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Good Faculty Hunting Compaq VP Boots Houghton Searches For New Personnel Up to Houghton

Melanie Hess

As the end of the 1998-99 school year draws to a close, the search for new faculty for the 1999-2000 school year intensifies. Two of the positions that will need to be filled for fall 1999 are the position of academic dean, left vacant by Dean Mannoia's departure, and a position in the English department created by Professor Greenway's retirement.

Professor Ken Bates is the head of the committee searching for a new dean. The committee was formed in November and a list of qualifications was compiled. The list of qualifications is based on input from the committee, administration, and faculty. Once the qualifications were compiled, nominations were accepted from faculty and administrators, and advertisements were placed in publications that prospective candidates would be most like to read.

Several publications that the committee felt it was crucial to advertise, however, could not run the advertisements for at least two months, based on capacity. Thus the com-



mittee set the deadline for applications at March 16, 1999.

What are the qualifications that the search committee compiled? Some of them include the obvious: Christian commitment, high moral standards, and interest in spiritual growth on campus. The new dean should also possess a

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Houghton Hires Church Relations Director

Emily Beach

For the first time in about fifteen years, Houghton will have a formal Church Relations Director. Kevin Wilson comes to Houghton from Buena Vista Wesleyan Church in Canisteo, New York, where he is currently an assistant pastor and minister of youth. He describes himself as an outdoor type with an outgoing personality.

His accomplishments since his graduation from Bethany Bible College in 1988 include the position of hockey coach at Presque Isle High School in Presque Isle, Maine, as well as extensive pastoral experience.

Wilson's work here will be to oversee

the bits and pieces of jobs that for the past few years have been done by anyone who has had time to do them. This past weekend, for example, Houghton hosted Spring Fling, a time for 300 teens to gather at the gym for games and fellowship. When Wilson comes to Houghton, this is the type of function that will fall under his coordination, along with tasks of overseeing ministry teams and putting out newsletters for pastors.

The position of Church Relations Director is a staff position at the college and deals in public relations with the school's external audiences. These audiences include groups like alumni, but Wilson's position is especially aimed at

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David Johnson

Houghton will soon be welcoming a prestigious guest to campus. Don Weatherson is the Vice President of Government and Education Sales for Compaq computer company. He was invited to see the distribution of the Compaq laptops to incoming freshmen on Welcome Weekend.

Originally, Will Krause, Director of Technology Services, and Jeff Spear were going to fly to Texas to meet with him. Unfortunately, arrangements could not be worked out, so Mr. Weatherson agreed to leave the warm Western climate and travel to Western New York.

Compaq is the largest PC manufacturer in the world and in them it appears Houghton has found a distributor year in and year out. Will Krause believes it is in the college's best interests to stay with one laptop company year in and year out.

Toshiba was the first distributor, and the college had trouble. When technical difficulties arose, Houghton College found Toshiba uncooperative. It was believed Toshiba figured Houghton wasn't a big enough client.

So, Compaq was chosen, and the outcome has been very good. "Compaq has always been a name synonymous for quality in the computer field," Krause says. Tech Services wants to establish a relationship with Compaq, beneficial to both participants. So far they have been pleased with Compaq as the company is quick to help resolve any technical difficulties.

The college first chose Compaq because of price specifications. The company provided all the college was looking for in the allotted price. "Compaq is one of the most committed companies to helping education," Krause says.

And it appears Compaq is happy with its Houghton client. In fact, on the Compaq website, an article about Houghton will soon be posted. "Despite their size, they are interested in smaller clients," Krause says. "This is evidenced by their Vice President coming up to Houghton."

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EDITORIAL

Letters to the Editor

As I was reading through the letters to the editor last week, I saw that Sarah Paulson wrote something about the food here at Houghton. Charles Phillip also had some concerns with the beautification of the campus. If you have a problem with anything from student life and academic policies to food and health services and campus beautification, what can you as a student at Houghton do? What many students may not know is that the Student Government Association has student representatives on many big committees here on campus.

These students speak for you and have your best interests at heart. Earlier this year, a student who had a night class during CLEW, was upset because he couldn't attend because of his class. The SGA student representatives on the Academic Policies Council brought this concern up to the committee. After a few weeks of debate and thought, it was decided that night classes will not meet during CLEW. This is only one of the many other examples of how the SGA has worked for the students this year. If you have a problem with something...anything about Houghton, instead of complaining about it, do something: stop by the SGA and tell me, President Seth Taylor, or future president, John Osea-Kwapong about it. Who knows? You may be surprised at what we can do.

Andrew Fiess

Dear Editor:

Why did the Class of 1998 spend so much money on a Gary Baxter creation for the Academic Building Atrium wall when it could have purchased a perfectly functional clock at K-Mart? And the class of 1993 used its class gift money for something even less useful, a ceramic mural! Those eagles on the quad? Whatever for? And why oil-painted portraits of past presidents and professors instead of perfectly good black and white photographs? The current music building could still have been used. Why go into debt just for music? In fact, why study music, or art, or creative writing, or drama? Why not turn the current art gallery into another storage space and the new one into a mini mart? And why plant flowers and trees (or grass for that matter) on Houghton's campus? What a waste! Why not plant corn and potatoes instead or cover the quad with concrete? And if you buy our new soap dispensers, please don't get any of those pretty colored soaps!

Oh to free ourselves from the pushy promoters of esthetics! It's an ancient struggle.

Just another Houghton ascetic

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Letter from the Editor

David Johnson

The way I live my life, I constantly ask myself: Is this the right thing, Dave? Is this what Dad would do?

The right thing...It's a term we may hear often, in advice speeches from our parents or illustrated devotional tracts. And while we plow through life, and decisions present themselves—major or minor—most of us may ask ourselves, what is the right thing to do? Easy enough, huh? Well, sometimes the right thing is a much harder choice than we would like to realize.

Case in point. The setting: Utica, New York. The year: Oh, about 1992. The situation: I was in my ninth grade year at Donovan Junior High School. My days in Donovan's halls weren't characterized by devil-may-care bliss and school-time fun. No, often my day was something I was glad to get out of the way. As the last bell rang, it was the sight of our Subaru parked about 200 yards from the school that truly signified the completion of another day.

Without fail, my father was always there, waiting for me, ready to whisk me from the ninth-grade blahs and back to my haven at 1812 Culver Court. Every day I would climb into the car, recount the day's goings-on, and we would be off.

So it was quite a surprise, one day, when, instead of heading home, I found myself looking at my father standing next to several cops with blood streaming down his face.

And we were so close to leaving that day, too. Just as our

post-school discourse was coming to a close, a mob of kids started massing in the street, several hundred feet away from us. No mistaking this—a fight. And by the looks of it, it was going to be a real barn-burner.

My father was watching the spectacle while I urged him to start the car. For a moment, it seemed we would be on our way; but my father was suddenly jarred by a strange sound. The sound a human head makes when it smashes into pavement. That sickly thud eliminated any of my chances of going home then.

And to my disbelief, my father stepped out of the car and walked toward the fight. I screamed at him to stop. But he continued, right into the storm. My blurred memories replay in my head like this: My father reached the two adolescent combatants, tried to separate them, and was suddenly sucker punched twice from behind. His head jerks forward like it was spring-loaded. After that I only remember my hands in which my face was buried.

My next recollection is the sight of my battered father talking to a policeman, the ruckus long since evaporated. And as we exchanged looks, my father and I, we saw each other's pain—mine, the sight of the invincible man I knew, bleeding, and his, a son's face, tear-stained with horror. Dad would later tell me he would do the same thing again. And I know, deep down, I'd want him to.

The right thing is often not the easiest thing.

But when it comes between the safety of two faceless kids pounding on each other and the safety of himself, my father took the hard choice. Hard, because it wasn't the blood flowing from the wound in his temple that hurt the most. It was the tears flowing from his son's eyes.

Tears of pain, then. Tears of pride, now.

Dear Editor,

I would like to offer a correction to the article on the Trustees meeting in the March 10 paper. Dr. Schwert does not teach physics; he is adjunct professor of biology and owns and runs Mariposa Campgrounds. The new physics professor hired for this year is Dr. Mark Biermann, who comes to us after teaching at Buena Vista College for several years. He earned his Ph.D. in Optics from the University of Rochester, where his wife, Lois, earned her master's in the same area. They have co-authored a number of journal publications. He has taught all of the physics courses this year, and she has worked in the Records Office, helping to set up the new computer system and transfer all the records.

Laura Kolb

Will Break For Spring! Students Trip Out

Tammi Krikorian and Dionne Miller

As we all are aware, this Friday marks the beginning of spring break. This year, there are various Houghton organizations embarking on some interesting trips. These include two choir tours, a London trip, and two missions trips, one to the Bronx, and one to South Dakota.

The group going to the Bronx consists of 15 individuals. They leave on March 27 and return the following Saturday. During the week, they will work with various children's organizations, including Pioneer Girls, Clubhouse Boys, Jubilant Songs, and some teen clubs. The highlight of the trip is a banquet held for the parents of the children involved in

the various clubs. The group organizes this banquet. Justin Lawrence will be leading this trip.

College choir leaves for a New England tour on Friday. Dr. Reigles will conduct the choir. In addition to her leadership, some junior and senior conducting majors will conduct some selections.

This includes Rob Boardman, Sarah Hanson, and Jeanette Hughes. Their first concert is in Auburn, NY. Other concerts will be held in Rhode Island, Maine, New Hampshire, along with a few more in New York.

During the tour, students stay with members from the churches which they perform. Tim Mansfield, a junior in the College Choir commented that some highlights of the tour are meeting people

in the various churches, the performing experience, and reaching the audiences. They will return on April 1. Chapel Choir will also go on a tour during spring break.

The mission trip to Hot Springs, South Dakota, led by Lenny Luchetti, leaves this Saturday. Nineteen people are involved. This includes 15 college students, mostly women. Lenny says, "Our mission is simple- to minister the love of Christ on our travels as well as at the mission." They have held seven team meetings in preparation for the trip which include praying and planning.

They will spend the week working on various building projects around the Wesleyan Native American Ministries (WNAM). WNAM has a Bible training/vocational training center all in one. The group will work on the center and various

dorms by painting, hammering nails, etc. During the week the group will also minister to a local church made up of white and Native American people through mime, skits, special music, faith journeys and encouragement from the Word. They will return on April third.

The London group consists of approximately 25 individuals, led by Dr. Bressler and Dr. King. The three credits earned will go towards English or Music requirements. During the trip, the students must keep a journal, and following their return, a reflection paper will be due.

Some places and events on their agenda during the ten days they will be in London include seeing Les Miserables, having high tea at Herrod's Department Store, watching plays, attending an opera, and taking a day trip to Cambridge.

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willingness to join the local Wesleyan church, since that is the church with which Houghton is affiliated.

The list includes other qualities as well, such as a vision for liberal arts education and its balance with pre-professional programs, and someone who is an effective consensus builder.

"We want someone who understands the difference between leading and managing," said Ken Bates. "You manage programs, but you lead people."

The committee also would like to find someone who enjoys teaching and considers him or herself a member of the faculty. "We don't want someone who is running away from the classroom," said Bates. "I think it would be nice to have a dean who might even teach a few classes."

Forty-five out of seventy-three candidates were sent application packets, which the committee is in the process of screening.

"We've received applications from some very qualified people," said Bates, "and frankly, some who aren't very qualified at all." The applicants will be narrowed to a select group of candidates. Each candidate will then be interviewed individually by telephone.

The committee will probably interview six to eight candidates, although it is possible that there could be as many as ten or twelve, depending on what the committee finds in the applications.

After the telephone interview, several prospects will be brought to campus for personal interviews.

Based on the personal in-

terviews, the committee will recommend two to three names to the president. The president will invite the candidates individually to campus for a public process.

At this point the students and faculty will meet the applicants and receptions will be held.

The president will then recommend one candidate to the board of trustees, who will approve the selection, probably at their May meeting.

The process for finding a new English professor is very similar to the process the dean's search committee is going through, although the committee searching for an English Prof. will eliminate the telephone screening and just invite their candidates to Houghton for interviews and trial teaching.

Right now the committee is in the process of narrowing their number of applicants.

The department is interested in someone who can span the 20th Century in terms of literature, although they are open to the possibilities the candidates will bring.

"We obviously want them to have a Christian commitment and fit within the community and the department," said Dr. James Wardwell, the search committee chairperson.

"We are also interested in diversity," Dr. Wardwell added that he is "disappointed and surprised" at how few of the applicants are women. "The number is dispropor-

tionately low in relation to the number of Ph.D's granted," Dr. Wardwell said.

Part of the problem is, he thinks, "the cultural baggage that we all operate under." A traditional married woman who takes a job in Houghton will have a problem in that there are probably very few jobs available to her husband.

The committee is not only emphasizing diversity, how-

ever. They obviously want a qualified candidate.

"The candidates are not all women," said Dr. Wardwell, "and all women who applied are not in our smaller group." Dr. Wardwell added that

he is very interested in what qualities students, especially English and Writing majors, think that the committee should be looking for and what they would like to see in a new English professor.

As the end of the year approaches it is very likely that the Houghton community will be seeing new faces on campus, and a few of them may become more familiar in the coming years.

In light of this, one can see the significance in something Professor Bates said. "This search seems very rational," he explained, "and it is, but we're also bathing it in prayer. It is rational, but it's also intuitive."

Dishroom Plans For Renovation

David Johnson

For the remainder of the week, all meals will be served on paper plates.

This course of action results from the installation of the new conveyor belt system. Students will only have to place their trays on the conveyor belt and not walk through the dishroom.

"It should be a much speedier operation," says Fred Libick, director of food service at Houghton. "That is the whole goal behind the construction."

During preliminary construction, it was found the dishroom floor needs to be replaced as it is not water-tight.

In fact, the campus book store can attest, as they have suffered minor flooding from above, due to the faulty floor.

The floor will be put in over Spring Break. The conveyor system must be finished by April 8th, yet Houghton is hoping for it to be finished just in time for students to enjoy after break.

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churches. If someone were planting a church, for example, it would be the job of the Church Relations Director to help.

The school wants to provide a Church Relations Director because it cares deeply about the church.

Being a religiously affiliated school, Houghton often receives support from various religious institutions, and those at the school would like to use Houghton's resources to reciprocate this support.

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Business Manager: Caryn Hanks

Caryn Hanks

As I assume the position of Business Manager of the Star for the 1999-2000 year, I have a number of goals for the publication.

Since the Star not only provides something worthwhile to read in the lunch lines every Wednesday and also keeps students up to date on the happenings of the college, my first and foremost goal is to assist the three editors in keeping the Star a weekly newspaper.

The weekly publication of the Star provides students with a place to express their opinions about prevailing issues on campus, while also providing

conveniences such as the scores for varsity sports games and the current standings for the intramural teams.

Since the national and world news updates provided by the Star are the only contact some students have with the outside world, its weekly publication is essential.

My second goal as Business Manager of the Star is to keep the bank account in order so that the editors can focus entirely on the printing of the paper.

While the purpose of my position is almost entirely one of record keeping, I also plan to assist the

editors in any way necessary to promote the prompt, weekly publication of the Star.

As with the other student organizations on campus, the Star fulfills a need of the college community.

By providing current and accurate campus news, the Star keeps Houghton's students informed about the life of the college.

I, Caryn Hanks, am incredibly proud to serve the student body as the Business Manager for the Houghton Star for the 1999-2000 year.



The Star banks with Hanks

photo by Tim Graffam

Dionne Miller: Managing Editor

Dionne Miller

Hi! I'm Dionne and I'm a junior English/Writing major. I will be filling the role of Managing Editor for the 1999-2000 year of the Houghton STAR. First I want to thank you for the opportunity to work for you and publish a strong paper. Okay, maybe I should just thank you for not rejecting me, seeing as I ran uncontested for this position. At any rate, I want to take this time to give you an overview of what I hope to accomplish as an editor of such a fine publication.

There are several reasons why I decided to run for managing editor. One is that I have thoroughly enjoyed writing for the STAR each week over the past two semesters and I want to take a more active role in its publication. Even though I have co-authored each article with the talented Tammi Krikorian, I hope

as an editor flying solo, I can produce the same quality work we did as a team. I further hope to carry the

experience I glean from this position into my career dream of becoming a journalist. It will be exciting to learn how a publication here at Houghton is produced and

I want to utilize this opportunity to gain knowledge for the next stages of my life.

Furthermore, I believe we, as the community of Houghton College, should be

informed of what is going on in our school and I will do my best to make sure the STAR continues to offer that. For the past few years that I have been a Houghton resident, I have grown to love this community of people

STAR provides valuable information as well as a medium to educate about what happens on campus. Through simple observation as a reporter this year, I realize the job I am embarking on is not a simple one nor can it be done alone. I'm excited to work cooperatively with the other three elected editors to produce a quality paper, but we will also need assistance from you as we attempt to continue to publish a newspaper that will be worth reading each week. We could also use prayer support as we decide what will be beneficial to print for the student body as a whole. If used wisely, I believe the newspaper can work as a great tool to help improve the college for the future.

I have appreciated so much the job done by this year's group of editors. They have set a precedent for excellence and I am confident we as a newly appointed staff can and will continue to do so. Thank you again for your approval and support for the future of the Houghton STAR.



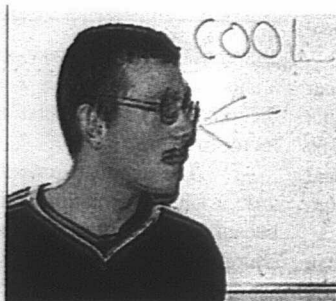
Dionne Miller shown here with longtime friend and mentor Dave Johnson

photo by Mike Tindall

and I want to use my position at the paper to get involved and help improve where I can.

I also feel the Houghton

Question of the Week: "What advice would you give to the new staff?"



*--David Johnson
(Editor-in-Chief)*

"Promise me you'll survive. Promise me now, (STAR), no matter what happens or how hopeless."



*--Michael Tindall
(Business Manager)*

"Never give up. Never, ever, give up."

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Editor-in-Chief: Tim Graffam

Tim Graffam

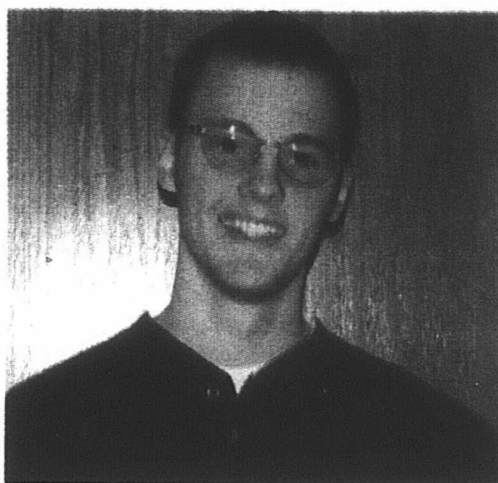
I realize that stepping into the Editor-in-Chief position of Houghton's fine publication the Star presents me with some rather large shoes to fill. Dave Johnson wears a size 14.

All painfully corny joking aside, keeping up the high quality of the Star is not going to be an easy task. Difficult as it may be, I am certain the staff that has been assembled for next year is very capable of living up to just such a task.

It has really been a privilege to spend the year putting together the Star with three of my best friends here at Houghton. Not only has it been an incredible learning experience, and it has also been a load of fun.

This year's staff was well acquainted before beginning work on the Star. Though coming into the job knowing the rest of the

staff was nice, I am really looking forward to building relationships with the new staff



Hail to the Chief

of the Star.

The way I see it, next year's incarnation of the Star

will be very similar to this year's. It will be our top priority to keep the Star a weekly publication, so that news is timely, relevant and interesting. The basic layout will most likely stay intact, with sections such as editorials, features, sports, and

entertainment. Much of the paper's quality stems from the hard work of our most faithful writers, so it is fortunate that many of our writers will still be around next year. Though many of the aspects of the paper will remain the same, there will be plenty of subtle

changes to tailor it to the ideas, personalities and beliefs of the

new staff.

We as a staff are looking forward to serving the student body with the best newspaper possible. To do so, we need input. Last year, getting people to fill out a survey about the Star was like pulling teeth. We implemented some ideas and the paper turned out the better for it. I strongly encourage anyone (students, faculty, staff) with a suggestion or thought on bettering the Star to e-mail me or drop a note in the Star mailbox to let me know.

Though it seems like next year is a long way away, it will get here faster than we think. I would love to start getting ideas compiled now to be ready to consistently put together a quality paper. We are the Star staff for the new millennium. We are going to carry Houghton's illustrious newspaper into the 21st Century. And if anything goes wrong, we'll do like everyone else and blame it on the Y2K bug.

Jon Hartt: Layout Editor

Jon Hartt

A wise man by the name of Yoda once said, a long time ago, in a galaxy far, far away that one must, "Do. There is no try." I think that's sage advice. The newspaper is my opportunity to "do." Having been elected to the high position of "Layout Editor" for next year's Star, I feel duty bound to express some of my goals and desires.

First, I want what most every student on campus wants: I want to be informed. Knowing what is going on around campus, what other students and community members are up to, is important to me. It is my intention to find a way to communicate this

information, to share what we, as the newspaper staff,

learn. We should tell the truth as best we know it, without a spin.

Second, I want The Star respected as more than scrap paper. I'm not saying that that this year's isn't, but I am saying that it is essential to the survival of any media that it be simulta-

neously captivating and authoritative. In a book I'm currently reading, entitled Breaking the

News, James Fallows makes some pointed comments on how printed media such as newspapers and magazines are losing their audience to increasing



The Hartt attack!

photo courtesy of Jon Hartt

apathy. I don't want the word "apathy" to encapsulate the essence of Houghton College's student body.

Finally, I want concision. In this sense, I want the newspaper to cut out the fat, lose some weight. Why waste words or picture space?

As with any literature, our newspaper should say what it means to say, with efficiency. To do otherwise is to spell out the impotence of communication. So, with this in mind, I conclude. I hope my designed forcefulness is not mistaken for negativity.

On the contrary, my outlook for next year is very hopeful. It's just that I am doing, not trying.



*--Erich Asperschlager
(Layout Editor)*

**"Do your job
every week.
Even when it's
inconvenient."**



--Random Guy

**"Am I going to
be in the
newspaper?"**

Houghton's Summer Life

Lindsey Ackerman

During the summer months, it is easy to think that the Houghton College campus remains dormant. Not true. From June to August the college hosts a variety of conferences and sports camps.

The sports camps taking place include a week of basketball for boys and a separate week for girls. There are two weeks, for both boys and girls, of soccer and one week of volleyball. Coach Lord, director of conferences, feels that these athletic opportunities for young people are beneficial because they

give exposure to the college.

Another program located on campus is the Masterworks Festival. Internationally known artists from all over the world come here to instruct high school and college students in dance, voice, and drama. As part of this program, free concerts take place every Friday and Saturday night at Wesley Chapel.

There are many other shorter programs run on campus including, piano camp, equestrian camp, weekend retreats for various religious groups, and family reunions. These events provide added income to the college that helps to balance the budget. They also provide a source of employment for Houghton College students.

Spotlight on Faculty:

Dr. Mark Taylor

Liana Weirich

Mark Taylor is an Associate professor of Music and the director of Symphonic Winds.

Born in Colorado, yet growing up in Grand Rapids, Michigan Taylor is from a very musical family. Taylor's father was a vocal teacher at Grand Rapids Baptist College (even instructed Taylor for awhile), his mother plays the piano and organ, and his brother was a violin major.

"Music is very much in my blood," he says. During Taylor's first years at college he was taking lots of physical education classes, since he aspired to be a NCAA basketball coach, along with music courses - though music prevailed. He graduated from Grand Rapids Baptist College with a major in Voice Performance. He then went on to earn his MMus (music masters) in Choral Conducting from Michigan St. University and his Ph.D. in Music Education from Doctorate Case Western Reserve University.

Dr. Taylor didn't do his schooling as one large "chunk" though. "I taught 11 years in Christian schools, after earning my masters - that time I saw 4 different schools in 3 different states."

I was also coaching varsity basketball. Then I went on to get my Ph.D. After earning his doctorate he landed a job at Northwestern College, then began applying. Houghton had an opening, but he was rejected his first time. "I was hired and arrived here the summer of '95."

Taylor has also had some experience doing youth work. He worked with his brother in Buffalo and a "drop-in" center and spent a year as a youth and music director in Jackson, MI. "But... I love



photo by David Johnson

Houghton. I am doing 3 of my most favorite things here: conducting, studying with professional conductors, and teaching conducting. I will stay here as long as God tells me to. This place is intense and I love the fact that can have some effect on young people while doing my 'job'. I have always desired to be at a solid Christian College doing what I love."

Taylor would love to do professional orchestral conducting someday.

In what free time Taylor has he enjoys playing Noon-ball (basketball at noon), watching basketball, and reading.

When I asked Taylor about his picks for March Madness he states, "Since I am a Michigan State alumnus I would have to say that I am rooting for Michigan State. Cleaves is quite the player, though Duke will probably win."

Also known on campus for his appearances with "The Sweatermen" in chapels, Taylor enjoys having the opportunity to sing in the quartet with others who enjoy the uniqueness of the "team."

All those who have worked with Taylor love his sincerity, his talents, and passion for what he does. To see Dr. Taylor in action, come to the Symphonic Winds Concerts.

Two Professor Recieve Templeton Awards

Dr. Carl Schultz and Dr. Irmgard Howard, both professors at Houghton College, have been chosen to participate in the John Templeton Oxford Seminars on Science and Christianity, organized by the Coalition for Christian Colleges and Universities.

For four weeks during each of the next three summers, they will join 28 other professors at Oxford University in England to attend seminars taught by various eminent scientists and theologians on the relationship between science and religion.

They were chosen from a pool of 120 applicants based on their academic merit, disciplines and specialties, and potential as faculty. All participants will receive a \$2,000 annual stipend as well as all expenses for room, board, and travel.

"It's quite an honor, and it also means having a responsibility to God and to Houghton College to disseminate the information that I will learn and the research that I will do with this program," said Dr. Howard, professor of chemistry.

Each participant will conduct research in the form of a scholarly project that connects the areas of science and Christianity.

Dr. Howard is planning to research technological choice and Christian responsibility by investigating how Christians

regard the use of technology, particularly nuclear technology. She hopes to publish her findings and to teach them in the "Impact of Science on Society" class at Houghton College.

Dr. Schultz, professor of Old Testament, will be expanding his research to examine how the ultimate struggle between science and Scripture is really the struggle between the scientist and the Biblical scholar.

Last year, Schultz received a grant from the Templeton Foundation that enabled him to turn his research into a class entitled "Science and Religion."

He taught the course last fall in the Houghton in London program. With this latest award, he will be able to expand this class as well as publish his studies.

The John Templeton Foundation is committed to bringing harmony to the religious and scientific communities in order to establish a constructive, scholarly, and mutually stimulating interaction.

The Coalition of Christian College and Universities, an association of 93 member institutions, focuses on helping Christian colleges and universities advance the cause of Christ-centered education and effectively integrate biblical faith, scholarship and service

The World Out There

Jay Jennings

Kosovo- Clinton sends special envoy Holbrooke to Yugoslavia for a "last-ditch" effort for a peace settlement. He will threaten Yugoslav President Milosevic with airstrikes if settlement is not signed this week. USA Today 1A 3/22

Antimissile defense legislation- Congress passed legislation last week that will create a Clinton version of Reagan's Star Wars. The President is asking for \$10.5 billion for the proposed missile-defense system. U.S. News pg. 30 3/29

Oscars- "Shakespeare in Love" wins best picture along with 6 other awards, "Life is Beautiful" wins best foreign film. "Saving Private Ryan" wins five awards including Spielberg getting best director. USA Today 1D 3/22

First Lady to Africa- Hilary and Chelsea, who is on spring break from Stanford, will travel northern Africa this week on a 12 day diplomatic tour. www.cnn.com

Gas Prices Rising- Due to an OPEC announcement that they will cut oil production, an explosion in a California oil refinery plant and a booming world economy gas prices have risen 8 ¢ in the last two weeks. www.abcnews.go.com

Houghton-Asperschlager fails to do job

Sports

NCAA Tournament- Duke plays Michigan St. and Ohio St. plays Connecticut on Saturday in the Final Four in St. Petersburg, Florida. Esn.go.com

LIGHTER SIDE

Spring Break Movie Guide

The decade of the 80's was characterized by heaps and heaps of cheesy, spring break beach movies, involving nubile college youths prancing around in extremely liberal garb.

As spring break approaches us, we at The Star thought some of you would appreciate a guide to the best in the these sea of movies.

The Cool Party at Awesome Beach

Just as the title indicates, this movie is packed full of the coolest dudes and dudettes and their crazy adventures at the hottest beach this side of Gnarlyville.

As far as we can tell there is absolutely no plot what-so-ever. Basically a bunch of teenagers in bathing suits play volleyball and roast weenies over a bonfire for 87 minutes. Besides that there's nothing except for the romance between some teenage girl and a lifeguard who slurs. * * *

The Awesome Party at Cool Beach

Due to the raging success of "The Cool Party at Awesome Beach," (i.e. it grossed over \$82 in the box office) director Francisco Pablo Beneenie Spaniino set out to create the even more radical sequel, "The Awesome Party at Cool Beach." The plot centers around a group of teenagers as they discover life and themselves in a series of adventures. Translation--no plot and ample bikinis. This film earns its place in the annals beach film lore. * * *

The Awesome Cool at Party Beach

In an effort that proved that sometimes you can have too much of a good thing, Francisco sets out on his third creation. He funded the movie himself through heavy borrowing from his mother.

Unfortunately, due to the fact that the film was comprised mostly of scenes stolen from the first two movies, the critics

frowned upon it. Integral to beach movies is beautiful people laying in the sun. But when people fail to show up to lay out, as in this film, it is bad. *

Awesome Party Cool Beach Awesome Cool

This film marks the fourth installment in Francisco's series. I like beach movies and all, but this is ridiculous. 1/2 *

The GoatPeople Invade the Gnarly Party at Radical High

In their tradition of film excellency the GoatPeople once

again deliver a dazzling performance. This film was an instant hit in Tibet and the Southern tip of Brazil.

This time we find the teenage GoatPeople victim of constant harassment and bullying at Radical High due the recent "bus-in" program between Goatland and Gnarlyville. The GoatPeople invite the students of Gnarlyville to a beach party. The Radical high school students decline and the GoatPeople, deeply offended, attack them with wooden clubs. * * * *

The CAB Calendar

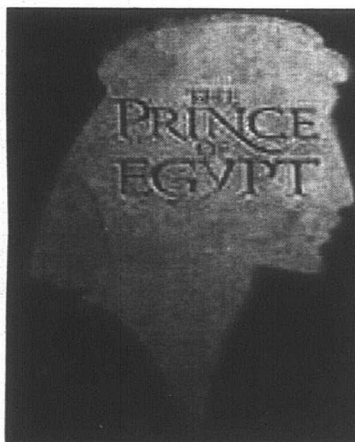
Thomas Scriven

The 1998/99 CAB will finish off its year with three exciting events. We will begin this Thursday with a Theatre of Plays Coffee-house in the Dining Hall at 9pm. Come watch, enjoy coffee or participate in a skit, one act play, comedy act, music performance or whatever. Then, the long awaited **Prince of Egypt** will be shown on April 10th in the Chapel at 7:30 pm. This great

DreamWorks production stars Val Kilmer, Michelle Pfeiffer, Ralph Fiennes, Sandra Bullock,

Jeff Goldblum. Come be entertained and awed by the phenomenal animation and drama of the Moses story. Then, come up to the Dining Hall for Karaoke. Sing along with the hottest songs of this

decade and many past decades.



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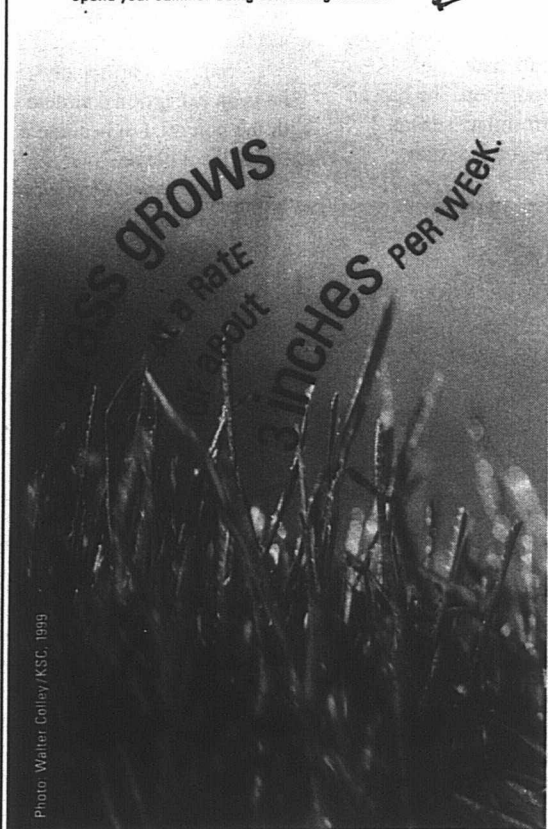


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Brethren to the postal stamp fiasco, another failed fat, old Elvis commemorative venture.

SPORTS

Houghton Sports Week in Review

Spring Sports Score Box

Knicks Basketball

Knicks: 71 Hawks: 80

New York (15-12)

Intramural Sports as of 3/22

Coed Volleyball

Atlantis	3-1
Bump, Set, Kill	4-0
Chef Ed's	1-4
En Fuego	1-3
Hezekiah 8:2	3-1
I Can't Believe It's Butter	3-1
Mixed Match	3-2
PEEPS	1-3
The Rugrats	2-3
The Strikers	3-2
Us and 2 Candians	1-3
Roberts	1-3

Water Polo

Bob Barker's Beauties	3-0
Catz	2-1
The Funoodles	1-0
Jonestown	0-2
The Fish	1-1
Motley Crue	1-0
No Soup For You	2-0
O'Doyle Rules	0-2
Sarcopterygians	1-1
Sea Lions	1-1
The Wet Wonders	1-2
Barnes	0-2
Merle Shank	1-2

Team Handball

Woody	0-3
Amish Tetherball Machine	1-2
Mo and the Pips	1-1
Hand Jive	0-2
Skull 'N Berries	3-0
All About the Ladies	1-2
Razor and Machine	3-0
VW	2-1

Houghton Track Results

courtesy of Kevin Baker

Houghton at Indiana Wesleyan

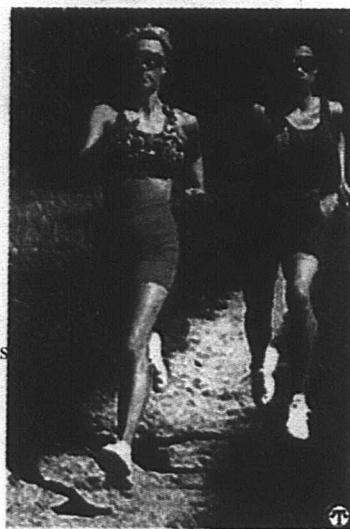
A predominantly relay meet with a few individual events. It was a beautiful day--evidenced by the track team's tans.

Men (6th out of 7)

5000m—Matt Dougherty (10th)
Zech Zehr (12th)
400m hurdles—Aaron Harrington (6th)
4x200m—Kevin Baker, Seth Palmer, Dave Toro, Phil Andrews (6th)
Sprint medley—Kevin Baker, Seth Palmer, Dave Toro Pat Weaver (4th)
Distance medley—Dave Toro, Aaron Harrington, Joe Kidd, Pat Weaver (5th)
Long jump—Seth Palmer (9th)
Javelin—Phil Andrews (3rd), Bryan Huot (8th)

Women (4th out of 7)

3000m—Kim Sayre (2nd), Holly Church (4th)



Look at them run! Run like the wind!

5000m—Sarah Gagnon (5th), Missy Lack (8th)
4x400m—Lynda Jones, Tenneil Tower, Tammi Krikorian, Kim Sayre (3rd)
4x800m—Lynda Jones, Tenneil Tower, Kim Sayre, Amanda Miller (1st)
Sprint medley—Tammi Krikorian, Jen Schrieffer, Mel Swansfeger, Eunice Thompson (3rd)
Long jump—Jen Schrieffer (5th), Amanda Miller (7th)
Triple jump—Jen Schrieffer (1st), Amanda Miller (2nd)
Shot-put—Sarah Bridges (7th), Rita Pazral (9th)
Discus—Sarah Bridges (6th), Missy Lack (9th)
Javelin—Melanie Swansfeger (3rd)
100m—Tammi Krikorian (6th)

Notes—The guys were undermanned (like the Star staff Monday night) as some members of the team could not make it to the meet. Overall, it was a good showing.

Mann, She Can Play Heather Mann Tries Out For Team Canada

Susan Ventresca

It is doubtful that Heather Mann's father knew what his daughter would become at the age of 6. Who would've thought that the practices, games, and tryouts at multiple Canadian teams would lead to an opportunity like this? On the 27 & 28 of March, while most of us will be at the beach taking in our Spring Break, Heather will be trying out for the Under 20 Junior Canadian National Team.

What took her this far? For starters, her father was president of the club that she played for in Prince Edward Island, Canada. She played for some coed teams for awhile then by the age of 13, she was the only girl. "This definitely was a benefit," says Heather. "It pushed me to where I needed to go."

She lived in Canada up until her sophomore year of high school. Her family then moved to West Virginia, where she resides today. Until the move she played for PEI

(Prince Edward Island) Provincial teams, her high school, and other clubs. Here in the U.S.A., Hedgeville High School became her alma mater. There she became leading goal scorer her senior year and was selected for second-team all state.

At Houghton, she had an outstanding freshman season. With 11 goals and 9 assists,

far.

She loves the team and the coaching staff. During the second half of this school year, she has been training with the men's team for off-season workouts.

Sanjeev Parmar says, "She is an exceptional athlete with the potential to become a national level player."

Next weekend won't be her first time at this level. At 13, she also tried out for a Canadian Youth National Team.

This, however, will be much different. Tryouts will be held in Hamilton, Ontario, where World Cup players as well as current national team members will join to scrimmage and find the best for the lineup.

Heather, 18, just wants to have the opportunity, no matter what the result.

But from what it sounds, it's nothing but smooth sailing from here.

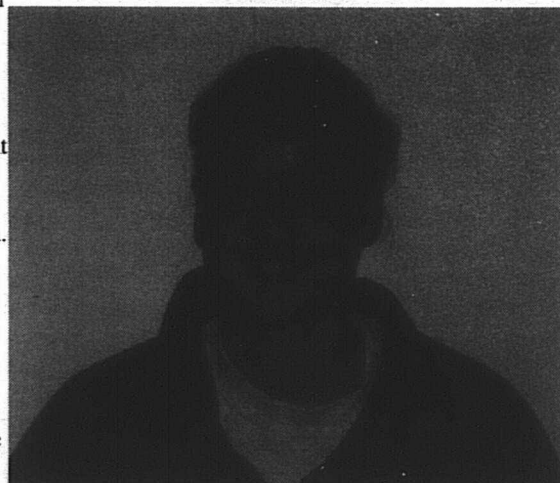


photo by David Johnson

Heather helped the Lady Highlanders on their run to Nationals. Her experience has been great so