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Transcending the routine of annual commencement coverage posed little challenge for this issue of *Milieu*. Some two years of college planning and equal or longer individual academic journeys culminated in graduation for Houghton's first adult degree completion program graduates in Buffalo on May 2. Under the attentive oversight of PACE director, Dr. John Robson, 16 men and women received bachelor of science degrees in organizational management. A second cohort of adult learners received their diplomas at Houghton's regular commencement a week later.

This issue combines coverage of this historic passage with a presidential assessment of PACE's genesis and promise, then extends to profiles of some non-traditional students in Houghton's traditional programs, together with a look at a representative sampling of the under-25 majority of '93 graduates. These are notable not only for their character and accomplishments, but for how their coming to campus was linked to previous Houghton students.

Career development center director Sharon Givler examines two pilot programs that have the goal of giving Houghton students an edge in finding jobs in today's competitive markets. Helping students prepare for lives more likely to be spent in cross-cultural situations, or those coming to Houghton from abroad is the subject of a companion piece.

How Miriam Snow Priebe solved her child care needs in 1947 and both the satisfaction and "mission field" opportunities for graduates as nannies in the '90s are the subjects of two more features. Voice professor/college choir director Jean Riegles shares how the Lord has moved Houghton in her thinking from being "the middle of nowhere," to being a center of her universe. We profile five retiring faculty and staff luminaries whose combined service to Christian higher education at Houghton surpasses 150 years. And we conclude April *Milieu's* look at some enduring Houghton marriages, plus the usual alumni and campus news.

Looking ahead: One Houghton graduate learned of the college in a chance conversation with an alumnus while both were picking berries in the same row at a commercial garden. What unusual or odd events factored in your coming to Houghton? Jot down the facts now and send them to us and you may be represented in "How I Came to Houghton," a feature being planned for an upcoming issue.

—Dean Liddick



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First PACE graduates

Graduates '93: melding innovation and tradition

I saw the PACE clipping in the East Aurora Bee at work . . . My fellow students had widely diverse backgrounds, but the program was custom tailored for each of us . . . The learning process and [interacting with] the other students was as important as the credits . . . It takes spiritual gumption to keep going . . ." So ran the comments of Virginia Bates, first of Houghton's Program for Accelerating College Education (PACE) graduates.

As completion of their baccalaureate degrees signaled both achievement and new direction in the lives of PACE's first 16 graduates, it also signaled a new era for Houghton College. Adult degree completion

programs like PACE have become a service of many American colleges, bringing hope and fresh opportunities to many whose educations were interrupted, and providing colleges with significant numbers of new students and money at a time of fewer traditional-aged students.

At some Christian colleges enrollment in their adult degree programs equals or surpasses their traditional student populations. No one predicts that for Houghton, but with more than 100 already enrolled in today's fledgling program, growth seems assured. Mrs. Bates spoke of student diversity. The first Buffalo cohort included an assistant bank manager, the devel-

Quality Education After 25—responding to change with PACE

by President Daniel Chamberlain

Higher education is profoundly influenced by such developments in the larger society as economic cycles, population trends, changes in families and the religious life of the nation.

One of the most dramatic changes now shaping American society and its higher education is the increasing average age of Americans—a statement vividly substantiated in the 40 percent decline in New York high school graduates from 1979 to 1993. This precipitous decline has been paralleled by adult learners returning to college to earn a degree, to change careers or to enhance their ability to function in an information society.

When Houghton College

examined the many existing adult degree completion programs for possible adoption, we concluded that they lacked the quality and Christian perspectives Houghton desires in all its programs. Too, we agreed that an adult degree completion program had great potential for helping the college use its human and physical resources effectively while meeting genuine educational needs in the communities we serve.

Nearly 20 Houghton faculty and administrators spent two years developing an adult degree completion program that would use our personnel fully, express our philosophy and embody our quality and receive state approval. The result is PACE.

To date, student response has been overwhelmingly positive. One graduate has already been admitted to graduate study and others have reported substantial promotions or challenging new positions. PACE anticipates continued growth and courses are now being offered in Olean, with plans afoot for offerings in Wellsville and Houghton. Articulation agreements with several public and private two-year colleges are helping Houghton to assist and encourage their graduates to complete baccalaureate degrees. To date, all courses have been taught by fully-credentialed, full-time Houghton faculty and we intend to continue that practice for a majority of courses.

opment director for Buffalo and Erie County Meals on Wheels, the chief of personnel programs for the US Air Force Reserves in Niagara Falls, and a computer consultant. A second cohort of 11 included educators, a land surveyor, a steam plant maintenance evaluator, veterans' affairs examiner and a homemaker.

Addressing the first PACE graduates, their friends and family members at Buffalo May 2, was inventor/entrepreneur and West Seneca native Wilson Greatbatch, the heart pacer pioneer who has subsequently executed research from fossil fuel alternatives to curing AIDS. In telling the graduates that he'd not completed his own bachelor's degree until he was 31, Dr. Greatbatch's challenge—"Spreading Your Wings," reminded them that "the Good Lord doesn't care if you succeed or fail. . . He cares that you try." Citing different standards of success, Greatbatch used the Bible and Tennyson's Locksley Hall to urge the graduates to carve out careers in areas that matter to them and trust God for results. "Rewards are in doing," he said.



rs. Virginia Bates (pictured above receiving her diploma), a native Buffalonian and graduate of the venerable Buffalo Seminary, in the '50s studied English and American Literature at SUNY Buffalo and, subsequently took courses from the American Institute of Banking.

Seeking new computer skills, and with an interest in completing a baccalaureate degree, Virginia responded to a PACE newspaper ad almost two years ago. She characterized director of academic assessment Willis Beardsley's reply as "immediately responsive, impressive, very genuine." Working around a grand jury service schedule, work at a bank in Alma, participation in PTA, Erie County banking organizations, 4H, the league of women voters and work with the speech impaired, Virginia enrolled,

using Tuesdays and vacation days to take the 15 months of courses.

Despite a difficult schedule, she was encouraged to finish the degree by the program's flexibility, the example of other students, and her own son's concurrent involvement in a Ph.D. program. Virginia was impressed by PACE's spiritual dimension. She plans to keep in touch while hoping "for an eventual [PACE-style] master's program."

While PACE is new, participation in the traditional programs at Houghton's main campus also have new dimensions—adults transferring from community colleges. An unusual example are Ralph and Brenda Meerdink, parents of graduating senior Christopher Meerdink. His success at Houghton was an inducement, but the college's articulation agreement with Jamestown Community College was pivotal to their moving here last fall.

Mr. and Mrs. Meerdink, from Clymer, NY, each have more than 100 college credits gained at several universities and including associate degrees from Jamestown. He has worked for Ball Labs in New Jersey, as a programmer, a contractor, and now as an independent computer consultant. She, too, has broad career experience. Having known one another since childhood in church, changes in their personal and professional lives brought them together in marriage in 1976. Last fall they moved into Gillette House on campus with their daughter Connie, a freshman. (Another married son is completing college at RIT.)

Clearly, finances are challenging. "We're walking by faith with a few moments of panic," they acknowledge. Aid packaging includes assistance from their home Chautauqua County because of their top 10 percent high school graduation record, a Houghton family discount, and work study. Both expect to graduate next May, he with a computer science major, she with an eye to attending Asbury Seminary to pursue a master's degree in Christian counseling.

Unlike PACE students at Buffalo and Olean, the Meerdinks find themselves standing out from their student peers because of age and experiences. "At times it's a little lonely for someone of a generation for whom the Kennedy assassination isn't a paragraph in a history book," Brenda says. A few students can't get beyond thinking of her as "a mom able to fix things," but most accept them as student peers and happily participate in their calculus and Bible study groups. "Being a peer to professors can be difficult when you're trying to model proper respect and distance [for the younger students]," says Mrs. Meerdink.

The Meerdinks provide a natural transition from non-traditional programs and students to a commencement sampling of the traditional kinds of students Houghton is graduating in the '90s, begin-

ning with a profile of their son, Christopher.

Chris's first visit to Houghton was impropitious—a 4 a.m. wakeup, weather that made the two-hour trip from Clymer, NY, take three hours, his sudden illness. "It was slushy, Houghton looked awful and I vowed never to return."

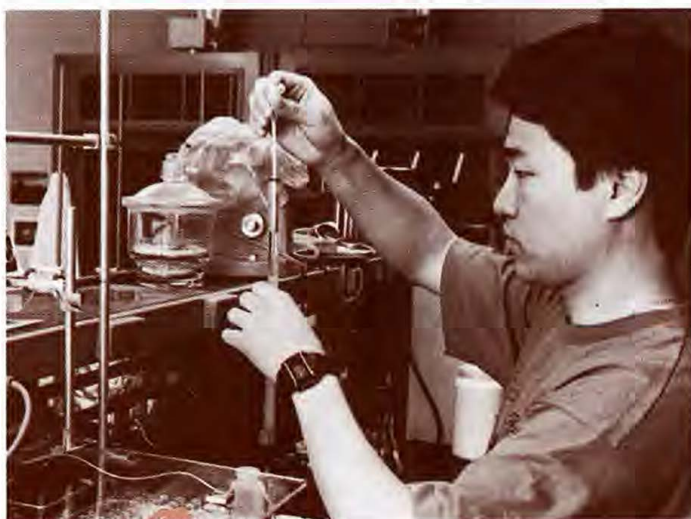
But he did return, enrolling as an "undeclared business major" with no special interest in music. Chris liked volleyball, "individual sports," and singing in his church choir. A friend already attending Houghton who turned out to be Chris's first residence director thought Chris should audition for the college choir. After that audition, then fine arts chairman Dr. Ben King signed him up for voice lessons and Chris "backed into the choir."

Voice teacher Betty Giles encouraged him to declare a music major. In time he did. Response to his singing at competitions built his confidence in solo work. (Chris won first place at the National Association of Teachers of Singers area competition and was a semi-finalist in the eastern region.) At Houghton he's also won several music scholarships and performed two roles in a production of *The Mikado*—sung at alternate performances. Last summer he participated in EuroChor which he called "a great experience." Each summer he's also worked at a candy factory in New Jersey.

As a senior Chris has been student director of the Women's Choir. "If a young man of 22 can select music and get up in front of 45 women three days a week and make it work, it builds confidence," Chris allowed. He's even managed to keep a hand in "business," working second semester at the Houghton Mobil Mini Mart. At commencement weekend he represented his class and the School of Music as baccalaureate convocation soloist.

Now he wants to work for a year, perhaps in a

church music job, while considering graduate schools for work in voice performance. He's also interested in conducting opera, but would eventually like to teach.



Hong Kong connection—Oliver Lau

Oliver Lau has been adapting to new cultures all his life. Born in Beijing, he lived through the cultural revolution during which his grandfather was persecuted. He saw family members undergo an eight-year process of emigrating to Hong Kong, experienced government-imposed moving of students into specialties beginning with middle school. Then he and the rest of his family moved to Hong Kong where he began high school.

Living with an aunt in a small crowded apartment was hard, but attending public school classes taught in Cantonese—which he didn't understand—while using textbooks written in English was a greater challenge, especially when coupled with the locals' disdain for "mainlanders." Add a growing spiritual turmoil and you have a confused, unhappy teenager. Oliver "had no religious interest," but after three months his loneliness made him accept an invitation to attend a Luis Palu crusade where he was amazed to see "30,000 clapping, smiling, singing people, joyful and friendly." As a result he became connected to a church where a youth pastor and a missionary kid were pivotal in his coming to Christ. Oliver observed, "But I experienced no emotional feeling until I began to share my new faith."

Through that youth fellowship he met Houghton alumnus Paul Pang's daughter and eventually transferred to Pang's United Christian College (high school) where caring teachers and students helped him overcome language, social and cultural problems. He learned of Houghton from Dr. Pang. He also met President Chamberlain, visiting Hong Kong at the time, who encouraged him and helped him gain scholarship aid.

Coming from teeming Hong Kong to rural Houghton in late summer offered new culture shocks. But the gracious way the college and his classmates handled delay of a Highlander trip into Canada

Christopher Meerdink

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occasioned by Oliver's visa problems encouraged him and he won new friends. He planned a physics major since his father is an engineer, but he preferred biology. Oliver found the memorization commitments daunting and switched to chemistry his junior year.

As a senior Oliver applied to the Rochester Academy of Science and received a \$400 award for research materials. He did a senior honors project under Dr. Irma Howard, based on aspects of her Ph.D. work. Now he's been accepted—with tuition waiver and stipend—at Johns Hopkins University to study biophysical chemistry, and earn a Ph.D. within five years, then return to Hong Kong and China to teach.

Dian Davis *really* wanted to finish college on a Christian campus! Last year she drove some 11,700 miles between her home in Buffalo and Houghton's main campus—Monday, Wednesday and Friday she was on the road at 7 a.m. to make 9 o'clock classes. By mid-afternoon she'd head home to other responsibilities as wife and church worker—visitation, teaching, occasional sermons. Though she traversed the infamous snow belt six times a week, Dian missed classes because of weather only three days all year.

This determined woman began life in West Palm Beach, FL, moving to Buffalo's east side in childhood. Before her parents came north, Dian lived for a time with her grandmother and brothers, attending a Seventh Day Adventist School although the family attended the Church of God in Christ. She graduated



Dedicated driver, Dian Davis

from East High in 1959. Dian's first marriage produced four sons. During many of those years she worked for the phone company as an operator, in customer relations, and in engineering until 1991

when she retired under an incentive program. Throughout this time she nurtured a hope of completing college, surviving a divorce and juggling job and family responsibilities to take evening courses—including some at Houghton's Buffalo campus in the mid '80s—until she lacked just 12-15 hours which she determined to complete.

Registering at Houghton last year, Dian began her commuting marathon. She selected courses "to prepare me for meeting the needs of Christians." A psychology class with Connie Finney "made me stand in awe of God," she noted. Talking with *Milieu* after her last two finals—Old Testament Prophets with Dr. Kingdon and Job with Dr. Schultz—Dian reflected on "the solid Christian background related to subject matter," she'd obtained, adding wistfully: "I wish Houghton had this same availability for Christians in the city."

In recent years Dian has recommended Houghton to several young people and three years ago she married the grandfather of one who took her advice. A man with five earned degrees, he currently pastors the Seneca St. United Methodist Church. Although she's a licensed minister, her denomination doesn't accept women in the teaching roles she envisions. Currently she's an associate pastor of Cedar Grove Missionary Baptist Church.

Dian wishes Houghton offered a master's degree. While she'll stop out of school to work and pay off bills, she's planning a graduate program, presently considering Rochester Colgate Divinity School—and more commuting.

George Wiedmaier's Christian parents taught him to do his best at whatever he did. When he left home in Chesapeake, VA, for Norfolk Academy one of the things he did best was play basketball. Under then coach Gary King '67 (now at Houghton Academy), George learned how to excel and develop a can-do attitude. He chose Houghton over another school at King's urging and with recommendation to Houghton's basketball coach Steve Brooks.

"I came in with a lot of interest and it's been four years of finding out who I am and discovering hidden attributes," George said. Although he was an important member of the Houghton round-ball team, George soon realized that "basketball was just four years. I wanted to travel a broad path and be involved in many things."

He says that's what his psychology major did, adding: "I'm leaving Houghton knowing how to write and speak better and something of what I want to do for the Lord." He considered running for student body president; then ran for and won the senior class presidency. He found it a demanding job. Many of his confreres and other potential helpers were focused on academic agenda, but still had strong ideas of what should be done—he cited the



Surrounding himself with friends—George Wiedmaier at right

work surrounding the class's desire to memorialize two members killed in an auto accident in 1991.

Admitting that he tended to take on too much, George still considered his weekly 10 hours working in the Career Development Center critiquing resumes and career counseling his most practical experience, and credited director Sharon Givler for "making me feel cared about as a person." Summers George has counseled young people at a YMCA day camp. "I love the energy they give off . . . and I could share my faith." He'll be camp director this summer.

"My roommate knows exactly what he wants to do. I'd like to be in his shoes, but if I can slow down and listen, the Lord will show me how to pursue what [He] opens up." He said 60 percent of his classmates were similarly without specific plans. While George doesn't know what fall will bring, he has goals. With Pat Robertson's Regent University near his home, George has been fascinated by Robertson's use of resources to build a communications network, schools and businesses as vehicles for making sure a Christian voice is heard. He's applied to Regent Law School and is interested in an MBA.

What was most important about his Houghton education? "My friends and times with them," George replies. "In relationships we see God."

Kevin Eaton is the kind of student a teacher recalls to the end of his career with delight and regret, says his mentor, Dr. Charles Bressler—delight because of Kevin's ability, dedication and promise; regret because with years of career ahead Bressler suspects he might not again encounter Kevin's like.

What inspires such lavish praise? First, there's Kevin's record of achievement—four times he's addressed professional teaching associations, which seldom consider hearing undergraduates—on how different approaches to literary criticism fit in the classroom. And he is one of several Houghton students with essays in Bressler's new text on literary criticism. His senior honors project sought to explain the use and structure of myth in the writings of C.S. Lewis and Charles Williams.

Son of Bartlesville (OK) Wesleyan College faculty, Kevin earlier gained practical experience working at St. Harriet's Home for neglected and abused children in Los Angeles. While working with these 45 children he saw first-hand differences in expectations between suburban and inner city children, and even then began pondering how the worlds of theory and practical need relate. There he also tutored students on an educational TV show four days a week—the homework hotline program, 1-800-LASudy. After three semesters at other colleges he visited Houghton, liked the environment and enrolled in 1990.

Drawing together his earlier experiences and his studies Kevin has explored different ways of thinking and trying to share knowledge, "enjoying the freedom to put ideas together . . . The more I studied, the more I could see my professors relating to various elements of the classroom. It was a skill I'd not thought of. If you care, you learn to lead, not just expect the brilliant to follow."

Kevin will use his English literature major and philosophy minor in the Master of Arts in Teaching program at the University of Rochester. In free moments he hopes to continue camping, biking and walking.



Putting ideas together—Kevin Eaton

Graphic arts is a popular concentration within Houghton's art major. Senior interns are a vital adjunct to the college's publications program. This year graphics professor and college designer Michael Jones had four interns helping produce scores of jobs from logos, posters and program covers to recruitment brochures, booklets and advertising.

At any one time there are some 15

students concentrating in graphics, although they're exposed to each of the art department's four professors. Internships offer the majors "the real world environment of dead lines, clients and printers . . . experiences like those in the first six months on your first job," Jones says, adding that the three-credit-hour internships, make a Houghton graphic student's experience compare favorably to what he'd get from many design schools.

In high school Christine Brain studied photography and design and interned in graphic design for a playhouse. She sent a resulting portfolio to a Canadian college, only to learn that it arrived too late for consideration that year. Its quality, she was told, assured her first place acceptance for the next fall. On the strength of that, the Shawville, Quebec, resident bagged groceries for a year. But the next spring that college denied her admission. Devastated, Christine explained her predicament to a friend, Paula Barber, who'd graduated from Houghton. Paula recommended Houghton's classes in photography and graphic design. Four years after being accepted here in 1989, Christine has her degree and a business minor.

"I'd still rather do photography than design," she says, but in her double major she's done both, creating an evocative senior photo exhibit and, as an intern, producing a soccer camp brochure, artist series and philharmonia posters, a logo, the design for an alumni mug to be distributed this summer, and the design for features in the first nine pages of this *Milieu*.

After two summers as an assistant cook, this summer Christine will be head cook at Silver Lake Wesleyan camp in Ontario. Come fall she expects to travel through Europe. She aspires to be a *National Geographic* photographer.

Beth Cline's desire to be an illustrator is rooted in a lifetime of watching her grandfather—an IBM graphic designer—at work in his home studio,



In background, Christine Brain, foreground, Beth Cline and Dan Lingenfelter

and in her love of reading. Since kindergarten in Greene, NY, when her grandfather taught her to draw, Beth's wanted to be an artist. Although her late mother, Susan Webb, attended Houghton, Beth's motivation for coming here was the Christian liberal arts emphasis and the graphic design program.

Most of her output as an intern has been based on design done on one of the department's Macintosh IICx computers. Beth did the first color printed poster—separations generated on the computer, has created a dozen concert promotion pieces, a map, some yearbook ads, brochures and a graphic, plus the 1993-94 master schedule design.

While she's adept with the computer, as a potential illustrator she prefers free manual drawing. Principles of writing and her love of reading triggered a writing and literature minor. As an illustrator she hopes to combine her enthusiasms. Initially she hopes to work for a small advertising or publishing firm.

Dan Lingenfelter's Houghton ties are many: nephew to alumni Jack '59 and Jerry '62 Raymond; in his native Corry, PA, a patient of Gerald Lloyd '59, and a product of '87 grad Don Maxon's church youth group. "I wanted a computer science major but had trouble with math," he recalls. As a junior minoring in psychology he told himself, "You've been drawing forever. Why not apply it?"

In high school Dan participated in a Houghton-sponsored art show, winning a blue ribbon for a Star Wars still life. Art department head Scot Bennett invited him to apply for college and he did. High school art and graphics for his church had been fun, but in college Dan found that each one of Ted Murphy's drawing class assignments equaled what he was used to taking days to produce. As a sophomore he began doing design with a computer.

Last summer he interned in Lancaster, PA, doing in-house design for an insurance company, newspaper ads and signs, plus work for outside clients. His Houghton output has included music department posters and student development projects, and the senior skip T-shirt. Dan hopes the 40-50 resumes he's sent out will result in a job, although he will eventually attend graduate school. ■

Career planning and placement meet the real world

by Sharon M. Givler

Houghton students typically declare their major during the sophomore year, but even after this decision, they often struggle with career choices. Many want to make connections between study and work, but do not for a variety of reasons. Extern '93 is about making those connections.

Launched in 1992-93 along with **Resumé Referral Network** as cooperative pilot programs of the Career Development Center (CDC) and the Alumni Office, Extern '93 placed six sophomore student externs with Houghton alumni sponsors in the Rochester and southern tier areas during spring break. Participants received comprehensive orientation to the daily work tasks of the sponsor, and gained exposure in the sponsor's larger work environment and collegial associations.

For Aimee Prunier, who worked with recreation therapist John Garlock '87, this meant becoming acquainted with the work of a treatment team: a psychologist, social worker, nurse, doctor and other therapists. Aimee Long, who worked with Bob Starks '80 at the Allegany County Court House, observed the work of the district attorney, judges, social service agents and police officers, and learned its importance to understanding the responsibilities of a probation officer.

Students commented on the learning they received unavailable from a textbook. Eric Lundberg, teamed with sponsor Mark Merrill '82 at the Wyoming County Bank,

observed that while principles for lending money *are* taught in textbooks, the critical art of judging character is a *learned* experience. Miss Prunier said, "My experiential training was valuable because I went through the rigors of a work week and saw the way professionals handle setbacks, delegate responsibilities, and work as a team."

Other externship highlights included: attending a Sexual Ethics for Clergy workshop (Michael Stuber and sponsor, Rev. Larry Lundgren '73); witnessing the differences in needs and styles of the profit versus the not-for-profit business (David Peters and sponsor, Tedd N. Smith '82); using computers at the University of Rochester to write press releases (Stephen Rothenburgh and sponsor, Sally Parker '85).

Externs received no pay or academic credit, but program requirements were worthy of credit. Beyond their 40-hour work week, students participated in pre-externship workshops, one of which included a goal-setting session with their alumni sponsor. The other workshops offered guidance in how to design a career path based on the students' interests, skills, personality and experience during the externship.

Was it worth the sponsor's time and energy? Responses included: "Yes!" "There's much satisfaction that comes from helping a student." "Houghton is isolated, and any opportunity to get out in the real world is a plus." Ms. Givler hopes to establish the extern experience as a Mayterm course.

Three hundred alumni in key positions within their business, school or organization were selected (with help from Bruce Campbell, assistant director of alumni relations) to receive resumé books of this year's graduating seniors through the **Resumé Referral Network**. Resumés were bound in attractive booklets and mailed to alumni in accounting, business, computer, public relations, communications, education, social service and ministry. A letter from the CDC director introduced the graduates by specialty and highlighted key aspects of their college program—knowledge base, skill level and experience—that made them attractive candidates. Sixty-five graduating seniors participated.

Commented one alumnus, a company president, "This is a super idea. Keep me on the list. Do it again!" To date, we know of one job offer made as a result of this network, plus at least a dozen additional inquiries from employers.

Career assistance programs are ideal ways for alumni volunteers to serve Houghton College. Typically, alumni enjoy being asked to share their experiences and expertise and appreciate recognition for their achievements. Because they are established in careers, alumni can keep the college community informed about changes in the marketplace with respect to job availability, education and training necessary for these jobs, new techniques, and current research. And, since alumni know the college, they can evaluate how their education has served them and how it might have served them better. ■

Some externs and sponsors at appreciation dinner. Seated l to r: Sally Parker, Aimee Prunier and Steve Rothenburgh. Standing: Bob



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Dr. Benedict (background, center) listens in on Pollock's lecture.

Intercultural Transition

An American in Singapore watched dozens of taxis passing. Tired of walking, he stepped to the curb, threw out his hand and whistled at the next empty cab. It sped by. Repeating his signal to two more cabs drew the same result. "I guess they don't like Americans," he muttered as he walked on.

A modern city and taxis—our American drew a false conclusion because superficial familiarities offered false cues. Familiar cues govern and facilitate operating in one's own culture. Lack or misinterpretation of cues leads many a neophyte traveler to conclude that a foreign culture is peculiar, "backward" or hostile. Had this American spent the first week of Mayterm in Dave Pollock's *Intercultural Transition and Adjustment* class at Houghton, he might have learned how to see in new ways, understand and deal with his reactions to the inevitable stresses of immersion in an unfamiliar culture.

Had the American in Singapore looked up the street—Dave Pollock told his class—he could have observed empty cabs stopping at a designated stand. Watching more closely, he would have seen people standing nearby, seemingly at random. But, chatting, reading, or lost in thought, each was aware of his position in an invisible queue. Moral? When in another culture observe, find a mentor, ask questions, beware of drawing false conclusions.

Five Houghton students and several persons auditing—some planning short-term summer missions trips, others just returning from abroad—participated in the class. Beyond examples of cultural differences and hints

ranging from bathroom etiquette to whether or not to leave food on one's plate, the students studied the felt, if not consciously recognized, stages of leaving one setting for another, and the importance of dealing with unexpected emotions and reactions in oneself and others, if transitions and cross-cultural experiences are to be successful.

Neither the need for such study, nor the student flashes of sudden recognition: "That's why I felt that way!" were new to Dave Pollock, who's been criss-crossing the globe as missionary and consultant for 18 years. From 1986 until last fall Pollock made Houghton home for Interaction, his service agency/ministry, and expedited Houghton's programs to attract and serve internationals and missionary children.

Although Dave now lives at Camp Pinnacle outside of Albany, NY, his special linkages to Houghton continue in the form of monthly one- and two-day visits to campus or work for college-related projects abroad. The 858-acre, 95-year-old camp now managed by Interaction, is headquarters to ministries ranging from church camps and continuing education to cross-cultural ministries which Dave characterizes as "care of missionary and third culture kids through re-entry seminars, hiring MKs and TCKs (third culture kids) as staff and providing a place for them to stay during vacations throughout the school year . . . acting out our interest in international students . . . developing prefield and re-entry seminars . . . developing a center where missionaries and their families can come for R&R, particularly those who have experienced evacuation

and other trauma in leaving their overseas setting."

That Camp Pinnacle's 1992 summer staff included 22 TCK students or former students hints at its value to Houghton. This summer Dave expects half of his staff to be Houghton students.

What about the college's on-campus program with Pollock no longer resident? Last year OMS House director Cindy Fox coordinated campus support, but she has now moved on to other duties. And international program director and sociology professor Mary Conklin will not return. In their stead, political science program chair David Benedict and his wife, Linda, are gearing up to coordinate the international and intercultural programs and care of internationals.

This will be in addition to his duties as director of international studies and advising the international studies majors. Because of this heavy load, Benedict and the college administration are searching for a replacement director of international programs from within the existing faculty. These duties will include assisting students wishing to study, travel, work or volunteer abroad, working with the Benedicts and others in caring for the needs of Houghton's internationals.

Benedict's experience as an American diplomat attunes him to the challenges of international life and the special needs/contributions of the college's 100-plus MKs and internationals. From welcoming and caring for TCKs to equipping them and others to maximize international experiences past and future, Houghton's commitment endures. ■

It's Only Grace

by Miriam Snow Priebe '47

Although the problem of finding day-care for children is no longer mine, there were years when it was. Way back in the days when few women worked outside the home, as a married Houghton College student with two children ages three and one, I needed someone to care for them. But, could I *afford* to get a reliable sitter, if I could find one?

After hunting for a long time, I thought of my neighbor, Grace Rickard, who lived just across the hall in our small apartment building. She laundered and ironed shirts for college men and kept house for her sister, Josephine Rickard ("Doc Jo", who taught English at Houghton from 1926 to 1932 and from 1945 to 1969). Grace had been born prematurely, weighing less than three pounds at birth and, shortly afterward had contracted polio, which had left her with a severe limp.

This older, single woman, who was always busy cleaning, canning, sewing and ironing, did not at first glance seem a likely prospect for my day-care needs. I wasn't sure she could take on the care of two small children and there was the money question. *But I was desperate!*

"How much would it cost?" I inquired anxiously when she said she would be glad to sit with the children. Grace kept a notebook in which she carefully recorded income and expenditure. "I'll let you know tomorrow," she said.

The next morning, I heard her familiar knock on our door, and her equally familiar call, "It's only Grace." We never locked our doors in those days and Grace never waited for us to say, "Come in," but always announced herself as she opened the door.

"I've figured it all out," she said, smiling. "I will have to ask you 13 and a half cents an hour. If it's all right with you, I'll keep the

children in my apartment on the days that I iron and in your apartment the days that I sew."

I had breathed a sigh of relief when she had stated her price, but when classes began, I left the children with her and started off with a heavy heart.

Another neighbor had visited me the night before. "You are trusting that baby and the little boy to a woman who has never been married. What does she know about children?" she had demanded. "Is



Grace Rickard and the Priebe children

she physically able to do what you are asking? You are taking a terrible risk. What kind of a mother are you?"

My neighbor's words kept coming to me as I sat through my classes. I could hardly wait for the sessions to be over and I literally ran down the hill to our home.

When I opened Grace's door, I saw a peaceful domestic scene. Grace was ironing in the kitchen, keeping a watchful eye on both children. She had pulled Lois's highchair over to the sink and had given her a wooden spoon. Lois was happily drumming away on the sink.

There was an archway between the kitchen and living room. Grace

had made a fence by laying kitchen chairs across the opening and had dumped all her clothespins in the middle of the living room rug. Here, Charlie was playing serenely, building little clothespin houses. If ever a place radiated happiness and contentment, it was Grace's little apartment.

I never worried about the children after that. Sometimes I came home to find her reading the children Bible stories. One day she made a little blouse for the baby out of some scraps of material. It was a wonderful summer, thanks to Grace.

Grace had a frail little body and a strong soul. Many times on Sundays I was unable to get to church because one or other of the children would have colds. I would look out my big front window to see Grace hurrying up the walk with a smile on her face. She would come straight to our door. "Brother Armstrong had a wonderful sermon," she would say, her face glowing. Then she would take out a little notebook and give me a point-by-point account of everything that had been said.

In the few years that followed, we became very close. In fact, we have many sayings in our family that we got from Grace. "In the light of eternity, what difference does it make?" she would say to me when I was upset over something. How many times I have remembered that!

This morning we squeezed those extra two tablespoons of juice from our grapefruit halves because Grace told us, "Never throw out the grapefruit shells till you've squeezed them."

I am looking forward to Resurrection Day to see Grace again—this time with a wonderful new body to match that beautiful soul! She lived a life that glorified her Saviour and it was my great good fortune that she was my neighbor and friend in those early years. She answered my need for help and enriched our lives in the process.

Nannies in the Nineties

an alternative in child-care

Deborah Fero Young



It's only Grace? If only we *all* had a Grace with whom we could trust our little ones.

These days when even most *grammas* work outside the home, it's hard to find a relative or even a trusted neighbor to look after our children. Consequently, day-care centers are a necessary "evil" for many working couples, but are a far-from-ideal form of child-care. For that reason, the U. S. is now experiencing the growth of an institution that used to be mainly the province of the British upper classes—the nanny.

For the most part, we Americans don't see nannies as characteristic of the U. S. of the twentieth century. When we hear the word, Nanny, we think of a prim and proper woman sitting up in the nursery with "the children". Or we might think of that maverick nanny, Mary Poppins. But as more and more women enter the work force and face the frustrations and concerns associated with child-care, nannies are being seen as a very attractive alternative for American families.

LIVE-IN NANNIES desperately needed for lower NY/CT families. Must have child-care experience and driver's license. College education helpful. Excellent opportunities/benefits.

With a nanny in residence, the morning rush to get the kids to the day-care or sitter is eliminated. So is the problem of constant exposure to sick children, and worry about safety and adequate individual attention.

We at Houghton College have received calls from alumni requesting leads on Houghton graduates who might consider becoming nannies. And several of our graduates *have* in fact chosen that

Nanny Wanted:

This is a family of five, with children ages six years, three years, and two months. The six- and three-year-olds are typically active for their ages. Both parents work regular hours at demanding jobs. [OR The mother is a nurse who is currently staying at home with the children but who is involved in volunteer work and other interests outside the home and would like a nanny to help with child-care.] The successful nanny will have initiative, be energetic, responsible and outgoing with a sense of humor, and be a non-smoker. Morning activities would include getting the children dressed and fed, dropping the six-year-old off at school, and running errands such as grocery shopping and picking up dry cleaning. Other duties include helping with the children's meals, doing their laundry, tidying their bedrooms, taking them on walks, etc. The family travels on occasion and would take the nanny with them. Family interests include tennis, swimming, music, and visiting museums. The home is located in a beautiful residential area within walking distance of the bus. The nanny would have her own bedroom and bath. Sunday and Monday would be the scheduled days off, although some flexibility is necessary. Weekly salary is \$170, plus room and board, two weeks' paid vacation, and YWCA membership. Nanny must make a one-year commitment.

This family profile is a composite of those found in our research. It incorporates elements that we saw repeated frequently. Of particular interest: every profile we saw required a non-smoker.

avenue as a stepping stone to their chosen career. After all, nannying offers a way to do something valuable in a safe, secure environment with a limited time commitment, while waiting for a job to turn up or while working out ultimate career goals. The job offers experience in child-care

which can be invaluable in preparing for a job in education or for raising one's own children. And since room and board are covered, a nanny can save most of her wages. In addition, contacts made while nannying may lead to opportunities in a nanny's chosen field.

NANNIES: SPEND A YEAR or more as a nanny with a fine family in NJ. Salary \$175-400 weekly depending on experience.

LIVE-IN NANNIES. \$175-\$300 weekly. Room/Board, Vacation, Insurance. Driver's License. College experience preferred. Must relocate for 1 year.

Milieu contacted several Houghton alumni who graduated from the years 1985 to 1992. They are or have been nannies in New York, New Jersey and Massachusetts. In answering our questions about the job, they cited advantages such as travel with the family and membership at the YWCA. One said it was rewarding to know she had a part in the children's growth. Another said she learned a lot about raising children that she has used in raising her own. Still another admitted that after graduation she didn't feel ready to begin teaching. Being a nanny gave her a chance to be out on her own without being completely alone.

Disadvantages listed included loneliness, difficulty in meeting people, and dealing with spoiled kids. One alumna left her nanny position because she had difficulty reconciling the family's lifestyle with her beliefs. She was the virtual mother of six children. The real mother, although she didn't work outside the home, had very little interaction with the children.

The other women we contacted, however, had good experi-

ences. One reported that the nanny position has led to a teaching job. Another said she would recommend the job to anyone. And another called it "a great experience but lots of work."

For the families there is, of course, a financial consideration. Nannies are expensive. The placement agencies that we researched ask from \$170 to \$300 per week, depending on qualifications and working circumstances. And many agencies charge a placement fee of up to \$1000. In contrast, currently in Buffalo, NY, day-care centers charge approximately \$120/week for an infant and \$100/week for three- to five-year-olds.

Still, working couples who can afford the nanny option find it attractive. So keep an eye on this burgeoning profession to see if it will continue to grow or be just a flash in the pan. And what about male nannies? (Remember Sebastian Cabot as Mr. French on *Family Affair*?) Would families accept them? If not, why not? Could the nanny profession be seen as a mission field (the hand that rocks the cradle...)? In any case, this alternative form of child-care bears watching—by both parents and potential nannies. Whichever you are, keep it in mind. It could be the answer for you. ■



Why I Teach at Houghton

Don't Call it Nowhere

by B. Jean Reigles

Upon learning where I live and work, many people say, "Houghton? Why, that's the middle of nowhere! Why would a single, attractive, talented young woman such as yourself want to bury herself there?!"

I used to ask myself the same question, and often felt like I *was* in the middle of nowhere, in more ways than just geographically. But "the middle of nowhere" has proven to be the perfect place for me to grow as a person, find a sense of home and purposeful belonging, and a deepened knowledge of what it means for *me* to follow Christ.

My years here have been full of discoveries and many adjustments. The very first thing that impressed and surprised me was the superb quality of my faculty colleagues. Initially I felt quite overwhelmed and insecure, but my new colleagues proved helpful and supportive and I soon settled into my new position.

The quality of students I found at Houghton also surprised and pleased me; young people who are musically talented, interested in learning and, for the most part, diligent, disciplined and incredibly eager to learn to model Christian principles as musicians and teachers in the world. I discovered, to my great joy, that I dearly loved being involved in the lives of such fine young people. *They* keep me at Houghton. We have taught each other many things, my students and I, and I thank God for the opportunity to know them.

As for my teaching duties at Houghton, conducting the college choir is a special treat and I have been privileged to have several fine voice students in my studio

each year. The school of music has provided for its faculty and students many opportunities to hear good music and interact with some outstanding performers. What a challenge and sense of



Associate professor of voice and director of choral activities, B. Jean Reigles has taught at Houghton for 18 years. Presently she is a PhD candidate at Texas Tech University.

affirmation and renewal I receive through time spent with such people as Gwendolyn Killebrew and Alice Parker!

The joy of working in a Christian community where people do strive (whether or not they always achieve their goal) to follow the injunction of Scripture to live simply, love one another, and worship God is a blessing. And the beauty of the rural setting is a special treat.

The adjustments, ah—well. Though I tend to be a person who enjoys some solitude, being a single woman who has never lived long in one place, in a family-oriented, academically intense, isolated community as well as being in a very busy discipline, has been a difficult and challenging

aspect of living and working here.

In 1987, I went to Texas Tech University in Lubbock to begin doctoral study, but also to allow myself time to determine if I really wanted or needed to relocate. I really had little intention of returning, but God seemed to have other ideas. During my last semester of study, I required surgery to remove a low-grade malignant tumor. Since I had no time, energy, or money to seek out a new position, I was forced to return to Houghton. My time away and my experience with illness had helped me to learn that life and health are very precious and not to be taken for granted, so I began to take steps to seek balance in my life in a place where evidently God wanted me to be. He graciously began to provide for my deepest needs.

During my absence several other single women had joined the faculty and I began to form and enjoy new friendships. Though I had known about Houghton College Equestrian Center, I began to visit there more frequently. Fulfilling a childhood dream I've bought a horse (named Son-dee Singalong) and have spent many happy hours in the saddle learning the fine art of dressage, meeting people and students not associated with my own discipline and enjoying the beauty of the scenery at the farm.

"The middle of nowhere"? Geographically it may sometimes feel so, and not everything is as I would absolutely wish it, but living and working in Houghton has brought this woman much opportunity to grow as a musician, teacher, person and Christian and is *the* place to be—for now. ■

Woodwinds to Work Orders

156 years of service to Houghton College

Christian educator Roy Lowrie once told a Houghton audience: "People who desire personal advancement in education will move with the opportunities. But if your goal is success for the institution you serve, stay put and invest your life."

EDGAR R. NORTON
*"A generalist in society's trend
toward specialists"*

Ted Norton, completing 37 years at Houghton as associate professor of music education, music education coordinator and Mabel Barnum Davidson professor of fine arts has made a career of exemplifying the diversity so sought after in modern academe.

At least one alumnus recalls him as the Sunday School teacher who informed a freshman about the beliefs and practices of Christian Science. Others see him as the man who early advocated and has modeled computer-assisted instruction possibilities at the college. For lovers of traditional harmony in the Southern Tier he is Barber Shopper of the Year 1992. To a family counselor, a computer specialist, a tennis pro, a special-ed teacher and an ICU child-care nurse, he is Dad. To us, Ted is senior faculty member, a steady and cheerful exemplar of the Lord's grace over decades under the threat of blindness, and a man whose passivist convictions led to the test case, U.S. versus Norton and a place in that movement's literature.

Raised in Glens Falls, NY, Ted Norton had a musical background—parents singers in church choir, half-brother a school musician, himself the product of early piano and clarinet lessons. He knew of Hough-

ton, but a student acquaintance's witnessing convinced him of the college's "curious off-the-deep-end religious views," and he enrolled at the Quaker's Guilford College in North Carolina, with vague ideas of combining music and religion. But he completed his degree at Fredonia. Out of college he directed band and chorus, first in Allentown, NY, then in Scio. While there he became a Christian through Wellsville piano teacher-Episcopal priest Terry Fullam, and met his wife, Nan, in Fullam's Sunday School classes. Ted and Nan double dated to a Houghton choir concert which Dr. Finney conducted. (Initial problems with glaucoma began during those years). Ted spent two years giving alternate service as an attendant, then as teacher and choral program head at Wassaic State School near Poughkeepsie. But he was teaching in Highland, NY, when, as the result of an agency placement, he received academic dean Lynip's letter inviting him to Houghton.

As an educator, music practitioner—Ted plays all the woodwind instruments—he explored, but never got into a doctoral program because "they were too research-oriented." He notes, "We had five kids instead."

Physicist Fred Trexler fostered Ted's interest in computers and for 20 years he's explored CAI as a way to help students of varying skill levels and learning speeds achieve proficiency on basics, while allowing instructors to trade drudgery for creativity in personalized student interaction. That exploration has produced programs he's marketed, and understanding of technology's strengths and weaknesses, which he's sought to share with colleagues in the department and beyond campus.

In retirement Ted and Nan are moving to Olean. There he expects to devote more time to his barber-shop music work, spend more time with his grandchildren, and continue collaborating in CAI research with another innovator in Washington State. As he has said, "CAI isn't primarily for technicians. Program design and content are critical—and only as good as the teachers who write them."





FREDERICK D. SHANNON
Quitting on a high

"I have never before nor since known a professor as excited about his subject . . . There was no boredom in a Shannon classroom." So said an alumna whose subsequent professional successes qualify her to speak authoritatively about excitement.

Twenty-one years in the classroom and 12 more in the academic dean's office! Is Fred Shannon taking early retirement because he feels the excitement has gone? Hardly. He says: "I want to quit on a high—with energy and enjoyment in what I'm doing." A hoped-for series of travel destinations and projects will demand continued high energy. (One of these, a combination professional conference and trip with benefits to Houghton College, will be financed via a gift from a former Shannon student, who got the idea after reading a *Reader's Digest* article about a grateful student's unique "thank-you" to a former teacher.

Fred Shannon grew up in the Buckeye State; significantly at First Akron Wesleyan Church, a congregation which has contributed such Houghton luminaries as: Claude Ries, the Chester Yorks, the J. Whitney Sheas, the Don Frases—and Fred and Vernelle Shannon. But Fred's path to Houghton was long. Finances caused him to complete college at the University of Akron. He also began ROTC and graduate school there, early deciding "that teaching could be fun." But he stopped out from 1954-56 to serve in the U.S. Army—chemical corps, of course—in France.

Fred returned to that university to complete his master's and—as it turned out—to develop his relationship with fellow church youth group advisor, Vernelle. He also renewed friendship with his pastor's son—Houghton alumnus Wil Zike—by then doing his M.D. residency at the U. of Akron medical school—and met another Houghton pre-med grad, Forrest Crocker. He feels that those contacts, plus a visit to the church by then Houghton PR director George Failing, resulted in the invitation to teach chemistry at Houghton.

Having completed his master's coursework, but still without a thesis, Fred answered Houghton's call in 1958, to the dismay of his university professors.

Although this first teaching experience meant a 15-hour load—including math courses he'd not thought about since college—Fred survived the year. And with Vernelle's persistent encouragement—"just one or two more pages today, Fred"—and her typing, he also completed a master's thesis that was approved with little revision. He discovered that he loved teaching and interaction with students. "They were kind and uncritical," he claims.

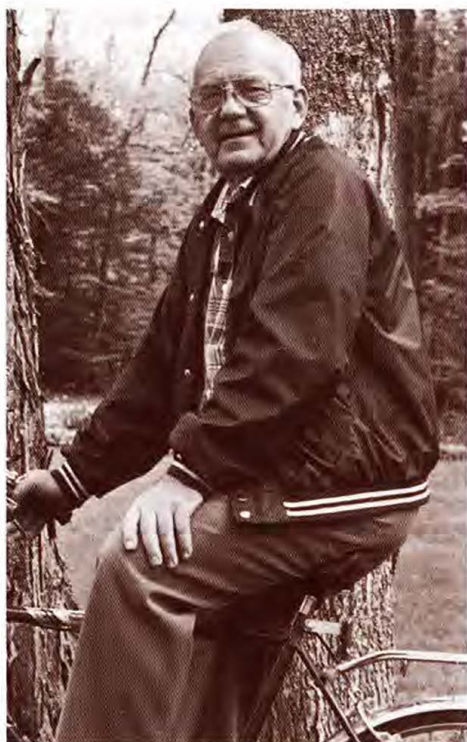
Two years later, with doctoral coursework completed, but with research and dissertation yet to be done, Fred took a study leave of absence—with probability, but no guarantee of re-employment—to finish up his Ph.D. Earlier Fred had studied with the eminent chemist, former college president and Houghton alumnus Paul Fall. He suspects that Fall's first-name-basis letter of recommendation to the National Science Foundation head, helped secure the prestigious Science Faculty Fellowship that brought the Shannons a stipend in excess of Fred's Houghton salary during those two years away.

Back at Houghton with Ph.D. in hand, Dr. Shannon and colleague Steve Calhoon introduced chemistry seminar, advanced organic and instrumental analysis. "It was exciting to participate in curriculum development and be on the science building planning committee," Fred recalls. "Building committee was really fun . . . and it brought us all together."

Over time Fred's summer work helped prepare him for his next role—Academic Dean. Once, during Shenawana construction, he filled in for business manager Willard Smith, other years he coordinated the summer school. After he was named dean in 1973 and first met with other college deans, Fred discovered being Houghton's dean "conveyed a halo, not my own, thanks to predecessor leadership." Best of all, he says, was working with faculty, getting to know them better and appreciate them more. Wryly, he recalled, "I survived two middle states evaluations and maybe a half million state master plans." Fred also left a record of witty, pun-spangled honorary degree and commencement class introductions.

This avowed generalist, who's taught all but two of Houghton's chemistry courses, returned to the classroom in 1986—after a retooling year which included university classes, visits to Ireland and to son Dale in Africa. Fred realized that he still loved teaching, though he found his discipline more changed than a year's freshening could digest. As science division chairman he was "overwhelmed by the gracious reception and cooperation of my former colleagues."

Now he and Vernelle will take a year off. He sees the college as "trying to do and be more things to more people than when I came." Fred hopes that collegiality can be preserved, and is open to occasionally helping out the chemistry department.



LAURENCE K. MULLEN
Shaped by his choices

Freedom and Determinism in Jonathan Edwards was the topic of his master's thesis at Boston University. Asked—in that context—to explain his subsequent 27-year Houghton career, Laurence K. Mullen offered a philosopher's answer: "Choices we make shape us."

He elaborated: "Coming to Houghton was a difficult choice. For years I'd felt that if I was offered a chance to teach at a Christian college, I'd take it, but I never applied. Teaching here has brought opportunities I'd never otherwise have had, and I've never regretted the decision to come . . . We've had the best possible lives . . . This is now home."

Quite a statement from a native of Saint John, New Brunswick, who had deep roots in the Reformed Baptist Church there, had enjoyed success as pastor to the congregation of Bethany Bible College, taught on its faculty and been made yearbook dedicatee by the students.

Perhaps ever since his first conversation with Dr. Paine in the maritimes, when—without looking up from the Greek papers he was grading—Dr. Paine asked, "Did you ever teach?" Houghton has been his destiny. However that may be, his service here has included Bible and philosophy teaching, chapel coordination and church relations. To succeed at each of these has required different blends of his varied gifts and skills. His obvious friendliness, enthusiastic

advocacy, and willingness to push beyond stereotypes and his own comfort zones have built friends for the college on campus and beyond. Colleagues depend on him for candor and empathy. Pastors learned that he was interested in their opinions, would answer their questions and relay their concerns to campus. Since settling here Larry has substitute-pastored in some 65 area churches—from Presbyterians to independents.

He and Vesta, a lifelong friend and the first girl he ever dated, have given the college four alumni—a valedictorian and a salutatorian among them. Now Mullen says: "For 47 years we've not been free of obligations. Next year we're taking off—to clean out the office, see the grandkids, travel a bit . . . Then we want to give additional time to the Lord—maybe in Haiti, China or Australia." He expects to continue as a "fanatic" ambassador for "Houghton Church and the life of Houghton College."



ESTHER M. BURKE
*Excelling as wife, mother, homemaker—
and in five college offices*

"We interrupt this marriage to bring you the soccer season." So reads a plaque hanging in Esther Burke's kitchen. That saying well-represents a significant segment of her life since she came to Houghton. But Esther Burke is much more than Coach Burke's very supportive wife, having carved out a 28-year career.

Esther Meunch grew up in Rochester, NY, where her German parents had settled after coming to the United States as teenagers. Throughout Esther's childhood her mother worked as a cleaning woman and waitress while her father was a dairyman in Gates and Rochester, NY.

Esther attended Roberts Wesleyan college and met her husband Doug there. After they were married she worked at General Electric in Syracuse while Doug got his master's degree. After four years in northern New York, they moved to Houghton in 1958 when he became the second member of the physical education department. To help make ends meet on Houghton's small salary, Esther washed and ironed clothes for college students at bargain rates. Years later she donated similar service to a pastor's wife recovering from surgery.

In 1965 Esther began working part-time at the college, successively serving in records with Mrs. Lusk, in admissions, at finance with Betty Effland and Mae Smith, in career development with Lora Lynip, and as secretary to academic dean, Arthur Lynip. In the business office she has worked with Ken Nielsen, Dick Lausch, and Larry Whitehead. She began working full-time as purchasing agent/administrative assistant in 1985.

Esther and Doug have four children, all of whom attended Houghton. Says her husband: "Esther has been the epitome of a wife, mother, and homemaker, excelling in each of these." In retirement, she hopes to spend more time visiting elderly townspeople and, of course, her nine grandchildren.

HAROLD GRANT *The most enjoyable aspect of his job . . . working with people*

He's a miniature printshop. Harold Grant, operator of the quick print machine, does everything from design and layout to folding and stapling. The bulk of Harold's work today involves technology that didn't exist when he first learned the linotype keyboard. Still, he brings to his tasks a thorough knowledge of printing tradition, machine aptitude, and an appreciation for the elements of quality production that automated systems can't invalidate or replace.

Middle of 13 children, Harold worked at odd jobs for several years after high school until 1952 when he began work at Wesley Press in Syracuse, NY—then the denominational headquarters. Five years later a December fire gutted the entire block, destroying the headquarters, the Grant's fourth floor apartment with all their belongings, and ending his job. Harold continued to work in printing, first at a small newspaper in Saugerties, NY, then in Connecticut, where he ran linotype for another newspaper. He learned of an opening at what was Houghton College Press via his wife's sister and her husband, who managed the Houghton Inn in the early '60s.

Harold began operating Houghton's linotype in 1964. In those letter-press days, Harold was the man who made the "Stars" come out on Friday nights.

Students chose him as staff member of the year in 1970 and again in 1989. During those years, Harold learned offset printing and his and Vangie's five children attended the college.

Outside the shop Harold was a Houghton Fire Department member for 28 years, 17 of those as chief officer, two as chief. He has been a member of the Houghton Community Association for 14 years. Born and raised in the Catskill Mountains, Harold is an avid hunter and fly fisherman and bowls twice a week. He plans to do more of both in retirement, and spend more time with his 14 grandchildren. He says the most enjoyable aspect of his job has been working with people. ■



Match Factory II

Marriages Made in Houghton

The original Match Factory piece in April's Milieu dealt primarily with how couples met. This sequel emphasizes their insights about deeper aspects of relationship during courtship and over the years of marriage.

I was very attracted to her and we discovered on our first date that we had the same dream—to someday work with orphan children."

Recalling their budding relationship, Tom Britton '81, was speaking of Dana Lehman '80. He continued: "We quickly fell in love, but over the next two years we split up three times. (I was having trouble with commitment—no big surprise for a college male). After God straightened me out we got back together, and the summer after Dana graduated we were engaged. I still had my senior year to finish. Even though Dana's friends begged her not to marry me, we knew that our commitment was lifelong and we married on May 16, 1981."

Tom said their "most significant pre-marital experience" was

shared service in Houghton's residence life program under the direction of the late Beaver Perkins. "She taught us that you don't have to be some 'special' person to be used of God in student lives—you only need to be willing to be used." The Brittons cite emeritus professor Edward Willett for the best marital advice they've had—"Don't look at marriage as a 50/50 proposition. See it as 100/100 because there will be times when you'll need your spouse to carry you through rough waters when you are spent."

The Brittons have worked at three colleges and find each has distinctives. They feel Houghton's strength is the sense of community—"lessons in sacrificial caring" and an education that was "preparation for being contributors in our world, not just spectators."

Professors as Models

The role of married faculty and staff as models or advocates was a common though not universal survey thread. Rohn and Lisa (Steenon '85) Vogan '84 expressed "Thanks to dean Danner and president Chamberlain who personally encouraged us in our relationship growth." Perhaps half of the respondents affirmed specific professors as positive influences in their mutual devotion or egalitarian partnerships, though one said campus examples included "the good, the bad and the ugly."

"We met in the publications office, pursued the relationship in—appropriately—the Student Affairs Building—and a chemistry lab," say Elizabeth Kurtz '73 and Carl Lynch '71. Catalytic matchmaker was Nora Swindler Adams, then teaching journalism. Elizabeth continued: "It's a dangerous thing to mail this opportunity for self-expression to couples married for 20 years. . . . Marriage is difficult; dealing with the ravages of original sin at close range daily is painful, especially when expectations are exceedingly high. . . . There is no exemption for Chris-

tians from pain, disappointment and sorrow . . . no shortage of laughter, joy and companionship [either] . . . Our deficiencies are lost in His sufficiency."

A Mixed Blessing

The Houghton setting was a mixed blessing. The Lynch's recall once narrowly eluding the night watchman because of "familiarity with the territory and raw speed." Elizabeth noted, "But that was always the problem at Houghton—a critical shortage of available private space, due no doubt, to careful planning by the trustees." Al Hoover and Nancy Smith observed: At times it seemed our



Tom and Dana Britton and family

lives were under microscopic inspection and there was not much room to get away from each other. This tended to magnify any disagreements we had, [but] it may have helped to strengthen our marriage [because] we'd become used to working out disagreements!"

As new parents Ron and Sylvia (Sprowl '83) Duttweiler '85—who met as Houghton athletes, enjoyed a steak dinner for two sponsored by Austin Swallow as a first date, and who became engaged atop Chimney Mountain while hiking in the Adirondaks—lightheartedly express an ancient alternative to college dating: "We are setting up arranged marriages with our college friends

who are also bearing offspring at this time!"

Signs of the Times

Houghton marriages also reflect the age. The *Milieu* didn't contact couples who've divorced. While their numbers are fewer than in the general population, there are many of them. Survey couples noted stresses in their own marriages and the impact divorces among alumni friends have had upon them. Elizabeth Lynch noted: "We were deeply troubled by the breakup of [former faculty

friends'] marriage. They were models for us. Shared faith is a great help to finding a way through life together, but it is not insurance against disaster. Christian marriages fail."

Richard Wolf and Carolyn Banks, both '65, counter: "Our shared experience at Houghton contributes much to that which holds us together. We cannot return to campus without recalling those special places and events which shaped our lives and bonded us together . . . A Christian college is a great place to find a spouse, but that should not be one's focus."

To end this exploration of marriages made in Houghton consider the saga of Bert and Harriet (Kalla) Hall, both Class of '43. It was an October evening in 1939; the new frosh were having

Education majors. They became engaged New Year's Eve after a service at Harriet's home church—Churchill Tabernacle in Buffalo. Upon graduation, they married in 1943 with classmates Dan Heinz and Kay Wollenwebber (later Lindley) as best man and maid of honor.

The Halls went on to 26 years at Houghton, he as religion professor and academic dean, Harriet as a teacher at Fillmore School. For another 13 years they lived in California where he taught at Azusa Pacific College. They were in Houghton for their class 25th reunion and combined it with a 25th wedding anniversary celebration in classmate and then professor Arnold Cook's back yard.

Another quarter century has passed and Bert and Harriet will return for their 50th college reunion in July. There will also be a golden wedding anniversary reception put on by their daughters mingling classmates and other old friends. Nearly 54 years after their hay wagon introduction the Halls say their common background has given them much to share in cultural, athletic, academic and spiritual matters. As they consider moving to Texas to be nearer their children, Bert says, "All our loyalties are to Houghton." ■



*I traced upon the hill top.
The girls in mad pursuit,
The chapel bell was pealing,
I was the hunted brute!*

*Then screams of fiendish laughter
Came floating up the vale.
Alas! I knew the hunters
Were hard upon my tail.*

*The headmost foes came onward.
I started for the gate.
I tripped upon my shoestring—
That's how I met my fate.*

*Then pounced the foe upon me,
"He's mine," she screamed, "He's mine."
She put a rope upon me.
And led me down the line.*

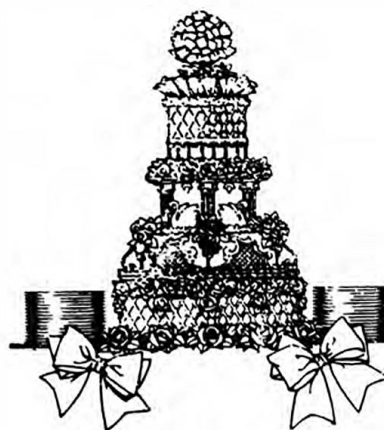
*She took me back in triumph;
She was so sweet and gay.
But I—I was the victim
Of a Sadie Hawkin's day!*

—Kenneth Motts '50
The Star—May 20, 1949



Ron and Sylvia Duttweiler

a Halloween hayride. Where Tucker Hill Road leaves Rt. 19 for the college farm, Bert stood waving a lantern to warn cars of the wagons' presence. As the last wagon turned onto the farm road, Bert jumped aboard, nearly landing on Harriet. They became acquainted that evening and through shared classes as Christian



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By using second-color numerals, Milieu now highlights news items we believe will be of interest beyond specific classes.

29 Wilfred Bain, who served as dean of the Indiana University School of Music from 1947-1973, recently received an award from the membership of Tubists Universal Brotherhood Association (T.U.B.A.), in gratitude for his vision and support of the First International Tuba Symposium-Workshop.

36 Alton Shea began serving as pastor of the Oramel (NY) United Methodist Church in April, 1993.

37 At age 76, Lynn Einfeldt of Honolulu, HI, has come out of retirement to act as interim pastor at The Gospel Baptist Church in Pearl.

40 Elizabeth (Cheney) Morse married Oliver Bashore on December 17, 1992, in Brooksville, FL. Her son, Terry W. Morse '68 officiated.

41 Allan and Evelyn (Geer '41) McCartney spent ten weeks this spring in Rüschlikon, Switzerland, doing volunteer library work at Baptist Theological Seminary, which serves all of Europe and Russia. Their plans included attendance at an Elderhostel in Turkey for four weeks in June.

42 Marvin Eyler recently presented a paper titled, "Spectacles, Asceticism and the Early Church" to the Christian Education section of The American Association for Health, Physical Education and Recreation in Washington, DC. In February he was named to Houghton's Athletic Hall of Honor.

43 Arnold Cook's book, *Of a Boy and His Valley*, is in its second printing (For review see Oct. '91 *Milieu*). Those interested in purchasing a copy may write to Mr. Cook at 20831 Frank Waters Rd., Stanwood, WA 98292. The price is \$9.95, plus \$1.55 for shipping (Washington residents please add \$.94 sales tax.)

47 Part I of Gordon Barnett's testimony was featured in the April/June, '93 issue of *OMS Outreach*. Watch for Part II.

Last January, Winifred Jacobson and her sister Doris returned to the Philippines, where they had served as CMA missionaries for 39 years. After the month-long visit, they planned to teach at a medical college in Wenzhou, Zhejiang, China for four months, but their visas were rejected. In-

stead, they stayed in Hong Kong for those months to teach Bible among the Chinese and Filipinos there.

50 Harold Blatt plans to retire on July 1, 1993, from his position as vice president for institutional advancement at The Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary in Philadelphia, PA. He will continue to work part-time as senior development officer.

Mary (Brunner) de Hernandez has been serving in Costa Rica for 40 years. She hopes to visit Houghton in the fall.

52 After almost 34 years as pastor of the Immanuel Baptist Church in Maple Shade, NJ, Herbert Mitchell has retired. He has been in the Gospel ministry for 40 years.

55 Ernest and Mary (Shreve '55) Hickman plan to retire at the end of June. They have been with TEAM in Aruba since 1987.

59 John "Pete" Hammond, director of InterVarsity's Marketplace Division, has been named director of Strategic Careers Project for Phase II. The Project seeks to help Christians in careers of all kinds envision their work as ministry, help career counselors direct individuals into fields which have great impact on the culture, and promote careers to which believers aren't giving enough attention in terms of their "salt and light" potential. Task force leaders come from groups such as Campus Crusade for Christ, The Navigators, and The Christian College Coalition. Pete was Houghton's Alumnus of the Year in 1986.

60 Stanley Sandler has been named to a Secretary of the Army research and study fellowship for the year 1993-94 to research and write a book on the history of U. S. Army psychological operations.

63 Two Federal Government publications by Dick Wire have recently appeared under the auspices of the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). One is a new edition of the *Disposition of Federal Records* handbook. It explains how to establish, manage, and operate a records disposition program within a Federal agency. Another is the 1993 edition of *A Federal Records Management Glossary*. This is a revision and expansion of the 1989 edition, which Dick also compiled. Besides writing records management publications, Dick manages NARA's records management training program for Federal employees. He and his wife Marguerite live in Rockville, MD.

64 Audrey Stockin Eyler teaches English at Pacific Lutheran University in Tacoma, WA. Her book, *Celtic, Christian, Socialist: The Novels of Anthony C. West*, was published in March by Fairleigh Dickinson University Press. West (1910-1988) has been recognized as one of the century's most distinctive stylists to write fiction in English. Eyler traces his sources and shows how his four novels about adolescence chart a systematic development of the human soul.



Gordon Anderson, Marie McCarthy

Marie (Anderson) McCarthy has established a memorial award in honor of her late mother, Marion, a one-time Houghton student who died last November. The first annual award went to Sharra Durham, an outstanding voice major from Carthage, NY, who will be a senior this fall. Marie writes that she and her husband, Robert, will accompany her father, Gordon Anderson '43, on a ministry tour of Mission Covenant Church congregations and educational institutions in Scandinavia this summer. Marie and her husband are music faculty at Acadia University music conservatory in Wolfville, Nova Scotia.

66 Eileen (Smith) Siglin received a bachelor of science degree in management of human resources in May, 1993, through Central Wesleyan College's L.E.A.P. program. She is a dietary manager and lives in Bishopville, SC.

Pat (Williams) Wait and her husband, David, are currently in Tokyo, Japan where he is on assignment for Kodak.

71 Grace (Bull) Vaus was recently selected to *Who's Who in American Teachers*, 1992. She was one of 195 out of 1300 awarded a Fellowship for Independent Studies in the Humanities for the summer of 1993, funded by the National Endowment for the Humanities. Her topic is *Women of the American Revolution: Camp Followers*. Her daughter, Alissa plans to attend Houghton in the fall.

72 Craig Criswell lives in Davenport, IA, where he is self-employed with netLOWA, a computer firm providing internet services to institutions.

73 Jim Newhard is employed by the New York State Department of Health as a regional supervisor for the state's tuberculosis control program. He lives in New Rochelle, NY, and currently serves as interim pastor of The First Baptist Church of Nyack.

75 Harry Thompson is curator and managing editor at the Center for Western Studies at Augustana College in Sioux Falls, SD. He was recently quoted in *Publishers Weekly* (Jan. 11, '93), saying that the historical West was even more exciting than what is popularly believed. He said, "It involved the participation of women and minorities to an extent seldom acknowledged."

79 Patty (Haring) Anderson and her husband, Phil, live in Lake Worth, FL, where Patty teaches adult English for Speakers of Other Languages and home-schools two of her four children.

80 Chris Norton played the part of Mrs. Frank in a recent Theatre Workshop production of *The Diary of Anne Frank* in Olean, NY.

Cindy (McGee) Yount has been the executive director of Head Start in Catawba County, NC, for over five years. She has expanded the program from 40 children and seven staff members to 120 children and 27 staff members. Cindy has been instrumental in providing many programs within Head Start to help strengthen the family through counseling, educational programs for parents and jobs. Cindy lives in Hickory, NC, with her husband, Lee, Sr., and their son, Lee, Jr.

81 Steve Hoover has returned to the U. S. after a period of teaching English in Manchuria, China. He is employed with Temple University's medical practice plan and continues to minister among the mainland Chinese in the Philadelphia area.

82 In May, 1993, Susan Anderson received a masters degree in social work from New York University. She supervises a group home for mentally ill adults in Ridgewood, NJ.

Gilbert Warren recently accepted the position of comptroller with D. M. Data in Marlton, NJ. He is responsible for developing, implementing, and ensuring adherence to all procedures and policies associated with the financial and administrative areas of the organization, which develops and supports software for police and government applications.

83 Daystar University of Nairobi, Kenya, is beginning a capital campaign in the U.S. to support a major campus expansion. Ron Navamanie and his wife, Marsha, have been asked to take an early furlough to support U. S. executive director Robert Oehrig '75 in the Minneapolis office at this critical time. They expect to remain in the U. S. for 2 to 3 years.

84 At press time, Joanne Tompkins had plans to leave in June for The Gambia, West Africa, to work with the Association of Baptists for World Evangelism. Her destination is a one room schoolhouse

in a remote area, teaching missionary children for two years. Her address will be: PO Box 154, Banjul, The Gambia, West Africa.

85 Bill Dockery was recently given significant press coverage for his work with inner-city youth in his hometown of Trenton, NJ. After his team of seventh and eighth grade playground-basketball players won a recent tournament, Bill discovered that one of the players was not only ineligible due to his age, but had also stolen one of the basketballs. Bill returned the basketball as well as the trophy, remarking, "We came here to show our bas-

Down the Aisle

Douglas & April Allen '86	8- 1-92
Bruce & Carol (Chaffee '91) Fielding '88	12-21-91
Thomas & Trista (Bourdeau '94) Hill '92	6- 3-92
Randy & Melissa (Downing '88) Knutson	1-11-92
Jeff & Sarah (Roth '90) Luckey '87	6- 5-93
Ivan & Karen (Hillman '92) Rocha '92	6- 5-93
Kevin Seaman '90 & Diane Alderman '89	7-28-90
Paul & Catharine (Peck '91) Skinner '92	9-26-92
Mark & Susan (Denton '78) Thurber	7- 7-92
Mark & Audra (Seymour '91) Warren '93	5-29-93
John & Kathy (Strawser '77) Worgul	12-20-92

Future Alumni

Paul & Arlene (Beveridge '84) Alderman '85	12-14-92
Phil & Patty (Haring '79) Anderson	10- 6-90
	Sarah Katherine 4-11-93
Steve & Jennifer (Streeter '88) Atkinson	10-22-92
John & Tashna (Hendriks '86) Benjamin	5-13-92
Jack & Wendy (Kipp '86) Connell '83	7-11-91
	Rebekah Rachel 3-27-93
Tom & Lynn (Cook '89) Craig '91	Michael Andrew 6-22-90
	Hannah Mary 12- 2-92
	Samuel Thomas 12- 2-92
A. Bruce & Judy (Laxton '90) Dake '89	Justin Andrew 4-20-93
Nathan & Kim (Hendricks) Ford '85	Andrew Bryan 3-22-92
	Katelyn Elizabeth 4-22-93
Dennis & Susan (Pentz '85) Frederick	Aaron George 5- 4-93
Fred & Paula (Cool '80) Gates	Breton True 4- 8-93
John & Debbie (Sloat '83) Gordon	Joshua Michael 3-12-93
Joseph & Rebecca Sue (Jones '88) Harvey '88	Olivia Grace 7-23-91
Thomas & Trista (Bourdeau '94) Hill '92	Macauley Thomas
Ken & Ami Holt '85	Kathryn Ann 3-15-93
Dave & Judy (Tennant '83) Mahony	Marisa Anne 9-13-92
Craig & Janice (Kibbe '84) Nelson '84	Peter Keith 4-15-93
David & Donalee (Blackstone '78) Olsen '78	Eliza Kate 12-22-92
Doug & Joelle (McKnight '81) Pember '80	Hannah Marie 5-23-93
Kevin Seaman '90 & Diane Alderman '89	Delaney Joan Seaman 12-29-91
Scott & Shari (Sheesley '86) Sobolewski	Kate Elizabeth 8-23-92
George & Gretchen (Gerber '78) Stam	Carolyn Alice 2-27-93
David & Kimberly (Cox '88) Staples '87	Haley Rae 8-23-89
	Sadie Lee 9-21-92
Stephen & Ruth (Woolsey '81) Strand '81	Mary Kathleen Woolsey 4-22-93
Scott & Janet (Carlson '83) Tennies	Christopher James 3- 9-93
Jeffrey & Deborah (Leonard '90) Vogan '91	Jennifer Kathryn 10-30-92
Joseph & Joy (Tennies '89) Walsh	Amanda Kay 4-20-93

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ketball skills, but we learned it's what's inside that counts—integrity, honesty and commitment." A systems analyst for DuPont in Delaware, Bill earned a bachelor of science degree in decision sciences and computers from Rider College (NJ) and a master of arts and administrative management from Bowie (MD) State.

Kim (Hendricks) Ford and her husband, Nathan live in Wasilla, AK, where Nathan is a science teacher and coach. Kim is a full-time mom and volunteers at the local crisis pregnancy center. (See *Future Alumni* column.)

Grace (Glick) Wenger's artwork was recently displayed in Hinkle Memorial Library at Alfred State (NY) College of Technology. Her show, consisting of gouache paintings, was titled, "Pieces of Eternity."

Alumni Potpourri

For further information about any of these items write the college alumni office or call us at (716) 567-9353 or 1-800-777-2556.

Coming to your class reunion this summer?

(July 9-11 and July 16-18)

Consider bringing the following: recreational equipment and clothing, Houghton memorabilia, photographs, swimsuits, sleeping bags (for children), and a small portable fan.

Soccer reunion planned

In celebration of Coach Doug Burke's 25 years as head soccer coach, the alumni office is planning a fall 1993 soccer reunion September 24-25. Activities will include the annual alumni vs. junior varsity game, two men's varsity games, special meal gatherings, and a tribute to coach Burke. More information is forthcoming. Soccer alumni, please mark your calendars and plan to be on hand.

Plan to attend Homecoming '93 Oct. 1-3

86 Douglas Allen graduated from the University of Buffalo with a master's degree in music theater on June 1, 1993. His final project was a solo music theater performance titled, "Human Prayer."

87 A fund has been established for the children of **Jon Walberg**—who died suddenly of apparent heart failure on February 2, 1993—and his wife, **Barbara (Felder '87)**. Anyone wishing to contribute may send checks (payable to the Roslindale Congregational Church) to The Walberg Fund, The Roslindale Congregational Church, 25 Cummins Highway, Roslindale, MA 02131. Please note "Walberg Fund" on the bottom of the check.

Tom Fenner played Mr. Dussell in a recent Theatre Workshop performance of *The Diary of Anne Frank* in Olean, NY.

Joaquin Marrero has been awarded a 1993 fellowship from the Consortium for Graduate Study in Management, which awards fellowships to high-achieving minority men and women who will pursue the master of business administration degree at one of the ten Consortium universities.

In April, 1993, **Richard and Melinda (Wood '87) Wright** began a year in Nagoya, Japan. Richard works for Raytheon Company at Mitsubishi Heavy Industries as a software engineer. They expect their second child in July.

88 Jonathan Lightfoot has been named community news editor at *The Corning Leader* in Corning, NY.

89 Diane Alderman and her husband, **Kevin Seaman '90**, have recently bought a house in Walworth, NY. Diane is a contract teacher at the Rochester Museum and Science Center, which enables her to teach part-time and stay at home with their daughter (See *Future Alumni* column). Kevin is a network engineer at the University of Rochester. His current project is to design a new human resource information system for the university and Strong Memorial Medical Center.

Joy (Tennies) Walsh completed a master's degree at Slippery Rock University (PA) in 1992. She currently teaches English at Butler County Community College in Butler, PA, where she lives with her husband, Joseph. (See *Future Alumni* column.)

90 David Gillham graduated from Wheaton College in May, 1992, with a master's degree in missions/intercultural studies. In April, 1993, he began serving a one year term as a missionary with OMS International in Hong Kong. His work involves teaching English classes in a local church as a means of evangelism.

91 Donna Forry, who has served as a staff assistant for Pennsylvania Re-

publican Congressman, Bob Walker for the last year, has been made a junior case-worker in his office.

92 Adrianna Colón is pursuing a master's degree in social work at Florida International University. She lives in North Miami Beach, FL.

Stacia Dagwell is a youth program assistant at The Chapel in Akron, OH.

Sally Dillon teaches fifth grade and works with the field hockey team at Winchendon (MA) Middle School.

Tammy (Girts) Holbrook is living in N. Charleston, SC, while working on a master's degree.

Sharon Jackson teaches third and fourth grade and high school Spanish at Heritage Hall in Hendersonville, NC.

Alumni Authors

The Bible Tells Them So: The Discourse of Protestant Fundamentalism, Albany: State University of New York Press, 1988, Kathleen (Confer '78) Boone. Reviewed by Richard Eckley, assistant professor of Christian ministries.

"The Bible says it! I believe it! That settles it!" Sweaty-browed, all the while thumping their Scofield KJVs, fundamentalist preachers have hid behind formulas like this in attempting to convince their congregation—and perhaps themselves—that they have a message from God. Questions surrounding just what the Bible says, how one enters into belief about it, and what it settles are never allowed to be raised. Houghton alumna Kathleen C. Boone has raised those questions and added an important **sounding** to and understanding of American Fundamentalism in her book. James Barr, one of the more important Biblical scholars in the area of literary criticism, added this praising review to many others: "Boone's discussion is so good that a review must be less a criticism of it and more a series of reflections arising from it." Reflections are still forth-coming.

Boone is not a theologian or a Biblical scholar but approaches the issue of authority in Scripture from her expertise in English literature. Certainly, this cross-disciplinary method becomes the strength of the work. Referring to literary theorists Hirsch, Fish, Said, and Foucault, she is able to discuss the question of biblical authority apart from the political arena of theological and biblical studies. Never having to raise the God question relating to faith and revelation protects her from knee-jerk reactions that would dismiss her before a fair hearing. That is not to say that she avoids controversial problems but that, using a different language, she is able to talk about these items without a predis-



Paul Crane

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posed category of bias.

This book is more a study about the use of the Bible than of the Bible itself. The chapters move us through the textuality of the plain book, the inerrant text, the literal sense or senses, the interpretive community, the authority of interpreters, and—as a particularly helpful example—the conception of hell.

She agrees with Michel Foucault "that in every society the production of discourse is at once controlled, selected, organized and redistributed according to a certain number of procedures, whose role is to avert its powers and its dangers, to cope with chance events, to evade its ponderous, awesome materiality" (14). Her book is an attempt to define the rules of the fundamentalist discourse and analyze how one uses them.

She argues that, despite what is said, it is not the inerrant text but the *discourse* of fundamentalism that provides the real backbone for its authority. Though fundamentalism's intellectuals deposit the word "inerrancy" in defending itself against liberalism very few of the rank and file could even speak intelligently about the doctrine of inerrancy. In fact, theological or biblical competency is often spurned in favor of the discourse about "Bible-centeredness." Dr. Boone gives an illustrative nod to her *alma mater* in addressing the well-known inerrantist position of past-president Stephen Paine. As one of the translators of the NIV who were all required to "believe in the inerrancy of Scripture", Paine shows how one's predisposition to the text decides its eventual meaning. This supports her position that "the authority of any modern translation is determined by the authority of the translators" and not by some imported doctrine or the plain text (48).

The last chapter describes the type of authoritative community created by this discourse. The Roman Catholicism hierarchical and visible system of checks and balances is compared to fundamentalism's emphasis on the informal, invisible character of authority. She warns, "One stands a far better chance of challenging a revealed authority than a hidden one, and one stands hardly any chance at all when that hidden authority is parading in the guise of holy scripture" (111). Almost pastorally, the author pleads for us all "to interrogate our discourses with rigor and expound our truths with humility" (112).

Boone wrote her book in the heyday of the Swaggart and Bakker scandals. In the wake of two decades of evangelical power politics and the recent David Koresh disaster, this study is a needed analysis, not of what the Bible is, but of how the Bible is used—and abused—by "the people of the Book."

In Memoriam

'31 Mary (Freeman) Bain died March 24, 1993, after several years in declining health. A concert in her honor was performed by the Indiana University Tuba-Euphonium Ensemble on May 2, 1993. At the concert, Bloomington, IN, mayor, Tomilea Allison, presented a posthumous award to Mrs. Bain in recognition of her legacy of cultural inspirations and contributions to the greater Bloomington community. She is survived by her husband of 64 years, Wilfred Bain '29.

'47 Floyd Banker died May 26, 1993, in Brooksville, FL, at age 91. He first attended Houghton from 1919 to 1921, later receiving an AB ministerial degree in 1947. He began his missionary service in Gujarat, western India in 1924, serving there until the terminal illness of his wife, Hazel (Rodgers '23) brought him back to the U. S. in 1959. On June 7, 1961, he married Gracia Fero '33. They served in Jamaica from 1963 to 1968 when Floyd was required to retire due to his age. However, he returned to Jamaica in 1969 and 1970 to supervise the building of two churches planned for before he left the field, as a Gospel Corps worker. Those trips included shorter ministries in Haiti and Puerto Rico. In 1972-73 he and Gracia ministered on eight mission fields in the Far East. Since 1968, their home base has been Brooksville, FL, where Floyd has been active as a Sunday school teacher, assistant church treasurer and building fund treasurer, trustee and member of the local board of administration (Wesleyan). He has been a member of the choir at the Brooksville Wesleyan Church since its founding in 1973. He is survived by two daughters, Alyce Heyboer '48 and Helen Syswerda '54 and a sister.

Funeral services were held for Floyd Boardman (S) in Gas City, IN, followed by interment at Huntington. After college in Indiana he pastored churches in Michigan, Iowa and Colorado before becoming a letter press operator at Houghton College Press in the 1950s. When he retired Rev. Boardman was working in the printing department of Taylor University. Survivors include his widow, daughters, sons and grandchildren.

(S) Paul Crane died April 12, 1993, at home after a long illness. Born in Nunda, NY, he was married to the former Nancy Isaman, who survives. Paul was Houghton College's superintendent of buildings and grounds from 1976 to 1985, when he resigned to devote full-time to Allegany Log Homes, the business he and his wife founded in 1980. Besides his wife, he is survived by two daughters, Billie Bedford '85 and Tammy Newville '86; two grandchildren; his parents; a sister; and several aunts and uncles. Memorials may be made to the Garwoods (NY) United Methodist Church.

'38 Harold E. Dorsey died April 1, 1993, in Hornell, NY, at age 76. Born January 9, 1917, in Wellsville, NY, he was married to the former Doris Bullock, who survives. He was a graduate of Angelica (NY) Wilsonian School, Craig Colony School of Nursing, and served with the U. S. Navy in the Pacific during World War II. A registered nurse, he was employed with Craig Colony in Sonyea, NY, for over 20 years, retiring in 1977, and was a member of the Hill Warner Post, American Legion of Angelica. Surviving besides his wife, are a son, a daughter, three grandchildren, a brother, and sister.

Ellsworth Decker, long-time Elmira, NY, contractor and the man who between 1951 and 1973 supervised construction of nine Houghton College buildings, died of complications from a lung disorder May 26 at the age of 81. Mr. Decker not only donated his time to the projects, but made in kind gifts to the college and recommended Houghton to his friends as worthy of philanthropic support. In 1989 the college presented him with a distinguished service award. In central New York he built many homes and business structures, but his favorite construction projects were churches, some 39 of them. Generally he donated 10 percent of the contracted price back to the church. Mr. Decker was a member of the Gideons, served on the board of The Association for Child Character, was a past president of Kiwanis and an avid volunteer. Survivors include his wife of 60 years, sons James (HIA) and Randolph '65, nine grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

'43 Florence (Cobb) Ewan died February 5, 1993, at her home in Cedarville, NJ. Although she had been seriously ill for the past two years and had just recently been released from the hospital, her death was unexpected. Born in Port Norris, NJ, she was the wife of the late Robert E. Ewan, who died in 1955. She graduated from Port Norris High School in 1939 and from the University of Delaware in 1943. She received a master's degree in guidance and pupil personnel services from Glassboro State College, now called Rowan College of New Jersey. She taught at Port Norris High School, Millville High School, Oak Leaf School and Myron L. Powell School in Cedarville. Most recently, she taught sixth grade in Upper Deerfield Township for 22 years, retiring in 1990 after 43 years in the teaching profession. She was a former member of the Eastern Star, and the Cumberland County Historical Society. She was an active member of the Deerfield Presbyterian Church where she was a former Sunday school teacher and a member of the Women's Guild and flower fund director. She is survived by a son and daughter, three grandchildren, a brother and sister, and a niece and nephews. Memorials may be made to the Memorial Fund of the

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Deerfield Presbyterian Church, Deerfield, NJ, or the Woodruff School Library Fund, c/o Woodruff School, Highway 77, Seabrook, NJ.

'33 **Ruth (Lawrence) Gearhart** died February 18, 1993, at her home in Howell, MI, of cancer. She is survived by a son.

'31 **Faith (McKinney) Scott Jennings** died April 1, 1993, after a short illness. Born in Akron, OH, she was married to Gerald Scott, who predeceased her in 1973. In 1982, she married Earl Jennings, who survives. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Cuba, NY, was an avid walker and reader and enjoyed sewing. Surviving besides her husband are three daughters, two step-daughters, many grandchildren and great-grandchildren, two sisters, and several nieces and nephews. Memorials may be made to the Cuba First Baptist Church or to Grace Alliance Home, 600 Florida Ave., Deland, FL 32720.

(S) **Marion E. Spencer** died May 3, 1993, after a long illness. Born January 1, 1907, in Rushford, NY, he was married to the former Nina Moore, who died in 1987. He was a retired farmer and worked on the college farm for several years. He was a member of the Fillmore (NY) Wesleyan Church. Surviving are a sister, nephews and nieces. Memorials may be made to the Fillmore Wesleyan Church.

Milieu has received several incomplete death notices which appear here, with dates of death, if known: **Harley Gearhart** '60, died November 14, 1992; **Howard Hudson** '23; **Rory E. Lake** '76 died October 12, 1992; **Clifford J. Lamberton** '35.

Memorial Gifts

Memorial Gifts were instituted by the alumni board early in the '70s. Today, donors to the fall annual fund may stipulate that their gift honor or memorialize individuals. Occasionally gifts made for other purposes are designated in writing as given in honor or in memory of a specific person. Either way, donor and honoree names are preserved in a permanent college record. This Milieu column was derived from that record as of June 3, 1993.

Thomas C. Armstrong by Mr. & Mrs. Thomas E. Armstrong;
Faith McKinney Scott Jennings by Mrs. Helen Farnier;
Bruce Merritt, Jr. by Mr. & Mrs. Kevin Knowlton;
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Looking for Lost Family

Houghton College seeks to recover ties with some 2,000 lost alumni. The following list represents some of them. We ask that you take time to read the list and write to Tim Fuller or Bruce Campbell at the alumni office with the addresses of people you know. Have you been out of touch with your *alma mater*? When you write, include a few sentences about yourself to the attention of Debbie Young.

1938
Wendell Campbell

1943
John Gabrielson
Paul Smith
Robert Brairton
Robert Casler
Alan Johnson
Paul Miller
Richard Moore
Paul Sternengerg
1953
John Benson
Allen Campbell
Herbert Chamberlin
William Clemmer
Roland Given
Lawrence Green
Thomas Hewgill
Hubert Jicha
Norman Linhart
Robert Loveless
Charles Messick
Douglas Monroe
Donald Otis
Robert Pavelka
Robert Perkins

Donald Peterson
Duane Pride



Walter Pyster
Dean Ransom
Richard Reed
Albert Runge
Ray Schuh
Charles Schultz
Salem Towne
1958
Howard Bauer
Raymond Bohn
John Bush
Jay Cole

Robert Cryer
Charles Davis
Jerry Dorsey
Edward Dow
James Dyet
John Foulk
Charles Haxton
Wilburn Holland
Christian
Kristensen
Stuart Leyden
John Nelson
Richard Olson
Harold Rigas
Fred Royce
Howard White
Albert Williams
Richard Woll
Robert Womer

1963
John Agrusti
Kenneth Anderson
William Ayer
Paul Biggers
James Biggs
Robert Burns
Joe Byerly

David Calderwood
Donald Chapin
Philip Collmer
William Commack
Howard Eager
Donald Emens
Ted Filmer
Charles Green
David Hamilton
Arnold Hammer
Gareth Hightower



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Richard Irvine
Ronald Keith
Timothy Kenyon

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Early Chapter Meeting Schedule

Date	Location	Activity	Representative
Sept. 10	Chicago Area	Soccer Game	Bruce Campbell
Sept. 17	Finger Lakes	Dinner	Pres. Chamberlain
Sept. 24	Buffalo	Dinner/Reception	Numerous
Sept. 25	Toronto Area	Dinner/Reception	Numerous

A L U M N I
IN ACTION

John Lane
Daniel Lau
Ronald Main
Titus Ngaamba
David Porkola
Stephen Saunders
David Schell
William Seaman
David Sloan
Wayne Snyder
Robert Steeves
Gerald Tenglund
Charles Villalonga
Lawrence Wambaa
Joseph Weber
John Zull

1968



Ronald Archer
John Bonnema
Donald Brickel
Lloyd Crawford
Roy Dodge
Charles Gardner
Weldon Greenman
Leon Guilford
George Heckart
E Song Lin
Dennis Mac Kinnon
James Martin
Richard Merrell
Paul Mihn
Ralph Miller
John Norman
Gregory Palmer
Ronald Sittig
Daniel Wegner
Eugene Wilkins
Richard Williams
Philip Wineland
Paul Zabriskie

1973

Randy Bradway
Robert Bush
Neal Carsten
Robert Clark
Edward Conover
Alan Couch
Paul Dominguez
Richard Duthe
Wilfred Gaertner
Leon Gibson
Mark Gilmour
Jeffrey Halbert
Bruce Havens
Keith Hayes

Theodore
Hildebrandt
John Hurne
Michael Iannettoni
Paul Kennel
Robert Mariani
Douglas
Nightengale
Robert Peterson
Gary Pollard
William Roodhouse
Stanley Schies
Stanley Smith
Stephen Spencer
Paul Taber
Philip Tonnessen
James Webb
Dale Wood
Stanley Wood

1978

Mickey Bailey
James Brown
Stephen Fitzwilliam
David Pelton
Thomas Reiner
Alan Salvage
John Schweiger
James Stone
Kenneth Strait
Jay Thomas
Steven Waligur
Richard K. Walker
Philip Wanck
Clifford Winkox
David Winkler

1983

David Acree
Elijah Arap Korich
Anthony Bitcheri
Karl Bruno
Michael Fields
Richard Hawkins
Stephen Joseph
Larry Manhardt
Scott Sheldon
Scott Smith
Bruce Smith
Jonathan Wells



1988

Stephen Beun
William Clark
Scott Curtis
Jonathan Enderlin
Theodore Glick
Charles Janke
Patrick Moran
Stephen Newton

To facilitate classmate recognition, the following list of women includes maiden names.

1935

Helen Link Brown
Marion Angell Herrick
Eleanor English Shaner

1940
Mildred Schaner Blom
Jane Hurd Cross
Lucille Scott Deville
Easter Clark Mc Daniels
Esther Olin Roser
Katherine Roberts

Urbanczyk

1945

Ruth White Bovee
Gladys Wright Mac Intyre
Lillian Fisher Weaver
Irene Stephens Yount

1950



Martha Hartshorne Adiano
Rose Wilcox Arblaster
Jeanne Zinn Benson
Jean Spaulding Blasdel
Edythe Marshall
Breithaupt
Kiku Omine Cuthbert
Betty Pierce Danielson
Ruth Lawrence Frase
Donna Boyle Holland
Ruth Lavancha Lee
Janice Mote Mack
Mary Ross Mallory
Miriam King Ondre
Marjorie Smith Ruff
Thelma Mae Atkins
Seuffert
Alice Smith Weber
Frances Stetson Wheeler
Barbara Reed Wright

1955

Claire Hambly Black
Ruth Glock Cauble
Inge Schneider Green
Sara Davis Grier
Helen Mc Kaig Julian
Shirley Eddy La Force
June Greene Maiville
Jane Ewing Miller
Beverly Behringer Panten
Nila Eshelman Pompa

1960

Mary Kamp Allen
Betty Stillman Apgar
Ethel Brewer Archer

Sharon Meahl Gould
Lois Gearhart Hartzler
Patricia Hayes Hoy
Miriam Jackson Lyon
Joan Walker Sather
Beverly Rowley Stanger
Phyllis Scott Straulka
Elaine Parks Strong
Donna Tallman Towle
Sandra Wells Vitron

1965

Geraldine Gould Barrow
Virginia Faller Christopher
Anne Bartlett Dusenbury
Barbara Biggart Frazer
Gloria Dittman Godding
Carolyn Verhey Johnson
Lois Newberry Jones
Patricia Hill Klenke
Sharon Miles Newvine
Patricia Weir Nyslicki
Patricia Stone Pierce
Charlotte Molnar Roberts
Janet Perry Scovill
Evelyn Stocker Smith
Elaine Varley Thellman
Janette Hooker Wilde

1970

Ruth Payne Baker
Joan Voorhees Beith
Esther Davis Connelly
Nancy Ruder Craft
Ann Armstrong Dodd



Linda Greer Hallam
Patricia Stevenson Paine
Geraldine Breckenridge
Rothstein
Marjorie Hall Short
Rebecca Smith Van Wie
Susan Neel Verity
E Dale Saunders Watts

1975

Patricia Warner Anderson
Linda Johnson Barany
Sally Keller Clemm
Kathleen Calkins Cook
Rose Marie Burden Gagne
Carrie Villavieja Grant
Lidia Reid Guzman
Sara Swindler Haldi
Diane Egli Hirt
Cheryl Miller
Hollingshead

Nancy Lewis Hughes
Donna Slater Kline
Patricia Nickless
Merryman



Faye Zimmerman
Montgomery
Rhonda Roush Moore
Lynn Mcpeek Pentz
Mary Lenz Rickettson
Susan Jacobs Sager
Denise Beers Scutt
Donna Alderman Shafer
Niki Amarantides Smith
Deborah Peangatelli
Whelpley
Judy Fink Williams
Deborah Camp Witt

1980

Marilynn Jones Bodden
Deborah Lindsey Brase
Ruth Bean Brown
Kathi Fotch Burkhart
Susan Hostetter Krieger
Carol Taylor Latting
Karen Curnow
McCluskey
Rebecca Brown Ocampo
Marsha Rexford Rexford

1985

Susan Silsbee Ackley
Royce Anderson Brand
Laura Maranz Dean
Susanne Loftin Dicicco
Susan Gifford Elsner
Lorraine Fox Gendruce-
Fox
Laurie Campbell Lawton
Katherine McGarvey
McGarvey Gute
Deborah Davis Richardson
Kimberly Fisher Sherwood
Amy Hautzinger Stamp
Nancy White Zavacky



College Gets Two Computer Labs

Helping students cope with demanding word processing loads, providing necessary depth for math and science courses, and providing general technological facility for graduates moving into a world where computers are the common connection among diverse activities places a continuing demand on the college. Last summer a new 32-station IBM compatible computer lab was installed in the academic building.

This spring a second 25 station IBM lab has gone on line in the science center, to be connected by a new server to the one in the academic building. A third lab featuring Macintosh equipment will be operational by fall.

The new IBM-compatible lab and its connection to the existing facility is financed by \$66,000 in gifts from math and science alumni and other friends interested in computers, some of them IBM employees, and a series of matching corporate gifts. One alumnus enabled the college to purchase terminals and server at his dealership rate—\$4-5,000 below the next best estimate—and contributed what would have been his profit. Overall cost includes related furniture, hardware and software, carpeting, other remodeling in the science building and the labor of connecting the new Novell networks operating system.

Data processing director,

William Roeske, who designed and supervised installation, explained that connecting the two labs via the college's fibre optic lines optimizes operational economy and efficiency via more economically licensed shared software, greater use flexibility and need for just one lab proctor. Computing capacity was increased in both locations and a backup hard drive is on-line.

The former computer science network has been moved upstairs in the science center and tied into the campus VAX network.

Departing Faculty

C. L. Bence, academic dean and vice president of the college from 1987-92 and dean of Christian life and ministries last year, will leave Houghton to become professor of religion at Indiana Wesleyan University beginning this fall. Dr. Bence will teach graduate and undergraduate courses there.

Professor of sociology since 1975, Dr. Mary Conklin will serve in a similar position at Point Loma Nazarene College in San Diego, CA, starting in the fall. Beyond her classroom role, she has been director of international programs. Dr. Conklin was instrumental in the founding of the student organization Afro-American Cultural Exchange (formerly Black Student Organization) in 1980 and has remained its faculty advisor.

José Velázquez, assistant professor of Spanish since 1988, has left Houghton to pursue his Ph.D. through Valladolid University of Spain. Much of the first two years can be done in his native Puerto Rico, and he will also teach at Anderson University, IN.



Profs. Bence, Conklin, and Velázquez

Christian Life Director Named

The Rev. Dr. David B. Lewis, has been named Director of Christian life, succeeding Dr. C.L. Bence. His duties will include oversight of the chapel schedule, preparation and scheduling of outreach groups and developing a sports ministry outreach.

Dr. Lewis, who was pastor at First Baptist Church of Franklinville, NY, has also been women's soccer coach at Houghton since 1991. He graduated from The King's College, (NY) with a B.A. in religion/philosophy in 1978, completing M. Div and D. Min. degrees at Gordon Conwell Theological Seminary. He's taken other graduate work in Massachusetts and California.

In college Lewis was an NCCAA All American and NAIA All-District soccer player. There he also received the American Bible Society Award for Excellence in Religious Education and Biblical Studies. For a year after college he played soccer for Athletes in Action division of Campus Crusade for Christ in California, while serving as team program director.

Since 1986 Rev. Lewis has led the Franklinville church into significant congregational and plant growth while serving as education director for the Franklinville Crisis Pregnancy Center, and as a member of health and studies committees at Franklinville Central School. From 1988-90 he also coached girl's soccer there.

With previous experience in New England coaching soccer, wrestling and softball, he has been a camp soccer clinician in Massachusetts, California and Ohio. Lewis holds USSF Coaching Certification from UCLA, CA. Earlier he was associate pastor in Reading, MA, focusing on Chris-



Drs. Lewis and Young

tian education and youth ministries, including short term missions. Earlier he was a part-time youth director at the West Point Military Academy post chapel. Lewis and his wife, Eileen, have two daughters.

Dr. Lewis's appointment is part of a consolidation and realignment of duties occasioned by Dr. Bence's departure. Psychology professor Dr. Paul Young, interim academic vice president last year, will resume his classroom responsibilities, and also assume overall coordination of relations between the college and its church constituencies. In this capacity he will represent the college to all interested area churches, more widely to the sponsoring Wesleyan Church. During the summer Young will visit churches, conferences and camps. During the school year Dr. Lewis will assist him in the general work of church relations.

Summer Conferences

Wearing its summer conference center guise, Houghton College will host 53 organizations or groups between May 21 and August 7, attracting some 5,000 people to the campus for sessions as large as 750—the United Methodists for their 21st consecutive year—and down to a dozen attending a church board retreat. Nineteen conferences are expected to draw more than 100 guests each. Among the events hosted will be college events, weddings, sports camps, church conferences or camps, retreats, a high school graduation and music camps.

In his 12th year as conference director, Bruce Brenneman and his summer staff of Priscilla Ries, Rochelle Smith, Bill Allen and Sonya Weir will solve problems that in the past have ranged from locating an Elderhostler lost in Letchworth Park to getting an

extra 300 pillows and blankets on short notice. They make many friends for the college via thoughtful, dedicated, on-demand service.

The summer conference program is a solid student recruitment tool and the newest addition to the schedule should be another winner. The 150-student Signature Band and Choir Camp will operate for 18 July days, and feature weekend concerts—including one in Letchworth Park. Houghton College has designated scholarship aid for 10 participants from surrounding counties. Student musicians range from 12-15 years old.

Drawing from the largest area geographically, apart from alumni weekends, may be the national conference of the Association of Christians in Student Development held in June. Apart from its recruitment and liaison functions, the conference program helps stabilize college income through the summer months.



Dr. Christenson and Ms. Reigles

Faculty News

Dr. Larry Christensen, professor of chemistry, will be on a one-semester sabbatical this fall to do research in his field at the University of Buffalo and at the University of Rochester. Additionally, he has tentative plans to attend a conference. In June and July he and his wife Bonnie served with Habitat for Humanity in Goshen, IN. They plan to travel in California, specifically San Francisco, in August and September.

Associate professor of history, **William Doezeema and his wife, Linda** (archivist and coordinator of

public services at the library), spent 11 days in Japan during May visiting the emperor's quarters in Tokyo, shrines and Buddhist temples which had been restored after the destruction of World War II in the ancient capital city of Kyoto, and memorials to Hiroshima bomb victims in that city.

Dr. Doezeema said he will be able to incorporate what he saw and use some of the books he purchased in Hiroshima in future history classes. Besides the professional aspect of the trip, Doezeemas visited former Houghton faculty members Peter and Judi Mollenkoff in Tokyo.

Ms. **Lawrie Merz**, reference and music librarian, received the Elizabeth Holt Prize for best graduate paper at Syracuse University. Her paper was titled "Lady Venetia Digby as 'Prudence' by Anthony Van Dyke: a representation of 17th century English court culture."

Associate professor of voice **B. Jean Reigles** is taking a sabbatical during the fall semester to finish her doctoral dissertation begun a year ago at Texas Tech University. Her topic is choral music of Amy Beach, one of the first important American women composers of the late 19th, early 20th century. Ms. Reigles will continue directing the college choir for the first part of the semester, preparing the music group for their October concert with the Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra. Other plans include attending concerts and traveling to libraries in New Hampshire (Ms. Beach's birthplace), Boston and Washington, DC.

In May and June, business and economics department head **Richard Halberg**, spent 13 days in Hungary lecturing on free enterprise and business ethics in eight cities. Last year's trip (see *Milieu* for Jan. '93) produced requests to interact with American managers, so Halberg took Maine CPA Dave Olsen '78, and Florida attorney and community leader James Welch along.

Accident Victims Memorialized, Surviving Friend Carries a Sense of Mission

Twenty-one months after an auto accident took the lives of James Francis and Paul Maxwell, their classmates have graduated. But classmates, parents, other family and friends of the budding teacher and artist have assured that the memory of both young men will endure in ways appropriate to their interests and the purposes of Houghton College.

Jim's parents, James and Janice (Marolf) Francis, both class of '66, have used their son's memorial fund contributions to date to construct three shelters adjacent to the college ropes

course pavilion.

James and Nancy Maxwell, Paul's parents, have established the Maxwell Memorial Scholarship, an endowed fund intended for annual award to a junior student, based on need and Christian commitment. The college continues to

welcome memorial gifts for both young men.

Scott Hansen, driver of the car in which Jim and Paul were riding when a vehicle in the

opposing lane crossed over and caused the fatal head-on collision, survived to graduate in May. How has he coped with the "might of beens" of the accident? He's taken the advice of a pastor who visited him during the days he was confined at Erie County Medical Center after the crash—"Deal with things as they are."

Hansen says the ensuing months have been a learning process of God's faithfulness. "I feel more for people—you never know how long you'll have them." He added, "Relationships are where it's at." As resident coordinator for the Powers House dorm, he's striven to maintain a spiritual emphasis.

Scott, who initially transferred to Houghton because of encounters with Houghton alumni involved in the Highlander program, says their mutual outdoor interests was how he met Jim Francis and Paul Maxwell.

Academically, Scott says he's tried to run from history, but that it's run him down. So it would seem. This fall he has a full tuition Cohen Scholarship for graduate work in history at the University of Rochester. He anticipates a career in teaching, but adds, "I don't know why my life was preserved, but there is something I have to do."



Scott Hansen

Arbor Day

More than 100 staff, faculty, administration and community volunteers participated in the sixth annual modern Arbor Day at Houghton the weekend before commencement.

Bush, tree and flower plantings (33 dozen of them), litter walk, trimming and weed removal were the main events—not counting the end-of-the-day picnic on the quad which drew 290, and featured games and a concluding monster 100 water-balloon toss.

Good weather and a sense of

cameraderie produced more volunteers than who'd officially signed up, and resulted in many volunteers doubling their two-hour shifts or staying the whole day. The resulting sprucing-up made the campus more attractive for commencement visitors and summer conferees alike.

Not confined to Arbor Day, but part of campus improvement, was a refinishing of the chapel portico and the ongoing replacement of all shrubs around Luckey Building, according to coordinator Lisa Bennett, to be completed by Summer Alumni Weekend.

Cited for Character

For the fourth consecutive year, Houghton College has been named to the John Templeton Foundation Honor Roll of the nation's highest character-building colleges and universities. As one of only four New York State institutions to be named, Houghton is among 111 schools chosen nation-wide, 73 of which are church-related. Nine hundred candidates were nominated by the presidents and development directors of over 1,450 four-year, accredited colleges and universities.

Youth Weekend

"Can you be recognized in a crowd as a Christian and do you want to be?" That was the leading question for Houghton's May 14-16 youth weekend which drew 329 overnights for seminars based on the missionary theme: "Where in the World is Walto?"

The largest group, 87 participants, came from the Rochester Youth Association, an inner-city Black and Hispanic ministry. Another 26 came from metropolitan Toronto with the rest from churches in western New York and Pennsylvania. Significant numbers of young people responded to the ministries of keynote speaker Dan Seaborn, minister of youth from Holland, MI; seminar speakers Tray Williams of Urban Christian Ministries of Buffalo and Wayne Arum of Buffalo's Metropolitan Chapel; and the contemporary Christian music group, The News Boys. The latter drew nearly 800.

A sponsor track focussed on the role of youth group sponsors in developing outreach strategy, scheduling events to emphasize missions-mindedness, and providing information and training in preparation for service, as well as designing followup projects to the weekend.



At Houghton College, Paul Pang met and married the former Marjorie Dunbar of Massena, NY (above). The Pangs live in Hong Kong, but frequently visit their daughters in LaMirada, CA, where he sometimes lectures at Biola University. During a post-commencement reception, Dr. Pang spoke of his work in Hong Kong and two exciting opportunities in China. Paul's been asked by the government to consult on constructing a new multi-acre campus on the outskirts of Beijing, for a traditional Chinese school ranging from pre-school to high school. Near Canton, he's consulting on a similar school based on western forms. Both will be models for training future national leadership and are being financed by firms doing business with China. As construction is completed, the schools will be phased in a year at a time, with Paul making recommendations on securing the best teachers and administrators. Clearly many of these will be teachers he has trained. Chinese officials were so pleased with the training he gave teacher/administrators last spring, that he's been asked to offer similar seminars to some 4,000 others later this year, and the Chinese government will be printing some of his texts for distribution.

Commencement Highlights

In his Sunday address: "The Case of the Insufficiently Converted Apostle," professor Woolsey argued the progressive nature of the Christian walk from "conversion to Christ," to "conversion to the church—discipleship-in-community," to "conversion to the world." He said the latter entails "being in the world, sent to the world and living for the world."

Two hundred and fifty students graduated from Houghton's regular baccalaureate programs and the second cohort of 11 non-traditional students graduated from the new adult degree Pro-

gram for Accelerating College Education. In presenting the graduates for their degrees, Academic Dean Paul Young singled out Jeff Falke of Taberg, NY, as the college's first fifth generation graduate. Senior class president George Weidmaier announced the class gift to the college, a ceramic mural to be created this summer by Houghton professor Gary Baxter and affixed to the exterior stonework of the Willard J. Houghton Library main entrance.

Valedictorian for the '93 class is Karen Elaine Reese of Newark, DE. She earned her B.S. in chemistry *summa cum laude*, minoring in mathematics. Karen was a chemistry lab assistant, lettered in field hockey and played several intramural sports, sang in women's choir and is listed in the 1993 edition of *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges*.

Salutatorian is Paula J. Marolewski of New York City. Also *summa cum laude*, she earned a B.S. in writing with minors in religion and history. She received senior honors in English for her fantasy novel, *Land and Fire*. Written in journal form is a second novel, *Meditations of a Slave*. Her writings, which have won her awards for excellence, focus on Christian spiritual growth. Paula was a student assistant in the religion department, and participated in a radio drama.

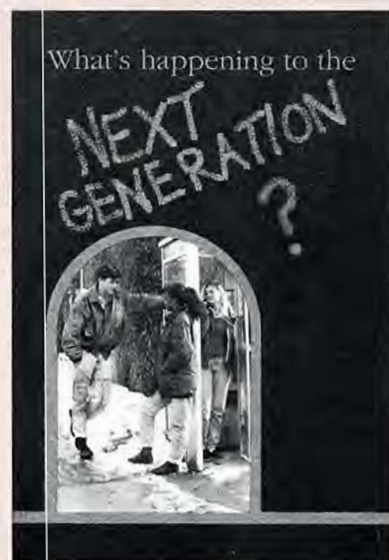
The graduating class included a set of twins and three married couples. Ten graduates were faculty or staff dependents. Read in the listing of graduates were the names of James Francis and Paul Maxwell, both killed in an October 1991 auto accident (see story on page 30). Receiving her degree *in absentia* was Dietlinde Fabian, daughter of Wycliffe missionaries in Papua, New Guinea. Ms. Fabian left campus to be with her mother after learning of her father's murder on the Wycliffe compound in Ukarumpa April 29.

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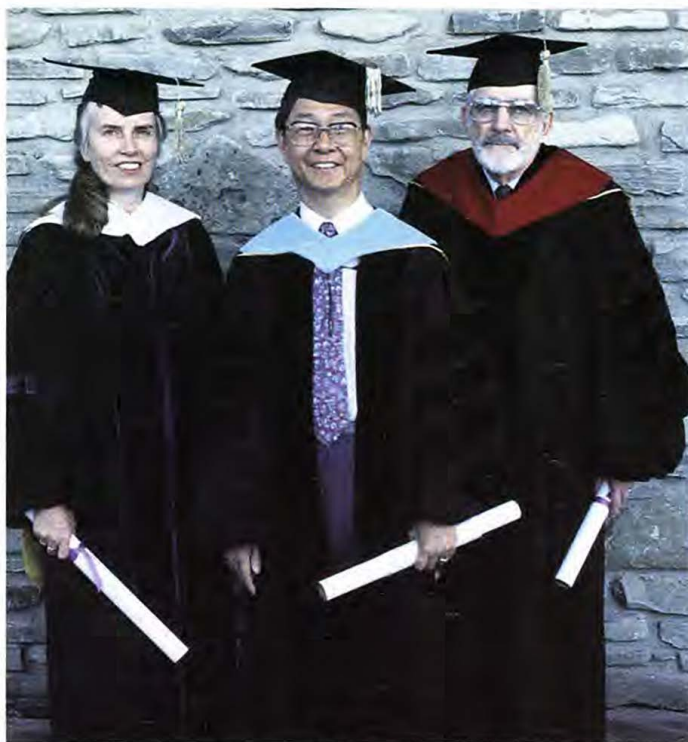
Houghton Academy's Double the Vision campaign chairman, Dr. Bud Tysinger, has announced that the academy has received a \$100,000 matching grant proposal which could boost the academy's prospects for a spring 1994 ground breaking on new and renovated facilities. The condition of the grant requires \$100,000 in new cash gifts by December 1993.

Two-thirds of the way into the campaign, donations and pledges have surpassed \$665,000. This first challenge for matching funds in the campaign comes at an appropriate time, according to Paul Shea, campaign director. "We had reached a plateau," Shea said, "and this outstanding promise can help us recapture momentum."

The academy's continued enrollment gains (124 students in 1992-93) and broadening recognition underline the need for more space. This fall area daily commuters from outside Houghton seem likely to exceed 60 students, a 329 percent increase from just five years ago. The expansion project doubles classroom space, library facilities and for the first time provides adequate chapel/auditorium and office space.



For more information and a recent Academy publication, "What's Happening to the Next Generation?" contact Philip Stockin, Headmaster, Houghton, NY 14744.



Left: Drs. Carolyn Miller, Paul Pang and Warren Woolsey. Above: All dressed up to see Mom graduate—the daughters of PACE graduate Cherry Maxwell enjoy refreshments at Buffalo Suburban Campus graduation.

261 Graduate, 3 Alumni Honored

Addressing Houghton's '93 graduating class May 10, Dr. Paul Pang drew on his own remarkable experiences as an educator in Hong Kong to challenge the class to "vision, commitment, preparation and action."

Noting that personal brilliance is not a condition for success built on such a model, Pang explained that before he came to Houghton in the early '60s, he had taught in Hong Kong government schools. There he recognized that a burgeoning population promised major opportunity for sound education and infusing Christian values.

Completing his bachelor's degree here in 1964, master's and doctoral degrees at SUNY Buffalo (NY), and a second master's from the University of

Toronto, Pang first returned to Hong Kong in 1969.

Beginning with 32 students, over the succeeding decades he founded schools which now serve thousands. (Oliver Lau, an alumnus of one of these schools, was a member of the Houghton Class of '93 and is profiled on page 6.) Dr. Pang's Research Institute for Christian Education, designed to prepare teachers for Hong Kong's reversion to Chinese control in 1997, now includes leading administrators and teachers from mainland China interested in integrating values and education. Rather than a threat, Pang sees the coming changes in Hong Kong as a major opportunity to influence the future of Chinese education, infusing it with spiritual values.

After the address Houghton president Daniel R. Chamberlain presented Dr. Pang with an honorary Doctor of Pedagogy degree. Other awards included a Doctor of Sacred Theology to Sunday's baccalaureate speaker and retiring Houghton professor Warren M. Woolsey; and a Doctor of Humane Letters to Carolyn Paine Miller, Wycliffe Bible translator in Southeast Asia and a member of Wycliffe's international board of directors. Each is a Houghton alumnus.

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State _____

Zip _____

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