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MYLINE

Happy New Year! No, wait! Remember, clichés got to be that way because of their basic truth. Our Happy New Year expresses genuine optimism and hope which you've helped to inspire.

In response to changing styles, needs and reader input, *Milieu* has re-invented itself several times over the past 20 years. Some changes have been pronounced, others evolutionary. A cycle of change begun with this issue won't be completed until next summer, but at reader request, several items are receiving attention now.

Reflecting an enlarged magazine, we've instituted a contents page. For five years each masthead has encouraged reader contributions—from news to feature ideas, from opinion pieces to photos. Now the invitation is clarified and in larger type. The letters column still offers guidelines for would-be scribes, the alumni news columns will continue to solicit your news and provide a vehicle for response. Memorial and In Honor gift columns will restate their origins and purposes in each issue. Since *Milieu* no longer maintains the college mailing lists, we've shown where to send address changes in two places—as part of the masthead, and on the back cover. And we hope you'll find the new departmental IDs up front and through the book helpful, too.

Notice the reincarnation of an editorial advisory board. These people will serve a year at a time, helping to evaluate concepts for future issues and critique what is produced. If you feel more comfortable sharing concerns with them, please do so. All can be reached in care of the college except for Diana Schneider. Bruce Campbell is assistant director of alumni relations, Susan Crider chairs the language and literature division, and Richard Wing wears hats from writing and editing to keeping college records. Ms. Schneider is a senior staff editor at The Reader's Digest in Pleasantville.

As *Houghton Headlines* is dropped from the schedule, *Milieu* not only grows larger, but returns to five issues. The new August edition will focus on alumni interests. Thanks again to 1,525 readers who've contributed some \$19,546.50 to this year's VSF. Your support sustains the changes we're making, and is helping us upgrade computer facilities for desktop publishing of the magazine.

One more thing. This issue is completely printed on Evergreen recycled stock using soybean-based inks. The paper is 50 percent recycled fiber with at least 10 percent post-consumer waste. The Simpson paper company notes that their chief environmental object in providing recycled stock is not saving trees—they grow pulp wood faster than they use it—rather, their goal is to reduce the volume of paper products flooding landfills. The inks are less toxic in use and as waste. Significantly, we're able to take these "green" steps without increasing our costs or reducing production values. We hope you find that the features of this issue also reflect the theme of re-evaluation and change in response to need and new information.—Dean Liddick

LETTERS

Milieu welcomes letters to the editor related to subjects addressed in the most recent issue of the magazine. We ask correspondents to confine themselves to one typed page, and we reserve the right to edit for space available.



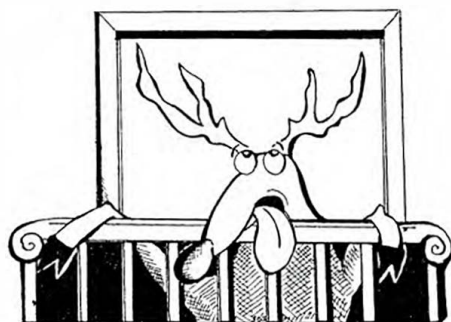
Dear Editor:

Since the October *Milieu* which featured my late brother among the 10 Houghton alumni killed in World War II, I've discovered this picture of him and family members which you may have for the college archives. Standing in front of my brother Merton (in uniform) is his son.

As the son of a naval officer killed in the war, Michael was eligible for an appointment to Annapolis when he grew up. Indeed, he eventually chose that option, went on to serve on nuclear submarines, and is now a west coast executive for Texas Instruments.

Sincerely,

Robert McMahon
Belfast, NY



"Oh deer!"
(another great prank)

Dear Editor:

Since you didn't invite further contributions to the archives in this category, but should have, here's one in hope that more will come.

A weed is a perfectly honorable plant that's "atopos" (as the Greeks say), out of place. A 12-

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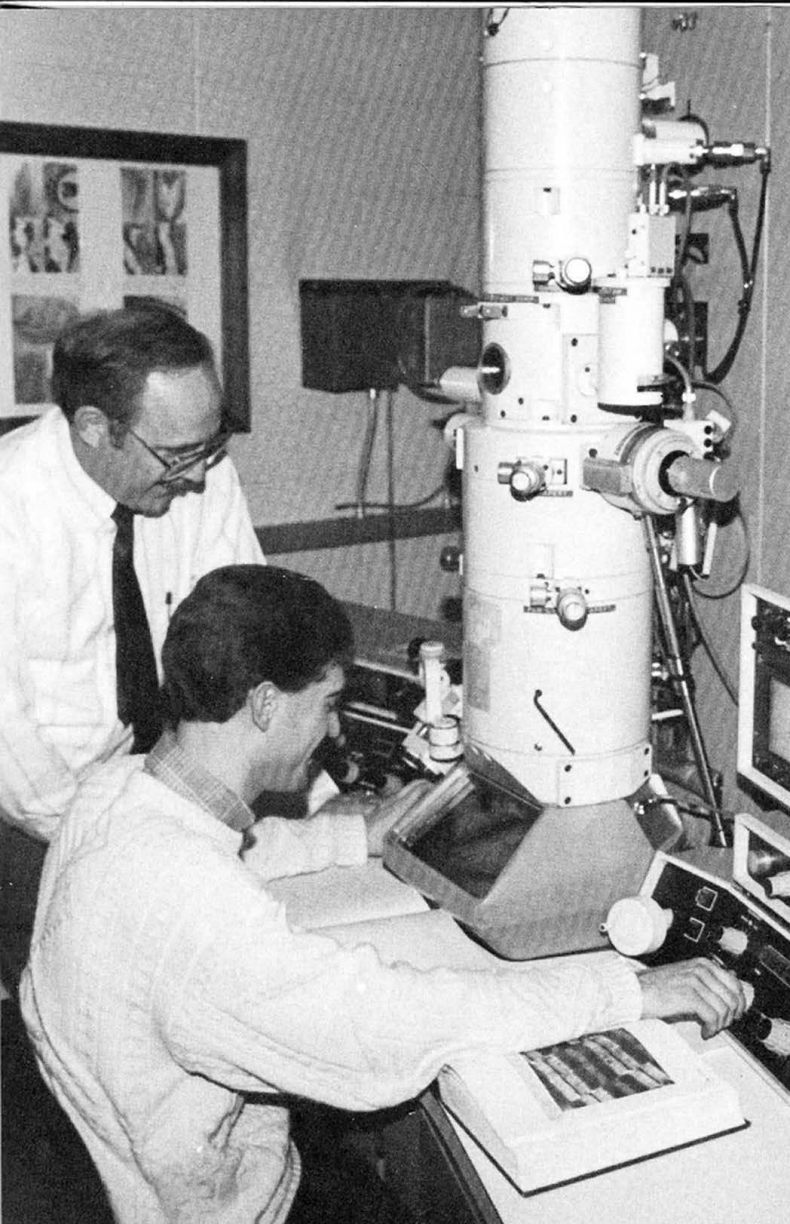
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Alumni "Instrumental"

Donated instruments make a difference in Houghton's science program, people who've made it happen, and a post-Christmas wish list.

AN ELECTRON MICROSCOPE salesman, father of a former Houghton student, was the initial catalyst for the gift by Eastman Kodak Company of a 1978 JEOL electron microscope to Houghton College. The instrument replaces a 1961 model and significantly advances the college's capability for student and faculty research in biology, chemistry and physics.

At Kodak the microscope served in the laboratory of Dr. John Minter, section supervisor and group leader in analytical microscopy, which characterizes samples for film and other products. Dr. Minter, and Kodak technicians Anthony Tadde and Robert Meyers, were present at Houghton for ceremonies dedicating the instrument. Tadde also helped Houghton science professors Fred Trexler (physics) and Kenneth Boon (biology) set up the instrument and gave operating instruction. Dr. Trexler's role saved the college the \$9,000 set-up charge an outside firm would have charged.

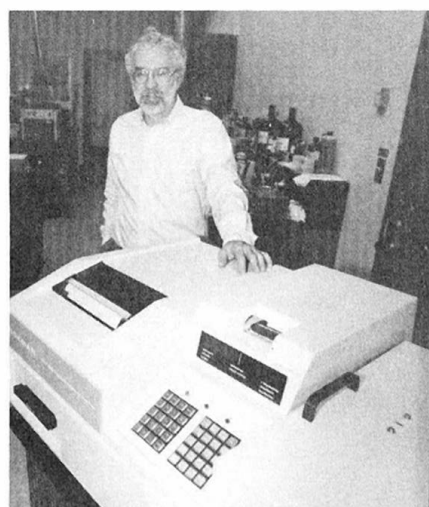
Dr. Minter learned of Houghton's interest in obtaining an upgraded microscope from the salesman while he was selecting his own new one. The salesman suggested the possibility of a gift, knowing that Dr. Boon had been searching for an upgraded instrument for two years, but that his requirements and limited budget made a purchase unlikely. (The gift microscope and its accessories cost in excess of \$200,000 new.) Minter explained: "We'd used the instrument a long time and it was an old friend. We were delighted to find a home for it where it would have good use."

An initial user of the electron microscope will be senior biology major Michael Trexler, son of Dr. and Mrs. Fred Trexler. Working under Dr. Boon's supervision, Michael's senior honors project will involve developing techniques to locate and study the attachment of dystrophin protein molecules on muscle fiber membranes. Absence of these molecules causes Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy. The younger Trexler has been accepted by several medical schools and anticipates a career on the mission field.

The microscope magnifies objects 90-250,000 times, operating via transmission or scanning modes. The former creates an image by passing electrons through translucent specimens. The scanning mode offers a surface view of dense objects.

Ann (Grohs) Rowlands graduated from Houghton in 1982, earned a Ph.D. at the University of Rochester and has a career in analytical chemistry at Eastman Kodak. In 1990 she contacted her former chemistry professor, Dr. Larry Christensen to say that her firm would be willing to donate a visible/ultra-violet spectro-photometer to the college. Christensen knew the instrument was the logical replacement for the college's obsolete model, and would be useful to biology and chemistry students.

Lynette M. Miles '77, was doing amino terminal sequence analysis on proteins generated in basic research at Smith Kline Beecham in 1990. She explains, "Because [my research was more suitable done on our gas phase sequencer] I wasn't using the Beckman 890 as much anymore and told my supervisor. SKB would only store the instrument for six months then junk it. I suggested we give it away—once we declared it 'obsolete' we could do so upon approval by our department head." Lynette took the intermediate step of checking to see if her supervisor's wife, a biochemist at a nearby university wanted it. She did not. "A little diplomacy goes a long way



Dr. Christensen with the spectro-photometer

when the Lord's hand is working," Lynette observes.

In writing a Christmas card to Dr. Christensen a year ago, she started the ball rolling for the transfer. Subsequently she accepted a position at Merck, Sharp & Dohne and it became important for Houghton to pick up the instrument from SKB before Lynette left. Drs. Piersma and Shannon arrived to load the sequencer on August 1, '91—Lynette's last day at SKB.

The three instruments which have come to the college over the last 15 months will be significant in keeping Houghton competitive in the sciences. Even used, their market values would have precluded their purchase. Still,

the division has a varied wish list of additional equipment, some of which readers may be in positions to steer toward the college.

The 14 items Dr. Shannon shared with the development office and *Milieu* range from high-end and technically complex to the mundane: i.e., "an evaporator shadower sputter coater for the new TEM/SEM microscope, without which the SEM portion will be useless" (\$9,000), and an autoanalyzer (\$30,000). At the low end the division needs a new chest type freezer to replace one that no longer functions (\$400-500), and a platform shaker/rocker (\$700). A complete list may be had from Dr. Shannon.

Chemistry³— Science Sisters' Saga

LYNETTE MILES, agent for Houghton's acquisition of the Beckman 890 sequencer, is the middle sister of a remarkable family trio who each majored in chemistry at Houghton in the '70s, all daughters of a Binghamton school administrator, all three now active in chemistry-related professions.

Ruth Miles Stone '74 blazed the trail, applying to Houghton because of its reputation and the encouragement of alumni friends and parents. Today as assistant professor of chemistry at Malone College (OH), Ruth says: "Not only was [Houghton's] chemistry program academically challenging, there was always the persistent challenge to apply a distinctly Christian spiritual perspective to the study of the sciences. Brilliant, thoughtful teachers—Larry Christensen, Irma Howard, Stephen Calhoon, Bernie Piersma and Donald Monro showed that science and faith could be compatible. . . Beyond excellent preparation for graduate school, I gained a desire to fully integrate my faith and my life's work."

After Houghton Ruth taught ninth grade science and took graduate courses, then completed her M.S. and Ph.D in clinical chemistry at Cleveland State University in 1984. She has been a medical technologist at the Cleveland Clinic Foundation, and directed an independent clinical laboratory. Birth of her daughter led her to reassess her career and family goals, resulting in her accepting her current post. As a professor Ruth now sometimes wonders: "Will I be as good as the teachers I had at Houghton?"

Initially Lynette was accepted for geology at another Christian college, but costs there were too high so she followed Ruth to Houghton, recalling: "Even though I wasn't an 'ace' chem major, Dr. Christensen made me believe I



Once the instrument is set up, senior chemistry major Elisabeth Veith will use the Beckman 890 in her senior honors project which entails separating different amino acids from lectin proteins.

could actually do chemistry. . . I especially enjoyed his devotionals." She, too, cited other science faculty for scholarship, "for their Christian convictions, examples and sacrifice to be at a Christian college." Lynette adds: "I truly have an edge in getting highly competitive jobs because of my background and my instrumental and analytical skills [developed] in the 'hands on' lab and instrumental experience at Houghton—unmatched [even at some] larger, wealthier universities."

MaryJo '78, followed her sisters to Houghton and on to graduate work at Cleveland State where she earned her master's in clinical chemistry. For the next six years she was a quality control supervisor in the radioimmunity lab of a community hospital. Following a desire to be involved in third-world medicine and serve the Lord in a new way, MaryJo spent 1985-86 at Greenville Mission Hospital in Transkei, South Africa. There she worked "to establish blood chemistry testing with a spectrophotometer donated by my [former] lab, its critical electrical adapter donated by Lynn's laboratory."

As a result of that year she returned to the states determined to change careers. Last August MaryJo completed a physician associate program at Yale University School of Medicine and a residency in surgery. Currently she is on the staff of Norwalk (CT) Hospital. She concludes, "Houghton taught me how to think, so that with God's help it is less and less difficult to see the forest among the trees along the way."

From Willard to Wayne:

"Friend-raising" Supports Houghton's Mission

by Deborah Fero Young '76

HOUGHTON'S MISSION (paraphrased from the college catalogue): to provide an educational program of academic excellence, grounded in evangelical Christianity, at a cost within the reach of students from all economic strata; to produce students who can think critically, as well as creatively and apply Christian principles to life experiences from a global perspective, transcending provincial and sectarian attitudes; and to prepare scholar-servants who are capable of combining reason with faith, theory with practice, and life-long learning with service to others.

glad to help such a place thrive. In fact, thousands do annually.

As vice president for development, Wayne MacBeth is responsible for strategic planning. Also, he and Ronald Smith do a lot of traveling and phoning to keep in contact with alumni and friends as well as make new friends for Houghton. Ron is particularly concerned with corporate relations.

Well versed in financial planning,

Ralph Young counsels individuals who want to invest in Houghton College as well as provide security for themselves in retirement years. By offering plans such as annuities and unitrusts, he enables investors to enhance their future well-being while assuring a meaningful gift which will help Houghton continue to carry out its mission.

research

Stephen Bariteau and his assistant, Eileen Spear, are involved in research. Stephen utilizes an information data base from Dun and Bradstreet and *Dialog* from Palo Alto, CA, to glean information of use to the other staff members. He is also the director of the local business campaign, working to keep business leaders from the local environs involved and interested in Houghton.

Eileen is currently focusing her attention on broadening the base of foundation support. Corporate and individual private foundations exist in order to provide funding support for special interest causes that are generally non-profit. Eileen searches through her foundation directories to find those foundations which want to support the specific endeavors which match our intentions and mission. For instance, in light of the current campaign for the fine arts center, she is looking for foundations which fund the arts. Recently, the Lewis P. Gallagher Foundation of Cleveland, OH, promised a \$100,000 gift to the endowed scholarship funds for missionary children attending Houghton. The grant is coming in annual \$20,000 increments.

When a potential supporter is identified, a proposal is written by Eileen, Barbara Bates, or Melinda Trine. The



From top left: Melinda Trine, director of annual fund and campaign manager; Wayne MacBeth, vice president for development; Ralph Young, director of planned giving; Barbara Bates, secretary; Stephen Bariteau, director of prospect research and records; Lana Raye James, data processor; Diane Neal, secretary; Eileen Spear, research assistant; Diane Galloway, assistant director of the annual fund; Ronald Smith, director of current gifts.

YOU SAY YOU WORK in the development office? My daughter has mentioned the career development center. Is that where your work?"

"No."

"Oh. Well, my son has had some dealings with student development. Is that where you work?"

"No."

"Well . . . do you develop film?"

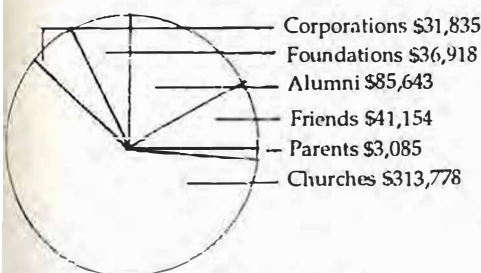
"No, no, no!"

Hey, what *do* they do in the development office? Look at what Roget's College Thesaurus couples with the word *develop*: *evolve, unfold, mature, grow*. All of those words are part of what the development office staff attempts to do. Houghton College cannot evolve, unfold, mature or grow without funds over and above those which come in through tuition and room and board payments. Those funds cover only about 85% of the total operating budget. It is the task of the development office staff to raise the remaining 15%.

Is it difficult to spend your days asking for support? Not according to vice president for development, Wayne MacBeth. Since taking on that position last fall, he has discovered that he isn't embarrassed to ask for support "because I feel so very good about Houghton College. I'm asking people to give to something that *I know* is worthy of their investment." Wayne's words echo those written by Houghton College founder, Willard Houghton, in 1887, "I believe this school is God's own hand planting and He will raise up friends to perpetuate it for the good of the world." Today's development office is the great-grandchild of Willard Houghton himself who traveled widely raising money for the construction, equipping and financing of the physical plant and encouraging young people to attend the school he loved. Now ten people are occupied in those endeavors.

friend-raising

A lot of time and effort are spent in simply making friends with people. The staff believe that when people know about Houghton College and its mission, what it can mean to the future lives of young people—not to mention to the world—many of them will be



CURRENT GIVING STATUS

Between July 1 and December 31, 1991, unrestricted current giving reached \$513,491, half way to the June 30, 1992 goal of \$1.062 million. Alumni, church, parental and corporate giving is up. Reflecting the general economy, friends and foundation contributions are nearly halved from a year ago. While the total is down \$44,000 from last year, donor numbers are up slightly.

proposal introduces Houghton College and explains our Christian mission. Over 40 proposals went out this past fall alone.

please and thank you

Melinda Trine coordinates strategies for the annual fund, looking for creative ways to communicate Houghton College's needs. She coordinates seasonal appeals which are mailed to alumni and friends regularly, in an attempt to mesh with varied giving habits. She also organizes special projects, such as class reunions in conjunction with class officers, and off-campus "events" at which alumni and friends gather to hear about Houghton College. This year, in an effort toward better stewardship, the alumni and admissions offices are planning to join in these events.

Melinda also provides leadership in the area of foundation support, is the manager of the capital campaign, and is the phonathon director. This yearly effort raises scholarship money for each year's incoming freshman class. The funds raised follow that class throughout their four years at Houghton. Melinda "likes helping to make Houghton affordable." The office often receives thank you notes from students who were able to return to school only because of phonathon funds.

Diane Galloway directs the student phonathon. As the name implies, it is staffed by students who Diane reports are "good phoners". Planning, executing, and cleaning up after the Phonathon require most of her attention from November through March. Diane does a lot of the phoning herself. She says that she "counts it a privilege to tell people about Houghton College and its mission and encourage them to support it" because she remembers

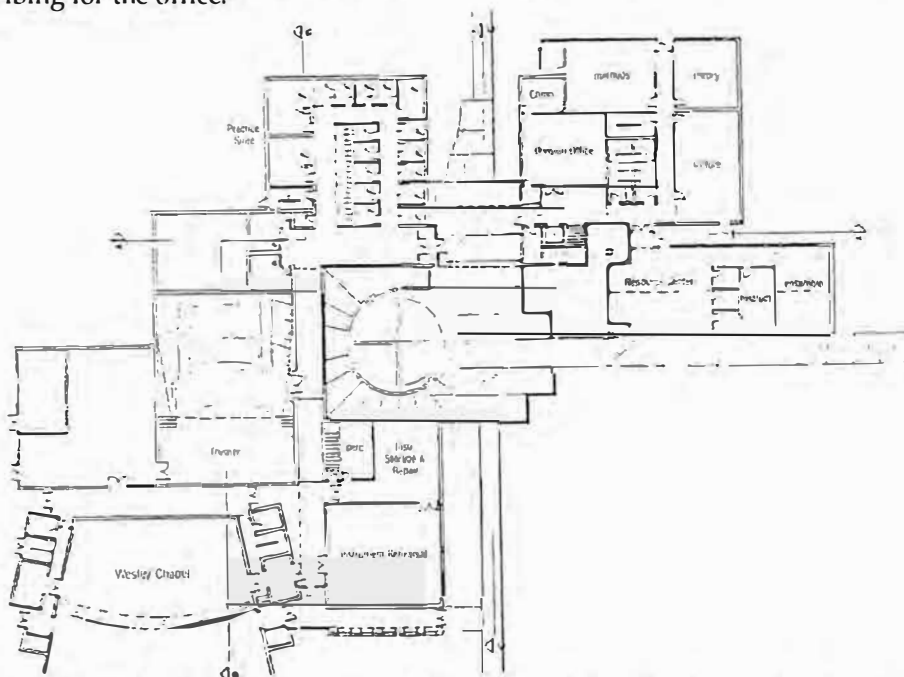
what it took for her own parents to send her to Houghton.

Diane is also in charge of donor acknowledgement. In addition to written acknowledgements, she calls perhaps 300 people a year to thank them for gifts. In the process, she provides a listening ear for questions and comments about the college.

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Barbara Bates oversees the word processing for the office, writes foundation proposals, and helps organize the processing of all annual fund mailings (10,000-11,000 pieces each mailing). Diane Neal is personal secretary to Wayne MacBeth and Ralph Young, handling their scheduling and general secretarial needs. Lana James does much of the word processing and transcribing for the office.

The development office could easily be populated by folk who have no interest in those that they contact beyond how much money they will give. However, that is not the impression that I got from the interviews I conducted with the development staff. I was impressed by the genuine commitment expressed for sharing Houghton's mission and the expressed belief that the world needs the kind of people Houghton College continues to produce. The development staff seeks to bring Houghton before the wider community and share that a gift to Houghton College is an investment in a better future. As Willard Houghton wrote in 1884, "This [school] will go on benefiting the world after we have all gone to the Father."



Capital Campaign for the Fine Arts Center

TO IMPROVE fine arts facilities more quickly, while making the raising of the projected \$8 million cost more manageable, Houghton's trustees have divided fine arts center construction into two phases. Phase I will include the most urgently required facilities (pictured above). Trustees resolved that groundbreaking for phase I may occur when 75 percent of its estimated \$4 million cost is on hand in cash and pledges—a minimum of \$1.6 million of that in cash. As of December 31, 1991, \$874,579 in gifts and pledges had been received. (This does not count the related \$1.2 million cost of the Stevens Art Studios funded earlier.) MacBeth reports that many potential donors are pleased that phase I includes a performing arts theater and are committing to this specific aspect of the center.

Total capital giving this fiscal year—endowment, general, new academic building and fine arts—as of December 31, 1991, is \$319,2526.

THE TUMULT and the shouting have died; the captains and the kings of Persian Gulf fame have departed—at least from our television screens (with apologies to Rudyard Kipling's *The Recessional*). The media have brought out article after article on Muslims and their faith: the Five Pillars of Islam; Muslims at prayer; Muslims fasting; Muslims segregating their womenfolk; Muslims protesting...

Most Americans, especially Christians, can understand Islam as a monotheistic religion rooted in Judeo-Christian tradition, simple, highly structured in observance and characterized by good works and the hope of salvation in contrast to a Christian transformed life and certainty of heaven.

But what are all these Muslim political movements? Americans with their rigid "wall of separation" between religion and government have monumental difficulty comprehending a government like Iran's where religious observance is mandated. Or Syria's national anthem, with its references to Islam which make Syrian Christians uncomfortable singing it.

Don't they know these things aren't fair? That minorities and even less-than-devout Muslims have rights? Then there are fundamentalist movements in most Muslim countries which aim to seize their governments and restructure them in accordance with Islamic jurisprudence and tradition.

Two factors are at work here, one theological, one historical. The theological: all of life is to be lived in the context of serving God. (Fine, so far, but there's more.) The five-times-daily prayers ("contact prayers" one group of American Muslims calls them) are a reminder of this and keep the believer or servant in constant contact with God.

Daily activities are undertaken by the faithful with the Qur'anic utterance "in the name of God the Merciful, the Compassionate." Theoretically, all who are born into the community of Islam can legally be expected to adhere to the

ISLAM: Can Religion and Politics Mix?

by Faith (Winger '45) Crown

Faith Winger Crown '45 lives in New Hope, PA. She spent 20 years as a Presbyterian missionary in Syria and Lebanon. Mrs. Crown holds advanced degrees from The Biblical Seminary in New York and the Near East School of Theology in Beirut. In 1982 she examined aspects of Arab-Israel conflict for Milieu and continues to write and lecture on Middle East topics.

Muslim lifestyle—observance of the Five Pillars (confession of faith, daily prayer, month of fasting, relief of the poor and pilgrimage to Mecca) very much as medieval Christians were expected to attend church, pay tithes, observe feast days and obey their divinely-appointed rulers.

While many agree that all of life ought to have a godly framework, conflict arises when the concept of religious community is pushed to the point of compulsion. Any who have read accounts of missions in Muslim lands will remember that there is often stern opposition to the convert to another religion, even to the point of death for having broken faith not only with God, but with the Muslim community. Community solidarity can be so strong that little room is left for conscience.

Minorities, while officially tolerated, even in Iran, sometimes feel the brunt of some functionary's over zealous action. The prophet's dictum that there should be no compulsion in religion is often conveniently overlooked.

The historical factor is not unrelated. Islam has a long history of feeling, usually justifiably, put down. The prophet Muhammad, having seen that Jews and Christians each had a divine revelation of their own, rejoiced that the angel Gabriel's revelation to him was an Arabic Qur'an, thus putting the Arabs on an equal footing with their

neighbors to the north—and removing a certain sense of inferiority, at the same time vanquishing a very corrupt paganism. The centuries to come brought a slow decline in the fortunes of the Islamic empire after its Golden Age of the eighth and ninth centuries. The Crusades (read "invasion by infidel barbarian Europeans") and later conquest by the Ottoman (Turkish) Empire furthered the feelings of powerlessness.

Then there was Napoleon's invasion of Egypt and later the French colonization of North Africa. In the next century the rise of Hitler and his anti-Semitic philosophy galvanized an embryonic Zionism toward the drive for a national home, interpreted by the Zionists to mean "state." The final blow—the establishment in 1948 of the state of Israel, depriving thousands of Muslim (and Christian) Arabs of property that had been in their families for generations. (The Muslims entered Palestine in 638 A. D. and captured Jerusa-

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lem peacefully two years later.) U. S. support of the new state and the failure of the Arab countries to unite effectively against Israel in subsequent wars have compounded the feelings of frustration.

"Why?" ask thoughtful religious Muslims. A PBS special, "The Sword of Islam" (1987) focusing on the Muslim

Brotherhood in Egypt and Shiite extremists in Lebanon provides one answer: we have been unfaithful to Islam. If we repent and return to the principles and practice of our faith, God will bless us with victory and success—an echo, perhaps of:

"If my people which are called by my name shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways: then will I hear from heaven and answer them and will forgive their sin and heal their land." 1 Chron. 7:14 KJV

This thinking motivates the Muslim Brotherhood and similar groups who seek, by violence if necessary, to replace existing governments with radical fundamentalist ones. So Anwar Sadat was assassinated in Egypt, Ms. Bhutto with her feminist and other reforms was voted out in Pakistan and Shiite clergy in Iraq have tried unsuccessfully to oppose Saddam Hussein.

Only in Saudi Arabia is the ideal of an Islamic state maintained, with hairline cracks in the wake of the gulf conflict. Iran is close, having no major cracks, but perhaps more moderates. The (Muslim) republics of central Asia of the former Soviet Union are emerging from 70 years of suppression to print the Qur'an freely, make the pilgrimage, rebuild damaged mosques and otherwise express their faith.

It remains to be seen whether this new freedom will give rise to radical movements on the pattern described above. In Tadzikistan, Muslims seem to have Communism on the run; its new leadership, according to a newspaper report, wants "a type of European democracy under the banner of Islam" (an oxymoron?)—rejecting the oppressive Khomeini model. Ethnic Russians of that republic aren't buying it, though; many are leaving.

Azerbaijan, which includes an Armenian enclave, is experiencing a religious revival—and developing close ties with Iran. This raises fears in neighboring Armenia that the championing of their brethren in Tadzikistan will take on the dimensions of religious struggle.

Those who pray for peace—not only in Jerusalem—take note!

"...That they may be one"

impediments hindering and steps toward realizing Christ's prayer for his church

by Dr. Carl Schultz

U.S.

Secretary of State James Baker's efforts to achieve peace and understanding in the Middle East received wide media attention. Not nearly so well covered, was a recent effort at better understanding between the Middle East Council of Churches and Evangelicals for Middle East Understanding which I attended.

Meeting in Cyprus, September 28 - October 4, were some 150 church and parachurch leaders—90 of which were from the west and 60 from Middle Eastern countries—to inform, to dialog, to consult and to worship together utilizing several languages and a variety of liturgies, some very ancient. I found these worship experiences profoundly moving.

While heavy matters such as missiology and ecclesiology were the prominent theological concerns, the basic and practical issues of trust/mistrust, cooperation/competition, indigenous/foreign, kept surfacing in the dialog.

Mr. Gabriel Habib, general secretary of the MECC, asserted that the failure of American evangelicals serving in the Middle East to understand the realities of religion there has led to duplicative and competitive ministries. Some western leaders countered that overtures of cooperation had been made in the past, but had been rejected by the ancient churches of the region.

The attitude of the churches of this area relative to Western missions was forcibly presented by Lebanese Archbishop Keshishian. He contended that the upbuilding of the church, not expansion, should be the aim. He rejected out of hand the parachurch movement so popular with American evangelicals.

Last, but certainly not least, the church's mission is a struggle for peace and justice.

The political discussion of this consultation was essentially reduced to the Israeli/Palestinian conflict. This was due at least in part to the forceful presence of Father Elias Chacour and the platform given to the Jewish theologian, Dr. Marc Ellis, who unhesitatingly stated that the chief impediment to peace in the region is not the Palestine people, but the expansionist and violent state of Israel.

The Persian Gulf War, not surprisingly, was assessed differently, depending upon the location of the respective churches. Anglican Bishop John Brown of the gulf area was harshly critical of Operation Desert Storm, while a bishop from Kuwait expressed strong support for the Bush effort. The MECC leaders lamented that

western Christians rejoiced in these military victories, ignoring the severe physical and economic damage inflicted on the Christian churches of Iraq. Western relief agencies concurred, noting the desperate need for their services in Iraq.

The matter of western tourism in the Holy Land also received attention. Father Chacour lamented that so many Christians who visit the Holy Land stop only at ancient ruins—"dead stones"—but fail to identify with and worship with the ancient churches—"living stones." Such a practice will contribute to the present churches losing their vitality and becoming "dead stones."

I came away from this consultation both disturbed and challenged. Disturbed because there are no easy answers—no simple meshing of evangelical ecclesiology and missiology



Visible Imprints of Shared Experiences

with that of the churches in the Middle East. Further, parachurch ministries—such a significant part of the western evangelical landscape—are minimally not understood by these ancient churches, and maximally seen as scandalous. I'm disturbed because Christian emigration from this area—the birthplace of Christianity—has reached troubling levels. Further, the churches are being confronted with the Islamic fundamentalist movement and serious political intolerance and injustice.

I'm encouraged and challenged because while there is still a lot of work to do, nevertheless, there has been a beginning. Dialog has been initiated. I'm encouraged because these ancient churches of the area have more vitality than is frequently attributed to them, and many of the western leaders present were more flexible than I anticipated. The consultation was well named "Signs of Hope in the Middle East."

I would be presumptuous to dictate to MECC what its churches need to do, but I will suggest that we in the west must promote mutual respect for and critical solidarity with the MECC in three ways.

1. In Middle Eastern countries, given their history and present governments, religion cannot artificially be separated from political realities and treated as an independent entity. As Evangelicals, we must be involved in efforts which promote peace and justice in this region. A significant way to achieve this is to lobby our government to have a more even-handed foreign policy there.

2. Missionaries going to the Middle East must be informed about the history, politics, and ecclesiology of the churches of the area in more detail than for other fields. The results of ignorant enthusiasm are more visible here than in other parts of the world.

3. An effort must be made to restrain the proliferation of parachurch movements—some 22,000 such organizations in the world today. When they do function, they should have local accountability. In the Middle East, they must make every effort to work with and through the local churches rather than parallel to and in competition with them.

... and please don't call them wrinkles !

COSMETIC plastic surgery was a popular magazine's recent cover story. The feature underscored the prevalence and touted the merits of the surgery as a way to recapture youthful appearance and "feeling good about yourself," a utilitarian means for people not yet 30, to stay competitive or change image in fields obsessed with youth and surface appearances.

Bob Dingman, Class of '50, who heads a top-50 executive search firm in California, and was 1982 Alumnus of the Year, holds a different view. He recently sent two letters to *Milieu*. The first introduced the piece he sent his wife on their 40th anniversary. In it he offers a view which transmutes perceived liability into a palpable asset. Bob's message might be a new way to recruit students, and is a valentine which card companies are unlikely to copy.

In an age of consumer protection, Bob argues, "a precautionary warning should be given to incoming Houghton students—'Your heart is in danger!'" He explains: "Just consider how many hearts are touched by God at Houghton, and careers are then planned to be in His service. The other cardiac risk is the classic 'affair of the heart.'"

"When Jan Meade walked onto Houghton's campus in 1948, I was sure I'd never seen anyone so beautiful... Without Houghton as a place to meet, learn about each other and fall in love, where would we be today?" The anniversary tribute moves "from Houghton days past middle age into the stage of life where aging and illness become real."

"Jan, I was very pleased with the picture. I thought it captured you well. [But] you said, 'Look at my wrinkles; I hate it. It makes me look old.' 'Those are not wrinkles to me, my dear. Rather, they are the visible imprints of our many experiences shared over the years...' 'Where did that nice experience line just outside your left eye come from? Did it start with Laurie's birth, become noticeable with David's, and gain permanence when Danny joined us? Whatever caused it,



In mid-1989 Jan was struck by a mystifying disease later identified as a contamination of an over-the-counter product sold in health food stores, L-tryptophan. Botched manufacturing resulted in 35 deaths and 1,562 people made ill with what has been labeled EMS (eosinophilia myalgia syndrome). Jan's 60 days in an intensive care unit due to pulmonary failure became two additional years of round-the-clock nurses. Bob adds: "Nurses are with her only 18 hours a day now and we are thankful for her partial healing. While her illness has no prognosis, we are hopeful and learned in a new way to look to the Lord for guidance on a daily basis."

it's not a wrinkle. . .

"When you are really upset, a pattern of experience lines becomes noticeable that are not usually visible. I think I first saw it when Dave's appendix burst, and again when your parents died. It was most vivid when they did the exploratory surgery on Danny's 'abdominal mass...' Those experience lines remind me of our fervent prayers and God's ample grace for us, and they aren't wrinkles.

... The two nicely balanced lines—quite noticeable when you laugh, I hope [represent] happiness and laughter... smiles of approval when we do something special for each other. . .

"I don't know which one, or maybe two, experience lines came from the uncertainty you've faced with me over the years—financial worry, moves to new places, how the kids would turn out, and now the biggest uncertainty of all, illness and growing old. But those aren't wrinkles.

"I couldn't settle today for the plainness of Miss America's beauty. Your most compelling beauty, my dear, is inside you, not on your lovely face. Whatever new experiences life etches on you, please don't call them wrinkles."

Love,
Bob



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'34 ROYAL WOODHEAD celebrated his 90th birthday this past summer at Faith Wesleyan Church in Lansing, MI, where he is pastor emeritus.

1930s & '40s

'31 MARSHALL STEVENSON was recently given a 1991 North Country Citation by St. Lawrence University in Canton, NY. He was cited for his 35 years as chief of obstetrics at the Potsdam Hospital, over 50 years in family practice, over 6000 deliveries, and his capacity to know his patients "not by their illnesses but by their humanity."

'37 DOROTHY (TROWBRIDGE) DE LONG has moved from Rochester, NY, to Asbury Methodist Village in Gaithersburg, MD. She and her late husband, Clayton, were planning the move together, but sadly, Clayton passed away in June of 1991. "Dottie" is happy to be near her son. She writes that Houghton will always hold happy memories.

'39 ROBERT and LOUISE (DIETRICH '41) LYTLE were honored on August 4, 1991 by a 50th wedding anniversary reception in Brooksville, FL, where they live. They have three children and seven grandchildren. Robert served as president of the Wesleyan Bible Conference Association from 1985 to 1990.

'47 JAMES PINNEO is currently serving as doctor on the Op-

eration Mobilization ship, *Logos II*, during a three-month mission trip. The ship will stop in ports along the coast of Chili.

'47 MIRIAM (SNOW) PIRIEBE had a story published in the November, 1991, *Wesleyan Advocate* called "Auntie's Box." She and her husband, CHARLES '47, live in Mechanic Falls, ME. Their granddaughter, Tiffany Jones, is a freshman at Houghton this year.

1950s

'52 IVAN GREENFIELD has retired from the ministry after 35 years. He and his wife, Marjorie, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on November 20, 1991. They live in Port Salerno, FL.

After 22 years in the Rochester, NY, area, ROBERT AND JOAN (MABES '55) KURTZ '53 have moved to Salem, SC.

'53 SIBYL (BRENNAN) SLAGLE has retired from teaching public school music after 35 years. She is enjoying ceramics, shirt-painting, traveling, church work, and the freedom to say "no." She and her husband, Tom, live in LaGrange, GA.

'54 ARLENE (KOBBER) HICKS, who is semi-retired, serves as coordinator for Tri-County Habitat for Humanity in State College, PA. She enjoys tutoring English as a second language as a Literacy Council volunteer. Living seven blocks from Penn State University, she invites Houghtonians who visit that campus to give her a call.

Sudan Interior Missionaries, CHUCK and PEARL (LUKE '55) HERSHELMAN '55, are in South Carolina for eight months of furlough. In the past year, they have been in Ethiopia, Niger, Nigeria, and Kenya, their home base.

'56 JEAN (SCHMERSAL) SANSON is in her 28th year of teaching in Dade County (FL) public schools. She and her husband, Frank, live in Hialeah, FL.

Having been on furlough in New Jersey, missionary AGNES HAIK '57 planned to return to Brazil in November. Her future plans include an extended furlough beginning in the fall of '92 to recruit on college campuses for the Association of Baptists for World Evangelism, Inc.

1960s

Correction: On page 20 of the *October Milieu*, the news item about Carolyn Muller '62, omitted her surname, Young, which corresponded to the photograph above.

Now medically retired, JOYCE (CALUSINE '62) HATTEN writes for the Multiple Sclerosis Society in Tampa, FL. She and her husband, Walt, are members of Berea Baptist Church in Palm Harbor, FL.

A certified public accountant and director of finances and development at Hobe Sound Bible College in Hobe Sound, FL, JAMES OLSEN '65 traveled to Kiev, Russia in December of 1991 to help establish a Bible college there in cooperation with Evangelical Bible Mission. He plans to return to Kiev this summer with 12 young people to renovate the classroom building.

Working with Gospel Missionary Union, TOM and MARIELLYN (JONES '71) HILGEMAN '69 continue to serve at the Santa Cruz Christian Learning Center in Santa Cruz, Bolivia, where Tom is the general director. Sixty-one percent of their 182 students are missionary children from over 24 missions.

1970s

Chairperson of the Natural Sciences and Mathematics Department at Holy Family College in Philadelphia, LYNDA (BASNEY '71) MICIKAS recently received the Sears-Roebuck Foundation Teaching Excellence and Campus Leadership Award. She was cited for her involvement in reviewing curricula, helping the library improve its acquisitions and services, and advising students in professional health programs. During '90-'91 she was an education consultant at Pepperdine University (CA), holding seminars for faculty and staff once a month. In June, she and her husband, Michael, and daughter, Ann Marie, moved to Denver, CO. Now Lynda is under contract at Pepperdine University in Los Angeles, to fulfill contractual creative projects and implement them. She is on campus there one week per month.

In June of '91, SUSAN (PEABODY) MOSHER '71 graduated from the University of Illinois, Jane

Addams College of Social Work with a master's degree in social work.

Teaching English as a second language at the International Community School of Abidjan, Ivory Coast, MARY POLLOCK '71 also volunteers for the Liberian Refugee Tutorial Program. She and her husband, Rene' N'guetta, have two children.

'71 AMY (AUSTIN) TUPE and her husband, Joey, were in the U.S. from July to December, '91 before returning to Manila, Philippines, where they work with Asians for Christ, Inc.

'72 GARY DECKERT was recently named director of family support services of the Salvation Army in Perkassie, PA. He and his wife, Jean, have two children.

A substitute teacher in the Watkins Glen and Odessa-Montour, NY, school districts, MARY (PRENTICE '72) SINESI lives in Odessa with her husband, Sanford, and their four children, where Sanford is the pastor of the Wesleyan Church.

'73 STEPHEN and PAULA (DOUGHTEN '73) CLARK live in Andover, NY, with their two children. Stephen is account executive and sports director for the Canisteo Valley Broadcasting Co. (WLEA/WCKR radio) in Hornell, NY. Paula teaches kindergarten in Andover Central School.

A teacher assistant for the Simcoe County Board of Education, RUTH (SMITH '73) KELLER lives in Penetang, Ontario, Canada, with her husband, ROBERT '74, and their two children. She is working toward fluency in French.

'73 SCOTT KICKBUSH, his wife, Laurie, and their two children live in Naples, NY, where they own the Maxfield Inn Bed & Breakfast. Scott teaches instrumental music at Naples Central School.

'73 LUCI (WILDAY) LONG and her husband, Chuck, are regional directors for Men for Missions International in Billings, MT. Their area covers 11 western states.

'73 JANICE (WEINSHEIMER) NEWHARD was ordained in the American Baptist Churches of the U.S.A. in May, 1990. She has recently become the pastor of Clinton Baptist Church in Montgomery, PA.

'73 LINDA (BRUBAKER) RUDY lives in Elizabethtown, PA, with her husband, Jerome, and their four children. After teaching elemen-

POP AND MOM MILLS FETED

On November 13, 1991, Mr. and Mrs. James H. Mills, Sr., celebrated their 73rd anniversary in Denton, MD. Their five sons and other family were present. Family thanks to the many alumni who offered congratulations. During their Houghton careers, the Millses were head custodian and secretarial office clerk, respectively.



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tary school for nine years, Linda stayed at home with her children, whom she home-schools. She also does education evaluations for other home-schooling families.

'73 THOMAS SANDRECZKI does electron spin resonance on polymers at McDonnell Douglas Foundation and is the local church treasurer. His wife, CHRISTINE (EKBACK '73), works with the Nazarene scouting program, Caravan. They live in Saint Charles, MO, with their two children and urge all members of the class of '73 to come to the 20th reunion in 1993.

'73 GARY SAYLOR is teaching at United Arab Emirates University. He hopes to have other Houghton grads join him there. He and his wife, Lita, have three children.

'74 CATHY (CARDILLO) BITNER and her husband, Dave, continue to serve with UFM International at Quisqueya Christian School in Haiti. Cathy is teaching a weekly French ladies' Bible study.

'74 DANIEL ELLIOTT became director of the Denver Doulos Discipleship School in August of 1991. After recovering from a bout with cancer, his wife, KERRY (HULL '74), resumed a full-time teaching position in the Cherry Creek School District in the Denver area. They live in Aurora, CO.

A pianist, who plays on occasion for weddings, etc., LYNN (HECKEL) GRIFFITH '74 lives in Attica, NY, with her husband, Rob, and their two children.

'74 DEBORAH (GUILFORD) IRIZARRY returned to Houghton College and earned her N-6 teaching certification in 1991. She is presently studying toward a MSED at St. Bonaventure University in Olean, NY. She and her husband, Carlos, have one child.

A missionary with SIM, KATHLEEN JOHNSON '74 served in Monrovia, Liberia, for 13 years and was one of the last few to evacuate the country. She is now serving in Nigeria for a few years.

'75 DARLENE (ORT) AXELSSON and her husband, Lars, have six children (see *Future Alumni* column). They live in Cape May, NJ, where Lars is a squid fisherman on his boat, *Flicka*. Darlene substitute teaches grades K-9 and serves on the board of South Cape Christian Academy.

Previously principal of Letchworth Central School in Wyoming

County (NY), CLIFFORD BIRD '75 is now elementary principal of Cohoes City School in Cohoes, NY. He and his wife, Sandra, live in Clifton Park, NY, with their two children.

'75 TIMOTHY DYKSTRA is pastor of the United Church of Christ in Buffalo, NY. In June, 1991, he presented a workshop at the annual meeting of the New York Conference of the United Church of Christ on *Alternate Styles of Pastoral Leadership*. Recently he completed interim ministry work at St. John's (Evangelical) United Church of Christ in Sheldon, NY.

Formerly a computer systems analyst, MARSHA (BILLINGSLEY '75) HARRIS is enjoying being a homemaker and mom to her two children. She and her husband, Steven, live in Brockway, PA.

Working with Mission to the World, JUD and JANET (JORDAN '75) LAMOS '75 have converted the organizational publication, *Network*, to color, an arduous task, they found. They live in Atlanta, GA, with their three children.

'75 ROBERT OEHRIG and his wife, DONNA (CODDINGTON '75), have completed 14 years with Daystar in Nairobi, Kenya. Robert is currently working toward a Ph.D. in intercultural studies at the School of World Missions at Fuller Theological Seminary. They have three children.

'76 HOWARD and JUDY (BENNETT '76) CHAPMAN live in Webster, NY, with their three children. Howard is associate pastor of Webster Presbyterian Church.

Presently a processing technician at University Hospital in Au-

gusta, GA, NANCY DIEDERER is considering a move back to York State.

'76 BETH (WELLS) GE and her husband, Jared, have moved to Colorado Springs, CO to Jared's employment with on the family. Beth is presently stay-at-home mom, caring for toddler and awaiting a second child.

'76 KELVIN JONES graduated from Drew University in May with a Doctor of Ministry degree.

Senior vice president of Fellowship's national field ministry, WHITNEY KUNIHOLM '76 been appointed to Scripture U board of trustees. He and his CAROL (CAPRA '76), attend Episcopal Church in Fairfax with their three children.

FUTURE ALUMNI

Mark & Evelyn (Owens '85) Alessi '84
Lars & Darlene (Ort '75) Axelsson
Kenneth & Christine (Flowler '87) Baldes '86
Nick & Janet (Tschantz '75) Barkas
Billy & Leigh (Cronk '85) Bock
Steven (F) & Terri Brooks
Roxsyn & Kimberly (Gerwitz '83) Burrell
Robert & Anne Davis '77

Dale & Joan (Frederick '81) Dewing
Mark & Chris (Mischke '86) Fitzstevens
Jeff & Ann (Wight '86) Frey
Denman & Hazel (Slocum '77) Gillett
John & Debra (Sloat '83) Gordon
Kenneth & Amy Holt '85
Joey & Maribeth (Danner '86) Jennings '86

Paul & Karen (Hughes '83) Landin '82
Beth (Swan '87) and Mr. Larson

Vinnie & Marianne Mercurio '82
Theodore (F) & Nancy Louk-Murphy
Ronald & Marsha Navamanie '83
Gary & Ann (Perryman '86) Nickerson
Daniel & Marla (Nielsen '83) Omdal '84
Kurt & Dianne (Robinson '84) Peschka

Hunter & Rosemary (Campbell '77) Powell

Nemesio & Gail (Manley '84) Rivera
James & Holly (Cool '75) Rogers '75
Armin & Sally (Youd '83) Rudd '85
James & Jan (Causer '79) Russell
James & Laurie (Fyfe '82) Ryan, Jr.
Joseph & Linda (Thomson '83) Schweighardt
Norman & Janyce (Dale '79) Smithley
John & Denise (Tallett '76) Symonds
Joey & Amy (Austin '71) Tupe

Lacy Alaina 8-24-91
Lukas Dan 8-10-91
Tyler Jonathan 11- 3-90
Julianna Joy 10- 2-91
Joel Lyon 9-10-90
Micah James 10-24-91
Avin Roxsyn 2-12-91
James Collins 12-21-90
Russell Mark 12-21-90
Megan Margaret 1- 3-91
Maia Giselle 4-17-91
Kerri Ann 6-22-91
Ethan Lee 5-26-89
Matthew John 5-20-90
Alexander David 5-10-91
Jesse 2-10-90
Hannah Faith 8- 3-91
Gretchen Gail 4-30-91
Joseph 7-14-91
Hannah 7-14-91
Daniel 7-14-91
Michael Aaron 5-26-91
Benjamin James 10-23-91
Miriam 4- 4-91
Andrea Jean 2-14-89
Hannah Lynn 9-10-90
Laura Lea 1-23-89
Michael Kurt 5- 1-91
Tamara Elizabeth 1- 2-89
Karyn Brooke 9- 8-90
Rebecca Lydia 10-17-90
William Wayne 1-13-91
Austin James 6-30-91
Bethany Nicole 7-15-91
James Robert III 10-10-91
Kyle John Kenith 9-13-91
Brett William 7-12-90
Desiree Jonelle 4- 3-91
Constance Jane 8-29-91



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'76 **JOSEPH MUTTON** is now pastor of the Newark Wesleyan Church in Newark, DE, after 15 years at the West Seneca (NY) Wesleyan Church.

'76 **BARBARA (BRUBAKER) PAYNE** is home-schooling her three children. She and her husband and family live in Columbia, PA.

'76 **LIANE (FINK) RIDLEY** is active in a Messianic Jewish synagogue, Beth Messiah, as leader of the praise and worship dance troupe. She and her husband, Dennis (former faculty), live in Virginia Beach, VA, with their two children.

A Middleburg (PA) High School math teacher, **STANLEY SHEAFER** '76 recently completed his second master's degree in education, this one from Wilkes University (PA). He has resigned from his 15-year position of head baseball coach. His final team won its league's championship in 1991, and Stanley received the league's Coach of the Year award. He, his wife, La Dawn, and four others co-lead a 50-member senior high youth group at Richfield Mennonite Church. They live in Richfield, PA, with their two children.

'76 **GLENN SLOTHOWER** has been certified by the American Culinary Federation as a certified executive chef. He has written and teaches a course on nutrition, teaches sanitation, and administers/team-teaches a culinary apprenticeship program at Word of Life in Schroon Lake, NY, where he is director of food services. He and his wife, Cynthia, have four children.

A home daycare provider, **DENISE (TALLETT '76) SYMONDS** serves as secretary for the parent-teacher league at her son's school. Her husband, John, is a computer systems analyst for the Air Force. They live at Bolling Air Force Base in Washington, DC, with their two children.

'77 **DENISE (LUPTAK) CAMPBELL** works part-time in data processing and business research. She and her husband, Rick, live in Little Rock, AR, with their two children.

'77 **SAMUEL CHEUNG** served under both Mayor Edward Koch's and Mayor David Dinkins' administrations as one of the mayor's three Asian community liaisons in New York City from 1988 to 1990. Since the fall of 1990, he has been a recruitment specialist at the Division of

Human Resources of the New York City Board of Education. He is also a founder and the associate director of the Tan Yue Chorale, an ensemble which was invited by the Taiwan Chinese government to perform at the 1991 Taipei International Choral Festival this past May. The ensemble also gave concerts in four other cities in Taiwan as well as in Manila; the group has been invited to participate in the 1992 International Choral festival in Athens, Greece.

'77 **ROBERT DAVIS** is an advisory engineer with IBM. He and his wife, Anne, live in Lake Katrine, NY, with their five children (see *Future Alumni* column).

'77 **HAZEL (SLOCUM) GILLET** lives in Rogers, AR, with her husband, Denman, and their small son. Denman is pastor of the Brightwater-Bland Chapel charge in the north Arkansas conference of the United Methodist Church.

After serving for seven years as pastor of the Bridgehampton United Methodist Church (NY), **ROBERT LEIBOLD** '77 has been appointed to the Cutchogue UM Church on the north fork of Long Island. He recently graduated from the Upper Room National Academy for Spiritual Formation and the Shalem Institute's leadership training program for spiritual direction. Bob has been active as a retreat and camp leader in various spiritual life programs in the NY Annual Conference.

'77 **BRIAN NEWCOMB** is pastor of both Nazareth and St. Matthew United Church of Christ in Saint Louis, MO, where he lives with his wife, Susan, and their two children. He has edited his own magazine, *Harvest Rock Syndicate*, and is a contributing editor/columnist to *Contemporary Christian Music*. He wrote a chapter for the book, *The Best of CCM Interviews, Vol. 7: The Heart of the Matter*, and contributes to numerous other Christian and secular publications.

'77 **SHERYL OSGOOD** has built a log home in Friendship, NY, where she is a dairy lab technician for Friendship Dairies, Inc.

'77 **ROSEMARY (CAMPBELL) POWELL** lives in Elizabethtown, PA, with her husband, Hunter, and their two children (see *Future Alumni* column).

After a year of study at Wheaton Graduate School, **JAMES and ALICE (GRUNGE '75) VANDERHOOF** '77

have returned to Kenya Highlands Bible College, where Jim teaches music and Alice will begin a new job as college registrar. They have two children who will return to Rift Valley Academy.

Tele-Missions Intl. has just launched on National Television's Family-Net satellite and cable systems the *Focus-on-Faith/Spirit of America* TV series, shown weekly. **GORDON ANDERSON, JR.** '78 and his wife, Jane, are the producers.

'78 **KATHLEEN (CONFER) BOONE** works at Attica (NY) Correctional Facility as counselor in the Consortium of the Niagara Frontier college program. She gave the commencement address at the June, '91 graduation ceremony at which over 40 inmates received AA and bachelor's degrees. She has recently edited *247: Writings From Attica*, an anthology of essays by Attica writers. It is available in Buffalo area bookstores.

'78 **MARK CERBONE** has resigned his two part-time positions at Eastern College (PA) in order to devote more time to Evangelicals for Social Action. He is campus chapter coordinator and director of musicians task force for ESA and also part of the leadership team at his church, Cornerstone Christian Fellowship of West Chester, PA.

'78 **BOYD and DONNA (EBNER '80) HANNOLD** continue to serve with the Christian and Missionary Alliance in Thailand. Boyd has had monthly preaching opportunities and Donna has been responsible for the monthly mission newsletter as well as serving as an advisor

to the Northeast Christian Women's group. They have three children.

'78 **JANICE (ERICKSON) LONNGREN** lives in West Greenwich, RI, with her husband, Ken, and their two children. She is home-schooling her oldest this year in kindergarten.

'78 **RUTH (DUNN) MITCHELL** lives in Lincoln, NE, where her husband, Derek, is in law school. She has retired from teaching at Parkview Christian School to stay home with their children.

On June, 30, 1991, **SCOTT RECORDS** '78 was ordained by the Council on Ordination of the American Baptist Churches of Maine. He and his wife, **JOANNE (WALSH '78)**, attend the First Baptist Church of Westbrook, ME.

'78 **ELIZABETH (DAVIS) RETALLACK** has returned to full-time music teaching at Shore Country Day School in Beverly, MA. Her husband, **MARK** '78, owns and runs a music studio called *Hot Air Studios*, where he is engineer and producer. He also teaches piano and studies with Charlie Binacus. They have two children.

During his nine years as a pharmaceutical sales representative with Berlex Labs, Inc., **MICHAEL SLAGLE** '78 has been named Salesman of the Year three times. He is a deacon in his church, teaches a couples Sunday school class, and is involved in the Christian Businessmen's Committee. He and his wife live in Midlothian, VA, with their two children.

'78 **DOUGLAS STRONG** recently received a doctorate in church history from Princeton Seminary (NJ). He lives with his wife, Cindy, and their son in Silver Spring, MD.

'79 **CAROL (SNODGRASS) BLESSING** received a Ph.D. in English from the University of California, Riverside in June, 1991. She is now teaching at Biola University in La Mirada, CA. She and her husband, George, live in Pasadena.

Having recently "retired" after 10 years in full-time Christian ministry, **LINDA BRASIE** '79 is currently taking courses at Loughton College toward elementary education certification.

'79 **MICHAEL CHIAPPERINO** completed an MA in Christian school administration at Grace Seminary in Winona Lake, IN, this past summer. He has been the administrator of

DOWN THE AISLE

Steven & Julie (Perkins '90) Dragulski

Ty & Wendy (Sterner '89) Hartman

Stephen & Mary (Ragonesi '82)

Johnson

Brian & Ruth Lewis '85

Paul & Kathryn (Fisher '88) Meloon

William & Lynn (Albrecht '84)

Oliver

Daniel & Mary (Aihara '91) Pollock

Steven & Cathy Schmidt '87

Kevin & Esther (McKnight '89)

Schultz

Peter & Carolyn (Pugh '89) Tang

Michael & Michelle (Wickard '91)

Van Patten '90



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Valley Christian Academy (K-6) in Aurora, OH, since 1988. His wife, CHERYL (GLIGORA '79), teaches third grade at the academy.

'79 SUE ELTSCHER is now the assistant general secretary of the Commission of Archives and History of the United Methodist Church. Her office is on the campus of Drew University in Madison, NJ.

'79 JOSEPH HUPP is one of 12 out of a field of 92 nominees to receive a 1991 Teacher-Scholar Award in the Chemical Sciences from the Camille and Henry Dreyfus Foundation. The award program is designed to acknowledge the accomplishments and continuing promise of young faculty in chemistry, chemical engineering and biochemistry at early stages of their professional careers. Joseph will receive a \$50,000 grant for support of his professional activities. He is on the faculty at Northwestern University in Evanston, IL.

'79 MARC and SYLVIA (NICOLAYSEN '80) MAFFUCCI live in Rochester, NY, where Marc is pastor of the Latta Road Baptist Church. He is working toward a D.Min. degree at North American Baptist Seminary in Sioux Falls, SD.

A junior high school English teacher, ROBERT MILLER '79 completed a master's degree in English education at Millersville University in May of 1990. He and his wife, Stephanie, live in Jonestown, PA, with their two children.

After being self-employed as an insurance/investment broker, JOHN LAWRENCE '79 has returned to Houghton College to complete his Bible degree. He is the youth pastor at Christ United Methodist Church in Olean, NY, where RON ISAMAN '80 is pastor. John

and his wife, Joyce, live in Portville, NY, with their two children.

Serving with Wesleyan World Missions, STEVE and AUDREY (SMITH '79) POCOCK '79 are in Pemba, Zambia, with their four children. Steve teaches at Pilgrim Wesleyan Seminary and preaches in area villages. Along with caring for their children, Audrey teaches Bible stories, songs and games to the seminary students' children.

'79 JOAN (KELLER) SHELL-ENBERGER and her husband, Henry, lost their baby daughter, Brittany Rose, two hours after her birth in January of 1990. She writes that she is very grateful for the cards they received from others who had experienced similar losses. Joan wants other grieving alumni to know that she is ready and willing to support them through prayer and letters. She and her husband have an older daughter, Stephanie, and now have another daughter, Bethany.

After a year's leave of absence due to the birth of her first child, JANYCE (DALE '79) SMITHLEY has returned to her position of counselor/international student advisor at Carleton University in Ottawa, Canada. She is responsible for the administration of a 10-day orientation program each August for 400 new international students. She advises approximately 90 international students per month as well as counselling and running career workshops for non-international students.

'79 ANNESORTORE is attending St. Bonaventure University in Olean, NY. She expects to receive her M.S.Ed. degree in May of 1992. Anne is a student member of the American Association for Counseling and Development.

In July of 1990, SCOTT

STEVENS '79 was ordained in the American Baptist Church. Since September of that year, he and his wife, Barb, have pastored a tri-church parish in southern Vermont. They live in Readsboro, VT with their young son.

1980s

'80 DIANE (BEST) CHALKER teaches vocal music (grades 6-12) at Lowville (NY) Academy and Central School. She and her husband, Mel, enjoy participating in community choruses and musical theater. Diane plays French horn in a brass quintet called The Vintage Brass. They are active in the Carthage Baptist Church where Mel is organist. Diane sings in the choir, teaches Bible school and plays French horn solos.

'80 KENNETH DUNN lives in Pineville, NC, with his wife, Martha Jean, and their three children. He is the Charlotte Branch Bond Manager for Selective Insurance Co. of America. In 1989, he founded the Messiah College Baseball Association. He recently wrote the *Messiah College Baseball Encyclopedia*, published by Messiah College.

'80 DAVID HARDY, his wife, Teal, and their daughter have moved to Orange City, IA, where David is now teaching mathematics at Northwestern College.

'80 SUSAN HOWE (BSC), who has been working in evangelism in France, Tahiti and India, has received a \$2,000 scholarship to study at Fuller Theological Seminary for a master's degree in missiology.

'80 CHERYL (SEMARGE) MOODY teaches art and creates fiesta paper jewelry. She also sings with the Everyman Guild, an ensemble of in-costume medieval/

Renaissance singers who have sung at such places as Yale University and Wadsworth Atheneum, the oldest US art museum. She lives in Cheshire, CT, with her husband, Stephen, and their two children.

'80 ERIC NELSON is an air traffic controller in Indianapolis, IN. His wife, SARAH (PAINE '81), plays violin with the Bloomington Symphony Orchestra and teaches violin, viola and piano. She and Eric have built a log home in Martinsville, IN, where they live with their four children.

A partner in the law firm of Pitney, Hardin, Kipp & Szuch, HARRIETT OLSON '80 was selected for a second time to be one of three lay persons representing the Northern New Jersey Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church at General Conference in May of 1992. She lives in Morristown, NJ.

'80 DUANE and ROBIN (STREIN '80) ORTON have moved to Whitehall, PA, where Duane is a senior electrical engineer at Bell & Howell.

Since leaving Houghton, BASSEY UDOFOT '80 has acquired a family and completed a bachelor's degree in metallurgy in 1984. Currently he's living in Colorado, seeking funds to finance a graduate program at the University of Birmingham, UK. He anticipates a tent-making ministry in the future.

'80 MARK ZARANSKI, a Dow Chemical employee, helped to develop a composite sampler for volatile organics in water which promises to make waste water monitoring more reliable and effective for Dow and other companies.

'81 RICHARD FELDER is a part-time youth worker at Virginia Beach (VA) Community Chapel while working on a master's degree in TV production and scriptwriting at Regent University (CBN). He and his wife, Lori, live in Virginia Beach with their young son.

'81 JOAN (FREDERICK) DEWING lives in Little Valley, NY, with her husband, Dale, and their two children. She has a home-based sewing business and was recently named curriculum resource coordinator for the Jamestown District of the western New York conference of the United Methodist Church.

'81 ROBERT and LESLIE (BELSON '82) ELLIS live in Lockport, NY, with their three children, Scott, Tyler and Riley.

Send your alumni news

Milieu wants your alumni news. Use the space below or send a note to Deborah Young, *Houghton Milieu*, Houghton College, Houghton, NY 14744. Copy deadline is the last week of the month before issue. Space limitations may delay publication of item by one issue. Items which have appeared in class newsletters won't be included unless we judge them to have broader appeal. Please be specific—name city where you live or work, give dates, spell out acronyms. Make these columns memorable for your classmates.

Houghton College Summer Alumni Programs

Houghton is a stimulating place in which to be during the summer. The alumni office is currently planning 1992 activities. Here's a preview.

July 10-12 Summer Alumni Weekend

This popular Houghton College tradition will offer seminars discussing various aspects of music as worship. SAW will also host the reunions for classes with graduation years ending in 2 or 7 (for class of '72 and back).

July 12-18 Alumni College

Would you like to be a student again? Alumni College offers some of the college's finest faculty in a week of lectures and discussion. Recreational and social activities complement the classroom experience. This year's offerings are:

How to Read Biblical Prophecy: Prediction or Proclamation with Dr. Carl Schultz

History and Perspectives of Hymnology with Dr. Bruce Brown

Russia and China: The New Commonwealth and The Old Guard with Dr. B. David Benedict

July 17-19 Summer Alumni Weekend II

Geared for graduates between 1976 and 1991, this weekend will provide useful information and informal recreation and reminiscing. The classes of '77, '82 and '87 will celebrate their reunions this weekend. *Note: The Alumni office is planning activities for children.*

Alumni Trips

The alumni office has planned two trips for college alumni and friends.



Late July—Alpine Tour

Enjoy Europe's beautiful Alpine region with Houghton alumni and friends. Pres. and Mrs. Daniel Chamberlain and Pres. and Mrs. James Barnes (Indiana Wesleyan University) will host this 10-day excursion.

August 10-12—Erie Canal Cruise

Join with other alumni for a relaxing three-day cruise along New York's famed Erie Canal. This Buffalo to Syracuse trip offers good food, fellowship and history. Alumni board president Rev. Wally Fleming '76 and his wife, Mary (Grazioplene '76), will host this voyage.

Mark your calendars now! Watch your mail for a brochure soon, detailing these activities and plan to spend time with your Houghton friends next summer.

'81 STEPHEN HOOVER is spending the year in Shenyang, Republic of China, teaching English to graduate students.

Busy with her two children, Jason and Nicole, NANCY (CHRZAN

'81) PICHA lives in Chagrin Falls, OH.

'82 BOB and SHEILA (GOODMAN '82) FELDER have joined the staff of Youth With A Mission (YWAM), a worldwide missionary organization. They have relocated

to Miami, FL, where they will be pioneering a college campus ministry with Bob's parents.

'82 SHANE HODGES is assistant facilities manager for Broome County Parks (NY). His wife, KELLY



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(COLE '85), teaches first grade in Johnson City.

'82 MARY (RAGONESI) JOHNSON is part owner of Gammon, Ragonesi Associates, a package design, marketing consultancy in New York City. She is vice president and creative director. She recently married Stephen Johnson, a concert pianist whom she met at Calvary Baptist Church in New York. At the wedding were Mary's brother, DAVID RAGONESI '80 and his wife, BRENDA (REBER '80). Mary continues to use her maiden name.

A self-employed dentist, PAUL LANDIN '82 lives in Sugar Grove, PA, with his wife, KAREN (HUGHES '83), and their four children.

'82 VINNIE MERCURIO is a field sales manager for Georgia Pacific Corporation, covering Brooklyn, Queens, and Nassau Counties in New York. He and his wife, Marianne, and their young son live in Shirley, Long Island, NY, where Vinnie leads the worship services in the Maranatha Chapel.

'82 RICHARD SANSON, his wife, Kathy, and their infant son live in Miami, FL, where he teaches/coaches at Miami Christian School.

Before the civil war in Liberia forced their departure, DOROTHY (HOSTETTER '83) ARDILL and her husband, William, were working at the ELWA hospital in Monrovia where Dorothy trained nationals in the laboratory and William was a general surgeon/hospital administrator. They are living in Dallas, TX, until they are ready to go to Nigeria or another SIM hospital.

Although busy at home with her five children, KIMBERLY (GERWITZ '83) BURRELL has worked with the Cattaraugus County (NY) volunteer budgeting program, taught home-schoolers beginning French, kept a large garden and done quite a bit of sewing. She and her husband, Roxsyn (a Houghton Academy graduate) live in Franklinville, NY.

After teaching gifted and talented math students for seven years, DEBRA (SLOAT '83) GORDON has opted to stay home with her son. She and her husband, John, are active in the Severna Park Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Millersville, MD, along with a number of other Houghton alumni.

After pastoring the Little Valley (NY) United Methodist Church

for five years, RICHARD DANIELSON '83 is now pastor of the Elmgrove UM Church in suburban Rochester, NY, where he lives with his wife, Leslie, and their son. He wants to hear from alumni in the Rochester area.

'83 KEVIN and JEANNINE (SANSON '83) KRIEGER teach missionary children at the Dalat School in Penang, Malaysia.

'83 REBA (BLOW) POON-PISET is a substitute teacher in the Dade County (FL) public schools and an ESOL teacher. She is taking graduate classes in second language acquisition and "Languages of the World." She and her husband, Suriyon, live in Princeton, FL.

'83 CLYDE SCOTT received his master of divinity degree from Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary in 1986. He is currently pastoring a 300 Member United Methodist Church in Lancaster, PA, where he lives with his wife, Ilona, and their children, Grace and Erika. Clyde is awaiting commission into the Army Reserves as a chaplain.

'83 JEFF SPERRY is the general manager of the Cincinnati Chamber Orchestra. He has completed a master of music degree in piano performance and a master of arts degree in arts administration at the University of Cincinnati's College Conservatory of Music.

'84 DIANE (VERSAW) BARNES and her husband, David, were married June 17, 1990, at William Penn's Estate along the Delaware. She is completing her certification in neuro-developmental treatment for children while continuing her career as a pediatric physical therapist. David is a resident in internal medicine at Abington Memorial Hospital. They live in Abington, PA.

A social worker for Park Ridge Health Systems of Rochester, NY, ROBYN (BEACH '84) BUXTON married Paul Buxton on September 30, 1989. Paul works in the operations division of Citibank (NYS). They live in Spencerport, NY.

'84 DEBORAH (BRAUN) COLLICHIO completed work for a master's degree in reading in August of 1990. She is an account representative at Multnomah Press and a teacher at the Sylvan Learning Center (1st grade to adult). She and her husband, Sam, live in Portland, OR.

'84 VICKI (DEFILIPPO) HARMAN recently celebrated three

years of marriage to her optometrist husband, Paul. They reside in West Palm Beach, FL, where Vicki is employed as assistant director of financial aid at Palm Beach Atlantic College. Vicki and Paul are both active members of First Baptist Church where they participate in the handbell choir as well as the adult Jubilee Choir. Vicki is also taking private voice lessons at the college.

Presently attending Erie County Community College in Buffalo, NY, CHERYL LEWCZYK '84 is working toward an associate of applied science degree in occupational therapy.

'84 LYNN (ALBRECHT) OLIVER is enrolled in Pennsylvania College of Optometry in Philadelphia, PA. She and her electrician husband, William, attend New Life Presby-

terian Church in Philadelphia.

A forest pathologist for the US Forest Service, DANIEL OMDAL '84 is working on a Ph.D. in forest pathology at Colorado State University. He lives in Fort Collins, CO, with his wife, MARLA (NIELSEN '83), and their daughter (see *Future Alumni* column).

'84 DIANNE (ROBINSON) PESCHKA has joined the staff of peer counselors at the North Syracuse Baptist Church. She lives in North Syracuse, NY, with her husband, Kurt, and their two children (see *Future Alumni* column).

Presently finishing a master's degree at SUNY Cortland, JACQUELINE (GLASGOW '84) RAPP is a fifth grade teacher in the Owego Apalachin Central School District. She lives in Nichols, NY, with her husband, KENT '82, and their two children.

Associate clinical professor of medicine at the State University of NY in Buffalo, RICHARD VIENNE, JR. '84 has just completed a year of internship and was elected a member of the House Staff Affairs Committee. He and his wife, Melissa, live in Lancaster, NY, with their daughter.

'84 CLARA MAE WENTWORTH is attending Olivet Nazarene University in Kankakee, IL, as well as working as a personal care and home health aide.

'85 LEIGH (CRONK) BOCK is becoming a childbirth educator through BirthWorks, a program sponsored by Cesarean Prevention Movement. She lives in Oswego, NY, with her husband, Billy, and their four children (see *Future Alumni*).

'85 ROYCE (ANDERSON) BRAND served as a commander in Desert Storm in the 115th Forward Support Battalion for the 1st Cavalry Division. She has been released from active duty and is now in the individual ready reserves. She and her husband, Matthew, are both captains and have been married for 3 years.

A first grade teacher at Covenant Academy in Buffalo, NY, ROBIN CROWDEN '85 is junior choir co-director and directs and sings in *Spirit of David*, an ensemble at Full Gospel Tabernacle. She lives in Cheektowaga, NY.

'85 DANIEL FREED has been named by Campus Crusade for Christ as the assistant director of special strategies for the Jesus Film Project. He

has moved to southern California with his wife, AMY (GOODELL '85), and their young son.

A scientific proposal submitted to the Army Space Test Program by SCOTT KLAkamp '85, a post-doctoral fellow in chemistry at the California Institute of Technology in Pasadena, CA, and Phillip Macklin, assistant professor of chemistry at the US Military Academy in West Point, NY, has been endorsed by the Army Space Division, Washington, DC. In addition, the proposed investigation has been prioritized 16th, out of 79 proposals, by a tri-service bureau (Army, Navy, and Air Force) for flight aboard a future space shuttle mission. The study will attempt to probe some of the fundamental chemical aspects that may cause astronauts to lose calcium from weight-bearing bones during extended space voyage. The proposed set of experiments are manifested tentatively for flight aboard a space shuttle in approximately two to three years.

'85 MOLLY PETTIT is spending a year in the city of Changsha, People's Republic of China, teaching oral and compositional English to students at Central South University of Technology.

'85 MARY PUTNEY is working on a master's degree in music performance, specializing in choral conducting, at the State University of New York in Buffalo.

'85 ROBERT RAINFORD is a pianist at a cross-cultural, cross-racial church called New Community Evangelical Free Church in Park Slope, Brooklyn, NY.

'85 CHARYL (ROPP) WHITING has recently moved to East Sussex, England, where her husband, Graham, is pastor of St. Luke's Chyngton Parish Church. She is active in the Sunday school, youth group, and Mums & Toddlers programs.

'86 GLEN BAIRD recently graduated from the US Customs Service Academy in Glynco, GA, with academic honors and recognition as an expert marksman. He will be working as a member of an elite drug interdiction team at JFK Airport in New York City.

Promoted in June, 1991, to assistant vice president in the Consumer Finance Division of Marine Midland Bank in Buffalo, NY, KENNETH BALDES '86 received an MBA degree from Canisius College in August. He

ALUMNI AUTHORS

Piano Song—Tone Poems for Devotional Moments, Lillenas Publishing, \$6.95

Piano Song—Tone Poems for Devotional Moments is the second book of hymn arrangements for piano written by Virginia (Alexander '71) Halberg. Like her first book, *Glory, Honor and Power*, this collection includes arrangements of familiar and well-loved hymns such as *Like a River Glorious*, *Jesus Paid It All*, and *Children Of The Heavenly Father*. The 10 tone poems are musical interpretations of the texts and are thus designed to create a worshipful and meditative atmosphere. Mrs. Halberg is adjunct instructor of piano at Houghton College.

The Hymn Soloist, Fred Bock Music Co., \$9.95

Nancy Walters '75, wife of Houghton Wesleyan Church pastor, J. Michael Walters, has written a book of vocal hymn arrangements that fills a gap which she perceived in contemporary solo literature. She has taken traditional hymns of the church and given them fresh and contemporary settings in hopes of enhancing their meaning, while retaining the original words. The book includes such hymns as *Fairest Lord Jesus*, *Nearer, Still Nearer and Holy, Holy, Holy*. Mrs. Walters hopes that her arrangements will edify those who listen as well as reflect who God is and her love for Him.



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ALUMNI IN ACTION

and his wife, CHRISTINE (FOWLER '87) live in West Seneca, NY.

A technical writer at Century Design, SUSAN BUDZ '86 is pursuing an MA in English/Technical Writing at the University of North Carolina in Charlotte.

Previously a youth director for Countryside Bible Chapel in Lexington, MA, RUSSELL "ROSCOE" DUTTWEILER '86 is now working for Kwik Kopy of Burlington, MA. He and his wife, Babette, live in Tewksbury, MA.

Having completed six years in the Navy, DAVID FANCHER '86, is now in the naval reserves. He is working on a degree in elementary education at Eastern Washington University (WA), and also works part-time with disturbed teenagers.

Assistant program director for The Christian Overcomers, Inc., JENNIFER GILBERT '86 is working part-time on a MSW degree from New York University Graduate School. She lives in Midland Park, NJ.

'86 KEVIN KLOB is a software engineer with General Electric's aerospace division. Currently he is enrolled in a master's degree program at Syracuse University. He lives in Liverpool, NY, with his wife, Laura.

Senior programmer at Mohawk Valley Community College, KAREN MCARTHUR '86 is working on a master's degree at the State University of New York Institute of Technology at Utica/Rome. She and her husband, Brad, live in Utica, NY.

'86 ANN (PERRYMAN) NICKERSON teaches third grade at Friendship (NY) Central School. She also owns and trains racehorses. She and her husband, Gary, have one daughter (see *Future Alumni*) and live in Friendship.

'86 JUNE PROSSER-TOPOLNYCKY has moved to Enfield, NH, with her husband, Andy, who has joined a medical practice in Lebanon.

'86 DEBBIE ROBERTSEN is working on a master's degree in English Bible at Columbia Bible College and Seminary in Columbia, SC.

'86 LISA (BURROUGHS) ROSSNAGEL is manager of JoAnn Fabrics in Syracuse, NY. She lives in Moravia, NY.

In July of 1991, TODD SHAVER '86 opened his own chiropractic practice in Wilmington, NC.

'87 PAUL ALLEN is manager

Sticks, last August.

'87 MARK BLAKESLEE was awarded the Doctor of Osteopathy degree from Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine on June 2, 1991. He is interning at Lewistown Hospital in Lewistown, PA.

'87 MICHELLE (BAIR) CICHON is a physician/surgical assistant in high risk obstetrics in Westchester County Medical Center (NY). She and her husband, Samuel, live in Tarrytown, NY.

'87 NED FARNSWORTH is working with Latin America Mission in Guadalajara, Mexico. He is in charge of visitation and evangelism at La Misión, the church where he serves.

Currently a social worker with the Broome County (NY) Department of Social Services, DENISE (WOOD '87) MATHEWSON works primarily with adolescents and their families. She and her husband, Scott, live in Endicott, NY.

'87 DAPHNE (SMEENK) MAYS is a technical specialist in the nuclear safety and licensing group of Rochester Gas & Electric Corp. She and her husband, Rodney, live in Middlesex, NY.

'87 ROB MCNEILL received his veterinary degree from Cornell University College of Veterinary Medicine in May of 1991. He has taken a position as an associate veterinarian in Shippensburg, PA, with medical and surgical responsibilities with both large and small animals. His wife, ANN (IRVING '85), has worked as a junior high English teacher for the past six years. She earned her MS in curriculum and instruction at the State University of New York in Cortland and was twice voted Teacher of the Year by Dryden High's student council.

'87 KRISTEN OLSSON is a counselor with juvenile delinquents and PINS (persons in need of supervision) at St. Joseph's Villa in Rochester, NY. She also races and competes on J-24 sailboats on Lake Ontario.

After completing two years of missionary service at Black Forest Academy in Germany, STEVEN SCHMIDT '87 returned home to marry Cathy. They plan to return to BFA in the summer when Steven will become BFA's coordinator of public ministries.

'87 MARK SCIRA is working on a master's degree in artistic teach-

married.

'87 PHILIP SILVEY is a vocal music instructor for the Tyrone (PA) Area School District and minister of music at New Covenant Fellowship in Huntington, PA. Recently, a musical which he composed and which was presented at Houghton College in 1987, *Esther*, was performed by members of his church.

'88 TODD CARR is an art teacher at John Bapst Memorial High School in Bangor, ME. His wife, VANESSA (FINNIS '86), earned a master's of education in reading degree from Alfred (NY) University in January of 1991. She is teaching at the Orono Community Preschool. They live in Bangor.

'88 CASDA (LIDDICK) DANNER is director of the Valley Nursery School in Houghton. Her husband, NATHAN, is completing an English major at Houghton College as well as working part-time in the audio-visual office. He expects to graduate in May of 1992.

Currently the youth leader at Abundant Life Church of God, JAY HART '88 lives in Center Moriches, NY, with his wife, Hope.

'88 JAMES KINGDON is the music director for radio station, WTGN-FM in Lima, OH. He reports that he is divorced from DEBRA (SCHENK '88) and lives in Lima with his son.

'88 JONATHAN LIGHTFOOT is assistant regional editor at *The Leader*, a daily morning newspaper in Corning, NY. He coordinates coverage for the weekly religion and school news sections, along with the coverage of several local towns and other breaking items.

A dental office manager, KATHRYN (FISHER '88) MELOON married Paul Meloon in September of 1991. They attend Riverside Baptist Church in Buffalo, NY, where Kathryn is involved in the children's church program.

'88 TERRI (CHUBBUCK) PECK is a salesperson at Kingdom Tapes & Electronics as well as being involved in ministry to students at Mansfield College (PA). She and her husband, Greg, live in Mansfield, PA.

'88 SUE STEPHENS is attending Indiana State University to earn an MS in athletic training. She lives in Terre Haute, IN.

'88 SUSAN TAYLOR is now

North East, MD.

'88 JONI (HARRINGTON) TROEGER became an instant Mom to three-year-old Stephanie when she married Scott in April of 1991. They live in Holland, MI, where Joni is employed by Ottawa County, teaching developmentally disabled adults.

'88 GWEN WEAVER has completed two years on the ship, *Doulos*, with Operation Mobilization. She escaped injury in the August, 1991, bombing of an OM service in the Philippines. Two members of the ship's crew were killed.

'89 JOHN BORTZ is clubhouse manager at Cable Hollow Golf Club. His wife, BRENDA (HUKILL '89), graduated from Eastern Michigan University in 1990, with a BS degree in elementary education. They live in Warren, PA.

A senior counselor at *The Bridge* of Central, MA, CYNTHIA BRANNON '89 works with adolescent females, court-ordered into the program. She deals with many abuse and abandonment cases.

'89 JUDITH FOX is now employed at Houghton College. She is an assistant volleyball/basketball coach, athletic recruiting coordinator, and assistant athletic trainer.

'89 ALICE (PUTNEY) CARPENTER is teaching at Fillmore (NY) Central School. She and her husband, ERIC '93, live in Houghton.

Currently a supervisor in the deposit reports division at the Federal Reserve Bank of New York in Manhattan, BRIAN OSTERHUS '89 is responsible for overseeing the analysis of data used for economic forecasting of money supply.

'89 SUSAN (STUART) PETERSON completed an MA degree in Spanish from the University of Tennessee in May of 1991. She is now teaching Spanish there part time. She and her husband, David live in Knoxville, TN.

'89 SUSAN SCHMIDT recently finished two years of voluntary service with the Mennonite Board of Missions, most recently serving in Harlingen, TX, where she worked with Central American refugees. She is now enrolled in a dual master degree program at Boston (MA) University, in the areas of theological studies and social work.

'89 ESTHER (MCNIGHT) SCHULTZ graduated from the Un-

agriculture, majoring in resources management. She and her husband, Kevin, live in Waterloo, Ontario.

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'90 JENNIFER ANNO spent the 1990-91 school year as an English teaching assistant in Steyr, Austria.

'90 ALICIA BECKFORD works as a technology transfer specialist for the US Department of Agriculture. She lives in Upper Darby, PA, and

plans to enter the University of Michigan in the fall of 1992 to study sociolinguistics.

'90 KATHLEEN HUNG spent the summer of 1991 serving with OMF's SHARE program in Kurioshi, Japan. She is now in a graduate program in journalism at Ohio State University.

Having just completed a year serving as medical liaison for developmentally disabled adults with Heritage Christian Home in Rochester, NY, JAMES PHILLIPS '90 is now teaching high school social studies

and physical education at Santiago Christian School in the Dominican Republic.

'91 JEFFREY BITTERMAN joined the US Navy in March of 1991, and has completed the officer indoctrination school at the Naval Education and Training Center, Newport, RI.

'91 ELIZABETH (ALLEN) RANNEKLEV is a substitute program instructor at People, Inc. She and her husband, MIKAL, live in East Aurora, NY.

Looking for lost family

Houghton College seeks to recover ties with its over 2,000 lost alumni. The individuals listed below will be celebrating reunions next summer. We ask that you will take time to read the list and write to Tim Fuller or Bruce Campbell at the alumni office with the addresses of people you may know. Have you been out of touch with your *alma mater*? When you write, include a few sentences about what you've been doing for subsequent issues of *Milieu*.

1933



Elmo Corsette
Helen Hart
Marjorie Plott
Dora Robinson
1938
Winifred Birnie
Wendell Campbell
Elizabeth Haight
Wilson Kopler
Emily Millen
June Penington Adams
Eunice Willett
Marcus Wright

1943
Margaret Clawson
Charlotte Daggett
Edith Ehlke
Anita Feyereisen
John Gabrielson
Alberta Germann
Mary Jane Henkel
Doris Hutchinson
Rachel Keith
Belva Kennedy
Laverne Langs

Hilda Moore
Elizabeth Orlando
Carolyn Ryan
Paul Smith
Gordon Stone
Evelyn Stone
Jesse Townner
Russell Vincent
Doris Young

1948

Robert Brairton
Robert Casler
Jean Crosby
Hazel Edwards
Betty Groat
Betty Harris
Jeanne Hendricks
Alan Johnson
Betty Mc Clanahan
Paul Miller
Richard Moore
Lillian Morton
Elaine Phillips
Gloria Porter



Haldyne Spriggins
Paul Sternengerg
Lura Switzer

Maie K Thomas
Jean Titus

1953

Faith Adkison
Lois Bauer
John Benson
Sandra Benson
Allen Campbell
Herbert Chamberlin
Helen Clark

William Clemmer
Richard Dole
Alma Dunstan
Thelma Durpat
Phyllis Evans
Ruth Frankel
Lillian Gililand
Roland Given
Lawrence Green
Constance Gustafson
Warren Hartway
Miriam Henry
Thomas Hewgill
Donna Jackson
Hubert Jicha
Dolores Johnson
Norman Linhart
Claire Lloret
Almeda Losacco
Robert Loveless
Richard Matthews
Ernestine Mc Clain
Charles Messick
Douglas Monroe
Joy Monroe
Dona Moss
Donald Otis
Robert Pavelka
Robert Perkins



Donald Peterson
Ruth Peterson
Duane Pride
Walter Pyster
Dean Ransom
Richard Reed
Marguerite Roberts
Ray Schuh
Charles Schultz
Dixie Scoles
Dorothy Spaulding
Lynette Storms
Barbara Tollefson
Salem Towne
Mariel Ward
Flora Wilhite
Dorothy Williams
John Wilson

1958

Zora Ardelyan
Howard Bauer
Raymond Bohn
John Bray
Donna Lee Brown
Jane Brown
John Bush
Aileen Cameron

Carolyn Carmichael
Marilyn Childs
Rex Clouston
Jay Cole
Barbara Coon
Robert Cryer
Charles Davis
Roselyn Delagrang



Jerry Dorsey
Edward Dow
James Dyet
John Foulk
Norine Frutiger
Marylou Hackler
Rita Hansen
Charles Haxton
Judith Hill
Birton Hilson
Wilburn Holland
Miriam Hull
Christian Kristensen
Sarah Laughlin
Stuart Leyden
Donna Little
Mary Maude
Ruth Morgan

LETTERS

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point, 250-lb. buck on the third floor of Gaoyadea Hall was no weed, though it was *atopos*, very *atopos*. And very hard work for only two men to get there by 3:30 a.m. one winter day in 1937.

Robert Ferm (later a Houghton dean) and I had been preaching in Buffalo and, on the way back to Houghton, had inadvertently hit the deer. A common event in those days. So many deer! At five o'clock one morning, as I came to the track to run my usual mile, I counted 17 on campus.

What made the prank especially difficult was the need for silence. Silence! The rack of horns was almost as wide as the stairway, and we had to pull the critter straight up the stairs without letting either outmost horn clatter on the wall or the banisters. At my present age, I get tired just thinking about it.

You speak of pranksters who "have imported and released various animals indoors—cows, bats, pets." Well, we didn't exactly release that deer. We hung its head over the bannister so its eyeballs and tongue would have maximum effect on viewers from below.

The meat was not wasted. The state police took the carcass to a state institution.

What happened next isn't clear in my memory. Just possibly we were never found out.

Anyway, the subcategory of that prank is (to use the wording in your article) "capers which gain their impact by incongruity—cars, animals, people in unexpected places" to "relieve life's dullness."

My parents didn't like my associating so closely with Ferm. They thought he was a wild influence on me. I can't remember whether I ever told them that I, not he, was the source of most of our outlandishnesses.

Willis Elliott '39

In Memoriam

33 GRACIA (FERO) BANKER died suddenly, December 14, 1991, in Brooksville, FL, after being hospitalized for a broken hip. She was born January 30, 1912, in Sandy Lake, PA, the daughter of Rev. A. D. and Pearl Strong Fero. Her early years were spent in many areas of western Pennsylvania and New York State as her parents were pastors in the Allegheny Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church. Gracia graduated from Clymer (PA) High School in 1929. After two semesters at the state teachers' college in Indiana, PA, she transferred to Houghton College and graduated in 1933. She wanted to go to India as a missionary, but her health would not permit it. So, after teaching for a year (1936) at Allentown Bible Institute, she went to the Zion Hill Mission in Taulbee, Kentucky—a place reached only by muleback. In 1942, she began pastoring the Blue Eye charge in Spring Creek, PA, taking her recently widowed mother with her. In 1945, she moved back to Sandy Lake, PA, and then pastored the Soldier charge from 1948-1952. She was appointed editor of the *Wesleyan Missionary* in 1951 and moved with her mother to Houghton, NY, in 1952 to take on that appointment. After almost eight years, her job took her to Marion, IN. On June 7, 1961, she married veteran missionary to India, **FLOYD BANKER '47**, who survives. They served as missionaries in Jamaica from 1963-1968, when Floyd was required to retire due to his age. In 1972-73, they spent almost nine months in the mission fields of the Far East, and Gracia finally saw India. After retiring to Brooksville, FL, she was active in the local church music ministry, singing, and directing the choir and several ensembles. Over the years, she composed many gospel songs, including, *I Must Have Jesus*, and wrote two small books, *God's Disciplines* and *Not of This World*. Besides her husband, she is survived by two step-daughters, **ALYCE (BANKER '48) HEYBOER**, and **HELEN (BANKER '54) SYSDERDA**, a sister, **WINIFRED (FERO '21) CLOCKSENE**; and two brothers, **HOMER '31** and **Barnard**.

'21 THELMA L. KEELER, 88, died November 1, 1991, at the Cuba (NY) Skilled Nursing Facility following a lengthy illness. She was born on October 21, 1903, in Pondonque, NY, a daughter of John and Lena Powell Crawford. On April 28, 1922, she married Robert H. Keeler, Sr., who died in 1960. She was a resident of the Olean-Belfast (NY) area most of her life. With her husband, she was owner-operator of Keeler's Bakery in Houghton. They later moved the bakery to Belfast and Wellsville. For many years she was a cook at the Conservation Club in Rushford, NY. She was a past member of the Houghton Wesleyan Church and a member of the Belfast United Methodist Church; a WMS member and past matron of the Belfast OES Bartlett Chapter 195, and of the DAR of Belfast. Surviving are two sons, Robert H. Keeler, Jr., and Jon G. Keeler; three daughters, **ALLEGRA (KEELER '44) LANG**, **ROBERTA (KEELER '53) MAHONY**, and Virginia VanDusen; 15 grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

'88 MELINDA KAY SHEESLEY, 25, died October 12, 1991, at her home in Cumberland, ME, following a 14-year battle with cancer. She was the daughter of **RICHARD and RUTH (BARTH '59) SHEESLEY '60**. A 1984 graduate of Greely High School in Cumberland, Melinda was a member of the girls swim and soccer teams. At Houghton College, Melinda was a psychology major. She was president of the psychology club, a member of the Christian Student Outreach clown ministry, a "big sister" in Allegany County Outreach, and a weekly visitor to local nursing homes. At the time of her death, she was a senior at the University of New England in Biddeford, ME, where she was working on a psychology degree. She participated in intramural soccer, volleyball and softball. Melinda was a member of the Chestnut Street United Methodist Church in Portland and, when she was able, staffed the nursery and helped with leadership of the junior high youth fellowship. Besides her parents, she is survived by a sister, **SHARON (SHEESLEY '85) SOBOLEWSKI**; a brother, **Richard Mark Sheesley**; and her maternal grandfather.

'42 (BIB) LELA (MADISON) SMITH died September 29, 1991, in

Saratoga Springs, NY. She was born March 3, 1922, and was a lifelong resident of the area. She was an active member of the Corinth Wesleyan Church and taught Sunday school for 25 years, was Sunday school superintendent of the primary department, taught Vacation Bible School, was a member of the choir, a deaconess, community missions director, missionary society president, chairman of the hostess committee, an active member of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, children's church director, a member of the Christian Women's Club and others. A sister and brother predeceased her. Surviving are two brothers; one sister; and her husband, **HAROLD SMITH '50**, to whom she would have been married 49 years on December 25, 1991.

'35 WILLARD STEVENSON died October 16, 1991, in Rochester, NY. A native of Mooers, NY, he lived most of his adult life in Rochester, where he practiced dentistry. Besides Houghton, he attended St. Lawrence and Harvard universities. He graduated from the University of Buffalo Dental School. A veteran of WWII, he was in the second wave to land on Omaha Beach and practiced dentistry under trees until he was wounded and sent to England to recover. He received a purple heart and was a member of the DAV. He is survived by his wife, Pearl; three sons; a daughter; three grandchildren; two brothers, **MARSHALL '31** and **HOLLIS '29**; and nieces, nephews and cousins.

'42 MYRA (THOMAS) WILMOT died on July 12, 1991. After graduating from Houghton College, she became an army nurse in WWII, serving in France and Germany. Her highest rank was lieutenant. At 71, she was among the top tennis players of her area and won the women's "A" league championship in her hometown just last year.

Memorial Gifts

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

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Men's Soccer Finishes 17-2-2 Burke is District Coach of Year

1991 marked the silver anniversary for Doug Burke as men's head soccer coach at Houghton. It also represented one of his best seasons as Houghton finished with an outstanding 17-2-2 record.

The Highlanders captured their second consecutive NAIA District 18 title with a 4-1 win over Geneva College (PA). They played the game on a frozen Stebbins Field that 24 hours earlier had to be cleared of four inches of snow. The greatest task, though, for Houghton stood some 600 miles to the south in Salisbury, NC.

Facing Catawba College meant challenging a team that spent part of the season as the nation's top-ranked team and routinely turned back the likes of North Carolina State, Duke, and Wake Forest. Undoubtedly, Houghton was a good team, but in many observers' eyes they were too young to seriously challenge the more experienced Catawba team whose roster was dominated by international talent. Someone obviously forgot to tell Burke's Highlanders, though.

Cheered on by some 50 loyal supporters who made the trip to North Carolina, Houghton defeated Catawba 2-1 on goals from two freshmen, Jamie Wellington (Orchard Park, NY) and Marc Luckey (Wheaton, IL). "This was one of the biggest wins ever for Houghton," commented Coach Burke. Less than a day later, an emotionally and physically drained Highlander team couldn't repeat their winning performance against Alderson Broaddus College (WV), who eventually reached the nation's final four.

Season highlights included sophomore midfielder Dan Dominguez's 14 assists, eclipsing the season high mark of 12 by Doug Johnson in '79 and Steve Burke in '80. Jamie Wellington, with 16 goals and 5 assists, was named to the NAIA All American Team. Both Wellington and Dominguez were se-

lected to the NCAA Division II All New York State First Team. And the NAIA District 18 All Star team included Wellington, Dominguez, senior defender Peter Amos (Haddon Heights, NJ), and senior goalkeeper Chad Groff (New Holland, PA). In addition, Doug Burke was named District Coach of the Year.

The Highlanders will return seven starters to the lineup in '92 as they will certainly have reason to be counted among the nation's elite.

Volleyball "Sets" Record

Houghton's women's volleyball program has been on the rise since the early '80's. But 1991 was the Lady Highlanders' best season to date. With a final 34-3 record, Houghton ran off a 26 match winning streak—a college team sport record.

Though the season ended with a disappointing loss to Seton Hill College (PA) in the NAIA District 18 championship game at Houghton (HC had defeated Seton Hill earlier in the year), head coach "Skip" Lord assembled a team with enough height, talent, and depth to receive the college's first-ever mention in the national rankings. "For an east coast team to receive any type of national recognition is truly an accomplishment," commented Coach Lord. "College volleyball has historically been dominated by west coast and Hawaii teams...I think we are among the eastern colleges that are beginning to change that," he added.

Seniors Stacia Dagwell (Holland, MI) and Elise Munyard (Melbourne, Australia) will both graduate in May, having been a part of Houghton's rise as a legitimate volleyball power. Already, though, Lord is attracting the interest of some top prep players. In fact, one of Rochester's (NY) premier high school players has already committed to join the program as a member of the Class of '96.

At the season's end, sophomore Sheri Lankford (Virginia Beach, VA) was named to the NAIA District 18 All Star Team. Lankford, a graduate of

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Norfolk Christian High School, was one of the District's most dominant players as outside hitter.

Cross Country Runs at Nationals

For the second consecutive year, cross country coach Bob Smalley's men's and women's teams qualified for the NAIA National Championships after winning the NAIA District 18 title at Westminster College (PA).

The newest star on the cross country scene at Houghton is Naomi Castellani, a freshman from Rocky Point, NY. Naomi consistently was out in front in meets during the regular season. In the national championship race, she finished among the country's top 60 en route to helping the Lady Highlanders team finish in the top 21. Already, Naomi is being acknowledged as one of the best runners ever at Houghton.

In his final season, Jon Cole was again the men's top runner. The team boasted a deeper lineup that included a new member, Canadian Doug Gillham, and junior Tim Thurber (Brockport, NY). Coach Smalley was named the NAIA District 18 and Area 8 Coach of the Year.

Women's Soccer on the Rise

First-year head coach David Lewis arrived on campus during mid-summer. Charged with rebuilding a women's soccer program that in '85 reached the NAIA final four, Lewis faced many challenges. Simply getting to know his players was the first assignment. Yet, after many close contests, the former All American at The King's College pulled out five victories in his first campaign.

Tricia Atkinson (Harrisville, NY) was again a threat at forward in her junior year. She was joined up front by freshman sensation Tanya Trezise (Livonia, NY) who scored seven goals for the Lady Highlanders. In her first year in the goal, junior Bonnie Patterson (Jamesville, NY), kept Houghton in a

number of games.

With one season behind him, Coach Lewis has begun the long recruiting process in an effort to return his program to its winning ways. '91 was certainly a good start in that direction.

Field Hockey Posts 9-3 Mark

The field hockey team joined the winning fall teams at Houghton, finishing with a 9-3 record. Lead by junior Lori Sheetz (Somerdale, NJ) and senior Janet Kirschner (Haddon Heights, NJ), the Lady Highlanders had a number of impressive wins including Oneonta State, Indiana University (PA), and Slippery Rock (PA).

Leading the way for new talent was Brenda Pettygrove (Philadelphia, PA). The Philmont Christian Academy graduate was a scoring threat in only her first year. Although she underwent knee surgery as a result of an injury, Brenda is expected to return to full strength next season.

At the annual Christian College Invitational, Houghton defeated Eastern College and Philadelphia College of the Bible to capture the tournament title.

Basketball Boasts Experience

Head men's basketball coach Steve Brooks and head women's coach "Skip" Lord share something more in common than just the sport they coach—they both have veteran teams this year. And, to date, the experience is paying off on the court. At press time the men's team is off to a 6-3 start, their best in a number of years. Early season wins have included Alfred University, Roberts Wesleyan College, and Elmira College. Senior David Binkowski (Pittsburgh, PA) is nearing Tedd Smith's all-time career scoring mark of 1,799 points set in '82.

The Lady Highlanders are currently at 7-2 on the season. Houghton has tremendous depth and height—a line up that includes four six footers. Wins to date have included capturing the Messiah College Invitational Tour-

namment, Roberts Wesleyan College, Keuka College, and Alfred University.

Other Sports News

Mike Raybuck was named to replace Ken Heck as head coach of the men's and women's track and field teams at Houghton. In another coaching change, Connie Finney has announced her resignation as head coach for field hockey. Ms. Finney will remain at Houghton in her position of assistant professor of psychology and education. A search for her replacement is currently underway.

Spring Sports Calendar

(away games)

Men's Basketball

January		
24	St. Vincent College	8:00
28	Daemen College	8:00
February		
15	Keuka College	8:00
21	Westminster College	7:30
22	Geneva College	7:30

Women's Basketball

February		
5	D'Youville College	8:00
14	Carlow College	7:00
15	Seton Hill College	2:00
21	Westminster College	5:30
22	Geneva College	5:30

Track & Field (Men and Women)

March		
21	Moravian Invitational or Messiah	10:00
28	Susquehanna U. Invit.	10:00
April		
4	Mansfield Invitational	10:00
11	Ithaca Invitational	10:00
14	NAIA Districts	2:00
21	w/Geneseo/Roberts/Niagara	2:00
25	Hartwick/UB or Brockp't Inv.	10:00



CAMPUS NEWS



Dr. Young

Dr. Paul Young to be Interim Dean

Dr. Chamberlain has announced the appointment of Dr. Paul D. Young '76 as the academic vice president and dean of the college for the 1992-93 academic year. Currently head of the psychology department, Dr. Young received a master's degree from the University of Alberta in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, in 1978 and began teaching at Houghton in 1980. In 1984 he earned a Ph.D. in psychology from the University of Alberta.

Since he began teaching at Houghton, Dr. Young has served on many committees, including eight years on the faculty affairs committee, which he chaired for five years, and two years on the faculty development committee, which he chaired for a year. He was faculty resource person to the college board of trustees for two years and is in his second year as faculty vice chairman.

A native of Saint John, New Brunswick, Canada, Dr. Young attended Bethany Bible College for a year before transferring to Houghton. He is the chairman of the board of trustees of the local church and has sung in the church choir for many years. He is married to Deborah (Fero '76) Young. They have three daughters—a 12-year-old and twin six-year-olds.

Dr. Young's appointment takes effect on July 1, 1992.

Bence describes new Christian Ministries role

When he leaves the dean's office in July, Dr. C.L. Bence will become Houghton's director of Christian Ministries. This revived program of undergraduate vocational preparation for pastoral ministry has been prompted by such developments as career-changing adults seeking professional preparation, limited financial aid available to students enrolled in religious vocational studies, and the closing of United Wesleyan College.

Bence will recruit aggressively for



Pictured left to right are: (front) Mary Boomhower, Lola Haller, Annalee Schultz; (middle) Harold Kingdon, Clair Luckey, William Greenway; (rear) Warren Woolsey, Richard Pocock

"Good People" cited for 527 years' service, three retire

At the January, 1992, recognition banquet, President Chamberlain cited 31 individuals for their contributions (527 combined years of service!) to Houghton College. He observed: "Strong institutions become strong and stay strong because good people come and good people stay." Recognition was given to those with anniversaries of employment of 10 years and every five years thereafter.

In the category of 10 years were Bruce Brenneman, conference director; Darlene Bressler, education; Connie Finney, psychology and education; Louise E. Gingrich, business office; Daniel C. Moore, audio-visual; Richard Stegen, psychology; Gerald Szymanski, custodial; Robert Whiting, maintenance; Harry Wood, trustee; Daryl Stevenson, psychology; Elizabeth Johnson, library; and Michael Lastoria, counseling services.

Seven employees were cited for 15 years: Gary Fiegl, maintenance; James Hunt, security; Thomas Kettelkamp, recreation and leisure studies; Claity Massey, education; Virginia Norton, food services; Jean Reigles, voice; and John Mervine, trustee.

Twenty-year honorees were Paul Johnson, foreign languages; Loren Meyers, maintenance; and Roger Rozendal, communication.

Recognized for 25 years each were: Robert Brown, financial aid; Harold Kingdon, Christian ministries; and Annalee Schultz, records and research. Thirty-year honorees were William Greenway, English; and Richard Pocock, math. Mary Boomhower, history and social science division secretary, was the solo 40-year honoree. The three retirees recognized were: Warren Woolsey, professor of New Testament and Missions, with 27 years of service; Lola Haller, professor of education and coordinator of teacher certification, with 28 years of service; and Clair Luckey, carpentry foreman, with 32 years of service.

WANTED: EDUCATION PROFESSOR

Interim position. Beginning August 15, 1992. To teach Early Childhood Education and/or Technology and supervise student teachers. Commitment to the integration of Christian faith and learning and personal commitment to Christian principles. Ed.D. or Ph.D. in early childhood education or educational technology desired.

For more information contact Dr. Claity Massey, education department head (716-567-9674), or Dr. Clarence Bence, academic vice president and dean of the college, Houghton College, Houghton, NY 14744. Houghton College is an equal opportunity employer.



FEBRUARY: PHONATHON MONTH!

This year's \$265,000 scholarship goal can help make Houghton affordable to many students who might not otherwise attend. Volunteers will call nightly so be ready to share your news and a gift which will help a Houghton student get on the winning team.

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students interested in such a program, while promoting a quality liberal arts alternative to a pre-seminary track.

Another aspect of this effort will be to foster a more deliberate program of spiritual formation among incoming students. Bence noted: "Increasingly our students are products of varied Christian backgrounds and pluralism. While affirming the value of diversity and other perspectives, we must become more self-consciously Christian. I hope to work with faculty to enhance integration of faith and learning in the classroom, no longer assuming that having believers as students and instructors automatically achieves this."

His first year will be one of developing concepts to build a cohesive whole of chapel, classroom experiences, and outreach programs. To achieve an invigorated spiritual force Bence concluded: "We're not talking about imposing conduct codes, but about internalizing values, and becoming responsible stewards in an age of glut." He'll spend school-year months on campus, but fill summers with off-campus speaking engagements.

China Trip Raises Questions, Advances Research Projects

When education department head Dr. Claity Massey made a research visit to Hong Kong and China last summer, the experience was mutually eye-opening. When Dr. Massey lectured on methodology to kindergarten teachers she found their unquestioning acceptance of her content gratifying and unnerving. She still struggles with the large gap she observed between the early development of the Chinese children, and that of American kids she usually works with.

Perhaps this difference was most evident in the sophisticated Chinese pre-schooler art on Massey's office walls; architecture, landscapes, people and animals, all rendered with a grasp of scale, color and technique one would not expect from five-year olds. She ponders how to foster that sort of development in American tots, without resorting to such Chinese stratagems as boarding schools for preschoolers, day-long Saturday classes, and intense pressure to perform. She would like to

see greater parental interest, and pro-social behaviors developed here.

Dr. Massey said the Chinese are now sensing a need to develop a moral education program. During her sabbatical leave next year, she hopes to further her study in all of these areas

Institute of Theology

"The Changing Face of the Church" will be the theme for Houghton College's 25th annual Institute of Theology Mar. 9-11. Nine seminars—featuring such topics as "On Being a New Testament Church—But Which One?" and "MEGA-SHEPHERDS: The Pastors of the 21st Century"—will be presented by pastors and Houghton faculty.

Leading the Institute will be Dr. Leith Anderson, senior pastor of Wooddale Church in Eden Prairie, MN. The Wooddale Church currently ministers to several thousand persons in metropolitan Minneapolis and also serves as a teaching and laboratory church to others across the nation. Dr. Anderson is a graduate of Moody Bible Institute, Bradley University, and Denver and Fuller Seminaries. He has taught at several seminaries and has served as a consultant and board member in churches, missions, and institutions of Christian higher education. The most recent of his three published books is *Dying For Change*.

Calendar

February

- 1 Gallery Exhibition begins, *Visions*
- 7-8 Winter Weekend
- 14 Gallery Reception, *Visions*, 6:30 p.m.
- 14 Artist Series: *Albert McNeil Jubilee Singers*, 8:00 p.m.
- 20-22 Fine Arts Festival
- 23 College Choir home concert, 6:30 p.m.
- 27-28 Fine Arts Festival continues
- 28 Spring Break begins, 6:05 p.m.

March

- 6-7 Trustees Meeting
- 9 Classes Resume, 8:00 a.m.
- 9-11 Institute of Theology
- 10 Gallery Exhibition begins, *Baker and Michalak*
- 13 Gallery Reception, *Baker and Michalak*, 6:30 p.m.
- 19-21 English Expression Club Drama
- 26 Lecture Series, *T. Odem*, 8:00 p.m.



HOMELESS IN HOUGHTON? It began as senior Rich Towers's, sociology project, but grew to include a dozen individuals seeking to gain some understanding of how homelessness feels, and to raise the consciousness of fellow students and others who passed by their quad-side 10x10 wood pallet, cardboard and plastic shelter. Sleep was fitful or non-existent for those who spent two snowy December nights of 16-degree cold in the shelter. They denied themselves showers and changes of clothing, but enjoyed the relative warmth of quality sleeping bags, classrooms, good food, and the certain knowledge that their homelessness could be terminated at will. Some passersby expressed interest in the concept, a few taunted, "Get a job." Students recognized the inadequacies of their simulation, but as one phrased it: "When you personalize a social problem, it becomes very difficult not to care."

Alumni Invited to Audition for EuroChor Tour of the Continent

SINCE its founding by Wilfred Bain 60 years ago, the Houghton College Choir has built its reputation as a premier *a capella* ensemble, touring the eastern states each spring—but not in 1992. Instead, elements of the college choir, the chapel choir and as many as 10 alumni singers will make a 14-day tour on the Continent May 15-29.

Dubbed EuroChor, the ensemble's 45 members are busy raising money for the trip—and beginning rehearsals. Tour leaders will be professors Jean Riegles and Bruce Brown, respective directors of the college and chapel choirs. Dr. Brown also heads the school of music's vocal department. Fine arts chairman Ben King, his wife and Mrs. Brown will also accompany the group.

EuroChor expects to depart JFK airport in New York via Czechoslovakia Airlines, touching down in Prague, where they will sing three times. They'll give subsequent concerts in Brno (Moravia), Vienna and Salzburg in Austria; Munich and Nuremburg in Germany. The tour will be coordinated by Arts Development International.

Concert programs will consist of American music from Billings to Robert Shaw and Leonard Bernstein. When they're not singing, choir members will explore cultural history in the host cities, emphasizing the arts. Departmental funds, including normal tour budgets, will underwrite much of the cost, but par-

ticipating students must each raise some \$300. Fund-raising projects include refreshment concessions at artist series concerts, several car washes, babysitting, sales of candy and commemorative key chains and pins. Alumni desiring to sing in EuroChor—men are in particular demand—should inquire in care of either director. Selection will be based on audition. Presence in Houghton for three days of rehearsals after commencement on May 10 will be required.

Dr. Brown hopes this outing will be the pilot for quadrennial tours abroad, complementing such established cultural and curricular opportunities for music students as singing with a major professional orchestra and participating in an opera or musical.



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