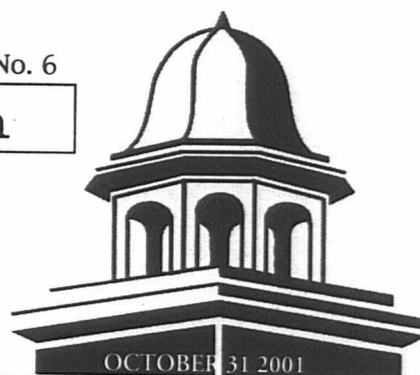


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Houghton purchases campus in Adirondacks

Houghton becomes the only US Christian college to have a resident campus within a state or national park.

by Emily Schwartz
Star correspondent



photo by Jenn Gallineau

The Lodge at Star Lake. Houghton recently purchased this campus.

Houghton College is now the only Christian college to have a resident campus within a state or national park in the United States. We have recently purchased a campus (previously owned by Potsdam State University College) in Star Lake, a 43-acre site located

in the Adirondack State Park in northern New York State.

Just as Houghton has semester-long programs in Tanzania, Costa Rica, London, Los Angeles, Oregon, and West Seneca, this new Adirondack campus will most likely be the site

of a semester program focusing on Rural and Environmental Studies. This program, proposed by biology professor Jim Wolfe, has already been approved by the academic committee of the board of trustees, the academic policies council, and the faculty, but still needs to go through a few more committees before it is officially established.

This Rural and Environmental Studies program is focused on the interaction of people in community with their natural environment. Unlike some national or state parks such as Yellowstone, people actually live and work within the Adirondack Park. This gives a wonderful opportunity for the study of people in rural communities; the issues that arise in such settings provoke political, ethical, economic, and cultural questions which can be considered in the light of scientific study and philosophical reflection, along with literary and artistic

impression. These areas of study comprise the basic courses proposed for the semester-in-Adirondack Park.

Proposed courses for this semester include the following: Natural History of the Adirondacks (3 credits or 4 for the biology major)

Writers in Nature
Artists in Nature
Canoeing, Backpacking (and Rockclimbing as an additional option)
Rural Community (a political science class)
Ethics.

There will also be a Mayterm course at this new campus, a biology class entitled Structure and Analysis of Ecosystems. Proposed are also six 3-week sessions held during the summers. In June Professors Tim

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Administrative assistant Shirley Jordan retires

Student Life administrative assistant Shirley Jordan retires after 9 years

by Melisande Richardson
Star staff

Monday is generally the bearer of dreadful news for students because it pauses the weekend's activities in return for five days of academic labor. October 22 proved to be no different but nonetheless came with an added surprise. By late evening, news of the sudden resignation of Shirley Jordan had spread across campus mainly by word of mouth. Many students gasped in confusion and questioned the obvious "why," but no one provided an explanation. With the help of Houghton's

Director of Residence Life and acting Dean of Students, Denise Bakerink, along with the Director of Human Resources, Dale Wright, hopefully questions will be answered and rumors put to rest.

Thursday afternoon I met with Denise in her office to conduct my unrehearsed interview. For the icebreaker I asked, "Do you have anyone who is filling in the position for the time being?" Denise firmly responded, "Jenn Carl gives us as many hours as possible. We are considering a few people to fill in on a temporary basis...possibly 25 hours a week...until we have someone permanently." Hesitantly I then

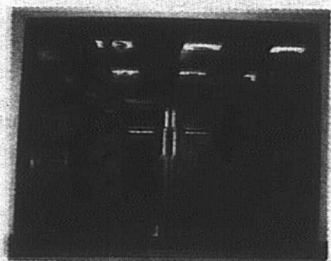
proceeded to the "big" question, "Why did Shirley Jordan resign and were there any hard feelings?" In a very calm and willing manner Denise offered, "No there were no hard feelings; Shirley being asked to resign was strictly procedure. When she assumed the position of administrative assistant she was aware of this," she continued, "The Vice-President of Student Life (previously Dean Danner) is given the option of selecting an administrative assistant from a pool of candidates. This is not to say that he has to do this, but he is given the option; therefore, the current administrative assistant is asked to resign in order to allow

other candidates to apply for the position, but once asked to resign he/she is strongly encouraged and welcomed to reapply." Though thorough in her answer, Denise kindly urged me to visit Houghton's Human Resources department for a more detailed description of the procedure.

I asked Dale Wright, Director of Human Resources, if he would elaborate on the resignation procedure. Agreeing with the information Denise told me, Dale stressed the importance of the statement "...once asked to resign he/she is strongly

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Rosa Gerber

America's new war

Almost seven weeks after the attacks, many family members of the victims gathered at the still smoldering rubble of the World Trade Center for a memorial service on Sunday. Each family received an urn filled with soil from the site, as most of the bodies could not be recovered. Clean up crews temporarily halted their work for the first time since September 11 for the event.

The United States began a fourth week of attacks on Afghanistan with its heaviest bombing thus far. After more reports of civilian casualties, officials debated whether increasing the intensity of the campaign, risking additional innocent deaths and angry allies, or let up and possibly lose ground to the Taliban. Russia, Germany, and Britain have all pledged continuing support for the United States' effort. The White House

commented that the campaign was continuing successfully but would be lengthy.

The United States has suffered several setbacks last week, in addition to the rising numbers of civilian deaths. Approximately 5,000 pro-Taliban Pakistani and Afghan exiles were attempting to cross the Pakistan border into Afghanistan to fight the United States in a jihad, or holy war. The Taliban executed one of the opposition leaders, Abdul Haq, last Friday. They also have claimed victories among the front lines and killed five other opposition officials near Mazar-e-Sharif. The opposition officials stated their hopes of the murders rousing anger in anti-Taliban organizations.

Anthrax in America update

Investigators in Washington, D.C., fear additional letters laced with deadly anthrax may be undiscovered after finding anthrax in mail centers for Congress, the White House, the Supreme Court, and the CIA. Health officials urged the 10,000



Palestine. In Bethlehem, five Israelis died in separate gun attacks. Drive-by shootings killed an Israeli soldier and four civilians and wounded 28 others. Police shot and killed the two gunmen, Palestinian

postal employees throughout Washington and New Jersey to take antibiotics as a precaution. The Postal Service announced plans to buy an electron-beam device to sanitize letters and packages. Officials plan to investigate approximately 2,000 to 4,000 other mailrooms and test their employees for anthrax exposure.

More violence in the Middle East

Continued violence caused Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon to halt the withdrawal of Israeli forces from Beit Jala and Bethlehem towns in accordance with a cease-fire agreement with

militants.

16 killed in church shooting

Six gunmen opened fire in a Catholic church, where about fifty Christians gathered for worship, in Bahawalpur, Pakistan on Sunday. The attack killed at least 16 people, including one of the two police officers guarding the church. Police have been guarding all Christian churches since the September 11 attacks since Christians feared themselves as targets in the Muslim country. Officials believe that this attack was in response to the United States' retaliation on neighboring Afghanistan.

The Vision Continues : New Vision Week

by Liz Bence

You almost missed your chance. Luckily for you, New Vision Week is still alive, thriving, and awaiting your participation. If you still haven't discovered what it is, you really ought to emerge from your hole in the sand (commonly called a dorm room) and check it out. Almost forty missionaries from twenty-two missions agencies and organizations are here to share their experiences and help answer your questions about short and long term missions, cross-cultural issues, and your possible involvement in them.

How can you be involved? Although there will still be another chapel service on Friday, tonight at 7pm will be the last evening service for you to attend. This will be followed by a Concert of Prayer at 8pm, entailing groups of students gathering together and praying specifically for requests offered by missionaries attending New Vision Week as well as for the world in general. Tomorrow morning in the NAB at 11am there will be another slew of seminars, all focused on different ways to be involved in missions (don't forget you can get chapel credit for attending). You can learn how to



use linguistics, TESOL, medical training, administrative skills, or relief and development to minister to people cross-culturally. Learn different methods of reaching people in areas such as Asia and Africa. Find out how God is active in other countries, and what we can learn from them. Learn how to be

culturally sensitive in a highly volatile, multicultural world. Follow up your cognitive learning by relaxing at the coffeehouse tomorrow night in Big Al's, and enjoy some cultural entertainment. Let your stereotypes be broken. Educate yourself beyond your boundaries. That is why we're here, isn't it?

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Trezise and Bob Smalley hope to teach Adventure Sports and Wilderness Medicine. July will host Techniques in Wildlife Management and Physical Geology of the Adirondacks, while artists can take Landscape Painting and Landscape Photography in mid July-early August.

Both Houghton-in-Adirondack Park and the Star Lake campus will be directed by a faculty committee which is appointed by the Dean of the College. The Dean will also appoint a program director, who will head the advisory committee. The program will be financed according to the standard finance model applied to off-campus programs (such as in the semester in Tanzania program). Each year we intend to begin the fall semester



photo by Jenn Gallineau

From left, Dr. Jim Wolfe, Luke Prime, Emily Schwartz, Jen Black, Jen Smith, Julia Cornish, Ben Sabine, Diane Titter, and Dana Blackmore. Dr. Wolfe's general ecology class took a field trip to Star Lake earlier this semester.

in early-to-mid August, ending by Thanksgiving in order to avoid the severe winters which characterize the Adirondacks. Houghton is planning to open the program up to 25 students, 7-10 of which may be students from other Christian colleges who are interested in the curriculum.

Buying this campus has been a great move, both for the students who will attend classes there, and for the community as well. "It's going to bring new people to the community," said Fine Town supervisor Ronald J. Frank. "Anything that will bring more activity to the community is a positive sign." Houghton officials plan to offer concerts and other events open to the public at the campus.

Restaurant Review

by Kathie Brenneman
Star dining critic

The Turfside Restaurant is located outside of Rushford at the Allegheny Hills Golf Course on Hardys Corner Road. The Turfside has been opened 20 years as a seasonal restaurant until this past spring when a new owner, Brandon Yox, took over. Mr. Yox has expanded the times the restaurant is opened to Easter through New Year's. The hours are Mondays 11am to 4pm, Tuesday through Thursday 11am to 9pm, Friday and Saturday 11am to 10pm and Sundays 9am to 8pm. In my opinion this is the best restaurant in the immediate area. For students who want a special dinner and a short drive or a new place to have lunch, the Turfside is the answer. For lunch the prices vary from a cup of soup at \$1.50, to a variety of sandwiches and pitas for \$4.95,

plus a selection of burgers at \$4.75 and salads.

The dinner menu features a number of choices from filet mignon to charbroiled pork chops, prime rib, shrimp scampi, salmon with dill sauce, a wonderful seafood assereole, chicken and several other entrees. The price range for dinner is from \$17.95 to \$8.95. Dinners include soup, salad, warm bread, and a potato or a vegetable.

This year for the first time, the Turfside is featuring a Thanksgiving Dinner, served from 12pm to 6pm. Reservations for Thanksgiving are requested. The full dinner and lunch menu is available at the Info Center. The phone number for the Turfside is 437-2658. To find the restaurant, go south on Route 19 to Caneadea and turn right onto Route 243. Follow Route 243 to just past Jac 'N Mary's and turn left., at the end

Turfside Restaurant

of that street, turn left and at the end of the next street, turn left. You should see the Cuba-Rushford school on your right. Keep driving out into the country, passing cows and silos and finally you will see the Turfside on your right. It is about 20 minutes from Houghton and definitely worth the drive. Go and enjoy.

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encouraged and welcomed to reapply." As for expanding on the details of the situation, Dale asserted, "Not only does this procedure allow for the Vice-President of Student Life to have a choice with whom he closely works but also the Vice-Presidents of Finance, Advancement, and Enrollment Management."

Those of us who were painting a negative picture of Dr. David Tilley (the newly appointed Vice-President of Student Life)

should know that he had no influence on Ms. Jordan's decision - he didn't know her very well. This procedure must be followed, and we should come to an understanding that Dr. Tilley deserves to have, as Denise summed up, "...some semblance of control over a position that requires his working closely with someone who must be able to satisfy his requests."

Buy a turkey for the less fortunate!

Houghton College and Jubilee are sponsoring a turkey drive to help those underprivileged in Allegheny County.

\$10 buys one turkey!

See Emily Monroe for details

Houghton's trees: what must they do to be saved?

by Susanna Rosenbaum
Star staff

Though winter is fast approaching, we can easily recall the recent glory of fall foliage. Houghton's trees are one of its chief beauties, particularly in autumn. But the observer of nature may have also noticed diseased and barren limbs hanging in unsightly contrast to branches full of vibrant color.

In fact, Houghton's beautification committee and Director of Facilities Dorsey Lawson are quite concerned about aging and diseased trees on campus. Many tree limbs at risk of falling need to be removed for safety. "A few trees are beyond the point of no return," explains Lawson. "The ornamental tree in the quad is dying a natural death



photo by Brian Quinones

One of the trees infected with Dutch Elm Disease. The college cannot afford to save the trees.

and cannot be saved."

Other trees, however, are still salvageable. The lives of the quad pines, which are being invaded by bugs, could be prolonged if they received a

pesticide coating and an injection of fertilizer into their support soils. Though nothing can ensure a tree's long-term health, pruning and fertilization would help combat the Dutch Elm disease which has

taken many trees on campus and around the church.

Sadly, the cost to prune, seal, and fertilize is prohibitive for the current grounds' budget. "I am sorry to report that the cost of treating sickly trees is far beyond any dollars we have available for that purpose," says VP of Finance Jeff Spear. "The diseases are such that there can be no guarantees that trees would be cured of all their maladies. This fact makes it all the more challenging to find the funds to address this situation."

Many people hope that the next annual budget will allocate funds for the preservation of trees that merit revival.

Spotlight on

WJSL: Houghton's forgotten frequency

by Richard Mehring
Star staff



photo by Brian Quinones

The newly renovated WJSL office in the campus center basement is a familiar feature to Houghton College students; with its wide glass front and striking vinyl decor, it's hard to miss. Yet, despite a dedicated staff and a talented lineup of DJs, it goes largely unheard. Some of that may be attributed to the fact that the station can be heard only by logging onto the Houghton network and bringing up the station's web page at www.WJSL.com. In a void of

student recognition, the station has taken efforts to prompt interest around campus by making some changes.

Having heard rumors of a new format and word of mouth about upcoming shows and events, I talked with Jennifer Carl, the station's advertising manager, to get an idea of what's ahead. In giving me some of the station's back-story, she pointed out a few of the changes WJSL has had to undergo in the last two years. In '99 the station went off the air due

to financial constraints that forced managers to sell their 6,000 Watt license to the classical station WXXI. While off the air, managers at WJSL invested in renovating the station, a project that lasted the summer of 2000. Although the project was not entirely finished and will continue incrementally, JSL was up and running again by the Spring semester. (DJs and staff were kept up to practice in the interim despite having no listeners). The FCC does not require stations broadcasting at less than one watt to have a license, so the station began broadcasting at low power using the 90.3 frequency when business resumed. Range was severely limited and the broadcast was abandoned over the summer. With network broadcasting beginning in September, WJSL seemed ready to re-establish itself as part of the Houghton community, but lack of student awareness has made it difficult for the station to find listener support. The management is working on internet broadcasting, Carl said, but licensing red tape has prevented that for now.

In addition to cosmetic changes, WJSL boasts several

alterations in format and image intended to bring itself to prominence on campus. The station staff hopes to begin covering away sports events to keep students in touch with games off campus and has planned a coffee house on November 15 featuring an evening of music from open mic acts and the band "Already Taken." Students will also be interested to know that WJSL has expanded its play list to include some secular artists. "We want to break down the barriers between Christian and secular music, in turn challenging students in their faith," said Carl. Out of respect for the community atmosphere, however, the management examines lyrical content of songs before airing, them. Carl also says that the DJs are now given more freedom to choose music to fit the style of their programs, so students can expect an eclectic assortment of material.

WJSL has been an important part of the Houghton college community in the past and looks to deservedly reinstate itself as part of the collegiate atmosphere after too long a period of silence.

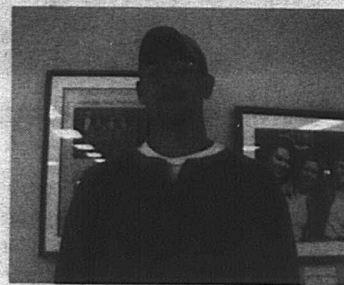
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2-3 pm				Ian Norfolk			Jeff Ball
3-4 pm				Kim Crutchfield			
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8-9 pm	Andy Heist	Alicia	Underground Sound	Tom Kewley	News/Music	Schrock Rock	
9-10 pm	Angela Consolo	All Testosterone Hour					
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In Question: For what do you think the acronym WJSL stands?



"W Jesus Saves Lives. W is like the national radio call letter."

Jule Ann Wakeman (2000
Houghton grad)



"Wesleyan Jockeys Sing Loud."

Kevin Wells (Junior)

WJSL

radio



photo by Brian Quinones

Regina Rinaldo and Jared Piazza work on their show in the studio. Their show, The Rey and Jay show airs every Tuesday from 7-8 p.m.

The Rey and Jay show

by Rebecca Williams
Star staff

It's 7:00 on a Tuesday evening and you find yourself sitting in your room with nothing to do. You obviously haven't heard about the Rey and Jay Show, a great WJSL radio program that airs every Tuesday from 7-8 p.m.!

The hosts Regina Rinaldo and Jared Piazza (also known as Rey and Jay) play music that, according to Rey, most people don't listen to.

"I guess you could say we are a treat for the ears in a mellow, sometimes acoustic, sometime instrumental, and all the time beautiful, musical way," says Rey.

The two like to tell jokes over the air, and a most recent addition to their show has been the reading of Daniel Pinkwater children's books.

Because they are now allowed to play a plethora of secular music, Rey and Jay are in the process of expanding their music library. Their selection includes Damien Jurado, Denison Witmer, Jeremy Enigk, Pedro the Lion, and very soon, Jeff Buckley, Leonard Cohen, and Ben Harper.

Don't waste another Tuesday evening sitting around doing nothing! Tune in to WJSL radio and treat your ears to the great sounds of the Rey and Jay Show.

A radio show for Mom, Dad, and weird Uncle Pete

by Melanie Marciano
Star staff

Since its creation last year the All Testosterone Hour has been broadcasting on Houghton's radio station, WJSL. With a wide variety of music from worship to POD or Project86, comical segments, and just an all-around fun spirited group, the testosterone hour has been a hit. Airing online at www.wjssl.com from 9 to 10pm every week night, it gives Houghton students a break from the day in hopes to let them know that "Christians can let go and be fun and spontaneous"-Brett Sherwood.

Brett Sherwood and Peter Hutchinson are the creators of All Testosterone hour. They are sophomores and this year they gained two new members, Adam Daab, a senior and Gregory Sigountos, a freshman who enhance the team greatly. Last year Brett and Peter had separate, lonely shows during the weeknight in the 9-10 slot, but they met each other and



realized they found a radio match made in heaven and the rest is history. They decided on the name "All Testosterone Hour" because it was an "attention grabber." They don't want the title to sound sexist; in fact, their long but true slogan is: "The All Testosterone Hour... don't let the name fool ya, despite the name we are a family show...we're for mom, dad and weird uncle Pete."

The boys claim they are more than your average Houghton radio show; they entertain and even conduct live interviews on the show with popular bands that come to

Houghton or they go to them. Last Thursday (October 25th) they had a phone interview with the Apologetix and in March they will interview ReliantK when they come to play at Houghton. They make sure the listeners have fun by incorporating games and segments such as Celebrity Hosers, Stump the Hutchdaddy, Brief Editorials with ADD Boy, Secret Word, Interpretive Pop Song of the

Day, Date Games, Fake Lie Detector Test, the Sponors and so on. The "Stump the Hutchdaddy" game consists of competing with Pete (the "Hutchdaddy") Hutchinson to see who can be the first to answer 3 out of 5 questions correctly. The comedy comes in because there really is no competition, the Hutchdaddy explains: "Everyone thinks they'll lose against me but the fact is, I've lost to an eight year old and even my own father. But I gave them a run for their money."

The testosterone boys take pride in the fact that you never know quite what will happen on the show. Greg Sigountos challenges, "If you can think of something better to do from 9 to 10 be our guest; if not, listen to the show."

And if for no other reason, tune in to All Testosterone Hour for the sake of their mascot, the All Testosterone Hour Donkey named Dinky.

The real answers: (a) W James Seymour Luckey and (b) Witnessing Jesus' Saving Love



"Wild Jocks & Sexy Legs."

Diane Benedict (sophomore)



"Would Jesus Still Listen?"

Brian Neville (Junior)

VOX voice

expressions of a community of faith



by Bethany Schwartz

Time to sign up at theknot.com

Maybe there's something about this time of year. Or maybe it's just that I'm a junior this year and it's getting closer to graduation. Whatever it is, it's making all of my friends get married...and engaged. I know someone who got married last weekend; one of my good friends from high school is getting married next weekend; my good friends Heather Dunham and Charlie Farnham are getting married in August; my cousin is getting married in September. Every week I find out that someone else has been bitten by that love bug. For example, I just found out that my friends Greg and Ali (students at

Rochester Institute of Technology) became engaged during a hayride two weeks ago.

It was a dark and stormy night...actually, it wasn't, but I was just learning about the Father of American Literature with Dr. Bressler...I don't really know much about what happened because I wasn't there; all I have is the account given to me by a friend. She said that Greg took Ali off to propose to her while another friend tried to inconspicuously take pictures. (I think Greg had asked him to beforehand.) "Greg had tears coming down his face," my friend told me. "It was written all over his face that he loves her so much."

Last month my friend Sarah married her boyfriend

Jordan. (I wasn't officially invited to the wedding, but I wanted to go so I did.) The ceremony was beautiful and full of God's presence, but that isn't what stood out to me. The moment I will remember is when Sarah first appeared on the threshold of the sanctuary. We all stood, and a friend next to me gasped.

I turned to him. "What?"

"He's crying," my friend said, pointing to Jordan.

I looked up at the young man who was standing at the front watching his bride walk slowly toward him. Tears were trickling down his face, but in the center was a huge grin. He couldn't believe that this was happening. He loved her so much.

"That's just what he should be doing," I said to my friend. I hadn't really thought about it before, but if I were in Sarah's place, I would want my groom to be doing exactly the same thing.

Before all my friends started getting engaged and the only reference I had was television and movie weddings, I thought that it was the girl's job to cry. During the proposal, while they were telling their families, at the rehearsal, during the ceremony...I never expected that the guy would cry (except if she turned him down in the first place). But twice in the span of a month I have been faced with this reality that guys do cry when they are so in love and can't even deal with the fact that this amazingly wonderful thing is happening to them. Perhaps they may complain that they are losing their freedom, but they don't really mean it too much.

I wondered how I would react. I really don't know and certainly can't predict the future, but while I wondered I came to a startling realization. Not only is Christ our bridegroom, but this is exactly the way He feels about each one of us. When He sees us walking toward Him, tears begin

to roll down His face just because He loves us so much. They're tears of joy. He doesn't say, "Oh no, look what I got stuck with." He wants to be with us and spend time with us. He is so happy that He will get to spend eternity with us that He is crying. God is so in love with ME that He is crying. And He is so in love with you.

I don't know about you, but the thought of God being in love with me that much sort of scares me. How do I respond to that kind of intense love? Love that would cry for me, that would die for me. I'm not sure, but the history of sin in my life indicates that I won't always be responding the right way. I won't be the perfect bride even though I want to be. I won't always put God ahead of everything, no matter how much I want to. I'm not always going to be silent even though I desperately want to listen. I'm even not going to do everything that He tells me to even though I know I should. But I will do my best, and He will still love me. He'll still put His hand on my shoulder and do everything He possibly can for me. He'll still weep with joy when He sees me.

Maybe with my Bridegroom already weeping with love for me I will not mind as much when one by one my friends come to tell me of their engagements. I already have someone who would even die because of His great love for me. I can live each day knowing that sometime during that day I will get to witness another beautiful love story unfolding. The groom will be crying with love as he watches his bride walk down the aisle toward him. But this time the bride will be me, and the groom is Jesus Christ. He is my love story-and yours. It's never too late to put on that wedding dress (guys too...we are the bride of Christ) and accept His offer of marriage; He will be waiting. And He will cry when He sees you.

the resurrected

TOP TEN...

Rejected themes for the first Top 10



by Greg On

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| <p>10 Top 10 lacrosse team nicknames</p> <p>9 Top 10 zip codes</p> <p>8 Top 10 places not to put a Lifesaver</p> <p>7 Top 10 ways to scare off a prospective student</p> <p>6 Top 10 ways to break out the frame</p> <p>5 Top 10 ingredients of Houghton water</p> | <p>4 Top 10 ways to know that cafeteria food is actually Soylent Green</p> <p>3 Top 10 best times to streak on campus</p> <p>2 Top 10 rejected hymns of the month</p> <p>1 Top 10 aromas of South Hall</p> |
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QUIP OF THE WEEK

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A look at the intersection of faith and art

Spacey, Bridges Shine in K-Pax--3 of 4 stars

by Jonathon Winters
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Kevin Spacey is truly an amazing actor. That is what I was thinking as I walked out of K-Pax, in which he plays the part of a special visitor to a Manhattan psychiatric ward. Later, I realized that costar Jeff Bridges isn't half bad, either. While this new film is primarily a showcase for the talent of these two impressive thespians, it also contains some alluring imagery and a plot that keeps the audience guessing.

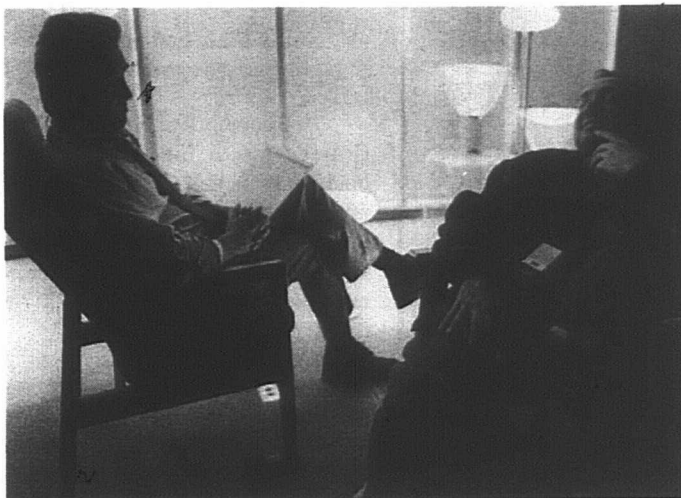
Based on a novel by Gene Brewer, K-Pax is about Prot, played by Spacey. Prot mysteriously appears in a Manhattan train station and claims to be an extraterrestrial from far away planet K-Pax. His unconventional claims soon land him in a mental health institution, where he is treated by Dr. Mark Powell (Jeff Bridges). At times it seems that Prot must be telling the truth. He is capable of seeing ultraviolet light, he vociferously attacks fruits as if they were rarely if ever experienced delicacies (exclaiming, "your produce alone was worth the trip"), and he appears to be able to communicate with animals. Add to this his extensive knowledge of astronomy, and it seems apparent that Prot's origin is otherworldly. Then, as Prot is placed under hypnosis, the audience is thrown for a loop. Perhaps, as Dr. Powell

seems to believe, Prot is not an alien at all but a victim of a tragedy that has left him delusional and schizophrenic. Which is his true origin? Honestly, I'm still not certain. You'll have to watch the movie and decide for yourself.

K-Paxians, claims Prot, travel on beams of light. From the very beginning of this movie, when the audience catches a glimpse of the dust floating around in the sunbeams pouring through the windows of Penn Station, light imagery contributes visual impact. The auditory senses are also treated by the heavy use of xylophone (or perhaps it was marimba) in the musical score that kept reminding me of the score from American Beauty.

Besides pleasing music and powerful imagery, K-Pax and American Beauty also share the incredible talent and subtle charm of Kevin Spacey. In the role of Prot, Spacey does not disappoint. From chomping banana peels to frolicking with a golden retriever, Spacey completely relishes the dual role of convincing delusional and extraterrestrial. Spacey also works well with Jeff Bridges, whose character paints a more realistic picture of family life and psychiatry than the one in the film I last reviewed.

Why not four stars then? Well, I wouldn't be a critic if I handed out stars indiscriminately.



Jeff Bridges and Kevin Spacey star in K-Pax.

For one, this movie is not for everyone, as witnessed by the negative reactions of my fellow moviegoers. It's not a totally original movie, as it draws heavily from One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest and various other films (including, supposedly, an Australian picture with much the same plot). Also, there were some unrealistic elements, such as Dr. Powell's daylong jaunt from New York to Guadalupe County, New Mexico, which admittedly was integral to the plot. My main issue, however, is with the weak parallel story line of Dr. Powell's estrangement from his college-aged son. At the end of the film, when we could have been left with the burning question of Prot's fate, we are instead left with their reunion, which was at best

unmoving, at worst, unnecessary sentimental tripe.

This final scene does at least serve the purpose of highlighting the film's family theme. A Hollywood picture that actually says something about life and presents family as a flawed yet valuable institution? How uncommon indeed. Director Iain Softley has aptly described his work as a modern parable. As such, K-Pax points out the contradictions of family life, reveals the shortcomings of utopia, and evokes the complexity, interconnectedness, almost frenetic qualities of human existence.

K-Pax is rated PG-13 for a violent scene and strong language, including one use of the "F-word."

Play profile: Gabe DeMaggio

by Beth Freeman
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Gabe Demaggio is a 21 year-old senior who came to Houghton from Rockland County, New York. He is playing the character Banislav in the play "All I Really Needed to Know I Learned in Kindergarten," which is coming out on November 8th. Gabe has grown up around the theatre all of his life, as his father was a director and playwright. He has acted in various other plays, including last year's "Henry V," "To Kill a Mockingbird," and "Pygmalion."

Gabe is looking forward to graduating this May with a major in Art and a concentration in Drawing. He says that he would love to be an illustrator or comic book artist. When he's not up at the art building or rehearsing for the play, you can find Gabe practicing with the Lacrosse club



photo by Brian Quinones

team or reading fantasy books like Lord of the Rings. He can't wait until the movie version of the book comes out. In his own words, "I downloaded the trailer and I watch it every day!"

When I asked Gabe to describe the play for me, he said "it's definitely strange" (but in a good way). All I Really Needed to Know I Learned in Kindergarten is a play adapted by Ernest Zulia from a series of essays by Robert Fulghum. It features five characters, which

Gabe described as "tools through which the script comes to life." The play is not traditional, but instead the characters portray different personalities in each scene in an attempt to draw in the audience and let them participate. "The audience is a character," Gabe said, and the job of the actors is to relax and be natural. The actors hope that the audience will be able to relate the play to their own lives and that it will help them "find the amazing things in everyday life."

It sounds like All I Really Needed to Know I Learned in Kindergarten is going to be a play worth seeing. There will be four performances at the Houghton academy, three in the evening and a matinee on Saturday, November 10. Take time to come out and see Gabe Demaggio and the rest of the cast teach us about life's important lessons.

One last chance...

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Highlander SPORTS

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October 18 - 28

Sports Scores:

Men's Soccer

Houghton 2
Notre Dame College of Ohio 0

Women's Soccer

Houghton 3
Notre Dame College of Ohio 0

Houghton 8
Ursuline College 0

Field Hockey

Houghton 4
Nazareth 1

Houghton 2
Phil. Biblical Univ. 0

Field hockey ends on streak

by Jeremy VanHoff
Star staff

The field hockey team finished up their regular season schedule with a five win streak. Homecoming weekend began the end of the season push, with a win against Mansfield University (4-1). The more recent wins included Juniata College (2-1), University of Scranton (2-1), Mercyhurst (3-1) and finally East Stroudsburg University (1-0). The recent successes contributed to a good finishing record of 13 wins and 4 losses, and the team played in a post-season tournament this weekend.

Meredith Holt lead the way in goal scoring, with 13 goals for the season. Elianne Tieleman and Rochelle Hershey also contributed significantly with 9 and 8 goals respectively. Amy Peterson guarded the net for a total of 159 saves. Congratulations to the whole team for an excellent season!

Men's varsity soccer season review

by Niki Harwood
Star sports writer

Soccer at Houghton College has a long-standing tradition of natural athletes. They are athletes born with an instinctive drive and a need to succeed. This year's team continued our tradition. With a record of 11-5-1 and AMC 11-3-1, the men proved that last year was indeed a building year, hinting at future successes.

This year's team is a solidified front, making them an intimidating opponent of both strength and size. They worked hard for their games even in the face of many injuries, which is common, for the true athlete. This year's schedule proved to be difficult and a higher level of play, adding to the excitement and tension of the season. We who have played sports have often heard the saying "You are playing at their level; play at ours." This year the

level played was difficult but only improved the natural talent our Men's Varsity team possesses. The men will face a difficult Nationals schedule but senior Dave Bancroft feels, "This team is a strong team, one of the strongest, and I think they have the most potential to make it in nationals." With confidence like that and a hard fought season under their belt, we can all look forward to the show we've yet to see at Nationals.

Cross-country teams have something to sing about

by Liz Hornor
Star sports writer

"We are the champions..." both men's and women's Highlander cross-country teams were able to sing last week. The cross-country teams bounced back from the previous week's disappointing meet to win both the men's and women's races at the Eastern Christian College Invitational on October 20 at Baptist Bible College. The women had good pack running and strong individual performances resulting

in three personal records. Liz Hornor, Kim Sayre, and Emily Munroe came in 3rd, 4th, and 5th within a time span of 4 seconds. Those reaching personal records included Joy Brautigam (21:29, 11th place), Rita Pazral (22:20, 13th place) and Linnie Cook (23:13, 21st place). The men had

an equally strong race. Chris Buell and Tim Cook finished 1st and 2nd and Chris Mancuso (30:05, pr) and Larry Petry were also in the top seven finishers. Coach Smalley was happy with the teams' performance as it was the final meet of the season before regionals. The teams have been impressed with trainer Mike Zale's professional attire and would like to sincerely thank him for his work with the team this year. Both teams are looking forward to the regional championship race on November 3 in Rio Grande.



Women's soccer season review

by Niki Harwood
Star sports writer

With songs still haunting the air across the desolate field, and laughter still ringing in the buses traveled, the Women's soccer team draws toward the end of yet another successful regular season. It is now time to focus on the goal before them--Nationals.

With a season record of 12-1-2 and AMC 10-1-2, the ladies can hold their head high and strive confidently into the nerve racking round of play-offs and advances. The team is conditioned with

seasoned players such as seniors Nicole Becker, Heather Mann, Lynn Learned, Sara Baldyga, Erin Daley, and Jamie Waldron. These girls have all faced the heat before and came out unscorched. The team is strong and they work well together. Their front line is tight and fast making them a strong and difficult offense to defend. Andrea Stoos and Cassandra Mills led the team with goals, and others like Hannah Toth and Catherine Mihm put in their fair share as well. Of course, an offense is nothing without a mid-field and a strong

defense. Goalies Christie Goodman and Rebecca Fuller were intimidating keepers respectively, playing their parts with strength and grace.

These ladies are constantly showing us their capabilities to win, lose, or tie with confidence and gentility. Looking at the past record of our Lady Highlander history, this particular team has only solidified our school's motto of scholar-servant athletes.

Highlander Sports Week

Volleyball

Friday, 7:00 pm
Notre Dame College - Away

Saturday, 1:00 pm
Ursuline College - Away

Men's Soccer

Nov 3-10
AMC/Region IX playoffs

Women's Soccer

Saturday
NAIA Region IX Preliminary