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## THE World OUT there

BY BEN HUGHES  
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### Quakes Strike Japan

An earthquake of magnitude 8.0 caused widespread but modest damage across northern Japan last Friday, September 26th. The tremor injured at least 400 people, damaged utilities, and prompted the evacuation of 40,000. Only one quake-related death has been reported so far. Numerous aftershocks followed the main quake.

This tremor was one of many that have struck Japan in the past few days. On September 20th, a magnitude 5.5 quake shook southern Japan, including its capital, Tokyo. It caused few injuries and some minor damage.

The epicenter of the most recent quake was located off the eastern coast of the northern island of Hokkaido. Officials issued tsunami warnings, which, due to the severity of the earthquake, even included Hawaii. The impact of the powerful quake was limited due to its depth (about 20 mi. beneath the Pacific floor), distance (about 50 mi. offshore), and the relatively sparse population of Hokkaido.

[For more news about the earthquake and Japan, go to: <http://home.kyodo.co.jp/>]

### Pres. Bush Presses the U.N. for Iraq Aid

On Sept. 23, President Bush addressed the U.N. General Assembly to formally request rebuilding aid for Iraq. Received coolly by the delegates overall, his speech and accompanying lobbying did not elicit the desired pledges of support.

The Bush administration has been seeking a new U.N. resolution that would expand the U.N.'s role in Iraq. The proposed resolution would augment international financial and military support, thereby easing the U.S.' burden in Iraq.

The President's address defended the U.S.-led war against Iraq and current U.S. policy towards securing and

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## Scholar Servants Recognized with Awards

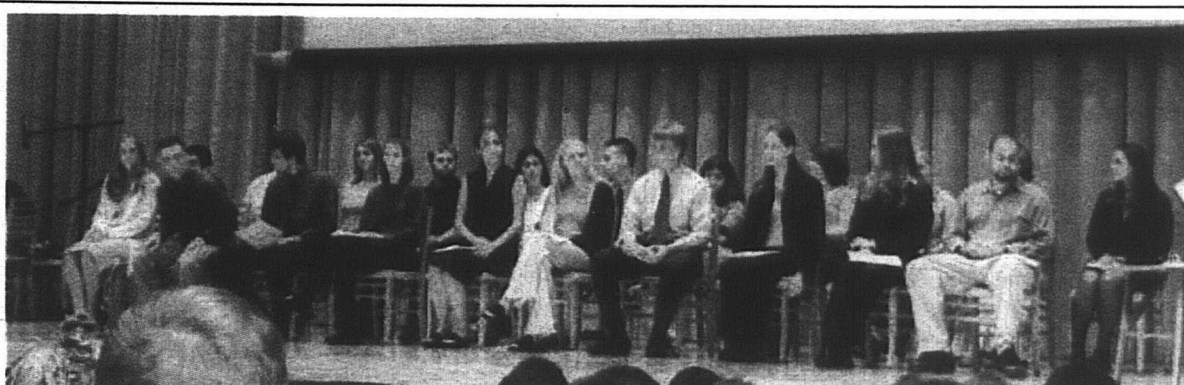


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Stretched across the chapel stage, the recipients of this year's Who's Who and Barnabas awards listen for their names to be called. Seated in the audience, mirroring the rows of students on stage, were proud family members and friends.

BY CHRISTINA TURNER  
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As a part of Family Weekend ceremonies, many parents, family members, and guests attended a special chapel service in which students were recognized for their inclusion in Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges along with those who received the Barnabas Servant-Leadership Awards.

Matt Webb, Director of Student Programs, first introduced the group of Who's Who award winners. According to Webb, a committee of Houghton faculty, administrators and students met last spring to choose which students would receive the award, which recognizes outstanding students from over 1,400 schools across the U.S. The members of the committee considered several different factors: academic success, leadership experience, participation in extracurricular activities, service to the college, Christian maturity, and the potential for future success.

"All of our recipients this year have met these requirements and have stood out on campus as excellent examples of what it means to be a scholar-servant," said Webb in

his address.

Four students also received the Barnabas Award for Servant Leadership, which Webb explained, is a cooperative effort between Houghton and the Illinois-based Barney II and Moore Foundations. At the end of each school year, juniors nominate those in their class who demonstrate a strong commitment to service and ministry, and four nominees are chosen by committee to receive the award. Each honoree received a scholarship of \$1000, at least \$200 of which must be donated to the charity of his or her choice. In addition, recipients were given a sculpture of Christ washing Peter's feet, symbolic of Christians' call to service.

Although the chapel was focused on recognizing students, they were quick to praise others. "I feel honored, but at the same time, I realized that I don't deserve it," remarked senior Olga Loskutova, a Who's Who honoree. "I know so many people on this campus whose name might not be mentioned as many times as mine but who are true servants in their heart. My favorite part of the ceremony was the recognition of the

parents [of the award recipients]. I remembered my parents at that moment and felt very blessed by the family and background I have."

Dean of the Chapel Dr. John Brittain challenged students to follow the example of the Who's Who and Barnabas winners by refusing to close their ears to the voices of people who are overlooked and in need of help. "They [the award recipients] have allowed themselves to begin to hear," remarked Brittain.

Who's Who winners included Michael Arensen, Jennifer Cadden, Laura Clark, Michael Diercks, Meara Dietrick, Christina Emerson, Angela Furney, DanaLea Gorczyca, Timothy Haffey, Walter Hopkins, Caleb Howard, Karen Jennings, Sarah Krehmar, Olga Loskutova, Emily Munro, Glory Neail, Janelle Potts, Lucas Prime, Nate Rigby, Melissa Stroud, David Truesdell, Jamie Wetherby, and Jonathan Wise.

Barnabas Award winners included Peter Brady, Timothy Haffey, Emily Kinney, and Emily Munro.

## Houghton Plans Road Construction in Compliance with ADA Requirements

BY KYLE NAGY  
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In an effort to be more accessible to those who are mobility impaired, Houghton has spent the last four plus years on the renovation and reconstruction of buildings around campus. Working on about one building per year, the school has come to the daunting task of the Luckey Building. While their previous construction and renovation projects were relatively easy, the closeness of the Luckey Building to Willard Ave. has created many problems. As a result, Houghton has implemented a plan from 33 years ago to try to solve this quandary.

Due to Luckey Building's location on the quad, a concrete walkway behind the building will be needed to meet the require-

ments of the American Disabilities Act (ADA). This construction could simply be done by taking out the parking spaces behind the building; however, placing the walkway there would create a safety hazard because that area is a high-risk location for automobile accidents. As a result, the school resorted to a road proposition that was drawn up in 1970.

Houghton has decided to propose to the community the construction of a road behind the Paine Science Center. This road would be a continuation of the street between the library and Lambein, and would connect to Park Drive at the top of the hill behind the science center. It would then proceed down the hill and meet Willard Avenue at the chapel. After these roads are constructed, the

section of Park Drive that runs from the new intersection behind the science center to the bottom of the hill will be removed, along with the part of Willard Avenue that connects the library to the chapel. Removing this section of Willard Avenue would allow for the construction of the necessary concrete walkways to Luckey Building.

Although it eliminates many current parking spaces, this road proposition will add more spaces along the new Park Drive. As a result, the school would only lose a total of 5 parking spots. Also, this construction will remove four high-traffic cross-

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reconstructing Iraq. President Bush urged the U.N. members to put aside any past differences with the U.S. and join it in rebuilding both Afghanistan and a new, democratic Iraq. He dismissed persistent calls for a swift transfer of power to the Iraqis, stating, "This process must unfold according to the needs of Iraqis, neither hurried, nor delayed by the wishes of other parties."

Two days after the speech, German Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder expressed the willingness of Germany to set aside its past differences with the U.S. and help stabilize Iraq. Along with France, Germany vigorously opposed the U.S.-led invasion and subsequent occupation of Iraq. The specifics of the apparent reconciliation and the German rebuilding commitment remain unclear.

While his speech focused on Iraq, President Bush also highlighted two additional types of challenges facing the U.N.: the widespread threat of weapons of mass destruction (WMD) and challenges of "our conscience." He exhorted the U.N. to fight to reduce the global proliferation of WMD. The President also declared, "We must act decisively to meet the humanitarian crises of our time," including the AIDS epidemic, famine, and human trafficking.

[Transcript of the speech can be found at: <http://www.whitehouse.gov/news/releases/2003/09/20030923-4.html>.]

#### Concern Grows Over Iran's Nuclear Program

U.N. inspectors recently discovered traces of enriched uranium in an Iranian power plant. The weapons-grade uranium has heightened U.S. and international concerns over the possibility of a covert nuclear program in Iran.

Earlier this year, the inspectors--part of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA)--discovered traces of enriched uranium at another site. The purity of the uranium found at both locations has created international doubt of Iran's claims that it is merely producing civilian energy with its nuclear program. The Iranian government maintains that the enriched uranium must have entered the nation via imported components.

The IAEA, as encouraged by the U.S., has demanded that Iran fully explain its nuclear program by Oct. 31, in order to prove its compliance with international nuclear safe-

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## 'Students of Tomorrow' Enjoy Carnival

BY SARA ELSTON-MOORE  
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The gym of the Nielsen Physical Education Center filled with children last Saturday, September 27, for the second annual "Students of Tomorrow" Kids Carnival. Featuring a variety of games and activities, including face painting by members of Evangelicals for Social Action and balloon sculptures by representatives from the campus store, the carnival delighted children of all ages. Besides face painting and balloon sculpting, the kids were able to participate in many other games, such as golf ball putting, basketball shooting,

plinko, a ring toss, and the always popular goldfish bowl toss, where children had the opportunity to throw ping pong balls into glass bowls containing goldfish. More than one delighted child was seen carrying a plastic bag filled with the swimming fish. For those who came with an appetite, the concession stand was open, selling popcorn, hot dogs, soda, and chips.

The event coincided with Family Weekend, and many families of Houghton students participated in the festivities. The carnival also attracted many children from outside the Houghton community. "(The carnival is) a fun way to meet and interact

with your neighbors," said Doug Roorbach, college director of public relations. "We want people to know that the college is here and that they are welcome on our campus." No admission was charged, and every child who registered received \$5 worth of game tokens and a plastic bag to hold their winnings. Overall, the children seemed to enjoy themselves. Seven-year-old Mikayla (with a rainbow painted on her cheek, balloons in one hand and a bagged goldfish in the other), said, "I hope they have this every year. It was the funnest carnival!"

#### world news, continued

guards. Last week at the U.N. General Assembly, President Bush shared his concerns regarding Iran with other leaders, and reported positive feedback.

President Bush was also expected to discuss Iran's nuclear program with Russian President Vladimir Putin. On Friday, the presidents commenced two days of talks at Camp David focusing on Iraq, Iran, North Korea, the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, and the war on terror in general. Russia is currently aiding Iran with its nuclear program--a fact that troubles the Bush administration.

[For the latest news about the recent Iran controversy, visit: <http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/world/mideast/gulf/iran/>.]

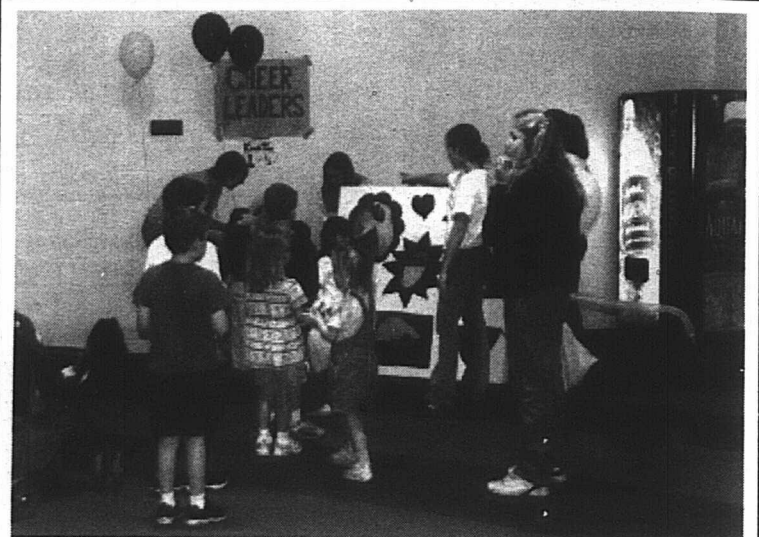


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The Houghton College Cheerleading Squad sponsored the beanbag toss booth at Saturday's "Students of Tomorrow" Carnival.

## GETTING TO KNOW ... Dr. Kathy Freytag

by KATY SYKES  
STAR STAFF WRITER

**How many birthday candles?** 35

**Hometown:** Most recently Winterpark, Florida (near Orlando).

**Married?** No.

**Alma Mater:** BS at Carson-Newman College (Tennessee), MA at University of Alabama, EDD at University of Central Florida

**Previous Positions:** Adjunct at University of Central Florida; 13 years working with elementary and middle school students with learning disabilities.

**Worst summer job:** Laying sod... oh wait I've got a better one: working in the mail room for Tow Truck Time Magazine!

**Favorite book:** For leisure: Grisham novels; for devotionals: a lot of people, Elizabeth Elliott.

**Life theme verse(s):** Psalm 121

**If you had a theme song, what would it be?** 1) "My Life is in Your Hands" by Kathy Troccoli, 2) "God is in Control" by Twila Paris

**What brought you to Houghton?** My simple one-word answer: "God."

**Pet Peeve:** Driving over an hour to get a manicure. But I'm pretty easy going.

**Favorite music:** Christian contemporary...currently Sara Groves.

**Cats or Dogs?** Neither; but if I had to choose, dogs.

**Favorite dessert:** Anything chocolate.

**What is one of the biggest problems/difficulties with the American education system?** Finding teachers with a willingness to embrace the variety of student learners' needs. Getting teachers to want to teach all ability levels.

**Are there any stupid questions?** That's a good question...questions that have already been answered probably qualify.



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walks, the busiest one being the crosswalk between the library and the science center. This road removal will make the science center more of a part of the quad as well, since there would no longer be a road separating the two. A new concrete walkway behind the library will be constructed allowing for more convenience to pedestrians. Finally, the proposition would offer a cost-efficient way to provide proper drainage from the top of the hill behind the science center. This feature became very important after the excessive flooding that occurred over the past summer. Overall, the proposition not only solves the issue of accessibility, but provides many surplus benefits as well.

Currently, the proposal is only in its preliminary stages; it is still in the process of being approved, and may take until February or March to be completed. If the proposal goes through, the school plans on doing the necessary modifications over the summer. As far as budgeting is concerned, the school's annual ADA compliance fund will provide the necessary money for the construction. In other words, this new road won't increase tuition costs, which is a great relief to both college students and parents.

## Parents Weekend: A Family Affair

BY LAURA KVAMME  
STAR STAFF WRITER

Families of Houghton College students flooded the campus this past weekend for a time of fellowship and fun. This proved to be a great chance for students to show their families just how well (or not so well) they've adjusted to this year's challenges.

There were many activities available to participate in; and despite some rain, the overall tenor of the weekend seemed to be a positive. Parents had the opportunity to attend a class or two with their child, see what they do (or don't do) on a usual weekend, and even go on a horseback riding trail! Some interesting questions were raised during the "Brunch with the President," at which president and Mrs. Chamberlain did their best to answer parents' inquiries. The Talent Showcase at the Wesley Chapel was also a booming success, thanks to the students and faculty that participated.

The days leading up to Family Weekend seemed to be a melting pot of mixed emotions among the students here at Houghton College. While some were busy preparing for upcoming

tests that they wouldn't get a chance to study for over the weekend, others were trying hard to figure out just how to start making their dormroom look presentable. Ryan Knowles, a freshman, grudgingly stated, "Well, I guess I'm gonna have to finally do my laundry. My mom would kill me if she saw this mess." This was also a time for students to finally unpack that last, dusty box of stuff from home that'd been collecting cobwebs in the corner of their dorm room. But most importantly, it was a time to quickly create that collage of pictures of our family we promised was proudly displayed on our wall.

The cafeteria underwent some minor changes as well while the families visited. To cater to these visitors, they increased their variety of food and provided fresh made bread and cookies, as well as new ice cream flavors.

A major highlight of the weekend was the activity-packed "family carnival." Children had the chance to win prizes in each of the numerous games that were offered, as well as the opportunity to join in a gymnastics lesson.

When asked for their opinion of

the educational system, parents responded with very positive statements. Jon Martin, a father of a Houghton sophomore, said, "I think that my daughter really has an 'up' on other kids that she graduated with. Here, she gets to get a top-notch education and be encouraged daily in her faith. I really couldn't ask for more." Another student's parent had a different take on Houghton's educational system whose name, by the request of their child, will remain anonymous. The parent responded, "Educational system? Well, I don't know too much about that, but when my son saw the girl-guy ratio at Houghton College, we both knew he'd be happy here... whatever he studied."

The weekend came to a close with the Family Renewal Service. God's presence could truly be felt during this time, igniting a fire in the hearts of students and families alike. After the service, Jordan Taylor said with tear-filled eyes, "I am just in awe of this place. You guys really don't know how lucky you are to be living in such a God-centered atmosphere. Never take that for granted."

We hope we never will.



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## Meal Plans... The Question is *Why?*

BY D. ELLIOTT TAIT  
STAR STAFF WRITER

Recent revolutions in the flexibility of meal plan selection and usage has not sufficed to answer the often-discussed question of why Houghton College students are compelled to pay for specific meal plans or have meal plans at all.

Some students believe it is a way for Pioneer Foods, the college's catering company, to earn extra money by making students pay for meals which they do not use.

"It's not us" who is forcing the students to use meal plans said Fred Libick, the manager of Pioneer Foods here at Houghton.

Other students believe it is the financial office of the college that compels students to purchase specific meal plans because they, in turn, reap a profit.

"Our hope is to break even," responded Jeff Spear, the Vice President for Finance at the college, "and if we do [profit from the food service], the money goes into the general fund" where it is used to offset other expenses.

The meal plan system is not a novel idea or conspiracy by any means. "We've always been on meal plans...start[ing] with four, then seven, and now three," Libick stated.

During the 1994-1995 school year, every student at Houghton College had to purchase a 21 meal plan (meaning 21 meals were allotted to each student, per week). With the introduction of town houses and apartments the following school year, the college introduced the 5-, 10-, 14-, and 21-meal plans to those living in these facilities. Sophomores and

freshmen were still required to purchase 21-meal plans.

This current school year is the first year that sophomores have been able to choose between two meal plans: the 21 and the 14.

Freshmen, however, remain on the 21-meal plan, something that Spear says will most likely never change. "When new students arrive at an institution" they are bombarded with choices. "We like to provide every possible convenience" to make their first time away from home as easy as possible.

But why does Houghton College have the meal plan system in the first place?

First of all, meal plans are "common practices among colleges," Spear stated.

"It's just the way it's been done," Libick added, and compared to other institutions, Houghton's meal plan system is "extremely flexible."

Secondly, meal plans save money. There are many complex ways that they do this, but their main money-saver is that Pioneer always knows how many mouths to expect for each meal, and can therefore purchase materials accordingly. Spear insists that the college would have to raise meal prices if they went to a different system.

Spear compared the Houghton meal plan to the Gordon College food system which charges students for individual food articles, unlike the buffet-style that Houghton offers. Spear has spoken with a student at Gordon who said "people run out of money" because of the confusing and expensive system.

Finally, meal plans and their recent changes have the full support of

the SGA. Students have worked alongside Spear and his staff to arrive at the best possible prices and options for the students and the school.

In response to meal plan criticism, Spear said, "Let me encourage [those critics] to have a conversation with the

SGA." Overall "there was a great amount of excitement" over the new options, and, according to Spear, most students agree that they get their money's worth in regards to the food service here at Houghton.



PHOTO BY NATHAN BOYD

Houghton students pack the dining hall three times a day for meals. But the question pondered by many is why they need to eat there in the first place. Is it the fault of Pioneer, of Houghton, or is no single thing to blame?

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### Top Ten Excuses

### For Not Going to the Homecoming Banquet

BY SARAH KUZIOMKO  
STAR STAFF WRITER

10. Still full from last year
9. Got caught scanning and scrambling for Chapel
8. Blew your whole work studies paycheck on Ho-Ho's & Nutty Buddies
7. "Heck, Timmy, them gals plumb outnumber us 5 to 1! I reckon all we gotta do is sit back and wait."
6. Single, dateless, alone and lovin' every minute of it!
5. Out of town visiting mother.
4. Still exhausted from last Friday's "Snood Marathon."
3. Uhh...my date borrowed my dress?
2. Had so much fun at Slip-N-Slide that you never left.
1. Banquet Schmanquet; we've got SCRABBLE!



## Personal Effects Still Going Strong

BY MELANIE MARCIANO  
STAR STAFF WRITER

The students and community of Houghton have been very receptive to the new styling salon, Personal Effects, since its opening last year. Business has been better than the owners expected, with 85 to 90% of customers being Houghton students. The friendly hair stylists, quaint atmosphere, and reasonable prices make it easy to see why Personal Effects has been so successful.

New this year are fresh bulbs in the tanning beds, tanning price cuts, a new nail technician, Bead Head styling products, and a changed parking location. Customers can now park to the left of the building, entering through the maintenance parking lot. Elderly or handicapped customers can still park in the driveway, which has been narrowed and bordered by a wooden fence.

Personal Effects is not allowed to place tanning advertisements in campus-wide e-mails due to the controversial nature of tanning; but

their management would like the student body to know that the unlimited tanning price has dropped to \$10 a week or \$4 per visit. Other specials include 10% off haircuts for students new to Personal Effects until the end of September.

Personal Effects is currently in search of a new massage therapist. They have one prospective masseuse/farmer who may be able to start in November once he is done with harvesting. Other than that, they have fully staffed their salon with community members, including one Houghton student.

By attending assorted hair fashion shows, Personal Effects'

stylists Terri Stanton and Penny Geary have kept up with upcoming and trendy hairstyles that are popular to college students. With these new improvements and their high rate of

customer satisfaction, Personal Effects can expect to maintain the positive response and business it has received so far.



PHOTO BY DANIELLE HOBSON

Personal Effects, located on Route 19, boasts many new features for the Houghton fashion-concious.

### Quotable Quotes

"Five bucks says Mexico does not even have macaroni and cheese."

-**Matt Guerrasio** (class of '06) referring to the Mexican macaroni and cheese from the cafeteria

"This is an example of a dead-beat."

-**Dr. Judy Congdon** in Sixteenth-Century Counterpoint class

"Daddy needs a new...country!"

-**Andy Dickerson** (class of '05) rolling the dice in a game of Risk

"I go over to the Science Building once a semester to sprinkle holy water on it. We are the temple of truth; they're the temple of facts."

-**Dr. Charles Bressler**

"Fishy-ness is not in the fish; it's in me!"

-**Dr. Brad Beach**

"Only the artist part of me wants to have kids. Just to see what I can make."

-**Anna Rushing** (class of '04) debating her future as a mother.

Have you overheard a student, professor, or staff member say something witty or funny on campus recently? The Star would love to take that quote out of context for the enjoyment of the campus! If you have quotes or quips, send them, along with the name of who said them, to the Houghton Star through CPO 378 or at [star@houghton.edu](mailto:star@houghton.edu).

### HEADS UP!

The CAB-sponsored Scavenger Hunt is coming soon.  
Be on the lookout for details.

### EDITORIAL

#### WHERE HAVE ALL THE MEN GONE?

by Misty Raether

As you all may know, the odds favor the guys on Houghton's campus. This may not seem fair to us women (yes that is what we are, not girls), but to a Houghton guy this is paradise. So why are they not stepping up and taking the full responsibilities of being a man? Where have they all gone?

Actually, they haven't "gone." They were never here. The males at Houghton are not "men;" they are "guys." According to Professor Bradshaw, "There are too many guys on campus; not enough men." These guys on campus need to fulfill their male responsibilities and ask us out. Hello! We are not scary women! Come talk to us; we would like it. "The guys around here are too afraid to ask us out on dates. Be a man and make the first move, like God planned it," expressed student Emily Whitney.

To back up these sentiments I conducted a survey. Going door to door in East Hall and Lambien, I asked these Houghton women two questions. First, have you been on a date in the last month? About 74% have not. Second, if a guy that you knew asked, "Would you go to lunch with me? I will pay," would you accept? About 88% said yes. So guys, feel free to approach us. A little hint: East Hall has a higher percentage of those who would accept a lunch date.

We Houghton women also seem to get the impression best expressed by student Jennifer L. Knapp. "A girl gets one fourth of a guy or fights three girls for the same [boy]." She went on to say, "Guys, feel free to break the impression that we've been given." So guys, step up and take the initiative: this is your time to be a real "man."

If you like this article or hate it, I would love to get your feedback. My CPO is 1617.

Also, if you'd like to have your comments published, feel free to send them to the STAR at [star@houghton.edu](mailto:star@houghton.edu)

## Talent Showcase Offers Variety of Performances

BY SHANNON CALLAN  
STAR STAFF WRITER

As special entertainment for Houghton's Family Weekend, students and their guests were privileged to hear the many gifted people represented in the Talent Showcase. This event took place in Wesley Chapel on September 27, at 8:30 p.m.

A crowd filled the chapel for the evening's performance. Tim Nichols was the charismatic host, providing interludes of humor between the pieces.

The evening started out with the traditional folk tune "Paddy on the Turnpike," played by Alyssa Blount, Gemma Carcich, and Michelle Gaffrey on violins and Daniel Wartinger on the string bass. The ensemble worked well together in presenting this bright, bouncy song, which served as an excellent start to the evening.

Next, Sarah Keely sang "The Nearness of You" as a dedication for her parents' 26th wedding anniversary. This charming song, which sounded like a ballad from an old black and white movie, was given special depth by Keely's warm, sweet vocals.

Brett Green was somewhat hidden in the balcony for the presentation of

his organ piece "Litanies;" but there was no concealing his powerful notes as they filled the chapel. Green gave an excellent performance of this multi-faceted piece; and his apt use of dynamics made it clear that he has attained a level of mastery over this instrument.

Jonathan Crissman and Jonathan Haley, both classical guitar majors, teamed up for a duet on the enchanting "Fuga Elegiaca." This pensive, rustic song was expertly played in a way that managed to highlight the old-world elegance of the music. The two guitars blended perfectly, as each musician's strum complimented the other's.

Donald Schuessler gave an excellent performance of the piece, "Nothin's Gonna Harm You," a sentimental song which displayed Schuessler's wide vocal range and the clarity and strength of his singing.

The audience immensely enjoyed the performance of "Sweet Georgia Brown;" there was scarcely a foot in the chapel that wasn't tapping to this distinctly Southern tune. The song featured the talents of Julia Jacob on the violin, as well as a second appearance by Haley, Crissman, and Wartinger. These four musicians blended well together as the song

flowed gracefully from one performer's solo to another's.

Amy Rogers was definitely not timid in her presentation of "I'm Shy," from the popular musical "Once Upon a Mattress." Rogers combined very expressive vocals and convincing facial expressions, which created a very engaging presentation of her piece. Her theatrical style and prominent stage presence brought a taste of the musical to Houghton.

Chopin's beautiful "Nocturne in E-flat" was brought to life under the skillful fingers of Sarah Mingle, a sophomore piano major. This soothing, peaceful music added a degree of refinement to the evening. This piece was excellently performed in a style which brought out the purity and

hushed wonder of the music.

In complete defiance of the barbershop stereotype, the quartet of Mike Cox, Charles Seaman, Daryl Stevenson, and David Tilley gave the audience an inspiring and enthusiastic rendition of "At the Cross." Along with the great degree of vocal variety the performers brought to the piece, they also had an excellent sound. This beautiful hymn was brought to life with sincere fervor from the four, in a rendition which featured solos by two of the quartet members.

Overall, the performers treated the audience to a high-quality and relaxing evening of entertainment. Their only possible regret was that it ended so soon.

## WANTED : 'Tree-Worthy' Poetry

BY LIZ SANDS  
GUEST STAR WRITER

Perhaps you've seen the witty, handmade posters that have sprung up around campus on bulletin boards. ("Are you Shakespeare?" one asks. "If not, this crap won't fly!") Perhaps you've been startled. Perhaps offended. Perhaps you just want to know what in the world "The Lantern" is... or just how to pronounce it.

For starters, think 'lantern.' Yes, like a Coleman, a source of emanating light. The rumor has it that 'Lanthorn' is simply the Old English spelling of the common word. But that doesn't answer the foremost question in your mind: "So what does this have to do with me?"

I'm glad you asked. Each semester, The Lanthorn, Houghton College's own student-reviewed literary publication, produces a wonderful work composed of student-generated poetry, prose, sketches, photography, and anything else our creative minds can envision. That's where you come in!

In order for this semester's Lanthorn to be a success, this is what needs to happen. First, you (yes, you!) must send your submissions to CPO 387. Then, each submission will be carefully (and anonymously) critiqued by the Lanthorn review committee, a group of students of all

years and majors, headed by Lanthorn editor, Senior Elizabeth Larakers. Thirdly, some submissions are chosen for publication while some are sent back to the author with comments. Contrary to popular myth, the Lanthorn is not elitist, nor are certain styles or genres given preference over others.

Whether you write poetry on a daily basis or you've never taken a photograph in your life, be ye not discouraged! The Lanthorn depends on students like you to submit your creative outpourings in order to share your talents and abilities with the rest of Houghton's campus. All (yes, all!) submissions are encouraged.

Go ahead and write something. Draw something. Make something. (And send it to CPO 387!)

*Postscript: Be sure to watch for posters announcing the first 'bring your own mug' Lanthorn coffeehouse of the semester on Wednesday, October 8 p.m. That's NEXT Wednesday! Bring your own poetry to read or guitar to play; bring your own mug; bring your favorite anthologies, and bring your friends to hear your fellow students--and professors!--share their imaginative expressions in public. That's next Wednesday night in the campus center at 8 pm. Stay tuned to your local bulletin boards for more information.*

## Kathie's Kitchen



To begin, let me introduce myself. I'm Kathie Brenneman, yes, the wife of Professor Brenneman of POW fame. I work at the Info Center. My husband and I have always dreamed of owning a restaurant. Since we have never been able to do that, we cook a lot and enjoy recipes and entertaining.

The recipe I want to share with you is a favorite of ours. With fall in the air, a hot, yummy dip is just right for a brisk evening of studying or relaxing and watching a video with friends.

What you'll need to make this dip:

- 1 8-oz. package of cream cheese
- 1 pint of sour cream (I use light sour cream)
- 1 package (2-cup size) of grated cheddar cheese
- 1 small can of water chestnuts, sliced
- 1/4 - 1/2 cup of parmesan cheese
- 1 or 2 cans of artichokes in water (depending how much you like artichokes)
- 1 package of frozen chopped spinach
- Lowry's Season Salt (great to have on hand for many dishes)
- 1 or 2 garlic cloves (if you like)
- 1 big bag of tortilla chips

**Directions:** The cream cheese should be at room temperature or it will be lumpy when mixed. Mix the cream cheese with the sour cream until blended. Cut the water chestnut slices into fourths and chop the garlic cloves into small bits. Add these to the sour cream cream cheese mixture. Add 1 cup of the grated cheddar cheese and the parmesan. Drain the artichokes well and chop into bite size pieces. Add them to the mixture. Partially thaw the spinach so you can use half of the package. Put the half back into the freezer and completely thaw the other half. Then take paper towels and wring out every bit of liquid. Mix in the spinach. Add about 1/4 tsp of Lowry's Season Salt. Taste a bit and see if it tastes okay. I sometimes add a dash of cayenne pepper too, if you like a little kick of spiciness. Put in a 10 inch pie plate or small casserole. Top with the rest of the cheddar cheese. Bake in a preheated 400° oven for 15 to 20 minutes or until hot and bubbly. Serve with tortilla chips and enjoy!



# AUSTIN TIME

The Advice/Chris-Says-What-He-Wants-to Column

BY CHRISTOPHER AUSTIN  
PLUMP STAFF WRITER

This Week's Topic:

## MISCELLANEOUS QUESTIONS ANSWERED

Since my last column, there has been a whole slew of questions sent to my mailbox. Usually, I would consider this a great and wonderful response to my advice column. But not this time, since whoever sent me all the questions used the same three pieces of paper and wrote their questions on ripped sections. I found them out (being the sly spy that I am) because I placed all the questions together and formed three whole pieces of paper.

However, as it is my sworn duty as an advice columnist, I will do my best to answer all of your random questions, whoever you are.

1) Do you wear pajamas? If not, you verminate your sheets. - The Linen Police

Well, as a matter of fact I don't wear pajamas, so thanks for making me aware that I verminate my sheets. Unfortunately, I don't know what "verminate" means, since it's not a real word.

2) I don't like the word "plump." Could you start a campaign to remove it from the English language? - Horizontally Enhanced

No. I won't start a campaign like that because I like the word "plump."

3) Do you have a girlfriend? - Lonely in Leonard Houghton

Yes, I have a girlfriend, and I wouldn't want to go date anyone in Leonard because those are guys' townhouses. Don't be dumb.

4) Do knicks and knacks really whack paddies? - Mother Goose

After much research, it has been proven that knicks and knacks really do not whack paddies, and this rhyme will be banned from all children's books. I am lying.

5) This question has been churning in my stomach. Is margarine bad for you? - Mother Goose

Although I appreciate the play on words, you are not very smart. Of course it is bad for you, and chances are that within the year scientists will prove it has a direct link to cancer and 30 other diseases. And you will be plump.

6) Should I bring an umbrella to class? Or scuba gear? - Slick Susie

Scuba Gear. You never know when there will be a flash flood; just ask Noah. Better yet, ask the people who wished they built a large boat.

7) Who's Captain Bobo? - Curious George

Captain Bobo is not a real person. I just made him up as an example pen name that people should model their own names after. You seem to have picked up on the pen name thing pretty well so go find something else to be curious about.

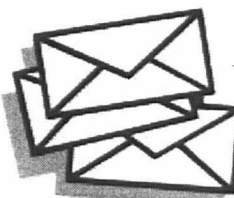
8) How many boards could the Mongols hoard, if the Mongol hordes got bored? - Genghis Khan

An approximate estimation on the Mongol Army in the days of Khan is around 120,000 men. Assuming they can each carry four boards, two under each arm, the entire Mongol horde could hoard 480,000 boards, and still be mobile.

9) Does taking the ping-pong class make someone an expert at ping-pong? - Sir Pong.

No. Even if you took the class 100 times, Dr. Hu would still whup your butt.

That is it for today, I am out of space. I hope this was helpful to everyone else who was wondering about these exact questions. Next time, however, don't write me so many questions because I don't have any room left to be negative about anything. Key non-word of the day is verminate, because it was made up and I don't like made up words. If anyone says "verminate" to you, tell them to go look it up in a dictionary, and while they are looking it up you can take their ID and get a free meal in the cafeteria. (I am not promoting stealing so don't try to accuse me of it. Just give the ID back when you are done, and everyone will be happy.)



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### Regarding the "Underground Paper"

Usually I would simply ignore something like the "underground paper" which is floating around campus. However, I was slightly taken aback at the sentence in the paper which read, "I wish Pioneer would at least pretend to care." Having worked quite a bit in the past three years with Ed, Fred and Luke (Houghton's Pioneer Managers) I feel compelled to say just one thing: Each of these men puts in more hours, works through more weekends, (including Sundays, when I promise you they would rather be enjoying a Sabbath rest with their families!) and hears more complaints than I can count. While I'm sure it is truly a trauma for the author to have to endure drinking "Houghton water," I do not think that the proper recourse is libel.

- Tegan Kroening

### Subway's the Place Where Fresh is the... Service?

Recently, the STAR has received student mail concerning their difficulties with the local Subway. Apparently, some Houghtonites purchased coupon books last semester as part of a promotional gimmick. Originally, Subway accepted these coupons; however, this fall some disgruntled students discovered that the owner has changed the policy. Since the students were originally told that their coupons could be used at the Houghton Subway, some feel that the franchise has gone back on its word.

When asked to comment, Subway's owner replied that the coupons were sold by the Subway in Olean; thus, only that Subway received any of the revenue from coupon sales. At first, Houghton's Subway agreed to take the coupons "as a courtesy," but the proliferation of coupon booklets over the summer made it financially impossible to continue to do so. The owner also noted that the Subway in Wellsville had experienced similar problems and had also stopped accepting coupons sold by the Olean branch.

- Editor Josh Miller

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## Houghton-Roberts Wesleyan: A Rivalry Renewed

BY AARON BOYNTON  
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When you think of rivalries, what comes to mind? Red Sox - Yankees? Bills - Dolphins? Hatfields - McCoys? This past Saturday, one of the biggest rivalries was renewed as the Houghton Highlanders faced off against the Raiders from Roberts Wesleyan in men's soccer action up in Chili, New York. The possibility of a thunderstorm lingered over the field, but thankfully only the rain came down that night. By the end of the first half, the score was deadlocked at 0-0. Early into the second half, Brett Norton headed in the only goal on a cross from fellow senior Brad Clodfelter in the 49th minute of play. The Houghton defense did the rest. Houghton had many good opportunities, but had two goals called back because of offsides penalties. Roberts Wesleyan put up a fight and neutralized the speed of forwards Trevor Eby, Kwame Oduro, and Guillermo Jimenez for the majority of the evening. Houghton outshot Roberts 17-4 and improved to a 7-1-1 overall record and an undefeated 3-0 record in the American Mideast Conference.

A rivalry would not be complete without the fans. According to a fan at Roberts, they were only expecting "20 or 30 Houghton fans" to attend the contest. Boy, were they wrong! Approximately three hundred



PHOTO BY AARON BOYNTON  
Captured here in a situation that was not representative of the game, the Houghton defense pursues a Roberts Wesleyan offensive push. Throughout the water-logged 90 minutes, the Highlanders pressed hard for the win.

Houghton fans, including faculty, staff, current students, and alumni, showed up to root on the team. Capping off the crowd was the crazy, energized men of the Shen Bloc. The Bloc led the fans in cheers and rally cries, totally overpowering the noise and cheers from the Roberts fans. Needless to say, Roberts Wesleyan fans were shocked and wide-eyed at the fact that they were outnumbered

by Houghton fans.

Still, the Roberts faithful remained to root for their team, which, they believed, would certainly be victorious. Senior Ryan Alo said, "A guy I went to school with plays for Roberts and they were confident they would win the game." However, Coach Hornibrook, his team, and the Houghton fans would not let that happen. Houghton let Roberts know

that they are not going to be pushed around, and proved that they are the team to beat in the American Mideast Conference this year.

Will this rivalry ever get as big as the Red Sox and the Yankees, or the Bills and the Dolphins? Probably not...but this is one of the best and most genuine collegiate rivalries you will ever see.

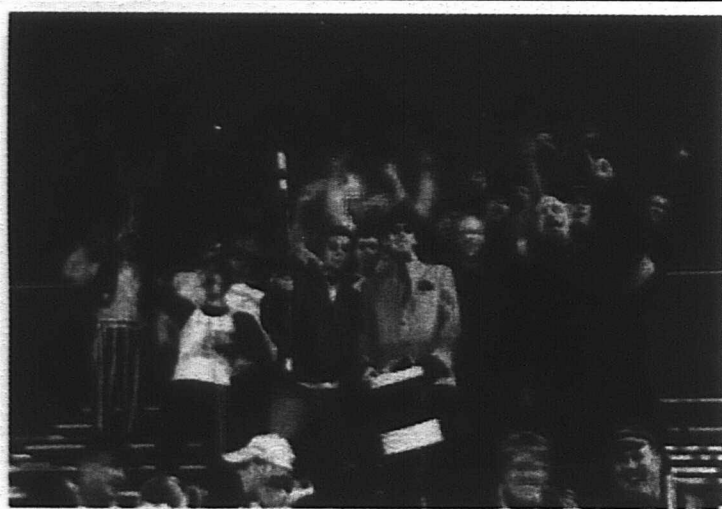


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The Shen bloc comprised only a part, though a very loud part, of the Highlander fan base at the game. Over 300 fans made the trip to cheer the Highlanders to victory.

## Prepare for October MLB

BY JOSH MILLER  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

With successive victories in a double-header against the Pittsburgh Pirates on Saturday, the Chicago Cubs became the eighth and final team to secure a spot in the Major League Baseball playoffs, where they will compete for baseball's chief prize: a victory in the World Series. The first round post-season match-ups are:

### American League:

Minnesota Twins vs. New York Yankees  
Boston Red Sox vs. Oakland A's

### National League:

Florida Marlins vs. San Francisco Giants  
Atlanta Braves vs. Chicago Cubs

Playoff action began Tuesday, so if your favorite team is in the hunt for October and you've been so busy that you completely forgot, tune in now and cheer them on! And if you're a Phillies fan...well...better luck next year.

## HIGHLANDER SCORES

### FIELD HOCKEY

Tues., 23	OSWEGO	W 5-1
Fri., 26	WASHINGTON & JEFFERSON	W 7-0
Sat., 27	SETON HILL	W 6-2

### CROSS COUNTRY

September 27  
Highlander Invitational

### WOMEN: 2 of 5

Top Finisher:  
Katy Sykes, 2nd (20:59)

### MEN: 2 of 4

Top Finisher:  
Chris Buell, 1st (27:59)

### MEN'S SOCCER

Sat., 27 ROBERTS WESLEYAN W 1-0

### WOMEN'S SOCCER

Sat., 27 GENEVA W 6-0

### VOLLEYBALL

Tues., 23	ROBERTS WESLEYAN	L 3-1
Fri., 26	POINT PARK	W 3-0
Sat., 27	CARLOW	W 3-0
	NOTRE DAME (OH)	W 3-1

## HIGHLANDER athlete of the week

Kirsten Nelson / middle hitter, volleyball / Tokyo, Japan

Nelson recorded 73 kills, 40 digs, 11 aces, and 21 blocks as the Highlanders went 3-1 in four conference matches on the week. She opened the week with 21 kills, seven digs, and seven blocks in a 3-1 loss to Roberts Wesleyan. Nelson then recorded 15 kills, 16 digs, and three blocks in a 3-0 win over Point Park. She had 13 kills, 10 digs, six aces, and five blocks in a 3-0 win over Carlow and finished the week with 24 kills, seven digs, two aces, and six blocks in a 3-1 win over Notre Dame College. Nelson leads the Highlanders, and is among the top two in the conference, in kills per game (4.73). She also averages 1.6 blocks per game.