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Friday's Forum Fray

Forum Response: An Interview with Dr. Terry Paige

Susanna Rosenbaum

In a special SGA-sponsored forum held last Friday during the chapel hour, Dr. Tony Campolo, sociology professor at Eastern College, spoke about homosexuality and Christian responses to those struggling with sexual orientation issues. A self-proclaimed "conservative," Campolo believes

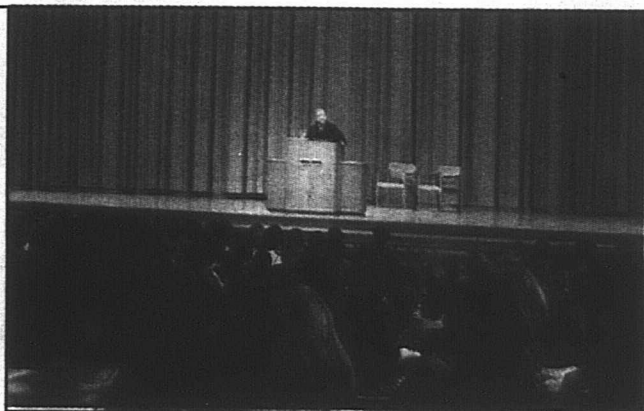
that homosexuality is unbiblical, based on the Church's traditional interpretation of Romans 1. In his presentation, Campolo addressed the issue of homosexuality from several aspects, including social science, scripture, Evangelicalism, and political policy. But his underlying theme was a call for Christians to love unconditionally by bearing one another's burdens, regardless of the nature of the burden. His mission, he explained, was to be a voice for members of his Houghton audience silently struggling with homosexuality.

According to Campolo, the causes of homosexuality are unknown. In his own research, he has interviewed over 300 homosexual men, none of whom remember "choosing" to be gay. Though many studies point to genetics or social conditioning as the cause of

reason for same-sex attraction, Campolo maintains that "there is no statistical evidence to support any given theory." More conclusive, however, is evidence pointing to suicide over gender-identification as the second-leading cause of death among teens, which has prompted Campolo to spread the message that "you don't have to legitimize a lifestyle to love someone."

"I'm tired of church-legitimized gay-bashing," Campolo declared, citing Christian videos depicting a fierce "Gay Agenda" as an example. Generalizing the obscene behavior of a small group of zealous homosexuals is slanderous to the rest of the homosexual population. He also condemned the falsified Paul Cameron studies for nurturing gay bashing.

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Susanna Rosenbaum

Throughout his speech, Campolo repeatedly stated that Jesus never condemned homosexuals. He asked why Christians, then, do not attack the remarried divorcees who Jesus overtly condemned, but aggressively attack homosexuals, who Jesus never condemned.

Responding to Campolo's "misleading argument," Dr. Terry Paige pointed out that Jesus does speak against homosexuality when He cites the order of creation as instructive of God's will in marriage (see Matthew 19). "We may take Jesus' example here-and the teaching in Genesis-to refer to the issue of 'homosexual marriage' also. It is just as much against God's will as divorce...it violates the order or creation." Jesus held a much more conservative position on sexual morality than the rabbis of his day, who had made divorce "easy as pie," says Paige. Jewish culture, because it already condemned homosexuality, did not lend itself to exhortations by Jesus about the immorality of homosexuality.

Also troublesome to Paige was Campolo's assertion that scholars do not know the exact definition of *arsenokoitai*, the Greek word translated "homosexual" in 1 Cor. 6:9 (cf.

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Ensemble Acts Up

A.C.T Out Group Tackles Diversity Issues

Kristin Leach

On Thursday, Feb. 17, the A.C.T. Out Ensemble performed "Diversity and Tolerance: Beyond Black and White." Nancy Murphy of the Counseling Center brought the social action group here in order to debunk myths and stereotypes surrounding diversity issues.

The touring ensemble consists of five actors and a facilitator. After the skits, the actors stayed in character and interacted with the audience. Barriers surrounding the difficult topics began to break down. The Founder/Director/Facilitator, Jessica Weiner stated, "The level of discussion and opportunity that people take to go deeper is our goal. We did that here tonight."

Houghton College received a great compliment as Weiner stated that the Houghton audience was among the most humane audiences that she ever worked with, as each mem-

ber of the audience was respectful and considerate to each other. Weiner was also amazed at the importance the audience placed on forgiveness. After the performance, one of the actors explained that audience members often stand up and have shouting matches at each other and many unpleasant words are exchanged.

This compliment could have long range effects on the Ensemble, which does not have an evangelical background. Preceding their visit, members of the Ensemble expressed to Murphy their nervousness about performing in Houghton's culture. They adapted some of the language in their skits and learned about the Christian environment and lingo but were still unsure about how to receive us.

That uncertainty changed after their visit. Murphy stated, "I think that we may have inadvertently broken down some misconceptions they may have earlier had about students

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EDITORIAL

Letter to the Editor:

"Vegetarians...do you know what lifestyle you ruin?"

Nathan W. Henry

I'm writing this letter in response to the February 9th article written by Jea Adams about eating as a vegetarian. I am not going to judge people who are vegetarians, but I want them to know what lifestyle they are ruining by eating vegetarian diets.

I grew up on a dairy farm. But when I was 16, my dad had to sell our cows, because we could not afford to keep farming. What caused this? It was caused by the low prices farmers get for their products.

Right now, when a farmer takes a cow to be butchered, he is only getting on average 75 cents/lb. So, if a cow weighed 1500 pounds, he would get approximately \$1075. Out of this the farmer needs to pay feed bills, insurance, the National Beef Council, and the auctioneer, or seller. Also, unless the farmer has his own truck, a trucker gets a percentage. All taken into account, the farmer may end up with only \$300 or so.

What is the cause of the low price for beef? Supply and demand. Since more and more people are becoming vegetarians, and people are afraid of the steroid and hormone use in cows which has been proven harmless, beef farmers are left with the excess number of cows they were

unable to send for butchering. This, in turn, lowers the price given for the cows that are butchered.

As for dairy products, last month, New York farmers made an average of \$13.50 for every one hundred pounds of milk produced. This may seem fair, since a gallon of milk weighs approximately 8.4 lbs. But again, there are expenses taken out of that check. Farmers must pay the milk hauler, plus feed bills, electric and other utilities, the milk companies such as Upstate Farms and Dairylea, and federal taxes.

Farmers end up with only about one half of the original paid amount. Other expenses include mortgages, equipment maintenance, building maintenance, and new equipment. In addition, the price of farm equipment has gone up more than 375% since the late 1950s, but the price of milk and beef leveled off in 1975 and has since remained unchanged.

Farming is the industry that this country was formed on. I am sometimes ashamed to call myself an American, when the American government doesn't even watch out for those who are feeding us, and feeding people all over the world. Remember, without a farmer, you would not have any of the food you eat. Here's a little food for thought, think about the lifestyle that is being lost when you do not eat meat.

Letter to the Editor:

"On the straight talk express, part two"

John Osae-Kwapong

And so it came to pass that we lost the South Carolina primary by eleven percentage points to Governor Bush. We are, however, undaunted and we look ahead to Michigan and Arizona on the 22nd of February, a day before this article is published. We are optimistic that our message of reform will resonate well with the voters in these two states. We still have the chance to knock out the governor, but like most good boxing fights, if it has to take all the twelve rounds, so be it. Remember the race is not for the swift, it is for the lion hearted. In this second part on the series on Senator John McCain and his bid for the Republican nomination and eventually the Presidency, I will focus on where he stands on the issues.

ON TAXES: John McCain believes that taxes are too high and the tax code too complex. The average working family pays nearly 40% of the earnings to the taxman; that is unfair. He hopes to provide tax relief for working families especially those in the middle and lower income bracket. The key elements in the Senator's proposal include increasing the number of taxpayers eligible for the 15% tax bracket, eliminating the obscene penalty that penalizes couples who get married and providing tax incentives to promote family savings and investment. There are those who worry about whether the Senator's plan will not result in increasing the national debt. Not exactly as he hopes to provide for these tax relief by cutting billions of dollars of pork barrel special and special interest tax holes, and using one-quarter of the non-social security budget surplus.

ON SOCIAL SECURITY: John McCain believes that Social Security is a sacred compact with seniors, a compact that

must be kept in full as working Americans are given the promise of retirement benefits. In order to put the system on sound financial footing, he hopes to put the trust fund in a 'lock box' so that the revenues in the fund will only be used for paying retirement benefits. Politicians on the hill have had the

habit using revenues in the fund to pay for pork barrel spending and new government programs. He also hopes to reserve 62% of the budget surplus for Social Security and also

allow workers to privately invest a portion of their dollars they would otherwise pay to the government in payroll taxes.

ON EDUCATION: John McCain believes that the nation's education system is failing our children and stresses that education reform is not an option but a must if the country is to remain strong and our children be prepared for a future worthy of their potential. He looks forward to a nationwide test of school vouchers to make school choice a reality. Rewarding good schools and forcing under performing schools to improve will yield tangible benefits for the children of America. John McCain also proposes voluntary teacher testing by state and local education authorities for if we expect our kids to be excellent we must their teachers to be excellent as well. The Senator also believes that an enhanced Education Savings Accounts be provided in order to empower families as a way of helping families finance the educational needs of their children.

Senator McCain also has positions on issues such as campaign finance reform, gun control, national security, etc which I will throw more light on next week. Stay alive, keep reading and remember "observing is good, to take part is better but participating to win with John McCain is the best."

Faith Journey Clarification

Tyfanni Penn

I am so sorry that I wasn't clear on what happened to Joe during my faith journey. The rest of the story behind Joe follows.

Joe only suffered a mild head injury and was hospitalized for several days. After he was re-

leased he moved out of state and he occasionally talks to my mother.

Thanks to each person who was there and able to share my faith journey with me. Thank you for all the encouraging e-mails, hugs, and conversations afterward. May God continue to bless each of you and I pray that each of you will remain available to God.

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NEWS

More Than A Mascot:

How'd We Become Highlanders?

Jonathan Hartt

In 1967, Houghton moved to intercollegiate athletics and adopted the colors of purple and gold. But we fielded our teams without a name. So, a survey was mailed, in which students could choose from several titles including Braves, Warriors, and Chargers. But the two-to-one favorite was *Highlanders*, originating from the German and Anglo-Saxon words for "city on a hill."

At the Homecoming banquet Ruth Luckey helped promote the name by reading "Highlander Legend." The poem was her Hiawatha-style retelling of Houghton's settlement by a highlander named Angus. When he stumbled across Houghton's wild country of jagged rocks and trees, it reminded him of home. "So he built a sturdy cabin / In the hills of Allegheny / High above the rambling river" (21-23).

The first Highlander mascot, John Thompson, appeared on game sidelines in 1970, carrying an old set of Scottish bagpipes. He wore the purple-and-gold, Old MacMillen tartan, and quickly won his way into the hearts of loyal Houghton fans. He wasn't popular with the Roberts Wesleyan crowd, though. On the eve of Homecoming Day, Thompson was kidnapped by several of his Roberts friends, then chained to a bed on the Roberts campus. During the night, in a Herculean feat of strength, Thompson broke free and called Houghton Security for a ride back to town. Thompson says he rode back with



"half a set of handcuffs on [his] wrist." After the game the next morning, John Thompson was triumphantly carried across the soccer field. When he pointed out the guilty party, they were promptly thrown in the pond by a large Houghton mob (100 strong). The kidnappers knew it was all in good fun, and so smilingly endured their dip, as well as their wet bus ride back to Roberts.

Even today, the Highlander spirit lives on. It lives on in a group like the HC Highland Pipe Corps, who struggles to promote school spirit, despite their insufficient school funding. Highlander spirit also thrives in the hearts of all Houghton athletes, and in all devoted fans. In 1745, Scotland groaned under the oppressive rule of rich English lords. The lords banned kilts, weaponry, and tartans because they were symbols of defiance, allegiance, strength, and unity. Scottish men were made to wear pants and abandon their family colors.

Even now, jealous lowlanders occasionally mock the fierce pride of highlanders. But it's as they say, one must not forget the number of people "kilt" for calling it a skirt.

Library Construction Update

Shelley Dooley

Months of construction have passed and the walls to the new wing of the library are finally complete; however, students will not be able to utilize the new section until next semester. It is currently lacking windows and carpet that will be put in place during Mayterm. Not only will the new wing get fresh windows, but the entire building will soon gleam with fresh glass.

The wing on the third floor of the library will house additional books and will be wired for laptop use. In order to prepare it for use, however, walls on the third floor will be removed and all of the current shelves will be realigned. The archives, which are currently located on the third floor, will be moved to the new wing of the basement which is wired with tempera-

ture and humidity control donated by an alumnus, thus preserving the archives in a more efficient manner. Their move is due largely to the fact that the restrooms on the third floor must be enlarged to make them handicap compatible cutting into the space where the archives are currently located. The new wing will also allow for three group study rooms.

During February break, the preliminary work for a concrete pour in front of the library will begin, which will put the entrance on the same level as the road, eliminating the stairs. This entrance, one of the more aesthetically pleasing changes for the front, will be composed of glass instead of the current stone.

The library renovations are to be completed during the summer so that students may better employ its sources.

The World Out There

Jay Jennings

Republican Primaries

George W. Bush (53%) defeated John McCain (42%) Saturday in the South Carolina Republican primaries. South Carolina, known for being a strong hold for conservatives in the south is considered to be an indicator of future results in other typically Republican states. Next the race moves to Michigan and then Arizona. (www.cnn.com)

Reformers win Parliament in Iran

Election results show that the Reformist Party in Iran has won Parliament, freeing Iran from hard-line control for the first time since the Islamic Revolution in 1979. Elected President in 1997, Mohammad Khatami

leads the Reformist party and is popular among youth due to his efforts to increase individual freedoms. (www.abenews.com)

College Basketball

15th ranked Temple (20-4) upset top ranked Cincinnati (24-2) 77-69 at home on Sunday. Third ranked Duke (21-3, 12-1 ACC) beat North Carolina State 71-66 Saturday to clinch their 4th straight ACC regular season title. (www.espn.go.com)

Toni Kukoc traded to Philadelphia

In a trade that sent young prospect Larry Hughes from Philly to Golden State and guard John Starks and a No. 1 draft pick to Chicago, the Sixers acquired the 6'11" small forward from Croatia.

'Peanuts' Creator Schulz Dead at 77

Emily Beach

Cartoonist Charles M. Schulz, creator of the comic strip PEANUTS, died the evening of Saturday, February 12th, of complications from colon cancer. He was 77 years old. In a stroke of sad irony, it was the comic strip he had planned as the last before his retirement that was printed in newspapers the next day.

Since childhood Schulz wanted to be a cartoonist, and though his only training had been an art school correspondence course, his cartoon strip "Li'l Folks" was purchased in 1950 by the United Features Syndicate, which distributed it under the now-familiar title PEANUTS. PEANUTS, whose cast includes Charlie Brown, his sister Sally, his dog Snoopy,

friends Lucy, Linus, Schroeder, Peppermint Patty, Marcie, and the bird Woodstock, has been called the most successful comic strip in newspaper history, and appears in some 2,600 newspapers in 75 countries and is translated into 21 languages. United Feature Syndicate started the strip in syndication on October 2, 1950. Unlike most cartoonists Schulz never worked with artistic assistants, but did all the researching, drawing and lettering for the strip.

Jesse Ventura, Governor of Minnesota, proclaimed that flags at all state buildings would be flown at half-mast to commemorate the cartoonist, who was born in Minneapolis. Schulz's memorial service was held the same day in the Burbank Center for the Arts in Santa Rosa, California. The service was followed by a cookie-and-milk reception.

A.C.T. Theatre Cont.

at an evangelical college."

The Ensemble featured five skits with a discussion period following each. The first demonstrated the biggest diversity factor, personality differences. In a group, the major personality differences include the control freak, pacifist, mediator, and agitator.

The second concentrated on body image and how kind we really are to people who look different. The audience was challenged to examine the language it uses.

Race was the topic of the third and most conversation-provoking skit. A white student used what he thought was "Black talk" and stereotypes to find common ground with a Jamaican-American student. The audience discussed

how to educate yourself to know and understand people of another race. Some said that it is the individual's responsibility while others claimed that the person of minority should help others understand their culture.

The fourth skit addressed dating a non-Christian. The issue of "Missionary dating" triggered a great amount of discussion.

Lastly, homosexuality was illustrated. The audience discussed our homophobic society, the call to love one another, the language used, and the reactions of the actors versus how we react.

Weiner started the A.C.T Out ensemble in 1995. It has performed for over 80,000 students ranging from junior high to college. The ensemble has been covered by The Washington Post, CNN, and Teen People Magazine.

Election P

Editor-in-Chief: The Star Glenn McCarty

The position of Editor-in-Chief of the Houghton Star is perhaps not the most enviable leadership position on campus, but strangely enough I look forward to filling this role next year. I feel that this position, and the paper as a whole, serves a vital role in an intellectual community such as ours here at Houghton. It is a unique entity in that it is the only place on campus where information is disseminated to the student body, faculty, and administration, while at the same time providing a cross-section of the diversity of beliefs and personalities that are inevitable in a school this size. Once a week, a public forum is held all over campus, across lunch tables, in dorm rooms, and in classes about the issues and people that make Houghton what it is. It is critical, therefore, that the Star rise to the occasion and fulfill these responsibilities, becoming the meeting-place of the minds, hearts, and souls of Houghton College.

Recognizing that this seems a looming task to even the most ambitious undergraduate student, I hope to draw on my background in interpersonal and leadership skills to make the Star a team of people committed to bring-



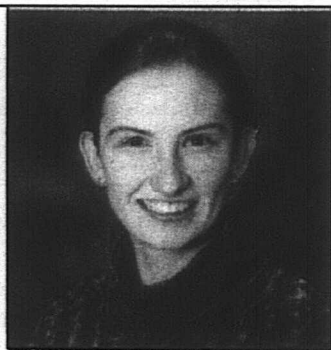
ing the best of Houghton together on a weekly basis. By no means is the newspaper the effort of one lone idiot laboring in the office late into the night until, rising from his desk, he proclaims in a Frankensteinian heroism, "It...is...alive!" Rather, it takes the creative collaboration of many, the entire student body, in fact, to make the Star a successful paper. In addition to creativity, I recognize that careful attention to professionalism should continue to be the cornerstone of the paper, as it is the litmus test of any periodical's merit.

Finally, I would like to express the intense excitement I have for this project. It is definitely a large undertaking, but I would relish the position and look forward to next year with enthusiasm.

Commissioner of Finance Jennifer Prokopchuk

Holding the Commissioner of Finance position for the 1999-2000 has been rewarding and challenging. I have enjoyed getting to know the Cabinet and Senate members along with the chances to communicate regularly with various student club presidents and treasurers.

I was given the opportunity to serve the student body and use the gifts God that has given me to think critically about figures and budgets, and I have used it to the



fullest. I am responsible to relay all of the information that I have

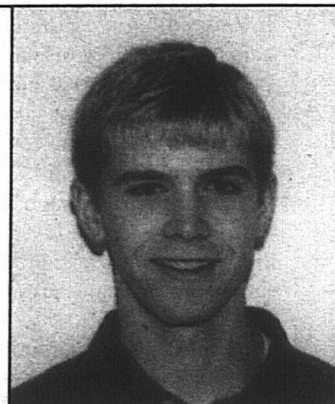
SGA Vice President Mike Meiners

I want to become more involved in our community here at Houghton, and I believe that the office of vice-president would give me that opportunity. I would be honored if you would allow me to serve as your vice-president.

There are several responsibilities of the vice-president position. First, the vice-president serves as the chair of both the Student Activities Advisory Council (SAAC) and the Committee on Student Clubs (COSC). Second, it is the vice-president's responsibility to be a communication connection between the SGA cabinet and the senate. I am confident that I could fulfill these responsibilities if elected to the vice-president position.

I also hope to use the position as a means of assisting the president in voicing your opinions and concerns to the SGA and the administration. I believe there are many issues that trouble students, but for one reason or another these issues never make it to discussion before SGA or administration. At other times the issues are discussed, but it seems that adequate action is never taken to ameliorate the situation. As vice-president I will do my best to raise the issues that students care about and ensure that that they are discussed and dealt with.

How will I know what issues students care about? By taking time to talk directly with you. I believe that the communication between the student body and the



SGA is in need of improvement. As vice-president it is my job to represent your opinions and to do this I must know what your opinion is. By working with the Commissioner of Communications and through your participation in surveys, I would be able to provide a more accurate representation of the student body in the SGA.

While Houghton is a tremendous college, there are areas that could be improved. I know that as students we talk a lot about the policies on housing and meal plans. These are two areas that I would especially like to see some changes made during my time in office. I would appreciate it if you would take the time to share your opinions on these or other issues with me.

Thank you for taking the time to read some of my ideas and hope that you will choose me to represent you as your vice-president in the upcoming school year. If you have any questions for me, please do not hesitate to ask.

in order to make sure the student's money from the activity fee is used appropriately. Even though I do not make all of the final decisions, I have the opportunity to give my suggestions based on my financial and managerial background.

I have been frugal and stubborn at times this year in my decisions to make sure that your

money is not used carelessly. I look forward to continuing the duties that I have filled this year making sure monies we have to allocate is done effectively and in the best interests of the student body.

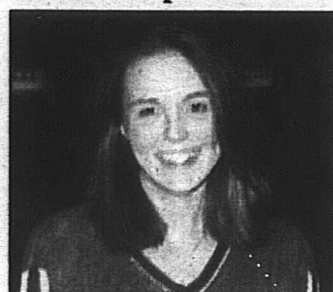
Thank you for your vote and support as I serve the student body to my full potential.

Question of the Week: "What do you think about the lack of competition in these elections?"



-- Matthew Preston
(Freshman)

"The lack of information available leaves us to vote on what we know about the candidate through personally gained knowledge."



-- Lindsay Ackerman
(Junior)

"I think that it is really sad that more people don't want to be involved in student leadership."

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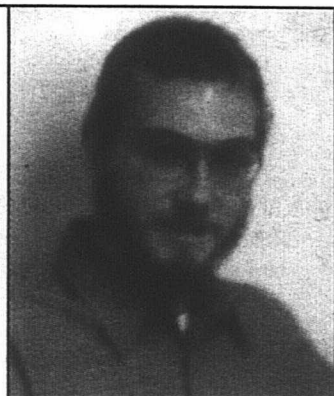
Commissioner of Activities

Seth Grebbien

If elected as Commissioner of Activities for the Student Government Association, I intend to revitalize the Campus Activities Board. In the upcoming year, I intend to hire a staff that is very able bodied and will follow my vision of taking CAB to new heights.

I want to have a staff whose main focus, aside from Christ, is to see CAB gain popularity on campus and become more active. In the upcoming year I intend on maximizing the potential of CAB with our goal being an event a week.

I would like to see more activities take place that involve the student body as a whole. This means more movies, both old and new, more concerts, featuring both local bands and up and coming



bands, exciting coffeehouses, a variety of activities, such as laser tag and other fun activities.

I would like to get suggestions from the student body as well, in order to make CAB the students CAB. If elected I would love to see CAB take off and soar the heights of great entertaining success.

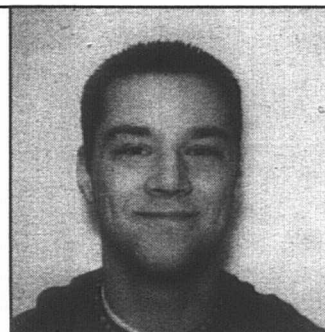
Matt Cruikshank

There are several reasons why I believe that I am well qualified for this position. One major reason is that I was the assistant director this year on CAB. I worked closely with the director and everyone else on CAB to plan events for the campus and then make sure they ran smoothly. I know how things were run this year and can therefore make improvements on what can be done next year. I know what will and will not work. Another reason is that I like to be involved in school activities, and I can't think of a better way to be involved than to be director.

I believe that I would do a good job because I am a very organized person. I enjoy keeping track of what is going on, where things should be, and how things are being done. Organizational skills are key in a position like this because without them the activities would fall apart. I know I can do an excellent job of keeping things ordered and structured.

I have no problem taking the initiative and making things happen. I would like to talk to students to see what kind of events they would like to see happen, or what bands they would like to see come, and then do my best to make it happen. It's important to know what the students want because without this knowledge we would be planning events that do not interest the campus. Taking initiative also involves making phone calls, leading meetings, and delegating

I hope you feel like you know a little more about me now and will be able to make a more educated decision on election day. If you have any questions or ideas, please don't hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your time and I look forward to working with you and the challenges ahead if I am elected as the SGA Treasurer of Activities.



responsibility. I know I could do all of these things effectively.

I enjoy working with people and am easy going. This is crucial because I will be working with the committees of CAB, as well as students. A person in a director position needs to be easy to get along with, but also needs to be authoritative. I will do my best to be both of these.

To sum it all up, I believe that I would be an effective director of activities because I will be dedicated to the position and do my best to serve the students.

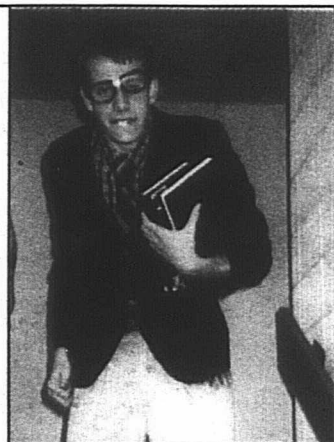
Treasurer of Activities

Andrew Fiess

Hi everyone! For those of you who don't know me, my name is Andrew Fiess and I am running for the position of Treasurer of Activities for next year. Kris asked me for a picture to publish with this, and after extensive hours of searching for my best, I finally found it.

I am a sophomore business major with minors in Economics and Communications. This year is my second consecutive year as part of the SGA cabinet as a Business Manager. I was also an FYI leader and the president of the Business Club. Hopefully I will be able to use this background along with my major to serve you, the students, to the best of my ability.

I hope to bring my knowledge of business and accounting, and my experience in SGA to the position of Treasurer of Activities



to provide the best fiscal responsibility possible to CAB and the Homecoming and Winter Weekends. I strongly believe that the proper organization of finance is a key to the success of any organization. I will do my best to keep CAB's finances organized to provide them with the most money possible, which will lead to quality, frequent campus activities.

Entrepreneurial Lecture

Jea Adams

Today, Wednesday February 23, Bryan Clark will be visiting Houghton to speak with the entrepreneurship class held from 6:30-9:00 in the Fine Arts Center. His wife, Jennifer (Wagner), a 1990 graduate of Houghton College, will also be at the forum as will Nate Reimer and his wife Tara (Smalley) both of who are 1998 alumni and work for Clark.

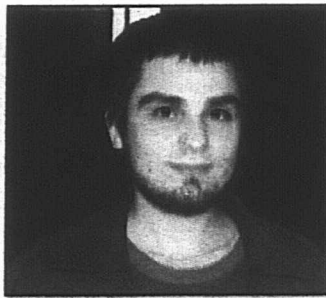
Mr. Clark is the lead programmer and analyst for Silver Bullet, a company he started with his wife in the fall of 1999. Silver Bullet deals with original ATM software and sells it as a product to other companies all over the globe.

The discussion will be held during the class period, and anyone is welcome to attend. Among Topics to be discussed are: 'How does faith play a part in owning a business?' and 'How can women have an active role in the business world?'



-- Sandra Adelsberger
(Junior)

"I don't like that the lack of student involvement has left the student body with virtually no choice concerning representation."



-- John Owen
(Junior)

"I watched 'Who Wants to Marry a Multi-Millionaire?' instead of following the SGA elections."

Platforms Cont.

SGA Chaplain Christen Dupre

As a fellow student and Christian, what I can honestly and simply tell you is that for quite some time now I have desired to serve the student body in some capacity. I have been granted the privilege of being a member of the Spiritual Life Committee for the past two years, something I have greatly enjoyed.

Now I want to take another step by serving as your chaplain. What are my goals? I would like to make myself more available to you, the students. I want your concerns, ideas and prayer requests to become my own. I desire to encourage you forward in any way that I can. I am also aware that I must work closely with the president and other members of SGA, leading devotions and prayer. I am more than willing to do this, as the government of our student body and its functions are important elements of who we are, how we are represented, and much more that we cannot imagine.

The positions held by those in office will not always be an easy role to cast, as we are setting an example for our fellow students. Being so, I want to make myself available to the requests



and spiritual needs of those that are in leadership positions around us. How do I propose to go about achieving the above mentioned goals? The answer is not profound. I will become a servant: to you, to the student government, and most importantly to God. I will make myself available through my office hours, prayer and devotions of encouragement.

By running for chaplain, I am not boasting to be the perfect example or even promising a radical revamping of the spiritual atmosphere here. I am simply ready to lift this school, its present issues and future before the Lord. And I want to become more involved in the lives of the students here at Houghton. Please consider my ideas as you vote for your representatives and officials.

Commissioner of Communications Jason Dolon

I want you, the student body of Houghton College, to elect me, Jason Dolon, to the office of Commissioner of Communications. I believe that by electing me into office you will be electing someone who can fill the responsibilities of the position and is willing to fulfill them to the best of my ability and for the glory of God.

I will work with the president and do what is expected of me so to make the body as a whole run more efficiently. I will perform general clerical duties, so that you the students will know what is going on in the SGA. In doing this I will act as a communication link to you the students along with the faculty and community. I will keep you informed by way of information boards and signs along with overseeing the SGA portion of the web page. It is my goal that the community of Houghton College as a whole knows what is transpiring in and about the SGA.

Now that I have told you what I will accomplish if elected I would also like to share a little

about myself for those of you who do not yet know me. I come from Baltimore, Maryland, where I graduated third in my class at Perry Hall Christian School. I was involved in the Student Council as representative for two years and President of the Student Council my senior year. It has always been my hope in serving in high school and here at Houghton where I am a senator for the class of 2003 that all I do will bring glory and honor to God. In closing I would like to say if chosen I plan to work for the student body of Houghton College. It is of my highest priorities that I help as a student here at Houghton to make it a better place in any way possible.

Editor-in-Chief: The Lanthorn Nathan Fealko

To many, the Lanthorn is nothing more than a slapped-together conglomeration of student-written pieces. Yet it can be, and in fact should be, viewed as something more than such. Just as a poem is a conduit for expressing the thoughts and emotions of the author, so too is the Lanthorn a medium for representing the personality and character of the entire Houghton community.

I am running for Editor of the Lanthorn because I believe that the Lanthorn is itself a veritable work of art and should be treated as one. I believe that it requires not simply a random group of students who enjoy reading poems and sharing them, but a commit-

ted staff who are dedicated to representing the poems as best as their authors would have intended. I believe that the Lanthorn is a method in and of itself for serious people to express their own creative abilities through the careful handling of other people's works. And I believe that it can become something more than just the sum of its parts, bringing together a large number of people in a common purpose to produce a lasting masterpiece the entire Houghton community can enjoy.

The position of Lanthorn Editor is not a job that should be taken lightly; however, that is the very reason I have a desire to take that office and make sure its duties are fulfilled.

VOTE!
March 9, 2000
in the Campus Center Lounge

Students Pitch in Saturday for MLK Work Day

Jea Adams

Approximately 138 students aided 15 organizations in the Buffalo, Rochester and Lancaster area during this past Saturday's Martin Luther King Jr. Service Day.

Ayoko Atayi, a Houghton College senior, helped head up this operation in which volunteers donated their time to clean, talk with elderly persons, and play games with children, along with many other

activities. Junior Travis York helped paint and said that he felt "peaceful and happy" while doing the good deed.

The previous remark seems to be the most common reaction for participants who unselfishly spent 8 hours on a Saturday helping out others, and it should because the Bible tells us to serve one another.

A big thank you to all that donated time and effort to help out on Saturday

Paige Cont.

6:9-11-these are those who "will not inherit the kingdom of God"). "We do know what it means," Paige argues. "Literally, '[men who] lie with males'-a term for the homosexual act, coined on the basis of a Hebrew expression used by the rabbis."

While Dr. Paige appreciates Campolo's call to win homosexuals by love and not condemnation, he is distressed by the misleading and, in a few cases, "downright wrong" exegeses of

Scripture presented by Campolo. Dr. Paige invites anyone interested in finding out more about what Scripture does and does not say about homosexuality to visit his web page, where he will soon be posting his responses to Campolo's arguments. From the Houghton homepage, click on Campus Family Members, then select "Terry Paige" in the box under Faculty/Staff web pages. Or go to <http://www.houghton.edu/personnel/tpaige/tpaige.htm>

ENTERTAINMENT



Mo Nishihata

Motoi on Music

Drawing Black Lines Project 86 BEC Recordings

It seems to me that the Christian music industry as of late has been on the rise in the mainstream scene. I was most excited to hear that P.O.D. was the second most selling new artist in the States, and Jars of Clay was the number one selling album over the internet.

Naturally, I was excited to see that Project 86's sophomore album "Drawing Black Lines" would be produced by GGGarth (Rage Against the Machine, Supertones). But when I heard that Project 86 was going to be signed to Atlantic Records, it felt like it was a time for a new order, the Christian rap/hard-core era. "Drawing Black Lines" will be re-

released in March on Atlantic Records (Jewel, P.O.D.). Project 86 and P.O.D. are alike in some aspects of their musical style. Project 86 infuses rap, hip-hop, phat beats and lays a heavy guitar sound over it all. They stand in their own style, standing apart from bands such as P.O.D., Rage Against the Machine, Limp Bizkit, and Kid Rock.

A n - drew Schwab (vocal) speaks of different issues ranging from pornography (PS) to speaking the Gospel with boldness and persistence (Stein's Theme). In the track, "PS" a former Japanese prostitute speaks in Japanese about the pains of prostitution. If you're looking to be inspired, Project 86 is the place to go (as Houghton senior Eric Hamlin puts it). I think that "One Armed Man," their first single is one of the best rap/hard-core songs ever produced because of its originality and intensity. Other songs such as

"Stein's Theme," "Sad Machines," and "Open Hand" are my personal favorites.

I was never an ardent fan of Project 86 until a crucial event happened to me in the summer of '99. I was at the Cornerstone festival and a friend of mine convinced me to go to Project's concert instead of the Newsboys concert. I was converted at the concert (not to Christianity but to Project). I was awed at the intensity of the band and the place was going absolutely crazy. One of the things that really left an impression on me was the honesty of the lead singer. He shared his struggles in life, how he had an attitude problem and how Christ was working in his life to work out his struggles.

Look for Project 86 in their spring tour with the Orange County Supertones in a city near you. Also look for Project 86 in the bookstore for \$13.99.



Play Profile:

Rachel Buckwalter

Stephanie Smith

Rachel Buckwalter, a sophomore here at Houghton, is taking the stage as Helen Keller in the upcoming drama *The Miracle Worker*.

This challenging role will be a difficult one, but one Rachel is accustomed to because she had played the same part at her high school a few years back. She's making her Houghton acting debut in *The Miracle Worker*. Although Rachel hasn't been in any Houghton plays yet, she has appeared in many at home and is excited about the challenge of taking a lead role. Her favorite character she has ever played is Helen Keller, so she's excited about the opportunity to play it again. Make sure to see Rachel perform as Helen in *The Miracle Worker*, March 16th, 17th and 18th.

Love of Yesterday

I remember the first time I laid eyes on you.
October, 1999—Get your roommate a date.
(Or a lifemate?)
You said that night
After talking for hours
That maybe we could get together at Big Al's the next day
(Or at the altar a month from now, darling).
Oh, but I could not rest for dreaming
About sitting by you in the cafeteria
Dressing for you and an Artist Series
Walking with you to the ski slope
Snuggling in East Hall lounge
Sitting together in the nook on the third floor of the NAB
(Let the world see our love!)
But then... Bitter Day!
When I went to Big Al's to meet you and you did not show,
and I looked for you at chapel,
but you sat next to another Jennifer.
Heartbreaker! Cruel boy!
I gave you the world—
And you gave me a pen.
I yearn for the days of junior high
when relationships were serious,
when a trip to the Pizza Barn was not taken lightly
and when every Open House hour was occupied
with your delicious presence in my dorm room...
delicious like Big Al's pizza...
left cold on the table of life...
like you left me.

Anonymous

Weekly Whimsy

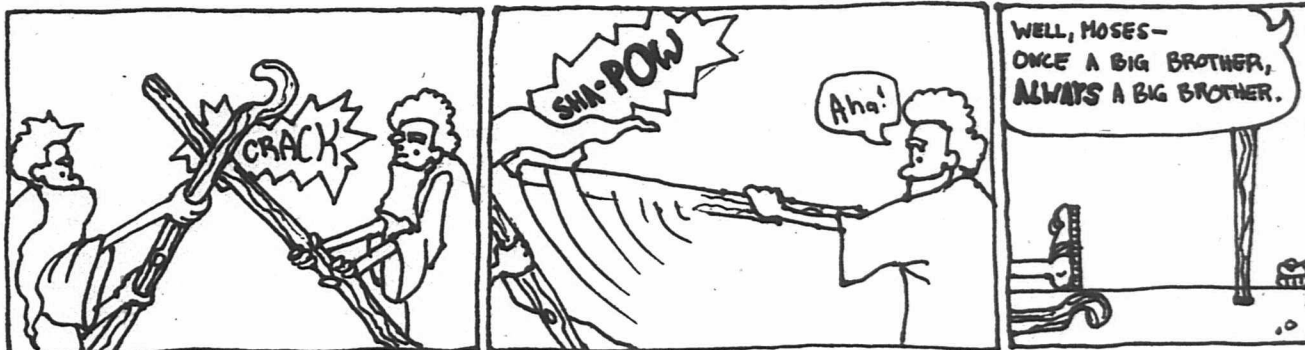
The Top Ten Rejected Top- ics for the Top Ten List

Steve Maxon

- 10 Ways to Win Friends and Influence People With Humor
- 9 Reasons I Like the Word "Squeegee"
- 8 Hilarious Harpsichord Fugues (in B-minor)
- 7 Bawdy Bagpipe Jokes
- 6 Signs Only Uneducated Fools Read This List
- 5 Reasons Those Gutless Wimps in the Mob Couldn't Track Me Down and Kill Me, Even if They Tried
- 4 Super-Secret Skeletons in John Wesley's Closet
- 3 Ways to Steal the New VW Beetle, Spray Paint it Pink, and Lift it High Atop the Chapel, Without Anyone Ever Catching You
- 2 Lessons I Learned in Prison
- 1 Tasty Recipes For Cat (Editor's Note: Watch it, Steve!)

Man and Snail

By Donovan Church



NEWS

SPORTS

Early, Extended Break Approaches

Denise Dunckle

Friday marks the beginning of this year's February break, which runs until March 6th. In the past, February break has traditionally been the shorter break, essentially a long weekend, while Easter break usually lasts a week later in the semester, March or April.

The reversal of the breaks this year has caused students some puzzlement and frustration. "None of my friends at other colleges have a break at the same time, so it's disappointing that I won't be able to see them," said junior Jea Adams. "But I'm definitely feeling a whole week off after this stressful first half semester."

Tim Mayhle expressed great disappointment about the timing of the break. He thinks it is way too early because, "I haven't been lifting weights long enough to look good on the beach." Other students, however, like the change. "The timing of this break is perfect," said senior Kit Anderson.

Campolo Cont.

In describing his vision of Christians bearing each other's burdens, Campolo likened the struggling homosexual to the struggling alcoholic. He emphasized the need for honesty among believers struggling with sin and raised this question: how can you let others help you carry your burden if you can't tell people who you are? If you want support, he says, "You gotta come out."

Campolo is also a visionary in regard to social policy concerning homosexuals. While the law, he explained, exists to keep individuals from threatening the well being of others, it should not have the power to deny homosexuals their basic human rights. According to Campolo, these basic rights include the freedom to teach in public schools and serve in the military. He cited "no taxation without representation" as one way of viewing at this issue: If homosexuals cannot be represented in the military, they should not be taxed. He stated "Love requires Justice" and described a democracy as a place where it is safe to be the minority.

Campolo criticized Christian preaching and attitudes that leave unhealed homosexuals feeling rejected by God and despised by Christians. In his own studies, Campolo has encountered very few homosexuals who have become free of homosexuality. An overwhelming number of gays, Campolo maintained, will pray and

"The height of the ski season is in full swing and thus I am happier now than I have been in four years."

The reason for the longer February break and shorter Easter break this year, according to Ketha Boesflug in the Student Life Office is simply that students and faculty on the calendar committee felt that the week-long break should not be so near to the close of the semester.

The calendar committee, comprised of students and faculty representatives, prefer the longer break in the middle of the semester. The decision over which break should be longer is dependent upon when Easter falls each year. The calendar committee meets to decide on exact dates of the breaks and then sends its recommendation to the Curriculum Review Committee who usually ends up sending it back requesting some changes. The process on the average takes about four months follows specific state regulations.

earnestly seek change, but afterwards will continue to experience homosexual feelings. "I believe in a God who can do anything," he proclaimed, but quickly added that he has not seen "a lot of deliverance" among Christians struggling to overcome homosexuality. Communicating to these people that their failure to change is due to insufficient faith in Christ is "a terrible thing to do." In contrast, Campolo pointed to Paul's encouraging words in Romans 8, ("nothing can separate us from the love of God") as the "core of Scripture" that should inform our reactions to struggling brothers and sisters.

Campolo concluded his message by leaving the audience with three questions to discuss: 1. Jesus condemned divorce and remarriage as an adulterous sexual relationship, yet our churches are full of remarried divorcees. Why do we so aggressively attack homosexuals, whom Jesus never actually condemned? Where is the biblical consistency? 2. If he is right that gays do not change, what should our response be as the Church? As a society? 3. How should we respond to rising referendums that will limit our rights? Specifically, he suggested that we should remove sex education from public schools and address it in the "context of spiritual values."

Campolo conceded, "I never talk about this without losing some friends, but I'd rather lose some friends than allow people who suffer to have no voice," earning him a standing ovation.

Rival Roberts Edges Houghton Seniors Represent in Final Home Game

Jason Mucher

On senior night, the Highlanders arguably played their best game of the season, giving arch-rival Roberts Wesleyan College a run, before succumbing 74-62.

Houghton opened with a 12-4 run, capped by a Kurt Sauder three pointer five minutes into the game. Though the Raiders responded to take a 26-18 lead, the Highlanders would not turn down the pressure. They answered with a 12-5 run to trail by just one (31-30) at the half.

Eli Knapp was the spark for Houghton in the first half. The senior connected for two three pointers and a team-high eight first-half points.

Houghton struggled to maintain the momentum as the second half began. Roberts scored

seven-straight points to pull ahead 38-30, but three pointers by Sauder and Knapp trimmed the deficit to two, and an 8-4 run, capped by another bucket by Knapp, gave Houghton a 44-42 lead with 14 minutes remaining.

Roberts used a 13-2 run over the next four minutes to take a commanding 55-46 lead. The Highlanders were able to pull within five (62-57), but wouldn't get any closer as Roberts hit six free throws in the final 1:20 to seal the win.

Knapp had a career-night in his final home contest, leading Houghton with 15 points and pulling down three rebounds. He also connected on 3-of-5 three pointers. Senior Kurt Sauder also turned in a solid performance with 12 points, three rebounds, and three assists.

Congratulations Track Team Members

Lynda Jones
Amanda Miller
Tenneil Tower

Kim Sayre
Joe Campagna
Geoff Thurber

For Qualifying for the National Indoor Championships to be held this weekend. If you see them, wish them luck!

Parmar Selected in A-League Draft

Jason Mucher

Sanjeev Parmar, a three-time NAIA All-America selection in men's soccer at Houghton College, has been drafted by the Toronto Lynx with the 49th pick in the 2000 A-League Draft.

Parmar, who hails from Campbell River, British Columbia, Canada, was one of 77 players drafted and one of just eight NAIA players taken in the draft held on Sunday in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

Parmar, a four-year starter at midfield for the Highlanders, tallied 21 goals and 30 assists during his career. He is a two-time Canadian U-17 National Champion as a member of the British Columbia provincial team, and in the summer of 1998 he played for the Jackson Chargers, runners-up in the Premier Development Soccer League.

"Sanjeev is one of the most committed players I've ever coached on the amateur level," said Houghton coach Dwight Hornbrook. "I think he is definitely good enough to play in the A-League. It's a great day for Sanjeev Parmar. It's an exciting thing for him to be rewarded for his efforts, and it's also an excit-



ing time for Houghton College and for our program. It proves that players can come here and be recognized and benefit from the Houghton experience."

Parmar will participate in the Lynx's training camp in Toronto, March 6-8.

The A-League, a Division II league with 26 teams from coast-to-coast in the U.S. and Canada, is the highest level in the United Soccer Leagues (USL) system. The USL is the official developmental system of Major League Soccer (MLS).

Houghton's all-time leading goal scorer, Jamie Wellington, played in the A-League with the Carolina Dynamo and is now a member of the Charlotte Eagles in the D-III Pro League.