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## THE world OUT there

BY ROSA GERBER  
STAR STAFF WRITER

### War rallies support and protest

Days after the United States launched their attack on Iraq, thousands of people gathered worldwide to show their support or opposition to the war.

More than 100,000 people marched down Broadway and hundreds gathered in Time Square in New York City to demonstrate their support of the United States' war effort. They waved American flags and chanted "U-S-A! U-S-A!" Over 5,000 people gathered near Richmond, Va., to support U.S. troops. About 300 demonstrators crowded the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, D.C., holding signs like "God bless our troops" and "Freedom is not free." Approximately 700 people gathered in Chicago. People also rallied in Iowa and Tennessee.

Countering the pro-war and pro-military rallies were the antiwar rallies and marches held throughout the U.S. on Saturday. An estimated 2,500 marched in Los Angeles against the war.

Approximately 200,000 crowded New York City, while tens of thousands of demonstrators gathered in Asian streets on Sunday. While Australian troops were fighting in Iraq, 30,000 people in Sydney chanted "No war!" More than 50,000 marched in Pakistan, burned effigies of President Bush, and protested American terrorism, while thousands also gathered in Afghanistan and Bangladesh.

The U.S.'s military action against Iraq has led the U.S. State Department to issue a warning of increased chances of anti-American violence in Indonesia, where protestors gathered outside the U.S. embassy and claimed that Bush is a terrorist.

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## Service day allows "everyone to be great..."

BY LIZ SANDS  
STAR STAFF WRITER

"...because everyone can serve." Martin Luther King, Jr.'s statement about servanthood uncannily reflects the mission statement of Houghton College: to equip students "to lead and labor as scholar-servants in a changing world."

Many Houghton students took advantage of an opportunity on Saturday, Mar. 22, to be part of Service Day 2003, as they spread out in groups all over the western New York region in an effort to reach out to and serve communities, churches, organizations, and individuals. Of the twenty-eight groups, eleven were local to Houghton College and Allegany County, twelve were in Buffalo, and five served in Rochester. The size of each group varied from four students up to thirty, and duties ranged from cleaning to construction. Whether students were shampooing carpets,

building, organizing and sorting, painting, reading, playing, working with youth, or a variety of other assignments, volunteers were able to serve and show the love of Jesus by walking out their faith in tangible ways.

in organized service programs, whether bogged down with academic demands or involved in sports and other campus programs that inhibit time commitments. Over the past weeks, students could sign up to

participate in Service Day activities at meal times. Service Day was an opportunity for our entire community to come together and serve. In an effort to facilitate participation in Service Day and make the commitment to serve less inconvenient, the cafeteria opened extra early for breakfast on Saturday morning before



PHOTO COURTESY GREG BISH

Mindy Albrecht reads to some children in Buffalo on Saturday, Mar. 22. Many students participated in Service Day, going to sites in Rochester, Buffalo, Houghton, and Allegany County to help serve others.

This is why students consider Service Day an important 'event' each year. Although many Houghton students often volunteer their time throughout the semester, helping out in the community and around campus, many other students are just too busy to participate regularly

volunteers left for their sites, and a dinner of pizza and wings was served at Houghton Wesleyan Church at the end of the long day.

Service Day provides the means for students to take part in ministry

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## Taylor gets second Pastor of the Year award

Houghton College has honored Dr. Ira Taylor, pastor of National Wesleyan Church of Hyattsville, Md., as the 35th recipient of the Claude A. Ries Pastor of the Year Award.

Dr. Taylor is the first individual to receive the award twice. He was first honored in 1978.

Friends and colleagues repeatedly confirmed Dr. Taylor's ability to lift one's spirit, and agreed that his love for people is one of his greatest qualities.

Always optimistic and willing to help, he keeps busy doing the work of the Lord. It is for these traits, his "strong, vibrant pulpit ministry" and "competent pastoral care," he is honored said Houghton president Daniel Chamberlain during the on-campus presentation to Dr.

Taylor.

Born on the West Indian Island of Nevis, Dr. Taylor grew up the son of missionary parents. Following his heart for people, Dr. Taylor pursued his theological studies at Pilgrim Bible College in Jamaica, West Indies, and a year of law with LaSalle Extension

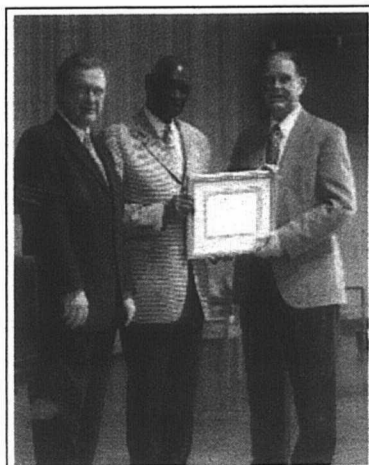
University in Chicago. He also holds an honorary doctorate of divinity from Houghton.

Dr. Taylor began his fruitful ministry as a church planter in Montego Bay, Jamaica, and continued with pastoral positions in St. John's, Antigua, Trinidad, and the U.S.

Virgin Islands. He also served as an evangelist in England, throughout the West Indies, North America, and Australia. In 1969, Dr. Taylor moved to Toronto, Canada, where he took over as pastor of Oakwood Wesleyan Church. Average attendance was 75 when he first began. Within five years, his congregation grew to over 500 members.

Dr. Taylor has led National Wesleyan Church for the past 12 years and serves on the Chesapeake District Board of Administration. National Wesleyan Church averages in excess of 500 in Sunday morning worship attendance, and several of its members are now preparing for Christian ministry.

Recipients are ministers with at least 10 years of service who exhibit strength in preaching, administration, and community service, combined with commitment to Christ evidenced by spiritual growth and perception.



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**U.S. demands POWs to be treated well, will fight war on own terms**

Despite the "sporadic" resistance encountered by coalition troops from Iraqi forces and increasing coalition casualties, U.S. military spokespeople said they are happy with the progress the coalition is making in Iraq.

On Sunday, Iraqi television Al-Jazeera showed pictures of U.S. soldiers captured in fighting near the southern Iraqi city Nasiriya. U.S. officials claimed the images showed the soldiers in a humiliating manner, which violated the Geneva Convention, which "prohibits subjecting prisoners of war to humiliating treatment." Iraqi ambassador to the United Nations said Sunday that his country would not mistreat prisoners of war and would respect the Geneva Convention during the war. He said, "I hope that the American army will respect also this Geneva Convention because I hope that what is happening in Iraq now, both parties will respect international humanitarian law...I respect fully the American people and I am respecting them more because they are demonstrating yesterday and yesterday before."

General Tommy Franks, head of U.S. Central Command, commented on the movement of coalition troops, saying, "Progress toward our objectives has been rapid and in some cases dramatic." U.S. military officials had shown images of successful airstrikes and attacks on Iraqi military and leadership targets and claimed coalition troops are making significant gains in

southern Iraq. Troops expect to encounter occasional resistance, and Franks said the coalition forces will "fight this on our terms."

**U.S. soldier responsible for grenade attacks on 101st Airborne**

U.S. military officials took suspect, Sgt. Asan Akbar, into custody for allegedly launching four grenades at tents of the 101st Airborne Division's 1st Brigade, killing one soldier and wounding 15 in northern Kuwait on Sunday. Officials described Akbar as "a disgruntled platoon sergeant with an attitude problem." Allegedly, Akbar left his post and turned off the generator to the Tactical Operations Center. He then threw four grenades at three tents; three exploded but one was a dud. Akbar could be sent back to the division's base in Fort Campbell, Ky., for military court proceedings.

**U.S. protest Russian sales of weapons, Russia denies accusations**

The U.S. reported intelligence of Russian firms selling antitank missiles, night vision goggles, and jamming gear to Iraq. State Department spokeswoman Brenda Greenberg said, "Such equipment in the hands of Iraq may pose a direct military threat to U.S. and coalition armed forces. Officials had approached Moscow several times in the last two weeks to protest the sales."

U.S. intelligence reported employees of the Russian company Aviaconversiya were still in Baghdad to help Iraq use the equipment. The jamming equipment interferes with global positioning for ground forces and aircraft.

Russian President Vladimir Putin claimed ignorance of the sale, while Russian officials denied the allegations. He said Monday, "There were absolutely no violations of the arms embargo."

**In other news...**

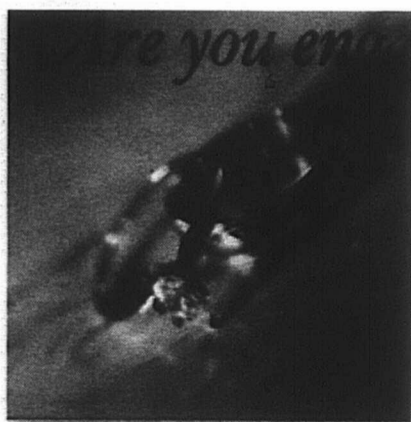
A massive fire consumed an entire block of Tionesta, Pa. A resident said, "How awful is that when 50 percent of your town burns down?" The fire took out half of the businesses in town.

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and "to serve in places they are not familiar with," according to junior Nathan Boyd, site leader for the Montgomery Neighborhood Center in Rochester. Service Day is important at Houghton, Nathan said, because of this opportunity to "expand your horizons." Site leaders, like Nathan, for each location included many students, faculty and staff members, and community volunteers. Once again, Houghton students were willing to donate their time to serve others in and around our community, and once again, Service Day was a success!

If you participated in Service Day 2003 in any way, at any location, we would love to hear about it! If you would like to share any photos or personal stories about your experience on Service Day, please send them via email to [star@houghton.edu](mailto:star@houghton.edu). And stay tuned for upcoming issues of the *Star*.

Special thanks to Nicole Hayes for providing information about Service Day and the specific site locations. Thanks also to Greg Bish, who provided the following photographs of various Service Day activities in Buffalo, Houghton, and RIT.



## Are you engaged or seriously considering marriage?

Attend the Houghton Wesleyan Church's  
**PREMARITAL SEMINAR**  
on Saturday, March 29 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

\$25 per couple (includes breakfast and lunch)  
due before March 21 at the Info Center

Seminars include "How to Fight Fair," "Marriage and the Family: Ties that Bind," "Babies and Other Consequences of Sex," "Finances, Budgets, and Other Practical Matters," and "Building a Solid Spiritual Foundation."

Questions? Contact Pastor Todd Leach at 567-2264 or [tleach@hwchurch.org](mailto:tleach@hwchurch.org).

## Bebo Norman

in concert

Saturday, March 29  
9:00 p.m.  
Wesley Chapel

tickets:  
\$10 until Friday  
\$12 at the door

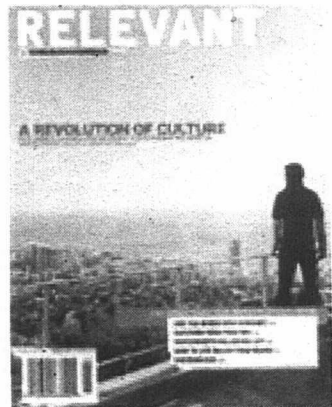
### Review: **RELEVANT** magazine fulfills a need in the Christian community

By JULIE PALMER  
STAR STAFF WRITER

One of the Biblical commands that I have struggled with most frequently is the directive to be in the world but not of the world. As a Christian twenty-something, I find it hard to block out the world. I listen to secular music, go to the movies, and read books not labeled by the world as Christian. Every once in a while I feel guilty about doing these things, which my mother sees as signs of my shallow faith. But Christ was not isolated from the world; he was the friend of taxpay-ers and prostitutes.

A new magazine entitled **RELEVANT** takes this position on the world, endeavoring to publish a magazine for 20-30 year-old Christians who are struggling with living in the world but also being a Christian. This is not a magazine for the perfect Christian without struggles or questions, but instead presents the reality of the Christian walk--that it is not easy and doesn't always go right. In its mission statement **RELEVANT** purports to be "for a new kind of spiritual seeker: one that is looking to know God in a real way, wants to impact culture, and is living in the real world." It continues, "Everything in **RELEVANT** is written from a God-centered perspective. However, you'll find it is not written from a blinders-one, closed-minded, conservative Christian perspective."

Not only is **RELEVANT** real, it is also a well-written and thought-provoking magazine. It includes articles on the three topics of God; life and progressive culture. The God section contains devotionals, articles on spiritual life and the stirring of God today. The life segment is dedicated to practical life, such as how to save money, make career moves and advice on relationships. The final section includes reviews of music, television and books, and also discusses other elements of culture such as art that influence our world. The



reviews are not solely of Christian publications but include reviews of media that are making an impact on the world and are the topic of conversation.

**RELEVANT** fulfills a need in the Christian community as an outlet for young people who are discontent with the direction that popular Christianity is taking. The articles such as "Getting Faith Out of the Ghetto" and "Adjusting to Newlywed Sex" tackle topics that need to be addressed by Christians but are typically taboo. The first edition of the magazine contains a section on young Christians who are making a difference in the world in areas that are normally seen as secular. These people provide role models for those of us seeking secular professions. They have stepped out of the idea that all Christian boys have to be pastors and girls have to be wives, and instead present a picture of what it is like to be Christian in the real world of the 21st century.

**RELEVANT**, which was formerly a web magazine, can be found at [www.RELEVANTmagazine.com](http://www.RELEVANTmagazine.com). The website contains articles not in the magazine, means of contacting their authors and other readers, as well as information on their other publications. It is also the easiest place to purchase a subscription to the magazine; limited-time offer of a one-year subscription for only \$10 can be found on the website.



by Chris Austin

### The Advice/Chris-Says-What-He-Wants-to Column: Roommate Troubles

Alas, last week's column was, in a word, floppy. Many comments were made concerning the poor state of the article; I can take a hint. At one point, someone actually said "Chris, that article was great," and I thought, yes, at least one person liked it, but the comment was quickly followed up with, "Oh wait, no, it wasn't. I was just kidding about the greatness." It was at this point that I realized, hmmm, I am going to have no more readers for my column. And no readers means no column. And no column means no motivation. And that means welfare.

Thus, I must take this time to apologize to the entire *Star* readership for my below par article. I had actually written it 3 weeks before it was published, so it was unfortunately a tad out of date and thus made little to no sense whatsoever. Plus, I was in a generally bad mood and that makes for unfunny-bad-writing.

So let's collectively put that article behind us and start afresh with a subject that everyone can relate to...that being roommate troubles. There are so many issues about roommates that I could probably stretch this into two articles, but we must wait and see.

**Dear Chris, my roommate has a problem with killing farm animals, namely cows. What can I do to remedy this problem? Should I kill him? - Crazy Guy**

Honestly, I don't think that Houghton would sanction killing your roommate for any reason. Nevertheless, there are exceptions to every rule. Probably not this one, though, so let's say that killing is not an option. There are, however, other ways to cure your roommate of his beef-loving tendencies. For example, you could always sit next to him when he eats, and whenever he's not looking, pour Tabasco sauce on any meat he is going to consume. This may require a large amount of Tabasco per serving of meat; I would say a solid half cup would be best. Don't use sparingly. After a while, the subject will begin to associate meat with spicy, mouth burning sensations, and in turn, will despise meat for its distaste.

Another good strategy is to buy a tazer. If he mentions anything with the word "kill" in it, use the tazer. Compound words involving "kill" will be left up to your discretion. And be on the lookout for subtler versions of the word, found in innocent words such as Catskill or killer - the tazer will reinforce that killing is bad, so you need to be prepared to use it even when you aren't sure. I like to say, "taze first, ask questions after the shock wears off."

One final option is what I like to call the duct tape method. This should only be attempted after all other options are exhausted, and only if you have some spare duct tape around. When your roommate makes known his next target, surround the target in a protective layer of duct tape to minimize damages. I prefer a shell of at least five layers thick when I am protecting against bullets or sharp objects, but I think you could go higher if the need arises (maybe into the 10-13 layer range).

I hope that you find these tips somewhat helpful in the battle against roommate hunting. If you need more information, check out my website at [www.StopRoommateHunting.com](http://www.StopRoommateHunting.com). There you will find all the tools to measure Tabasco, build your own tazer, or even learn how to bring some color to that drab gray duct tape shield. Until next time, remember our key words - **tazer**, **tazer**, and most importantly, **tazers**.

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# HOUGHTON COLLEGE Student Government Association

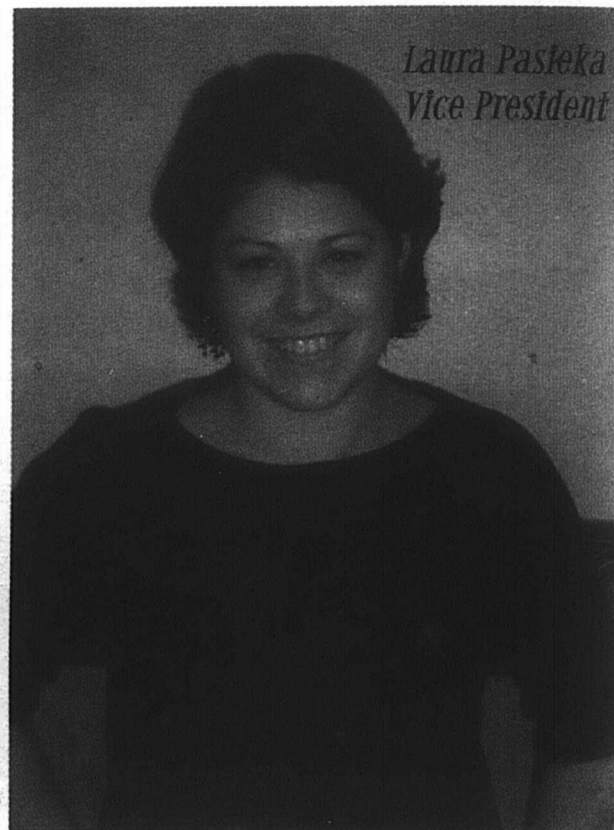
I would love to take this opportunity granted by the *Star* to let you know a little bit about myself. My name is Lucile Danielle Luckey. I go by my middle name, as most of you know, but I included Lucile because that is my email name. (I want you to feel free to contact me.) I am currently a sophomore double-majoring in business and psychology. If you were to ask me where I

**Name:** Danielle Luckey  
**Year:** junior  
**Major:** business and psychology  
**Hometown:** Houghton, NY

*Danielle Luckey*  
**President**

was from, I would have a tough time answering because my family moved to Houghton this past summer. However, I call myself a Canadian because I grew up in Ottawa, Ontario.

Okay, enough of the basic bio. I want to let you know that I am really excited about the opportunity to serve you as SGA President. I plan to keep the student body more informed, especially about decisions being made on campus. I am also excited about getting students more involved, especially in service outside of the Houghton "bubble." Nonetheless, I must confess that I am also a little nervous. It is a lot of pressure to represent such a diverse student body. However, I believe we have been blessed by the opportunity to attend school at Houghton and I want to help all of you make the most of this experience.



*Laura Pasieka*  
**Vice President**

**Name:** Laura Pasieka  
**Year:** sophomore  
**Major:** psychology  
**Hometown:** Clarence, NY

My name is Amy Griffin. I am currently a freshman majoring in biology pre-med. I hope to work in pediatric medicine someday, possibly as a pediatrician. I have been interested in the medical field ever since fifth grade and am very excited about working in that field in the future.

When not working hard in bio, I sing in the chapel choir, sew, crochet, and play a very mean game of Jeopardy with my future roommate Alison Flaherty. (She and Elizabeth Weaver have a radio show every Monday night at 8 p.m. that I would encourage everyone to tune into because they are hilarious!)

I am from the little state of Delaware. That's the one to the east of Pennsylvania and south of New Jersey, just in case your geography is a little rusty. I say that just because I have been asked "What state is that in?" or "Is that a state?" and I think that it's important that people

**Name:** Amy Griffin  
**Year:** freshman  
**Major:** biology pre-med  
**Hometown:** Wilmington, Delaware

*Amy Griffin*  
**Commissioner of  
Communications**



should know where the first state of the Union is. I have lived there all my life with my mom and my younger brother David. I went to Wilmington Christian School, a small Christian school with only about 300 students. I was secretary of my class for three years, a position that I enjoyed so much I decided to pursue it further at Houghton.

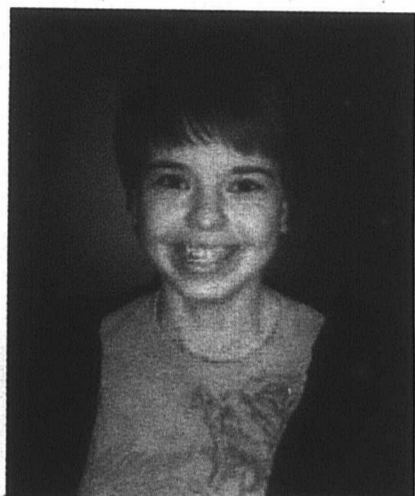
I'm really looking forward to serving the student body next year as Commissioner of Communications. I thank the Lord for the opportunity that He has given me to do this and for the gifts to be able to do it well. I also thank my mom; without her I wouldn't be here, and I wouldn't know half the stuff that I do about being an awesome secretary! Thanks, Mom; I love you!

Hello again! I'm looking forward to this next year again with the SGA, mostly because I've seen the way things work and am excited about watching the changes we've made implemented. For one, I hope to improve the relationship between the SGA and the clubs we support, bringing them "into the loop" and getting them information when they need it.

A little background on me. I'm an accounting major with a minor in French. This Mayterm I'll be traveling with two Houghton students and a Houghton graduate to Chiang Mai, Thailand, to perform a field audit of SIL's work there. Over the summer, I will once again be an intern in the offices of Deloitte & Touche, a CPA firm in Rochester. I'm looking forward to applying both classroom and SGA skills throughout my summer adventures.

In addition, I hope that all of you students are thinking up some fantastic ways of improving our campus through the Student Project Fund (SPF) next year. We will have a little over \$10,000 to work with each semester, so we are looking for ideas! When you arrive on campus in the fall, look for a "Now You Know" flyer explaining some of the details of the SPF and how you can get involved and make large-scale changes. I'm looking forward to serving with all of you!!

**Name:** Jessica Spear  
**Year:** junior  
**Major:** accounting  
**Hometown:** Houghton, NY



### Jessica Spear Commissioner of Finance

So, you want to know about your new SGA Cabinet. I'm Rod McCallum and I was recently elected as SGA Chaplain. Most of you probably know me as the "tousle-headed" guy that usually hangs out by Java 101 in the morning. My

### Rod McCallum Chaplain

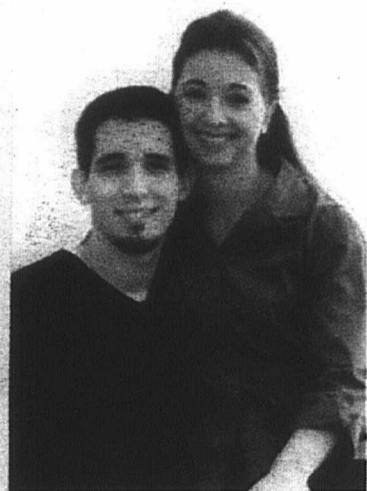
wife and I came to Houghton from Southern California (San Diego area, to be more precise). Most people immediately ask why on earth I came to school here from there. Good question. I find myself asking the same thing every now and then. The reason is that I have some family ties to the school and the area. My grandfather (Dr. Floyd McCallum) was a psychology professor here in the 70s, and my mother (Esther Ovell) grew up here. Besides, I'm Wesleyan, and I wasn't about to go to any other Wesleyan school, especially IWU.

I am a sophomore, double-majoring in humanities and religion with a ministerial concentration. I love school and learning so I am planning on going to grad school with the hopes of being a professor someday. A friend of mine who is a professor told me that if I love school as much as I do, I should figure out a way to get paid to be there (he says that's what he did).

Anyway, you may be interested in what I have planned for the future of our community's spiritual life. I am very excited about the new Dean of Chapel position. This is a great development because it literally triples the amount of time spent on

**Name:** Rod McCallum  
**Year:** sophomore  
**Major:** religion and humanities  
**Hometown:** San Diego, California

planning and developing chapel and spiritual life as a whole. I have several ideas for the coming year, such as a discipleship program and a spiritual life lecture series; however, if you have any ideas, don't hesitate to e-mail me at [rodney.mccallum@houghton.edu](mailto:rodney.mccallum@houghton.edu). I also look forward to brainstorming and planning with the new Dean of Chapel and Dr. Tilley to help and encourage our community to seek God more seriously and constantly than ever before. Thank you for having enough confidence in me to allow me to serve you in this capacity.



Hello, my name is Ben Howard; I was recently re-elected to serve you (the student body) as the Commissioner of Activities for the 2003-2004 school year. I am very excited to have another opportunity to serve as the CAB Director this coming year. I think the experience and knowledge I gained from being CAB Director during the present year will prove to be very useful next year.

### Ben Howard CAB director

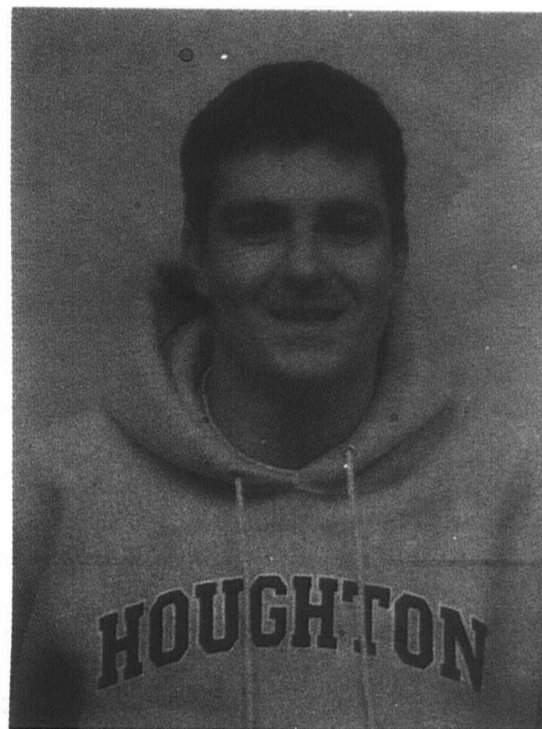
I anticipate a great year and look forward to working with the new CAB staff to plan fun and exciting events. In fact I am currently accepting applications for next year's CAB staff. Applications for the following positions can be found outside the CAB office (basement of the Campus Center): movie director, sound director, concert director, advertising director, secretary of activities, coffeehouse irector, and tech. director. Applications are due on April 4 and completed applications can be mailed to CPO #410.

**Name:** Ben Howard  
**Year:** sophomore  
**Major:** religion  
**Hometown:** Port Allegany, Pennsylvania

I also hope to find ways to get more students input for events. I feel that this will allow us

to see what the student body really wants. Gauging student interest would help us see if events like Battle of the Bands (12 p.m., Apr. 5 on the Quad), and coffeehouses with artists such as Tara Leigh Cobble (Friday, Mar. 28 at 7:30 p.m. in the Campus Center) are what the students want.

Thank you for re-electing me. I hope to work with the new CAB staff to bring you great events and more shameless plugs in the future.



I have been working on yearbook staffs since eighth grade in middle school. Two of those years in high school I served as the senior editor. That has been seven years now! I love every aspect of it, from designing layouts to coordinating everything. But to me, the best part is the week the yearbook comes out. I get excited as I listen to students talking, anticipating when they will receive theirs. It is rewarding to know that all my hard work has paid off and every yearbook will hold a sentimental place in the hearts of the students for years to come.

### Jamie Potter Boulder editor

Here at Houghton, I am looking forward to playing a significant role in yearbook production. I anticipate taking the *Boulder* to new heights through the integration of innovative techniques and methods. Yearbook is all about capturing and preserving life as it really is, but in an exciting and meaningful way. One of the keys of accomplishing this is writing copy. A solely photographic story does not tell the whole story. Thus, copy is needed for the yearbook to remain a living representation twenty years down the road. Another element I want to focus on is developing a strong theme to tie every page together. Without a developed theme, the yearbook is merely a collection of pictures and stories, not a unified encapsulation of Houghton life.

Yearbook has been such a big part of my life for so long that I will probably continue it even after I leave Houghton. Right now I am an English adolescent education major hoping to teach English at a high

**Name:** Jamie Potter  
**Year:** sophomore  
**Major:** English adolescent education  
**Hometown:** Westernville, NY

school level. "Schools always need yearbook advisors and I can see myself serving in that capacity. But first, I anticipate overseeing the production of the best yearbook that we are capable of producing next year.

## Singer Tara Leigh Cobble coming to Houghton

BY AARON BOYNTON  
STAR STAFF WRITER

Singer Tara Leigh Cobble will be performing this Friday at a free coffee house in the Campus Center at 7:30 p.m. The Greenville, TN native is a skilled musician on many instruments including flute, piano, and mandolin, but she loves guitar the most. Cobble considers her style to be "progressive folk rock." She has been influenced musically by bands and artists such as Caedmon's Call, David Wilcox, Rich Mullins, Ben Harper, Counting Crows, and John Cougar Mellencamp.

Cobble credits Jesus Christ as her inspiration and for giving her the talents to perform music. Tara is very rooted in her faith, which is shown by the page on her website that is dedicated to helping people come to Christ. It is titled "God's plan for your life" and goes through step-by-step to help readers realize what they need to do to become saved.

Tara Leigh Cobble is becoming

well-known in the Christian music scene and should be making a big splash in the next few years. Her latest release, *Home Sweet Road*, is a live recorded album that includes "I Wonder," "Regarding Miranda," and an acoustic version of Ben Harper's "Power of the Gospel," a wonderful tune about how the Holy Word affects us in so many different ways.

Cobble has a bright future ahead of her and should put on a wonderful concert. Come out this Friday and catch Tara Leigh Cobble in the Campus Center at 7:30 p.m. Buffalo-area band The Winnipeg Jets will be opening the show. Admission is free and refreshments will be provided, in addition to the Java 101 coffee stand selling a variety of hot beverages.



## and I quote...

QUIPS HEARD ON CAMPUS

"I want to see Dr. Eckley in leopard skin."

-Toby Cushing-

"What does science ask you to do but kill your baby? And if you fail, it lives. It lives forever. Yes, your baby is a vampire!"

-Dr. B. David Benedict on testing one's hypothesis-

"I'll reach down your throat and pull your tongue out."

-Prof. David O'Brien-

People all over campus say funny, random things! Sometimes they say serious things, too... Either way, the Star would love to print any quotes that you hear, so please email them to [star@houghton.edu](mailto:star@houghton.edu)!

## Austria and Western Pennsylvania collide in the Ortlip Gallery's trunk show

BY JOSH MILLER  
STAR STAFF WRITER

Recently, the Ortlip Gallery unveiled its latest exhibition, "The Trunk Show"—an interesting juxtaposition of steel sculptures welded by Bill Lambert and a diverse array of mixed media works on paper by his wife, Geneva College Professor of Fine Arts Lynda Lambert.

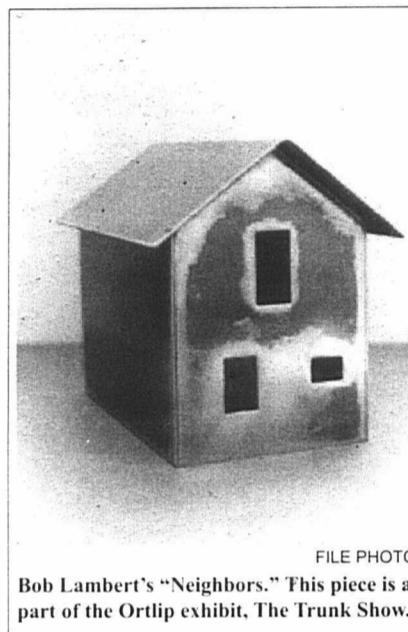
Mr. Lambert's pieces were inspired by the architecture of Western Pennsylvania and reflect the modest designs of typical Pennsylvania barns and farmhouses. The simplicity of these works receives further emphasis through their lack of color; most are unpainted steel models that are both quaint and mundane.

Mrs. Lambert's artwork, on the other hand, is quite complex. She claims that her paintings "are pretty abstract," which is an accurate assessment. Mrs. Lambert primarily uses an assortment of colors, shapes, and clippings (of words, people, clothing, and other various items) to construct her pieces. Most of these works depict the Austrian landscape that served as the home of Lambert's studio during their creation. In spite of this common theme, her art is very eclectic.

The bright, passionate reds and yellows and the intense brushstrokes of her *Grodig Sunset Series* sharply contrasts with the quieter beauty of the deep blues and purples of her *Midnight Garden Series*, while *Looking for Dali* differs vastly from both of these works; it contains a variety of clippings—the right side of a face, another partial face sporting a goatee and a pierced tongue, and the word "Dali" snipped from newsprint—set on top of a picture of a small child. While discovering the meaning behind these paintings (as well as her other works) is difficult, she is able to achieve a wide array of visual effects through their diversity.

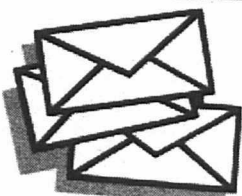
Along with painting, Mrs. Lambert is an accomplished poet. She recently published a collection of her literary work, entitled *Concert: Psalms for the Pilgrimage* and will be coming to Houghton to read selected poems and present a slide show in the Recital Hall on Thursday.

April 3, at 6:30 p.m. All students and faculty members interested in her artwork, poems, or experiences are encouraged to attend.



FILE PHOTO  
Bob Lambert's "Neighbors." This piece is a part of the Ortlip exhibit, The Trunk Show.

<p><b>Curious Guy asks:</b></p> <p>What would Houghton be like without the Houghton Fund? I'm curious!</p>	<p>Tuition covers 88% of Houghton's operating budget. That leaves 12% to be raised by the Advancement office.</p> <p>12% HOUGHTON FUND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-TUITION</li> <li>-ENDOWMENT</li> <li>-WINDFALLS</li> <li>-PRAYER</li> <li>-COINS FROM SOFA CUSHIONS</li> </ul> <p>Hmm... How curious...</p>	<p><b>Curious Guy slowly becomes Perceptive Guy.</b></p> <p>So without the Houghton Fund, I'd have 12% less of an education!</p>	<p><b>Less for class:</b></p> <p>I regret that 12% of you will be sharing a desk this semester.</p>	
<p><b>Less for sports:</b></p> <p>What's up with our hockey sticks?!</p> <p>12% budget cutbacks. Sorry.</p>	<p><b>Less for amenities:</b></p> <p>Bummer about that 12% of the year when there's no heating oil.</p>	<p>My Bible's missing the synoptic gospels!</p> <p>My laptop is missing punctuation marks and the ampersand.</p>	<p>My roommate doesn't have a head.</p> <p>There's a deep pit where the library parking lot used to be.</p> <p>There are no tenors in the chapel choir.</p> <p>Dr. Wardwell has stopped using vowels.</p>	<p><b>Eventually, Perceptive Guy becomes Generous Guy.</b></p> <p>Here's 12% of the lint left in my pockets after paying my college loans.</p> <p>Great! Participation is important!</p>



## Letterbox

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### SPOT clarifications

In response to Sara's letter, I would like to make a few clarifications about my own and other's sentiments regarding the infamous SPOT skit and resulting controversy.

While I entirely agree that Houghton's students should be more "open to thoughts and beliefs other than our own," I don't think that being "open" to these beliefs should include a tolerance for ridiculing others. (Whether or not the band's intention was to ridicule is not the issue—that is how it was widely perceived).

As for addressing these issues, I think that discussing them in public format such as the *Star* is hardly "running from the issue." And I can't speak for everyone offended by this skit, but (although I don't know any of the members involved) I did personally try to explain why this mockery of the homosexual community was offensive.

Sara also mentions, "that which disturbs may actually teach us the greatest lessons"—unfortunately, I don't think I learned a great lesson from this ordeal. Instead (for me at least), the stereotype of the sheltered homophobic Christian was reinforced.

I really don't think we "need to learn to deal with" insulting portrayals like that.

Instead, let's "deal with" the fact that there are a lot of people out there different us, and stop playing it up like it's some kind of joke.

—Susan Liedke, '05

*Editor's note: It is a policy that the Star cannot print unsigned letters. We received the following letter through intracampus mail with no author given, but we felt that the nature of the letter is something that people on campus need to hear.*

Dear little brother,

Hey, how are you doing? Better, I hope. As for me, it's a process. I'm getting better, learning every day, but each day is a fight. I know it's hard for you, too—what you're dealing with. Maybe you don't think your thorn is like mine, but I think it is. There's a visual struggle that has so many of us wrapped up in it, and it caught us both on the way to growing up. I hate it for stealing our childhoods and for molding our thoughts and tempting our hidden weaknesses. It keeps me from becoming a whole woman by making me hate my body, and you from becoming a whole man by tempting yours. I can't begin to describe my sorrow at the brokenness between men and women in this culture saturated with lies. You have your struggle and I have mine, but in that we share blood—not merely that of family

ties, but of Christ who died to set us free, let us not be driven apart but drawn closer in all of this. It is only from brokenness that we can be made new creations, freed and perfected by the transforming love of our Savior. I want you to know that you are forgiven. I love you, and I will always be here for you. I know you've had to forgive me, too. We're both imperfect. We've both failed—ourselves, each other, others. It is at the place where we can throw down pride and admit our gaping need for grace that we can emerge from the shadows and look to the future with hope and purpose. You loved me through all of my darkest times, all the apathy and anger, hedonism, petty self-centeredness, and the lowest things I could be. You can never know what it meant to me that you loved me like that. It was a glimpse of my Savior. And I love you just the same—even deeper in your weakness, deeper in your need. Here's my hand, take it, and let's get better, let's grow up. I love you, little brother, and I believe in you. Believe in what God created you to be and the power of forgiveness. You are in my heart and prayers always.

Love,  
Your sister

## EDITORIAL

But I still need more exercise! Shelley Dooley

I can't remember a time in my life when I haven't been active. My parents put me in ballet classes at the age of three because my pediatrician told them I needed something to teach me some grace. Too tall for gymnastics, ballet was the cure for my inability to walk without getting hurt. I'm not quite sure how well it worked. I danced my way through elementary school, middle school, and most of high school. In ninth grade my activity pallet grew with track; I took trips with my school's adventure club; I started weight lifting and waking my younger brother up at 5:30 a.m. to go rollerblading before school. College hasn't lessened my level of activity, and this year I decided it was time for me to run a marathon. So I've trained. I run, swim, lift and even gave tennis a shot—all in the name of my marathon; number two on my list of life goals.

When I decided to run a marathon at the end of the school year as my final farewell to college, it didn't dawn on me how cold it actually gets in Western New York. Morning after morning my friend and I braved the frigid temperatures and pounded the pavement. As I finish out my semester, May 3rd, my big day, is at the forefront of my mind. My weekends have turned from pure relaxation to long runs. Really long runs. I spend hours each week thinking about the marathon, training for the marathon, sleeping for the marathon, and eating for the marathon. My reward for training through frigid temperatures is now warmer weather. My prize for running endless miles is the realization of a goal I set five years ago.

While I spend so much time training for my second life goal, my first life goal is at the forefront of my mind—to live for God as a woman of faith. Sadly, I don't spend near as much time exercising my faith as I do training for my marathon. It's so much easier for me to run 18 or 19 miles on the weekend than it is for me to take a step of faith. My faith muscles are weak. If you were to measure how much body fat my faith has I'd be obese. I don't often make the effort to flex my faith muscles or run off the extra doubt calories that add to the very warm layer of fat surrounding my faith. In Matthew 21:21 Jesus says that if we have faith and do not doubt we can tell a mountain to throw itself into sea and it will be done. My faith is at times so weak that I don't think even a grain of sand would move.

When I was little and my parents stuck me in dance classes to learn grace, I stumbled across the floor trying hard to walk without falling over. At some level I achieved the grace originally intended for the class, but in other areas of my life I constantly stumble. It is, at times, a literal fall. Many of my friends are entertained by the fact that, especially in the snow and ice, I have a difficult time keeping my body upright. Other times, I experience emotional or spiritual falls. Most of these falls occur because I fail to exercise my faith.

Last summer I met a girl named Amber whose faith I greatly admire. A recent college graduate, she was clueless about her future. Rather than fretting over the uncertainty, she instead made the decision to wait for God to provide. She waited and filled out applications to various places but didn't worry when she was turned down. A few days before one temporary job ended, she received a call from a camp asking her to come and work the rest of the summer. She accepted. At the time I stood back and watched her, wondering how she could just passively await her future without concern and with such deep faith and confidence in knowing that God would provide. Although sedentary, Amber exercised her faith much more than I have ever done. Every single plan that I made and that I thought up for next year has fallen through. I thought the plans were good and right in the center of God's will for my life. Instead they were in the center of my will for my life. It wasn't until I sat back, stuck my foot out and asked God to place it down, that my faith got some exercise and I received direction.

God slammed door after door in my face, but when I gave Him my feet, He gave me a house. My marathon is in less than six weeks. I'll continue to exercise both my legs and my faith. My reward for the running will be a goal met. My reward for exercising my faith? Only God knows and judging from what He's already done, I bet it will be huge!

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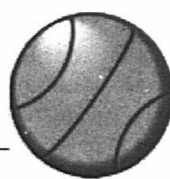
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1. Which school has made the most appearances in the round of 16?
2. What NCAA record did Darnell Archey of Butler set this season?
3. What movie was filmed in the gym where Butler plays?
4. Of the 64 teams in the tournament, which team had the player who averaged the most points during the season?
5. What statistic did Luke Walton of Arizona lead his team in?
6. What does IUPUI stand for?
7. Indiana University won the NCAA title in 1987 when Keith Smart hit the game-winning jumper with time expiring. Who did they beat?
8. Where is Austin Peay State University located?
9. What is the nickname of Vermont's team?
10. What is the University of Kentucky's fight song called?
11. In the history of the Syracuse Orangemen, who holds the single-game scoring record in the NCAA Tournament?
12. What is the name of Marquette's head coach?
13. How many schools from Utah are in the tournament?
14. Sam Houston State earned its first trip to the NCAA tournament by beating which school in the SLC tournament?
15. Since 1960, when Kentucky won the NCAA tournament, which team has won the World Series the most in those following years?

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## NAIA honors three Highlanders for work in classroom

The NAIA has recognized Houghton College women's basketball players Amanda Sweeney (Fair Haven, N.Y. / Hannibal HS), Katie Packard (Olney, Md. / Sherwood HS), and Jennifer Cadden (Saugerties, N.Y. / Saugerties HS) as Daktronics All-America Scholar-Athletes.

The three student-athletes join a select group of junior and senior basketball players who have maintained a minimum GPA of 3.50. This is the second time Sweeney and Packard have received the award.

Sweeney, a 5-11 senior forward, is the daughter of Frank and Flo Wallace. The elementary education and history major started 23 of 24 games during the season and was third on the team in scoring (13.4 points per game) and rebounding (6.7). She scored a career-high 32 points at Ursuline in January.

Packard, a 6-0 senior forward, is the daughter of Cindy and Hugh Packard. She is an elementary education and psychology major. She started 21 of 27 games during the season and averaged 6.1 points and 6.9 rebounds. She led the team with 44 blocked shots. She had a career-high 15 rebounds at Daemen and a career-high 18 points at Mansfield.

Cadden, a 5-10 junior guard, is the daughter of Bill and Karen Cadden. She is a mathematics and adolescence education major. She started 12 of 27 games this past season. She averaged 4.3 points and 2.6 rebounds, tallying a career-high 18 points versus Spalding University in December.

The Highlanders finished the 2002-2003 season with a record of 15-12, advancing to the first round of the American Midwest Conference Tournament.

## Athlete profile: senior Amanda Sweeney

BY JEN COON  
STAR SPORTS WRITER

Amanda Sweeney, a senior, just finished her basketball career at Houghton. Amanda finished with a total of 388 rebounds and 700 points in 81 games played during her four years here. The reason why she has played fewer games overall than other seniors is due to an injury and illness that she suffered during her junior year. She earned second team All-American Midwest Conference North Division in her senior year, and in her sophomore year, she received Honorable Mention All-NAC honors.

Amanda's most memorable basketball game occurred during her sophomore year, when the Lady Highlanders went to Roberts Wesleyan College to take on the Raiders. She had been in a slump for about two weeks and had lost her starting position. She came into the game and had the best game of her

career, making a new scoring high for herself at that point in her career. What Amanda found most important about the game, though, was that Houghton won and her family and friends were there to support her and the team.

Her most memorable basketball experience came during her freshman year in pre-season; she said that it was "just one example of what our team is to each other; very supportive and loving." Because Amanda was injured during pre-season and could not do the running with her teammates on the track, she felt frustrated that she could not participate with them. She was worried that the other girls might think she was slacking off, but instead, "they were an awesome support, sending me cards and being incredibly encouraging."

Amanda is an Elementary Education and history major. She plans to go to Syracuse University to get her graduate degree while teaching there. She is also very excited about her upcoming wedding this August.

