers).

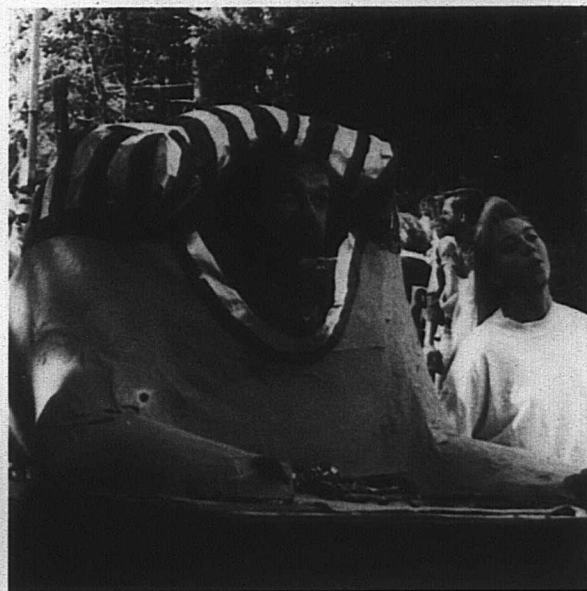
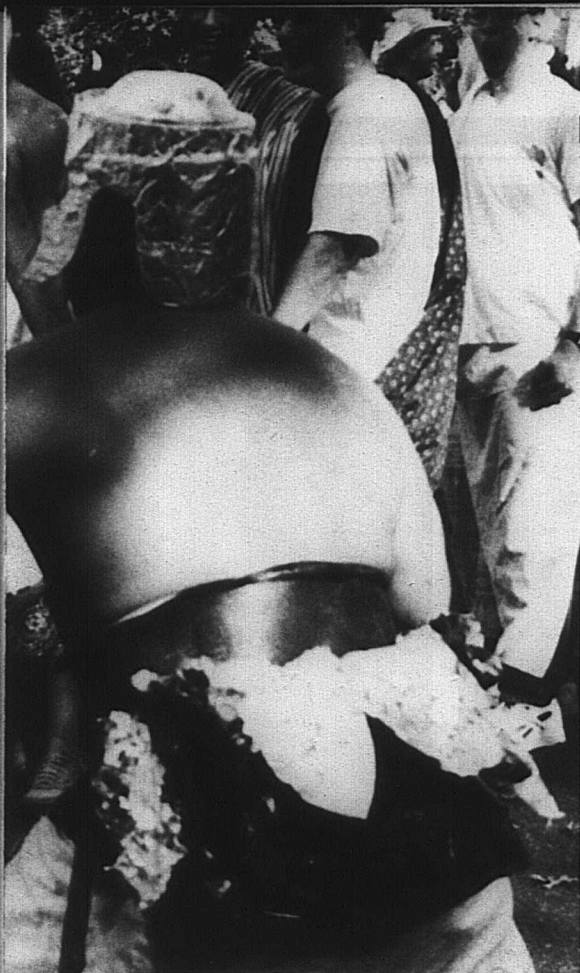
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streets of Houghton taking pictures, gathering candy and cheering as the Dean Bence Sphinx rolled on in the morning sun. The thousands of pa-



rade watchers then assembled on the quad, filling every square inch (sorry to Dean Bence and his organic barricades) to watch in anticipation as the crowning of the Homecoming Queen drew near. The drums rolled (ok, maybe it was only the crowd drawing in their breath) and Bruce Brenneman wrenched the envelope open and announced Miriam Cochrane as the winner. Flanked by half-naked Egyptian escorts in mini-skirts, Miriam was crowned.

King's College and our own Houghton Varsity Soccer team played the game of the year, Houghton bravely holding King's College away from scoring until the second half. The weather remained beautiful (slightly overcast as always) until the end of the game, when the heavens opened up on the crowd, sending them scattering with umbrellas



Above: Academic Dean Clarence Bence joins the senior class and appears as the enigmatic, riddle-speaking sphinx.  
Below: A panoramic view of the sophomore float, this year's winner.



Above: The ROTC color guard, led by Sgt. Walker, does the honors.





**Top:** The freshman float, representing merry old England with its castles, serfs, wizards, and knights in shining armor.

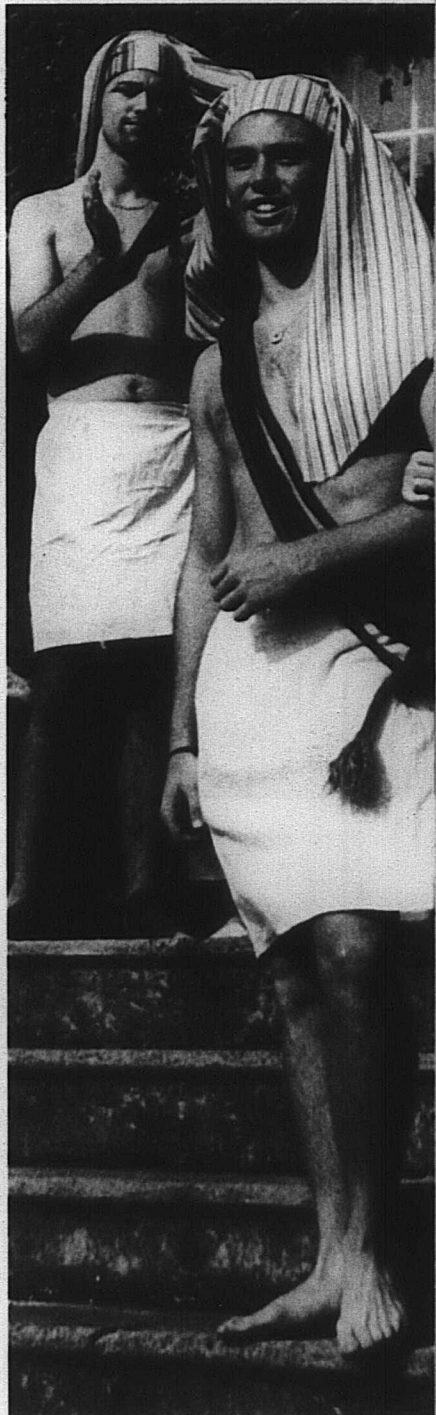
**Above:** The Norwegian juniors row their way to campus and the judge's table.

**Center:** Homecoming queen Miniam Cochrane and escort Alejandro Ashe receive the applause of a large crowd of onlookers gathered under the pleasant sunshine of an indian summer.

**Far top right:** Walk like an Egyptian... Seniors return to the ancient past with an Egyptian theme, complete with pyramid and pharaohs.

**Far right:** Aileen Ortip Shea, Pulitzer Prize-winning artist and founder of Houghton's art program, was honored with a doctorate of fine arts on Founder's Day.

**Far left:** Dr. William Allen, the other recipient of a Houghton doctorate of fine arts, was honored for his many years of service in the school of music.







up the hill and to . . . the Homecoming Banquet. Italian food, checkered table cloths and Al's enormous sheet cake marked the celebration in food, grape juice and song. The winners of the float contest (Sophomores, Juniors, Seniors and Freshmen, in that order) were announced

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and the Leaning Tower of Pisa cake fell at the knife into a thousand pieces. Closing Homecoming Weekend, *The Rescuers Down Under* replaced *Cinema Paradiso* as the CAB Movie of the weekend, followed by the Spot, a can of worms this writer isn't going to open.

# Counseling Center Hosts Alcohol Awareness Week

A Counseling Center News Release

**P**roject DRINK (Don't Risk It Not Knowing) is the theme of Alcohol Awareness Week, sponsored by the counseling center, October 14-17, 1991. A variety of activities is being planned in the hopes of fostering greater awareness among the student body of the effects of alcohol on human life. Below is a brief description of each of the main events planned for the week.

• **LUNCH AND LEARN** is being offered at 12:15-1:00 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday. Each day a half hour National Public Radio documentary will be broadcast; a brief discussion will follow.

**Monday, October 14** (Trustees' Dining Room) *The Magic Potion* opens with a survey of the cultural settings in which alcohol is commonly consumed—from sporting events to college parties. Drinkers describe the pleasures they derive from alcohol, and abstainers tell why they prefer not to drink. The social consequences of excessive drinking are considered. We learn of the diversity of intoxicants available in the marketplace, and the multi-billion-dollar alcohol industry behind it. Included is a tour of the world's largest brewery: the gigantic Coors plant in Golden, Colorado. Then, explanations of how alcohol works its way through the human body, altering human consciousness—sometimes radically—in the process.

**Tuesday, October 15** (Trustees' Dining Room) *A Social History of Intemperance*. The American experience with alcohol dates back to the Mayflower itself where, to guard against

contaminated beverages, more beer was served than water. Liquor has been a part of our national scene since—although not without controversy. This documentary recalls the history of American public debate over drinking and its consequences. Comments by historians and dramatizations recreate highlights of the American temperance movement (which counted President Abraham Lincoln and feminist Susan B. Anthony among its many adherents). Also surveyed is Prohibition, the 14-year Constitutional ban on liquor sales—a fascinating chapter of American history scarcely believable just a half-century later. We visit the contemporary office of the Women's Christian Temperance Union in Evanston, Illinois. Archival recordings of old radio broadcasts, presidential speechifying, and Prohibition songs are heard.

**Wednesday, October 16** (Alumni Dining Room) *Media Images of Alcohol*. Drinking and drunkenness have long

been dramatic and comedic devices in literature, musical lyrics, film, and broadcasting. We hear an intriguing overview of the tragicomic state of the intoxicated human being. Media critics decipher the underlying messages about drinking in these expressions of popular culture. From Hollywood, comments by directors and other on the voluntary effort afoot to reduce "gratuitous" portrayals of drinking in movies and TV programs. Also, an analysis of the controversy over alcohol advertising: a steady stream of seductive images affecting Americans of all ages.

• **ALCOHOL ON CAMPUS** will be presented in the Campus Center Lounge on Thursday evening, October 17, 8:00-9:30 p.m. Several dramatic vignettes will focus on the concerns of various groups in the Houghton Community when confronted with the use/abuse of alcohol by students. A panel of faculty, staff, and students will address the issues raised by the vignettes; an audience response will follow. Senior Tom Craig (profiled in the last issue of the *Star*) coordinates this program.

• **CLUB ON THE ROCKS** owned and operated by the RA staffs of Lambein and East Hall will feature night-time entertainment and refreshments. Located on the ground floor of Lambein, the club will be open Tuesday, October 15, 9:30-11:00 p.m.

## Houghton Enrollment Numbers for '91-'92 from a Public Information News Release

Fall registration at Houghton College is essentially complete with the main campus tally at 1,140 students, 36 of them part-time. Another 11 are enrolled in off-campus programs such as the Latin American Studies Program, based in Costa Rica. Of the 1,140

students, 686 are women and 454 are men. There are 327 new students, 80 of whom are transfers and 247 are freshmen.

The freshman class includes 10 who were valedictorians of their high school class, 12 who were salutatorians. Four are national merit scholarship finalists and six received letters of commendation. The freshman class represents 26 states and 7 countries.



# Field Hockey On a Victorious Streak

by Ron Whiting

**B**efore September 25th, it appeared that the Women's Field Hockey team would suffer a .500 record, but the emergence of a scorer and some strong determination, has turned that around. Going into their game with Wells College, on the 25th, the team was a mere 3-2-1, but they were determined to get better, and that showed as P.J. Buonocore went on a tear, scoring five goals in the next five games.

P.J., a Junior at Houghton, had

never scored before in her career, but carded her first goal, and game-winner, as Houghton defeated Wells, 1-0. Houghton's winning continued, as did P.J.'s scoring. This time P.J. would hit two goals to take Houghton to a 2-0 victory over Oswego State. "I feel more determined, and I want to push myself as hard as I can," said P.J. when asked what has brought on this sudden surge.

The field hockey team continued their road stretch on October 2, as

they met a tough University of Rochester team. The team was unable to muster much of an offensive attack, as they fell 1-0.

This, however, was not the case on Homecoming Saturday. With a group of Alumni, and a more than usual crowd, the Lady Highlanders put their offense into high gear as they prevailed over Lycoming (Pa.) College, 3-2. Once again, P.J. Buonocore netted a goal, as did Lori Sheetz and Kim Wilson. "We're hoping not to lose anymore games, and do better than last year," P.J. said.

This streak leads the purple and gold to a 6-3-1 record for the season. The team travels to Juniata College before they travel down to Philadelphia for the NCCAA tournament and a match with Eastern College.

The ladies return home for the final game of the season on October 23, against Slippery Rock University. ☆

## SPORTS BRIEFS

### • MEN'S SOCCER...

On Wednesday Oct. 2nd the Highlanders shut-out St. John Fisher 3-0...Dan Dominguez scored two goals with the third goal added by Andy Doell...on Saturday Oct. 9th Houghton faced the King's College...King's entered the game ranked #9 in the NAIA National

Poll...though the Highlanders played a good defense, they couldn't hold on in a 2-0 final...at 9-1-1, Houghton will travel to Philadelphia College of Bible on Friday and Eastern College on Saturday.

• VOLLEYBALL...the winning streak continued for the Lady High-

landers as they downed Fredonia State last week 3-0...Houghton's record now stands at 20-1...Houghton's next match-up will take place on Saturday against Geneva College and the University of Pittsburgh-Bradford.

### • WOMEN'S SOCCER...

the Lady Highlanders had an undefeated week...on Tuesday they came back from a 2-0 deficit to tie Keuka College 2-2...on Saturday, Houghton faced The King's College in a Homecoming match...behind goals from Jenny Smith and Jen Knight, Houghton downed King's 2-0...this week they will go on the road to face Geneseo State on Tuesday and Buffalo

State on Thursday.

### • FIELD HOCKEY...

the Lady Highlanders faced a strong University of Rochester team Wednesday, playing close in a 1-0 loss...on Homecoming Saturday, Houghton earned another win in a 3-2 decision over Lycoming College...at 6-3-1, Houghton will next face Juniata College on the road Saturday.

### • CROSS COUNTRY...

at Roberts Wesleyan College Saturday Naomi Castellani finished second and Marion Austin eighth in the Women's division...the teams will run at Geneseo State on Saturday. ☆



# Men's Soccer Puts On Good Show; Record is Now 9-1-1

Report and Commentary by Dan Noyes

**H**oughton Men's soccer hopes for an undefeated season evaporated Saturday as the Highlanders lost 2-0 against powerful King's college. Although this years game is a vast improvement over last years 9-1 embarrassment played on King's home field, the Highlanders didn't run out on the field to avoid embarrassment. They wanted the win.

Houghton looked good early in the game keeping the ball on the opposition's side of the field for a good portion of the first half. The half ended in a 0-0 tie and

then pressure on the Houghton defense began to increase. King's kept the ball in the Houghton end for much of the half managing several open shots that goalie Chad Groff was able to stop. However Rob Milner of King's College finally managed to beat the Houghton defense with a goal to the near post on a one on one with Groff.

Houghton missed the offensive power of leading scorer Jamie Wellington who spent the game sticking close to King's star Milner. King's second goal came with six seconds left as Houghton was desperately trying to get the ball in front of the King's goal.

Houghton's national ranking will suffer with the 2-0 loss and Senior Randy Levak expressed his disappointment "This is a major set back for the season. Right now it doesn't feel like we're 9-1-1."

The Highlanders will hit the road this weekend as they travel to Philadelphia College of Bible on Friday and Eastern College on Saturday. ☆

## DON'T LET NOVEMBER 5th TAKE YOU BY SURPRISE

On November 5th, elections will be held across New York State for:

- Mayors
- County Executives
- County Legislatures
- City Councils
- Town Boards
- Other Local Offices

Important deadlines for registration and voting:

- October 7 Last day to mail in a registration form.
- October 12 Last day to register in person.
- October 29 Last day to mail in absentee ballot application or letter of application.
- November 4 Last day to mail in absentee ballot or hand deliver absentee ballot application.
- November 5 **ELECTION DAY: 6 am - 9 pm**  
Also last day to hand deliver absentee ballot.

**REMEMBER:** If you've moved or if you haven't voted in four years, you must re-register.



For Information  
Contact Your County  
Board of Elections  
or Call  
1-800-FOR-VOTE

# FLIP IDES

by Kelly Patterson

I pull the shades back from the window and look out. Nothing new, I'm afraid, the same weather characterized by the millions of drops of water splashing to the ground. And my thoughts travel back to the movie "Rainman" as I mumble "I should've brought an umbrella, I should've brought an umbrella..."

Oh well, what IS the deal with Houghton weather? I've been here a little more than a month, and I have already trifled with a sickness. Am I plagued? I don't think so, because I know of at least one other person that suffers from this problem...hint: my editor, her name isn't Ivan, it starts with an M and rhymes with Siddhartha...good.

My parents' opinion (on the few

occasions that I really stop to listen to it) is that if you get sick, you're not taking care of yourself...in essence, it's YOUR fault and unless you're close to death, we're not paying for it. Thanks for the sympathy, its like the VonTrapp Family all over again. Anyway, I start to ponder their opinion... Like, could it be that I don't get enough sleep? NAHHHHH...I mean, I get at least 60 minutes a night. Sound familiar? Good, keep reading.

What can we do to fight these germs? Most of the people I asked gave me this look like "If I knew the cure for the common cold, would I even be here?" But, I did get some responses...here they are:

1. This comes from a cross coun-

try runner (so you know they're a little sick to begin with—actually, they're quite admirable, sacrificing lungs and...oh no, I'm digressing): EAT VITAMIN C!! They say to chew it, drink it, put oranges on your eyelids—whatever. And although there are medical studies to dispute that a gross amount of Vitamin C helps, it keeps them happy...so who can complain?

2. This one comes from an obviously overstressed junior: Have someone stomp on your face. Hey, I don't make them up, I just print them. Well, I guess this might work, that is if you don't mind the Quasimodo, Hunchface of Houghton look.

3. This is my favorite: denial. Just keep thinking "No, I'm not sick" and it won't seem so bad, after you've hacked up a lung or two. If that doesn't work, the good swill of Nyquil always helps...What is that saying? "The nighttime (I wonder why), sniffing, sneezing, fall-down-on-your-face-in-a-coma-after-5-minutes-and-wake-up-with-amnesia-so-you-can-get-arrested-medicine?" Close enough...Merry Cold Season and to all a Puffs Plus.

that small percentage, shouldn't it be even easier to just give up?

2 Chronicles 20:20 states "Have faith in the Lord your God and you will be upheld." Doesn't this comfort us? It's a promise made by the living God. How many promises has he broken? Well, has there been another large flood lately (even though it's close to it around here)? I didn't think so.

So what do we have to do? Get down and let God lift you up with his right hand of righteousness. There's a song that goes something like this "If he carried the weight of the world upon his shoulders, I know my brother that he will carry you." I know in my heart that if we all could jump off this bridge with God as our bungee cord, there would be no question in our survival...but Oh, what a rush!

"Therefore, I tell you, do not worry about your life... But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things shall be given to you as well. Therefore, do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own." Matthew 6:25-34 (revised)

I know you have all probably read that verse a million times, but I could read it a million more before I really make it a part of me. It sounds so easy to "Let Go and Let God" but for some reason, we don't seem to think so. We always want to hold on to that one rope of control in our life. So that, if God does mess up, we won't fall. Isn't it ironic, then, that we only seem to fall when we cling to that rope? Its like Ivory soap...we'll give God 99.9% control, but we've got to have that 1%. And considering how much we mess up with

"When you're lying awake with a dismal headache, and repose is taboo'd by anxiety, I conceive you may use any language you choose to indulge in, without impropriety."

-Gilbert

TRESS!! Are you feeling it yet? If you're not then you're obviously living in a parallel universe. Its all around, in the air, in nature—face it, even the trees are losing it! And so I thought that this might be a good topic to discuss, to try to put your minds at ease, even if you have a 7 page paper due tomorrow.

But what can we do about feeling so out of control? Realize that we are out of control, and God is in it. He is the steadfast anchor that keeps us from drifting into the sea of stress. But, why listen to me when you can hear it straight from the creator's mouth?



# Mail

I am writing to express my thanks to those of you who were sitting near me in chapel on Monday, September 23. You brought back many memories of high school assemblies. The under-the-breath comments, muffled laughter, and elbow nudging made me feel like I was among 15-year-olds again. The disrespect for the chapel speakers and the insensitivity towards those around you continued to keep me in the time warp. I urge any of you who would like to experience a "blast from the past" to sit in the balcony Monday, Wednesday, or Friday from 11:00 to 11:40 a.m.

Sharon J. Hibbard

## STUDENT ESCORT SERVICE

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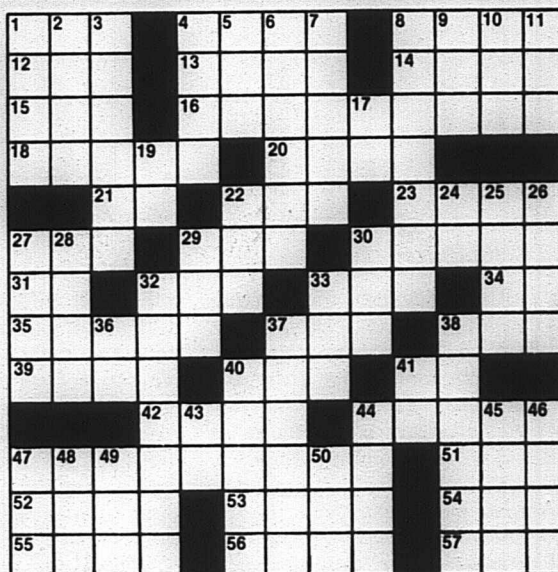


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### ACROSS

1. Combine
4. Agreement
8. In bed
12. Enemy
13. Winglike
14. Liver liquid
15. Amount (abbr.)
16. Schedule
18. Stretch
20. Profit
21. Midwest state (abbr.)
22. Food bit
23. Beloved
27. Night bird
29. Mineral spring
30. Find solution
31. Jumbled type
32. Piece
33. Feast of lanterns (Japan)
34. Position preposition
35. Come in
37. Age
38. Time Zone (abbr.)
39. Colorless gas
40. Sob
41. Sharp tool
43. Cheese (Dutch)
44. Enough
47. Travel by sea
51. Atom
52. Against

53. English Queen (16th century)
54. Unit of energy
55. Encounter
56. Prepared golf ball
57. Newspaper executive (abbr.)

### DOWN

1. Long way off
2. Hemispherical roof
3. A particular
4. Foot trail
5. Cassius Clay
6. Picture taking gadget
7. Regard in a certain way
8. Leave
9. Baby's food catcher
10. Building wing
11. River in Scotland
17. Transpose (abbr.)
19. Western state (abbr.)
22. Make a choice
24. Elevated railroad
25. Eager
26. Lease
27. Unclosed
28. Fermented beverage
29. Male title
30. Male offspring
32. Help
33. Young man
36. Preposition
37. Weasel
38. Die
40. Diamond weight
41. Morning time (abbr.)
43. Prosecutor's helpmate (abbr.)
44. Older
45. Place in
46. Means
47. Snead
48. Direction (abbr.)
49. Dined
50. Direction (abbr.)



# The Black Hole

M. TAYLOR

*A foolish consistency is the hobgoblin of little minds.*

*-Ralph Waldo Emerson*

**M**ud-slinging, muckraking, backstabbing, ultimatums, smear tactics, and the 15th.

These seem to be the main concerns of the Houghton masses at present. Why? Well, it's a long story that I'm sure you may be familiar with by now—and if you aren't, then read the cover story before going any further in this column.

Who's doing what to whom? Who got the shaft? Who wasn't aware of what? What are each of the whos allegedly going to do?... These seem to be the questions concerning us right now. In my opinion, and this goes not only to you students, but to the staff/faculty [I am an adult and I have seen "the real world" outside this place, so listen up], all of this stinks to the highest peaks of Zion.

"It's not Christian!" some scream. Others cry, "It's against the law. They're having their civil rights violated!" Still others will yell "Foul!" at the "rights" issue, and still others exclaim that the "Christian" aspect

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of this is not an issue due to the nature of past "student developments." But after serious contemplation, meditation, scrutiny, and prayer, I have come to the conclusion that these things, although prominent in the murmuring masses, are not the issue. The issue is the rule.

Stupid. That's my only thought of the rule that these men have to fall under. Many a spot participant was correct in stating that we're adults and we can't do what we want to with what we have. Well, some things anyway. Some things that involve the money we made or borrowed in order to come here.

"So what?" some may ask. "If you didn't want to have to follow this rule, then you didn't have to come here." No, we didn't. But we did, and there was a reason: a good education with a good reputation. Now you can tell me that these men, who have spent three years here and paid for all three themselves (or mostly) are going to simply walk out of here before their senior year and give up due to financial trouble. No, they will look for other more realistic alternatives. They found a simple way to save themselves some money, something I'm sure we can all be found guilty of, and they are now paying a higher price.

Now the question is "why are they not allowed, after three years here, to choose their own place to live, using their own money, as seniors?" I have no idea. But, to be sure, I and many others would like to know. This is one of those questions that deserves much, much more than the all too often quoted "because I said so."

We wish for a reason, an explanation, and a restitution in this matter. When "shoulds" pop up, we should not look at the side of authority alone, but should look for compromise on both sides. All of this "rights" and "Biblical" stuff can't hold water with-

out both sides being absolutely equal in the matter. We are equals in Christ, earthly authority or not.

Some have gone smearing and mud-slinging with those who have been given exception to the rules. Others hold firmly onto the rules, claiming that they have been put there for a purpose. Well, then, let us ask for what reason the rules were made? Are they now archaic and due for an overhaul? And, still, why these men? Why anyone? Why now? So far, these issues have not been addressed. I believe that this is foremost in what we should be discussing.

To blindly follow and enforce rules

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that may have little or no relevance and may not be entirely clear as to their worth has been the cause of many a problem in the past. I seem to remember a certain thirty-year-old man about 2000 years ago who told many wise men that rules don't mean a whole lot when necessity is at hand (Matt. 12:1-14; Mark 7:1-8; John 5:1-17).

The way I see it is that these two men may lose far more than a few hundred dollars is if this issue is pursued any further. The powers that be may have a bit to lose as well. Messy; very messy, this business. Why not just let it stand and get on with our lives? Is it truly so important to make an example of these two? Is this really the right thing to do? I think that it would be much better if the issue were dropped at least until the end of the semester. Many people would save face in the matter, and more careful thought could be employed to achieve better results. Let's regroup, stop the mad accusations and rumors, try to talk out of the same side of our mouths, and let God do some of the work for once, eh? ☆

# Blackberries

by Jonathan Wydysh

Dear Mom and Dad,

Thank you for the phone calls, letter and card. Though I did not know either of the two guys very well, you were right to assume that it would bring back memories of Mike. I had to laugh when you wrote that you had Father Coarsch remember Houghton in Saturdays Mass. The people here for the most part would balk at the idea of us praying for them, they don't even pray for their dead. The campus is still a mess but it's weird.

Dad, I know it's normal for people to displace anger about something tragic but is it common for an entire campus to do this? Have you found it true in your practice that large groups of people will transfer their grief into anger about totally unrelated situations? You see there's this big debate going on about housing that has at least half of the student body stirred up. The whole issue began to surface before the tragedy and then, perhaps a little too soon, it was brought back as an issue the day after the memorial service.

There seems to be a great deal of hypocrisy. They talk about how happy these guys are in heaven but under their breath they're saying all sorts of angry and hurtful things. It's like they don't know how to deal with it. You remember how when Mike died, for months I would snap at everyone and nothing ever seemed to be done to my satisfaction? It wasn't until you, Mom, exasperated, pointed out sternly that it was no one's fault that Mike died and that I ought to stop taking it out on everyone, including me. Is that what may be going on here? I don't know, maybe I'm totally off base, but it seems funny how for a

few days we were all united and supporting one another, faculty, staff and students.

For a while I thought that maybe we would realize how temporal our lives are and in that how fragile and precious. Wow. When I saw people who normally have nothing to do with one another comforting each other I began to think there truly is such a thing as a family of believers. For once we would figure out what really matters and act on the idea of the urgency of our short lives.

We don't though, do we? We're too busy with ourselves to realize that the way we're treating others isn't anywhere near the way we would want to be treated by them. Instead of reflections of Christ we're reflections of each other's selfishness.

I guess there are certain things I don't want to be remembered for when I die: fighting with a bunch of troubled, angry, confused students or trying to usurp a ridiculous rule or selflessly resigning from some office or pressuring someone out of a job or restructuring an educational system or trying to maintain the integrity of a department or any of the other absurd superficialities that have so distracted us. I want to be caught dead helping someone, not something or some idea or even a nation of people, just somebody, anybody.

Father Coarsch said in a homily before I left for school that we are to be servants. I don't see it here unless he meant serving our fears, hypocrisy, and lies.

Dad, I want to know if there is a place outside of our home where people serve one another, instead of just pretending.

Love, Patrick

## Crossword Answers

ADD	PACT	ABED
FOE	ALAR	BILE
AMT	TIME	TABLE
REACH	EARN	
A	BART	DEAR
OWL	SPA	SOLVE
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### Aphorisms...

*Veni, Sancte Spiritus,  
Et emitte coelitus  
Lucis tuae radium.*

Come, Holy Spirit, and send out from heaven the beam of your light.

-Archbishop Stephen Langton





