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Pastor Lenny Answers the Call

Susanna Rosenbaum

It is a bittersweet time for the Luchettis as they plan their summer move to Asbury Theological Seminary. Pastor Lenny, a 1996 Houghton alumnus, has enjoyed his years as Assistant Pastor at the Houghton Wesleyan Church and says that he and his wife Amy find it difficult to leave. "We are very happy here," Pastor Lenny explains. "We could stay forever." But he points out that often it is when we have developed that comfortable niche that God leads us to a new place. And so Pastor Lenny is excited to take what he has learned at Houghton with him to the new challenges that await him at Asbury.

After having spent the last several years in ministry, Pastor Lenny says that he is "excited by the opportunity to delve into God's Word," this time as a student. Particularly impressed with Asbury's "strong, solid view of Scripture," Pastor Lenny is confident that Asbury is where God is leading him. Asbury, a Methodist seminary, also comes very highly recommended by several alumni who are now professors here at Houghton. A lesser but not insignificant perk of Asbury is its location in the heart of civilization-by Houghton standards. It's only a five-minute drive to the nearest Wal-

Mart, and the city of Lexington is only fifteen minutes away!

Completing a ninety-six credit hour Masters of Divinity program will keep Pastor Lenny busy as a full-time student for the next three years, but he plans to remain involved in ministry throughout his time at Asbury. He hopes to find a part-time position as a pastor and continue preaching.

As Assistant Pastor at the Houghton Wesleyan Church, Pastor Lenny has spent about a third of his time involved in college ministries. In his interaction with students through Home Sweet Home Bible studies, in conversations over lunch at Big Al's, and many other avenues, Pastor Lenny has encountered many students whose "quest for greater truth and relevancy in Christ" has inspired him. What he has come to appreciate the most about college students is their honesty as they pursue life in Christ. "I have loved ministering to college students," says Pastor Lenny. "It excites me to see them grow."

Though he does not know the future, Pastor Lenny senses that, ultimately, his ministry will be to college students and he feels very blessed to have begun that ministry with Houghton students.

MLK Jr. Work Day Approaches *Students Primed to Pitch In*

Melanie Seales

Last year, over 300 students traveled around western NY volunteering their time to help others. This year, students again have opportunity to help out.

On Saturday, February 19, Houghton College students will serve at food pantries, soup kitchens, rescue missions, homeless shelters, and churches throughout Buffalo and Rochester as part of the college's annual celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

Vans provided by the college will bus students to both cities in the morning and take them to various organizations that need assistance with cleaning, painting and renovating of facilities, basic office work, sorting clothing, stocking shelves, and a variety of other tasks. In Rochester, the Crestwood Children Center and the Salvation Army are among the eight organizations getting assistance. Seventeen organizations in Buffalo will benefit from the day of service as well.

Students that participate also profit from the experience. Junior Danielle Bialy described her experience at last year's service day as "spiritually fulfilling." "I worked at a soup kitchen and we were able to minister to

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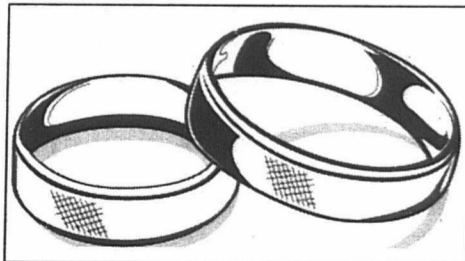
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Goin' to the Chapel *Church Sponsors Pre-marital Seminar*

Becca JungDhari

If you've seen the hot pink flyer around campus, you know that if you are engaged or "seriously contemplating marriage" (as a couple, not as a single) the premarital seminar sponsored by the Houghton Wesleyan Church is geared especially for you.

The annual premarital seminar is the church's way to help prepare couples for the reality of marriage: "It's not all warm fuzzies," says Lenny Luchetti. The seminar will be held this Saturday, February 12 at the Wesleyan Church community room and will include lectures on a variety of topics.



In his lecture, "How to Fight Fair" Dr. Doug Gaerte will be talking about a few foundational principles of communication that relate to marital communication. He will focus on the differences in communication between men and women and how these differences can

be sources of conflict if misunderstood.

In his lecture, "Babies and Other Consequences of Sex," Dr. Paul Young argues for a theological and human view of sexuality as part of God's design for marriage.

"I try to give people some idea of what they may expect from the sexual aspects of marriage, especially the practical sorts of things that are often overlooked in marriage manuals and

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EDITORIAL

Letter to the Editor: "Unconditional Love"

Kurt Sauder

I would like to express something that's been on my mind recently. I just want to wish everyone a happy Valentine's Day. I'm a senior, and over the past four years I've grown to love this campus. It troubles me, however, when I don't feel that love returned.

It troubles me when I see a brother put down another brother. That's why I have to apologize. As someone who is a fan of the Star, and a huge fan of the editorial work of the Star, and now a contributor to the Star, I am deeply troubled by some things that "we" have printed.

Frankly, it pertains to the Men's Basketball team here at Houghton.

Yes, they have a bad record, I know that. Yet, I know some of those guys. They've all been through a lot; and some of them for years. They are all great guys, some of Houghton's finest.

Why we would want to

kick a cripple when he's down, I don't know. Yet we do. It seems like every week we take a shot at the Houghton Basketball team. Not that they don't have a bad record, because they do. I don't think any of them would disagree. It just pains me that we do it so often, so cruelly, so unnecessarily and thoughtlessly. It's almost as if we have a personal vendetta against them. It's like a broken record, skipping over and over and over and over and over and over...

I ask you fans out there to just keep on loving your team like you have. The world needs love, not hate. I also ask you to give me a good elbow to the head if you see me badmouthing anyone, especially

someone living in a fishbowl, trying his or her best to help our school. I ask your forgiveness in advance, should you find such things in these pages henceforth.

Thanks for reading. If you've come this far, maybe you'll be willing to go a little further—will you be my Valentine?



Letter to the Editor: "On The Straight Talk Express Part One"

John Osae-Kwapong

The defeat was stunning. All along the message was simple; the Republican party nominee for the 2000 elections has already been decided. He is a real winner, the most electable candidate, he has a campaign war chest of almost seventy million dollars, the party establishment is solidly behind him and the endorsements from various groups and individuals have been countless. And so no matter the importance of the message other candidates were trying to get across, it appeared it made no difference. This is reflective of an old African saying "No matter how well the hen dances, the hawk is never pleased."

But when the polls finally closed on the 1st of February in New Hampshire, a myth was shattered. New Hampshire voters clearly indicated that winning the highest public office of this land involved more than just millions of dollars from special interest groups, endorsements and being a so called winner. However, with a John McCain victory in the New Hampshire primary has come a new line of negative attacks from opposing camps, especially the Bush campaign.

John McCain is now a liberal and as the South Carolina primary draws nearer the Bush Campaign hopes to draw the attention of voters to this very important fact especially as they attempt to characterize Governor Bush as the real and only compassionate conservative in the Republican race. John McCain is now being portrayed as another Bill Clinton. A man who talks from both sides of his mouth, a senator whose record shows nothing but two failed attempts at passing campaign finance reform and tobacco legislation, a Senator who does not have the support of his own party, a candidate who talks about campaign finance reform and yet violated laws regard-

ing primary spending limits in New Hampshire, a man with a very bad temper, and the candidate whose campaign is pushed forward not because he has a message but because he has the liberal media establishment behind him.

Is the real Senator John McCain the one being portrayed now after his victory in New Hampshire? Have the attacks increased because he poses a threat to the Republican party establishment and their desire to see none other than Gov. Bush as the party's nominee? America's democracy is the presidential model where party influence is supposed to be insignificant where elections are concerned, but I sometimes wonder about this when I see the source of the attacks on John McCain.

So who is this Arizona Senator called John McCain who wants to be the next president of the United States? In the next few weeks we will together examine his candidacy as I walk you through what he is saying and why he is saying what he is saying. In essence welcome aboard the Straight Talk Express and to the message of Senator John McCain.

His welcome message says, "No two people agree on every issue, but as a candidate for the President of the United States I owe you my candor. You will always know where I stand. I'm sure you will agree that our cherished democracy can thrive only by vigorous, open, and honest discussion of the issues affecting our country and our lives. Together we can make the 21st Century a time worthy of our highest dreams and aspirations."

This is a man who has never wavered in his desire to always place America first; he is a hero, a man of true courage, integrity and leadership and at a time when America needs a hero to lead her, a genuine article can be found in John McCain.

3 seconds of Kindness

On Tuesday, February 1, I was shown a great kindness. One of my friends jokingly put a sign on the print center door that read, "Sarah is on duty and stressed - be kind." The sign remained for two days and no one even thought about it. Some people just laughed when they did notice it and it left their minds just as quickly. A student here at Houghton, one whom I have never met and probably will never know, saw the sign. He came into the print center and smiled at

me. He then wished me a great day.

This may seem like something simple but to me this meant the world. Such a simple kindness, and yet it made me cry. To this young man I say, "Bravo, for showing the love of God." I don't know you but you are in my prayers and I am thankful for the three seconds of kindness you showed me. To everyone else, I say follow this example. You will be showing the love of God and will brighten someone's day.

Sarah Wood

Come See
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NEWS

Band Concert Friday

Jazz Ensemble, Symphonic Winds Perform

Kristin Leach

The Houghton College Symphonic Winds and Jazz Ensemble will perform a joint concert on Friday, February 11 at 7:30 p.m.

Trombone soloist Ken Crane, formerly a member of the Maynard Ferguson and Buddy Rich big bands will solo with both ensembles. The Winds will present "Concerto for Trombone" by Nicolai Rimsky-Korsakov, "Sea

Songs" by R. Vaughan Williams, and "Overture for Winds" by Felix Mendelssohn.

The Houghton College premiere of "Northwest Suite" by Greg Rudgers, the band director at Elmira, New York, will also be performed. Rudgers will be recognized at the program.

The concert will take place in Wesley Chapel. Admission is free and open to the public.

Work Day continued

those who came in from the streets," she said.

Peter Amos, Director of Intercultural Affairs at Houghton, organized the event. "Houghton students feel they have a responsibility to reach out and help others," Amos said.

This spirit of servant hood is what prompted nearly one-third of the student body to volunteer at last year's service day. Amos expects a similar turnout this year and urges students

to sign up before the deadline of today, Wednesday, February 9.

Signup sheets will be placed on tables located by the stairs of the dining hall. The vans will leave the Campus Center at 8 a.m. and will return at approximately 5 p.m. Pioneer Services will provide bagged lunches for all student volunteers. For more information contact Peter Amos at extension 5570 or Ayoko Atayi at extension 1524.



Seminar continued

the birds and bees talk from Mom and Dad. In the discussions I try to lessen some of the anxiety about sex, while building a sense of the mystery and awe that surround what God hath wrought."

Dr. Michael Lastoria lecture is entitled, "Marriage and the Family: Ties that Bind." He presents marriage as "a joining of two families rather than the joining of two individuals." Dr. Lastoria will attempt to separate marriage from overly romantic Western notions that consider love as something created within the union, rather than something that is a finished product before the union. "I may also add that nobody is ready for marriage...marriage makes you ready for marriage." Marriage is the "iron sharpening iron that God uses to bring us into adulthood."

Nearly 80 percent of divorced couples between the ages of twenty and thirty state that financial problems were the primary causes of their divorce. Unfortunately, few young couples know what they did to create their financial problems or what they need to do to solve them. Prof. Ken Bates' lecture, "Finances, Budgets, and Other Practical Matters," will face

these issues head on by looking at scriptural principles and the experience of others for help. According to Professor Bates, "Managing our resources well while building a strong marriage is entirely possible, but takes some work. Couples will leave this workshop with some handles on how this can be done."

In "Building a Solid Spiritual Foundation" Pastor Wes and Cindy Oden will be sharing about the importance of a marriage centered in Jesus Christ. "We will be talking some about the equality of men and women in God's creation as well as sharing some practical ideas for keeping Christ at the center of the couple's relationship."

When asked about the seminar, Jeff Eggleston said, "I am looking forward to the seminar and all the advice that we will be given. But I am especially looking forward to Dr. Young's lecture on how to make babies." If you are interested in attending this seminar, register at the Info Center by 5:00, as the deadline is today. The seminar will begin at 9:00am and end around 5:00. The cost is \$15 a couple (includes breakfast and lunch).

The World Out There

Jay Jennings

Hilary Clinton Officially Announces Candidacy

Monday Mrs. Clinton announced that she would run for U.S. Senate in New York. Although she had been campaigning for months, it was not until Monday morning in Purchase, New York that she, with her husband and daughter at her side made it official. In an attempt to answer the question of why she is running for Senate in New York even though she has only been a resident for a month Mrs. Clinton said, "I may be new to the neighborhood. But I'm not new to your concerns."

(www.washingtonpost.com)

Russian Oil Tanker Seized

An oil tanker suspected of carrying oil from Iraq to Russia was seized Sunday by U.S. Navy SEAL commandos. After tests, it was confirmed that the oil was from Iraq which is a violation of the UN's embargo on Iraq. Moscow is de-

manding the release and return of the tanker to Russia, but the tanker is being held in Oman and the fate will be decided there. (www.cnn.com)

Iverson ties Career High of 50 Against Kings

The Philadelphia Stars beat the Sacramento Kings 119-108 as Allen Iverson had 50 points on 20-40 shooting, 9 rebounds and 6 assists. With the performance, Iverson put his league leading scoring pct. at 31.5pts/game, 3.8pts higher than Shaquille O'Neal's, yet Iverson was not chosen to be on the Olympic Basketball team. (www.espn.go.com)

New Hampshire Primary

Results from last week's Democrat and Republican primary in NH. Gore's narrow margin of victory is seen as a sign of hope for Bradley supporters, and McCain's surprising landslide victory shocks Bush supporters. This week the focus is on the South Carolina Primary.

On Being a Vegetarian

Jea Adams

After being hassled for what I was eating one day at lunch (a sandwich made of humus and sprouts to be exact) I realized that I get one of three reactions when telling someone that I am a vegetarian.

The first one is "That's not healthy; you don't get the protein and other nutrients you need." This is false. Since making the switch, I have been eating healthier than ever before. I know I need protein and iron, which I get in the form of beans (Garbanzo beans) nuts, eggs, cheese and soymilk. The difference between eating the list of things mentioned above and meat is that I cut out unneeded fat, and no animals have died in order to feed me. I also take multi-vitamins and calcium supplements daily just in case I don't get enough of what I need.

Another reaction I get is, "How can you do that? It must be hard finding things you can eat." Unlike vegans who eat nothing coming from animals, I allow myself to eat dairy and egg products with the exception of soy milk. The reason I use soy milk in my daily diet is after doing research, I found out that soy milk has just as much calcium as regular milk, but with isoflavones which help prevent cancer and boost the immune system. Tofu and other soy products have become a staple (just ask any of the girls in my townhouse) for almost

every dinner, and can be cooked in many different delicious ways.

The last comment I get is, "Why?" I have several reasons: 1) It helps me to watch what I eat and pay attention to the food groups. 2) I know that I need to get protein and iron in my everyday diet, so I go out of my way to eat healthy foods that contain these nutrients. Read Upton Sinclair's "The Jungle"! Although we aren't in the early 1900's anymore, the thought of what is written in there about the meat packing/processing industry makes me cringe. The amount of steroids and anti-biotics that they pump into some of those animals is disgusting, and it still happens today. I don't know about you, but I can do without all that in my system.

And 3) I have felt better, lost a little weight, and have more energy than when I used to eat meat. Because I consume a lot of fruits, vegetables and beans, I get more fiber in my diet than the average person. I also don't ever suffer from indigestion and hardly ever feel "weighed down" after a big meal. (Don't get me wrong, I still eat what I need to get my calories for the day, just not anything extremely greasy or fried which can give a person the above mentioned feeling.)

Before making any change in your diet, it is a good idea to check with your doctor; however I challenge you to try vegetarianism for a day and see what you think.

FEATURE

A Western New York Valentines's Day

Candy, Flowers, A Night on the Town, and Clydesdales

Jea Adams

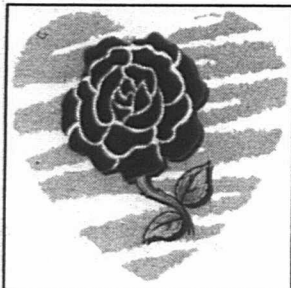
With Valentine's Day coming up next Monday, you may be wondering what you can do to surprise your significant other or what is available for friends and other loved ones. There are many places you can go and numerous things you can do to celebrate this special day of love.

For the first year ever, the campus store is selling fresh flowers by the dozen, half dozen, and even individually. They have already taken orders, but purposely sent for more than they should have so there will be many unclaimed fragrant bouquets for those who decided to wait until the last minute. You have a choice of roses, carnations, and even daisies. (These flowers make nice gifts to a girlfriend, boyfriend, fiancée, best friend, favorite professor, roommate, those who keep you up-to-date with Houghton happenings in the STAR every Wednesday....etc) Reservations will be taken until Valentine's Day, so get your money and your poetry ready because they even deliver for free!

I consulted Kathie Brennehan for a list of restaurants in the area, and she gave me a few suggestions. Looking for somewhere local?... Jack and Mary's

right down the road has special V-day dinner specials and a cozy atmosphere. If you are searching for a place you can dress up for, Cuba is home to the famous Moonwinks restaurant, which has early bird specials before 5:30 p.m.

Why not pop an album in the CD player to set the mood ("Crash" by the Dave Matthews Band or U2's "Joshua Tree" both work well) and whisk your date forty-five minutes away to Olean where there is a variety of places you can choose from. Mian Rafi's, found on North Barry Street (which runs parallel to Main) has food tastes for every occasion. Here you can find Mexican, Italian, Greek (Scandelizo!), Indian, Chinese and American dishes along with live music and friendly service.



Olean is also home to the Beef and Barrel, along with the Old Library, both excellent choices for exquisite dining and semi-reasonable prices.

The Hard Rock Cafe or Planet Hollywood in Niagara are also fine places to eat, and you almost can't top a trip to the Falls afterwards to gaze at the water and into each other's eyes.

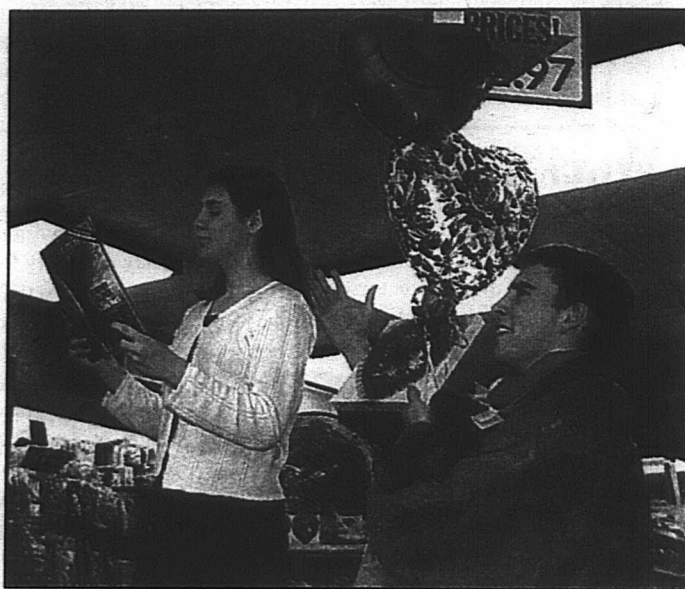
If you would like to see a movie, I recommend the Carmike Cinema in Olean, Tinseltown in Rochester, or the \$1.50 (supposedly now it's 2 dol-

lars) theatre in Buffalo.

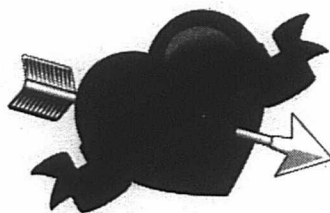
But if you feel like being the talk of the Campus Center, why not call up Olson Clark (a Houghton Graduate) and take your date on a snowy sleigh ride around Fillmore? Mr. Clark has a sled with Clydesdale horses and will be more than happy to take you and your significant other on a beauti-

ful jaunt through the countryside.

No matter what you do this February 14th, how much money you spend or don't spend, or who joins you in the celebration, remember that Jesus loves us most of all and that is the best Valentine's Day gift anyone could ever receive!



To Monica
Be My
Valentine!



Love,
Tim

What could be better than classical love songs on Valentine's?

Come hear Ruth Erde and Sarah Hanson in their Senior Voice Recital to held in the Center for the Arts at 8:00 p.m. on February 14th.

Question of the Week: "What do you like most about Valentine's Day?"



-- Dan Frank
(Senior)

"Getting candy the next day for real cheap at the campus store."



-- Jagr Wakeman
(Junior)

"That my girlfriend doesn't expect anything."

photos by Kevin Baker and Jim Ulrich

FEATURE

Shadow of the Phil-lennium

Groundhog Sees Shadow, Expect Six More Weeks of Winter

Steve Mason and Denise Dunckle

For the ninetieth time since 1887, famous groundhog weatherman Punxsutawney Phil predicted six more weeks of winter by declaring that he saw his shadow this past February 2.

According to an official website - www.groundhog.org - this is only the third time in the past six years that Phil has seen his shadow. He emerged from his burrow, saw his shadow, and forecast six more weeks of winter. Thousands of onlookers shuffled around in 15-degree weather trying to keep warm. The results were met with enthusiastic cheers, as if an early spring was announced.

The Groundhog Day festivities draw about 20,000 tourists

a year to the small village of Punxsutawney, PA. for a day-long celebration complete with dances, ice-sculpting competitions, and pa-

rades. In the past few years, Punxsutawney Phil has visited President Reagan, had an audience with the governor of Pennsylvania, and appeared on the Oprah Winfrey show.

In 1993, the comedy "Groundhog Day" was released. Based on the Punxsutawney celebration, the film has grossed over \$100 million.

The modern tradition of

Groundhog Day began with the ancient Romans, who passed it along to the Germanic people they conquered as "Candlemas Day," the

halfway point of winter. Many Pennsylvanian settlers came from German backgrounds and adapted the tradition of "Candlemas Day" into what we now know as Groundhog Day.

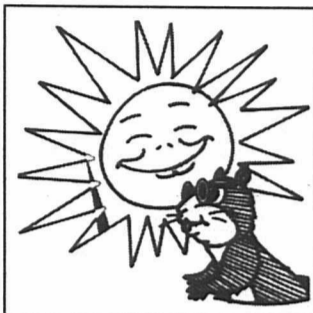
An old German

saying proclaims: "For as the sun shines on Candlemas Day, / So far will the snow swirl until May. / For as the snow blows on Candlemas Day, /

So far will the sun shine before May."

German settlers brought this custom to Pennsylvania 114 years ago when the official celebration of Groundhog Day began on February 2, 1886. On this day Clymer Freas, an editor of The Punxsutawney Spirit wrote: "Today is groundhog day and up to the time of going to press the beast has not seen its shadow."

Central Pennsylvania's Punxsutawney Phil, also known as Seer of Seers, Sage of Sages, Prognosticator of Prognosticators, and Weather Prophet Extraordinaire weighs fifteen pounds and loves to eat dog food and ice cream. He resides in a climate controlled home in the Punxsutawney Library.



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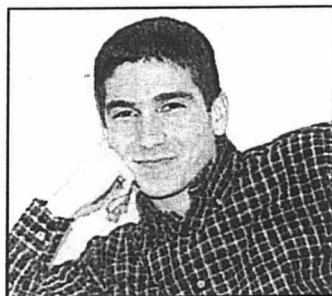
What are you doing next year?

How about running for...

- * the Boulder?
- * the STAR?
- * the Lanthorn?
- * the SGA Cabinet?

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Commissioner of Activities (CAB)
Commissioner of Finance
Commissioner of Communications
Vice-President (must be junior or senior)
President (must be junior or senior)

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



-- Jeff Hirschhoff (Senior)

"NCMO."



-- Jasmine and Sam (Cutie Pie)

"Candy."

COMMUNITY

Ministry Moment: *Jesters for Jesus*

Stephanie Smith

If you can recall as far back as last chapel of last semester (I know for some of us this may be tough), you may be able to recall a few clowns running rampant on stage. These crazy clowns are known as "Jesters for Jesus."

They are a clown ministry that has been on campus even before 1996. They work in conjunction with the mime team as well as The Outreach Team Committee working on events in the community and local churches in the area. They perform dramatic skits, sing songs, and in their creative ways reach out to children.

The seven members including President Daisy Chamberlain range from freshmen to juniors. Their full costume and makeup make them hard to miss. If you're saying to yourself "wow!", what a fun and creative way to win souls for the Lord, then you should think about joining.

Jesters for Jesus have weekly meetings every Tuesday from 6:00 to 7:00 in NAB 327; new members are always welcome. And if you're not interested in joining but would like to see them perform, check them out this Sunday 9:00 at Caneadea United Methodist or 10:00 Belfast United Methodist.

Play Profile: *Colin Beers*

Melanie Hess

Colin Beers, at the age of five, made his acting debut on the stage at the church where his father was pastor. He continued to act in skits and church productions for most of his school days.

As a junior in high school, however, he began to be involved in larger high school productions. "I started doing plays left and right," Colin explains. During his senior year he got a lead role in the musical *The Pajama Game*, which meant lots of solos and duets, and Colin really enjoyed it.

Since he came to Houghton, Colin has performed in three plays—*The Miracle Worker* is his fourth. One of his favorite roles

since he came to Houghton was Buckley, the character he played in last semester's production, *Father of the Bride*. According to Colin, his character this semester is "nothing like Buckley." Colin plays Captain Keller, Helen Keller's father who is, says Colin, "preoccupied with shouting." The play begins with Helen's birth and then skips ahead to when Helen is six, and Captain Keller is featured throughout the play.

One interesting thing that Colin is undertaking for this role is the growing of a beard. He has never done that before, but the script calls for whiskers.

The *Miracle Worker* will be performed on March 16-18 at the Houghton Academy.

Spotlight on Faculty: *Dr. Harold Kingdon*

Jonathan Hart

Here's a face that's probably familiar. But what you may not know is how busy this man is. Chair of the Department of Religion and Philosophy, as well as Professor of Christian Ministries, Dr. Harold Kingdon

has his hands full teaching a variety of courses including Biblical Literature, General Epistles, Old Testament Prophets, Cults and New Age, as well as Old Testament Historical Books.

A graduate of Houghton College in 1957, Dr. Kingdon went to pastor in Spencerport, NY (near Rochester) for six years. He and his family then traveled to Kentucky where they lived for four years as he finished two degrees: a Masters in Divinity and a Masters in Theology. Years later, while teaching here, he also attained his Doctorate from Bethel Theological Seminary.

But Dr. Kingdon has not always been an academic. He actually used to work in the head office for the Ontario Northland Railway before he changed his mind about not wanting to go to school. Actually, most scholars are not only scholars. Though now he teaches and works in the mental arena, Dr. Kingdon's mind is not his only tool. One of his longtime hobbies (I use this term loosely)



has been carpentry, construction, and remodeling. Since he moved to Houghton in 1967, he put his hands to work often, building his own house as well as those of several community members.

Though a Canadian by birth and still a citizen of Canada, Dr.

Kingdon has come to settle in this small New York town. That's not to say he sits still. His kids are all married now and have moved south to Tennessee, North Carolina, and Virginia. So, he and his wife have had the opportunity to travel even as far as the West Coast in their 31-foot Airstream RV. They must have enjoyed their adventures during the holidays because Dr. Kingdon's schedule does not leave much room for much else. You see, along with his many responsibilities here at the college, he is also an interim pastor at Trinity Church in Nunda.

To sit in on Dr. Kingdon's lectures one would not think about the busyness of life. His style is relaxed, and he speaks carefully, deliberately, always with a slight smile, from which at any moment may burst a bit of humor. It is easy to see how much he likes teaching: "I like the students. I like my colleagues. I like the whole Houghton atmosphere." Dr. Kingdon is truly one of Houghton College's greatest assets.

Winter Weekend Schedule

Week of Romance: February 6-12, 2000

Wednesday, February 9

6:30-?? Super Mario Kart Tournament in the Campus Center Lounge

6:30-?? Ping pong, Chess, Pool, and Dutch Blitz Tournament in the Campus Center

Prizes for Tournament winners include Holiday Valley passes, Olde Library gift certificates, passes for Bowling at Letchworth Pines, and much more!

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

Thursday, February 10

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

Friday, February 11


10:00 SPOT in the Chapel

Auditions to be determined. Look for signs in the Campus Center

Saturday, February 12

6:00 Banquet (\$5 a ticket)

8:00 Artist Series featuring Lisitsa & Kuznetsoff



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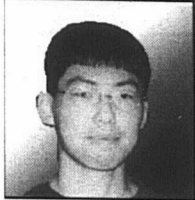
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ENTERTAINMENT



Mo Nishitani

Motoi on Music

With Special Guest Eric Hamlin

A Thought Crushed My Mind Blindside

Solid State Records

Mo: This week we will be looking at a hardcore band from Sweden, Blindside. I thought their debut album did pretty well, but with this sophomore album it seems like they have gotten harder and involves much more screaming.

Eric: I admit, this album seems harder than the first, and the CD definitely isn't for everyone. But if you're into hardcore music with inspirational lyrics, and Twila or Sandy Patti just won't do, this album is right up your alley!

Mo: Okay, let's take a look at this album. After listening to more than four songs, it seems like all the songs sounds alike.

Eric: To the untrained ear maybe. But if you listen to the CD more than once, Blindside's melodic sound, along with the explosive energy of their music comes

through, giving each song a personality of its own.

Mo: I will admit that the music itself as a band is appealing, but the vocals give me a headache. I do like the fact that they have added more variety such as strings to this album, but why do you think that the band has matured from their first album?

Eric: I think their maturity can be seen in the tightness of their sound and the production of the album, but more importantly I think it can be seen in their willingness to form their own sound and not lean toward sounding like anyone else. It's true, if Blindside was the only band in your CD collection you would probably have your share of migraines. But if you're looking for a quality sound that gets you pumped, and you're tired of the contemporary, "A thought crushed my mind" is a great choice.

Mo: It seems to me that Blindside speaks of spiritual issues in many of their songs. What do they speak or scream about in the concerts?

Eric: Well I only saw them once at Cornerstone, and they were in the middle of a few shows, so they only had a limited time. But the one thing I remember is that the lead singer gave the crowd a challenge: to stop bowing to complacency in our lives and remember our calling. That was a pretty powerful

message and went right along with a lot of the lyrics of both their albums. Their lyrical style is one of the main reasons Blindside is one of my favorite bands. What do you think about their lyrics?

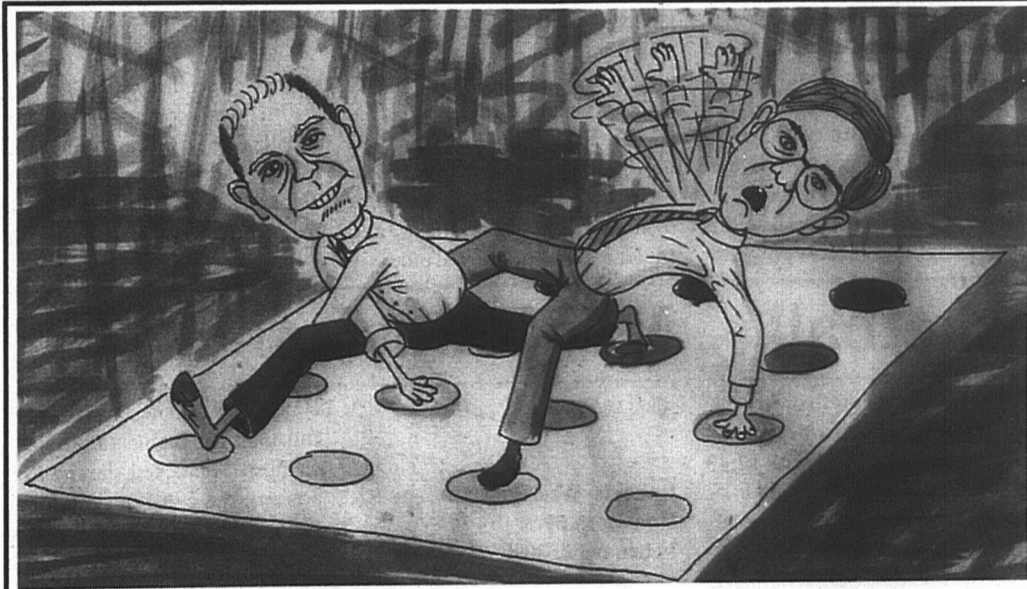
Mo: I think that Blindside, like many other hardcore bands, goes beyond the surface and reaches to what seems to be the core of the human spirit. I think maybe that is why their music is so intense, it screams out what needs to be heard or what they feel about their lives. And while I enjoy screaming to a certain extent, an entire album of screaming doesn't appeal to me. But I will certainly check them out at Cornerstone this summer.

Eric: You're right, their sound is intense and forces you to think beyond surface things. I think I hear more of their melodic sounds and singing than you do in this album, especially in songs like "As You Walk," "Where Eye Meets Eye" and "Nothing But Skin." But I can see where the screaming would get a little overpowering. But that's what makes their sound so unique—their mix of singing, screaming and even a little bit of strings! They also put on a concert that you'll never forget (The lead singer even spit water on me!).

Mo: Well thank you for your opinion, Eric. I hope that Blindside receives more attention in the future.

As It Were...

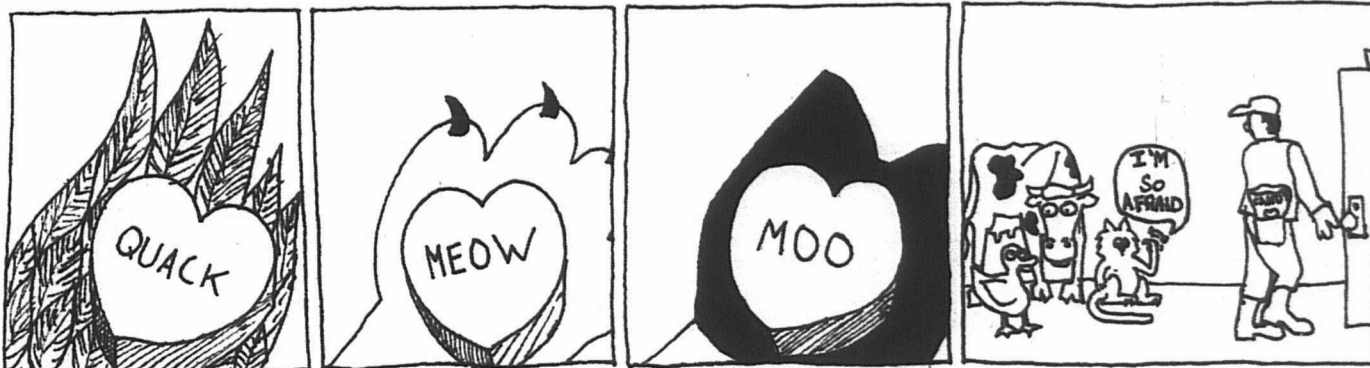
by Kevin MacDonald



In a surprising upset, President Chamberlain defeats Dean Danner in a hotly contested game of "twister."

Man and Snail

By Donovan Church



The Top Ten Things on the Men's Basketball Team To-Do List

Steve Maxon

- 10 Give Sanjeev a uniform and get slide-tackling legalized
- 9 Change the rules so Halfcourt Shootout winners automatically start the second half
- 8 Cut way down on the pre-game chalupas
- 7 Find another few high school kids who can't pass or shoot and throw four grand at them
- 6 After a 1-21 start, maybe it's time to reconsider the "lucky" Power Rangers underwear
- 5 Pull off blockbuster trade with women's team: they get our entire starting lineup, we get Alicia Campbell and Libby Shaw
- 4 Begin scheduling for next year; start calling elementary schools and nursing homes
- 3 Step One: Win a game. Step Two: Uhh...can you get back to us on that?
- 2 We lost by 33?? Lobster for everybody!!!
- 1 Three words: clone the Yandas!

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SPORTS

Intramurals

Women's Basketball

The Last Hoorah (6-1)
def. Dribblers (4-3)
Chai Shakers (5-2) def.
Silence of the Lams (6-1)

Championship game is
Wednesday, Feb. 9

Coed Volleyball

A-LEAGUE

Sauder def. Zenith
(preliminary round)
Kwasakwawa (7-1)
def. Sauder (3-5)
Mostly Music
Majors (5-3) def.
Atlantis (4-4)

Championship game is
Wednesday, Feb. 9

B-LEAGUE

We Just Want a T-Shirt
(8-1) def. Kibebe
Maziwa (6-3)
Jenna Louise (8-1)
def. 11 Schwann
Cells (6-3)

Championship game
is Wednesday, Feb. 9

Men's Basketball
and Women's Soccer
coming next week

Men's Volleyball Update

Houghton Spikes Bonnies in Three Straight

Aaron Mack

**Houghton Highlanders v.
St. Bonaventure Bonnies'**
February 4, 2000
7:00 p.m.

The Nielsen Center was the sight of some high-flying men's volleyball action as the Highlander Men's team entertained the visiting St. Bonaventure Bonnies in EIVA league play.

A crowd of nearly 125 enjoyed the exhilarating game. The team had beaten the Bonnies only six days previous in the Highlander tournament. The guys came out on fire in front of the late arriving crowd and were able to hold

off a late Bonnies' surge to win the first set 25-17.

With senior setter and Captain Rob Luckey out for a time in the second set, Bonaventure made a spirited but unsuccessful comeback attempt. Luckey's return sparked the team and they took the second set by an identical 25-17 score. The second set was won with overall team consistency and great serving from junior Matt Rigby and senior middle Brian Pickard.

Coach Aaron Cole went with a different look for the third set and started big hitter Wes Brown and Aaron Harrington. The team responded well and stated "enfuego." The Bonnies matched the Highlanders' enthusiasm and re-

sponded by taking a midset lead of 11-9. However, a heads-up defensive gem by Paul Perry proved the turning point of set three. Rob Luckey's serving carried the momentum to a 21-20 Houghton lead. From there, Brian Pickard's serving proved to be too much as Houghton won the very exciting third set 25-22.

The 3-0 win was an obvious delight for the home fans as a wonderful roar arose when the final point was scored. As for the Bonnies, well, they couldn't leave quick enough. The Houghton Men's volleyball team put on a wonderful show for a Friday crowd that should leave Houghton fans craving for more. Keep your eyes open for future games.

Indoor Soccer Tournament

Houghton Gray Emerges Victorious

Dionne Miller

Early Saturday morning, ten different soccer teams gathered in the Nielsen Center for the 14th annual Houghton College Women's Soccer Indoor Classic. Coach David Lewis orchestrated the event, sending invitations to over 60 different colleges and universities in Western and Central New York, Pennsylvania, and Eastern Ohio to participate.

In years past, 16 teams were permitted to play, this year,

however only ten slots were open and were quickly filled. The Houghton women were represented in four different squads.

The current women's team was divided to represent Houghton College wearing gray and white. The seniors and a strong group of alumni participated, proving they had lost none of their game.

Roberts Wesleyan College, Alfred State University, Geneseo State College, Elmira College, Pitt-Brad College, and Malone College were the other six

teams represented.

Each team was placed into a different pool, guaranteed to play at least four games, with the top two teams advancing. The women battled game after game playing from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

The championship round came down to Houghton against Houghton. The current women's team proved victorious in a thrilling match involving Gray versus White. After regulation play the score was deadlocked at 2-2.

The score remained knotted through five sudden death overtimes, finally ending on penalty kicks, leaving Houghton Gray the indoor classic champions with a final score of 3-2.

Women's Basketball

Jason Mucher

**Roberts Wesleyan College 68,
Houghton 56**
February 5, 2000

Roberts Wesleyan handed Houghton its first conference loss of the season and broke the Lady Highlanders' 10-game winning streak with a 68-56 win.

Houghton (13-5; 5-1) jumped ahead early, taking an 11-6 lead just four minutes in and led 18-12 with 11:27 to go in the first half. Roberts used a 14-4 run to take a 26-22 lead with three minutes left and led 28-27 at the break. Houghton struggled from the field in the first half, shooting just 29 percent, but improved on that early in the second half, exploding for

seven straight points to open a 34-28 lead. After a Roberts' run evened the score at 37 with 12:43 remaining, Houghton pulled back ahead by four (43-39) at the 11-minute mark.

Then the Lady Highlanders' offense dried up and Roberts took advantage. The host Raiders scored seven-straight points to take a 46-43 lead with 8:41 left and never looked back. Roberts outscored Houghton, 29-13, in the final 11 minutes of the second half. Houghton shot just 29 percent from the field for the game.

Janelle Tombs led the Lady Highlanders with 19 points and nine rebounds. Alicia Campbell added 12 points and five assists, Libby Shaw chipped in with 10 points, and Wendy Ivey added six points and nine rebounds.

Men's Basketball

Jason Mucher

**Roberts Wesleyan College 92,
Houghton 59**
February 5, 2000

A slow start and slow finish hurt the Highlanders in a 92-59 loss to Roberts Wesleyan College. Roberts scored the game's first nine points and led 25-3 with 8:55 left in the first stanza. The Highlanders were able to trim the lead to 17 (38-21) with one minute left in the half. Roberts led 42-22 at the intermission.

Houghton kept up its improved play to start the second stanza. Jeremy Thomas scored two buckets and Jeremy Martin added six points in a 10-2 Houghton run that pulled the Highlanders within

10 just five minutes into the half. But then the momentum quickly changed. A blocked shot by Roberts sparked a 9-0 run and forced Highlanders' coach Brad Zarges to use a timeout. He received a technical foul for protesting the earlier blocked shot, insisting the ball was on its way down and should have been called goaltending. Roberts converted the ensuing free throws and added a bucket on the next possession to take a commanding 59-34 lead.

Jeremy Martin led all scorers with 23 points and pulled down a team-high 10 rebounds. Jeremy Thomas scored nine points, Dan Yanda chipped in with eight points, and Ryan Pualing added five points and a team-high six assists.

Next up, an away game at Holy Family.