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## Expansion... and Ramifications

### Art Student Influx Proves Mixed Blessing

by Beth Johnson

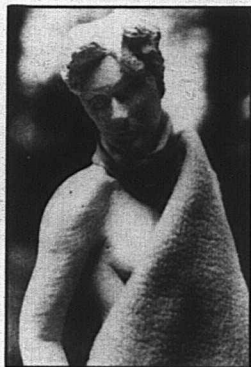


Photo by  
Dave Perkins

Come to Houghton, be an art major—just don't expect to take your courses in sequence, or experience an important program (figure drawing) that will allow you to fulfill your goals of becoming a complete artist.

Sarcastic? Yes. True? Yes. But there are valid reasons for the existence of such problems, and the solutions are attainable by student self-education and the hiring of additional art professors.

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### And Then There Were Three...

Crucial to the art department is the apparent lack of professors. There are currently only three professors for the 29 declared art majors and 16 art minors. With 10 art majors already accepted as freshmen for the 1990-91 academic year, and at least 15 more expected, the number of art students has jumped from six to approximately fifty in four years. This has resulted in a

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### Political Science Major: a Gradual Development

by Ivan T. Rocha

Growth and expansion have characterized Houghton College during the past few years. At times this growth has been clearly visible, the most recent example of which is the New Academic Building. Growth, that is not always as concrete and tangible as a new classroom building, is nevertheless very real and extremely important to Houghton. Such is the case of the political science major, now in its early stages of development.

Drs. David Benedict, Katherine Lindley, Cameron Airhart and Academic Dean Clarence Bence, as well as a number of others in the Department of History and Social Science, are involved in developing the political science major which, according to Benedict, should be completed in approximately three years. As it is now, the courses listed in the catalog under the political science minor will form the core of the major.

Several courses in political theory and philosophy still need to be developed in order for the program to be complete. In addition, the hiring of a new faculty member who will teach American Government courses is expected. (Benedict is currently the sole political science professor). All of this, according to Benedict, can be taken care of in less than a year. However, the New York State Department of Education is expected to take nearly two years to approve the new major.

Nevertheless, freshmen and sophomores interested in the major will be encouraged to take political science as an "enhanced minor" (virtually a second major) in addition to a major in a related area such as history or social science. As a result, if approval is granted by the Department of Education during their education at Houghton, these "enhanced" political science minors will be able to receive a regular degree.

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## Art Student Influx

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lack of versatility, for the professors are locked into teaching courses that absolutely have to be offered, the basics. No senior seminars, studio courses, or special interest programs such as watercolor or architectural history are available due to the lack of time. If the situation is not remedied soon, only those with a declared art major or minor will be able to take art courses.

This deficiency saddens the art professors, for they believe that the art students, whose tuition brings in a half-million dollars, are being shown a discourtesy; they deserve at least one, if not two, more art professors.

### Figure Drawing: Unlikely

Michelangelo was known to engage in a rather strange practice: sneaking into morgues to study, dissect, and draw the muscle structure and figures of dead bodies. Although this may sound morbid, it is not unfounded.

In the opinion of all three Houghton art professors--Gary Baxter, Scot Bennett and Ted Murphy--drawing from the human form is necessary for anyone with hopes of becoming a professional artist. "It is of the utmost importance that an artist be able to draw from the human form--it is the sign of final mastery," said Professor Bennett. Murphy agreed, saying, "It is necessary for professional artists to have a firm foundation in and the ability to respond to figure drawing."

How ironic, then, that drawing of the human form, a basic yet very important skill of a complete artist, is not offered at Houghton, nor does any plan of incorporating such

a course into the art program loom on the horizon.

All three instructors fully understand the negative attitude of most Christian institutions towards figure drawing, and acknowledge they basically have no choice in the matter as they are not involved in actual course organization. This leaves art students at Houghton in a curious position. Their education is left with a void that can only be filled by taking additional courses at colleges that offer figure drawing (as well as other courses not offered at Houghton due to time and cramped professor workloads, mentioned earlier). "After that, you end up drawing your roommate and willing friends," said Brynne Caves, junior art major.

### However...

"We are not complaining," chorused Professors Bennett, Baxter and Murphy. "We like these problems--they are nice problems to have. And we like Houghton... Mom, Houghton, and apple pie."



## Political Science Major

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There are currently at least 18 potential political science majors, as well as 28 students interested in a minor. Adding the major will not be a means of removing students from other majors, but will instead be seen as a means of attracting students who would not otherwise come to Houghton. Benedict spoke of extensive recruiting campaigns, visiting high schools, and making Houghton's new major more widely known.

Further developments in the division of history and social science include the addition of an international studies major, which should become effective in the very near future, and a possible revamping of the social science major. These changes signify a new era for Houghton, one characterized by an expanding student body and by the development of new courses and areas of interest and concentration.



# Taylor Offers Nuclear Solutions

by Kim Kerr

Students, faculty, and community members gathered in Schaller Hall on Friday, November 3, to hear physicist Ted Taylor voice his views on nuclear waste in Allegany County. Taylor, a graduate from Cornell with a PhD in physics, worked with the Carter administration, examining Three Mile Island. As a resident of Allegany County, he is very active in the campaign to "bump the dump."

During his lecture, "Nuclear Waste In Allegany County?", Taylor expressed both his professional and personal views on the topic. In answer to his question, he proclaimed a definite "No," stressing nuclear waste as a "global problem." Taylor gave three definite reasons why we should say "no" to the placing of a nuclear waste dump in Allegany County as well as opening up any new areas in the country:

1. Waste management is and has been unpredictable and unreliable. There have been too many accidents and leaks to give the public any kind of reassurance, which has caused a "gradual development of a total lack of trust by the public."

2. "The term low-level waste is misleading. It has deceived very many people." Most people think low-level means hospital waste; insufficient radiation to cause harm. However, the "low-level" dump proposed in Allegany County will con-

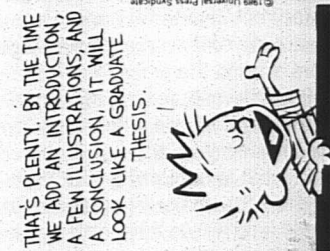
tain parts of reactors used in six nuclear power plants that will be dismantled. The bulk of the radioactivity will come from the reactors and parts of the plants. There will be enough radiation to severely contaminate huge areas of land and affect tens of thousands of people—much more toxic than the Love Canal incident a few years ago.

3. The radiation could get out by spontaneous explosion of materials contained in the dump. This possibility "hasn't been looked at, but is worth mentioning." In 1957, such an explosion occurred in the Ural Mountains (in the Soviet Union), and 10,000 people were evacuated. Researchers are still looking into what could have caused the explosion. Taylor described this as "an example of lack of knowledge to go about preventing serious hurt."

Taylor then suggested some means to help solve the problem of nuclear waste management in Allegany County and in the nation:

1. Call for the repeal of the Low-Level Nuclear Waste Management Act of 1980 (which made all states responsible for storage of waste produced in their area). Taylor suggested it was a "bad law" and possibly unconstitutional, stating that "the federal government passed an

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Uncle Ledley  
Official Star Mascot

Uncle Ledley says:

The Star needs more staff reporters! If you enjoy writing, and are comfortable with deadlines, please contact Dave at extension 210.

## And In Other News...

by John Chong



For some time now, I've been thinking of writing in the *Star* about current world events. Most of the articles in the *Star* pertain to things happening on campus or in the community, but not too much of the "outside world." Most of us are usually bogged down with papers, exams, intramurals, etc.; we usually don't have much time to read a newspaper or watch the evening news. I was a bit shocked, however, when I found that many students on campus were unaware of the major earthquake in the San Francisco Bay area a few weeks ago, or even of the amazing changes going on in the U.S.S.R. and the Eastern Bloc countries.

As students, we are here at Camp Houghton not just to be educated, but also to be sensitive and aware of what happens to our neighbors around the globe.

Each week, I will briefly summarize current issues of the week and try to keep you at least "in touch" with what is happening "out there." Due to the major changes in our world (and also to the fact that I have very demanding professors), I will just briefly mention and inform you of the main points of the weekly happenings.

If you have any suggestions on how I can better serve the student body in this column, please talk to me.

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### East Germany

The East German cabinet officially resigned on November 7, 1989, but it will continue in a caretaker

capacity until a new cabinet is named. The resignation came about due to increased pressure from reform-minded Communist party members and opposition groups. This move will hopefully allow The new leader of the country, Egon Krenz, to form his own government and to meet the challenge of reform that is sweeping over the Communist world.

Krenz is not a reformist like Mikhail Gorbachev; the protege of Erich Honecker is, like Honecker, a hard-liner. He will be confronting various challenges:

1) how to deal with the growing demand of reforms from the East Germans and those within the Communist party,

2) how to restructure an economy plagued by shortages and bottlenecks,

3) how to prevent the exodus of more East Germans to the West without causing uprising from the masses,

4) and what to do about the possible reunification of the two Germanys.

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### Panama

Last Friday, U.S. Marine guards and Army military police exchanged gunfire with a small group of "unidentified intruders" near a U.S. defense site in Panama. This incident was the most prominent event to occur in Panama since the failed coup on October 3.

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### China

During President George Bush's news conference on Wednesday,

he said that it was up to the Beijing government to "untie the knot" and move to ease relations with the United States. This, of course, pertains to the tragic incident that happened in Tienamen Square this past summer and to the various actions taken by the Bush government in response.

Presently, the Chinese government is in the process of reeducating the students in the countryside of the "orthodox doctrines" of Communism, and there are other government crackdowns.

Bush stated that he is hopeful that U.S.-Chinese relations can improve.

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### Washington, D.C.

President Bush has ordered all federal agencies to meet the budget deficit reduction target set by the Gramm-Rudman-Hollings legislation by imposing \$16 billion in across-the-board spending cuts. Many domestic programs will suffer, among them subsidized housing, which will suffer a 5.3% decrease. Defense Secretary Cheney had to cut short a trip to Europe and Australia to return to Washington, where he was faced with a task of cutting 4.3% (\$8 billion) from the Defense budget as necessary under the law. Good luck, Mr. Secretary!

In the following weeks, I will deal more specifically with the political and economic changes sweeping over Eastern Europe and the situation in China.

(Acknowledgements due to UPI for reference use.)

## Senate

by Stephen Virkler

On Halloween night (Tuesday, October 31), the Student Senate "haunted" Schaller Hall for the fourth time this semester. Items discussed were the New Academic Building's closing time, Rev. Al Gurley's campus ministry, an outstanding teacher award, Current Issues Day and themes for Winter Weekend.

According to Academic Dean Clarence Bence, if the closing time of the New Academic Building were changed from 11:00 p.m. to midnight, security would not finish locking up the campus until 1:30 a.m. rather than 1 a.m., as they currently do. He went on to say that the administration does not feel that any building should be open that late. After this explanation, Senate compromised, suggesting that the campus could still be closed by 1:00 a.m. if the building were to close at 11:30 p.m. Dean Bence agreed and said that he would discuss this proposal with other members of the administration at a later date.

Following this, Rev. Al Gurley, Director of Campus Ministries, addressed Senate to explain the purpose of his on-campus ministry: to "challenge as many as have ears to hear" to serve the Lord. Also, he said that he is trying to "get a pulse of what's happening" spiritually on

campus and wants students' comments and suggestions.

Representing the Academic Affairs Committee, Kristi Duliba said that Sears Roebuck Corp. will donate \$1000 to a selected "outstanding instructor." Those eligible to vote for the recipient of this award are Bence, a faculty member or student from each division, and Houghton alumni.

Next, Senate president Thom Fenner announced that Coca-Cola machines are back on campus, then announced that a conservationist from Rochester, an environmental author, and a representative of the University of Georgia will be speaking at the Current Issues Day chapel (February 20 from 10 a.m. to noon). Chapel that day will reportedly be preceded by a reception, much like the one before the Founder's Day chapel this year.

Winter Weekend themes were also discussed. The four choices are 1) *Revelation* (involving Biblical themes such as Armageddon) 2) *Wild, Wild West* (involving western themes), 3) *The Old West* (also involving western themes) and 4) *Celebration of Dr. Seuss*.

Senate will choose one of these themes at its next meeting on Tuesday, November 14. Please give any suggestions, comments, or questions about these themes to one of your class senators.



## Houghton Staff Win Elections

by Dave Wheeler

Tuesday, November 7, was a notable day for three Houghton staff members, as they were elected to positions within the county. Kenneth Nielsen, Philip Stockin and Richard Alderman all were victorious as their campaigns ended Tuesday.

Nielsen, Houghton's Vice-President of Finance, was elected to the Allegany County legislature. Nielsen, a Republican, was joined by fellow Republicans Alton Saylor and James Gallman, as they assumed the three open positions in the legislature. They were opposed by Democrat Michael Trizisonoli and Independents Ted MacOwski and Fleurette Pelletier.

Stockin, headmaster of Houghton Academy, won the election for town supervisor. A Republican, Stockin defeated Democrat Gerald Fish.

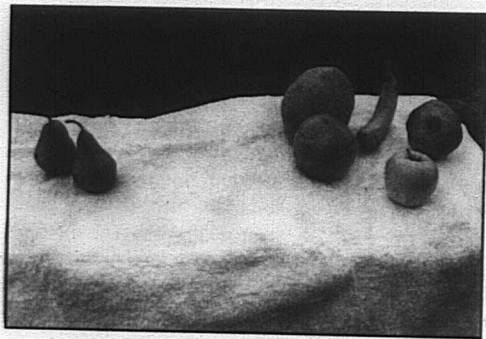
Alderman, Director of Alumni and Public Relations and, as Nielsen and Stockin, a Republican, was elected to the town council, along with Curtis Crandall. Their opposition was William Muro, a Democrat.

According to Allegany County Election Commissioner Larry Wilson, the Caneadea-Houghton-Oramel area is quite politically active and aware, moreso this year because of the proposed radioactive waste dump. The Caneadea area has a history of high voter rates.

Not surprisingly, Republicans outnumber Democrats in the Caneadea area by close to three to one (607 to 184, actually, in addition to 64 Independents) among the permanent residents, according to Wilson. Also not surprising was the fact that every candidate for the positions here mentioned expressed opposition to the waste dump.

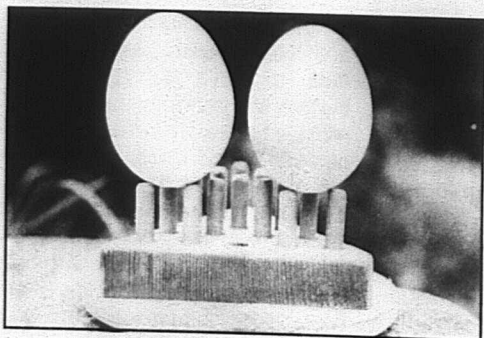
## Don't Ask

Dave Perkins was sent out this week to take a photo to accompany the "Peers with Ears" article on the next page.



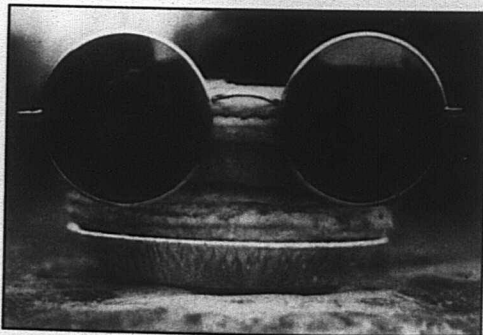
"Pears with Airs" . . . not quite.

. . . trusting that one of them would be the correct one.



"Pegs with Eggs," perhaps?

Due to forgetfulness (and failure to admit it), he took several pictures. . .



"Pies with Eyes?"

It was a valiantly-attempted search, not so much doomed to failure as to utter silliness, as evidenced by "Petes with Eats," below. Whether or not these gentlemen are really named "Pete" is immaterial.



The residents of the Community Effort floor on First West, South Hall, have broken with tradition. They have chosen as their community service project not the standard project involving "manual labor," but rather, a more unusual labor of love—peer counseling. In response to the floor's desire to engage in a meaningful activity, junior Rand Bellavia suggested that peer counseling might be the way to go—and so, after a spring and summer of planing, the community of First West is ready to start counseling under the name "Peers With Ears."

"Peer counseling" sounds wonderful—but any form of counseling implies the existence of problems, some of them possibly quite serious. Just what types of conflicts will be dealt with? Barry MacTarnaghan, a CE floor resident, noted that this very question caused some hesitancy in the decision to pursue this activity. However, it is expected that students needing help will make the decision personally either to utilize this new service or to seek professional help from the college's counseling center.

## Ears Available Upon Request: "Peers With Ears" Emerges

by Mark Thomson



This project is not meant to take away from the college's service but rather to supplement it. Since the counseling center is quite busy, Peers with Ears will be more accessible and less formidable in its unofficial capacity. If the group is faced

with a problem that is too severe to handle, MacTarnaghan stressed that it will find someone who can help. Students should be aware that the counseling center is there if they need to utilize it.

MacTarnaghan emphasized that the members of the CE floor desire to reach out to other students and serve them in a new and meaningful way—don't be afraid to call on them.



Fortunately, Dave finally managed to take one photo that was close.



"Piers with Ears"

Also fortunately, there happened to be a large blank page available on page 6, so I could afford to put up with such foolishness--this time.

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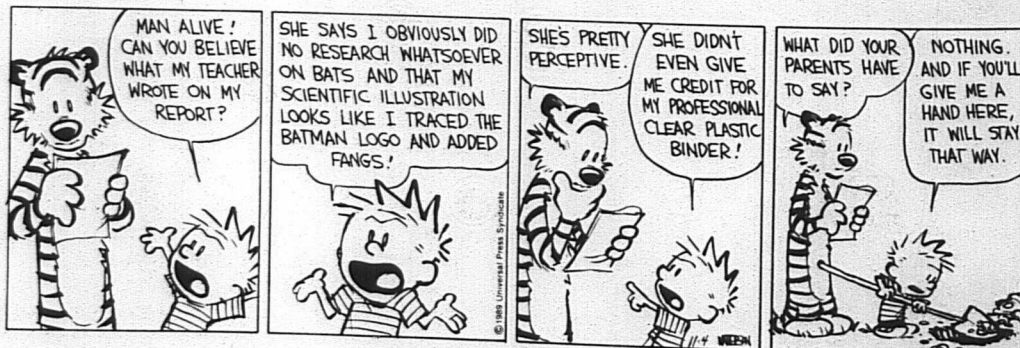
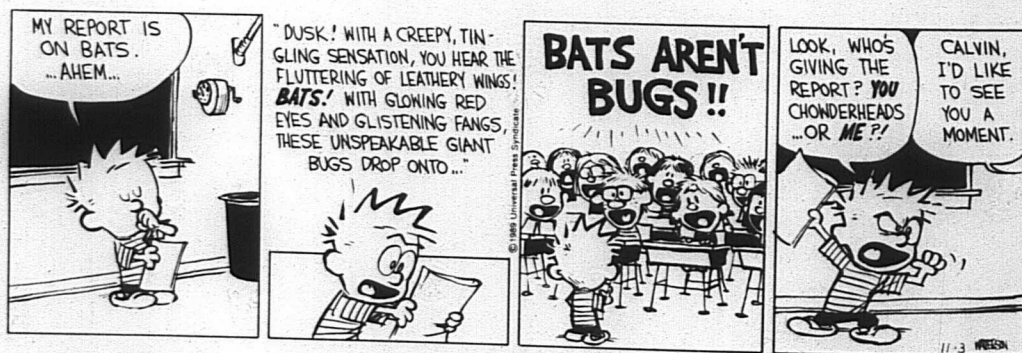
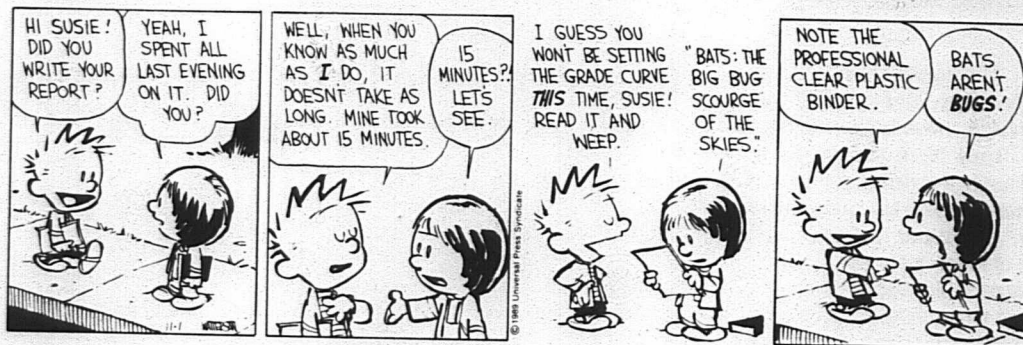
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# Calvin and Hobbes

by Bill Watterson



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## Rant

### Take the Horn Out of My Mouth

by Mark Skinner

When I wrote my column last week, I had the next three columns planned out exactly as I wanted them. I was planning to write about the necessity of owning our morality, and how it was essentially lazy for us to accept "community standards" without having a part in determining what those standards would be. And I was planning on calling for a redefinition of the community's role in delineating a corporate morality, suggesting that it should be those who live in the community, not an irrelevant bunch of ecclesiastical moralists, who determine what the community's morality should be.

I still think that all this stuff is valid. I just don't much care about it right now. So those of you who are looking here for something to be angry about, relish the above paragraph—you'll have to get your cup of meat elsewhere for a while.

Relentless criticism of the place one is in often indicates a more personal struggle. It can, in many ways, be a way of venting self-frustration, of projecting our perceived inadequacies into a place where we can deal with them. And this can be good, a way of opening up stuff within that would have otherwise remained closed. For the slow among you, yes, I write the above from

very recent experience.

I have no idea what I'll write about next week. Wish me luck. For now, I leave you with this quote from Hugh Prather:

"Eloquence is sometimes lyrical, sometimes powerful, but always an overstatement and always a projection."



Dear Mr. Wheeler:

Thank you for sending the fall's issues of the *Star* up through October 20, 1989. This is greatly appreciated, especially in light of the fact that you have been without a business manager until now.

I am writing to respond to your editorial in the 10/20/89 issue, called "Untitled." I have been a member of the Board of Trustees since January. As with every other board I have served on, there is a great amount of responsibility, as you capably pointed out. Indeed, board decisions do affect many, whether directly or indirectly, present or future. Therefore, I do not take my assignment lightly, as what happens at Houghton could very well have an effect on my family (three sons) and my church. There are other board members who also

have prospective Houghton students at home. The board consists of alumni, church leaders (lay and ordained), and parachurch leaders who have an influence in directing students Houghtonward.

In my brief exposure to the board, I have found the members to be people who care about the students, faculty, staff, and campus. They have reflected concern both for the present and the future. They serve voluntarily, receiving no salary, many attending the meetings at great personal sacrifice.

My own board experiences (Opportunity Industrialization Center, Habitat for Humanity, Young Volunteers of America, the church, both locally and district, and now Houghton College) have taught me that being a board member, more often than not, consists of giving time, personal finance, and

making difficult and stressful decisions that frequently place one between a "rock and a hard place."

There is a temptation to avoid accepting such involvement in the name of "not wanting to hurt anyone." If everyone took the course of avoiding such responsibility, it would not be long before Houghton would be a shell of what it currently is. Making decisions and accepting responsibility for them, while recognizing fallibility, is an indication of one's becoming mature. It is also in keeping with the gospel. I would rather take the risk with someone who acts decisively than with someone exhibiting irresoluteness.

Contrary to your conception, a trustee cannot by his/her "actions alone decide the future actions of thousands..." The board decisions are arrived at through corporate de-

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cision. Unfortunately, a board's decision will not please everyone and there can be those who are "hurt."

Your complaint of a board that has members who seldom visit the campus is an age-old problem of all institutions, Houghton being no exception. I agree that it would be helpful for board members to be more attuned to the "voice of the campus." While a trustee may not know what transpires in every facet of Houghton life, an effort is made to be knowledgeable through various means, including the *Star*. Any drawbacks are outweighed by the positives. The present board brings expertise, experience, and perceptions that enhance the college and provide objectivity and grass-roots contact with evangelical Christianity, business, and various professional fields.

Lastly, it is possible to live on campus, thinking one is attuned, while being insensitive to the concerns of minority segments desperately needing a hearing. I believe we would all do well to listen; however, this cannot be done without the risk of bearing some responsibility.

Sincerely,  
Donavon W. Shoemaker



Dear David:

My primary reason for writing [is] to congratulate you on a fine editorial, "Ring Them Bells." I appreciated the humor of a loud bell after a discussion of nuclear options, but more importantly, appreciated your

## Institutional Deprivation

by Jenna Gieser



Are you familiar with the psychological terms "institutional deprivation" and "marasmus"? Institutional deprivation was a study in the 1930's of infants in an orphanage who had limited visual stimulation, no personal property, and human interaction limited only to care provided by overworked nurses! These babies lacked loving emotional support as well as security. On the average, they did not get more than a fourth grade education. Marasmus, studied in the 1940's, was a condition in which infants deprived of contact with their mothers in pediatric wards became listless, apathetic, and unresponsive.

Houghton College is offering us new definitions for these terms. Marasmus is the term for the physical symptoms brought about by the psychological and

emotional effects of institutional deprivation. Something is missing in this institution, this "caring Christian community." The students here, in general, are not getting the emotional support they need. They are given what is considered necessary care and attention, but they are not being nurtured, encouraged, or affirmed. Look around you--how many hurting, struggling people do you see? Students who cannot accept themselves, who feel they are a failure socially or academically or spiritually, who still believe that God doesn't love them because of something in their past. Houghton College has lost its sensitivity towards the emotional, spiritual, and personal struggles of its students. Marasmus is the result. Students become apathetic, frustrated, and fatalistic, not because they don't care, but because they don't feel that anyone cares about them.

There is an underlying attitude at Houghton that needs to change. Instead of student development, all I see is student destruction. From what I hear Houghton really does prepare you for "life in the real world": if you can survive this, you can survive anything.

provocative comments regarding the serpent within and the skillful way you moved from the opening of the editorial to the conclusion.

For the past five weeks, I have been teaching a Sunday School class for the high school age group on law and gospel, looking briefly at Leviticus, Deuteronomy, Romans, Galatians and Hebrews (a marvelous topic, which having done once, I am now considering turning into a quarter-long course for the adults). Last week we were discussing the inadequacies of the law (cf. Paul's

"O wretched man that I am") and the need for salvation by faith. Your article was wonderfully timely and relevant, so I read it to the class. It caught their attention, encouraged discussion, and contributed to what was, I think, a very "growthful" class. I just thought you might be interested to know your editorial was contributing to someone else's spiritual development, off-campus as well as (I am sure) on campus.

Very sincerely yours,  
Terry L. Slye

## Opinion

Dear Editor:

The headline, "Meade Resigns (2)" of 82.6, brought the reflection, "Wonder how many more chapters?" Trustees, administration and accrediting association (MAS) have all spoken—it is easy to see why the MAS would refuse to hear an appeal from an untenured professor; also, they are committed not to enter debates about the tenets of the denominational schools they accredit. Fear, then, from that direction would come only from the possibility that there might be an unfriendly official who could seize an opportunity to make trouble for a church school.

Mark Horne, I believe, hit very near the gold in his speculations, although I do not agree with him in shorting the Board on Matthew 18: 15-17. Nobody wants a heresy trial—if it can be avoided—all the way from the Denominational leaders, Board and administration, clear down to the supporters who have good will for the college and wish to see it free from such troubles. By deciding as they did, and taking the flack, the Board avoided that sort of trouble.

The Wesleyan Church, which operates the college, has an article of faith to which all professors must agree who teach here:

"V. The Sufficiency and Full Authority of the Holy Scriptures for Salvation.

"We believe that the books of the Old and New Testaments constitute the Holy Scriptures. They are the inspired and infallibly written Word of God, fully inerrant in their original manuscripts and superior to all human authority, and have been transmitted to the present without corruption of any essential doctrine..." There is some further elaboration, then the canonical books of Old and New Testaments are listed, as we know them. To those who voted to approve this Article of Faith, there would be overwhelming agree-

ment that they meant that the books of the Bible are also authentic.

One hates to consider that doctrinal allegiance can be sworn with tongue in cheek—but it does happen. For this reason, Wheaton long ago introduced the practice of having its faculty and administration sign its statement of faith every year. At least that keeps personnel aware that in the flux of academic lore there are some items a Christian college should check regularly and honestly. Why would anyone be grieved by the introduction of such a requirement at Houghton?

Sincerely,  
S. Hugh Paine

Dear Editor:

I am writing this letter to share my opinion on the crackdown of parking violators on campus this semester. It appears to me, after receiving nine parking tickets this semester, having several run-ins with ticketers and two trips to the security office, that there is a parking problem on campus. Considering that there were more permits issued than allotted parking spots, I am quite sure that there are students out there that share my dilemma: Where can we park?

Now, with this question on your mind, do not flounder, because there is an answer! The security office has provided, for those who registered their cars, a campus map. For those who have not registered their cars, do not fret—you will continue to be ticketed until they hunt you down and drag you into the security office so they can give you a map. The map contains a plethora of convenient student parking such as Shenawana, East Hall and the ever so popular Lambein Parking Lot.

The problems with these parking spots are numerous and the so-

lutions are few. Let us look at a common everyday scenario. You live in an off-campus house (like Babbitt, Meade, Davis, Bressler, Ortlip, or Schultz), far enough away that you can drive (and might need to with rain, snow, etc.) but close enough that you are not considered a commuter, earning your car a Resident sticker. You drive down at 7:55 for your 8:00 class in the New Building with hopes of finding a parking spot in the Lambein lot. Good luck! You would have more fun playing pick up sticks with your butt cheeks than finding a spot in that lot.

The guest moves on. As you glance to your left, you notice some open spots along the road across from Lambein and Fancher. Forget it! Those spots are reserved for the hundreds of commuters that pour onto our campus daily. Suddenly, as you look over your right shoulder, you notice that 29 of the 30 parking spots in the Fancher lot are unoccupied! Don't even think twice! That lot is currently reserved for the thousands of college employees working in Fancher known as faculty and staff.

It's now 7:57. A quick park in front of the campus center and a dash along the path will still get you a seat in the back row. Too bad. That lot is reserved for the tens of thousands of visitors that flood our campus each day. So even if you plan on driving down to breakfast, lunch, or dinner you best park in East Hall if you want to avoid the yellow fever, no matter how good those convenient 15 open spaces look. Well, now it's 8:00 and the last resort is East Hall. You might as well park up at Shen and catch the early-morning concepts class, you're going to have to run two miles from East Hall anyway.

In conclusion, I would like to state my sole purpose of this letter. Besides letting off some steam and

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## Opinion

On Monday, October 30, 1989, when most of the students woke up and entered the bathroom, they were greeted by "ARE YOU A GOD-HATER." Even though I thought the writer (who didn't have enough guts to name himself) was making a valid point, I thought it was very poorly made. Therefore, being my constantly humorous self, I wrote a parody of the original. For those of you who have not had the "pleasure" of reading the original, then read it first. If you do not care to reread it, then skip over to the funny copy. (To the author of the original: don't be offended, I'm simply becoming another Weird Al!) -bmac

### ARE YOU A GOD-HATER?

Of course not! How dare you—Whoa, Bro, read on. This is not an indictment, simply a word to share with those who care.

Halloween is SIN! This "...high, holy day in the priesthood of witchcraft", is by definition "Holy Evening", and by intent, a special day for those satanists to celebrate the lord of death, to call together the souls of the wicked who had died during the past year.

Go to the encyclopedia and check it out for yourself. Even an "objective observation" would cause you to wonder about a day in which we encourage our children to "dress-up" in the image of evil spirits, ghosts, and witches and reward them for rebellion, ie. "Trick or Treat".

"Hey wait! you say. The Druids were a long time ago. That's not what it means to me! How dare you tell the one Holy God, who's name is Jealous, that its OK for you to "have fun" in a celebration of Satan. "You know it means nothing Jesus, I really love you!" He recognizes your idle words - He sees your idol worship.

The "trick" is that we can, by custom and tradition, be duped into Satan's schemes. The only "treat" is that we can repent from such wickedness and He is "faithful and just to forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness." I John 1:19

The WORD and HEART of God is clear.

Deuteronomy 18:9-13

I Thessalonians 5:22 (LOOK THEM UP!)

"Do not be yoked with unbelievers....Therefore, come out from among them and be separate. Touch no unclean thing..." II Corinthians 6:4-7:1

The principal of Jesus is clear. There are two masters only. If you love the one you hate the other....

#### Are you a God Hater?

Christians  
Humbly  
Urging  
Repentant  
Changing  
Hearts

### ARE YOU A COD-HATER?

Of course not! How dare you—Whoa, Bro, read on. This is not an indictment, simply a word to share with those who care.

Fishing season is SIN! This "... high, holy age in the priesthood of terrorism", is by definition "Murder," and by intent, a special age for those terrorists to celebrate the lord of fishing, to call together the soles and the haddock who had been caught during the past year.

Go to the encyclopedia and check it out for yourself. Even an "objective observation" would cause you to wonder about an age in which we encourage our children to "dress-up" in the image of professional fishermen, spin casters, and anglers and reward them for rebellion, i.e., pictures and trophies.

"Hey wait!" you say. "The bears were a long time ago. That's not what it means to me! How dare you tell the one Holy Cod, who's name is Flipper, that it is OK for you to "have fun" in a celebration of Peter" - "You know it means nothing Fin, I really love you!" He recognizes your idle words - He sees your idol worship.

The "trick" is that we can, by custom and tradition, be duped into Peter's schemes. The only "treat" is that we can repent from such wickedness and He is "faithful and just to cancel our fishing license and purge us from all angling." I Barry 1:19

The WORD and HEART of Cod is clear.

MacTarnaghan 20:9-26

I Houghtonites 89:10-31 (LOOK THEM UP!)

"Do not be yoked with fishermen. . . . Therefore, come out from among them and be separate. Touch no dead fish. . . ." II Wheatonites 6:9

The principle of Fin is clear. There are two masters only. If you love the one you hate the other....

#### Are you a Cod Hater?

Bringing  
Eloquent  
Embellishment to  
Fish

\* Peter was a fisherman.



This Caneadea land is among the proposed low-level waste dump sites. (Photo by Dave Perkins)

## Taylor Offers Solutions

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unsolved problem onto the states without any solutions."

2. Establish an Independent Waste Management Authority to find the least dangerous ways to deal with high and low radioactive waste.

3. "Appoint and establish by Congress a commission to keep the public on line with the absolute truth" about waste management and its repercussions.

Taylor stated that he realizes that having the Act repealed is a hard process; however, he feels the other solutions are reasonable and easier to put into action. Finally, Taylor supported and encouraged the idea of gradually destroying nuclear power and relying upon solar

energy. He believes that solar power is a good and feasible alternative for the future. Meanwhile, Taylor suggested that the nuclear waste being produced right now (bulk of the radiation) stay in the power plants until a possible, safe solution is reached.

Taylor feels that even if the efforts of the protest movement in Allegany County do not meet with success, the issue has brought about "an awakening of local political responsibility and power." Recently, the Siting Commission has announced it is postponing the actual selection of the site till February. Maybe the efforts are working.

## Letters

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having some fun I want to convey the fact that this whole program needs to lighten up, just a little bit. Open up some of the non-populated parking areas to students with resident stickers. After all, one would think that security has better and more important things to do than write parking tickets.

A Sincerely Concerned Parker,

Joe Galli

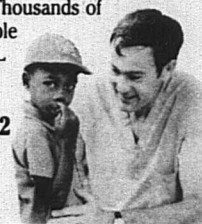
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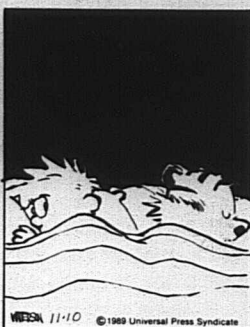
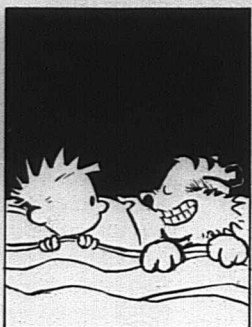


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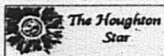
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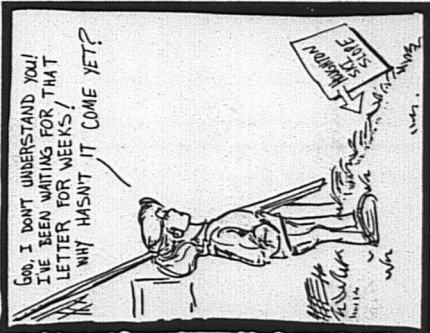
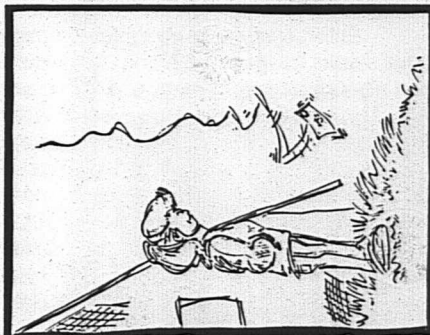
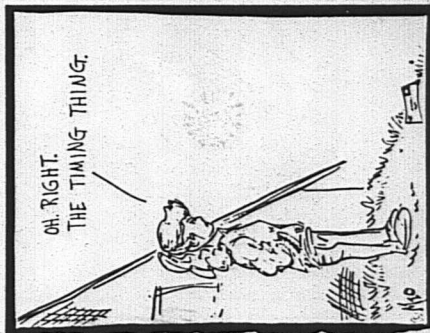
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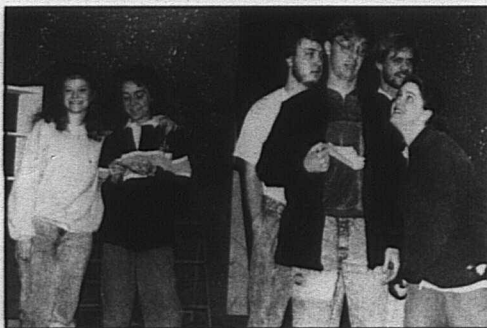
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Informal "Earnest" rehearsal  
Photo by Chris Daniels

Entertainment at Houghton often seems limited to a CAB movie or a night of pizza and wings at Big Al's. This satisfies many. However, for those of you looking for something new in the way of quality entertainment, you may be interested in the English Expression Club's performance of "The Importance of Being Earnest."

This entertaining and humorous four-act play, written by Oscar Wilde, is set in London and deals with mistaken identities and the ensuing predicaments. John Worthing and Algernon Moncrieff, played by Adam English and David Huth, have, at various times, adopted the alias of "Ernest." This causes countless headaches for Cecily and Gwendolen, played by Becky Lutz and Kim Simpson, as they strive to sort out the confusion and win back the men they adore. Dave Newton, Bob Van-

dervliet, Thomas Woods, Rand Bellavia, Christina Cortwright and Kathy Stockin all work well together to form an excellent supporting cast which carries "Earnest" to a hilarious and well-received ending.

The English Expression Club, under the direction of Bruce Brenneman and Brad Wilber, will be staging the play Thursday through Saturday, November 16, 17, and

18. The production will begin at 8:00 each night in Fancher Auditorium. Tickets will be on sale prior to the play at the bottom of the dining room stairs during the week of November 13. Tickets will also be sold at the door, but seating is limited so it is advisable to obtain tickets in advance. The costs are \$2.50 for students, \$3.50 for non-students.



From left:  
Worthing (Adam  
English), Moncrieff  
(David Huth)  
and Cecily  
(Becky Lutz)

Photo by Chris Daniels

## A Case of Mistaken Identities: "The Importance of Being Earnest"

by Chris Daniels



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## Coming this Monday . . .

by Jediah McKee

On Monday evening, November 13, at 8:00, Houghton College will welcome the Darkerden String Trio and vocalist Donna Bashore to the stage of the Houghton Village Church. I managed to catch up with them between tours to talk with them about their work.

Donna Bashore, who will be performing in four languages, has been studying at Houghton for the past three years with professor of voice Dr. Benjamin King. She will be performing the Spanish folk songs of DeFalla, a French aria from Saint-Saens' *Samson and Delilah*, Negro spirituals in English, and the German songs of Mahler, which include a piece about a starving child, one about a preacher and a fish, and one entitled "Who Wrote this Pretty Little Song?" Donna's strong voice communicates the emotional content of the songs through the language barrier.

Darcy Montaldi (violin), Denise Dillenbeck (violin) and Kerry Harker (viola) together represent 33 years of playing experience. For a year,

they have been together as the Darkerden Trio. Several recitals, performances in chapel, a coffee house of Beatles arrangements and a North American tour are among the accomplishments of the trio. They are currently looking for work: playing telegrams, weddings, receptions, bar mitzvahs. . .

The trio will be playing pieces from the Baroque, Romantic and 20th century periods during Monday's recital. They wished to characterize their program and themselves with the following quote from "Afternoons in Utopia":

Acrobats and comets drift ing  
by so fast  
Childrens' faces smile like  
suns at last  
Lilac butterflies cruising with-  
out fear  
All inviting you to stay and  
rest here  
You can halt your car for an  
afternoon in Utopia  
We shall stop the wars on  
our afternoon in Utopia

The recital should last about an hour, with a reception to follow (that's food, guys).

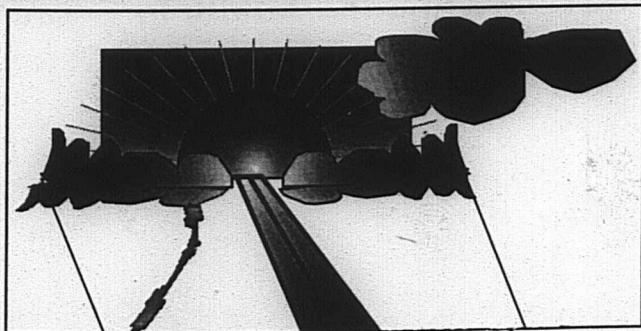
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## Why Not?

by Dave Wheeler

Well, it's happened again: I'm out of snippets.

It's true—no killer bells or placid doves. Nobody's offered me the presidency or saturated the Sahara this week, and I'm out of meaningful quotes. My brain has been far too busy to think (which may or may not serve as grim testimony to the validity of Jenna Gieser's column last week), so it has simply refused to do so. Short, sweet, sensible. . . and sad.

Actually, I anticipated this mental shutdown as early as last week, so I planned to ditch the serious-examination-of-life-and-all-that idea and ask a series of half-serious "why" questions (questions beginning with "why?"). For example: Why do certain people insist on wearing their sweatshirts inside out (sorry, Beth)? Why would anyone construct a building in which 50% of its inhabitants must climb a flight of stairs to use a restroom (no wonder they called it Pain[e]...)? Why doesn't everybody leave Dan Quayle alone? Questions like that, to be concluded by the following inquiry which has plagued men for decades: Why must women enter bathrooms in herds?

That got old. Actual humor requires thought, which is why most current comedians aren't funny...

Thinking of all those questions, however, reminded me of a much more serious and profound question that has been on my mind for a number of years, and, I would guess, has similarly bugged others (I sincerely hope so). If someone has an answer for me, then please—call me, immediately. Anyway, here goes:

*Why aren't we closer?*

Basketball season is knocking on our door and for the women's basketball team, that knock is one of opportunity. Since Skip Lord took over the helm as women's basketball coach two years ago, Houghton has benefited from lots of excitement and two consecutive trips to nationals. Last year's women's team struggled through a tough early schedule, and won 13 of their last 15 games to finish 15-9. The team lost three games at nationals, but Coach Lord felt that it played well there.

This season's team is a young one. Michelle Morris and Pam Bigham are the lone seniors and will be counted on to provide leadership for the rest of the team which is made up of one junior (Sharon Wills) and twelve sophomores and freshmen. Because the team is so young, Coach Lord expects them to be better later on in the season as the women gain experience playing on the college level.

Coach Lord sees two major strengths in this team: depth and the ability to score (a power offense). "There is no one on this team who cannot play, whereas in the past there may have been one or two girls on the team who really didn't possess any talent at the

game," said Lord. Also, this team looks to be a scoring team. In an intra-squad scrimmage Tuesday night, seven players scored in double figures. Coach Lord also sees quickness and better size at the guard position this season as strengths.

Although the Houghton women have been very successful the past two seasons, winning has not been the team's only priority. "We're very proud of our program in that we strive for success across the board," Lord said. "Lots of programs these days focus only on winning, and in many cases the athletes are exploited. Winning is important to us, but we seek to understand the educational and spiritual importance in our program."

The season ahead is a tough one. The team plays 26 games, the most ever for a Houghton team, and they open the season at the Mansfield tournament (Mansfield is a NCAA Division II team). The women have their first scrimmage (non-intrasquad) tonight at home against Corning Community College, as they begin their quest to maintain the success they have enjoyed the past two years.

## Depth and the Ability to Score: The Womens' Basketball Team

by Don Dutton

