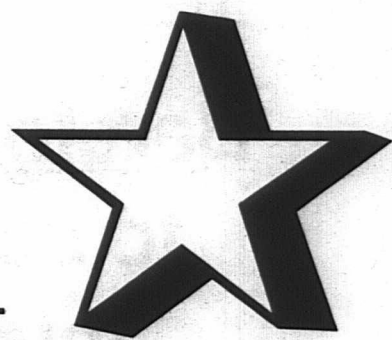


THE HOUGHTON STAR



WORLD AT A GLANCE

Wm. Mann

USA - Vice President Al Gore agreed to three televised NAFTA debates with Ross Perot this week.

TURKEY - Renewed efforts for an independent Kurdish state sparked a series of coordinated attacks on key Turkish targets in Western Europe.

ISRAEL - Longtime Jerusalem mayor Teddy Kollek lost to Likud candidate Ehud Olmert, who advocates allowing Jews to live and buy anywhere in the city. Kollek sought peaceful coexistence through separation of Jews and Arabs.

INDIA - Muslim separatists holed up for 20 days in Kashmir's holiest mosque may be reaching a negotiated end.

CUBA - Key allies have snubbed the U.S. by voting 88-4 (57) abstentions to end long standing American embargo of Cuba.

RUSSIA - Moscow announced that it will continue dumping low-level nuclear waste in the Sea of Japan despite objections from North Korea and Japan.

HAITI - The U.N. hopes to negotiate a new agreement with Gen. Cedros, but neither President-in-exile Aristide nor oppressed residents hope for easy solution.

BURUNDI - The failed coup of October 21 which killed President Melchior Ndadaye has surviving ministers barricaded in the French Embassy without hope of U.N. assistance.

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WMF's New Vision Week challenges HC students

Angela Fulkroad

During the week of November 1-5, twenty-seven missionaries representing eighteen missions, came to Houghton to participate in New Vision Week, which was sponsored by World Missions Fellowship (WMF).

"New Vision Week is a time to spread the word about missions and challenge those who might think about serving through missions" says senior Katherine Croyle, Correspondence Secretary for WMF. Croyle was responsible for inviting the missionaries and corresponding with them through letters and over the telephone.

The entire WMF cabinet was responsible for selecting the missionaries who were involved in New Vision Week. Cabinet members examined a list with the names of over 200 missionaries and voted on which ones would be invited. In order to be selected, their missions organizations had to be a member of either the Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability or the Interdenominational Foreign

Missions Association, two accrediting organizations.

Two of the main focuses of New Vision Week this year were to give students the opportunity to see that missionaries are real people who encounter some of the same struggles as Houghton students encounter; and that God can use everyone regardless of what their talents may be.

Kathleen DePeal, WMF Treasurer, was encouraged by the visiting missionaries. "I tried to get to know all of the missionaries. They had great stories to tell and encouraged me in areas that were not directly related to missions. I gained a better understanding of who missionaries are." Missionaries Chris and Sherri Lubkemann, who represented the Pocket Testament League, used their ministry with puppets and wood carving to demonstrate the need for everyone in the body of Christ. "God sees the value in everything and everybody," said Chris Lubkemann.

Jon Sheldon, WMF Administrative Assistant, was

responsible for coordinating housing and organizing the seminars and class devotions that were led by the missionaries. "I wanted to keep them busy," says Sheldon, "so they could have more opportunities to interact with the students."

Missionaries were also able to share their experiences during chapel services, evening services, and special seminars. Tuesday, November 2, seminars focusing on regions of the world, were held in the NAB at 11AM. The countries of Venezuela, Honduras, Brazil, Africa, France, Italy, Philippines, Indonesia, the former Soviet Union, and China were represented during that time. Urban Ministries were also included.

On Thursday, November 4, the seminars dealt with various topics such as, Current Events in World Evangelism, Missionary Education, Packing Square Boxes in Round Barrels - Hardships and Joys of Being a Missionary, Bible Translation, Marriage on the Mission Field, Missionary Work and Politics, and Being Flexible: Keeping Your Options Open.

There were also designated prayer times to enable students to pray for New Vision Week. Prayer times were scheduled from Monday-Friday at 8AM in the Campus Center and Monday-Thursday at 6:30PM in the Prayer Chapel, located in the basement of Wesley Chapel.

WMF President, Brian Kvasnica, was pleased with the results of New Vision Week, particularly with the seminars and was encouraged by the dedication of the cabinet. "I think New Vision Week was an exciting time to be at Houghton," says Kvasnica.

As a junior majoring in history and religion, Kvasnica, who is planning on being involved with missions, wrestles with pursuing a graduate degree when there is so much to be done in the mission field. He was especially encouraged by Larry Burke and John and Phoebe Depue. "I was reminded that it is better for a partially enlightened blind man to dialogue and lead others than a sincerely blind man to attempt to minister to others. Essentially, we have been called to use our gifts and talents and strengthen them for God's glory."

End of an Era
Coach Burke and Senior Dan Dominguez watch intently as Houghton beat Geneva to earn a place in area playoffs this weekend. Story on page 5.



Report:

Senate meeting: November 2

Doug Smith

In response to the recent decision to change the attendance policy, Senate adopted, as an official senate document, a letter to Dean Mannoia. Members of an ad hoc committee, chaired by Dan Dominguez, composed the letter stating Student Senate's feelings against the new attendance policy. A student-signed petition will accompany the letter. It is Senate's goal to obtain 50 signatures per senator.

In their report to Senate, the Calendar Committee asked for input on how best to schedule "final four." Many students prefer full reading days to half days. The full reading day presents two problems: creating enough time slots (most students do not like evening exams) and Monday morning exams (students who believe it is wrong to study on Sunday would have to study.) The committee is looking into the possibility of scheduling Monday afternoon exams.

Senate elected Mega Vandenberg and Andrea Snitchler to the Health Committee. Senate selected Jonathan Bird to serve as a resource person for the Sexual Harassment Team. Senator Lois Boone will serve on the Constitution Committee.

A date for the student body vote on amendments to the Senate Constitution is still pending. The amendments have yet to be approved by Student Development Council, which has not met to vote on the documents. The next Student Development Council meeting is Monday, November 8, at 3:30 pm.

New Vision Week was also designed to emphasize that missions is not just overseas. "Anyone anywhere can be active in missions," says Croyle. Sheldon encourages everyone to take a missions trip or be involved in missions in some way, "even if you do not feel that God has called you into missions. The key to being 'successful' in missions is not necessarily being what the world perceives as valuable, but being available to what God needs."

Barefoot in the Park to be performed this weekend

Robin Scherer

Neil Simon's *Barefoot in the Park* is a romantic comedy with the two main characters being newlyweds, Corie Bratter, a hopeless romantic, and husband Paul, a logical realist. Also involved in the plot are Corie's mother, Mrs. Banks, whose rationalism matches Paul's, and Victor Velasco who is an eccentric, charming, older man.

Corie sets up a blind date for her mother with Victor

Velasco, but fails to mention that to Mrs. Banks herself. After all four eat dinner out, Victor Velasco offers to take Mrs. Banks home. They leave, Corie and Paul have a fight, and Corie wants a divorce. Corie pressures Paul to find another apartment the next morning, and he is about to leave when Corie finds out that her mother is missing. Soon after, Mrs. Banks walks in wearing Victor Velasco's bathrobe and councils Corie

after Paul exits. Corie changes her mind and thinks that Paul is right about the situation and is about to go after him when he returns to the apartment drunk.

As in comedy, the tensions are resolved in the end as can be seen this weekend.

Two other characters add "comedy and richness" to the play, the telephone repair man and the delivery man.

Neil Simon's *Barefoot in the Park* is basically about "life, love, and compromise."



Neil Simon's *Barefoot in the Park* will be performed in Woolsey Auditorium, Nov. 11-13. Members of the cast, from left to right, are: Beth Kinney (Mrs. Banks), Stacey Smith (Corie Bratter), Jeremiah Frink (Paul Bratter), Craig McMullen (Victor Velasco), Scott See (Delivery Man), and Tim Thurber (Telephone Repair Man). All shows will begin at 8:00 pm. with a 2:00 pm. matinee on Saturday.

SASF provides time of fellowship for student body

Lenore Kasoff

When most people think of the Salvation Army, the first thing that comes to mind is simply a second hand clothing shop. The Salvation Army is much more than that. Here on campus, the Salvation Army Student Fellowship (SASF) plays an important role that many tend to overlook. Who are they? According to SASF president Kristin See, the group's purpose is to, "provide fellowship to Salvation Army students, as well as to non-Salvation students. We want to enhance the awareness of the Salvation Army as more than a place to get second hand clothes."

The group meets Thursday evenings, and travels to the Wellsville Corps. There, they are involved in various

ministries, which include puppets, timbrel, singing, and the Boy Scouts. Each week, during this time, the SASF put a lot of smiles on people's faces and brighten their days.

The group also meets on Sunday evenings. At these meetings, according to See, they plan upcoming events, have fun and fellowship, and sometimes have special guest speakers. The meetings are also a time when spiritual growth is emphasized.

Last year, the Salvation Army's red kettle was brought to campus during the Christmas season. This was a very successful effort in raising money to help the needy in Allegany County. This year they will bring the kettle again, and hope it is as successful and helpful as last Christmas.

SASF also plans a nursing home visitation in the future.

This past weekend, Nov. 5-7, SASF went on a young adult retreat, at Camp Long Point. The retreat was offered for college students and high school seniors in the Western New York division of the Salvation Army. At this retreat meetings were held which, "emphasized spiritual growth and provided fellowship for young adults."

Even though SASF is not yet active on campus this year, they are active in the Corps. Their desire is to become more active and alive on campus this year. Kristin See and the members of SASF extend a hearty welcome to anyone who would like to join them on their Thursday or Sunday meetings.

CAST BIOGRAPHIES

SCOTT SEE as the DELIVERY MAN

Scott is a sophomore from Kettering, Ohio. He has double majors in Spanish and Educational Ministries with a concentration in Youth Ministries. In addition to acting, he enjoys swimming and hiking. He has enjoyed his acting experiences at Houghton (Harlan in *Life with Mother* and the Court Clerk in *The Night of January 16th*.) He thanks God for the talent given him.

TIM THURBER as the TELEPHONE REPAIR MAN

A senior Communication major from Oneonta, New York, Tim appeared as Judge Heath in last semester's production of *The Night of January 16th*. He has admired drama from a distance for years and is pleased that he can now be a participant. He enjoys acting and hopes to do more in the future.

STACEY SMITH as CORIE BRATTER

Drama has played a major part in Stacey's life. She has been acting for ten years. During this time she was a member of an outreach drama team for five years, as well as a participant in many musicals and plays. Her roles at Houghton include Nancy Lee Faulkner in *The Night of January 16th* and Margaret in *Life with Mother*. She has taught drama classes and directed a few plays in the past two years. Stacey, a junior Communication major (with Theater emphasis) from Ridgway, PA, hopes to continue acting after she graduates. She says, "My dream is to own my own studio, teach drama, and direct."

JEREMIAH FRINK as PAUL BRATTER

Rochester, NY is Jeremiah's hometown. He is a sophomore with a double major in Spanish and Educational Ministries with a concentration in Youth Ministries. He has been involved in dramatic presentations since the sixth grade. He has also directed church productions and performed evangelistic dramas in Kenya, Mexico, and in three U.S. states. Paul Bratter is his first Houghton role; some other recent roles are Peter in *A Man Called Peter*, Gilbert in *Anne of Green Gables*, the Mayor in *God Save the Tsar*, and Captain von Trapp in the Spanish version of *The Sound of Music*. Jeremiah hopes to direct a play someday, but is currently enjoying his time spent on stage.

BETH KINNEY as MRS. BANKS

A sophomore from Cambridge, NY, Beth is currently a Religion major with an Art minor. (She says this could fluctuate with English and Theater!) She has participated in *Hello, Dolly!*, *Pirates of Penzance*, *The Big Picture*, *No, No, Nanette*, various cabarets, all-state choir, and church productions. She loves to sing, play piano and guitar, draw, read, camp, ride horseback, play volleyball, EAT, and travel. She says, "I treasure most the joy the Lord has taught and given me through everything."

CRAIG MCMULLEN as VICTOR VELASCO

Craig is a senior Communication major from Fairport, New York. Victor is his first Houghton role; other roles he has performed are La Fleche in Moliere's *The Miser and the Carpenter* and in Shakespeare's *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. Craig has many different interests, but says he would love to act in the future. He loves his family, skiing, poetry, art, the theater, and acting. He seeks God's will for the future and desires to serve Him in whatever he does. "I praise God for the grace and all the blessing He has given me."

Alcohol Awareness program held by Shen Residence Life staff

Linda Betzold

On October 25, the Shen Residence Life Staff put together and sponsored an Alcohol Awareness Program in East Hall Lounge at 7 pm. The influence of alcohol and the reasons for its influence was the focus of the evening, from the panel discussion to the audiences' questions.

The panel consisted of the head of custodial, Ange Szymanski, seniors Lori Sears and Scott Merrill, junior Sharon Sylvester and sophomores Liz Jenner and Judson O'Dell.

Each panel member related their experiences using alcohol, how they began, how they changed, etc. Ange read the

definition of an alcoholic and the symptoms of alcoholism from Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) and the rest of the panel addressed the nature of alcohol. "It's too risky," Lori Sears maintained. Sharon Sylvester explained how alcohol "separates you from God and from yourself."

To get free of alcohol's influence, "don't even try to go it alone," Scott Merrill said. Liz Jenner and Ange both recommend AA, and all agree that one must depend on God and other people for strength.

Any information on AA can be obtained from Ange Szymanski. His office is in the basement of the Campus Center.

CDC strives to maintain cultural diversity

Esther Carpenter

The population of the United States is becoming increasingly culturally diverse and the American workplace reflects this growth. Many new opportunities are now available for minorities in the workplace, and by the year 2005, one third of the work force will be of minority status. Employers are eager to hire multicultural workers; they feel that cultural diversity creates a positive atmosphere in the workplace. New ideas, perspectives, opinions, and creative ideas are created by cultural diversity. The present day marketplace is culturally diverse, and employers desire a work force that reflects the marketplace. Many large companies now have directors of work force diversity who help employees become more sensitive and respectful of the differences among co-workers.

The Career Development Center is also working to accommodate the needs of the multicultural students on campus. In January of 1993, Carolyn Pouncy joined the Houghton College staff. She divides her time between the Upward Bound office and the Counseling and Career Development Center. Her work in the latter area is multifaceted in that she serves as 1) a counselor for any student who may be experiencing a personal crisis or difficulty, 2) a career advisor for minority students, and 3) a convener for multicultural awareness among students on campus. Although Carolyn focuses a great deal of energy in each of these areas, she hopes that she can personally be a "family away from home" for multicultural students.

Carolyn hopes in time to become a valuable resource for the career development of multicultural students. Right now she is learning a lot about these areas and is busy collecting information on scholarships, internships, and career development events of specific relevance to minority students at Houghton College. Recent scholarship information has been received from the U.S. Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, the Carver African American Scholarship Program, the Office of Indian Education, and Special People in Need. For more information and addresses see Carolyn Pouncy or stop by the Career Development Center.

Other information housed in the Career Development Center of particular interest to multicultural students includes our Multicultural Graduate School folder, Career Opportunities for Minority College Graduates, and The Directory of Special Programs for Minority Group Members, which details awards, services and federal programs available. We also have The Directory of Career Resources for Minorities and The Minority Career Guide, which offers advice and information to multicultural job seekers. The Career Development Center also offers publications entitled "The Workplace for the Present Future" and "The Workers of the New Millennium", which may be of interest to all students who will soon be entering the work force. The Career Development Center is working to expand its resources for minority students and to foster a growing awareness of cultural diversity in the workplace.

Foreign language scholarship available for juniors and seniors

Eric Stroom

The average student is not aware of, and therefore does not consider opportunities to study abroad. One of the best ways to study a foreign language and culture is through first-hand experience. There are such opportunities offered at Houghton, one of which has just recently been made available: the Rosa Mae Smith Modern Language Scholarship. This scholarship provides money for Houghton students who wish to study in France, Spain, or Germany and provides a great chance for overseas study.

Dr. Paul Johnson, a French professor in the Foreign Language Department, explained what the scholarship is all about. "The goal of this scholarship is to let students have a cross-cultural experience as part of their education." Dr. Johnson was for several years a co-director of alumni tours in Europe. One of his favorite guests was Ms. Rosa Mae Smith, a retired French teacher. She accompanied the group on a number of trips to Europe and really appreciated

the opportunities to travel. According to Dr. Johnson, she loved Houghton and wanted to do something to benefit students in the respect of overseas study. During the summer of 1992, Ms. Smith gave an \$18,000 gift to the school for the purpose of providing funds to assist students in studying abroad. The annual interest from this gift is about \$1200 and the 1993-94 school year marked the first year of presentation of the scholarship.

There are a number of criteria for recipients of this scholarship. Some important ones are that the student must have a cumulative G.P.A. of 3.0, be a junior or senior, a French or Spanish major or German minor, and have a recommendation from a foreign language faculty member.

Dr. Johnson said that one problem with the scholarship was that many people do not know about it; in fact, only two applications were received.

Sherry Kline and Eric Webb were both selected to receive parts of the scholarship. Sherry spent four weeks of the past

summer in Germany at the Goethe Institute at an intensive language program. She has been supported by Professor Gudrun Stevenson, who told her about the scholarship. When asked about her feelings concerning overseas study Sherry said, "It's so important for people to get experience by studying abroad. It is a terrific thing and the school should really support it." Sherry wanted to be able to pay for the trip on her own and the \$200 she received helped. Eric Webb is currently studying at the University of Strasbourg in France. He is spending his junior year there and received \$1000 towards his expenses. According to Dr. Johnson, who is in contact with Eric, he is really enjoying and profiting from the experience.

Most students at Houghton aren't aware of scholarships unless they really look for them. The Foreign Language Department is trying to make this scholarship known to students because of its obvious value. Dr. Mia Kling, a Spanish

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Country of the Week: China

A country with one-quarter of the world's population living in an area not much larger than the U.S., China ranks third among the world's largest economies. It is presently operating at 12% economic growth. It has unseated the U.S.A. as leading gold buyer. An industrial boom is demanding a larger store of world resources, including steel and energy. It's most-favored-nation (MFN) status allows \$25 billion worth of products to enter the U.S. virtually tariff-free. Yet, China has a different world view and this troubles many in the West.

Although Clinton has approved MFN status for China (Bush vetoed it when in office), he has specified that China must improve its human rights behavior before the June 1994 renewal. The U.S. was also among those who pressured the Olympic Committee not to vote Beijing as the 1996 Olympic host city (Amnesty International was also among that protest; the site went to Sydney, Australia). America has recently imposed sanctions against China for selling nuclear-capable missiles to India earlier this year and has

warned China against buying its first aircraft carrier (a sign that China wants to build a 'blue water' navy - India owns two).

In an effort to control this burgeoning nation, many countries are decrying human rights violation (such as Tiananmen Square in 1989). Yet, China is becoming powerful enough to ignore these objections. Newly elected Prime Minister of Japan, Kiichi Miyazawa, has stated that they would only continue to increase commercial ties with Beijing and would not let "abstract notions of human rights" enter into the relationship.

As former Secretary of Economic Reform, Li Xianglu, has said, "Assuming China develops at its present speed, (and given its ties with Taiwan, Hong Kong, and Southeast Asia), China may well present an alternative world view to American liberalism."

This alternative is Confucian philosophy. While Westerners emphasis is on individual rights, the Chinese view man within society. "Being filial to your parents and loyal to your master" is the fundamental tenet of life. The

Tiananmen Square massacre was China's response to civil disobedience. In a nation as large as China, brute example becomes the method for suppressing further revolts. Efforts by outsiders to change these methods is called "human rights imperialism" by some Chinese leaders.

These two divergent lifestyles are now confronting each other as China assumes a role as world player. The U.S. wants to see China respond very quickly to its demands of democracy, yet centuries of isolation in Confucianism will not be overturned easily. Even Hong Kong, which comes under China's control in 1997, has only adapted modestly after 100 years of British rule.

There is already some evidence that China is learning new rules of the game. Beijing has granted southern provinces a freer hand in economic activity. Guangdong province, which neighbors Hong Kong, and is fast approaching its level of affluence, operates on a system of communal prosperity and state ownership. Its success may lead other regions into adopting the same policies.

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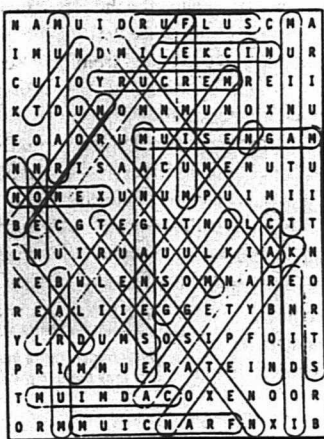
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Houghton Field Hockey finishes season 9-5-3

Michael Maloney

The field hockey team at Houghton has finished another successful season as they finished 9-5-3 and claimed the title of the annual Christian College tournament. First-year coach Lori Sheetz led the team to an impressive record in what many predicted should have been a rebuilding season.

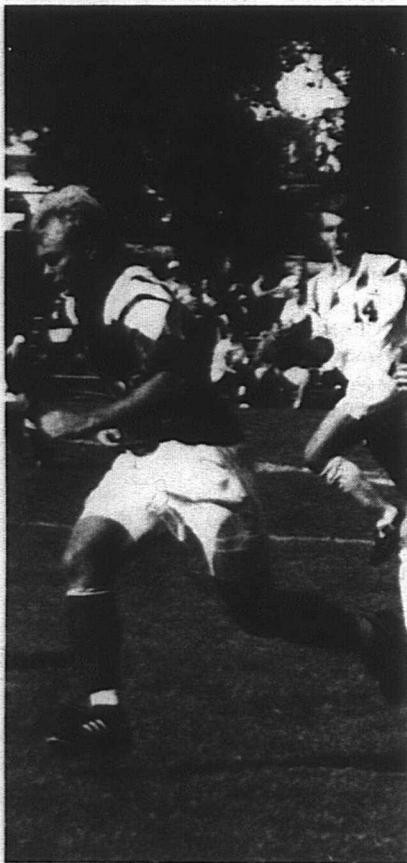
Because the NAIA does not have a playoff system for field hockey, HC had no chance to further prove themselves in postseason play.

The leading scorer for the Lady Highlanders was junior Brenda Pettygrove. The Philadelphia native took 38 shots and had 10 goals on the year. Junior Rachel Lang took the second place slot with 39 shots and six goals. Sophomore Joy Orlemann and freshman Karen Reichenbach each had three goals a piece, good for third. Pettygrove and Lang both led the team in assists, as well.

"Rachel Lang was a dominant offensive player," says Sheetz. "She wasn't the leading scorer because she stayed on the outside, but many of our scores wouldn't have happened without her bringing it up the right wing. She has excellent stick work."

Record broken by Jamie Wellington

During the game against Westminster, played on Saturday, October 30, forward Jamie Wellington broke the record for season goals when he registered his twenty-first goal of the year. That score wiped out the old standard of 20 set by Steve Burke and Randy Levak. "It's a relief to get it over with, and no longer have the pressure to do it," said Wellington. After a 6-1 win against Geneva that delivered to Houghton its fourth consecutive district championship, Wellington's record stands at 25 goals. He is making this one increasingly harder to break.



Juniors Jen Adams, Liz Sylvester, and Diane Swift led a defense that tallied a team single season record of ten shutouts. The defense was anchored by sophomore goalie Jenn Todd. She registered 104 saves this year, and has 18 shutouts in two seasons.

Sheetz praises defender Diane Swift, a valuable asset in this year's record-breaking defense. "She was phenomenal. She got better each game."

This year's team had to follow in the foot steps of last year's squad, which was the most successful in Houghton history. They lost six seniors from that team, leaving just one senior this year. The young team did better than many had expected. "They did a good job considering the pressure," says Sheetz. "Houghton hockey has come on strong in recent years. Other schools come up to us after games now and say that they can't believe how far we've come."

She continues: "This team has a lot more in them before they reach their potential. Next year could be an incredible year. This young team will have another year of experience, and the new recruits are looking good."

Women's Soccer wins district championship; prepares to host areas

Eric Stroom

Six postseason goals, tight defense, teamwork, and the will to win have delivered the Houghton Lady Highlanders soccer team their first district championship since 1985.

With a win at home against Seton Hill and a victory on the road against Geneva, the women are ready to storm into the regional tournament.

On Wednesday, November 3, the Lady Highlanders hosted Seton Hill College for the district semifinals. After beating Seton Hill the previous Saturday on the road, Houghton was looking for a win, and they came out pumped.

From the beginning, the women looked great. Six minutes into the first half, forward Heidi Gugler took a corner kick and placed it right in front of the goal. A defenseman for Seton Hill headed the ball out of the box and right into the waiting trap of Tanya Trezise. She got control of the ball and passed it to Jamie Gardiner off center. Gardiner took a shot and put the Lady Highlanders up by one.

Seven minutes into the second half, Trezise took a shot and put it away, boosting Houghton's lead to 2-0. With thirteen minutes left to play, Jamie Gardiner took a shot that the goalie was able to tip away, but Gugler was waiting and scored her first goal of the day. The final score was 3-0 and Houghton was on its way to the district championships that Saturday.

After a long drive on Friday evening, the team pulled into Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania, to get ready to play Geneva College. Saturday morning dawned cold with alternating snow and rain. The game began at one o'clock under steady snow showers. The girls looked a little sluggish at the beginning, and Geneva took advantage. In a quick burst of speed, they pushed the ball up and scored two minutes into the game. At this point it didn't look good for Houghton, but they weren't about to give up.

Twenty minutes into the period, Gugler took a shot that hit the right post of the Geneva goal and ricocheted out of bound off a Geneva player. The ensuing corner kick was important for Houghton to take advantage of, and Tanya

Trezise made good on the opportunity. She put a perfect ball right over the box, and Gardiner headed it in to tie the score. The Houghton bench and fans exploded into cheers as it looked like the tide might be turning.

Over the next few minutes it seemed as if the goal had breathed new life into the team. The defense began to tighten up and attack the ball, and the offense began to put pressure on the front.

Thirty-two minutes into the



Freshman Jamie Gardiner has lent solid support to HC's offensive line.

first half, Geneva got a corner kick, but goalie Cindy Whitehouse blocked the shot to save the go-ahead goal. Two minutes later Houghton's defense cleared the ball, and Gugler took control. She carried downfield and put the ball in the air in front of the goal, and Gardiner headed in her second goal.

By this time the intensity level of the Lady Highlanders clearly shook up the Geneva team. Houghton stayed on the offensive for most of the rest of the first half with Gugler, at one point, shooting a rocket that hit the edge of the crossbar and deflected.

The second half started off with Houghton needing to maintain its intensity. It was

clear to the team that in such a game there was no room for slacking. With Houghton fans screaming, "You know you want it!" and "This is your game Houghton!" the Lady Highlanders put the pressure on. Danielle Phillips took two great shots that were both saved, as the offense communicated well and kept the Geneva defense off-balance.

Thirty-five minutes into the second half, Gugler got a free kick from Geneva's quarter field. She put the ball right over the heads of the Geneva players forming a wall in front of her and right over outstretched hands of the goalie, cementing Houghton's lead. The defense carried the team through the final minutes, intercepting Geneva passes and clearing the ball.

As the referee raised his hands and blew his whistle to signify the end of the game, the sideline erupted as the bench and the fans ran out onto the field to celebrate Houghton's first district championship since 1985. With this win Houghton's season record is 13-6, with more wins than the team that went to Nationals in 1985.

There is still plenty of time for more record breaking. This weekend Houghton plays the regional championships to determine who represents the Northeast at Nationals. If the women play anything like they did at Geneva, which was by far their best game of the season, the other visiting district champs are going to encounter strict competition. Hopefully, they will all go home empty handed, while the Lady Highlanders prepare to go to Nationals.



Heidi Gugler races her opponent to the ball in a game that took them to the District Championship

Men capture fourth district championship and head to areas in Wilmington, Delaware

Michael Maloney

With Coach Burke on the sidelines for his final home soccer game in his memorable 26-year career, Houghton destroyed the second best team in the District 6-1 last Saturday to claim the District championship. HC slammed a 14-6 Geneva team in winning their fourth title game in as many years.

Houghton, which ended up the regular season ranked sixth in the nation, was led by junior forward Jamie Wellington. Wellington toyed with the opposition as he racked up four goals. He now has 25 on the season, which is five better than the old record single season record.

Geneva came to town on a bitter cold afternoon to play on a field that was slippery and muddy from a couple inches of freshly melted snow.

Not surprisingly, the scoring started with Wellington. At the

8:33 mark, Jamie beat several defenders and the keeper, as he practically dribbled the ball into the goal. But just a few minutes later, a mix-up in front of Houghton's goal led to a Geneva score, and the game was tied 1-1.

Some beautiful passing from Houghton's two record-breaking forwards put the Highlanders up 2-1 at the 22:43 mark. Wellington passed the ball out to senior forward and career scoring leader Dan Dominguez, who was on the right wing. Dominguez crossed it right back to Wellington in front of the goal, and Jamie put it in.

Another Dominguez to Wellington combination resulted in Houghton's third score six minutes later. The final goal of the half was registered by Dominguez off of an assist by senior forward Jeff Howe.

Twenty-one minutes into the

second half, Wellington put in his last goal of the afternoon. On this score, freshman forward Dave Dominguez fired a shot that bounced off the right-side goal post. The rebound bounced to Wellington, who stood about eighteen yards out. Without settling the ball, Jamie sent the ball past the goalie into the net. Senior Eric Webb capped off the day by scoring off of another Dominguez assist.

Although the team expected to win the game, they were a bit surprised at the ease of their victory. "I thought that they would play us closer by looking at their season and by seeing how they played us in the last game. I didn't think that they'd beat us, but I thought it would've been closer," says junior defender KJ Hill.

Hill continues: "In the past years it was kind of a given that we'd win the title, but this year

Geneva posed more of a threat. But when we play a good game, no one's going to hang with us."

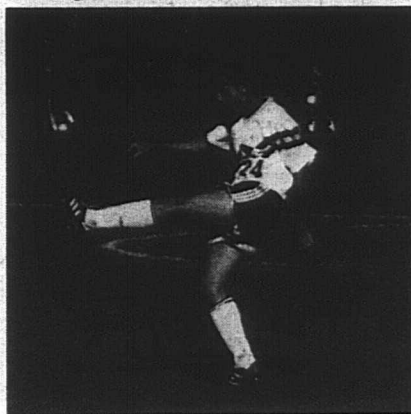
"We were nervous going into this game because we had a lot more pressure than in other years since we were expected to win," adds Wellington. "It was a lot easier than I thought it would be. We crushed them."

On his four goals, Wellington says: "It was just one of those days when things went well for me."

The Highlanders are now preparing for the area tournament which will be held this weekend in Wilmington, Delaware. "We are very confident going into the

areas," says Jamie. "It's not like the last two years when we were not expected to win." Indeed, HC is the team to beat as they are ranked first out of the four teams that will play in Delaware. If they win both games there, they will be on their way to San Antonio to play in the 12-team national tournament.

Senior Eric Webb scored the last home goal of this season against Geneva.



Guest Essay:

The fine line between criticism and comfort.

Over the past few months I have become painfully aware of the delicate balance between being a critical friend and a comforting one. On the one hand, there is a strong world view that says that we must accept just as they are. We must throw our arms around each other and say things like, "It's all right" and "You're a good person." We live in the "I-am-O.K." times, which, promotes self-confidence, but negates any possibility of maintaining certain standards of behavior, leaving no capacity for the population to determine what is appropriate and what is not. In this view, there is no stirring of each other's souls to become something different, something greater than what we are already are. There is only the attitude of encouragement to "go with whatever you want to." In this sense, the world has become too comforting. This view allows too much submission to the way people are, and thus the tyranny of relativism is promoted.

On the other hand, Christianity, not in doctrine, but often in practice, goes to great lengths to keep its members walking a particularly narrow path to Calvary. Many Christian traditions, some of which I dare say are more cultishly self-perpetuation than humble and self-deprecating in character, espouse the grave necessity of correction at the

expense of acceptance. I have seen such opinions here at Houghton as some of my friends on the fringes of faith struggle to adhere to the "proper" Christian model portrayed by both the institution and some members of the administration and student body. Most saddening is that these struggling believers feel forced to hide away any attitudes, beliefs, actions, and other "problems" that they cannot or will not change, and are scoffed at by the self-ascribed "I-am-better-off-than-others" people. I is my estimation that this predicament leaves most people pretending to be something they are not while dangerously ignoring the conflicts that well up inside them. What Christians need then is a shot of compassion, a drag of acceptance, a hit of understanding — in short, a solid dose of comfort. Without it, the faith of many will inevitably fall to the wayside as the narrow path that leads to "righteousness" is further constricted.

Far from perfect, I continually slip into either one of these two categories. More often than I'd like to admit I have put faith in a box that excludes certain actions or thoughts and thus the people who do these "non-Christian" things. On the flip side, I have also been extremely angry when an outspoken fellow believer is too quick to state that some

people are not working out their faith because they do the "wrong" things.

What I need in my own life is to find out how to be the critical comforter and the comforting critic. It seems to me that for a Christian, the two are inextricably bound. I therefore want to know when acceptance is more important than correction, or when direction takes precedence over consolation. To deny comfort is to take on the critical attitudes of Job's "comforters" who did more to accuse than to console their suffering friend. To deny criticism is to reject the model of the true believer in Jesus Christ and to ignore God's exhortation to bear the burden of holding one another accountable. Christ himself was most harsh with those who claimed they had it all together and demanded conformity to their set of rules in order to be accepted as righteous. He was most compassionate with those, who with great humility, admitted that they could not uphold anything at all.

Unfortunately, many believers today have altered Christ's pattern. Those of the upper echelons of Christianity refuse to tolerate those whose devotion they deem "less than worthy." Herein lies the problem and the solution. Until we realize the incredible fallen nature of every aspect of each individual, we will not be able to realize that *every one of us is*

less than worthy, and must depend on God's grace. Maybe then we will discover that *all* need a little more comfort, a little more acceptance, a little more understanding, and yes, a little more love.

Clearly, I am not saying that every person falls into one of these two one-sided categories. There are those who have achieved the Godly balance of criticism and comfort. I would warn you that these few people are *not* the ones who presuppose that they have the Christian faith all or even mostly worked out. From the moment one thinks that one's got it figured out, is the moment one's attitude shifts from complete dependency on God to a dependency on oneself. No, those who best exhibit this proper balance are those who continually struggle to maintain both elements of criticism and comfort, and fight to understand when and how much of each element should be employed. It is these same people who admit, with all humility, that they will forever be unable to live up to the just balance that only God is capable of, and therefore place all of their hope for achieving such a balance in the guidance of the Lord. These are the ones I will turn to for comfort. These are the ones to whom I will turn to for guidance and support. These are the ones I will listen to. These are the ones that I will seek out all the

days of my life.

Jeremy Rueb
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Smith Scholarship

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professor, said that she discusses scholarship opportunities such as this one with her upper level students who are interested in overseas study. She feels that at the college level, students are at a crossroads in their lives where decisions have to be made, and that the college should be there to provide opportunities. Dr. Kling commented, "Institutional support is invaluable as the the school promotes the educational expansion of a student."

The benefits of studying abroad are obvious for students interested in foreign language fields. Whether a student wants to work in international business or be a missionary, getting immersed in the language and culture of the target country is an invaluable opportunity. In the words of Dr. Kling, "There are things that just can't be learned in the classroom and many students need financial help to facilitate hands-on experience."

Good News of Conservative Thought

I'm glad I can say that I'm heartily in favor of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA). My position on NAFTA makes it difficult for people to categorize me as a reactionary, as someone who takes a position on an issue simply because President Clinton believes the opposite. Clinton and I both believe that NAFTA will be as good for America as for Mexico and Canada, and we have good reasons to believe that. I can only admire and respect Clinton for the zeal and courage he has exhibited in pursuing the ratification of NAFTA to his own political detriment.

But it angers me that he has in a sense jeopardized NAFTA by being so vulnerable on foreign affairs. Just when he needs to be focusing all his attentions on NAFTA, Clinton is being distracted by the results of his colossal ineptitude in the area of foreign policy. Those who support NAFTA feel like the damsel in distress whose would be savior shows up wearing no armor.

It started with Bosnia, where Clinton assaulted the Serbs with a constant barrage of intermediate to long range threats. He told them he would do everything form authorize air strikes to sealing the border between Bosnia and Serbia.

The threats might have been idle but at least there were those glorious air drops of food and high calorie pamphlets. And the highly touted safe areas run by the U.N. are nothing more than "concentration camps" according to Democratic Representative Frank McCloskey of Indiana. McCloskey blames Clinton's, Secretary of State, Warren Christopher, personally for the debacle.

In Haiti, the deadline for the restoration of the democratically elected government cane and went,

marked by nothing more than a few assassinations and snickers from military leaders. But there is a cleverly designed naval blockade in place to keep boats from going in but allows boat people out.

And in Somalia a general lack of resolve has resulted in one of the most embarrassing episodes in the history of American foreign policy. About a month ago, when 18 U.S. peace keepers were killed and one taken hostage while looking for an elusive warlord, military leaders blamed the Pentagon because a request for additional armor which would have protected our soldiers, had been turned down. When Les

Aspin, Clinton's Secretary of Defense, visited some of the survivors of the attack and Walter Reed hospital in Washington, the parents of those soldiers left bedside and the room so they wouldn't have to shake hands with Aspin.

It's simply shameful. Where Teddy Roosevelt's goal was to "walk softly and carry a big stick," it seems that Clinton's goal is to talk loudly and brandish a very pointy

toothpick. ("This is a very pointy toothpick and I'm not afraid to use it, so hand

over power to the democratically elected government by the count of 500,000 or I'm comin' in pokin' like an angry cricket on a hot night in Arkansas. I'm dead serious.")

When McCloskey accosted Christopher on the Bosnian policy (during a House meeting on NAFTA of all things) he said, "History will record that this happened on our watch, on your watch." And it's frustrating for me because Clinton's inability to produce in the area of foreign affairs is harming his chances of pushing through the one item on his domestic agenda about which we enthusiastically agree. It could be a long watch, at this rate.



JOEL TOM TATE

The definition of Character

"Your character is what you really are. Your reputation is only what others think of you." I don't know who said it or even where I found it, but this quote hangs on the wall above my desk. Hanging on that same wall are three advertisements.

"I believe life is short. Play Hard." (Reebok)
 "I buy people every day. It's naive to think that it can't be done." (Indecent Proposal)
 And a Nike ad:
 "Fear of failure
 Fear of success
 Fear of losing your health
 Fear of losing your mind
 Fear of being taken too seriously
 Fear of not being taken seriously enough
 Fear that you worry too much
 Fear that you don't worry enough
 Your mother's fear you'll never marry
 Your father's fear that you will"

In some way or another, these statements represent a part of my philosophy about life as a Christian in Satan's world. Life is, truly short. It amazes me how quickly the weeks and months go by. So you work hard, but in the midst of all the hard work we forget to play. Building snowmen doesn't exactly further the

kingdom, but it is pure, good, and lovely (Phil. 4:8). Nike has in a poetic fashion hit on almost every fear we are bombarded with, but the ad goes on: "Just do it." As Christians, this is completely plausible. How do those phrases go? "I can do all things..." and "casting all your cares..."

Satan's reign on this earth is clearly seen in Robert Redford's line. Greed, power, and lust all exude from this

statement. It is naive to think that these attitudes don't exist, that without salvation, mankind's destiny is not evil or ugly.

But you're wondering what all of these things have to do with character and reputation.

While the human race continually slips to greater levels of degradation,

their goal is to make everyone look equally bad - some form of justification. Christians have been, since Christ, slandered, falsely accused, and put under the media-minded governmental microscope. So while the world and, dare I say it?, even fellow Christians make it their goal to slander Christ's disciples, it should be our goal to live a life in which we work hard, play hard, and are faithful to Christ's commands - this is the fabric of our character.



HEATHER DALE

EDITORIAL

Letter to the Editor

I am writing in response to a Letter to the editor printed in the STAR on November 4.

In the letter, Ricardo Romero states that he is "not trying to endorse any political view," then accuses the columnist who writes "Good News of Conservative Thought" of being "out of control." Romero goes on to say that the columnist, Joel Tom Tate, "appears to be blind to reality and lacking in understanding of other political approaches." After reading the letter Romero wrote, which I believe constituted a somewhat personal attack, I reread Tate's column from October 28 and found it to be well-written, well thought out, and well stated. I do not consider myself a conservative, nor do I consider myself a liberal, I fall somewhere in between, and found Tate's column to be in accordance with my own beliefs and a majority of people with whom I spoke.

Before Romero encourages others to express their views, maybe he should stop and ask others what their views are. I believe Houghton College

allows for everyone to express themselves, no matter what they believe. That is what Joel Tom Tate does every week... express his views. It is possible, believe it or not, to encourage someone to express their views without discouraging others, which it sounded like Romero was doing in his letter.

It is my opinion that Romero's letter constituted a personal attack, and I found it very rude.

Then I read, also in the STAR, that "Letters (signed) are encouraged and accepted for publication; however they must not constitute a personal attack..." If Romero's letter does not constitute a personal attack, what does?

I believe Tate's column is fair, accurate, and well-written. I enjoy reading "Good News of Conservative Thought" and encourage Tate to keep writing, and expressing his views, because he does it well.

I would just encourage people, in the course of encouraging some to express their views not to discourage others who are trying.

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"Take Five"

Naked and Naive

The Christian college experience was not what I had imagined.

Two weeks into my first semester of teaching at Houghton, a student came to me after class with a paper I had just returned with my comments and questions. He wore an oversized olive drab military jacket of the kind popular in the 60's. He was tall and thin and his straight blond hair was tucked back behind one ear, from which a silver cross dangled. He pointed at one note that

I had scribbled in the margin asking for clarification of something badly handled.

"You've been teaching in a Christian school too long," he said with a smirk. "This is swearing!"

Never quick to take offense, I probably just pushed at my glasses in a mild mannered teacherly way and offered him some reasons for the comment. I don't remember, exactly.

As I recounted the incident to my wife that evening, I found myself growing angry. I wasn't angry that a student had questioned my judgment or challenged my authority or asked for clarification — or even that he'd used profanity to make a point. A veteran of college teaching when I arrived in this town, I expected those things. What had made me angry, specifically, was that this student thought I was naive; he had assumed I would not recognize something, like swearing, that carried the odor of worldliness.

The root of this quirk in our makeup is undoubtedly our human tendency toward sin and pride, but it quickly gets more complicated: these roots feed a dense and thorny bush. We must simultaneously live in yet apart from an increasingly complex world. In Houghton, as just one example, the issue is complicated by our preoccupations, both academic and religious. Because that in yet apart from balance is difficult to achieve and nearly impossible to maintain for more than brief moments at a time; we

find ourselves struggling with credentials that must satisfy the Outside World and the Christian Community, credentials that often appear to be at odds.

Ideally we want it said of us as it was said of Dr. Shannon at the Founders' Day Convocation this fall: he *could have gone* anywhere but he *chose* to stay here.

This "choice" I think now is at the heart of the tension I have been reflecting on. When my student friend made his



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comment, he may have been thinking that this guy is here (in Houghton) because he

had no choices. And he may have been thinking that living in a Christian environment necessarily dulls a man's sensitivity to what students love to call "reality," that is, to the world of sex, drugs, and rock 'n' roll.

Well, he was right. In a sense I didn't have a choice in coming to Houghton, if a desire to follow what one perceives to be the Lord's clear leading removes "choice." On the other hand, I did *choose* to obey, I did *choose* to come, I *had chosen* some time before to make Christian schools *one* of my options.

Furthermore, I have discovered a gradual shift in my sensibility. Since I attended three secular universities and taught on eleven secular campuses and in one prison before coming to this Christian college, I have a fleeting awareness of the larger world. But I have also spent my entire life trying to learn what the Christ-renewed mind is. This, while I seldom find the normal range of human activity "shocking," I discover I am increasingly sensitive to a whole range of behaviors, especially when they occur among Christians, that are patently thoughtless and apparently without meaning.

When I scribbled "What's this?" in the margin of my student's paper, I was not condemning what may have been poor judgment on his part, I was asking him to think hard about his choices.

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Elemental Psychology 101

The personality is probably one of the most complex aspects of being human. The things people do, the way they think, and how they communicate have never been totally understood. I will in no way attempt to solve the mystery of the human psyche, yet I have discovered a way to better explain personalities. It's a bit generalized, but helpful. I call it elemental psychology, and I am indebted to those who introduced me to it.

Like elements of the earth, there are four basic "elements," or categories used in this method of classification (don't worry, this isn't anything new age). These four basic categories are: earth, air, fire, and water.

Earth elementals are usually seen as very practical, rational people. They are highly organized, and logical, believing there is a clear-cut answer to everything. They are not known for showing much emotion. After all, to an earth elemental, any kind of emotional response would be impractical. A classic example of an earth elemental is the character Brutus from Shakespeare's *Julius Caesar*. He is seen as a very rational, logical character who was actually a Stoic.

Air elementals are the social butterflies. Life in the fast lane is of priority to these types, always needing to be kept up on the latest news, even gossip. When friends are having problems, the air elemental comes to the rescue, wanting to help them, but only to a certain point. One can usually spot one of these types of personalities just by conversing with

them — they are usually talking about themselves. But don't let the name fool you, they are not necessarily airheads. An example of an everyday air elemental is Pip from Dickens' *Great Expectations*. However, as in most novels, character changes occur, so Pip doesn't remain the socialite he was during most of the story.

The fire elemental is probably the most thought-provoking of the four. These types are extreme and outrageous. They do things usually on a whim without thinking things through

first. The fire elemental always attempts to please the crowd, but in their terms. They do what they do because they want to, not because they're following the crowd. Many rock musicians and actors are fire elementals, feeding off the attention of their audience. The person with a dominant fire elemental always commits to a cause wholeheartedly, and will not change their mind once committed. A good example of the basic fire elemental is the late Gilda Radner of Saturday Night Live — the epitome of outrageousness.

The fourth and final elemental is the water elemental, who is usually hard to get along with. The water elemental is characterized by their creativity, associated with moodiness and sometimes introverted nature. They are considered "deep" people, thinkers, who are often times depressed when thinking about things too much. The water

elemental has a difficult time accepting things as they are, continually searching for the idealistic. With their head in the clouds, they have a tough time relating to others who differ from their point of view. A perfect example of a water elemental is seen in Ruth from the Old Testament.

The above four elementals are probably the four biggest generalizations a person could create, therefore, there are exceptions to the rules. Usually, when describing a



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person in terms of elementals, three types are assigned in descending

order, because it isn't possible to be classified with just one element. It is interesting, for example, to see a predominantly water elemental using his or her secondary air element in order to gain acceptance from others.

To attempt to describe a personality using a combination of three elemental categories is quite limiting, yet helpful. I don't consider this method of describing people stereotypical. Rather, it is a basis for understanding the nature of a given personality. God has created each of us as unique individuals that goes far beyond elemental psychology. So please don't use this as an authority that will fit people in their respective categories, but instead, as a basis for understanding the uniqueness of the individual. If you want to know more about elementals in further detail, I will be happy to chat with you about it. Just drop me a note.

China is economically strong but lacking in human rights

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Already, many are flocking to its borders hoping to take a share in this new found wealth. Some continue further, drawn by Hong Kong's night life of gambling and prostitution. Others continue overseas, as can be seen in the recent freighter which washed ashore near Ellis Island, NY, vastly overcrowded with Chinese refugees. This is said to be but the tip of an enormous smuggling syndicate which sees millions of refugees sold into servitude in the U.S. yearly.

Perhaps such practices will end after the passing of China's old guard. Aging leader Deng

Xiaoping has been absent from public life for many months and some speculate that his death is imminent. His recently released speeches disclose former Shanghai mayor Jiang as his successor. Yet, a more charismatic leader might eclipse Jiang, as Deng eclipsed Mao successor in 1979.

These changes in power alone can predict the future direction that China will take. Yet, whoever has control of the military ultimately has control of China. Presently that control is in the hands of the north, and not in the south were economics are booming. The various border disputes, such as

Mongolia, Nepal, Vietnam, and the annexed Tibet, occupy a substantial amount of the military's concern. The U.S. is also sensitive, needing China's support against North Korean nuclear activity.

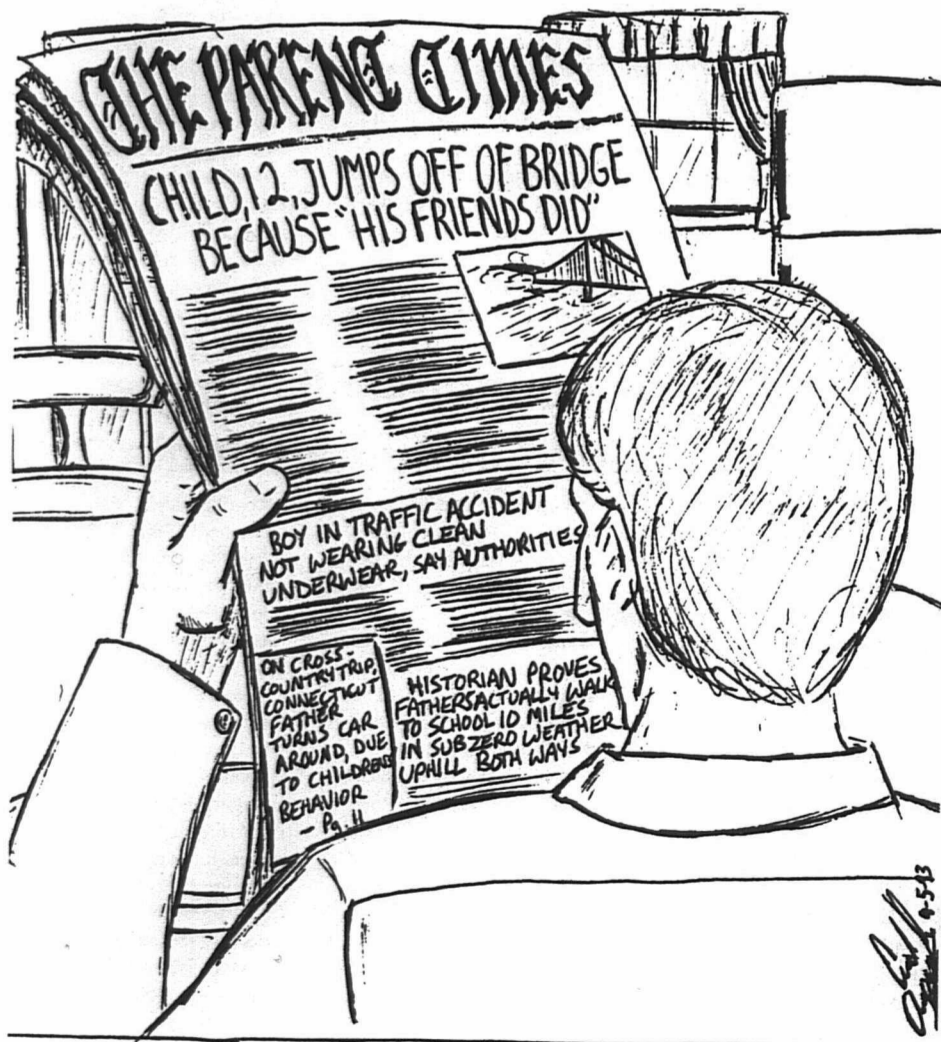
There is a long road ahead for China - and for the West who must learn to adapt to and accommodate its newly emerging neighbor. One thing is for sure: economics are the present focus right now and everyone wants to get in on China's growth. Human rights are a very present predicament for some nations. Will they be virtuous enough to maintain that opinion?

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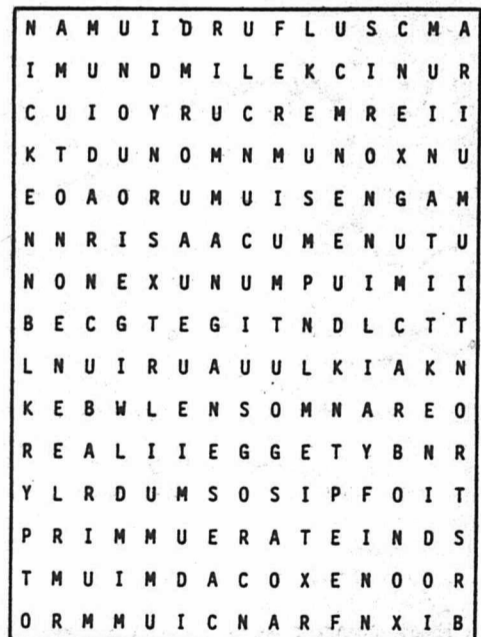
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