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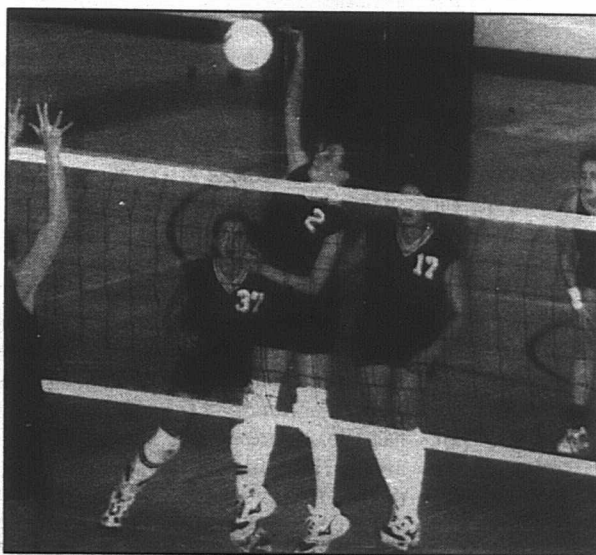
## Spike This! Volleyball Headed to NAIA Nationals

*Courtesy of Jason Mucher*

By capturing the NAIA Northeast Regional Volleyball Championship, the Houghton College Lady Highlanders are headed to the national tournament for the first time in the program's history.

It didn't start easy, as second-seeded Houghton had to battle conference-rival Roberts Wesleyan College in the semifinals. The Lady Highlanders won in five games (14-16, 15-5, 15-5, 10-15, 15-8), led by Amie Fells (Sr; Anderson, Calif.) with 14 kills and 20 digs, Alison Roberts (Jr; Belmont, N.H.) with 14 kills and 28 digs, Linda Shea (So; Houghton, N.Y.) with 35 digs and five aces, Monica Wagoner (Fr; Annapolis, Md.) with 16 kills, and Allison Chubb (Sr; York, Pa.) with 56 assists.

In the finals Houghton had little trouble with top-seed Bloomfield (N.J.) College, winning in three straight (15-7, 15-8, 16-



*photo courtesy of Prof. Greenway*

*Houghton rises to the occasion*

14). Houghton (26-6) was led by Fells' nine kills and 17 digs, Roberts' 14 digs, Shea's 13 digs, and Chubb's 32 assists. Houghton gets its first action of the NAIA

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## Women's Cross Country Finishes 18th at Nationals

*Courtesy of Jason Mucher*

KENOSHA, Wisc. — Krista Ruth (Sr; Boyertown, Pa.) wrapped up her Houghton College running career with her fourth All-American honor, finishing 18th out of 340 runners at the NAIA Cross Country National Championship in Kenosha, Wisc. on Saturday.

Ruth was the top finisher for the Lady Highlanders who finished 18th as a team (out of 36 schools).

Coach Bob Smalley was pleased with the team's placement, considering they were without No. 2 runner Tenneil Tower. Other finishers for Houghton were: Melanie Swansfeger, 95th, 19:30 Kim Sayre, 106th, 19:35 Amanda Miller, 192nd, 20:25 Sarah Gagnon, 205th,

20:34 Heather Ayers, 220th, 20:42 Hope Thomas, 264th, 21:18

Of the seven Houghton runners, four had personal records. Ruth, a two-time NAIA All-American in both cross country and indoor track, also earned her third NAIA All-American Scholar Athlete award.

Head coach Bob Smalley was named Northeast Region Women's Cross Country Coach of the Year. It's the fifth time he has won the award.

In the men's race, two Highlanders competed as individuals. Joseph Campagna (Jr; Williamsport, Pa.) finished 65th (26:14) and Matt Dougherty (So; Saranac Lake, N.Y.) finished 152nd (27:08).

## The Chamber Singers Take a Bite Out of the Big Apple

*Jeremy Atwell*

The Houghton College Chamber Singers will be travelling to New York City on Wednesday, December 9<sup>th</sup>, to perform the Madrigal Christmas Dinner at 7:00 that evening. This event will take place in the Morgan Room of the New York Marriott East Side and will be hosted by the Christian Embassy.

The Christian Embassy is a non-denominational, non-political ministry organization serving the diplomatic community in New York since 1979. The Christian Embassy has two organizations, one in Washington D.C. and the other in New York City.

The Chamber Singers will follow the same program they used for the Madrigal Dinner on campus but in an abbreviated form. Following their performance, Stuart Briscoe will present the keynote address. Stuart has preached in over 100 countries and has received many honorary doctorates. Among his numerous accomplishments are his pastorate of Elmbrook Church in Brookfield, Wisconsin, his television outreach "In Reality," his daily radio broadcast "Telling the Truth," and several video and audio tapes and books.

The Chamber Singers may receive the opportunity to perform on Broadway as well in the Metropolitan Opera House and Carnegie Hall sometime in the future. Before coming home on the Thursday the Chamber Singers may be able to tour these places.

This opportunity sounds very enjoyable and beneficial for the Chamber Singers and everyone who attends the Madrigal Christmas Dinner in New York City. Good luck in your performance, Chamber Singers, and enjoy your time in New York City! Our prayers are with you as you travel.

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# EDITORIAL

## Letter from the Editor

David Johnson

Fear stinks. I know this because I used to be consumed with it on a daily basis. It all started in seventh grade when I saw my first real fight. I mean I saw my share of playground hyperactivity-spawned scuffles among a fair amount of my fellow elementary students, but nothing serious. Yet when junior high rolled around I was suddenly the proverbial small fish thrown into the proverbial big pond.

It was in seventh-grade music class one day when a fight broke out. For some reason the brutality shocked me. I swear I felt as if I had been transported to ancient Rome and had primo seats to a gladiator fight. Only it involved two twelve-year-olds and Christians were spared.

It really wasn't as bad as I thought. I mean junior high fights aren't rare. But for some reason the sight of the prepubescent violence implanted a seed of fear in me that would only grow in time. Eighth grade saw the full bloom of that seed.

It started harmlessly enough—a couple kids in my Italian class targeted me as a good pickon candidate. Only it wasn't harmless to me. As the verbal jabs progressed I committed the

cardinal sin of bully-victims—I cried. As the tears slipped down my cheeks, so did any kind of defense I had with these kids. It was open season on Dave and my classmates were locking and loading.

Or so I thought.

I automatically thought everyone wanted a piece of me. I guess it's because I was super sensitive or something. Anyway, every morning was feared. As I sit here now, writing this I still can't believe how it tore me up inside.

Eighth grade transformed into two semesters of dread. I couldn't take it. My self-esteem went the way of the Do-Do and my friends were few and far between. There was nothing I wanted more than for God to unleash the bowls of wrath on Donovan Junior High School, just so I wouldn't have to worry about anything anymore.

Well, He didn't. And, unlike the usual Disney movie, I didn't win the big game or save the school from foreclosure or anything that would catapult me on the shoulders of my peers with everyone singing my praises and my ex-tormentors saying I was "pretty cool after all." Nope, all I did was last.

I grabbed God's hand and squeezed tightly and lasted. And I know it won't be the first or last time. And while that scares me to death, at the same time I breathe an divine sigh of relief. Because I know He'll always be there to squeeze back.



## 'Faculty Chapel' Response

Sara Oyer

I have always held very strong chapel attendance beliefs. Chapel represents Christian fellowship and growth to me, a cornerstone of the Christian college community. One of Houghton's greatest assets is the opportunity to worship, learn, and experience with a fellowship of believers on a regular basis. Overall, it is a shame that many students, staff, and faculty alike miss the opportunity.

After reading the center layout in last week's Star, I had several responses. I was disappointed and confused, to mention a couple. I was disappointed to discover that some faculty think that chapel won't hold anything new for them. When I was a student, Taylor brought in a spiritual renewal speaker that most students, including me, wrote off in the first session. We thought he was too elementary and dull. By the grace of God, I went to a service later in the week after most had quit attending. I still think of that sermon today because God had a lesson for me that night. I almost missed out because I thought I didn't think that speaker had anything to say relevant to me.

Chapel, like church, is not

just one-sided. We have a responsibility in preparing ourselves for the experience. We don't go because every service is going to be life altering; we go because we should desire to learn something each time. We go because we don't know what the Lord might have for us that day. We go because God can and does use relatively simple means to get our attention sometimes. We go to be an example.

I was also confused after reading the article. I couldn't make the connection between discontentment with chapel and not attending. Concerns about what goes on in chapel or the gap between worship and learning seem to me all the more reason to attend. Take 50 minutes to discover if your judgements are true, and then take a bit more time to lend your wisdom. We would all benefit from that.

I understand that people are busy, quite busier than I am. However, I know there are many days I waste 50 minutes in frivolities. To me, it really seems to be a matter of choices and priorities. I don't attend every chapel, but already I wish I attended more; Such a relatively small time commitment for what can be such beneficial results. With all the time I waste, surely I can put a bit more towards the expanding of my Christian mind.

## Letters to the Editor: 'Comedy' or 'Error'?

Many of my friends have been talking about *A Comedy of Errors*. They informed me that the play had many inappropriate scenes, even though it's a Shakespeare play. I was wondering if you could get some input from other students. The question is: where should we draw the line, was the play perverted or totally showing the culture of the time? All I know is that many students left early because it conflicted with their beliefs. One of my friends said, "It's not something that Jesus would do." (referring to watching the play). Most of my friends are conservative but I'm sure they used right judgement and I would have probably left too. One of the most disturbing facts is that some of the faculty didn't see a problem with the play.

It makes me wonder if a person who continued to watch the play is conforming to worldly standards? If nobody can tell that we are different, how will they ever know the truth? When Houghton students graduate will they blend in with everyone else? The ultimate question: is this how goats and sheep are separated? Where do you stand?

In his grip,  
Teresa Winship

The performance of *A Comedy of Errors* repulsed me!!! The sexual innuendo was blatant and shameless. I believe God does not want us to allow such garbage into our minds. I watched the first section of it, but I left during the intermission. (I regret that I did not leave sooner.)

I only laughed once during the entire first section. I could not even watch some of it, because it was so filthy and repulsive. I'm boycotting Friday's performance for the sole reason that I'm not going to condone/support a theatre that acts in such corrupt/repulsive ways.

In Christ,  
Christine Cleaveland

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## Soccer Cont.

(from page 1)

National Tournament with two games Wednesday, Dec. 2 at Olivet Nazarene University in Kankakee, Illinois.

The Lady Highlanders open pool play against Christian Heritage (Calif.) at 9 a.m., and then play Bethel College (Ind.) at 1:30 p.m.

Christian Heritage (29-7) finished the regular season ranked No. 14 in the NAIA poll, while Bethel (44-2) finished at No. 11.

Pool play continues Thursday, Dec. 3 when the Lady Highlanders take on Lubbock Christian (Texas) at 9 a.m. and Biola (Calif.) at 3:45 p.m.

Lubbock Christian (35-2) finished the regular season ranked No. 6 in the nation, while Biola (23-4) finished at No. 3.

Houghton is one of four teams in the 20-team field that were not ranked in the final NAIA Top-25 poll.

## Lady Highlanders Fall in Nationals

*Courtesy of Jason Mucher*

A spectacular season for the Houghton College women's soccer team came to a close with a 5-0 loss to Azusa Pacific University at the NAIA Women's Soccer National Championship tournament in Mobile, Ala., on Wednesday.

Azusa Pacific (23-0-0) scored 28 minutes into the contest and led 2-0 at the half. "We were giving them a decent game until they scored their first goal, then we fell apart," said head coach David

## Woodcarvings Donated to Houghton

*Courtesy of Jason Mucher*

One man's 40-year source of personal comfort and therapy is now on display at Houghton College for the public to enjoy. A collection of intricately detailed woodcarvings by Arvis Tucker have been donated to the college by his widow, Mavis Tucker of Allegany.

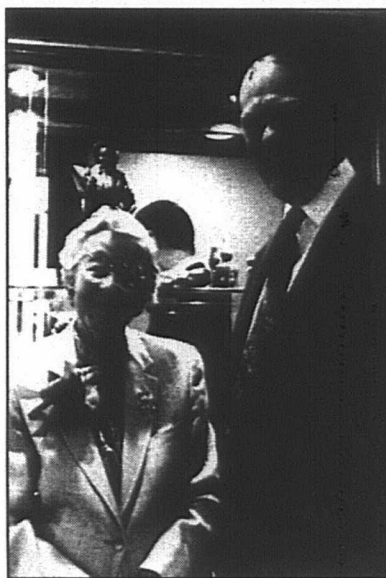
A native of Caneadea, Arvis always had an interest in art and in woodworking—he enjoyed carving as a boy, and later worked as a carpenter, cabinetmaker and draftsman.

After suffering serious injuries in World War II, Arvis, who was allergic to painkillers, found that woodcarving provided the only release from his constant pain. He began carving small items, but quickly moved on to larger, more detailed pieces. His years of hard work would eventually produce 25 large pieces—pri-

marily female figures—and more than 200 smaller items that include letter openers, bracelets and bookmarks.

Though he never had any formal art training, Arvis mas-

tered his craft, sometimes carving for six or more hours a day. He designed his own tools from hacksaw blades and began crafting his figures from 25 kinds of wood, including cherry, walnut, apple, plum, sumac, li-



Mavis Tucker and President Chamberlain

lac, mahogany and butternut. Arvis also enjoyed writing poetry and working on pastel and pencil drawings.

"It's a wonderful example of a person, who, instead of complaining about his disabilities, used his talents to bring joy to others and bring beauty to the

world," said Houghton President Dr. Daniel R. Chamberlain.

After Arvis's death in 1996, Mavis chose to donate his collection to Houghton College, mainly because of the couple's deep ties to the area.

"We were both born in

Caneadea and used to attend college classes in the 1920s and 30s with friends who were students at Houghton," says Mrs. Tucker. "Also, the college was like a good neighbor since the Tucker family farm was right across the Genesee River from Houghton. And Arvis was very interested in the historical background of Houghton and

the area. For these reasons I would prefer to keep Arvis's beautiful collection as a collection, displayed publicly for all to enjoy."

Half of the collection is currently on display in Houghton College's admission office in Fancher Hall. The remaining pieces will be added at a later date.

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# The Not-So-Lazy Working Their Way

## Andrea & Dave Toro: Family Matters

Susan Ventresca

In a family of nine every penny counts. Just ask Andrea or Dave Toro. Occasionally on weekends you may see their entourage of stylish brothers playing ball with a little woman chasing a frisky little Dalmatian. This is their life, and their love for each other is obvious by the playful tackles and the constant support on their newest mixes in rap and R&B. But you may be wondering how did they get here? How do they provide for such a big family and still afford to attend the prestigious Houghton College?

Like many others, the Toros have a question that arises every August: How will we cover all the payments? However, for them there is an added complication, extended siblings (7 children) with a big appetite. Mr. Toro spends lengthy hours working at a pipeline company in New York City, their native home. His paycheck provides for the bills at home but this still leaves Andrea, David, and Juan, a recent

Houghton graduate, to fend for themselves. "We pay for it all on our own. Every cent."

Their mother instilled work ethics since childhood so the endless summer hours at Tuscarora Inn come as second nature. Each has a job either counseling or in maintenance beginning when they get home from college and ending just before classes. The extent of their summer vacation is their one day off a week.

When Juan came to school he rummaged through papers to find grants and scholarships to pay the bills. This, along with his job as a tour guide, took care of most of the bills during his four years of academia and occasionally at the end of each semester,

he was able put some money into Andrea's account.

Things aren't as easy for Andrea and Dave. For the first two years Andrea relied mainly on loans and a few scholarships and grants. But, this year her scholarships have fallen through and the paperwork for her grants ran into some minor mishaps. Houghton College currently employs her in the Student Academic Services on a work-study pro-

gram. Here she is able to gain some experience for her communication degree along with making a few dollars. This semester has been especially trying. Endless hours spent trying to find a way only to reveal that alumni contribute a lot of money, but many times to those who are not in need. "That is what is frustrating. They don't need the money as others do and we can't get access to it."

Her younger brother

*"Security may not always be the case, but the Toros have learned a life long lesson: God Always Provides."*

David came here on the presumption that his loans along with a few scholarships would cover his way. But once again, it all fell through. With prayers and patience, the Toros are still waiting to get enough for the rest of the fall semester. Security may not always be the case but the Toros have learned a life long lesson: God Always Provides.



photo by Erich Asperschlager

Melanie Lindberg

A junior at Houghton, Sonya Irish has spent every summer since she's been to college working. I'm sure that many of us have our summer job each year we go home as well, but try up to five a summer. Although Sonya never works more than three at one time, she has worked four to five jobs every summer. Her jobs this past summer were helping as a teacher's aide for special education children, working in a clothing boutique, movie theater

and hotel for a grand total of 60 hours a week. When asked what she does at these jobs, she replied "Everything." Sounds like a lot of work and responsibility.

As tiring as it gets, it is this

hard work that allows her to return to Houghton each year. She also says she appreciates everything more because she is aware of the work that was put into it. This shows in her academics and her

## Sonya Irish: Another Day, Another Dollar

desire to do her best to achieve good grades, "I want to do my best to justify the hard work I put in to get here." Even though her jobs can get tiring physically and mentally, she knows when it's all over it will pay off in more ways than one.

## Question of the Week: "What's Your Summer Job?"



--Zachary Odell  
(Senior)

**"I did research for the Department of Environmental Conservation."**



--Marleen Sider  
(Junior)

**"I worked at a golf course and at McDonalds."**

photos by David Johnson



# zy Days of Summer Way Through College

## Mark Manwaring: Renovation Motivation

Lindsay Ackerman

If you are looking forward to yet another summer of flipping burgers or scooping ice cream, you might want to consider a more creative and profitable way to earn money. Houghton student, Mark Manwaring, has an interesting way to pay his tuition by capitalizing on previously acquired skills.

Mark was a home-schooled student so there were many diverse opportunities available to him. He was able to work with carpenters and learn construction. When he was 16 years old, Mark was part of the ALERT (Air Land Emergency Resource Team) training program. As part of this experience he was given

further instruction about carpentry allowing him to build upon the skill he already had. He was set up with a position working construction in Japan for the summer after his senior year of high school.

After he returned from Japan, Mark worked for a while and enrolled here at Houghton College for spring semester. In order to pay tuition Mark decided to use his construction skills. He made an agreement with a man who owned a building in great need of repair. Mark said that he would renovate the building without being paid for labor, if the owner would supply the materials and let him collect the money made by subleasing the renovated units for

the four years he was in college.

Mark has spent two summers and numerous breaks working on remodeling the building. Now,

Mark has two tenants, a Tai Kwon Do school and a florist, as well as another unit almost ready to be leased. The income Mark receives by subletting to these businesses covers his tuition expenses. His father helps out by dealing with some of the problems and

concerns regarding the tenants as his way of contributing to his son's education.

Some of the drawbacks of

Mark's way of making money are that he always has to be ready to go home for the weekend to fix something that broke to keep his tenants happy; however, the benefits are a great enough incentive to offset the drawbacks.

Mark has made the most out of his experiences, and has utilized his skills making them profitable to him

**"Mark has two tenants, a Tai Kwon Do school and a florist...The income [he] receives by subletting to these businesses covers his tuition expenses."**

Kevin MacDonald

Ah, summer. Time to relax, to have fun, to work. An almost inevitable part of the arrival of summer is the necessity to get a job and make a little cash. For the past two years, Chris VanHeerden, a sophomore here at Houghton majoring in business administration, has had quite an unusual summer job: teaching English in Taiwan.

Chris worked at a private school, teaching English spelling, grammar, reading, and comprehension to students in grades four to six. He admits, "It's a good job. It's rewarding. I get to know the kids pretty well, which is fun." However, his job was anything but easy. Not only did he spend eight hours a day, six days a week teaching (children in Taiwan go to school on Saturday), he also tutored students for two hours a night, five nights a week. He commented, "It's pretty tough because I ended up working ten hours a day. By the end of summer,

I was totally exhausted."

There is actually a large number of foreign English teachers in Taiwan. The language spoken there is Mandarin Chinese, but many people are interested in learning English so they are able to participate in business overseas and interface with American culture.

Chris is no stranger to travel. He was born in South Africa, where he lived for twelve years. Eight years ago, he and his family moved to Taiwan where his parents serve as missionaries. Chris's father is in charge of church-planting; he oversees the establishment of two to three churches per year. His mother teaches English in churches, helping to introduce the people of Taiwan to the church

## Chris VanHeerden: The Globetrotter

and the gospel.

Coming to Houghton as a freshman was the first time Chris

had visited the United States. Since the cultures are similar, he made the transition rather smoothly. In fact, it was much harder for him to adjust after moving from South Africa to Tai-

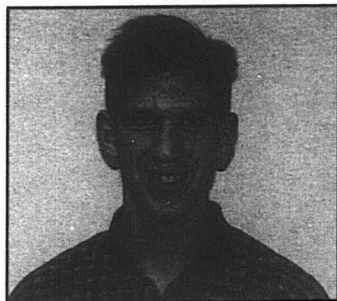
wan. He said the greatest difficulty was the language difference. Now, Chris can speak Chinese fluently. Reading it, however, is still a challenge. He can write about 150 Chinese characters; you need to know about 4,000 characters just

to read a newspaper and about 5,000 to read the Bible.

Chris is able to visit his family only during the summer; plane tickets are too expensive to allow additional visits. How does he manage tuition here? Besides working in the summer, he has a job here at Houghton working in the chapel sound booth. His parents help as much as they can. In regard to financial aid, he comments, "Houghton has been generous."

Don't expect to see Chris too often after he graduates. He plans to return to Taiwan to do business there. He feels that he fits in with the people of the country, and after having lived there for so many years, he has an advantage over many other foreign businessmen.

**"For the past two years, Chris...has had quite an unusual summer job: teaching English in Taiwan."**



--Kris Clester  
(Sophomore)

**"Over the summer I'm a manufacturing engineer."**



--Andrew Fiess  
(Freshman)

**"I work at a garden center."**



## Senate Passes Resolution on Diversity

John Osae-Kwapong

With one big bang of his gavel, speaker of senate Justin Lawrence declared "motion passes." The event was the eleventh senate meeting of the semester. It was about 9:30pm approximately and a historic and significant moment had been made. The senate had passed a resolution, something a senator from the senior class has no specific recollection as to ever having happening in senate. But beyond the history was the significance of the motion; a motion geared towards the promotion and encouragement of diversity here at Houghton College.

The history behind the bringing of this motion up for discussion and a vote dates back to the last Student Government Association elections in March of this

year during which promoting and encouraging diversity was part of the vice-president's platform. Judging from how much time has elapsed between the elections and now, it will seem that time was past due for this resolution to be brought for discussion. This was made evident when a junior class senator wanted to know if something had happened calling for this resolution. In response to her question, the vice-president made references to a student leadership conference he had attended in Chicago where the issue of diversity was the focus of the conference and other workshops.

In those references, it had dawned on him that the issue of diversity and the need to confront it was not to be limited to experiences; for his positive experience at Houghton College was slowly becoming an inhibiting factor to-

wards pushing this issue. Besides, it appeared the issue of diversity had become to his fellow students in the majority, synonymous with the act of carrying coal to Newcastle. Also it seemed as though there was not enough support for this issue until that major step was taken to bring it before the senate.

The SGA cabinet had discussed it three days earlier before bringing it before the senate for discussion and a vote. Before that, both cabinet members and some senators had expressed some genuine concerns with the provisions stated in the resolution. Some of the questions asked had to deal with how diverse the nature of the student was, how much need there was for such a resolution to be passed, the precedent that was being set if any, and the purpose which the resolution was going to serve.

Jason Hollinger, a senior class senator, wondered if the awareness of the issue of diversity in people's minds was not just

enough and asked why a resolution was needed for something which we are already aware of. The response was this awareness has been, to a large extent, internalized and it was time to verbalize by way

of a resolution. A few other questions were raised by Oliver Gingrich from the junior class and by Elizabeth Lefavour, the commissioner of communications. Karen Swedrock expressed her gratitude for the time taken to bring the is-

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sue before senate.

The three main provisions of the resolution stated that the senate as a body: 1) acknowledges the diverse nature of the student body, 2) recognizes the need for the celebration of this diversity, and 3) will thus lend support, when possible, to any campus wide initiatives towards the celebration of this diversity.

In the end the senate passed this resolution by an overwhelming unanimous vote.

## Spotlight on Staff: Marilyn McCarty

Jessica Fortt

Marilyn McCarty is the new face behind the purple folder. She is the new Coordinator for Campus Visits in Houghton's Admission Office, responsible for planning individual and group visits for prospective students. Each tightly clutched purple folder represents the cooperation of faculty, staff, and students to offer visiting prospectives a glimpse of the Houghton experience. McCarty oversees the production of each schedule, with the help of approximately 38 student workers (including tour guides, Visit Office interns, and the drivers who pick up prospectives at the airport or bus terminal). She is also responsible for the coordination of every Encounter Day, bus trip, and First-Year Honors Program weekend, and she cooperates in Welcome Weekend planning.

"[We're] helping students make the right decisions...and helping them to get a complete picture of Houghton," McCarty said. McCarty's job transition is going "very smoothly," according to Diane Galloway, McCarty's supervisor.

Visit intern Kristine Hess agrees. When asked about her new boss, the junior art major replied, "I enjoy the friendly, personal atmosphere of this job, and it seems that will continue."

Galloway, who previously held McCarty's position, has been promoted to Assistant Director of Admission. She works with Tim Fuller and Design Services to produce all admission publications, including the view-book and visit brochures. She continues to super-

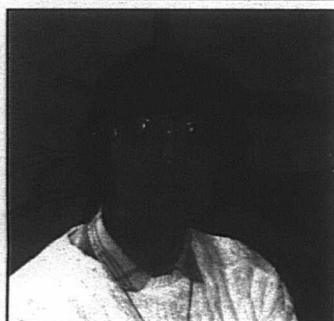


photo by David Johnson

vises the Visit Office, but is also responsible for student recruitment in the Southeast region of the U. S. and aspects of enrollment retention.

McCarty came to Houghton in April to join her husband, Tom, who works in the Development Office as the director of Major Gifts and plays the trumpet in Symphonic Winds. They live on Hillside Ave.

She has been involved with the Village Church library and nursing home visits. She also teaches Latin to two home-school groups, one in Houghton and one in Arcade, which she hopes to continue.

The McCartys lived with their two sons in Orlando, Fla. for 10 years, where she was employed as a Latin teacher and school librarian. She also volunteered as a high school newspaper sponsor and photographer.

The McCartys have been married 31 years. They met at the University of Michigan while she was pursuing a master's degree in Latin and he was pursuing a doctorate in classical studies. Their sons attend Wheaton and work on the Houghton conference crew during the summer.

## Power's Out

Rebecca JangDhari

"We will be tearing down Powers House over Thanksgiving Break, and give the students a shock when they get back," said Jeff Spear, when I interviewed him about the plans for Powers house in the future. Upon further investigation, he admitted that he was kidding; it would really be moved over the summer of 99.

As you turn into the campus, Powers House is on the left, and the Houghton Creek Inn on the right. "The entry to the campus is unbalanced," said Spear, "Powers House looks

like it has been plopped on the corner." In addition there is not adequate parking for the residents of Powers which means that they have to park on the street. The cars crowd the entrance to the college.

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stead of being torn down, Powers will be moved. "We want to preserve the period architecture," said Spear. Powers will be moved to the same road as the Leonard Houghton Town Houses. It will be placed between Houghton Hall and the parking lot. Powers will not be rented out to students but will become a private residence.

Genesee River Apartments and Waldorf will be available for students to live in next year, but will be torn down during the summer of 2000. This is part of the college's plan to phase out Community Living Option (CLO) houses that the college rents.



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Vaya con Dios



# LIGHTER SIDE

## CD Review: Happy Christmas

Tim Graffam

Christmas time is my favorite time of year. I love the presents, the lights, the decorated trees, the tidings of good cheer, and especially the music. From hymns, to carols, to the generic keyboard music filtering through shopping centers across America, all Christmas music is great music.

Though I do enjoy all Christmas music, BEC Recordings' Christmas compilation *Happy Christmas* is especially appealing because it translates great Christmas tunes into the modern rock I listen to everyday. The CD consists of twelve holiday classics and six original cuts by today's hippest modern rock artists. Purists (read: old folks) may think the album an atrocity, but it serves a distinct purpose in reaching a younger audience with limited options when it comes to Christmas music.

*Happy Christmas* kicks off strong with the finest tune on the album, The Supertones rollicking rendition of "Joy To The World." Joy Electric has always sounded like the background mu-

sic to a Nintendo game to me (not necessarily a bad thing), and their version of "Winter Wonderland" keeps that perky, upbeat feel. Chasing Furies serve up another of the finest

cuts with an intense version of a personal favorite of mine, "O Come Emmanuel." Starflyer 59's jangly "A Holiday Song," Sarah Masen's gently innocent "Heaven's

Got A Baby," and Switchfoot's gritty "Evergreen" are all excellent originals, showcasing the songwriting talents of each artist. The hazily melodic and catchy "Asia Minor" is the finest original on the album and comes care of Fold Zandura.

Pep Squad and One Eighty add some bouncy, foreign flavor with "Feliz Navidad" and "Mele Kalikimaka," respectively. For future reference, "Mele Kalikimaka" means "Merry Christmas" in Hawaiian. Seven

Day Jesus offers their take on "O Holy Night," sung with intense conviction. Five Iron Frenzy's cover of Rich Mullins' atypical "You Gotta Get Up" is done in

typical Five Iron fashion, maintaining the youthful exuberance of a child on Christmas morning, and Plankeye completely retools and rocks out on another

personal favorite, "Away In A Manger."

*Happy Christmas* is a refreshing revitalization of old Christmas tunes that, amazing as they may be, tend to get a little stale after a while. It also showcases some great new holiday material sure to be enjoyed for years to come. It is a must for fans of modern rock with any Christmas spirit at all. *Happy Christmas* is an intriguing progression in the arena of Christmas music and an excellent compilation of diverse



sounds, styles, and voices bound together in celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ.

## Solution to: 'Al Manac and the Stolen Horn'

Last week we had an overwhelming response from some of Houghton's top sleuths. Unfortunately, no one got it right. Then, we realized our solution was pretty lame, so we've decided to award the dubious honor of 'Sleuth of the Week' to the best response we got, which was sent in to us by:

Jennifer Carl

Obviously, Mad Miles was the ghastly culprit, for two reasons. Here goes: first of all, it is a well known fact that guys in townhouses don't wash their dishes. The horn was hidden under the towel Mad Miles was holding. Secondly, how could Buzz get a drink from the sink if Mad Miles was washing dishes??? There you have it boys, case cracked.

Congratulations, Jennifer!!! And all you Al Manac fans, stay tuned for the further adventures of Houghton's own supersleuth!

## Christmas Movie Guide -- Southside Jim, special to the STAR

Ho, ho, ho. It's that time of year again. The season when the air is filled with the heart-warming melodies of red-faced children belting out traditional Christmas songs and the faint jingling of sleigh bells echo across the white plains of new-fallen snow. The season when families curl up in front of a roaring fire or a very strong microwave and exchange stories of plum-filled dreams. Yes, Christmas is upon us, and one of the elements of the yule-tide (by the way what the heck is a "yule?") season is the Christmas movie. We at the STAR present a list of lesser-known Christmas movies, available in any video store (maybe.)

### Christmas With the Goat-People

The wildly popular "Goat-People" series (*Attack of the Goat-People*, *Conquest of the Goat-People*, *Beneath the Goat-People*, and *Neil Simon's Goat-People II*) provides this holiday installment. The touching story tells the tale of a lonely horse jockey and his adventures with the magical Goat-People. The movie is packed full of sound morals (don't make fun of a person just because he/she looks a lot like a goat) and hilari-

ous tomfoolery (I love the part when the horse jockey and a Goat-Person build a snowman out of whipped cream...gosh, you have to be there). \* \* \* (out of 5).

### Charles Dickens's *Revenge of Scrooge*

Adapted from the obscure book, *Revenge of Scrooge* picks up Ebenezer's further adventures. Scrooge and Tiny Tim are sucked into a time rip and transported to a parallel dimension. In this crazy alternate universe, the duo finds themselves doing battle with vicious dragons, ruthless sorcerers and agitated gorillas. Though this film is slightly more violent than

the prequel (in one scene Tiny Tim beats a warlock to death with his crutch), the movie's message is still made clear...yeah, we'll get back to you on that. \* \* \*

### Craig the Snowman

This film was highly criticized as being a rip-off of *Frosty the Snowman*. Not so. Where Frosty had a carrot for a nose, Craig has a zucchini. \*\*\*\*

### A Rocky Mountain Christmas

A *Rocky Mountain Christmas* involves the Wilkins family reunion. It's been ten years since the two Wilkins brother, Josh and Todd, have spoken to each other. But because of some sly maneuvering on the part of two cousins (the Olsen twins) the families are brought together to share Christmas at the old cabin in the woods. In fact Grandpa Wilkins comes out of his coma just in time for the holiday and the family share hugs, stories and laughter over hot cocoa and roasting chestnuts. Unfortunately, the entire cabin is demolished and both families are left out in the cold. It is a great family film

of survival and perseverance—up to the point where they resort to cannibalism. \* \* \* \*

### Raindeer

This touching film was nominated for an Academy Award several years back. I recall the first time I saw the movie—there wasn't a single dry eye in the theatre. The plot deals with a deer named Kevin and his search for his long-lost brother. He eventually finds him, only to realize his brother is autistic. Together, the brothers travel through the woods and the adventures that follow will surely warm your heart. \* \* \* \*

## Ask Ray: Houghton's Own Advice Columnist



Send your questions and half a hoagie to:

Ray c/o  
The STAR Box #378

Q: Dear Ray,

We have lots and lots of turkey left over from Thanksgiving. Do you have any cooking tips to help us use it up?

Stuffed in Suburbia

A: Dear Stuffed,

Make as many turkey hoagies as you can, and put them in the freezer. They stay fresh, and you can enjoy them all year!

Ray



# SPORTS

## Houghton Sports Week in Review

### Winter Sports Score Box

#### Men's Basketball (1-6)

Friday 11/27  
Houghton: 73, Dominican: 74

Monday 11/30  
Houghton: 53, Walsh: 99

#### Women's Basketball (2-0)

Friday 11/13  
Houghton: 63, McMaster: 70

#### Intramural Sports as of 12/1

##### Men's Indoor Soccer

Ams	1-2
Acid Reflex	3-1
Dagoretti Speedsters	2-1
The "Fresh" Men	1-3
FC Cervantes	4-0
Mac's Rack	0-4
Pork Rinds	1-3
Quiet Riot	2-1
Red Thunder	2-2
Sound Dachsund	0-3
Venetian Streaker	4-0

##### Men's Basketball

A.C. and the Southside Bunch	2-1
All About the Ladies	0-2
California Dreams	1-2
Chicks Hate Us	2-1
Dream Team	3-1
Dogpile: The New Squad	0-3
Fury	0-2
Mo and the Pips	3-0
Serving His Excellent Name	2-2
That Team	2-1
VW Crew	0-0

##### Women's Indoor Soccer

Bakudan	2-3
Black Knights	4-0
Collision Position	2-0
Dawn Treaders	1-5
Funky Rainbow Butterflies	1-3
Hat Trick Honeys	0-0
BOB	0-3
Irma's Rump Rangers	3-1
Nabbers	2-1
Party 2 Go	5-0
Slap-In-The-Face	2-2
Women	0-4

##### Women's Basketball

Better With Our Feet	0-0
Chai Shakers	0-0
The Chosen	4-1
The Dendrites	1-4
Dribblers	0-0
Junpin' Juniors	3-2
Lam Loggers	2-3
The Mighty Mighty Puffins	5-0
The Mighty Moshika's	0-0
Tough Love	0-5

#### Men's Basketball

The men's basketball team's woes continued over the Thanksgiving break with losses on Friday the 27<sup>th</sup> and Monday the 30<sup>th</sup>, despite some great team efforts.

Friday's game was close, ending in a 74-73 loss to Dominican College. Houghton was ahead 44-41 at halftime and carried that lead up until there was a minute left. Wirth Dominican up by two, Jeremy Martin, was fouled. After missing the first free throw and making the second, Ryan Pauling stole a pass, but his off-balance jumper went off the rim as time expired. Greg Quick led the Highlanders with 18 points and four blocked shots. Martin had 12, and Todd Kleitz added 11. Jesse Archer had nine points and led the team with eight rebounds. Houghton shot very well from the field at 57 percent and rebounded nicely with a

40-27 advantage, but were hurt most by committing 36 turnovers.

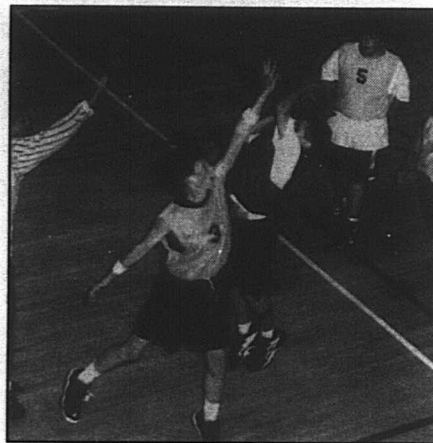
Monday's game at Walsh started well, with the Highlanders gaining a 14-7 lead, but then turned sour when they were outscored 30-10 during the rest of the first half. Walsh stayed hot in the second half as well, finishing the Highlanders

team's record is now 1-6.

#### Women's Basketball

Houghton's Lady Highlanders garnered their first loss of the season Thursday, November 19 after a hotly contested 70-63 defeat at McMaster University.

Utilizing an intense full-court press and hitting key three-point baskets, McMaster built a double-figure lead late in the second half. Houghton rallied and mounted a comeback to cut the margin to three with a minute to go. McMaster hit another three pointer to increase the lead to six and they were able to hold on for the victory. Wendy Ivey led Houghton with 18 points in a 70-63 loss at McMaster University. Ivey hit four three pointers and pulled down seven rebounds, Alicia Campbell chipped in 14 points, and Libby Shaw helped out with 10 points and seven rebounds. Krista Newell played a superbly well-rounded game, adding five points, six rebounds, and a team-high eight assists for the Lady Highlanders.



Two fierce competitors go head to head

## Greg Be Nimble, Greg Be Quick

### Player Profile: Greg Quick

Judy Johnson

Meet Greg Quick, a talented freshman, who is one of the key players in the reemergence of Houghton College basketball. A 6'8" center, he plays with both power and finesse. Greg has solid moves in the paint, and brings strong shot blocking and rebounding abilities to the court. Currently this season he is leading the team in scoring and rebounding. Although Greg is quiet and unassuming, his play on the court speaks for itself.

A Buffalo native, he chose Houghton because of its quiet, rural setting. Greg says he's glad he made the transition from big city to small town. He has found the people here easy to get along with and likes the diversity in the student body.

Greg started playing basketball only four years ago when

he was a freshman in high school. Before that he focused his athletic talents on baseball. His father has been a key motivator in his development as a player. Starting his basketball career later than most players, Greg had to work to im-

though he wasn't ready to make many predictions, he insisted that Roberts will not leave Houghton's court with a win this year. He believes the key to their success is "to play as a team and not as individuals. We have good players, and

we need to utilize that and put everything together." Greg sees himself as just a piece of the puzzle; everyone has a role and needs to contribute for the team to win. It seems to be working. The men's home opener was an exciting game that could have resulted in a Houghton win. As for Greg, Coach Berry says, "As a high school athlete, Greg was the most underrated player in Buffalo. I saw him as a player with great potential. Everything I have seen of him so far indicates that he will

have a great future at Houghton College."

Come out and cheer for Greg and the rest of the basketball team December 2 at 8:00 against St. John Fisher College.

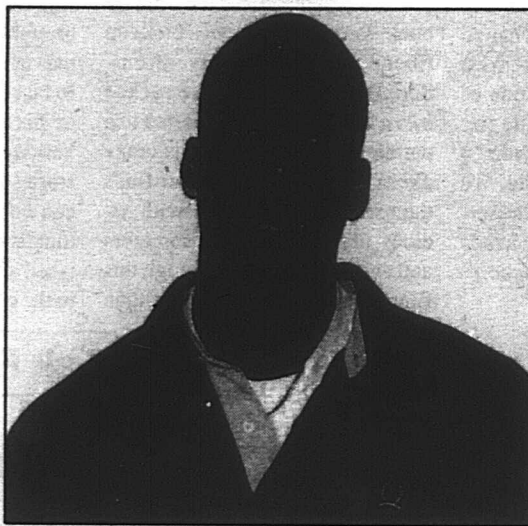


photo by David Johnson

prove his game and came into his own his senior year, leading his team to the championships.

Greg is ready to undertake the challenge of digging Houghton basketball out of the cellar. Al-