

# Dr. Abdul-Haqq Proclaims Reality of Christ



Dr. Abdul-Haqq spent seven years searching for God in other religions and philosophies before he met Christ.

"Our spiritual ecology is much worse than our physical ecology," declared Dr. Abdul-Haqq in Tuesday's chapel. "Many of us are guilty of hypocrisy, practicing our piety to be seen of men." Stressing the importance of Christian growth, he speaks from a wide scope of experience. As a native of India, an Islamic scholar and an associate evangelist of the Billy Graham Team, Dr. Haqq is ministering to Houghton during Spiritual Emphasis Week, Sept. 18-24.

"I've studied all the major religions for the past 25 years," he said in an interview a few days ago. "I spent seven years searching for God in the wrong direction. I thought I'd find God through other religions or through philosophy." With that goal, he worked for his master's in Indian and western philosophy, but "came into the living experience of God" in an evangelistic campaign. "Your first appointment with God is set by Him," explained Dr. Haqq. "And he respects a hungry heart."

As a result of his conversion

he entered the ministry. Earning a Ph.D. at Northwestern University was his first time in America, after which he became associated with Billy Graham. He based his ministry in India, but because of inconvenience and travel delays caused by the Indian government, Dr. Haqq came to Graham's urging to make his home in the United States. ("I retained my Indian citizenship, am a second-class U.S. citizen and a member of the heavenly kingdom, so I'm a citizen of three places," he smiled.)

In January, Dr. Haqq will be preaching in four major Indian crusades, and expects to confront a half-million people with the claims of Christ. "People don't have to be induced to come," he said. "And some may walk ten miles. . . This is a sure indication of the winds of God blowing in the direction of India."

Dr. Haqq believes that his study of other religions helps him evangelistically. "Hindus and Moslems are open to finding God through Christianity," he said, "if you can communicate the Word of God to their background. If I say, 'You must be saved,' I must then explain what salvation means, because it's the Hindu idea that they have salvation already."

While Dr. Haqq is convinced of the discontinuity of Christianity with other religions ("God in human flesh entered into history: time touched by God"), he at the same time believes that Christ is the fulfillment of the human spirit's longing for God. Ideas of atonement, recognition of guilt, a superman ("... which is not limited to just Nietzsche. . .") and an incarnation are "pretty universal. . . Christ is not mythology but the fulfillment of what man has dreamt of."

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## Students, Faculty, Administrators Attend Leadership Conference

by Winston Johnson

Representatives of the Faculty and Administration and key Houghton College student leaders met last Saturday in Hamburg to discuss "Joy on the Christian College Campus" as affected by the attitudes of student leaders, faculty attitude, the administration, campus culture and spiritual well-being on the campus as a whole. Those student leaders present were members of the Student Senate and the presidents of the various classes and organizations.

Beginning the discussion, Dr. Dayton focused on the attitude of student leaders in spreading this "joy." Joy, he said, was the inner freedom we have as Christians living and learning on the college campus. However, we are called upon to express this joy for the betterment of the whole campus. He noted that student leaders can do more to change the attitudes of students than can any member of the faculty and the administration. There is "something about that peer relationship."

David Benedict, Student Senate president, intensified Dr. Dayton's call for an outward expression of this inner "joy."

Dean Clifford Thomas and Stephen Woolsey reflected on joy on the Christian campus as affected by faculty attitude. Stephen remarked that the Christian campus views knowledge in a perspective of God's revelation through Jesus. He made reference to I John 5 not-

ing that this "joy" is especially contagious and is quite quickly caught from faculty members.

Dr. Thomas emphasized the importance and value of attitude, of experience and of creativity in spreading joy on our campus through the faculty.

Dr. Robert Luckey and Jonathan Woodcock led in the discussion of administration and "joy" on our campus. Dr. Luckey outlined various administrative relationships to other aspects of college life. He noted that misunderstandings of the past have been due to a lack of communication between the student body and the various branches of the administration. He also criticized the students for lining up the administration as opposing the students, instead of considering them concerned individuals.

Jonathan Woodcock suggested that the administration and students have a distant relationship because of the nature of their functions. But student leaders have a closer relationship which makes good relations necessary for smooth running and increased joy.

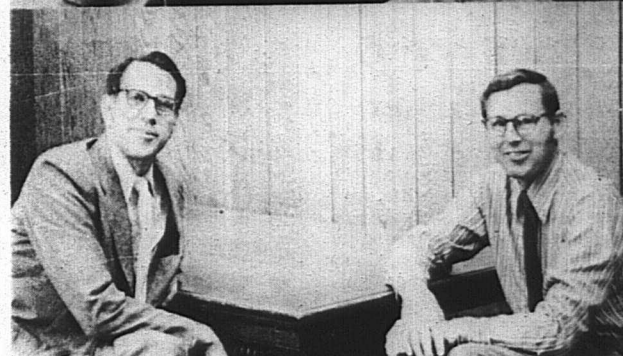
Discussions were then interrupted as preparations had to be made for dinner. After dinner talks were continued with Stephanie Gallup and Mrs. Dunkel presenting discussion on how "joy" on our campus is affected by campus culture. There was conflict on the definition of campus culture. The most important question raised was the reasoning for certain rules. Stephanie stated that students found it hard to be individuals, since certain rules stilted individual thought patterns and no well-founded logic could be es-

tablished for these rules.

Mrs. Dunkel referred to the "Houghton ideal" and the fact that Houghton College rules allow for individual interests to be developed. She noted that Houghton College is an institution and that as an institution certain principles must be supported as being essential to producing responsible Christian young people. She described our campus cultural setting as making or breaking our joy on the Christian campus.

Chaplain Bareiss introduced the last area of our discussion: Joy on the Christian campus as affected by Spiritual Well-Being. The new college chaplain described the three aspects of the whole man as the physical, psychological and spiritual. He asserted that "joy" is manifested in all these aspects since they are inter-related.

The final presentation was by Gordon Bugbee as a conclusion to Chaplain Bareiss' comments and as well served as a summary to the theme "Joy on the Christian Campus." The key to our well-being is our joy and the key to our joy is our well-being on the whole campus. Gordon dwelt on the oneness of our goal here at Houghton College. We all have different gifts, perspectives and responsibilities. When we, the faculty, administration and student body recognize our differences — our life is harmonious; because then we head very ably and in power to our primary objective — a Christian Liberal Arts Education with the JOY OF THE LORD as our strength. Then as we see our objective in light of our differences; we see JOY ON THE CHRISTIAN CAMPUS.



Both Chaplain Bareiss and Assistant Dean of Student Affairs Roloson come to Houghton from posts in the military.

## Bareiss Serves as Chaplain, Roloson as Assistant Dean

Richard Bareiss will fill the new post of chaplain. After eighteen years of counselling in the Navy, Chaplain Bareiss, his wife and four children will settle down to a less nomadic life. This year Chaplain Bareiss wants to become involved with all areas of the spiritual life at Houghton — in personal counselling, by conducting a premarital seminar, working with the CSO outreach groups and converting Spiritual Emphasis week into a semester of spiritual emphasis. Speaking of this goal Chaplain Bareiss explained, "Our follow-up program is designed to help students keep their new-found faith instead of returning to the same old grind when the week is over." As yet the Chaplain has no regular hours in his office on the first floor of the Luckey Building.

Coming to Houghton from an army chaplaincy is Edwin Roloson, new Assistant Dean of Student Affairs. Although Mr. Roloson spent the past six years at Valley Forge General Hospital

in Phoenix, Ariz., he is familiar to the permanent segment of the Houghton population due to his position on the staff from 1963-1966. He returns looking forward to continuing his work with young people.

Mrs. Janet Talbot has "come up the hill" from the Church office and will be secretary to Dean Thomas. Previously on the staff of the Buffalo Campus, Anne Maltby will be secretary in the bookstore office. A former student, Darlene Gross returns this year as a library clerk. Patricia-Chamberlain, a graduate of Roberts Wesleyan, and June Stain will also be working in the library. In the Registrar's office Pamela Synder will serve as receptionist and secretary.

Nancy Steeves will be switchboard operator and her husband Robert, a Houghton graduate, will be working in the computer center. A returning Houghton staff member, Richard Losch, will be acting as Admissions Counsellor.

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## Part I

# Half a League Onward

## The Art of Gripping

The ability to complain is one of life's underrated blessings. Pope might have written, "To complain is human — and it is divine." I am fully convinced, moreover, that griping may be raised to the level of an art. It is natural to humans, like music; it has its characteristic tones of voice, its own rhetoric and an unlimited supply of topics. One may extend a gripe *ad infinitum* without ever approaching *ad nauseam*.

For instance: it occurs to me that the search for an audience for one's gripes is one of the main motives for marriage. The woman, of course, normally wants to be comforted after she complains: while the man wants someone who will listen to his rages without laughing at him. Neither, of course, will tolerate the least "whining" from their children — complaining is an

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adult pleasure, like Schweppervescence.

I write this so I will not feel bad about suggesting that the series of articles this introduces is really a series of personal complaints. The editorial board of this paper has graciously given me a platform to speak from — I hereby absolve them of responsibility for what I say herein. I gripe my own gripes.

This suggests that I may sound very idiosyncratic. That's all right. Without implying any comparison between my work and theirs, let me suggest that many books which are now classics are also extremely idiosyncratic — people like Plato and Augustine, for example, wrote them right and left. I am going to beat my little drum in favor of ideals I think important.

Second, I want to make an open invitation to debate to whatever audience this column may generate. I am — to steal a phrase from C. S. Lewis which he stole from someone else — "hungry for rational opposition." Nothing would be better for this campus, I believe, than some honest debate about issues that *matter*. By "honest" I mean open, forthright and without false embarrassment. I cannot think of anyone who was more "honest," who pulled his punches less, than Jesus Christ.

He, of course, had a right I do not have — to judge *people*. But on ideals, in this as in other things, we do ourselves honor in imitating Him.

Place: the pages of the *Star*. Topic: the educational situation of Houghton College. Participants: one English teacher (so far, that's all). He hopes for disagreement, for this breeds dialogue, and dialogue is a form of charity.

Is there anything else? Oh yes — the title. I take my series title from that wonderful piece of Victorian "high nonsense" called "The Charge of the Light Brigade." Now, "low" nonsense knows itself to be nonsense. "High" nonsense, in contrast, thinks that it is making sense. I would classify Tennyson's poem as high nonsense at its ripest — all those troopers booted and spurred riding into the valley of death like a platoon of movie extras.

But that refrain "Half a league onward" has, I think, hidden genius. It expresses perfectly a pose of idealism and scepticism combined. It's not that I think human beings incapable of improvement: they may, in fact, "go onward to better things." But it's not likely they'll go very far — not much more than "half a league," in fact.

— Lionel Basney

# Olympic Spirit of Unity Shaken by Terrorism

by Dean Curry

"Citius, Altius, Fortius"

The twentieth Olympiad is now a memory; a frightening nightmare that one finds hard to awake from. However at the start, even the superficiality of the games was impressive: the six hundred and fifty million dollar sports paradise and the prismatic opening ceremonies were sights one could not help but be impressed with. Also one had to be encouraged with the initial spirit of the Games — the essence of the modern games; one sensed a unifying catalyst amongst the eleven thousand athletes gathered under flags of nations who too frequently meet for purposes other than athletic competition. Socio-economic and political differences apparently had been left home and all that was to matter in Munich was the gold, silver, and bronze.

Tragically, however, our deepest desires were smothered, as once again, political expediency became the twentieth Olympiad's code of ethics. In a painful yet harmless way the decency of every American was offended by the political games played by a few jealous and arrogant Olympic judges. In a much more serious and ultimately destructive way the humanity and dignity of all oppressed peoples was insulted by a vicious kind of political racism and tokenism. One cannot question the immorality and illegality of the Rhodesian government, never the less the Olympic games are not an arena for such a debate. Without a doubt if human freedom is the norm

for competition in the Olympic games neither the Soviet Union, on the basis of her treatment of Soviet Jewry nor the United States on the basis of her suppression of the Indian, Chicano, and black would be permitted to participate. In fact, one can speculate with assurance that if nationalistic politicians ran the Games the Olympics would have died with the birth of the first politician. Perhaps that statement is a bit absurd yet the fact remains — the Olympics must be run for the glory of the individual.

However, the Munich games failed in that task. The Munich games failed with the first politically motivated decision by a judge; the Munich games failed with the political pressure tactics of short-sighted nations; and most tragically the Munich games failed with the cold-blooded murder of eleven Israeli athletes. And in a deeper sense, since the Olympics symbolize man's inner yearning for peace and harmony in the midst of diversity, man failed.

But failure must not signal defeat, for the idealism of the Olympics must be our goal, that which we as runners in the race of humanity look towards and pursue as diligently as those who have trained for the Olympic games since the days of Zeus.

It is imperative that we arise from the tragedy of the twentieth Olympiad and honor those Israeli dead by returning the Games to the athlete and in a larger way may the world pursue the Olympic ideal of "Swift-er, Higher, Stronger." Shalom.

# Flak & Feedback

Dear Mr. Editor:

With all due respect to the *Star* of May 12 in which the most coveted Fletcher L. Snopes Jr. Award was so kindly presented in my behalf, I must say thanks — but no thanks. There is one who deserves it far more than I... I must relinquish this most rare and refined award to Mr. Dean Curry. Perhaps, this will cheer him up during his sentence.

However, it is with sincere hope that when he receives his freedom and is once again back to his tamale stand, that he fill his tamales with meat instead of corn. The taste of his products, I must admit, has been rather flat and lacks salt.

Mrs. Joyce Hatten, 1962

Gary Saylor

Dear Editor,

I want to praise God for the financial and other mix-ups we are having over the Campus Center.

My initial reaction after Wednesday's chapel was one of anger but God has revealed Romans 8:28 to me once again. "And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are called according to his purpose."

I love God and I praise Him for all the Campus Center problems because they are working together for my good!

LeRoy N. Bannister

Dear Editor,

Sir: I appreciate Dean Curry's attempt to make his point (if in-

deed a point was being made and I didn't read a purpose into a bunch of meaningless ramblings.) If his point was that a male cannot comment objectively on Women's Lib, he should have stated that, backed it up, and proceeded to make some intelligent subjective comments. As it was, I feel his article was a waste of your paper and my time. There are places for the style of editorial that Dean wrote. However, placing it in the same issue as Stephanie's article was not the place for it. Dean's article balanced (or added to) Stephanie's article as much as a feather could balance or add to the weight of a Mailer anthology.

Dear Editor,

Considering all the talk about *The American Woman — Today*, I think this letter from *Time* magazine, March 20, 1972 is well worth reprinting in the *Star* — especially the last paragraph.

Sir/ What tastes like honey in your mouth may turn into gall in your belly. Already women have more legal freedom than they know what to do with.

This hardfisted putdown of men, marriage, femininity, etc., will surely rob women of something very special; the warm helping hand of man, whose natural instinct is to share, protect and love. Ione Ballard Schurch, Evanston, Ill.

(Mrs. Homer J. Fero)

## Women in the Gospels

# Jesus Was No Chauvinist

Jesus was a feminist, that is, a person who promotes the equality of women with men, who treats women primarily as human persons and willingly contravenes social customs in so acting. The Gospels give no evidence of Jesus ever treating women as inferior to men. When the restricted state of women in the Palestinian Judaism of that time is recalled, even this mere absence of a male superiority attitude is extraordinary.

Women, for example, normally were not allowed to study the Scriptures (Torah); one first-century rabbi, Eliezer, put the point sharply: "Rather should the words of the Torah be burned than entrusted to a woman. Whoever teaches his daughter the Torah is like one who teaches her lasciviousness." Women were not counted toward a quorum (minyon) for worship. Women could not bear witness. A good man would not speak to a woman in public; a

rabbi would not address even his wife or daughter in the street.

Jesus, however, publicly, repeatedly rejected these oppressive customs.

Though a rabbi, Jesus often addressed women, even women of ill repute, in public, and he spoke to them as primarily human persons, not as "sex objects," as for example, the thrice-married Samaritan woman, the woman "taken in adultery," and Mary Magdalene. Moreover, he regularly taught women the Torah.

Jesus also very deliberately rejected the Jewish prohibition against women bearing witness. For example, his first appearance after his resurrection was to a woman, whom he then commissioned to bear witness to the Eleven.

Also contrary to the current attitude, Jesus clearly thought that the "intellectual life" was proper for women, that the role

of women was not limited to being "in the home."

This was made clear during his visit to the home of Martha and Mary. Martha took the typical women's role: "Martha was distracted with much serving." Mary, however, took the supposedly "male" role: she "sat at the Lord's feet and listened to his teaching." Martha apparently thought Mary was out of place in choosing the role of the "intellectual," for she complained to Jesus. But Jesus' response was a refusal to force all women into the stereotype: he treated Mary first of all as a person (whose highest faculty is the intellect, the spirit) who was allowed to set her own priorities, and in this instance had "chosen the better part." And Jesus applauded her: "it is not to be taken from her."

Jesus strove to communicate the notion of the equal dignity of women in many different ways. Once, in response to a challenge, he related three parables in a row, all of which contained an image of God. The first story was of the shepherd who left the 99 sheep to seek the one lost — the shepherd is God. The third was of the prodigal son — the father is God. The second story was of the woman who sought the lost coin — the woman is God!

It is clear from the Gospels that Jesus vigorously promoted the dignity and equality of women in the midst of a very male-dominated society: Jesus was a feminist, and a very radical one. Can his followers attempt to be anything less?

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# Senate Opens Year With Clear Direction, Cloudy Goals

Senate goals may be somewhat nebulous this year, but after their first meeting Tuesday, September 12, their direction became clear: the glory of God for the best decisions, however important or insignificant the problems confronting the Senate may appear. The new president, Dave Benedict, called the meeting to order. Chaplain Wayne MacBeth opened with devotions. Then business began.

Benedict appointed Richard Horner and Jim Bailey to fill spots on student committees vacated when the original student member failed to return to school this year. Horner will sit on the important Dean's Liaison Committee, while Bailey's duties in committee will include supervision or at least information concerning this season's Lecture Series.

The new campus governance plan faced the Senate again, although this time somewhat indirectly. President Benedict

conveyed the reply of the Local Board of Managers to the Senators. Apparently the Board feels the administration had too little voice in the decisions shaping the proposed constitution. The trustees returned the plan for further consideration by administration. However, some Senators feared lack of student representation on the review committee. Mr. Richard Jacobsen, one of the Senate's advisors, assured members that students would be considered more than "other interested parties" in re-evaluation of the proposed constitution.

Parking stickers brought a degree of levity to Tuesday night's meeting. Several students reported confusion as to application of the stickers on their automobiles. The *Student Guide* advises that stickers be applied to the right rear bumper, but the stickers are made for the window. Bob Van Dyk cleared up the problem: "They

sent us the right (stickers) for the faculty; but the wrong ones for the students."

A committee was appointed to study the possibilities of athletic scholarships. After Steve Woolsey's complaint of a "rip-off" in his purchase of Artist Series tickets for the second consecutive season, the Senate asked Ralph Biesecker to investigate an apparent discrepancy between ticket prices in registration line and at the music building.

The meeting was adjourned in record time, after only about an hour.



Dr. Stephen Calhoon hopes to spend his sabbatical leave studying the history and philosophy of sciences.

## Dr. Calhoon Plans Research Study, Beginning Year of Sabbatical Leave

by John Tsujimoto

Sabbatical, according to Webster's Seventh New Collegiate Dictionary, is "a recurring period of rest or renewal." Dr. Calhoon of the Chemistry Department describes his as a "potpourri of plans," including traveling, research, further study and writing.

In January, Dr. Calhoon will participate in the Houghton College Winterim Tour of the Middle East. He also plans to attend at least one Professional Society of Chemistry meeting, which includes a short concentrated study of a particular aspect of Chemistry.

During the term of his sabbatical, Dr. Calhoon hopes to do work in the history and philosophy of science, as a follow-up to the preparation of a Winterim course presented last year. Further studies will take Dr. Calhoon to Regents College, a Christian graduate school in connection with the University of British Columbia, for summer studies in the Christian Philosophy of Science, or possibly to studies in Instrumental Analysis at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

Dr. Calhoon is also collecting material and doing further research on the problem of alcoholism and hopes to do some

writing in this area.

Material on alcoholism now available to the layman, he feels, "is outdated and emotional in tone rather than scientifically sound."

Much modern research has been made on the subject and the results need to be made available to the layman. A ra-

tional discussion of the use of alcohol is needed.

Dr. Calhoon will also continue his part-time work in heart-pacer research. In May, he will be a member of a Heartpacer research group which will present a paper to the Electrochemical Society meeting in Chicago.

## News Briefs . . .

by Gordon Bugbee

What's a student to do? No car, no money and no place to go. So goes the major theme of the Houghton entertainment story. But, there is light on the horizon.

This year, in addition to the occasional fund-raising flick, the Senate Entertainment Committee is hoping to add some movies just for the entertainment and several live concerts. To date the absence of a full entertainment program has been felt by the whole student body. The goal of this year's Entertainment Committee is to provide some kind of relaxation for every weekend this year. This involves filling those evenings which have not already been covered by other campus organizations.

One area of special attention will be the Winterim. Last year, largely due to the newness of the program, the Senate failed to plan adequately for entertainment. As a result, many long hours were spent looking for things to do. Senate plans this year to include a film festival in its Winterim activities.

Also high on the list are the Committee's efforts to bring live entertainment to the Chapel stage. Senate is investigating several different types of entertainment and is considering both Christian and secular performers. Hopefully this year no one will need to resort to sleeping to while away the hours.

## star essay

The guest editorial reprinted below is taken from the Bethany Nazarene College *Reveille Echo* of April 21, 1972. It is a rather negative comment on a revision of the compulsory chapel system recently instituted there. My purpose in including this editorial is not to be destructively critical of any chapel system, but only to re-emphasize the importance of an evaluation of Houghton's own chapel policy. Do we really know why we meet in Wesley Chapel four days a week at 11:15 a.m.? Are chapels accomplishing their intended purpose? Chapels should be times of spiritual growth and worship; often they are not. We would do well to give the matter some thought.

Stephen Woolsey

The selling of indulgences was a practice popular in the medieval church, and consisted of a process whereby a weaker brother could buy his way out of hell. The administration of Bethany Nazarene College has recently decided to discontinue a similar system related to students and required chapel attendance. We congratulate those responsible for their attempts to revise the system — as Epictetus advised so long ago, "Practice yourself, for heaven's sake, in little things; and thence proceed to greater."

Reorganizing the process that gets students into Herrick three times a week does nothing to make the situation more valuable once they are there. We are wondering what it is exactly that required chapel is intended to accomplish. Now that he will be able to flunk out of an additional three hours, one student is beginning to think of chapel as another general requirement to be grumbled about, slept through and quietly forgotten. (Question: Since a grade for chapel will appear on his transcript, will it be possible for a failing student who does especially well at mid-term revival to slip by with a passing mark?) On the other hand, if chapel is not just another class to cut, but a religious service for the edification of those in attendance, why not concentrate on the quality (gasp) of the service rather than the quantity of the crowd. BNC students are neither morose nor anti-church: present a worthwhile program, include them in it, and chapel could be a successful instrument of communication. After all, it is pointless to package chapels beautifully if the contents is to remain generally useless — sort of like (get this) old wine in new bottles.

by Leola Floren

## A Letter from the Editor

Dear Reader,

These are strange times, frightening and exciting, but never simple. The psychopathic president of Uganda has gone on a rampage, the endless incident-reprisal cycle goes on and on in the Middle East, and Richard Nixon is talking peace while making war. And all is not well at Houghton.

A sense of bizarre comedy pervaded Wesley Chapel last week as Houghton women viewed dramatic presentations of "yes outfits" and "no outfits," and had proper sign-out procedures and lounge behavior indelibly impressed upon their minds. Meanwhile, Houghton men run about with very few restrictions, personally or collectively. It just doesn't seem fair, although I hesitate to suggest an equalization of the rules,

according to The Present Doctrine, that would be accomplished by cracking down on the men. So what do we do?

What does all of this have to do with *The Houghton Star*? It is our purpose to inform you of such campus and world events, attempting to be basically fair and rational in our assessments, and balanced in our reporting. But you must remember one thing — we are just learners, amateurs in the field of journalism, so we need your help, patience and prayer. We covet your suggestions, and ask that you read the *Star* to constructively criticize its content — and then tell us what you think, preferably in writing. We are here to serve you, so you must tell us if we are losing sight of that goal.

Stephen A. Woolsey

## Freshman Parents Weekend Slated, Sample Classes Offered September 30

by Cindy Gaston

Freshmen Parents' Weekend this year begins on Friday, September 29, with the duo Perrette Zayas Artist Series concert.

Mr. Dean Liddick and David Benedict are now making the final arrangements in preparation for the program which will orient the parents to college classes and activities.

Saturday's program begins at 9:00 a.m. with three sample classes. Parents can choose from a study in ethical issues in Prof. Laurence Mullen's "Prickers for Parents"; or a biology class with Dr. Donald Munro; or a class in Behavioral Foundations for Living with Prof. H. Wesley Ward.

Following these classes, the parents, faculty and freshmen students are invited to a coffee

hour in the Wesley Chapel foyer. Here, parents can become acquainted with other members of the faculty and administration.

At 11:00, Chaplain Richard Bareiss will moderate a faculty-student panel discussion entitled "Get Involved." Parents will be presented with the question, "Should incoming students get involved in campus activities; and, if so, how much?" Parents, students and faculty members will be given a chance to interact with the panel and express their opinions on this subject.

After the panel discussion, freshmen and their parents are invited to the Presidential Luncheon. An address will be delivered by President Dayton, with David Benedict presiding

and Gordon Bugbee bringing the invocation. Robert Stoddard, a freshman, will provide entertainment.

Saturday afternoon allows time for the parents to relax and tour the campus on their own. They can take in a soccer game against Baptist Bible, or a tennis match against Binghamton.

Later in the evening, the Junior Class is sponsoring a program which will include skits, music and other presentations by the faculty, classes and various clubs and organizations on campus.

Sunday morning, parents are invited to attend Sunday school classes and morning worship with the students to bring Freshmen Parents' Weekend to a close.





Patrick Okafor, an Ibo from Port Harcourt, Nigeria, joins the Houghton Highlander soccer team as inside right lineman.

## Athlete of the Week

# Patrick Okafor

by Peter Luckey

After last week's stunning soccer victory over St. John Fisher, many of you are probably asking, "Who is our new inside right?" He is Ibo Patrick Okafor, a 23 year-old student recently of Port Harcourt, East Nigeria. How did he ever hear of Houghton? How did he get here?

It all started in 1967 when the Civil War began between the government of Nigeria and what was called Biafra. Patrick was 17 then and going to school. Soon after the war broke out, all of the schools closed. A born again Christian from a Christian family, Patrick wanted to help in some way without fighting, so he joined the Red Cross. The Red Cross soon had to leave; he then found work with the World Council of Churches.

In May of 1968, tragedy struck. At home with his family, Patrick and one of his sisters had just walked out into their yard when Mig jets appeared, heading straight for the house. Patrick's father, his mother, a brother and a sister all perished in the bombing. The house was rubble. Patrick and his one sister survived. They spent the next three months in a refugee camp.

Feeling pushed beyond endurance and still resisting the idea of war, Patrick nevertheless joined the army. After a year's service, he was wounded and taken to a Biafran hospital.

More and more, he felt God's guiding power and that His guidance had kept he and his sister outside that bombed house. The Lord must have a plan for his life.

Seeking a means of furthering his education, Patrick listened when a Christian worker told him of two Christian schools in the United States — Houghton and Marion. He wrote to both schools and liked Houghton's reply better. There followed an exchange of correspondence over the next six to nine months and his interest in the school increased. But how to get to the U.S.? When Nigeria triumphed over Biafra, Biafran currency became valueless. The Ibos were without

funds and Patrick is an Ibo.

Meanwhile, Coach Burke, hearing of Okafor's athletic abilities (school champion of the 100 meter hurdles, one of the six best quarter milers in the country and a member of the first division soccer team in Nigeria) wrote to him advising to trust in God for his needs. Coach Burke's mother-in-law sent \$500 for transportation; Mr. Alderman, director of Admissions for Houghton College, forwarded \$400 to him. Labor Day weekend, Patrick Okafor arrived at Kennedy Airport, on to Rochester, and finally at Houghton.

How does the soccer team feel? Greg Vossler says Patrick fits right into the spot that needed filling — inside right. He has a tremendous shot. He had good perspective of the total game. He's unselfish, always looking to set up a play.

Patrick says the team is made up of strong boys with real stamina, but he thinks they need more anticipation and soccer control. They run too much; they should let the ball do the running.

Patrick feels that he has received much love, much kindness. He hopes to be able to pay back this kindness by helping others as he has been helped. And most important, he knows that God guides.

## Soccer Highlanders Take First Win, Downing St. John Fisher College

by Donna Cole

Victory was the theme our soccer team chose Saturday for their first game of the season. Houghton chalked this game in the winning column with a score of 2 goals to St. John Fisher College's 1.

In the first half, Coach Burke

worked different combinations of players demonstrating that regardless of circumstances, our men work well together. In fact, the Highlanders kept drilling the ball at the goal but were unable to score until the second half of the game.

Goalie Gregg Vossler stopped

many of Fisher's attempts to score. Dan and Gary Housepian displayed their coordinating defensive tactics and with the addition of Steve Berger, kept pounding the ball to our forwards.

Getting into the second half after just four minutes of play, a cross from Berger came to the feet of Patrick Okafor, a freshman from Nigeria, who scored. Later on, Gary Housepian was charged with pushing in the penalty area and St. John Fisher converted the penalty kick, in spite of Vossler's efforts to stop it.

Fisher was unable to stop Highlander momentum however, when with 26 minutes left in the last half, Dan Housepian powered a fine boot up to Okafor. After dribbling around and seemingly through two opponents, he scored his second and winning goal.

Houghton held its lead. Matthew Woolsey and David Askey, two wings of the forward line made some fine crosses, but none got past Fisher to score.

Freshman members of the team include: Matthew Woolsey, Paul Hatch, Tom Fiegl, Clair Stephens, Steve Nelson, Dwight Dale, Gregory Fortuna, Thomas Miner, Steven Roberts, David Coddington, John Reinhardt, Dean Spencer, Patrick Okafor and Roy Fellers.

## Cross Country Runners Drop Meet to Fredonia

Houghton's Cross-Country team kicked off its 1972 season Saturday with a 20-40 loss to a powerful Fredonia squad. Fredonia, perhaps the toughest team on the Highlanders' schedule, rolled up first, second, fourth, sixth and seventh place to walk away with the meet.

C. Clark led the visitors' efforts with a time of 23:54 for the four-mile-plus course, finishing twenty-four seconds ahead of teammate K. Reynolds. Corky Rhodes, Houghton's top runner this year, broke the scoring streak by capturing third place with a time of 24:35, only 1:03 slower than the school record he set two years ago.

Nelson of Fredonia was well back in fourth place at 25:02 and Brad Belleville, promising

freshman runner, was a scant seven seconds behind him for the fifth slot.

The next three spots were swept by Fredonia, but Charles Purvis came through with ninth place, failing to finish two positions higher by six seconds. Doug Gent and Keith Morris rounded out Houghton's scoring, taking eleventh and a mandatory twelfth. If seven runners of one school finish before the other team's top five are in, the remainder of positions to be filled advances in a regular numerical sequence. Morris actually came in fourteenth, but seven Fredonia men were already in, so he received credit for twelfth behind Gent. Perkins, Batchelder, Walker, Beach and Brown make up the rest of the team.

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