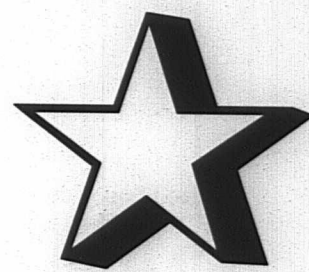


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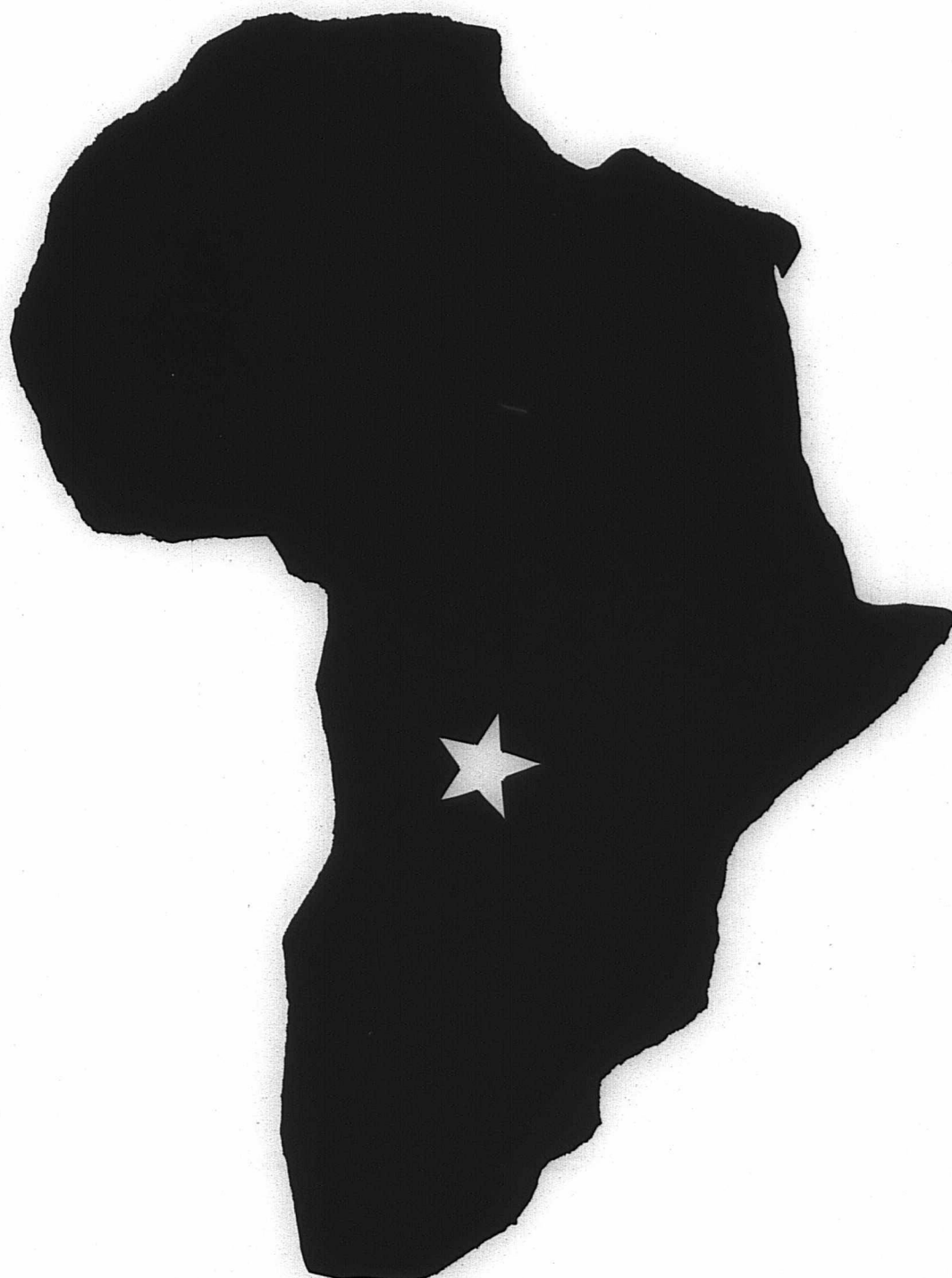
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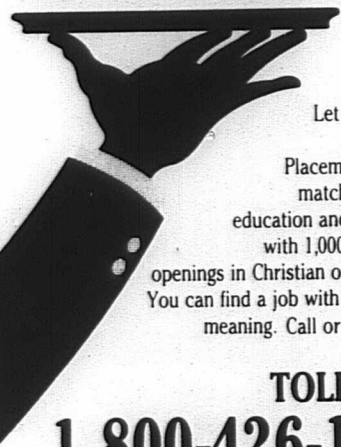
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## Tycoon Sends Letter

*I received this letter last week, and due to the importance of its contents, decided that it should be printed in this space rather than with the other letters. The Star does not necessarily endorse the proposal outlined in the correspondence.*

To the Students of Houghton College:

Howdee Houghtonites! My name is Edwin J. Irving, Chief Executive Officer and sole owner of "Irving Oil and Enterprises," the best darn oil outfit in the proud state of Texas.

Now, as you fellas up there in snowy Houghton know, Texas oil's in a bust. This leaves me with a heap of free time on my hands. So last weekend I up and flew to your fine college to visit my close personal compatriot, President Chamberlain. After a brief walk around your beautiful campus (brief, because it was as cold as Canadian cattle in January), I come to the realization that you-all got what it takes to make it in the fast world of international business. You see, ya'll got resources. But what resources need is utilization, and that's where Edwin

J. Irving comes in. Your resources are being wasted. Time and money is being spent to fill your heads with a heap of useless information. That there time and money spent on education ain't gonna pay no big dividends. But ya see, I got us a plan which will utilize your resources and will pay big dividends.

Now when I up and told Chamberlain 'bout my plan he says, "Thankyou Mr. Irving, for that stirring outline of your proposition. However, at this juncture the trustees and I believe that Houghton's future is as an academic institution." "Well dawgone," I says to myself, "I'm going to have to sell this here plan directly to the student body through the medium of that influential publication, *The Houghton Star*."

You see, y'all's resources match up perfectly with the demand of a certain Pacific nation. Y'all've got a science building for research and development, a fine infrastructure, your own natural gas wells, thousands of acres of land, and plenty of man power.

So, when I seen all this I says, "By gum!" And that expression caused me to say "Yipee. I'll be tied to an angry steer and dragged to Oklahoma." You see, Taiwan has got a growing population and an insatiable appetite for chewin' gum. The Central American nations can't grow enough gum trees to keep up with the demand. The price of gum has tripled in the last five months. Now, I'd grow them trees around my Texas oil wells, but the soil's as sandy as

that there Arabia. Now all's you got to do is develop a gum tree which will survive the cold weather. You see, you've got chemists, and botanists, and physicists, and all kinds of scientists in that there science building just teaching away, but not producing nothin' of value. They spend all their time teaching ya'll some abstract scientific ying-yang when they could be doing the world some good by inventing something practical, like the hardy gum tree. Y'all got economists and accountants and musicians who

don't produce nothing. No wonder the economy is more run down than a thirty dollar station wagon. What we need is to teach students something practical.

Houghton could mightily benefit itself and the global economy by offering "Gum Tree Horticulture 101" and "The Economics of the International Gum Market 204" as required courses. An interdisciplinary major could be established which would include a religion course, "Gum and the Religions of South America" and a history course, "The Effects of Gum Plantations Upon Western

Society," even an art course, "Multimedia Abstractions of Gum Trees." But the educational advantages would be surpassed by the splendid economic advantages of sellin' gum to Taiwan.

Once that there hardy gum tree is invented they would be planted all over the campus, thousands of them, and in five years, bingo!, a valuable gum harvest. With all that cheap labor in the county we could make some big bucks. Right? And you Houghtonites got the accountants to keep track of all that green stuff while you's sendin' the pink stuff overseas. (I got my own personal accountants to count my share.)

Now, if ya like my plan, write me care of the *Star*. Remember, ya'll got resources that I, with my business know-how, can put to some good use.

Sincerely,

Edwin J. Irving

*In the October 30 issue of the Star, I asked, "Why is alumni giving only half of what it was only four years earlier?" The Development Office has informed me that during the 1992 fiscal year, alumni giving nearly equalled the \$725,578 given in 1987. This weakens my assertion that as Development continues to ask for more money, alumni will become less willing to donate.*

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# Daystar: The Consortium School in Zaire

If you are interested in being a part of a truly cross cultural experience in an English speaking setting, the "Study in Africa" program at Daystar University in Nairobi, Kenya may be worth looking into.

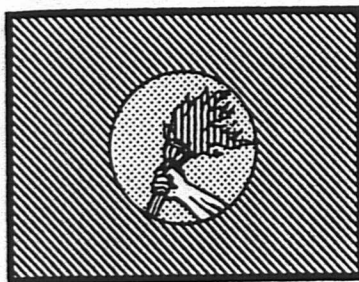
According to Dean of Christian Life, "Bud" Bence, who visited the campus ten months ago, Daystar is a branch of our sister school, Messiah, the same way the Buffalo Suburban campus is a branch of Houghton. However, Daystar is much larger than Buff. Campus with over 300 students from more than ten African nations.

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In a sense, Messiah "adopted" Daystar, according to Bence, requiring it to match qualifications with a dozen American consortium schools. This was to prove to the Kenyan government that although it was formerly a missionary school, it is accredited in every sense a secular school would be. Classes are taught in English by a faculty primarily of African nationals as is standard for higher education in this former British colony.

(If this program sounds vaguely familiar to you, there is good reason.) Houghton has had much contact with Daystar over the years. Two

representatives from Daystar, Joseph Gichuhi and Bob Oehrig, spoke in chapel earlier this month (Nov. 11). In addition, any one who saw the drama group, Amabazo, would remember their dynamic performance, even if they forgot or never knew that they represented Daystar of Nairobi, Kenya.



Zaire's national flag.

To date, no American students have gone to Daystar from Houghton, according to Professor Mary Conklin who teaches sociology here and coordinates most study abroad programs at Houghton. Two African students are experiencing cross-cultural benefits of their own here at Houghton, studied for a year at Daystar. Perhaps you know them: Philos Diu Dua Diu is a business major and at six-foot-eleven is pretty hard to miss; Doug Mbire is a communication major who may be better known for his bass playing in many award-winning Houghton spots.

Mbire said about Daystar, "I think that it's a very good experience for Americans . . . a lot of them (mostly students from Messiah, Gordon, and Seattle Pacific) seemed to enjoy it." Doug did express concern that many did not have enough preparation for the culture shock.

Bence and Conklin agreed with this precaution. "You're not going to have things the way you have them here," said Conklin. Students considering the program must remember that its primary purpose is to submerge the American into the culture of Kenya, which is opposite to that of the U.S. in many ways. Someone who is insensitive to the differences may soon be labeled an "ugly American," said Bence.

For example, in Kenya and especially in the more conservative countryside, the only women who wear slacks are those with loose morals and shorts are the trademark of prostitutes. You can imagine how much trouble a bunch of American women sunbathing in a park could get themselves into without knowing the real reason for their harassment . . .

Another source of tension, according to Bence, sometimes comes as the result of the discrepancy of status between the American and his African roommate. "Look - you are going into an economically deprived country - national resources (like food, clothing, and even water) are tight." An American, with ten times as many clothes as his roommate, who constantly complains about the food, living conditions, and limited facilities, is bound to be seen as "spoiled" by the other students, who know the school is blessed in comparison to neighboring countries with populations on the brink of starvation.

Bud Bence described it this way "there are two groups of students who go overseas - those who want to learn and





Zaire's coat-of-arms.

those who just want to travel. Daystar is not for the second, "jet set," group. Sensitivity to cultural differences is crucial for a full appreciation of the program. There are plenty of things to appreciate within the program.

"We came back excited about it," said

**"I don't think you've had an education until you've had a cross-cultural experience."**

Mrs. Carol Bence. She was enthusiastic about the friendly people, the safe, christian atmosphere and the new campus that was in the process of being built when she and her husband visited. "I think it would be excellent to try to encourage people to consider it."

Although he did not say it necessarily had to be Daystar (a trip to French-speaking Quebec would serve the purpose fine) Bud Bence went one step further in stating, "I don't think you've had an education until you've had a cross-cultural experience."

Hmm. There's one to chew on . . . You wouldn't want to graduate from college without an education, would you? Think about it and talk to some people who've been "educated." It could change your life. Take it from someone who knows first hand.

*Senior Melissa Panco is a staff writer for the Star who spent last semester studying in England.*



*Why is it that when you oversleep, throw on your clothes, accidentally drop your books in the mud as you run to class, and trip in the hall in front of forty-three people that you find a sign like this?*

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I might be completely off base and wrong, but I believe there is a trend going on in Houghton which will and/or already has lead to much divisiveness. I perceive there to be three main groups of folks here at Houghton students, faculty, et al. The breakdown is as follows: there are those who staunchly advocate and believe in showing their ID cards before they go up to dinner, there are those who are pretty apathetic to the whole thing and show their ID cards every now and then, and then there are those who conscientiously and consciously do not show their ID cards. My goal is not to take sides but to try and bring some understanding of each side in hopes to lessen this potentially great rift.

Those who show their cards at each and every meal are a noble and dedicated lot. These people are conscientious and believe in the Pioneer system of food services. They actually like all that is served

there and are quite content with the meals Big Al prepares each day. And I do commend Big Al because he has got a rough job and does real well under the circumstances. Mom's cooking is a tough act to follow. Those who show their cards at meals cringe in horror at the idea of having choices of board plans like the 14 or 21 meal plan. That would be an unneeded and unwelcome change because this is the way it's always been. The card showers have a tendency to only hang out with other cardies and look down on those who don't show their cards.

The apathetic card showers do not factor in all that greatly in the grand scheme of things. They just get pushed along with the line at dinner. They have no strong feelings regarding showing or not showing. They do whatever is the easiest. If someone wants to see their card they might complain but they'll go back and get it. These are the folks trying

to just get by. At times they do not show their cards because it gives them a thrill or it is kind of fun, and at other times out of a sense of obligation, guilt, or the stern glare of the individual clicking them by they will dig into that pocket and show their ID even though it really is not that big a deal. To some, they show it in effort to not rock the boat.

Then there are those who consciously choose not to show their ID's. These folks are branded as the renegades by the card showers. These are the trouble students. The conscientious objectors (CO's) remember that when they were at home Mom never had a clicker to count and determine how many made it dinner, and she was never concerned about whether or not they had a card but about how clean their hands were and what kind of day they had. Mom accepted them to the dinner table even when they were late or had not quite washed those dirty hands. She accepted them with love and understanding not derision and stern glances. Gosh, sometimes I do miss home.

Well there it is, Houghton's main problem dissected and explained with clarity and truthfulness. If we can only come to grips with this darned (excuse my harsh language please) ID problem all our worries will be over. Maybe Mon's way is the best. It might be difficult to love and accept those non-showers, but isn't that what Christ calls us to. I know for a fact he would let them eat at his table. If I'm not mistaken he's got room for all.

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# Fruits, Nuts, and Berries

I've kept silent on the subject of rape since it happened. Adrienne Rich says, "Where Language and Naming are Power, Silence is Oppression, is Violence." I was raped and I'm not keeping silent anymore. I kept silent for a number of reasons. I wasn't ready for the response from my family; I feared the stigma of "spoilt goods" from the Christian Community; and I didn't think it was anyone's business if I had been or not.

You may ask, why then am I telling you now? I'm telling you for a number of reasons:

1) I keep hearing things from men, and even worse, women who say, "I had a friend who was raped a number of times by the same guy. I just can't think of that as rape," or equally as bad, "Did he use a weapon?" Does it matter? Does it matter? Am I less virtuous or is it less of a crime or am I less responsible if he threatened me with a weapon? Yes. He did use a weapon, it was his penis and he took from me the one thing that could hurt me most-control over my own body. He took myself away from me-my sense of body, mind, and self.

2) Many people think of rape as this thing that happens to women who are out late walking past alleys by themselves. I was in my own bed. In my own house. If you can't trust the guy next door, who can you trust.

3) Many people think that rape is an event. If there were no repercussions, no shock-wave effects, I'd have survived it just fine. I wasn't pregnant; I wasn't physically injured. But I lived every day

in FEAR. I live in fear of the Christian community because I keep slipping back into the "spoilt Goods" role and even if I know that I'm a fine person and I tell myself that it's not my fault and everything else I can think of to console myself and tell myself that it's o-kay, I never really believe it. I live everyday knowing that it could happen again and I couldn't do anything to prevent it. I live everyday panicking when I feel closed in, losing touch with my body when someone kisses me, and seeing his face in the mall when I am shopping. Was that him? No... not this time. I live everyday wanting to go places by myself, but not going until I've found someone to tag along. I live everyday wanting to cry or scream to express this outrage.

And now, I'm tired again. I am mentally and physically (mostly mentally) exhausted.

I want to crawl into bed, but I have insomnia (mostly due to the rape), and I sleep with a nightlight (completely due to this rape). I can't shower enough or write enough or pray enough or force myself to be brave enough or talk about it enough or put it out of my mind enough or run or hit or scream enough to make it go away. It won't go away. Rape is not an event.

4) My question to you is this: Why do we let the "spoilt goods" or "shouldn't have been in that place at that time" and "how can it happen more than once" and "did he use a weapon" perpetuate? Why are we remaining silent? Come talk to me.



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# "Dream Team" Calls Thousands: Record Number of Applications Received

A team of 35 upperclass students call thousands of perspective students, friends, and alumni to discuss the college, thank people for support, and ask for continued support. These calls raise money for athletic programs, financial assistance for students, and have solicited 646 applications received.

The innovative program is a joint

**This year the Admissions and Development offices have established a calling program nicknamed by the Galloways as "the dream team."**

effort by the Admissions and Development Departments. Diane Galloway, the phoning supervisor, said the new program is unique in that, "There never was a calling 'dream team' specifically trained with handbooks to use, so that no matter their discipline they can intelligently communicate the message of Houghton to anyone."

The college depends on new students coming each year. In the past, a few student workers for the alumni office called several prospective students to talk about the possibility of applying to the College. This year the Admissions and Development offices have

established a calling program nicknamed by Galloway as "the dream team". New desks, phones, and food and drink on the job are among the perks enjoyed by these student workers. Galloway said the program is, "Efficient and effective, utilizing a tremendous resource — our students." The idea is that Houghton students can tell high school students about Houghton on a level closer to their own.

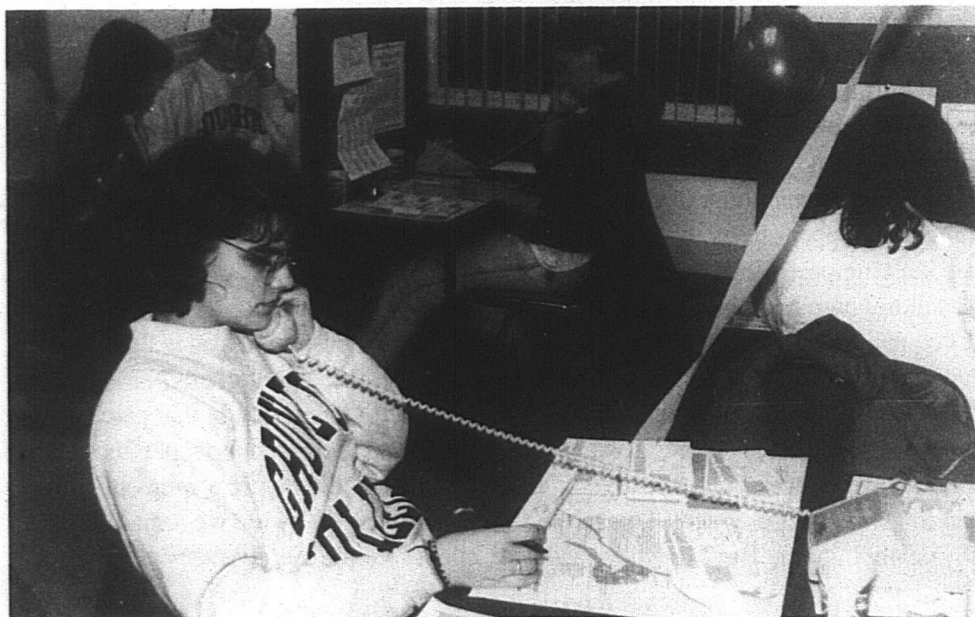
Five thousand five hundred high school seniors were called this semester to remind them to apply early. They were given an opportunity to ask questions about the college. Those who expressed an interest were called again

for a follow-up. As a result 252 students have already been accepted to be a part of the class of 1997. Last year at this time only 492 applications had been received and 208 were accepted.

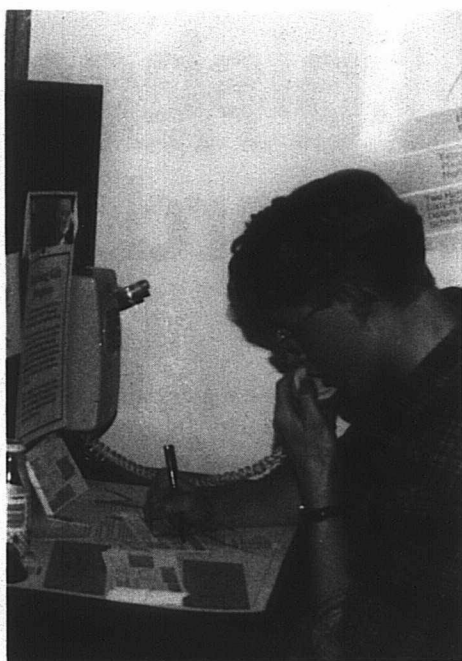
The callers reached a goal of \$10,000 for the Highlander Sports Association in three nights of calling. Friends and alumni who are interested in athletics were called and donated the money. It will go towards a new scoreboard for the hockey field, an underground sprinkler on the hockey field, and a new volleyball net system without guidewires. Last year about \$7,000 was raised by callers and some of the money went towards travel and other costs associated with post season play.

About one thousand people who have given to the college during the past year were thanked over the phone. This has never been done at Houghton before. Galloway said donors, "give to the students, and the 'thank-a-thon' was the first time that students could call to thank people who have given sacrificially."

The "Dream Team" is utilized for various phone contact tasks. They have recently called Alumni to ask them about their experience with the college and how they feel about alumni chapter meetings. They were also asked whether they approve of appeals for money support to the college. Galloway said, "It's a continuing relationship with







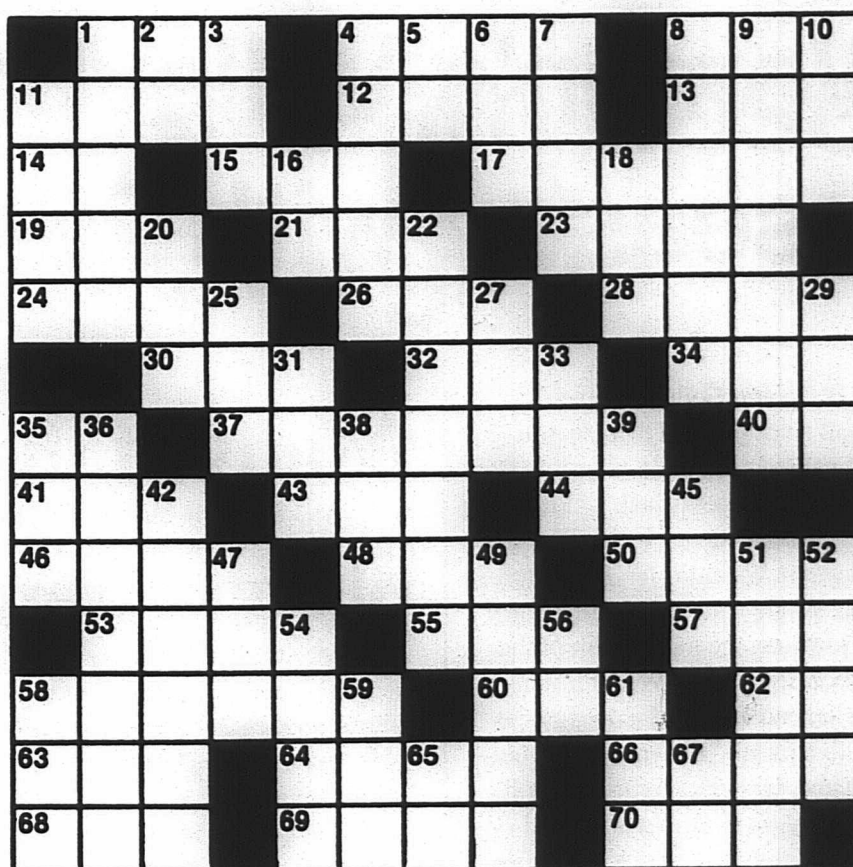
Steve Johnson talks to a Houghton hopeful.

friends and alumni of Houghton College. Most people are extremely thrilled to hear from the college."

Last weekend the team called alumni in West Virginia asking them to attend The Men's Soccer District Championships to support Houghton's team.

Houghton alumni and friends are called each February and asked to contribute to a scholarship fund during the Phone-A-Thon. This year the drive is titled "Bridging the Gap." Galloway said scholarship money raised during this calling program is distributed by the Financial Aid Department based on need. She said the theme was named, "because it may help students to come who wouldn't be able to."

Last year \$265,000 was raised by faculty and campus groups. Matching that is the goal for this year. Amy Danner won a thirty-five millimeter camera for completing the most calls. The Class of 1995 won a pizza party by calling the most people in one night. Galloway said that everyone who participates wins some kind of prize. Campus groups can earn up to \$250 by calling at least 450 possible donors.



#### ACROSS

1. Indian weapon
4. Smile
8. Toothed tool
11. Window glass
12. Wife of rajah
13. Direction (abbr.)
14. Article
15. Digit
17. Smells
19. Ballet dance step
21. Brewed drink
23. Without discomfort
24. Too
26. Quill pen point
28. Musical note
30. Age
32. Flightless bird
34. Doctors helpers (abbr.)
35. Form of be
37. Hold in bondage
40. Near
41. Sheep sound
43. Inhabitant (suf.)
44. School subject (abbr.)
46. Former coin of India
48. Inquire
50. Challenge
53. Sour
55. Unhappy
57. Quiet work place
58. Grass with hard-walled stems
60. Sweet potatoes
62. Chinese measure of distance

63. 7th Greek letter
64. Space
66. Food fish, related to herrings
68. Jelly
69. Eating utensil
70. Fee levied by government

#### DOWN

1. Repetitious
2. Position upon

3. Saturated with liquid
4. Cold color
5. Egyptian sun god
6. Officeholders
7. Good
8. Device that responds to sounds
9. Wire receiver
10. Man's nickname
16. Part of Bible (abbr.)
18. Consume
20. Direction (abbr.)
22. No direction
25. Iron
27. Snake
29. Time zone (abbr.)
31. Picnic pest
33. Hall
35. Fabric from camel hairs
36. Authoritative command
38. Stopping place on route (abbr.)
39. Stopping point
42. Beast
45. Oath (var.)
47. Priest's garment
49. Eskimo canoe
51. Take it easy
52. Town in Oklahoma
54. Goof off
56. Investigator (abbr.)
58. Plead
59. Indicates mountain
61. Time zone (abbr.)
65. Someone who performs (suf.)

**CROSSWORD ANSWERS ON PG. 14**

# Women's Volleyball finishes season with 26-6 record

The Houghton College women's volleyball team finished their season with a final record of 26-6 after elimination in the semifinals of the District 18 tournament. In the semifinal match against Westminster, Houghton came out strong and took the first game 15-5. However, the momentum of the match soon shifted and Westminster won the second and third games of the best-of-five match. Down early in the fourth game, Houghton refused to roll over, and fought back to a lead of 11-7 before Westminster was able to pull out a 16-14 heartbreaker, and took the match 3 games to 1.

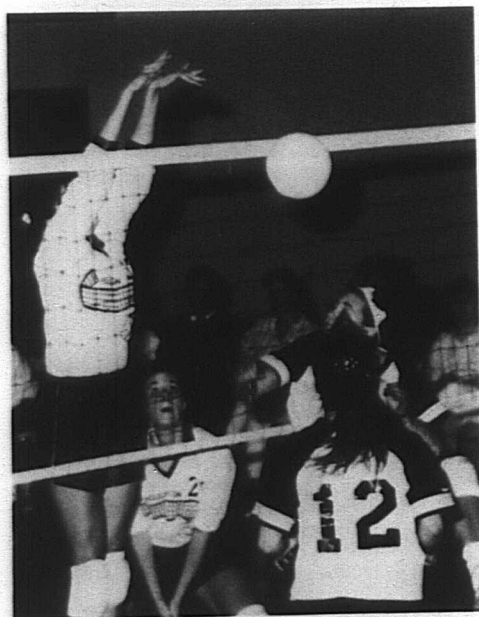
The Houghton team went into the tournament pretty banged up. Becca Pifer was out with a bad knee, Sheri Lankford played with tendinitis in both knees, and Christie Brown played after missing a week of practice due to a strep virus. In spite of these injuries, the team

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went out and gave it a gutsy shot. Sheri finished the match with 18 kills and 13 digs. Christie put down 15 kills and Julie Claypool registered 35 assists.

The 26-6 record may be a surprise to some early prognosticators who saw four starters leave after last season. However, despite the four losses, the team rose to the challenge of carrying on the winning tradition, through hard work and perseverance. Several individuals on the team were recognized for their efforts, and awarded post season honors.

Christie Brown, co-captain and lone senior on the squad was voted to the all-district first team. Sheri Lankford also made the first team and junior Julie Claypool was named to the second team. In addition, Julie and Melody Duttweiler were named District Scholar Athletes in honor of their amassing a G.P.A. of at least 3.5, while dedicating much time to the team.



Senior Christy Brown blocks a spike attempt.



photo: Becca Pifer comes down after driving a spike into the oppositions front line.



# Men's soccer team upset in West Virginia

On Friday, Nov. 13th, the Houghton College men's soccer team saw their season come to an end as they were defeated 4-0 by Belmont Abbey College in the National College Soccer Playoffs.

This loss came as a disappointment to the men after beating St. Vincent College 5-0 for the NAIA district 18 Championship. The men have nothing to be ashamed of however, according to head coach Doug Burke, the score was simply not indicative to the closeness of the game. "We did not capitalize on some opportunities to score, but they did," said coach Burke. "The team did not play badly," he said "however they did not play as well as they did in the District game." Co-Captain Dan Dominguez expressed disappointment in

fact that "we were just starting to play up to our potential, but we really didn't play how we could or should have."

Overall however, the team and coach Burke felt that they had a good season. As senior Steve Hughes said "the season was a very successful one, but the last game should not be reflective of that. It was just one of those days. Not that the other team was necessarily better. They just played better on that particular day."

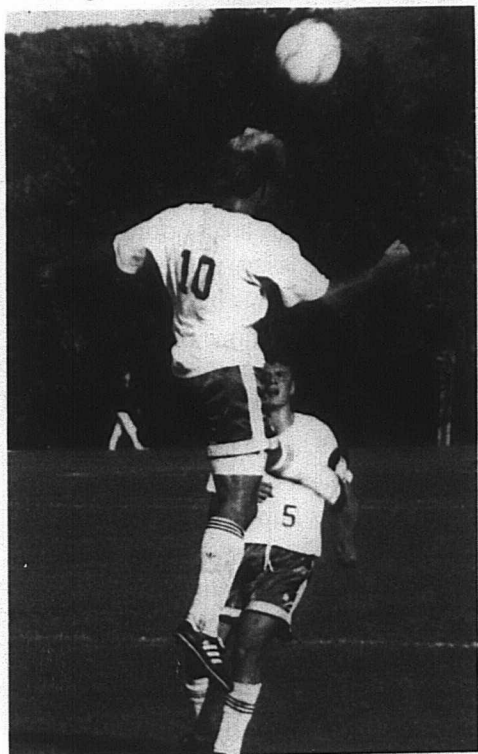
With a final record of 14-5-1, the team had an outstanding year, and according to senior co-captain Randy Levack, "next years team will have an even better chance of making it to Nationals than ever before." He felt that the game was a good one and that it proved that the team is able to compete against the top notch teams in the country. "I think that next years team will be head and shoulders above what it was this year," said Levack.

As Randy ends his career, he says that he felt it was "a great experience, this

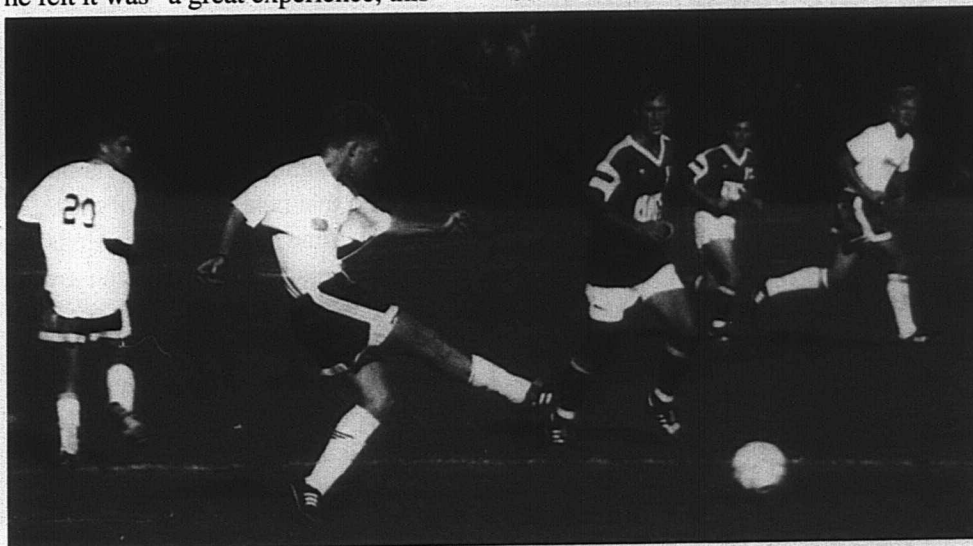
years team was a great combination of guys and the team spirit was above and beyond what it has been in the past." Coach Burke echoed Randy's feelings by saying "we had real good leadership. It was just a great group of guys who represented Houghton and what it stands for."

According to some of the men, special recognition should be given to senior Randy Levack. "He has been a very important player that people have overlooked. He doesn't get a lot of the credit he deserves for his past three years. He is a great soccer player and will be missed."

As far as the team is concerned, according to coach Burke, they are watching the post season playoffs with great interest. At the present time, Bell Haven coached by former Houghton player Peter Fuller is seated #4, and at the National Christian Tournament, Johnson College which is coached by Steve Burke is seated #1.



Jamie Wellington heads the ball toward Kings' goal.



Stephan Munyard sends the ball into the corner against Kings College.

# Counseling Center Holds Forum on Rape Attitudes

Do you have callous attitudes about rape?

Callousness, misconceptions of rape and its victims, and how culture perpetuates beliefs and attitudes which lead to violent crimes against women were examined at the Rape Culture Seminar sponsored by the Counseling Center on November 17th.

Sharon Givler, Director of Career Development, began the evening by sharing the intent of the Counseling Center to invite everyone to look very

closely at their beliefs and their behaviors and ask themselves whether or not they agree with each other. With that question in mind, the program focused on how exactly the American culture affects those beliefs.

A valid question at this point is what are rape callous attitudes? They are defined as views involving prejudicial, stereotyped or false beliefs about rape, rape victims, and rapists. Read through the following statements:

"Rape is a sexual crime."

"Women enjoy sexual violence."

"Women are responsible for rape prevention."

"Rape happens only to certain women."

"Women falsely report rape."

"Women are less desirable after being raped."

"Rape is justifiable in some situations."

These are all misconceptions which research indicates are related to underlying beliefs about gender roles, sexuality, and violence.

During the seminar there was considerable time spent discussing modest and immodest dress. It should be clarified that rape is a violent crime, not sexual crime; dress/appearance is not directly related to rape, it is an aspect of culture which shapes how we see members of the opposite sex and how we interpret what they are saying to us.

To support the belief that immodest dress is "asking for it" or is even a still, small voice beckoning one to action implies several of those callous attitudes previously mentioned: women are

responsible for rape prevention, rape happens only to certain women (i.e. those whose dress is provocative), and rape is justifiable in some situations. Women are raped, young and old, leather or polyester, firm or loose, short or tall. Rape is a violent crime.

Many people stayed in the Campus Center following the seminar, displeased with some opinions voiced during discussion time and indicated a desire for future programs addressing this issue to be more informal and more discussion oriented.

While it was the intention of the Counseling Center to get this issue out in the open, it is realized that more work needs to be done. Members of the Counseling Center staff are very willing to participate in more informal discussions of this important issue at any time. Group floor or house meetings are a particularly valuable forum for this type of discussion.

In addition, it is probable that a number of students are working through rape or abusive issues in their own lives and seminars like this have intensified their pain. It is the hope of the Counseling Center staff that such individuals feel free to speak to one of the counselors and seek assistance in working through their pain.

Finally, it is important to note that Tim Nichols, Director of Student Life is currently compiling a student brochure for students on the policies and procedures of the college regarding rape and sexual assault. The brochure will be distributed before the end of this semester.

## TOP TEN SCARIEST PEOPLE ON EARTH

10. Prune-eating Sumo wrestler.
9. High-rise window cleaner with bladder problem.
8. Near sighted knife juggler.
7. Megalomaniac Third World Dictators.
6. Grown men named "Biff."
5. Heavily armed hot dog vendors.
4. Carsick brother in the seat next to you.
3. Brain surgeon with hiccups.
2. Anyone with a cranky disposition and a chainsaw.
1. People who offer you drugs.

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# Senate Report

Special Projects funds and a campus safety poster campaign were discussed and voted on at the senate meeting on Tuesday November 17, 1992.

Senate allocated \$2,309 to three of the five campus groups which submitted project proposals. A comparable amount of money is distributed to different projects each semester.

An amount of \$1,600 will be given to the library to purchase a compact disc ROM player station. There is one currently available there, and they hope to acquire more of them this year.

The College Relations Department will be reimbursed \$500 for a twelve foot high christmas tree, decorations for the tree, and the chapel. The Senate is responsible for decorating the chapel during the Christmas Season.

The remaining \$209 was allocated to

the Education Department Apple Computer Lab. It will be used to pay for ConTel phone line costs and updating equipment in the Lab.

A Campus Safety Campaign will be paid for by the Student Development Office (SDO). Posters reminding students to walk with friends at night, to lock doors when gone, and to be aware of date rape will be drafted by the Graphic Arts Department.

Members of SDO will speak at the next student senate meeting on December 8, to inform senators of their role at the college.

Senior, Lisa Rundell, mentioned concerns being looked into by the food service committee. These include: a need for a choice of food plans, a new sick tray policy requiring written proof of sickness, unhealthy amounts of oil in

food, and lack of vegetarian and restrictive diet choices.

The senate voted to ask Pioneer Food Service to change the lunch hour on Sunday from 12:00 noon until 1:00 p.m. to 1:15 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. This will enable students who attend worship services off campus to return before the food line closes.

Senators discussed possible renovations to the campus center rec-room which may be coupled with changes to Big Al's snack shop.

Senators will be available to discuss issues weekdays during office hours and at the "lunch table" at the bottom of the stairs every Thursday. Everyone is welcome at the Senate Meetings held every other Tuesday at 8:00 in the Trustees Dining Hall. The next meeting will be on December 8.

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# Walters Takes Post as Adjunct Professor

After eleven years of serving as the pastor of the Houghton Wesleyan Church, Michael Walters has acquired a new title. "Pastor Mike," as he is known to the community, is not leaving, but in addition to his responsibilities to the church, Walters will be teaching at Houghton. He has been made an Adjunct Professor of Religion by the Board of Trustees at their fall meeting under recommendation of the Department of Religion and Philosophy.

The title of Adjunct Professor is bestowed in recognition upon an individual who has a primary

responsibility to another institution, but has provided valuable service to Houghton over a number of years. As an Adjunct Professor, Walters will be able to teach a course without going through a process of applications and interviews. Dean Young says of the position that "it is much like a pre-approved credit card." Walters will only be paid when he is teaching and on a part-time basis.

Presently, there is no specific date or set course that he will be teaching. "It really depends upon where the department needs me most and if my

schedule is permissible," said Walters. "it wasn't something that I had planned on doing. It was something the Academic Dean had requested, but I'm happy to if it is helpful to the department."

Walters has attended Circle Bible College, Asbury Theology Seminary, Saint Mary's, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, and Houghton College. His knowledge and speaking abilities will be an appreciated addition to the Department of Religion.



## CROSSWORD ANSWERS

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## In Discussion of the Student Development Survey

In chapel on Wednesday, I half-listened as Dean Danner said something about a survey. I expected a 3 of 4 question survey in my mailbox, but instead found an eight-page questionnaire concerning drinking, dancing, and "the pledge."

As I read through the questions, I began to ask myself how I really felt about these issues and how important they are to the well-being of this campus.

As a friend of mine put it. "The administration has no clue about what actually goes on on this campus. I think it's good that they are interested in getting the facts." I wholeheartedly agree. There are people who have real drinking problems - yes, even here at Houghton. These people need help!

One of the problems I had with the survey was with the way much of it was written. i.e. "Do you believe the Bible teaches abstinence?" Galatians 5 describes drunkenness as a deed of the flesh. Ephesians 5:18 warns Christians not to get "drunk on wine." Over and over the scripture warns against drunkenness. The closest thing to abstinence that I found was I Peter 2:11-12, which says, "Abstain from fleshly lusts, which wage war against the soul. Keep your behavior excellent among the Gentiles, so that in the things in which they slander you as evildoers, they may on account of your good deeds, as they observe them, glorify God in the day of visitation." Of course gluttony is a fleshly lust - how many of us have over-eaten? Is it any different than "over-drinking?"

There is no way you can generalize why most college students drink with a multiple guess question. That is a question most who drink can't answer for themselves; nevertheless, an entire group of people.

And as far as dancing is concerned,

being of charismatic background, it has never been something that I considered to be wrong. Then I came to Houghton and suddenly it became a heinous crime. The only time I think dancing could be "harmful" is when one participates in slam-dancing, in which case everyone knows the risks. But what about my responsibility to this agreement that I signed?

In reading through the pledge, I found several points beyond the "four felonies:" dancing, drinking, smoking, and sex before marriage.

"Gambling (exchange of money and goods by betting or wagering) is viewed as an unwise use of God-given resources and is not acceptable in any form." Are football pools not gambling just because there is nothing lost by the participants?

The pledge also says that "any physical attack directed toward another person will not be tolerated." Aren't fights at intramural games "physical attacks directed toward another person?" I believe that this sort of pledge breaking is tolerated while the "four felonies" sort of pledge breaking is not.

Does the pledge help or hinder the development of personal maturity among Houghton students? I believe signs of maturity are 1) the ability to not judge others by our own false standards, to let them be accountable to God, 2) to be free from an attitude of pride, harmful discrimination and prejudice based upon race, sex, or (here are the big ones) social and economic status. If you do not believe that social prejudice exists, watch the way the seating in the cafeteria or the library works. I once heard a junior exclaim, after finding out that the library tables were full, "Are they geeks? We'll just push their books on the floor and kick 'em out." I was horrified - especially because this was a friend of mine.

I found the questions about enforcement very interesting. My biggest problem with Student Development is their inconsistent actions and the way they attempt to balance "a good - friendly relationship" with students and enforcement of the rules.

The question is: Do we need guidelines? I believe the answer is yes because this is, after all, a Christian college and not a SUNY party. A better question is: How is Student Development going to enforce all the points of the pledge? or is it up to us as students to keep each other accountable?

## Fire in Fancher Causes Evacuation of the Building

The opening show of **Life With Mother** was canceled Thursday night after a smoke alarm went off in Woolsey Auditorium. Houghton Volunteer Fire Chief, Dr. Kenneth Boone said there was no fire and the cause of the smoke was probably an over heated stage lamp.

The audience stayed seated until someone made an announcement to evacuate Fancher Hall about 8:15. The Admissions/ Alumni Phoning Crew were working in the next room at the time. Everyone went outside where the temperature was in the 20's. Many people went in other buildings to keep warm.

The play director, Bruce Brenneman, and student director, David Newton, decided to cancel Thursday's show. Tickets were exchanged for Friday and Saturday shows.

