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LETTERS

Dear *Milieu*:

Thank you so much for the update information regarding Houghton's art program. My best wishes to Professors Murphy, Bennett and Baxter in "The New Art Building."

I remember attending Mrs. Stockin's art appreciation classes in the rooms just above the WJSL studios in the early 1950s. Later on I studied in that same building with "the Ortlips," or as we referred to them then, "Mr. and Mrs. O." These two dear people were not only my teachers and advisors, but my confidantes as well. Mrs. O. introduced me, literally, to "Genesee Mud." I remember sifting through that muddy substance in order to rid it of any sticks or stones prior to working it into some form of pottery. I remember, too, Mrs. Shea and Mrs. Stockin instructing me in working with oil paints.

Whether it was in the "Mud Hole" or the painting studio I have to say a big "thank you" to the entire Ortlip family for their work and efforts on my behalf. I do not get a chance to sit down and really paint these days or "throw mud" on a wheel, but their instruction, both in and out of the classroom, continues to enhance my understanding and love for the fine arts.

I hope I haven't rambled on too much. I do hope that the art department continues to flourish in their new home. I want you to know I'm very happy for you. I'm glad that Houghton's art program is thriving as it did under the entire Ortlip family in the past.

Sincerely,
John V. Peterson '56

Dear *Milieu*,

How pleased I was to receive and read the December 1987 issue of *Milieu* which focused on the Houghton Art Department's "coming of age."

Deserving faculty, past and present, were cited for the supportive roles they played in founding and fostering the Art Department.

However, the *Milieu* neglected to mention another force which helped the art department to grow: its students! Without dedicated students there would be no need for an art major or an art department.

As founder and past president of "Tryptich" the Houghton student artist group, I must commend those students who clamored for an art major despite continual discouragement. Their support and commitment to creativity also helped the Houghton art department to "come of age."

—Cheryl (Semarge '80) Moody

Dear Editor:

Several issues ago [June '86] you printed a picture of the old print press gang. One person was unidentified. I sent the issue to my brother, Victor Murphy '39, and he identified himself as the missing name. . . [Now living in Las Vegas, NV] he retired last year from general practice.

I enjoy the *Milieu*, although I have not returned to Houghton since graduating in 1945. However I am one of the "Round Robins" who has kept the letter going since we graduated. . .

—Magdalene (Murphy '35) Dempsey

Hello from the non-existent state of DELAWARE!

Here is my voluntary contribution to *Milieu*—given, I may say, very cheerfully. However, you may not be able to cash this check since Delaware does not exist, at least according to your map, page 15, of the June Houghton *Milieu*. Of course I have been meaning to write ever since I saw that

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Cover: The language and literature division headquartered in Fancher Hall is the subject of this issue's lead features. Located on the second floor of that historic building, the second window to the right of the entrance, is popularly called "the Shakespeare window," and is the subject of this month's cover. Emeritus college business manager and treasurer Dr. Willard G. Smith remembers when the window was installed—during the late teens of this century. Willard was between six and nine years old when he attended the installation ceremony with his father, the late English professor Henry Smith. Dr. Smith is unaware of any written records concerning the window's origin, but believes that it came from the original seminary building, removed from it at about the same time as seminary bricks were being used to build the former Bedford Gymnasium. The stained glass window is an appropriate, if uncharacteristically costly addition to Fancher Hall's purposes and character. If a reader has definitive information about the window, *Milieu* would appreciate having it for the college archives.

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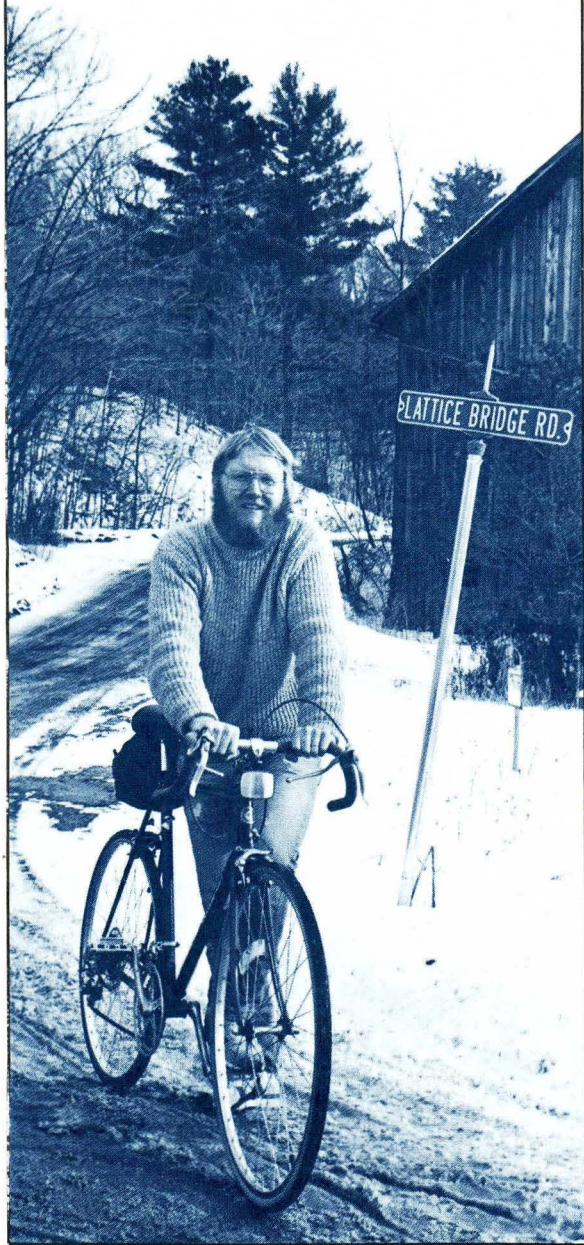
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Lattice Bridge Road

by Paul Willis



When Sharon and I first came to Houghton in August 1985, we eagerly read Jack Leax's journal, *In Season and Out*, to gain a sense of our new home in Allegany County. Though we missed the sublimity of the West, we were quick to admire the sense of place in the rural East that is so much a part of Jack and his writing. In three years that sense of place has somehow begun to become our own. I still hurl at Jack the insult that John Muir crafted for Henry Thoreau: "Here is a man that can see a forest in an orchard and a wilderness in a patch of huckleberry brush." But I have come to realize that such an insult is also a compliment. What follows, then, is an extract from my own journal which records a fledgling sense of being and becoming in Western New York.

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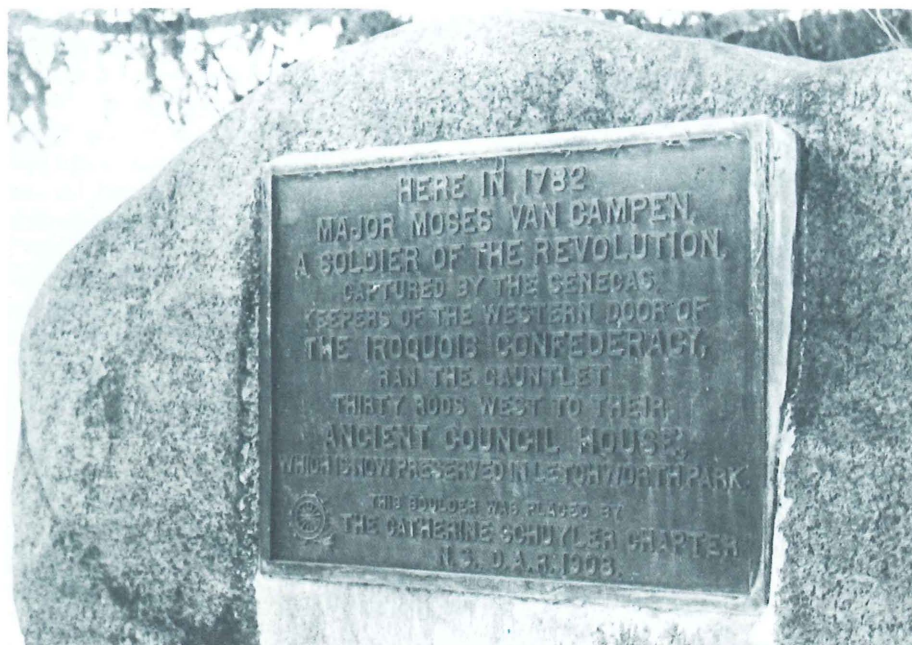
This afternoon I ride my bike south on Route 19 to Caneadea, past an old farmer sitting at a table heaped with sweet corn for sale. We had some recently: sweet indeed, and almost tender. Ken Nielsen drives by, waves to me in his rearview mirror, pulls into the rutted driveway beside the table. I bet he knows the farmer.

At Caneadea I double back north on the Lattice Bridge Road and cross a steel-grated span over the Genesee River. The water lies dark and still below the grating. If anything, the leaves on the surface are blowing upstream in the breeze. On the east shore, dirt cliffs of 50 feet or so rise above the sumac. As usual, they strike me as a bit pathetic. Yosemite, Yosemite, why hast thou forsaken me?

A quiet afternoon, a gravel road, tall corn, a few cows, barns, farmhouses. Thick hillside of woods on the east now, glimpses of the silent river on the west. At one point I see the white belfry of Fancher Hall hovering in dark green forest across the river. There is no campus, apparently, just the mast of a low-lying ship poking above the waves. It looks tiny, incidental, in the summer ocean of trees and pastures washing about. So easily it could be gone; so recently, perhaps, it was not there.

Two dogs rush out, a small brown mutt and a healthy dalmation. I slow, act calm, feel scared. The dalmation bites me on the calf—I feel his teeth and pull up my feet as if trying to keep them dry. I am afraid to look. A pickup passes me, then stops, waits. "Did he break the skin?" asks the man in the cab. His face is weathered, wizened. The bare arm resting on the door is minus a hand. I look at my leg. "Just toothmarks," I say. The man gives me his card. He is a timber buyer from Hunt, near Nunda. "If you have trouble, I saw it happen. The guy can't say he had his dog tied up."

"How did we get from there to here, 200 years later and just across the river, just across the river of time?"



A ways further, a bronze tablet on a boulder beside the road. The sort you never stop for when driving. The tablet commemorates the ordeal of one Major Moses VanCampen, "a soldier of the Revolution," who in 1782 was captured by the Senecas and made to run the gauntlet from this spot 30 rods west to an ancient council house now relocated in Letchworth State Park. If a rod is a bit over 16 feet, as I seem to recall, Major VanCampen had some 160 yards to sprint between two long rows of unhappy Indians, running for his life, running for the council house on the riverbank, and across the river, if he could, to the future site of Houghton College. The tablet seems to imply that he made it. What wounds he received, and whether he survived them, it does not say.

The tablet in the boulder and its sunlit vision increases the feeling of historical evanescence that came to me upon seeing the disembodied head of Fancher Hall floating in the trees like the torn face of Orpheus. One moment, a bloodied soldier of the Revolution, running for his life between 160 yards of Seneca Indians. The next moment, an untried pacifist from Oregon, lecturing on the Senecan roots of Shakespearean tragedy to long rows of Anglo-Saxons, Blacks, and Koreans in a riverstone classroom. How did we get from there to here, 200 years later and just across the river, just across the river of time?

I recross the river on what I think is the Lattice Bridge, the one the road is named after. This bridge is floored not with steel grating but with tightly fitted

planks. The tires on my bicycle go quiet as they pass from gravel to wood, then hum as they ease onto asphalt beyond. What seems to be a family gathering lies ahead in the shade next to an old house. A grizzled man hugs a hesitant girl (niece? granddaughter?) and whirls her around before she pulls away.

As I pass the house, four brown dogs speed from the yard, yapping, snapping, baring their teeth. One set of dogs before Major VanCampen, one set after him. My own gauntlet. A tubby fellow chases after the dogs, yelling, cursing. Three turn back, but one dodges into a cornfield and only pretends to give up the chase. He is keeping pace with me just behind the first row. My calf, to him, looks sweet, tender, a succulent ear of boiled corn. He sees his chance, darts back onto the road, but the fat man, out of breath, spots the dog and sends a rock skipping down the pavement after him. The rock shoots past the dog, whizzes just behind my back and tears into the cornstalks.

The dog stops and I pedal on, back to Route 19 and south to the village, my village, to council houses of riverstone. I return again for a third year—wounded, exhilarated, a little scared—with no bronze tablet along the road to hint whether I shall keep or lose my life in this place.

West Coast native Paul Willis grew up in Oregon, but ventured east for college at Wheaton. He returned to Washington State University to obtain his advanced degrees, then came to Houghton to teach in 1985.

What's the language and literature division?

FOR SEVERAL YEARS the administration of the college sought to combine the English and Foreign Language divisions into a single unit. The arguments in favor of doing so centered on two facts. Both divisions are small with the language area contracting even further with elimination of the German major. Combining them would give a single division size parity with the others and result in greater administrative efficiency. Second, with the emphasis on writing across the curriculum, and internationalization, the combination seemed logical. With the growing emphasis on world literature and culture, some upper division literature may well be read in its original languages. And because of these affinities, space in the coming new academic building has been arranged for contiguous operation of the two areas. As a consequence of all of this, the Language and Literature division was born in the fall of 1987.

Currently chairing the division is English professor Dr. Charles Bressler. When he begins a year's sabbatical leave next fall, communication department head Sue Crider will succeed him. Ms. Crider expects to complete her Ph.D. at the University of Alabama this summer. Professor Crider is also coordinating the college's writing across the curriculum program.

Former language division chairman Paul Johnson continues as professor of French, with French and Spanish teacher Jean-Louis Roederer named acting language department head last fall. With curriculum re-organization at the Buffalo campus going into effect in the fall of 1988, Dr. Richard Gould will be returning from there to Houghton to teach Greek and classics. Eventually the college may reinstate Latin among its offerings since study of that language is having a resurgence in high schools and a technical language course would be useful to some students in the sciences. Gould has expertise

in that language. Hebrew courses are presently offered, but are taught by religion division faculty.

More aggressive student recruiting will be a goal of the language and literature faculty in the coming year. Citing the figures in the major/minor box below, Dr. Bressler said that literature enrollment is the highest in four years. He feels guidance counselors may be a factor, but said more personal recruiting is likely to give more definitive answers. Bressler added that Spanish is the language most sought after by applicants, and that the college is seeking a Ph.D. in Spanish.

Literary Activities

English professor William Greenway continues to augment his teaching of specific authors or genre by attending conferences on a given subject, often on a specific author's home turf. These have included Hemingway, Faulkner in Mississippi and Willa Cather in Nebraska. A year ago he had an acquaintance of Cather's attend his summer Elderhostel course.

Poet-in-residence John Leax taught a reduced schedule first semester, using his faculty development release time grant to complete a first novel, *Nightwatch*, to be published by Zondervan Corporation in the spring of 1989. His books, *The Task of Adam* and *In Season and Out* continue to sell well and draw significant reviews. His poetry continues to be published and included in anthologies, and during the past year one poem was set to music as part of a dissertation in music composition at Texas Tech University. Another was aired by the South African Broadcasting Corporation.

Dr. James Zoller has had poems published in two journals and included in an anthology.

News—a report of the new. How appropriate for the Communication Department to have a lot of news to report: new faculty members, new courses, new developments at WJSL.

1986, 1987, 1988—each year brings with it a new faculty member to change the face of the four-member department. In 1986, Sue Crider arrived from PhD work at the University of Alabama, an assistant editorship at the scholarly journal, *College English*, and 19 years of college and university teaching to become the head of the department.

In 1987, David L. Manney came with his family from 19 years with HCJB World Radio in Quito, Ecuador. Dave, a 1964 Houghton graduate who brings an MA in communications from Wheaton, is teaching Announcing and Mass Communication while managing WJSL radio.

LANGUAGE & LITERATURE STUDENTS

FIELD	MAJORS	MINORS
Communications	30	20
Literature	46	16
Writing	23	13
French	14	14
German	4	6
Spanish	13	29



Professor Crider
Professor Bressler

In September of 1988, Douglas Gaerte will be arriving with his family from PhD studies in Rhetoric at Indiana University. Doug will try to fill the very large gap that will be felt with the retirement this year of Ruth Hutton.

Roger Rozendal continues in his 16th year of service at the college, teaching Persuasion, Public Speaking, Group Dynamics, TV Production, and adding his vision to departmental directions as well as serving on the WJSL Board of Directors. Roger also maintains his vital role on the national eligibility committee of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics.

News of new courses: The department spent hours of research and deliberation this past year, comparing Houghton's communication offerings to other colleges. After this extensive study, six new courses were added to the curriculum: Mass Communication, Broadcast Journalism, Advertising and Public Relations, Special Topics in Communication, Cross-cultural Communication, and Seminar in Interpersonal Communication.

A third area of news is the status of WJSL, which is now in a period of major transitions. WJSL has gone from 195 to 6,000 watts of effective radiated power, expanding its outreach to a nearly 35-mile radius. For the first time, the general manager serves as a faculty member as well, integrating theory and practice in broadcasting. —Sue Crider

Literature classroom dynamite —the new untouchable topics

Late in November, professors Bressler and Crider delivered papers before the National Council of Teachers of English conference held in Los Angeles and Bressler has subsequently been asked to make his material available to *The Chronicle of Higher Education*.

It turns out that the untouchable topics for today's teachers—and therefore for their students—are not the more obvious sex or drugs, but religion, ethics, morality and values. A teacher from a secular school explained, "I don't see how you can raise [such] questions without offending." Bressler contends that even at the risk of oversimplification, a teacher owes

it to his students to give them a context for a body of literature that is filled with such questions and show the rationale for various responses.

"Lay out the options from Christianity to existentialism," he urged. To the complaint that this is too complicated, Bressler offered handouts summarizing philosophical viewpoints that enable students to deal with the different structural forms and presuppositions, whether or not they understand all nuances of a given philosophy.

Ms. Crider took a different approach based on her studies of dialogical literary theory. Quoting Mikhail Bakhtin's explanation of how Dostoevsky handled conflicting ideas, Crider explained that she urges students to "bring together ideas and worldviews which in real life are absolutely estranged and deaf to one another and force them to quarrel . . . extending distinctly separated ideas to the point of their dialogic intersection." She offered sample situations and assignments from her Houghton classes.



Brenneman with "The Trip to Bountiful" cast

It's between scenes: "Let's scrap the intermission and keep going. This is wonderful!" The student actor whispering to fellow cast members felt the magic of good theater, the kind of magic Bruce Brenneman has been helping Houghton English Expression Club casts achieve for themselves and enthusiastic audiences over the last six years. Bruce came to Houghton from 21 years of directing plays and musicals at nearby Fillmore high school.

He'd caught the acting bug as a student at Taylor University, working backstage and acting under the direction of Dr. James Young, now at Wheaton. Since coming to the college as conference director, he's directed productions ranging from "Godspell," "Once Upon a Mattress," and "The Crucible," to "You Can't Take it With You" and, pictured above, "The Trip to Bountiful," done last fall. April 14 and 15 he will co-direct a combined theater-opera workshop production of "Fiddler on the Roof," perhaps including a matinee for school children.

"Performance is part of becoming a liberally educated person," Brenneman says. "Drama can help an individual develop in ways sports and music can't." And because every new high school English teacher is given the school play to do, "it's essential for our majors to have exposure to acting and production technique. And it can be part of a testimony."

Bruce now teaches theater workshop—staging, production and acting, and theater arts—acting skills and theatrical history. He's constantly amazed at "the wealth of talent and interest" he has to work with, and observes: "We have the potential to go great guns, be a terrific boost for the college in public service. There's been excellence in anything we've done." For its intimacy he likes directing in Fancher Hall auditorium—the theater room since its remodeling in 1978—but is looking forward to working in the new 350 seat theater planned in the fine arts center. It will feature excellent seating and lines of sight, set storage and setup space.



Houghton adventurers in Spain meet Don Quixote and Sancho Panza, receive enthusiastic greetings from a crowd of young Spaniards.



The spice of Spanish study is experience abroad: a semester or a year in Spain or Colombia, or a three-week Mayterm in Central America (Costa Rica/Nicaragua) or in Spain. The Central America course presents students with current issues in Latin America. Much of the input comes from scholars native to, or residing in the region, who deal with background history, causes of the poverty, revolutionary ferment, international relations, and the role of the church and of missions. Another Central America trip is projected for May.

Students touring Spain in May learn Spanish history through its art and architecture, visiting art museums, and historic structures. They rub shoulders with Spaniards in subways and on cross-country trains. In restaurants, churros and paella, chuletas and papas fritas become old friends. Contacts with missionaries and Spanish Christians vivify the concept that God transcends national boundaries.

Total Physical Response, a teaching concept used especially in the beginning course, enlivens campus study, convinces students that they can understand spoken Spanish. Second-year courses introduce learners to the New Testament in Spanish, and Conversation students argue in the target language over current issues. Civilization and literature classes read and discuss the culture and the writings of Spaniards and Latin Americans from their beginnings to the present, gaining language skills as well as an acquaintance with the world.

—Ray Horst

Lunch, language, literature and lectures

Everything seemed normal as you went through the cafeteria line. But as you pick a table, suddenly you realize everyone around you is speaking a foreign language. It's not the UN. You've stumbled into one of Houghton's weekly foreign language table groups. There's usually a core of 15-20 at the German, French and Spanish tables, but anyone may join the groups which meet from the end of chapel till 1:15. The conversation may include comments on the day's chapel, campus gossip, a burning issue in the news. Language teachers say the relaxed atmosphere brings people out of their shells, even helps beginners who just listen in to soak up skills.

If foreign travel is too expensive and cafeteria conversation isn't enough, you might try the German "immersion weekend." Professors Cummings and

Carpenter invited students, a German Sunday School teacher and his wife, and German-speaking high school students from nearby for what became an around-the-clock party—cooking and eating German food, watching and discussing a German film, playing games in German, and, of course, just talking. Students have requested another such happening this semester.

French professor Paul Johnson is using language videos in his intermediate classes, software funded by the Annenberg Project. Within the year he has visited Israel under a Christian College Coalition program, participated in a Mayterm writing across the curriculum workshop, and co-hosted an alumni tour to Scandinavia.

Last summer Jean-Louis Roederer joined 20 other foreign language teachers from across the country for a two-week workshop in Paris, under the auspices of the Ecoles Francaises des Attaches de Presse. Making the lecturers and seminars special was the fact that speakers were philosophers, authors, critics, fashion designers, a restaurant manager and a chateau restorer; men and women who are shaping current thinking and ideology in France. Too, there was opportunity to question and interact with the speakers. Additional were excellent excursions, cultural events and time to explore the city.

His findings have yet to bring him international fame, but French/German teacher Victor Carpenter's study of early Shakespeare texts and the KJV Bible indicate great divergence among three languages since the 1600s—in construction for German, vocabulary for French.

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After 25 years of teaching German and sharing food, friendship and special assistance to "students who were having trouble with German and the rigors of Houghton," Robert Cummings will retire at the end of this school year. His retirement comes as the German major is dropped and only beginning courses will be offered. Herr Cumming's career will be profiled in the March issue of *Milieu*.

NEW LANGUAGE LAB TO BE VIDEO BASED

When the new academic building opens, the foreign language department will be initiating a new concept in language study, the video-based lab. While the current audio lab equipment will still be available, there will be separate video listening and practice rooms for each language. Department head Roederer expects to increase the collection of self-taught "programs for survival" targeted to collegians going abroad. Computer assisted instruction (CAI) and international programs received on the college's satellite dish will continue to enhance the program.

A Legacy of Love

by Sue Crider

FANCHER HALL was moved this past summer, and Ruth Fancher Hutton wasn't so sure she liked the idea. After all, a piece of her family history was being moved off its very foundations, and she wasn't convinced by those confident stories of coffee cups that would spill nary a drop in the delicate process.

Ruth Hutton too moves on to another site of service this coming summer as she officially retires in May from 25 years as a professor of English and Speech at Houghton College. She leaves behind a legacy of love to the college her family has given such loyal dedication over the years.

Fancher Hall was, in fact, named for four of Ruth's relatives. Her father, LeRoy Fancher, served 43 years as professor of Greek and German and Vice President. He headed the college in the interim following James S. Luckey's death and helped convince the Board of Trustees that the young Stephen Paine was God's man for the presidency. His brother, LaVay, provided valuable leadership as Dean when the college first gained its accreditation (1923), and their sister Bess was a much-beloved education teacher for 37 years. Another brother, Ralph, served on the maintenance staff for 41 years.

Of course all the Fancher children, young Ruth included, automatically went to Houghton College. As a freshman in Ray Hazlett's writing course, Ruth began to be drawn to the written word, but it almost didn't happen. Ruth had been made so afraid by legendary stories of the professor's strictness (he even used a stamp to mark the time of incoming themes) that she begged her father to get her switched to another class. Wise man that he was, he made her stick it out, and Ruth was soon eager to take Professor Hazlett's literature class that determined her future as an English major and teacher.

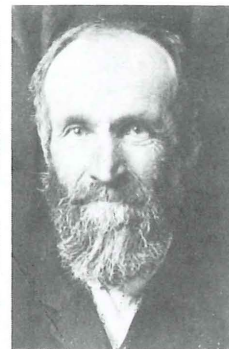
In 1943, the new Houghton graduate and novice teacher went to the nearby town of Bliss where she was given three classes of English, three of math, supervision of the library. . . and no free period. Two years of such a schedule (her father insisted she stick this one out, too), a

recommitment to Christ, and the advice of Stephen Paine led Ruth to her 1947 masters' degree in Christian Education from Wheaton College.

Ruth went directly from the ivory tower of Wheaton to a cabin in the back woods of Kentucky to teach in an orphanage. She returned to Houghton a year later, run down from the continual biscuit and bean diet and harsh living conditions. Ruth then began a two-year stint as a circuit-riding teacher (yes, you read that

right). In those innocent days, before the public schools became so afraid of things religious, the New England Fellowship, a part of the National Association of Evangelicals, sent teachers into the rural schools to offer an hour of Bible study, moving on to the next school, and returning on their circuit two weeks later. The young teachers were given use of a car, gasoline money, housing in people's homes, and \$10.00 a week.

As God would have it, the itinerant



Three generations and several branches of the Fancher family have served at Houghton. Pictured above are patriarch Lucius, his son LeRoy, and daughter Ruth Hutton.

young woman was taken in every other weekend by a mother and son who ran a dairy farm in Vermont. That young man, Lindol Hutton, soon proposed and, after three years of married life on the farm, brought Ruth and the beginnings of their family back to Houghton so that he could fulfill his own dream—postponed because of World War II and his father's heart condition—to attend college. In 1953, the 30-year-old freshman began studies that would lead to a Social Science degree, and the couple lived for a time in what was known as "Vetville," the 40-unit barracks where veterans lived as they too returned to long postponed studies.

Soon Lindol's farm expertise became known, and he was made manager of the college farm, then a going operation with dairy, meat, and hay production. When Houghton Academy's accounting system was separated from the college's, Lindol, who had also been teaching history at the academy and helping out with its books, became its full-time business manager and treasurer, and, in his "free time," acquired an MBA at SUNY-Buffalo.

In 1961, the Huttons moved into the house where they have resided ever since, and in the fall of 1962 then Dean Lynip asked Ruth to teach a section of freshman writing. One of life's little ironies is that a freshman named Bud Bence was in that first class. Now Academic Vice President and Dean of the College, Bence recalls that his impression of Mrs. Hutton "increased with her size." He quickly clarifies that less than one month after the semester's end Ruth surprised Lindol and her four other children with twins. (Mrs. Hutton remembers Bud Bence as already a fine writer, who didn't need much instructing.)

Teaching was put on hold for a time with baby care, but Ruth Hutton returned to the classroom and was soon teaching four sections of freshman writing, then team taught with lectures given by departmental dynamo Professor Josephine Rickard ("Doc Jo"). Mrs. Hutton designed the general education course in speech. Eventually, she would receive a Masters degree in Speech

(SUNY-Brockport 1979). Her thesis, focusing on group dynamics, featured a field study of how new faculty members come to be assimilated into the college community. In those days, Mrs. Hutton recalls, Houghton faculty talked about life "on the island," that is, the isolation of the college from the worldly mainstream. She found through her study that as newcomers to such a group listen, they hear just such metaphors, and, in so doing, learn about the group they're joining.

Over the years, Professor Hutton's classes in group dynamics and interpersonal communication have attracted sometimes startled attention from outsiders. When students were asked to plan and execute group projects and then report on reactions to them, what the professor calls their "creativity" would shine. One group had a teeter-totter marathon on the quad. Another walked barefoot on the snowy streets of Olean. Still another had a young man taking a series of girls to the same jewelry store to buy engagement rings. One of her recent students, Steve Vance, remembers how Professor Hutton entered in to his own project in the senior interpersonal communication seminar. He was explaining the "trust fall," a part of the campus ropes course where the participant learns to trust others by falling backward off a platform and allowing the group to catch him. As he asked for volunteers, he couldn't believe it when his professor climbed up on the desk, folded her arms across her chest, closed her eyes, and fell backward into her students' waiting arms.

When asked about changes she has observed at Houghton College over the years, Mrs. Hutton quietly suggests that it is perhaps "the teacher herself who changes most." She does worry, however, that expenses have gotten so high that only affluent youngsters will be able to afford the college. She wonders aloud if there are still as many students and staff who feel a "call" to Houghton or if it's merely a "career" they seek. She hopes that more money will be spent on scholarships for needy students and on improving programs and faculty (and less on moving buildings!). This professor is a believer in the power of prayer and rests

in the Lord to bring truly effective change.

What will retirement bring? Certainly not an end to Christian service. Ruth and Lindol Hutton expect to remain in Houghton because of Lindol's real estate business here. "The Hut," so nicknamed by their student boarders, will continue to be a place of hospitality to many.

The Hutton children have carried on the tradition of attendance at Houghton College. Nancy Jo Pullen is married to attorney David, and they live with their three children in Houghton. Jeremy and his wife Lisa Heller (valedictorian of '78) live with their three kids (one on the way) in Frankfort, West Germany, where he is an army captain and physical therapist. Family practice physician son Tim and his wife Sue Cooper (class of '79) have two kids and live in Michigan. Rod and his bride Carolyn teach English together at the Wesleyan Academy in Puerto Rico where they met last year. And the twins? Becky is a nurse at Strong Memorial Hospital in Rochester while Willard, a psychologist, lives with his wife Donna in Massachusetts.

The Houghton Class of 1943—Arnold Cook, Katherine Lindley, Al Smith, Warren and Ella Woolsey, and Ruth Fancher Hutton, among others. Not bad, Houghton College, not bad.

In college at the University of Missouri, she was known as "the English major" on the women's varsity basketball team. Leaving the warmth of her native Missouri and graduate school in Alabama for Houghton, Sue Crider adapted to the cold by taking up cross-country skiing. Last year, her first at Houghton, the community women's volleyball team she began was undefeated. Next fall she will become division chairperson.

A MEMORY-MOMENT is lodged in the minds of many former Houghton College students. They can recall a fragment of time in their college days when they imagined themselves. . . standing before a Western Civ class as Kay Lindley's replacement on the faculty. Or perhaps its a religion major who saw himself as the heir-apparent to Claude Ries in the Bible Department. Before someone else's eyes a future headline flitted. . . "Cancer Cure Discovered at Small College" and her own triumphant face peered out from behind the apparatus in the accompanying photo.

For most the thought of returning to Houghton as a faculty member was only a fleeting fantasy, soon displaced by the realities of life and other career interests. But for a significant number of alumni, the dream has come true. Houghton does have a tradition of hiring its own for teaching and administrative positions. An unscientific analysis of the most recent catalog indicates that 34 percent of those holding faculty status at Houghton College received their baccalaureate degree at this institution.

Is that figure excessive? One must look to other benchmarks for comparison. A sister institution in Illinois hires an identical fraction of its faculty from its alumni ranks. Marion College, another Wesleyan school of comparable size, has 31 percent of its faculty teaching at their own *alma mater*. These schools do represent the upper end of the scale when compared to institutions like Gordon (13 percent) and Messiah (12 percent), where the percentages are considerably smaller.

We might also compare Houghton's present hiring practices with its past record in this area. A survey by decades reveals the following profile. In 1937, the year after attaining Middle States accreditation, Houghton employed 31 percent of its alumni as faculty. This percentage increased in subsequent decades into the seventies when the ratio peaked at 56.2 percent. The last decade has seen a diminution to the present fraction of one third. While the proportion of alumni faculty remains high in terms of some other institutions, recent hiring practices

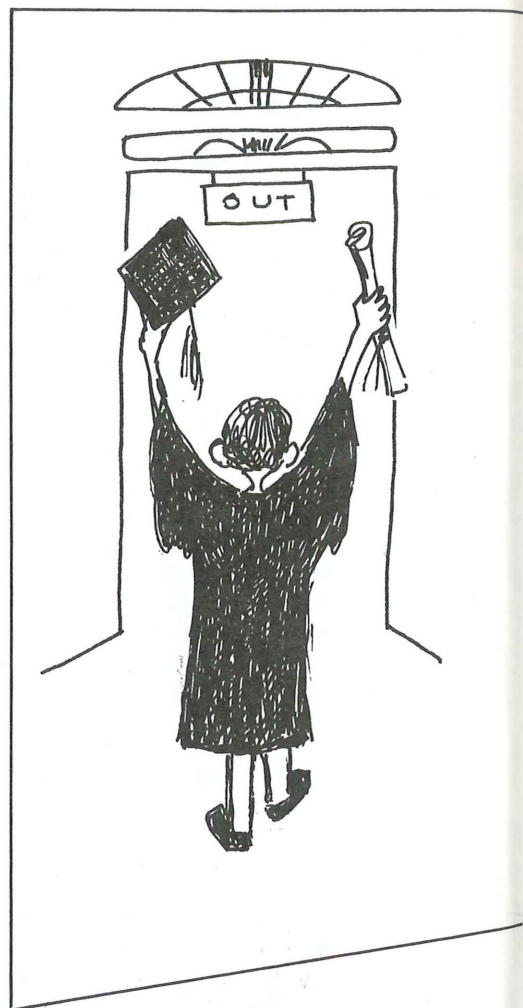
would suggest a return to a faculty with more diverse college backgrounds.

Obviously the policy of employing her own product is a longstanding Houghton tradition. Establishing some reason for this policy is a more difficult task—one that requires more speculative musing than quantifiable documentation. We must begin by recalling the historical context of Houghton in the early decades of this century. The administration opted for a narrow path between two more popular approaches to education.

Many institutions of higher learning were enamoured with liberal approaches in both theology and social practice. These colleges usually offered academically strong programs, but all too frequently at the expense of evangelical commitment to the Christian faith. Other institutions maintained a conservative theological stance, but did so by neglecting—in some cases, scorning—serious academic rigor in the classroom. Houghton College sought to combine scholastic excellence with solid Christian belief. Her administrators sought faculty who, while demonstrating high standards of scholarship in their professional training, also adhered to the evangelical doctrines of the institution.

Not surprisingly, one of the few Christian liberal arts colleges that encouraged students to pursue rigorous graduate study was Houghton College itself. Former students who excelled in coursework and Christian service at Houghton were often eager to return to an institution where these two concepts were emphasized. And, frequently, Houghton was eager to employ them.

Furthermore, Houghton was (and is) a denominational college. For all of its tolerance of a wide range of evangelical constituents, Houghton still draws its charter and its theological foundations from its sponsoring institution, The Wesleyan Church. And while faculty belong to many divergent evangelical denominations, it has been the case that a significant resource for faculty recruitment comes from the persons who subscribe to or greatly respect the denominational stance of the college during their student years.



Circumstances have changed from those early years of Houghton's history. The last two decades have seen a resurgence of evangelicalism in America. Now significant numbers of evangelical colleges graduate students of superior scholarship. And Christian support groups like InterVarsity and Campus Crusade help students attending secular schools to maintain a vibrant faith in Christ while pursuing baccalaureate and graduate degrees. Should Houghton continue its practice of hiring former students as faculty?

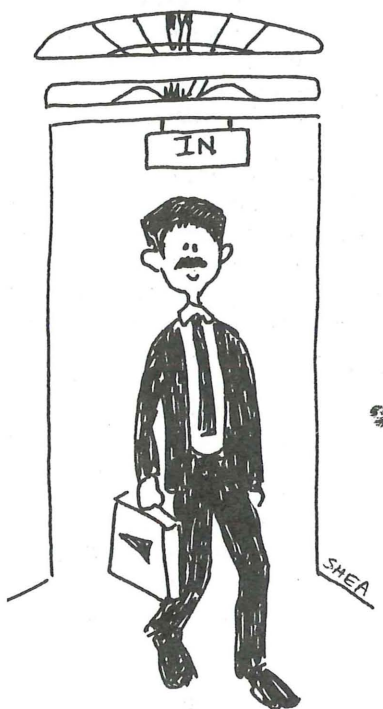
Responses to this question are mixed. Many fear the "incestuous" tendencies of a home-grown faculty that has limited exposure to the broader world of ideas and divergent campus environments. Given

Can't They Cut it Elsewhere?

Reflections on hiring alumni as faculty

Responding to a Milieu questionnaire, several alumni have commented on the number of Houghton alumni serving on the college faculty. Dean Bence addresses the implicit criticism of the practice, suggesting that the numbers of alumni hired are hardly unique to Houghton, but that some of the benefits may be.

by C.L. Bence



Houghton's rural setting one might see danger that the institution could become cloistered from the major issues that challenge an urban and international society. Certainly there are enough other evangelical colleges to provide the liberal arts underpinning to our future scholars. Or are we so blindly arrogant as to think that Houghton's alumni are superior to all other applicants?

Certainly not. The 66 percent of our faculty who graduated from other institutions, religious and secular, clearly demonstrate our desire for diversity in the classrooms. And the fact that Houghton alumni now hold faculty positions at all five of the other Wesleyan Colleges and most of the sister institutions in the Christian College Consortium indicate that Houghton does not sequester its best graduates in the Southern Tier of New York.

Still, many graduates do find the mindset of this institution both unique and desirable. A former Houghtonian, now teaching at another college, recently inquired concerning faculty openings. Brushing aside the much-touted drawback of remote location and modest salaries, he observed, "I just want to be a part of what happens in the daily routine of classroom, chapel and student life. I can't find a place that draws me back quite like Houghton does." He is not the only one who has developed a dedication to place by experiencing Houghton life.

While the gradual urbanization of western New York makes Houghton less remote now than in previous decades, there is still a focus of activity in this one-purpose town that makes it a community of scholarship and faith for many who see no real fulfillment in the fast lane diversity of the larger and more populated campus.

These returning alumni bring their own assets to the classroom. They have taken the "Houghton worldview" and exposed it to the rigors of graduate study, and

often teaching experience in other institutions. They do not return with nostalgic whimsy for the days of Gao and 9:00 pm curfew. They come back to preserve—and frequently to modify—the "Houghton mindset," convinced that the combination of rigorous learning and righteous living is a tradition worth maintaining.

And they often give the remaining years of their careers to this institution. For them, teaching at Houghton is not unlike missionary service. It is an investment of themselves in a task, rather than an opportunistic interval on a career ladder to big schools. In some sense they return to Houghton to pay back a debt of gratitude for its contribution to their own personal development, while giving themselves to the perpetuation of that ideal. Three retiring faculty honored this January are Houghton alumni who together represent a century's affiliation with the college.

In more than one sense Houghton is an equal opportunity employer. It encourages qualified applicants from other institutions to seek places on its faculty, but it does not look derogatorily on its own four-year products. While recognizing the strengths of a faculty drawn from divergent educational backgrounds, it also sees the benefits that often are derived from the loyalty of its alumni.

So push the recliner back and play Walter Mitty. Conducting the *Messiah* in Wesley Chapel? Marching in academic garb on Founders' Day? Dream on!

C.L. Bence became academic vice president and dean of the college last fall. Previously he served on the faculties of Marion and United Wesleyan Colleges. Dr. Bence is a 1966 Houghton alumnus.

TCKs and Internationalization

AN INTERNATIONAL COLLECTION of Coke bottles, mission field artifacts and posters, paperweights and calendars from international schools and American Indian organizations, books and periodicals



addressing world themes; "all this and much, much more" flank the walls of David Pollock's tiny Houghton office and his link to the planet—a push-button phone—and testify of his commitments as head of Interaction and the college's director of intercultural affairs.

Most of the time, Dave is on the road. During November it was Japan, Thailand, Singapore, Malaysia—visits to mission schools and seminars for faculty and parents on parenting TCKs, with students on coping with the grief of abrupt parting from familiar places and faces, on adjusting to stateside culture while treasuring and capitalizing on their own special heritage. He was a delegate to the East Asian Congress of Overseas Schools, and offered seminars for expatriate families at American embassies on adjustment and re-entry to the U.S. In Hong Kong, Taiwan and Okinawa he worked with school administrators, investigating ways U.S. Christian colleges can help develop higher education in the Orient.

Back in the states for December, Pollock met with over 400 missionary kids during the IVCF Urbana missions conference. That session was

Interaction's brainchild. Dave dreams of establishing a conference to be held at Urbana in off years, ministering to alumni of all mission schools, their furloughing parents and missions executives. (He works to expand a network of doctors familiar with tropical diseases, lawyers, counselors and homes accessible to MKs. Taylor University coordinates a version of this program now.)

Earlier in the decade Pollock participated in international conferences on missionary and other third culture kids in Manila and Quito, and is now working on the agenda for the next to be held in Nairobi late in 1988 or in '89. He will be encouraging overseas schools to plan their own curricula to develop the potential of their TCKs for political or other cross-cultural careers as well as missions or for personal adjustment.

When he's back in Houghton, Dave works to generate a campus atmosphere of international awareness, recommending visiting lecturers, meeting with Houghton's own third culture kids. He participates in planning for Houghton's new minor in intercultural studies set for implementation this fall. Dovetailing with

KNOWING more about the cutting edge of research in your area can help you get grants and equipment, as well as conceive and direct student research projects." That's how biology department head, Dr. Donald Munro, characterized the value of his first semester sabbatical spent in the experimental biology section of the famed Roswell Park Memorial Institute in Buffalo.

Munro worked with 1960 Houghton alumnus Dr. Benjamin Munson who is a research professor there. Munson recalled how they had first met.

"I used to work at the Springville labs before moving to Buffalo. When Houghton's science center was dedicated in 1970, I was invited to attend and met Don after the ribbon cutting ceremony when they were giving tours of the facility. They were just starting up and we had more animals than we needed in our research, mostly rats and mice, so I told him to send a student over for some. Later we lost contact for a while, but in

Symbiotic Collaboration?

1985 Don brought a group of cell biology students to Buffalo for a tour of Roswell and I showed them around. Don mentioned his upcoming sabbatical and one thing led to another.

"He and I are of about the same school vintage and things in the molecular and genetics fields have changed like crazy. There was a research grant in an area appropriate to what he wanted to do and we were interested in getting a mature person who could take some initiative in steering a project."

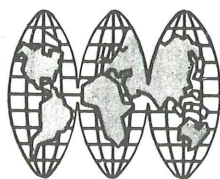
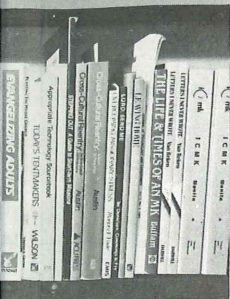
Munro set up a genetic library screen using an antibody probe on small lung carcinoma cells. The group that he worked with is in the process of examining two enzymes prevalent in cancer cells to see if they are from the same or a different genetic locus. Munson said that one of these enzymes is involved in dissolving blood clots and is now potentially seen as

part of the metastasizing process in cancers. "If that gene can be cloned," he explained, "we may [eventually] be able to understand in more sophisticated ways, its possible role in metastasis. This work is



Dr. Ben Munson '60





ALUMNI in ACTION

Thirteen

1930s

'37 **JAMES and FLORENCE (LYTLE '35) BENCE**, with daughter **DINDY BENCE '74**, spent about two weeks visiting their son, **PHILIP '78** and in his family in Scotland, where Phil has been working on his doctorate at St. Andrews University. They stayed four days in the capital city, Edinburgh, and traveled up through to Highlands, to Oban, and to the Island of Iona, a small island where Christianity was first introduced to Scotland in the sixth century. The Bences said that, on the day they left for home, Philip had surgery to remove a tumor between his ear and brain. "His recovery has been excellent, but he has been left with a numbness in the back of his head, and the loss of hearing in one ear. He has now returned to his studies," they said.

1940s

'40 **GEORGE FAILING**, former editor of *The Wesleyan Advocate*, now pastoring in South Carolina since 1984, plans to visit South Africa this month.

'46 **FAY (HUNTING) BENNETT** and her husband, Ehrmann, have moved back to a house in Maine they bought in 1978. In their retirement they are converting the attached garage into a large, "hobby-family-living" room and a small second bathroom. They are building a new two-car garage behind the house. "So, like most retirees, we find ourselves busier than ever," they said.

'48 **MYRON BROMLEY** and his wife, on furlough in Minneapolis from missionary service in Irian Jaya, expect to return to the field sometime this year for one more term before retiring.

'48 **ROBERT E. ERNST** began his third interim ministry with the First Baptist Church in Fredericktown, OH. He finished his second interim ministry last summer.

Last summer **GORDON LARSON '49** received a Ph.D. in anthropology from the University of Michigan Graduate School. Among other responsibilities, Gordon and his wife translate the Bible in Irian Jaya.

1950s

After pastoring Nazarene churches for nearly 40 years, **HERBERT G. COMPTON '50** has retired. He said that he and his wife's membership is in a church he planted in 1949 in a little country town 50 miles south of Washington, DC.

'52 **HAROLD and VIRGINIA (GREGG '56) POLANSKI** have moved to Norton, MA, where they teach at New England Institute for Applied Science and Stonehill College, respectively.

'52 **LARRY RICHARDS** has been named associate pastor of the Covenant Presbyterian Church in Augusta, Georgia. He has primary responsibility for assimilation of new members and the development of groups to meet needs of this 700-member congregation. He is involved with worship, preaching and teaching, as well as

several other majors, the minor will include courses in cultural anthropology, intercultural adjustment and transition, and cross-cultural experiences abroad or in the U.S.

Pollock says a growing field for student recruitment are missionary children of non North Americans—youth from Britain, Australia, New Zealand, Brazil, Japan, Korea and Sweden. He works to attract them to this country's Christian colleges and seeks financing for their education, not to make them into Americans, but to meet their TCK needs in ways impossible in their home countries, to help them maximize their special leadership potential as world Christians.

U.S. News and World Report recently cited President Chamberlain's comment that while the numbers of minority students in society is increasing, the minority population on college campuses is decreasing. It will be incumbent on the colleges to reverse that trend in the years ahead. Dave Pollock's enthusiasm, vision and energy on behalf of MKs and TCKs could make an important contribution to creating a campus atmosphere conducive to achieving that goal as well.

forging new territory."

Dr. Munro also audited classes and seminars at Roswell Park, hearing internationally-recognized experts in various fields. His days ran from 8:30-5:30 at Roswell with evening hours spent in his Buffalo Campus room working on various projects. Among these was creating teaching modules on genetic engineering and euthanasia, for his Ethics Across the Curriculum project grant by the Christian College Consortium. He commuted to Houghton for weekends with his family.

Munro said his microbiology and immunology research at Roswell Park "provided excellent background for other things I teach and will help me better prepare students for graduate school." Dr. Munson plans to visit Houghton classrooms in the spring, and professor Munro is hopeful that further research collaborations for faculty or students may be possible. Two recent Houghton graduates are presently working in master's degree programs at Roswell Park.

leadership in pastoral care. Last fall Larry taught a course in Islam and Muslim-Christian relations at Interdenominational Theological Seminary in Atlanta. His wife, **EVIE (LAMBERTON '52)**, has completed her doctorate in career development from Georgia State University.

Though they are both retired from public school teaching, **RICHARD and RUTH (PICKERING '53) WAKEMAN '53** say they are still substitute teaching and are very busy with the church and community. They continue their interest in archeology, having recently made their third trip to the Mid-East, digging at Tel Lachish. They spent one week in Jordan and three in Israel last summer.

'58 **JOHN M. ANDREWS** has been selected as the first General Electric Center Industrial fellow by the electrical engineering department at Pennsylvania State University. During the fall term, Dr. Andrews presented a course at Penn State titled, "Semiconductor Integrated Circuit Processing Technology," much of which was previously presented at a similar course at Houghton in collaboration with Professor **FRED TREXLER '64**. John is a distinguished member of the technical staff at AT&T Bell Laboratories in Murray Hill, NJ, where he is responsible for new materials and processes for advanced microelectronic research and development.

'58 **ARTHUR EVERETT** has begun work on a doctor of ministry degree at Denver Seminary. He has resigned as executive director of ACMI to accept the position, director of development for AIC (American Indian Crusade). Two days after moving to Black Hawk, CO, in November 1987 to accept the job offer, Art broke his right leg while trying to stop a shoplifter from escaping.

Last month **WALTER KRUHMIN '59** had triple by-pass surgery. He and his wife serve with UFM International.

Do you recognize yourself?

Occasionally *Milieu* receives a good piece of alumni news, but can't use it because its unsigned. This time, the contributor also sent a check for the magazine's voluntary subscription fund which did identify her, but it became separated from the news item. In the March issue we'll gladly identify you if you'll write us again—no check required.

A busy alumna writes: "I'm now employed by the Pennsylvania DVI (Driving Under the Influence) Association in Harrisburg as an administrative assistant. The Pennsylvania DVI Assn. trains the leader for Alcohol Highway Safety Schools (which all drunk drivers in the state must attend) and CRN (Court Reporting Network) training, which evaluates convicted drunk drivers before judges impose their sentences. These programs are offered through each county. We are contracted through the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation to offer this training for these state-mandated programs. I'm also secretary for the state organizational committee of MADD (Mothers Against Drunk Driving); active in the Lebanon County MADD chapter; and a member of the board of directors of the Lebanon Rescue Mission."

1960s

'60 **DON CORLISS** is in his fifth year as associate registrar-coordinator of institutional research at Purdue University, Calumet (IN). His wife, **GERRY (RUMOHR '62)**, has recently become librarian of the Northwest Indiana Symphony. She continues as principal second violin, both in that orchestra and the Southwest Michigan Symphony.

Cult expert **RON ENROTH '60** appeared on a radio program in Vancouver one day after Shirley MacLaine appeared on the same talk show. He was on the national radio program, Vox Pop, in November. In April he will be a chapel speaker at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, TX.

'61 **BARBARA DAY** has been doing graduate work in counseling at SUNY Plattsburgh. She is in her second year as a guidance counselor at Indian Lake Central School (NY).

'61 **BARRY ROSS** and his wife, **MARGARET (TYSINGER '59)**, are on furlough from Wesleyan missions in Japan until the end of the summer. Their deputation travel schedule has begun with a training seminar in Indianapolis, IN, then on to various parts of America. They will be traveling in a motor home.

'64 **SHARON (HUFF) ANDERSON** has gone from a homemaker to a full-time typesetter and layout artist at a local printshop near their home in Arizona. She is the new organist at Chino Valley Community Church. Her husband, Jim, has gone back to school in pursuit of his RN.

'64 **WILLIAM BUNNELL** has accepted the invitation of Loma Linda (CA) University and Medical School to become professor and chairman of the department of orthopedic surgery.

'64 **CONSTANCE DAY** teaches French at Indian Lake Central School (NY).

'66 **DAVID SALICO** pastors Sennett (NY) Federated Church and conducts a practice in marriage and family therapy. His wife, **KATLEEN (MARCUCCI '66)**, substitute teaches in the Weedsport and Jordan-Elbridge school systems. They moved to Sennett last summer.

'69 **JUNE HARDING** is a traveling nurse. She recently spent three months at Yale-New Haven Hospital. Now she is in Florida for three months.

'69 **PAUL PALMA** is associate director of the neonatology program in Orlando.

Down the Aisle

Timothy & Lori Jean Brinkerhoff '84
Clifford & Christine (Campbell '84) Callahan
W. Jefferson & Beverly (Karr '76) Lyon
Glen & Beth (Orlemann '86) Knecht, Jr.
Scott & Sharon (Sheesley '86) Sobolewski

1988 Hospitality Home Directory Survey

Seventy-five alumni from half of the states and several foreign countries are listed in the present Hospitality Home Directory. It describes the program, lists hosts' locations, facilities and area attractions. Over night charge is \$10 per couple, plus a minimal charge per child, with breakfast often included. Participants are enthusiastic and you can join them. Just fill out the survey below and return it (with your order for a directory, if you like) to: Alumni Director Richard Alderman, Houghton College, Houghton, NY 14744.

Name _____ Phone _____
Street _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Brief Identification of location: i.e. 3 miles east of Niagara Falls, etc.:

Fill in the remainder of the survey by use of a check mark or other response:

Interested as: A traveler _____ A host _____
If as a host, answer the following:
Lodging only _____ Lodging with breakfast _____
Number of rooms available _____ Bath facilities: Share _____ Private _____
Children welcome? Yes _____ No _____ Pet permitted? Yes _____ No _____
Air conditioning? _____ Pool? _____
Would you accept the following rates?
\$10.00 per couple/\$5.00 per child including breakfast Yes _____ No _____
Please use separate sheet for comments.

1970s

'70 **CAROL (LEPPER) CHRISTIAN** has completed one year as general assignment reporter for Pioneer Press newspapers, a chain of 40 papers in the Chicago suburbs.

'75 **CRAIG LONG** and his wife and two children have gone to San Jose, Costa Rica, to study Spanish. After a year they will move to Ecuador where they will be involved in evangelism, church planting and leadership training under Rosedale Mennonite Missions. Their headquarters is in Irwin, OH.

'75 **JUD LAMOS** and his wife, **JANET (JORDAN '75)**, have served with Operation Mobilization for five months. They moved into their new house in Peachtree, GA, in November.

'75 **HARRY THOMPSON**, curator and managing editor at the Center for Western Studies, Augustana College (SD), is the principal editor of *A Common Land, a Diverse People*, published by the Nordland Heritage Foundation in May, 1987. His wife, **RONELLE (HILDEBRANDT '76)**, director of Mikklesen Library at the college, is the author of *Friends of College Libraries*, published in November, 1987, by the Association of College and Research Libraries.

'76 **STEVEN COUTRAS** received a high pass on the specialty board exam in otolaryngology. LCDR Coutras is presently head of otolaryngology at Naval Hospital, Guam, in the Marianas Islands.

After working for Columbia Bible College and Seminary for eight years at their radio station

WMHK and in the information services department, **SUSAN (MULDER '76) FAULK** "retired" to stay home with their new daughter. She is doing some volunteer work at home for the station.

After teaching school for five years and working in retail, **LINDA (LOCKE '77) EDWARDS** works for the United States Postal Service, as a clerk, in Elmira, NY. Her husband, David, is a salesman for a lumber company.

'78 **SUSAN NOWICKI**, pastor of the Trinity United Methodist Church in Olean, NY, accepted an invitation to become a member of the Kiwanis Club. She said, "I appreciate the kind of service work the Kiwanis do." The Rev. Nowicki's admittance to the Olean civic group marks the first time a woman joined the traditionally all-male organization since its formation in 1929. When asked about being the only woman member, Nowicki responded, "the members are generally very accepting and very warm, they don't make me feel different because I'm female." Being the first woman isn't something that's new for this Methodist minister. "I'm a female clergy and every charge I've served, I've been the first woman to serve."

'78 **ROBERT D. SCOTT** teaches at Ravencrest Chalet, Torchbearers' Bible School in Estes Park, CO. He graduated from Denver Seminary in 1986. After graduating from Frostburg (MD) State College in 1980, Bob worked at Bodensee-hof and Tauernhof in Germany.

'78 **RAY STRAWSER II** earned a master of divinity degree from Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary (PA) in May, 1987. A year earlier he married classmate Laura Lee McClain. Together they pastor the First Baptist Church of Atlantic,

IA. When they began their ministry (September 1987) they were also celebrating their first wedding anniversary. Commenting on their work as a pastoral team, they said, "Our call to work together is unique...[We] complement each other in our work in the gospel ministry."

'79 **NANCY (ADLER) ABRAHAMSON** earned a master's degree in teaching from Colgate University and is currently pursuing further graduate study at Syracuse University in instructional technology.

Last spring **TERRY ANDERSON '79** was promoted to editor-in-chief of trade computer book publishing at Simon & Schuster Publishing in New York. Last summer he left the company to pursue an M.B.A. at Harvard Business School in Boston. He writes, "I thoroughly enjoy being back in school and am at a point in my life where I can benefit the most from what this education has to offer."

1980s

'80 **KEN DUNN**, who currently works as a bond manager for Selective Insurance Company of America in Hunt Valley, MD, was elected secretary of the Mid-Atlantic Surety Association. It consists of 60 member companies and services in Maryland, Delaware, and the District of Columbia, in the area of corporate suretyship.

'80 **CAROL (VanVOORHIS) LUNDBERG** is a member of a missionary team, with her husband, Gary, in Montpellier, France. They will be finishing a two-year term of service with International Teams in March.

'80 **NANCY (KETCHUM) MONTAGUE** is an inner-company advisor for Flight International of Hampton, VA. She reconciles financial statements and inner-company journals of four companies. In April she and her husband, Bill, and daughter will be moving to Germany where he has received orders for a four-year assignment in Bitburg with the United States Air Force.

'81 **THOMAS BRITTON** has been named to "Outstanding Young Men of America" for 1987.

In May, 1987, **KATHRYN JANE HUDGINS '81** graduated from Purdue University Calumet with a B.S. degree in computer technology.

'82 **PAUL LANDIN** is in his third year of dental school at the University of Pittsburgh School of Dental Medicine.

'82 **RICHARD WISTROM** has begun Ph.D. studies in materials science and engineering at Cornell University (NY). He writes that he is "now happily married."

'83 **CEDRIC CARTER** has been working at the Northampton (MA) Veterans Administration Medical Center in the dietetic services department since last June.

In December **KARYN HECHT '83** received a master's degree in communications from Wheaton Graduate School. Last year she started teaching English composition to freshman part-time at Moody Bible Institute (IL), and was recently promoted to full-time.

'83 **MELANIE (MURPHY) MYER** has written

that she and her husband, Jim's newborn daughter was diagnosed with cystic fibrosis in September. "We ask your prayers for her healing," she said.

In August **JAMES SZYMANSKI '83** received master of divinity and arts degrees in counseling from North American Baptist Seminary in Sioux Falls, SD. Last month he and his wife began serving as missionaries in Nigeria, Africa. Jim will be instructing and directing pastors in the Mambilla Plateau for the next four years.

'84 **TIMOTHY W. CROWLEY** graduated from Princeton Theological Seminary in June. He was ordained into the Christian Ministry of the Christian Church in Salina, KS, on June 7. Two months later he began serving two congregations in the Niagara Falls (NY) area: The First Baptist Christian Church of Niagara Falls, and The Baptist

Church of Lewiston.

'84 **LAURA DICK** is also a member of this team. They have been involved in open-air evangelistic meetings, children's clubs and a coffee bar for university students.

'84 **SHELLEY SCOTT** is in her second year as a full-time staff member in the Campus Life division of Youth for Christ/Winnipeg.

'86 **CARL CHAPMAN, JR.** is assistant pastor at the Baldwinsville (NY) Community Wesleyan Church. He graduated from United Wesleyan two years ago. He was youth pastor at the Calvary Wesleyan Church in Harrington, DE. His wife, Cindy, is church secretary.

'86 **GLENN R. RUTLAND** recently reported for duty at Naval Hospital in Newport, RI. He joined the Navy in November.

SPRING ALUMNI CHAPTER MEETINGS

Date	Chapter	Representative
Jan. 30	North Carolina	R. Alderman
Feb. 6	Southwest Florida (Sarasota)	D. Chamberlain
Feb. 11	Asheville	R. Alderman
Feb. 13	W. Central Florida (Brooksville)	R. Alderman
Feb. 20	Orlando	R. Alderman
Feb. 20	Fort Myers	R. Luckey
Feb. 27	Miami	R. Luckey
Feb. 27	Atlanta	E. Willett
Mar. 4	New York/New Jersey	D. Chamberlain & D. Liddick
Mar. 5	Kentucky	R. Alderman
Mar. 5	Long Island	D. Liddick
Mar. 10	Denver	R. Alderman
Mar. 12	Los Angeles	R. Alderman
Mar. 19	Phoenix	R. Alderman
Mar. 19	San Francisco	D. Chamberlain
Mar. 31	Columbus	R. Alderman, College Choir
Apr. 9	Harrisburg	R. Alderman
Apr. 23	Philadelphia	R. Alderman

To be set: Albany, Baltimore, Buffalo, Chautauqua, Puerto Rico, Rochester

OTHER SCHEDULED ALUMNI EVENTS:

June 21-July 4	Alumni European Trip
July 3-7	Alumni Hostel
July 6-7	Golden Agers Program
July 7-10	Summer Alumni Weekend
July 15-17	Young Alumni Weekend
August 15-24	Alumni Egypt-Jordan-Israel Tour
October 7-9	Homecoming

Letters. . .

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map of Houghton alumni. I could not—and still cannot—believe that my dear *alma mater* would publish a map listing the number of alumni in each state and exclude this great, though small, state—the FIRST STATE to ratify the Constitution of the United States on December 7, 1787. My disbelief that you could make such an omission was increased (sad to say) when the September issue arrived with a note about the Hoosier alumni and no word about Delaware. At least you drew the outline of their state! We in DELAWARE are lost at sea! Please recognize us—I know that there are at least *three* alumni in Delaware. Thank you, now I feel better!

—Mary (Angsburger '57) Dotts (MAD)

At last count, there were 72 alumni living in Delaware.
—Editor

Making the News is up to you!

Recently I received a letter from an alumnus saying that he found the magazine less interesting now because there is little news from his era, the 1930s, other than obituaries. Oddly he didn't take the opportunity to mitigate the situation by telling us anything about himself, so he became part of the problem.

Another alumna of this period wrote to say she wasn't sending news because she wasn't "doing anything interesting." I suspect my first correspondent would have been interested, and probably I would have been too. Please don't edit yourself out of alumni news space. *Milieu* runs just about any item we get, unless it's of interest only to class members and has/will run in a class newsletter.

One more thing: When you send us news, don't assume we know the meaning of acronyms, and be specific rather than generic—i.e.; "I'm chief teller at First Federal Bank of North Tonawanda, NY," not: "I'm working at a bank in the Buffalo suburbs." How else can we stop by to open an account? The same thing goes for obituaries. We don't have unlimited space, or the manpower for much legwork, but we do like to say more than: "*Milieu* has learned of the death of JOE DOAKES."

These are your columns. Use them, but remember, more than half of Houghton's alumni have graduated since 1967, so column lengths will always favor later classes.
—Editor



Houghton alumni are invited to participate in an alumni banquet to be held in connection with the 1988 General Conference of the Wesleyan Church to be held in Knoxville, TN, June 18-24. The banquet is scheduled for June 20 at the Hyatt Regency in that city. Alumni of all Wesleyan colleges are invited to attend at a cost of \$9.45 each. Space is limited. To make your reservation, please fill out the accompanying form and mail it to: The Wesleyan Church, General Department of Education and the Ministry, P.O. Box 50434, Indianapolis, IN 46250-0434.

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Alumni Authors

DeoVolente: Miriam (Paine '64) Lemcio. Houghton College Press, Houghton, NY, 1987, 240 pp., \$8.95 (paper).

A biography of a man whose supreme and consistent desire was to do the will of God! Daughter, Miriam Paine Lemcio, has written entrancingly about her father, Dr. Stephen William Paine, who in 1937 was the youngest college president of the United States—President of Houghton College.

Every Houghton alumnus, in fact, every Christian will want to read this book. One cheers and smiles and cries as the odyssey of a modern Christian scholar unfolds on the pages of *DeoVolente* (meaning, God's will).

"Doc", as generations of Houghton students knew him, gave leadership to the largest Wesleyan college in the U.S. for 35 years, teaching, administering, and guiding the forces of Wesleyan and Evangelical Christianity. Miriam lets the reader see more than a busy college president. Her research and anecdotes let us understand the man behind the scenes—a Christian father, hus-

In Memoriam

'46 **ROBERT L. ANDERSON** died September 11, 1987, of a heart attack. He was 64. A Washington, DC, resident, he was a former public school teacher in Page County, VA. He retired from Acaccia Life Insurance Company in 1985, where he had worked in the tax department for several years. He married the former Betty Richards, who survives, in 1952. A memorial service was held at Augustana Lutheran Church on September 13, where Mr. Anderson had been a member, a Sunday school teacher, and usher. Besides his widow, he is survived by one sister; and one brother.

Word has been received of the death of **EMMA REA (BECHTEL) INGRAM '38**. Sources could not identify a specific date in 1986. She is survived by three sons.

'33 **N. FRANCES MILLER** died January 4 after an eight-month bout with cancer. Prior to retirement in the early 70s, Miller was a superintendent of schools in Scio and Canisteo (NY). A resident of Canisteo, he also had a winter home in Florida. Besides his widow, he is survived by a son; and two grandchildren.

'63 **JOHN NORDQUIST**, a music teacher and former chairman of the creative and performing arts department at Westmont College, died November 12, 1987, in Minnesota following a brief illness. A native of Cleveland, he began his professional music career at the age of 12 and studied with the noted Viennese pedagogue Walter Rorert, and also Sidney Foster and Eldon Basney of Houghton. Nordquist performed more than 500 concerts as piano soloist, accompanist, and duo-pianist with his wife **CAROLYN (SPRINGER '64)**, who survives. He holds master and doctor of music degrees in piano performance from Indiana University. Dr. Nordquist joined

band, scholar, son, educational statesman and friend of all.

Those of us who sat in Dr. Paine's classes and worked with him on the faculty of Houghton College marvel at the larger picture. In this unveiling we meet the gracious leader of an outstanding college as he was known from within his own family.

The alumni and friends of Dr. Paine who demanded that this book be written will relive in these pages their college days. They will sit again in chapel as Doc unfolds James or Philipians. They will sit in Greek class as that stubby pencil marks the ten or less in the classbook. They will make that dreaded trip to the office only to find a loving, humane, caring administrator who knew them by their first name.

Those who did not know Dr. Paine personally will be challenged by a life devoted to others, a life dedicated to the cause of Jesus Christ, the Savior and Lord of all men. Miriam Lemcio has captured for all of us what for years we have known—Dr. Stephen W. Paine is a man dedicated to the will of God in his own life and in the life of others. What a heritage for Houghton posterity!

—Dr. Bert H. Hall

'90 GREGORY JOHNSON, 19, a sophomore at Houghton's Buffalo campus last fall, was killed the evening of January 16, when the car he was driving was struck by a drunk driver in Colden, NY, south of Buffalo. Johnson is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Johnson of Alden, NY, and a sister, KIM, who is a senior at the main campus. Funeral services were conducted at The Chapel in nearby Williamsville, January 19.

Seventeen

Bethel College (MN) in 1981. At the time of his death he was a professor of piano and music and chairman of the music department. He was minister of music at Salem Baptist Church in New Brighton, MN. Mr. Nordquist's "Four Hymns for the Concert Pianist" was published in 1983 by Hope Publishing Company. Besides his widow, he is survived by a son; a daughter; his mother; a sister; and a brother.

'43 EMILY RILEY died August 14, 1987, after suffering an aneurysm earlier that month. She had been working on special assignments for First Federated Savings and Loan Association of Potts-

town (PA). For several years she was purchasing manager for Deveraux Foundation (PA) and later was manager of St. Peters Village, a restored Victorian village.

'23 ETHLYN STEBBINS died November 10, 1987, in Cuba (NY) Memorial Hospital after a long illness. She was 90. Miss Stebbins had been a registered nurse at the Olean General Hospital, and she attended Houghton Wesleyan Church. Surviving are two nephews, ROSCOE FANCHER '35 and Ward Silsbee; four nieces, ESTHER (FANCHER '37) LISTER, RUTH (FANCHER '46) HUTTON, MARGARET

(FANCHER '47) SERLEY, and JOANNA FANCHER '50. She was predeceased by two sisters, CHARLOTTE (STEBBINS '15) SILSBE and ISABELLE (STEBBINS '17) FANCHER.

'38 GLADYS L. SCOTT died April 25, 1987. Before her retirement she taught 35 years in New York state schools. Interested in local history, Miss Scott wrote "A Biography of Robert Morris" in 1976. His signature is on the United States Constitution. Morris's talents, financial stability and foresight in land speculation played an important role in the history of Allegany County. A copy of Scott's book is in the Houghton College library. She is survived by a sister, EMMA (SCOTT '38) NELSON.

Future Alumni

Richard & Carol (Corser '81) Belcher
Norman & Susan Campbell '71
Cedric & Debra (Newton '83) Carter '83
Jeffrey & Carol (Treat '72) Egan
Michael & Susan (Mulder '76) Faulk
David & Marsha Gena '72
Martin & Linda (Gowman '74) Hansell
Ken and Cheryl (Yeaman '83) Heck '79
Rob & Wendy (Todd '85) Jacobson '80
Daryl & Susan (Hill '85) Jalosky '85
Leonard & Nancy (Hunt '80) Knorr
Paul & Karen (Hughes '83) Landin '82
Mr. Lindsey & Jean (Sheeley '86) Lindsey
William & Nancy (Ketchum '80) Montague
Jeff & Melanie (Murphy '83) Myer
Robert & Donna (Coddington '75) Oehrig '75
Scott & Joanne (Walsh '78) Records '78
Paul & Jeanne (Mocerl '81) Ronca
Jim & Jan (Causar '79) Russell
Douglas & Beth (Bernlehr '79) Starks '79
Harry & Ronelle (Hildebrandt '76) Thompson '75
Joey & Amy (Austin '71) Tupe
Robert & Robin Widlicka '79

James Richard 9-10-87
Alan Ramsay 7-13-87
Cedric Charles 10-14-87
Logan Tyler 9-30-87
Elisa Susanne 4-23-87
Lindsay Ann 11-11-87
Lori Ann 8- 8-87
Jerod Michael 1- 8-88
Sean Matthew 12-24-87
Jonathan Daniel 10- 8-87
Daniel David 9- 7-87
Daniel Paul 7-18-87
Darren 5- 3-87
Laura Patricia 9- 5-86
Caetlynn Ruth 6- 7-87
Sarah Louise 9-28-87
Brienne Kay 12-10-87
Matthew Paul 8-18-87
Matthew Christopher 10-14-87
Devin Douglas 9-18-87
Clarissa Mae 6-25-87
Hazel May 9-28-87
Benjamin Joseph 9-15-87

The Lure of Cults and New Religions: Ronald Enroth '60, InterVarsity Press. (The following comments are based on a review published October 24, 1987, in the Santa Barbaras News Press.) In this sixth book on the subject of cults, Dr. Enroth discusses new religious groups and describes how they attract new members, why young people are attracted to them and what can be done about the situation. Enroth defines five different kinds of movements and summarizes the beliefs of groups within each category. He discusses the dynamics of the groups, how their leaders emerge, motivations of those joining, signs for concerned friends to watch out for, and guidelines for characterizing groups.

Growing Up Born Again: Patricia Klein, Evelyn Bence '74, Jane Campbell '73, Laura Pearson, and David Wimbish: Power Books, Fleming H. Revel Co., Old Tappan, NJ, 1987. 160 pages, paperback.

GUBA bills itself as "A whimsical look at the blessings and tribulations of growing up born again." On the back cover the authors or their publisher elaborate: "Of course you can't really grow up born again. That's the first thing that any-

one who did will tell you. But there is a fundamental, non-liturgical, Protestant, middle-American church experience that left its unique mark on millions of us. . . Our memories are sometimes hilarious, sometimes poignant, but mostly affectionate and full of gratitude."

Most readers will find GUBA "hilarious." The authors have sharp eyes and ears for their subject matter, and deftly skewer evangelical inconsistencies and follies. But some of the baby may have been lost with the bathwater. While they are cataloging GUBA foibles, the authors might have credited the mostly genuine effort to integrate Biblical principles and values into all of life that motivated the churches and parents who structured that "middle-American church experience."

One reader observed, "I see little in GUBA that would make being born again winsome to an outsider." But another enthused, "We loved it and have bought six or seven copies for our friends." Maybe the bottom line is what counts! Me? Like I said, there's sharp observation here, and some validity to the liberated condescension, but the protestations of affection and gratitude seem *pro forma*.

-DL

Memorial Gifts

BETTY PAINE by Lola Haller, Laura V. Fancher, Rev. & Mrs. Warren Woolsey, Mr. & Mrs. Arnold L. Nabholz, Rev. & Mrs. Frances Davis, and Rev. & Mrs. Donald L. Bray.

GEORGE WILLARD by Laura V. Fancher.

MARIAN CARR by Laura V. Fancher.

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ZOLA FANCHER by Corinne Frith.

MARTHA N. REEVES by Claude Rima, Ina A. Charleston, Mr. & Mrs. Paul Rima, Mr. & Mrs. Hilton Rima, Sharon J. White, Mr. & Mrs. Donald Moriarty, Mr. & Mrs. Roger Buckler, Lois V. Janes, Larrie Menin, Mr. & Mrs. John Semmens, Mr. & Mrs. Carey Webb, Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Smith, Kim M. Rima, Dr. & Mrs. Salvatore Scalfidi, and Shirley E. Rusch.

ALTON LIDDICK, Mr. and Mrs. James Finney, Mrs. Alton Liddick.

GERALD VANDERVEEN, Mrs. Carmen Liddick, Mrs. Gerald VanderVeen.

"Athletics for everyone. . . and everyone for athletics"

For 41 years Coach Wells has run his race with patience

HIS "COACH" to four generations of Houghton students and never missed meeting a class for 40 years. With occasional part-time help his first decade here, George R. Wells was Houghton College's athletic department, and taught physical education at the academy too. He built Houghton's physical education program with inadequate facilities for 30 years, but his vision and dogged personal tenacity culminated in a multi-million dollar physical education center, that is just that, first an education center, then an athletic complex.

His beginnings were not auspicious. "The farm boy" from Riverhead, Long Island was no straight A student, and was discouraged from trying to enter college. Too, he was receiving a man's pay driving a threshing machine. Then a high school guidance counselor, a Houghton alumnus, told him about the country college in western New York. In 1940 George applied and was accepted here as a math major, using the money he'd saved working at the job he didn't like. (His first three years at Houghton cost "about \$1,000.") Here he became a Christian, too.

Like many other young men of the time he also enlisted for military service—in the navy. The call to active duty came in 1943 at the end of his junior year. Training included study at Dartmouth and mid-shipmen's school at Columbia University where he was commissioned. Wells participated in the Guam and Saipan campaigns commanding an LCT. Four times he was decorated. During his one leave in 1945 he returned

stateside to marry Doris Driscoll, who he'd met at Houghton. Following VJ day came his favorite assignment—geodetic survey work in Korean harbors. After his ship escorted tugs from Pearl Harbor to Portland, OR, he supervised a troop train across the states, saw his ship de-commissioned and finished college in 1947.

Houghton was impressed by his assistant coaching performance and immediately hired him as physical education instructor—over his protests of inexperience. Concentrating on p.e., George began a graduate program at Springfield College. There, despite conditional entry because of modest GRE scores, he earned his master's degree with commendation.

Following personal renewal in Houghton's 1952 revival, Coach Wells formed Youth In One Accord, the revival team he has led for 35 years and 600,000 miles of ministry in the U.S., Canada and abroad. Coach wove ministry into his physical education work too. An academy student of the early '50s recalled sitting on Bedford Gym's fold-up benches, shivering in her gym clothes as Wells taught badminton. "Coach wasn't just interested in sports," she said: "Sometimes he'd tell us about things in his life with spiritual implications. Even with all his college duties, he always seemed to know what was going on with us."

Wells coached baseball, basketball, cross-country and field hockey. Through his efforts Houghton joined Cornell University as one of two sites where the American Red Cross experimented with water safety instruction conducted by col-



lege personnel. And the ink on his master's degree was scarcely dry when he began a doctoral program at the University of Buffalo. His thesis focused on competitive sports for men at liberal arts college in the NAE. Their education commission sponsored him.

Among a host of professional affiliations, Dr. Wells (1956) was a charter

BASKETBALL

MEN

Coach Steve Brooks' men's team is young and still struggling to put together a winning combination. At present they are 4-11 with a tough District 18 slate still ahead. Sickness and injury have taken their toll on the team which does not have the bench strength needed to post a winning record. Frosh Rollie Duttweiler and Brad Zarges have made vital contributions with Zarges breaking into the lineup as a starter. Tough Sophomore Tom Kirschner has taken over the scoring

leadership at 19.5 per game while Senior Geoff Stedman leads the boardmen with 7.4 rebounds per game.

WOMEN

The Women's Team enters the second half of their season with their best start in a number of years at 7-2. If they can maintain that pace they will have one of the best records ever posted by Houghton. The high expectations of two new members of the team have certainly been fulfilled as Coach "Skip" Lord has provided excellent leadership and Jacki Carlson has sparkled both offensively and defen-

sively. Jacki transferred her All-American credentials in to join her All-American twin Jodi for one of the most potent one-two combinations that Houghton has ever had. Jacki is averaging 20 points per game with Jodi at 15.5. Jacki also holds the single game lead with a 30 point-20 rebound game. NCCAA statistics have Houghton ranked number seven in the nation as a team. Team stats rank them number two in rebounding and defense and number three in field goal percentage. Jodi leads the nation in field goal percentage at 63.6 percent with Jacki number six and Ndunge Kiiti seven.

highlander sports



Photos counter-clockwise from top left: The macebearer, "Here's how you hold a bat!" physical education center cornerstone laying, Coach and Mrs. Wells with YOA alumni during 1987 reunion.



member of the National Christian Physical Education Association, its president for 12 years. He's served as district chairman for NAIA and helped found the Private College Athletic Conference in 1971, writing its constitution.

Until 1966 Houghton College did not engage in intercollegiate sports. Coach Wells personally believed that inter-

collegiate sports should be the capstone of a college athletic program, but he supported the policy of his college and its sponsoring church. But that didn't keep him from believing that sport had value for everyone; that the justification for varsity sports was the underlying physical education program. "Athletics for everyone and everyone for athletics" was more than a slogan to him. So he built an intramural program that involved 78 percent of the students and was widely known and respected. Off campus he was consulted about his innovations. Here he supported the addition of camping, skiing and wilderness training programs.

1967 brought a sea change in Wesleyan thinking about competitive sports. Dr. Wells was asked to prepare a paper on philosophy and administration of an intercollegiate sports program. Much of his thinking lay behind the resulting approved program. Houghton's first intercollegiate competition—a cross country match with Roberts Wesleyan College—saw Coach Wells fire the starting gun.

Meanwhile, the coach who'd brought the physical education program so far, continued to work out of a crowded, tiny office, the inner wall of which constantly reverberated from the basketballs—and athletes—bouncing off the other side. Bedford Gym, designed for an enrollment of several hundred was, with three other sites, serving more than 1,000. Coach Wells worked with several gym planning committees, but always there was delay for another dorm, an auditorium or academic building. Finally, in 1978, construction of the new physical education center began. On April 11, 1980 he participated in cornerstone laying ceremonies as the new building went into service. Bedford Gym's pool was shorter than the new one is wide.

Dr. Wells has always championed swimming, so it is appropriate that the college has named its natatorium for him. After president Chamberlain announced this honor in January, Coach responded, thanking "my supporting and loving wife and family for sacrificing time together, thus allowing me to serve our Master here." The Wells have five children, all of whom attended Houghton, four of whom earned sportsmanship awards in college. Today they are engaged in careers ranging from business and missions to education, accounting and homemaking.

Coach has not returned to full strength following coronary bypass surgery last spring. His schedule for the fall is tentative, but will certainly not be full-time. Of Youth in One Accord's future, he says, "We feel the Lord has a ministry for us, but are unsure what it will be. By spring we'll have to decide about the summer, but I don't think there will be any more 14-hour days."

As senior faculty member for seven years, the man who says he's always felt himself to be something of an academic outsider, bears the mace—symbol of academic and moral authority—at the head of college convocation processions. Few have done as much for the school or followed their Lord more faithfully. Even fewer have done it so long.

AWAY BASKETBALL GAMES

February

6 Sat.	Roberts	W	6:00
6 Sat.	Roberts	M	8:00
12 Fri.	Geneseo	W	6:00
12 Fri.	Geneseo	M	8:00
16 Tue.	Behrend	M	8:00
19 Fri.	NCCAA Dist.	W	6:00 & 8:00
20 Sat.	NCCAA Dist.	W	1:00 & 3:00
27 Sat.	Daemen	W	5:30
27 Sat.	Keuka	M	8:00

March

2-9 Wed.-Wed.	NAIA District	M	
10-12 Thu.-Sat.	NCCAA Nationals	W	
16 Wed.	NAIA Nationals	M	

Soccer Honors

Several of Coach Doug Burke's men have been named to National and State All Star teams. Midfielder Mark Ashley was voted an Honorable Mention All-American on the NAIA Team. Back Bryan Thompson was named to the NCCAA First Team All-American Team with goal keeper Tim Kangas named to the Second Team. Kangas garnered a second honor by being voted the First Team goal keeper of the Division II All New York State Team.

CAMPUS NEWS

Trustees give tentative green light for construction

At their January meeting Houghton trustees voted to proceed with construction of a new academic building this spring, provided the college receives a favorable response to its Pew Foundation grant request in February, and secures an additional half million dollars in pledges by March 15. Should the proposal to Pew be rejected, the college must raise \$1,000,000 by March 15, or a start on the project will be delayed until spring of 1989. (Development officers reported cash giving for December topped \$553,000.)

In other actions the trustees increased tuition, board and room for 1988-89 by 9.3 percent for a composite figure of \$9,690 next year. Basing their decision on a conservatively-projected two-semester average full-time enrollment of 1,035, they authorized 5.5 percent faculty/staff pay hikes. (Wages were frozen at 1986-87 levels last year.) Should the enrollment average be 1,050, the raise would be pegged at 6.5 percent. Admissions officers believe a 1,063 average is possible.

President Chamberlain told faculty and staff that the trustees had approved Dr. Fred Shannon to succeed Dr. Kenneth Lindley as math and science division chairman next fall, and professor Susan Crider to succeed Dr. Charles Bressler as language and literature division chairman. Tenure was approved for Christian education professor Dr. John Norton III, human services professor Dr. Larry Ortiz, and history and social science division chairman Dr. John VanWicklin. Promotions will move Dr. Kenneth Boon to full professor of biology, Ms. Connie Finney to assistant professor of psychology, Dr. James Zoller to associate professor of writing and literature.

Trustees granted the college permission to seek approval of a social work major and a master's degree program in interdisciplinary studies.

Dr. Chamberlain explained changes in how trustees will be selected. Board members are nominated by three groups: the general board of administration of The Wesleyan Church, Wesleyan church dis-

tricts of the Houghton area, and by the local board of trustees. While a one-to-one ratio between lay/clergy nominees is preserved, districts must nominate one of each so that over time each district will

have been represented by both categories. And now the board may elect a trustee to represent alumni who is not a member of the Wesleyan Church.

DRIVE A VAN TO HOUGHTON

Admissions director Tim Fuller urges alumni to consider making van trips to campus with young people they know. Alumni Terry and Leah Slye recently drove eight students to campus from Minnesota, four of whom have already applied. Based on lists furnished by the college, the Slyes called prospects in their area and made arrangements for the trip. The college paid for gasoline. Contact Mr. Fuller for more details.



Those who stayed for picture: Huizenga, Luckey, Lindley, Miller, Allen, Emmons, Burke and Haller.

At Houghton's 13th recognition banquet President Chamberlain cited 27 employees for 505 years of service and announced three retirees who'd contributed another 125 years.

Dr. Chamberlain lauded composer-in-residence William Allen for 35 years, concluding his citation, "Dr. Allen, you have eloquently penned your sentiments about this institution: '[Houghton College] is a school that has not discarded refinement in these days of unrefinement . . . ' If this is true, you have had a large part in making it so."

E. Douglas Burke, Nolan Huizenga and Clair Luckey were recognized for 30 years each. Chamberlain thanked Burke "for what you've done in young peoples' lives, for the physical education department, and for Houghton College." He praised Huizenga as a "first-rate musician and a true Christian scholar," and expressed appreciation for carpenter Luckey's church and missions service, "style and example of faithfulness."

Professors Kenneth Lindley and Lola Haller, and staff members Horace Emmons and Robert Miller each celebrated 25 years with the college. Referring to Lindley's plans to vacate the science division chair this summer, the president said, "Thank you for the scholarship, energy and dedication you've brought to your tasks at this place. God's best to you..." Haller was noted for her fruitful service at Houghton, and Emmons, former East Hall dining room chef, was encouraged to set a record that matches Grace Tarey's. Noting his versatility from refrigeration to fire alarm installation, Chamberlain cited electrician foreman Robert Miller as a "solidly grounded Christian."

Faculty and staff who have reached the 20-year mark are Marilyn Byerly, Richard Gould, Jack Leax, Duane Tullar, Anne Whiting, Lois Wilt, and trustee Elizabeth Feller. Gerri Alderman, Donald Frase, Phyllis Osgood, and Ralph Young were recognized for 15 years. Those honored for 10 years were Mary Conklin, Karen Dickerson, Richard Perkins, Harriet Rothfus, Kathlyn Smith, Bonnie Saylor, and Richard and Lois Wing.

Retirees include German professor Robert Cummings, accountant Betty Effland, and payroll clerk Margaret Wynn, English professor Ruth Hutton (profiled on pages 8-9), and—from full-time service—Coach George Wells.

Dr. Chamberlain capped the evening with two announcements. First he recognized Coach George Wells for 41 years of service to the college and added, "the swimming pool area in the physical education center will hereafter be called the George Wells Natatorium." Senior faculty member Wells is profiled on page 18-19.

Mr. Robert Fiegl, the college's superintendent of buildings and grounds from 1950 to 1976, stood speechless as Chamberlain designated the college maintenance center, which Fiegl helped build in 1960, the Robert T. Fiegl Maintenance Center.



Dr. Boyd

Twenty-one

China tour planned

Last summer more than a dozen students joined Drs. Kenneth and Katherine Lindley and student guide Gregory Laing as good will ambassadors to students in China.

Again this summer, a group will be making a similar trip from June 1-July 4 at a cost of \$2,299 per person. As was the case last year, the trip is not so much a sight-seeing venture, although that is certainly a part of the experience; rather it is designed for maximum cultural exchange, to develop personal and spiritual growth, to make credible the Christian world view, and to develop Sino-American friendships. Language study is part of the program.

Dr. Katherine Lindley told Laing last year: "It was fabulously successful. . . I had a great time." More specifically, alumna Mary Hickman '83 explained: "The trip was very well organized. . . Accommodations throughout were much better than I had expected. Clean rooms, adequate toilets and showers and hot water were things I had hoped for, but had prepared myself to do without."

Leading this year's trip with Laing will be business professor David Frasier. The group may have 25 members and will travel from New York via Korean Airlines. For details and to reserve a space, write: Educational China Projects, J.P. Laing/U.S. Coordinator, CPO 1097, Houghton College, Houghton, NY 14744.

Theology Institute will Consider Worship Theme

"Worship in the Life of Faith" is the focus for the Houghton College Institute of Theology, to be held on campus March 7-9. The keynote speaker will be Dr. Donald C. Boyd, professor of preaching and worship at Asbury Theological Seminary, Wilmore, KY.

In seminars ranging from Preaching in the Life of Worship and Young People and Worship in the Faith Community to The Theology of Hymns Used in Wor-

ship, Dr. Boyd and nine Houghton faculty members from the music and religion departments will address such questions as: Has the church lost the art of true worship? How does worship contribute to spiritual growth and development? Does the Bible provide guidance for the specific form and content of worship? Can music determine the character of our worship?

Before assuming his present post, Dr. Boyd taught at Bethany Nazarene College (OK). An ordained Wesleyan elder, he has 30 years of pastoral experience in Wesleyan and United Methodist parishes from New York and Pennsylvania to Ohio and Kentucky. A graduate of Ma-

rian College (IN) and Bethany College Graduate Schools, he has studied at Penn State and Colgate Rochester Divinity School (NY). A member of the Wesleyan Theological Society and Theta Phi Honor Society, Dr. Boyd has been a trustee of two colleges. He contributes to various magazines, is book review editor in worship for *Pulpit Digest*, and is a popular speaker for conferences, camps, ministerial institutes, and retreats.

The institute registration deadline is February 22. Contact Lisa Bennett, Church Relations, Houghton College, Houghton, NY 14744 for details and forms.



ACADEMY NEWS

•First semester closed with a tally of 86 students, including second quarter enrollees. As a result of serious inquiries in December, three new students will begin during the January Winterim with yet another second semester. Additional interest in the Academy comes from a family in Guayaquil, Ecuador. Consequently four boys will arrive in February for a two-month exchange-type program. Upon their arrival the boys' dorm will be filled.

•During the January Winterim while full-time faculty teach such courses as photography, ethics, computer programming, art and home economics, several new courses brighten and broaden the selection.

Alumnus John M. Andrews '54, Distinguished Member of the Technical Staff at AT&T Bell Labs in Murray Hill, NJ, is teaching a one-week class in the basics of micro-technology. Dr. Andrews has been teaching the physics and technology of semiconductor devices to collegians and graduate students on campuses from Alfred and Houghton to Penn State, Rutgers and Stevens Institute of Technology. This winterim class will be his first effort at the high school level. Andrews is deeply committed to providing a program to interest gifted students in a career in this field.

Dr. F. Gordon Stockin, academy principal from 1944-46, and father of current headmaster Philip Stockin, is teaching "A Smattering of Latin and a Taste of Greek" to underclassmen, while English teacher Carmen Liddick offers drama and mythology.

•Three of the 24-member senior class—their parents are all Houghton College alumni—have placed in the National Merit Scholarship's top 50,000 students nationwide. Dan King is a semi-finalist and Kathy Stockin and Michael Trexler each received letters of commendation.

•The academy has an unusual opportunity to clear all long-term and current debt this year. By raising \$140,000 before school closes in May, it will qualify for a \$20,000 challenge grant. December giving was "phenomenal" and a November phonathon reached 300 alumni and friends to produce \$30,000 in cash and pledges. To earn the grant, the school still must raise an additional \$40,000. The current fund picture has been helped by a healthy contingent of boarding students. Clearing the debt could pave the way for curricular and plant expansion by decade's end.

Easy as One, Two, Three? Academy Wish List

1. Designated gifts to help pay for a new 15-seat van, 2. A TV monitor and VCR for classroom use, 3. IBM compatible PC equipment for office use and a printer.

\$150,000 SCHOLARSHIP GRANT MADE

The Fred L. Emerson Endowment Fund of Auburn, NY, will fund a college matching grant proposal for scholarship aid for \$150,000 at the rate of \$50,000 annually for three years.

The college agrees to match Emerson dollars two to one and may do so out of regular scholarship gifts, or subsequent foundation grants for other scholarship programs. This was Houghton's first proposal to the Emerson Endowment Fund, and their favorable response was influenced by the college's efforts to recruit Native Americans and its success in funding that work. Too, foundation officers were impressed with the success of Houghton's annual fund and that the number of alumni giving to the college has doubled in recent years.

CALENDAR

February

- 12-13 Winter Weekend
- 15 Encounter Day
- 15-26 Phonathon
- 25 Anna Houghton Daughters: "The Arts"; Staley Lecture: Ted Ward, "The New Internationalism"
- 26 Reading Day

March

- 3- 4 Fine Arts Festival: "Music in Worship/Women in Art"
- 4 Artist Series: Eastman Brass
- 7- 9 Institute of Theology: Donald Boyd
- 10-11 Fine Arts Festival: "Music in Worship/Women in Art"
- 11 St. Paul's Boy Choir Concert
- 17 Anna Houghton Daughters: "Starting Over"
- 18 Artist Series: Rochester Philharmonic; Encounter Day
- 23 Wind ensemble concert
- 25-April 4 Easter Break

April

- 1 Good Friday
- 3 Easter
- 7 Cockcroft Forum
- 8 Artist Series: Gail Williams, French horn

Chapel Choir Tour Schedule

February 25-28, 1988

February 25	pm	First Presbyterian Church	Johnson City, New York
February 26	am	Lancaster Christian School	Lancaster, Pennsylvania
	pm	Olivet Wesleyan Church	Glasboro, New Jersey
February 27		Free Day in Philadelphia	
Feb. 28 8:30&10:30	am	Bethany Wesleyan Church	Cherryville, Pennsylvania (tent.)
	pm	Emmanuel Bible Fellowship	Sunbury, Pennsylvania

College Choir Tour Schedule

March 27-April 3, 1988

March 27	am	Caton Bible Chapel	Corning, New York
	pm	Faith Evangelical Church	Corry, Pennsylvania
March 28	pm	New Covenant Fellowship	Huntington, Pennsylvania
March 29	pm	Loganton Wesleyan Church	Loganton, Pennsylvania
March 30	pm	Federated Church	East Springfield, Pennsylvania
March 31	pm	Oakland Park Wesleyan Church	Columbus, Ohio
April 1	pm	First Wesleyan Church	Battle Creek, Michigan (tentative)
April 2		Free day in Detroit	
April 3	am	West Locke Wesleyan Church	Williamston, Michigan
	pm	Clarenceville United Methodist Church	Livonia, Michigan

DRC, eight other prexies recruit Nicaraguans

President Daniel R. Chamberlain was one of nine western New York private and community college presidents to participate in a privately-funded trip to Nicaragua during the second week of January. The visit was organized by New York 34th Congressional District Representative Amory Houghton (R), partly as a fact-finding venture, but primarily so the college presidents could establish ground rules and processes to select Nicaraguan students to study at the colleges free of charge for two years.

Through a mutual friend, Congressman Houghton learned of the concern of Mrs. Viletta de Chammoro, publisher of the Nicaraguan newspaper *La Prensa*, that because of strained relations between Nicaragua and the U.S., many students were seeking advanced education in Eastern Bloc countries instead of the United States.

Mr. Houghton's response was the four-day trip by the college presidents to address that problem with what he hopes may become a pilot program emulated by others. Congressman Houghton has pledged to secure necessary funding for program costs beyond tuition, room and board.

The presidents found a sizable pool of qualified students for the opportunity.

Their goal is to select those who represent a cross-section of the Nicaraguan people economically and politically, Dr. Chamberlain said during an airport news conference upon the group's return. Other factors considered will be academic ability, facility with English, commitment to return to Nicaragua and compatibility with the host college. If the selection process goes smoothly, some students could be enrolled at western New York campuses by September.

The presidents received an overview of the political, economic, religious and social conditions in the country as a secondary mission.

FACULTY NEWS

Composer in residence **William T. Allen** and his choral compositions will be the subject of a doctoral dissertation by a graduate student at Texas Tech University. The doctoral candidate directs the International Choir of Wayland Baptist University in Plainview, TX, and is studying with Dr. Donald Bailey, who heads choral activities at Texas Tech. Bailey is former chairman of Houghton's fine arts division. Dr. Allen says he will be furnishing the student with biographical



Dr. Schultz, Dr. Massey

Twenty-three

Major changes at Buffalo cut staff, emphasize upper division programs

Fall of 1988 will bring significant curricular and personnel changes at Houghton's West Seneca campus, making it, in the words of president Chamberlain, "an upper divisional campus, rather than a lower divisional 'feeder' to the main campus."

Succeeding Dr. Charles Massey there as dean will be religion division chairman Dr. Carl Schultz. Dr. Schultz will reside in Houghton and continue his divisional duties, but with a reduced teaching load. Schultz, who graduated from Houghton in 1952, holds an MA from Wheaton College and a Ph.D. from Brandeis University. He has also studied at the University of Pittsburgh and Harvard University. He began teaching at Houghton in 1965 and assumed the division chairmanship in 1975. While Schultz will be commuting to Buffalo three times weekly, the microwave link is expected to facilitate his dual roles.

Dr. Charles Massey, longest serving of Houghton's Buffalo campus deans, has been granted a year's study leave, during which he hopes to pursue the implications of distance learning and other administrative priorities. Thereafter he will accept a new assignment here.

Triggering the re-assessment of all Buffalo programs was the decision to move to the main campus Buffalo's SKILL program of remedial courses for marginally qualified students, essentially because most such students initially seek entrance at the main campus.

Nineteen years ago when the former Buffalo Bible Institute merged with Houghton College, the college began to add traditional liberal arts courses to the existing program, offered continuing education courses, and instituted internship and professional semester options at Buffalo for its main campus students, expanded enrollment, modernized existing Buffalo facilities and constructed the Lambein Learning Center. Since 1984 the well-publicized microwave-TV link has facilitated instruction, administrative and other teleconferencing.

Beginning next September the college will move away from offering the overlapping liberal arts program at West Seneca to concentrate and expand professional education opportunities there. The business internship will expand. Already half of Houghton's elementary and secondary student teachers use the Buffalo campus as their base while teaching in city schools. And, the day care center now operating there, will afford students opportunity to gain certification in that area while living and working on campus.

Taking advantage of the various treatment facilities and service agencies in the city is expected to foster development of an internship program for the college's psychology and sociology majors. A Bible major, already operating there, will be continued and focused toward urban ministries in cooperation with area churches and Christian agencies.

Too, the college has an articulation

agreement in art education with Buffalo State College and is exploring a similar agreement in social work. Other steps will include integration of Houghton's two libraries via Virginia Tech Library System terminals and shared administration, and emphasis on "block courses" (courses with extended evening class time) at Buffalo to facilitate college work for working people and other part-timers.

According to Dr. Massey, the changes will result in a more than 50 percent staffing cut at Buffalo. Achieving the reduction will require some terminations, reduction from full to part-time status for others, and re-location to the main campus for one or two. Details of staffing and program await trustee action. These will be carried as part of a special section in the March *Milieu* regarding the history of Buffalo Bible Institute and the 19th anniversary of BBI's merger with Houghton.

BBI ALUMNI ALERT

During the next 60 days the college will be adding names and addresses of more than 500 Buffalo Bible Institute alumni to its mailing list, in time for them to receive the March *Milieu* which will feature the history of that school and the 19 years since its merger with Houghton College. Readers with BBI roots are urged to communicate with others to insure that they get on the mailing list and see the features. Contact the Buffalo campus if you're not sure you're on the mailing list.

material, the composer's-eye view on his own style and analysis, a listing of his works and excerpts from his operas.

English and speech professor **Ruth Hutton** presented a workshop/lecture—"Writers Learning to Speak"—at a United Methodist writers' conference held November 13 at Findlay Lake, NY.

Research Corporation of Tucson, Arizona, has awarded **Dr. Bernard J. Piersma** a "Cottrell College Science Grant" of \$16,000 to support undergraduate research into new ways of

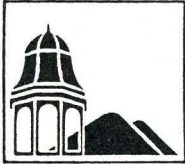
making compounds. According to Dr. Piersma, professor of physical chemistry, Research Corporation is a prime funder of undergraduate research in the United States.

Dr. Piersma's present grant comes on the heels of a \$20,000 research "mini-grant" from Universal Energy Systems. While both grants will help to pay for the costs of research into "organic electrochemistry in room temperature molten salts," the Research Corporation grant specifically provides for undergraduates to get research training under Dr.

Piersma during the summers of 1988 and 1989. Kurt Brown, a junior chemistry major from West Chester, Pennsylvania, will be the first Houghton College student to benefit from this grant in his senior honors project.

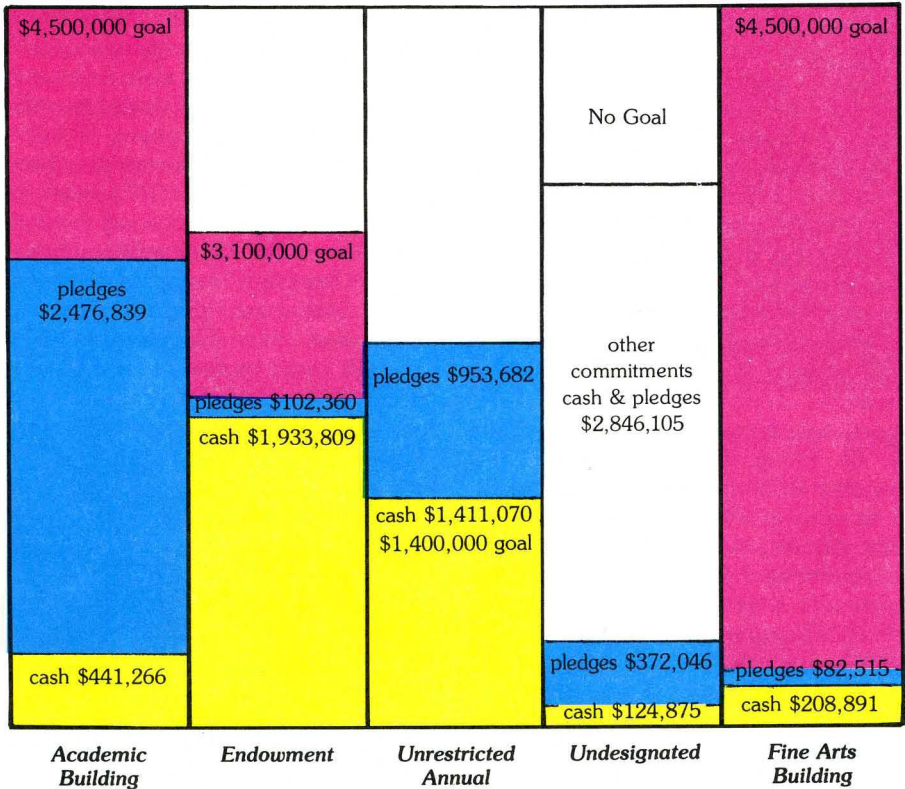
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The Campaign for Houghton Update

Goal Cash Pledges



Leading off a series of features on the language and literature division, an entry from Paul Willis's journal explores continuity, precariousness and tenacity in local history and Houghton's educational endeavor.

The Campaign for Houghton, a multi-year effort to raise \$13,500,000 for construction, endowment, scholarships and current programs, has already raised \$10,514,192 in cash and pledges, a record worthy of celebration and praise to God.

At the same time, patterns of giving and the need for a heavy cash flow to fund construction of the proposed academic building this spring, are forcing campaign strategists and college trustees to consider modifying the timetable because much of the money pledged for the academic building may not be in hand for three to five years. Interim borrowing would drive up the project cost, but delay could adversely affect student recruitment and retention. The trustees must weigh these considerations at their January meeting and decide how to proceed. (This commentary was prepared before that meeting, but a summary of their deliberations appears on page 20.)

Campaign response has "overfunded" the endowment goal and provided money for needs not included under specific campaign categories (see graph above) though all money counts toward the campaign goal. Undesignated overages may be used to help underwrite campaign projects.

In support of the campaign and to seek divine guidance for the trustee decisions on the construction schedule for the academic building, president Chamberlain declared January 14 a campus-wide day of prayer.