

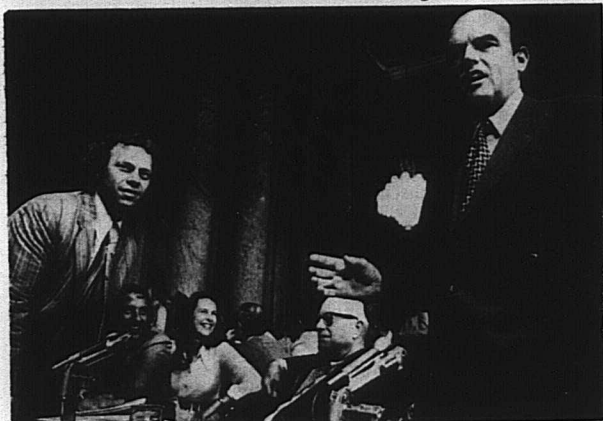
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Current Issues Day To Stress Christian Involvement



The gentleman on the left, Mr. Wesley Pippert, will be one of the speakers for Current Issues Day.

by Jeffrey L. Rudloff

"In an age such as ours in which government has assumed such a large and growing role in our national life it is imperative that the Christian community formulate a positive response to this phenomena. This response must be in keeping with the Christian's two-fold role in the world; while standing in judgment of all temporal life the Christian must exercise his duty as a responsible citizen. The aim of the fall 1974 Current Issues

Day program at Houghton College is to make strides towards such a response."

These words, taken from the letter sent to the prospective speakers for fall Current Issues Day, describe accurately the aim and purpose the committee has set for the program titled Christian Political Concern. As stated by co-chairman Rich Downs: "We want to challenge the students to be thinking positively."

Rich is sharing the duties of the chair with Matt Downs.

Professors Rozendahl and Coughlin complete the committee.

Three different speakers will be a part of the November 19 program. Richard Mouw, Professor of Philosophy at Calvin College in Grand Rapids, Michigan, will be presenting the theological side of the question. He is a 1951 graduate of Houghton College and the author of a book entitled **Political Evangelism**, which will be made available to students through the Current Issues Day committee.

Wesley Pippert is a UPI correspondent from Washington. He will be presenting the practical side of political involvement. He is the author of a book called **Meme for '76**, which will also be available.

The third speaker is Dr. James Skillen, assistant professor of Political Science at Messiah College. He is a political theorist, and will be presenting a theoretical approach to involvement.

The program for the day tentatively includes the morning colloquium, where all three speakers will make presentations, and an afternoon panel discussion, which will include some faculty and students. Questions from the floor will be invited in both sessions.

In talking to Rich Downs about some of the basic assumptions and goals of the committee as a whole, he mentioned that the whole program is based on the assumption that the Christian has a place in the political world. Too often, he felt, discussions of the subject in question tend to be a hashing out of whether or not the Christian should become "involved with politics." In starting with the assumption that we should, the committee hopes that the day's discussions will go on into the areas of why, how, and when.

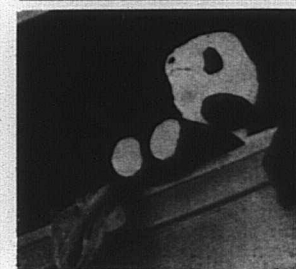
Poet Speaks

by Ken Parker

A low, mystical voice filled Wesley Chapel as Dr. Arnold Kenseth spoke in chapel Friday, October 25, 1974. Discussing poetry and the Christian, he presented a challenge to creators and admirers of Christian literature. That evening Dr. Kenseth read sections from his poetry.

Dr. Kenseth received his B.A. from Bates College and his doctorate from Harvard Divinity School. In the late 1940's he accepted the position as Protestant Chaplain of the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, Massachusetts. At this time he began a pastorate in South Congregational Church, a position which he continues to hold.

Dr. Kenseth has also taught at Amherst College and was lecturer in English for eleven years at the University of Massachusetts. He has taught at Chataqua Summer Institute on several occasions.



At last chapel has become bearable.

Eleven Seniors Honored in Who's Who

by Majel Smith

The 1973-1974 Dean's Liaison Committee announces the names of the eleven Houghton College Seniors who were nominated for the 1974-1975 edition of **Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges**.

The eleven seniors are: Lucille Costanzo, Winston Johnson, Valerie Morgan, David Norton, Jean Owen, Jeffrey Prinsell, Jonathan Sastic, Dave Shoultz, Randall Trudell, Martin Webber, and Christina Todeschini.

The selection is based on four qualities; leadership in academics or extracurricular activities, citizenship and service, potential for success, and scholarship. Each nominee

must have at least a 3.00 QPI.

This honor is awarded annually to outstanding members of the senior class, or post graduate students. Houghton had the option of sending in twenty-six names, but sent in only eleven.

Although there is no money involved, **Who's Who** is a valuable award, not only for the recognition, but for its usefulness. The members may use the service for job recommendations, references, graduate school applications, and as qualifications for grants and scholarships.

Each nominee must fill out a biographical sketch and a questionnaire, which includes background information and any future plans. These forms must be sent in to insure the

students' names appearing in the **Who's Who** volume. If they fail to complete the forms, or miss the deadline, their names will not be included in the book. The book goes to print in December.

The students are chosen by the Dean's Liaison Committee, at the end of their junior year. Last year's Committee members, who chose this year's recipients were: Stephanie Gallup, Jonathan Sastic, Lora Beth Stockin Norton, Roger Brown, Dean Dunkle, and Dean Roloson.

This year's Liaison Committee members are: Stephen Lalaka, Wayne MacBeth, Shirley Mullen, Dave Shoultz, and Deans Dunkle, and Roloson.

Congratulations to these outstanding seniors!

Guest Editorial

Women's Lib: Battle Against Stereotypes

Editor's note: The following is a guest editorial written by a member of the faculty, Ms. Carol Lepper. It does not necessarily express the opinion of the editor, or staff of the *Star*. Further comments on this issue are welcome through letters to the editor, and possibly through guest editorials from responsible individuals.

Having gained something of a reputation as the campus women's libber, I have been asked by the *Star* to write an editorial on the topic of Women's Liberation and/or the Christian woman. As a Christian, a woman, and a sociologist, I am glad for the opportunity to make a statement on an issue about which our opinions have been shaped more by cultural biases, traditions and clichés than by rational thought and careful interpretation of the scriptures. Unfortunately, this topic has so many facets that the greatest difficulties I encounter in writing a piece of this nature are first, knowing where to begin, and then, knowing how to end.

One of the greatest complicating factors at work here is that the term "Women's Liberation" is such a broad generic term that it is meaningless without more specific clarification. It is quite likely that any two people discussing the subject are not debating the same issue. To some, it conjures up images of women marching in the streets or burning their bras (an event which, to my knowledge, never occurred but was fabricated by the news media). To others, it is equal pay for equal work, essentially a non-issue since only the most blatant chauvinist would oppose it. To others, it suggests horrifying thoughts of females lowering themselves to do construction work or coal mining, pristine maidens being drafted into combat, or women and men sharing public rest rooms.

To my mind, the issue is not Women's Liberation but People Liberation from rigid sex role stereotyping which channels us into certain patterns of behavior from the moment of birth.

People ask the sex of an infant so that they know how to respond to it. Biologist John Money in his book, *Man and Woman, Boy and Girl*, recounts cases of people born herma-

phrodites whose sex was socially created because it was phenotypically ambiguous at birth.

There is ample anthropological evidence (Mead, *Sex and Temperament in Three Primitive Societies*; Turnbull, *Forest People*) as well as scriptural suggestion (Psalm 103:13; Proverbs 31; Luke 10:41-42; I Cor. 12:4; Eph. 6:4) that women are not inherently suited to doing housework and rearing children. Those who contend that a woman's place is in the home (and this includes women who say, "If I want to be just a housewife that's my business") should give due consideration to those long years when the children will be gone from the home and to the potential psychological damage that can be done to all involved when the majority of a woman's energies are invested in her family. Due to the decline in the maternal mortality rate and the shift from an agrarian to an industrial economy, a woman no longer typically spends 75% of her adult life pregnant, but many of our norms and values are hold-overs from agrarian society.

Providing women a greater range of options, however, is only part of People Liberation; men also need alternatives. The radical feminist Shulamith Firestone suggests (only partly tongue-in-cheek) that women stop smiling for one full year. Her reasoning is that the smile is almost a tic-like feature of many "female" occupations — receptionist, waitress, stewardess, nurse — and has become meaningless. Rather than connoting happiness, it connotes inferior position. If women stopped smiling, however, it might equalize them with men, but it would not "liberate" them. In smiling, as in all aspects of daily experience, gearing women's liberation to prevailing male standards may only serve to enslave both sexes and not liberate anyone.

Limited space demands that I quit, but obviously I have not exhausted the subject. In fact, I have not even touched on the matter of submission of women in the biblical sense, and I do have some thoughts along that line. Perhaps another letter to the editor will be forthcoming. — Carol Lepper

Flak and Feedback

Dear Editor:

I feel the "Reading Day" held on Wednesday, Nov. 6, was quite improper and uncalled for. I do not believe the work for this semester is any more burdensome than any other; those students who felt that classes had to be suspended to allow them to "catch up" simply had not learned to study effectively. In short, I believe we all have been subjected to a legitimized "cop out."

I am not complaining about the concept of a Reading Day in the middle of the semester, if such a time were designed in advance (like Current Issues Day) I would not be critical at all, since I often wish I had some extra time to get everything done. Such a day could have been integrated into every lecture and laboratory schedule.

The big problem at the present time is that the situation has not been helped at all, since all our instructors have topics which must be covered and which will now have to be even more crammed into periods of fifty-five or six . . . or seven . . . or . . . minutes. I think the innovators will find that they have only worsened

their chances of making it. I recommend that no lecture syllabi be shortened and no laboratory work be excused. I at least would like to get my money's worth.

Gene Kleppinger

Dear Editor:

A: "Did you hear that Houghton is losing its accreditation?"
B: "No. Really?"

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Since last spring, I have become increasingly aware of two destructive forces on campus. I am referring to Fear and Rumor. The rumor above was circulating among some students earlier this week. Only when it was brought to some faculty members did the students learn that it was untrue. This rumor illustrates the fact that both rumor and fear are oftentimes unfounded and that they both seem to stem from a common source — namely, secrecy, or, if you will, "maintaining privacy or concealment" within and among the board of trustees, the administration, the faculty, and the students.

Rumor places us all in a precarious position. Nobody knows what or whom to believe; no-

body seems to know what the problems are or what any group's stand on an issue is. The only positive aspect is that we now have all degrees of Reliable Sources.

Why can't we be open with each other? There are many benefits which would result from such a policy. First, openness and a willingness to share problems facing the college would foster a sense of community within this institution. The New Testament plainly sets forth the concept of the corporate body of believers. When one part of the body hurts, it is the privilege and responsibility of the other members to minister to that hurt. But how can we minister if we don't know what the hurt is?

Secondly, knowledge of problems would enable us all to make specific petitions to God. In the Lord's Prayer, Christ taught us to pray for specific needs, not vague generalities.

Thirdly, openness among the constituent parts of this college would promote a sense of responsibility, especially among us students. Two of the most important lessons we must

learn are: 1) to make decisions, and 2) to act responsibly, because such lessons have implications for the home, the family, the church, businesses — any political institution. How can we learn these lessons if we aren't given anything to be responsible for? And where better to learn about responsibility than in a Christian atmosphere where we are surrounded with people dedicated to helping us formulate a Christian world view?

Finally, I believe such a policy would be a dynamic witness to a world that has seen too much secrecy in high places. Watergate is only one of the many examples.

1974 finds Christian colleges facing many pressures. Houghton is not exempt. It's time we started to pull together in seeking solutions to our problems instead of fractionating our ranks with fear and rumor. How can we exist otherwise?

Barbara Bowman '76

Intended

Debbie Kant ('75) to Steve Blendermann ('74)

Opinion - Should U.S. Give Aid To Israel?

Yes

by Daryl Brautigam

Israel has a legal and moral right to exist. America's very fiber and foundation obligates her to continue large-scale aid to Israel; to do otherwise is both immoral and irresponsible.

Israel's legal right to existence can hardly be questioned. The emigration of Jews to Palestine was sanctioned by the Balfour Declaration of 1917, proclaimed by the country legally in control of Palestine at that time; Israel's Declaration of Independence as a sovereign state in 1948 was certainly as legal as America's in 1776. To be consistent, then, those who question the legality of the Israeli government must also advocate the return of the United States to the American Indians. The Jews have at least as much legal right to Palestine as the Russians have to Czechoslovakia.

Israel's moral right to existence is even more evident. The Zionist dream of a dispossessed, persecuted people to return to the land of their fathers is obviously legitimate. Although I do feel sympathy for the Palestinian refugees, I can't deny on moral grounds the return of a nationality to its homeland.

Many people would argue against American involvement in Israel on the grounds that the Mid-East is a potential breeding-ground for nuclear war, making escalation an unwise policy, or that detente with Russia could be advanced by allowing Russia's Arab allies to overrun Israel. I would say that the first argument, although sincere, fails to consider the fact that there would always be trouble spots in the world even if Israel was an Arab protectorate. Avoiding nuclear war is the direct responsibility of the super-powers and should not be contingent upon isolated confrontations. To the second argument I would say that if future detente is dependent upon sacrificing free, independent states to Russian dominance, then detente is a self-defeating proposition.

The only reasonable policy for the U.S. to follow, then, is to continue support of Israel until a permanent and workable peace can be found. In this way we will be upholding both the international balance of power and our own commitment to uphold free countries from foreign aggression. To do otherwise would constitute a return to fatal isolationism and an abandonment of moral and legal principles as guides for international relations.

No

by Rhea Reed

We must support Israel at any cost. But why? To thwart a Russian drive, real or imagined, to dominate the rich and strategically located Arab states? Hardly. The Arabs have little use for Communism. The fact that Egypt expelled 15,000 Soviet advisers in 1972 should indicate that there is no Soviet domination there. Of course they'll take Soviet arms supplies and aid, but only because they can't get it anywhere else in quantities large enough to match what the U.S. gives Israel. Some insist that the United States gains a great advantage in the Mideast by supporting the dominant local military power. But upon consideration of the Arab states' advances in technology and military acquisitions, there is little basis to assume that Israel will always be the dominant political power in that area. And others feel obligated to support Israel in order to help fulfill Biblical prophecy. Need I comment further...?

It is really just a case of

blind support. The U.S. has supported the Israelis whether they were right or wrong. We provide arms and money to aid a country in keeping territory acquired by war — traditionally condemned by the United Nations and the United States itself. We dipped into war reserves in many categories of supplies and sent tanks and planes earmarked for operational units in Europe. We now face strained relations with other Western powers and an embargo on oil that, like it or not, we desperately need. And we reinforce all this with brash promises and juvenile boasts — "We will follow this policy irrespective of whatever threats there are from anyone. We are not a country that bends to threats." (Deputy Sec'y. of State Kenneth Rush)

In international politics — realistically, however unfortunately — each country takes advantage of what it has to get what it wants. Is it wrong for the Arabs to withhold oil in the same way that the United States has in the past given or withheld foreign aid in accordance with political judgments? Let's reevaluate.

Trustees Meeting

On Friday, October 18, the Board of Trustees of Houghton College met and were faced with such a large amount of business that they were unable to deal with it all and called another meeting on November 2. This second meeting began at 8:30 in the morning and went until midnight. At these meetings the Board discussed and took action on various issues.

One of the most significant results was a statement of intent, issued at the October 18 meeting. This statement was aimed at clarifying the Trustees' position on governance, specifically that the president "must have clear direction in the matter of governance within the college." The statement was addressed to the Houghton College community, and was in response to various communications received from the Faculty Communications Committee, Faculty Affairs Committee, and the faculty members of the Self-Study Committee on governance.

Another issue was the Philosophy of Discipline as outlined in the *Student Guide*. It was brought to the Board's attention that there is a sub-

committee of the Student Affairs Committee that is studying the present Philosophy of Discipline with the hope of bringing to the Board some suggested improvements. The Trustees wanted it to be understood that they had no intention of inhibiting any present counselling situations, and that the Philosophy was not an attempt at legalism.

The Trustees dealt with the Policy regarding films for public viewing. They emphasized that when films are open to the general public they should have a G rating. However, PG films will be permitted provided the normally scheduled preview by the Cultural Life Committee takes place a period of time before advertising. The reasons behind the PG rating will be analyzed and considered along with the organization's reasons for showing the film.

At the October 18 meeting, Dr. Dayton submitted his resignation to the Board of Trustees. The Board asked him to reconsider, and at the November 2 meeting it was agreed by all parties concerned that Dr. Dayton would fulfill his present contract.

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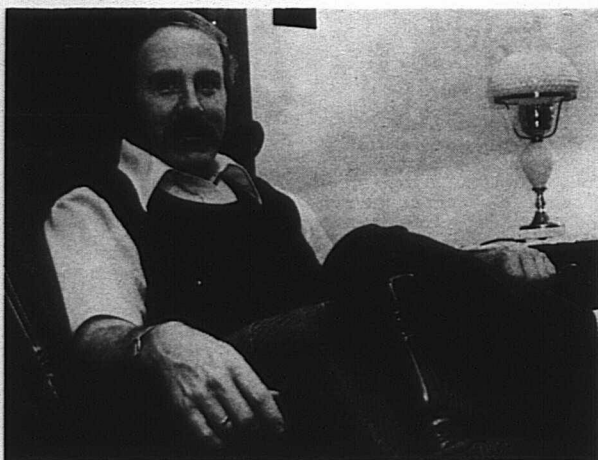
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Ralph Biesecker, one of Houghton's Admission Counselors.

What's It All About, Ralphie?

by Gerri Colucci

What can you say about the unsung soul behind the scenes? That he comes home from a 10-day business trip with dwindled jaw and droopy eye and still has a smile for his patient wife . . . For those of you who don't know him, will the real Ralph Biesecker please stand up?

Whether fixing a broken bed-spring, sweeping the halls, night-watching the dorms, or singing a tune, Ralph has proved himself "a friend to all" in the past few years at Houghton. More recently, Ralph has been acting as an Admissions Counselor (most commonly labeled "Recruiter") for Houghton College under the helpful guidance of Director Dick Alderman. Though Houghton is certainly oriented to the New York area, much of its recruiting has been done within surrounding states: New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Michigan, Maine, and New Hampshire. Ralph's role in representation usually involves one-to-one interpersonal counselling sessions at high schools and churches. Various aids such as brochures and pictorial guides serve to provide the students with further information concerning the college.

Initiated 3 years ago by Mr. Dick Losch, Houghton's recruiting program has been steadily progressing. Ralph sees the prospect of alumni representation as an eventual expansion plan. With the instituting of training sessions for alumni, representation would be more easily stationed throughout the country. This would not only ease the burden of the Admissions Office, but help to cut the travel budget considerably.

Through much contact with the people in secular schools as well as in Christian circles, Ralph has come across certain predominant criticisms concerning Houghton College. One interesting observation is that of Houghton being criticized by two extreme factions: By those conservative Bible schools which view Houghton as too liberal an institution, and by those secular schools which consider Houghton to be extremely conservative. In opposition to the former accusation, Ralph personally feels that the changing trends such as in the area of dress code (which constitute the bulk of their argument) have not deterred the Houghton community in any way from maintaining their basic Christian standards well established within the foundations of the college. Another criticism, which Ralph considers valid, concerns the signing of the pledge to abstain from certain activities.

" . . . One of the man problems in recruiting people involves their objection to signing a pledge which, in effect, serves to question their own integrity and suggests lack of trust in the individual . . ."

In Ralph's opinion, to be fully consistent with the ideals of a Christian Liberal Arts institution, we must be consistent in practicing the underlying Christian principles which formulate them — two of which involve trusting a fellow brother and valuing his integrity.

A typical day in the life of Ralph Biesecker involves a fatigue-filled schedule of visiting 4 to 5 schools a day. In between managing and travelling with the outreach group "Son Touched," Ralph is often away

Amid The Blackboard Jungle

by Barbara A. Knight

Soggy and round, the spitball spun past my ear as I entered the classroom. On the blackboard, Picasso had drawn an ugly, long-nosed, bearded creature labeled boldly—MISS KNIGHT. Reaching my desk (which the fiends had turned backwards), I heard the familiar . . . "Mrs. Knight, are we gonna have homework tonight?" "Miss Knight," I corrected. "Yes, you have homework tonight!" "Aw gee, you always give us homework." I haven't assigned homework in three weeks, I thought self-righteously.

"O.K. class take out your notebooks and a pen or pencil please." "I didn't know we'd need a pencil." "My brother flushed my pen down the toilet!" "The school bus ran over my pencil when I wasn't looking, honest!" I passed out five pencils and a pen and the class was ready for work.

In the middle of my lecture I suddenly noticed that someone

else was talking. "Mark, turn around and be quiet." Mark stood up, turned around, and sat down as the class snickered.

"Now class, take down your homework assignment." This was met by a chorus of moans. "You're mean." "Aw, Mrs. Knight. You can't give us homework on Monday, nobody else does." "It's MISS Knight, and yes I can." The bell rang. Abracadabra, the class vanished.

Ah, the teacher's life for me! For the past eight weeks, from September 9 through October 25, a selected number of seniors and graduates from Houghton have been engaged in their student teaching experience. This includes both observing classes and actual teaching.

The secondary education teachers have returned to complete the semester; the elementary teachers will return December 3. Upon our return we find that we have learned much but we also have much more to learn.

"Come Into My Parlor . . ."

by Flossie Gage

Pumpkin carols, goblins, witches, black cats, skeletons and funeral homes at Brookside? Certainly! Brookside's first open house was held on Halloween night from 8-11:00.

Each floor competed for first place with their decorations, which had to comply with the pumpkin carol theme their social chairman had chosen. First floor decorated to the theme of "Great Pumpkin Patch," second - "Deck the Patch," third - "The Great Pumpkin Is Coming To Town," fourth - "Pump-

kin Bells," fifth - "Waiting in a Pumpkin Wonderland," and sixth - "The Twelve Days of Halloween."

Fourth floor lounge was decorated by Brookside's social chairmen. The overall theme for the dorm was "Come Into My Parlor . . ."

Dr. Dayton and Dr. and Mrs. Shannon judged the floors. Their decision put fourth floor in third place, third floor in second place. Sixth floor was chosen to be the most outstanding and was awarded first prize, which consisted of fifteen dollars. Sixth floor wishes to thank Dr. Dayton and Dr. and Mrs. Shannon for their astute judgment.



Some of the Brookside Beauties at their Open House.

for a number of days at a time. So, one might be tempted to ask: What's a nice guy like Ralph doing in a job like this? Well, despite the irregular hours and lack of personal time for himself and his wife, Ralph manages to keep smiling. He enjoys the many rewarding aspects of his job, such as the ability to witness to many throughout his travels, and especially the opportunity to counsel and help students, in which he takes much delight.

So, the next time you need a blissful escape from the Houghton Study-Syn-drome, don't be too quick to ride off in your rented Hertz. Stroll along instead to the Luckey Building and talk to a friend, Ralph. He tries harder.



A Big Brother gives a ride at the A.C.O. Halloween party.

Orientation Offered to Deans

The Twenty-seventh Annual National Directors Orientation Conference was held at the University of New Mexico, November 3-6, 1974. Dean Roloson and Phyllis Ament attended the conference in hopes of borrowing some new ideas for the 1975 Freshman Orientation.

The conference is for any college or university. Houghton attended at the Consortium's recommendation. Several other colleges belonging to the Consortium also attended the conference.

The four days were divided into seminars and discussion groups on selected topics. Some of the topics were: funding and budgeting orientation programs, writing proposals, parental orientation, consultation services, special orientation for commuting students, a workshop on publications, academic advisement, a multimedia presentation, selecting and training student leaders, special orientation for women students, minority and racial groups, and handicapped students, and continuing orientation throughout the semester.

Phyllis Ament went particularly for the seminar on selecting and training student leaders, because of her work with the Resident Directors and Resident Assistants.

Those attending were divided into sections for discussion groups according to the size and type college they represented. The colleges were classified by junior or community college, residential colleges with over 10,000 students, residential colleges with less than 10,000 students, and a similar break-down for urban colleges. Houghton is classified as a residential col-

lege with less than 10,000 students.

Dean Roloson said the conference was highly recommended to him when the Orientation program showed deficiencies in many areas. As he put it, "We needed to do something drastic, but we were at a loss as to what to do."

Dr. Bernard Ramm To Lecture At Houghton

Dr. Bernard Ramm will be the guest speaker for the second Houghton College Lecture Series and the 1974 fall convention of the Western N.Y. Section of the American Scientific Affiliation to be held on the campus Nov. 8-9. On Friday, Nov. 8 at 8:00 p.m. in Wesley Chapel, Dr. Ramm will discuss "Finding A Balance Between Scientific Knowledge and Biblical Knowledge."

Approximately 50 Western N.Y. ASA Chapter members will hear Dr. Ramm's Saturday morning address entitled "Computers and Biblical Criticism." Held in Schaller Hall

More Treats Than Tricks

by Flossie Gage

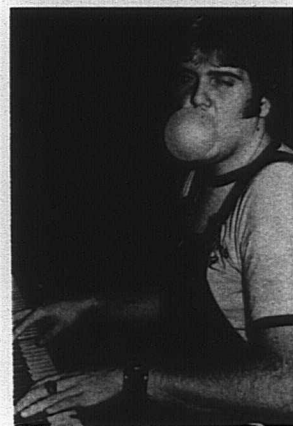
"What's the use in saying that you have faith and are Christians if you aren't proving it by helping others?" (James 2:14). A.C.O. Big Brothers and Sisters know the importance of not only sharing but showing the love of Christ to the children at the parties.

This year's Halloween party took place October 25th from munity Room held the party 6:30 - 9:00. The Church Com for the eight-to twelve-year-olds. Little and Big Brothers and Sisters alike enjoyed the games cartoons, spook house and refreshments. That wasn't all! A pumpkin object lesson was given as the spiritual emphasis. Each child could relate his life to the cutting of the pumpkin. God could open their eyes and mouth for Him.

The four-to eight-year-olds gathered at the Campground Dining Hall where their costumes were judged. Then they relaxed while refreshments were served and they watched a skit by the Christian Ed. Club. Games and cartoons followed but 9:00 soon came and it was time to leave.

A special thank you to the

Big Brothers and Sisters who responded. Also those who planned the parties, served the refreshments and gave of their time are appreciated. With the response that the Halloween party initiated, the prospect of an even better Christmas party is evident. It will be another special opportunity to prove our faith in Christ by helping others.



Keith Tyler providing some party entertainment.

of the Science Center, his address will be followed by a panel response and reports of the 1974 National ASA Convention. Activities will conclude at a 12:30 p.m. lunch.

Dr. Ramm is on faculty at Eastern Baptist Seminary in Philadelphia, PA. He holds the B.D. degree from Eastern Baptist Theology Seminary and the M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Southern California. He has done further graduate study at the University of Basel, Switzerland, working with Karl Barth and at the Near East School of Theology. He is consulting

editor for *Eternity* and *Christianity Today*. Previous positions he had held include Professor of Religion and Director of Graduate Studies in Religion at Baylor University, Waco, TX and Professor of Systematic Theology and Christian Apologetics at the American Baptist Seminary of the West, Covina, CA. He is the author of a dozen books, among them: "A Christian View of Science and Scripture," "The Christian College in the Twentieth Century," and most recently "The Evangelical Heritage" published in 1973 by Word Books.

Organized in the 1950's, the American Scientific Affiliation seeks to provide a forum for integration of scientific pursuits and Christian faith. The ASA has 3000 members nationwide, many in W.N.Y. colleges, universities, industry and public schools. The Western N.Y. Chapter meets in spring and fall sessions — spring at Roberts Wesleyan College, N. Chili, N.Y.; fall at Houghton College.

Registration for the ASA meetings will be held 7-8 p.m. Friday night in Wesley Chapel Foyer and Saturday morning 8:45 - 9 a.m. in Schaller Hall. ASA meetings are open to students but they should contact Dr. Whiting beforehand.

State Economic Conference at Houghton

The eighth Annual Western New York State Economics Conference was held at Houghton College on October 12, 1974. Approximately twelve to fifteen colleges and universities were represented, with about 35 people in attendance.

The featured speaker at the conference luncheon was Roger M. Kubarych, Foreign Exchange Officer for the Federal Reserve Bank in New York City. Before joining the bank, Mr. Kubarych was a teacher at Harvard University, and also a staff member of the Har-

vard Economic Research Project. He began his present position with the Federal Reserve Bank on July 1, 1974.

At the luncheon, Kubarych presented this thesis: Leaders in the Arab world are speculating with millions of petrodollars. ("Petro-dollars" are dollars flowing into the oil-producing countries from the oil-consuming countries, in the raw commodities market.) Although he cannot prove his theory with hard data as yet, he plans to continue his research in this problem.

Andre Marchal Performs

On Friday, November 15, the 1974-75 Artist Series program will continue its series of fine concerts with a concert by organist Andre Marchal. Blind since his birth in France in 1894, the 80-year-old Mr. Marchal is nearing retirement now, and this may be his last public concert tour. He has played in Houghton once before, on the 1967 Artist Series program.

Mr. Marchal studied at the Paris Conservatory, and played at the church of Saint-Germain-des-Bres in Paris for thirty years, after which he became the organist at Saint-Eustache. He has traveled widely as a recitalist, playing in France, Germany, Holland, Belgium, Great Britain, Australia, Canada, and the United States. He has also taught organ, with many students in not only France but the United

States and other countries as well.

A connoisseur and ardent supporter of French organs, organ music, and organ playing, Mr. Marchal is a sensitive and subtle musician. His blindness as well as his fame for extemporaneous playing remind you of one of the first famous organists, the early Italian Francesco Landini. Andre Marchal has improvised large organ works on themes by such famous contemporary composers as Ralph Vaughn Williams, William Walton, and Benjamin Britten, as well as Sibelius and others.

So far this year we have had two outstanding Artist Series concerts, and this one should be no exception. Be sure to reserve the date, and get your ticket if you don't already have one.

Orchestra To Give Concert

Approximately 1300 elementary school children from 35 area schools in Allegany, Cattaraugus, Livingston, Steuben and Wyoming Counties have been invited to attend the annual Young People's Concert by the Houghton College Symphony Orchestra, Tuesday, November 12 at 1:30 p.m. in Wesley Chapel.

This year's concert will be the ninth in a series since Keith C. Clark, Associate Professor of Brass Instruments at the college, became the orchestra's director. Planned for the grade school level with narration and limited to sixty minutes, the free concert acquaints young people with the sight and sound of a symphony orchestra.

Works to be performed include: Jeremiah Clarke's "Trumpet Voluntary," "Classical Symphony, Op. 25" by Serge Prokofiev and "Dance of the Sylphs" and "Hungarian Dance" from Hector Berlioz's "The Damnation of Faust."

One evidence of the popularity of these concerts are the letters Mr. Clark receives from the children afterward: "I liked the orchestra best, it sounded like a record at first because it was so good." "Usually I don't like concerts. If it has good music, it's not bad. Your music was good, so I liked your concert." "The song I liked best was the Symphony No. 5 in C Minor. It was long, but it was nice."



Son Touched.

Son Touched Cuts Album

November 23, that's the date that Son Touched will be in Cincinnati, Ohio to record their first albums. During September a recording company contacted the college seeking to record a group from the campus. That is where the idea for the album started. Another company, Rite Recording Company, was contacted, and the date was set. God's providence was with the group, as their heavy schedule of engagements provided only one date (the 23rd) on which they could travel to the studio in Cincinnati. When Jeff Rudloff, who contacted the studio for the group, spoke to the people at the studio, their only opening before Christmas was November 23.

Ten songs are to be chosen for the album. A problem arose as to which ten songs out of the group's repertoire would be the most effective for the album. A suggestion was given that all of the members individually choose ten songs,

so that a consensus of feelings could be arrived at. This way the group could once again see, through their similar choices, God working providentially.

On December 27, Son Touched will be in St. Louis, Missouri to sing at the National Wesleyan Youth Conference. The Youth Conference will be attended by over 9,000 Wesleyan Youth from all over the country. Several Christian colleges will be represented along with the churches that the youth will represent. Other musical groups beside Son Touched will perform.

After the conference, Son Touched is hoping to go on tour during Winterim. This is still in the planning stage. If they do go out during that time, they plan to go to Arizona, Florida, and several places in between.

All in all, Son Touched has a very heavy schedule ahead of them, and they are excited about every minute of it.

Women's Varsity Volleyball Deserves Support

by G. E. Morris

It always pleases the spectators when the girls utilize the three possible hits allowed in volleyball, especially with a hit, set, and one of Ort's rocketing spikes to top off a play. Team unity is very much present as the girls all work together for that basic, but vital score. Whenever one makes a mistake, others are quick to console and cheer on. I guess this is why the girls have always been so consistent in their playing and often wind up a season with a respectable win-

loss record.

Miss Gaye Kinnett, coach of the squad, has 15 energetic girls to pick from and keenly shuffles in subs when and where they are needed. Miss Kinnett knows each girl's specialty on the floor, whether an exceptionally good setter, spiker, or server, and is thus capable of helping the team regain composure if and when a lapse in their playing occurs.

But the question is as unavoidable as the mouthful of leather even the best volleyball players are sometimes forced to eat: Why hasn't this crowd-

pleasing sport, with its blistering 70-100 mph spikes caught on like other sports? The entertainment value certainly is high enough as spectators cheer on the Houghtonettes as they play opponents at the Academy gym. Why hasn't this sport gone over big here in the east like it has in the west as a men's varsity sport? Well, all of you have some theories about this but the main reasons are those which are more than familiar to us. First of all, the volleyball season runs right smack into the basketball schedule, and players who en-

joy both sports must choose between the two. Secondly, facilities and finances are limited. Some sacrifices have to be made, and this happens to be one of the sports that got cut.

Nevertheless, we do have a women's varsity volleyball squad and they need your support and encouraging. Currently, the girl's record stands at 8-2 with their next game at Geneseo this Monday, so give them some encouragement. Remember, they're also representing us.

Cheerleading - The Soft Side of the Hard Sports

by Dan Woods

Swish, Swish, pause . . . swish, swish, pause . . . run and jumpandsssssssssplit! Up, clap, clap, clap, run. Bzzzzzz.

"What a cheer! Did you see that cheer?"

"Yeah, but who is the blonde with the nice muffler?"

"I don't know but I think she's engaged."

Sitting on the sidelines at a Houghton College sporting event can sometimes be just as entertaining as the slippery soccer game or winning a baseball game. The coach roars, the players mouth distant

words, and the fans eye the cheerleaders.

This year, eight skirted swirlers makeup the Houghton Highlander cheerleading squad. Captain Debbie Fero and co-captain Gail Colette provide a well lubricated gymnastic leadership, while Karen Pangle sparkles through the new squad's tense moments. The other smooth movers are junior Melody Murphy; sophomore Carolyn Dunstan; and freshpersons Kathy Paine, Debby Martin and Vicki Grant.

Having nimble limbs and limber notions, the girls have been working hard on synchron-

ization and more variety of cheers. They practice every Monday and Wednesday from 4:00 to 5:30 p.m. Coaches Sandy Wilson and Jim Graff feel the ripening squad has excellent potential for a tasty first place showing at The Kings College Tournament, March 6-8.

Miss Wilson hinted that the lassies have a few tricks hidden behind those plaid mufflers, but was determined to allow the curiosity of this reporter, the readers, and "the other squads" to remain unsatisfied until a later date. Information received from a source

close to the coaches provides fairly conclusive evidence that the cover-up attempts are meant to conceal the new, more gymnastic direction the cheerleaders are moving in. Daring choreography with mounts, flips and splits are what we can expect from our girls, and all they expect from us is our support.

So, if you like lovely, leggy, limber, lubricious cheerleaders who perform with lavish, loving larguicity, this is the year for you, and the Houghton College Highlander cheerleading squad.

Houseleague Sports

by Dan Johnson

The future site of the new physical education center was the present sight of the class soccer and houseleague football games this fall. After all the pushing, shoving, kicking, and in some cases rolling the ball on the ground with a hand, the seniors came out on top with a record of 5 wins, 1 loss and 1 tie. The sophomores were the only ones to blemish the seniors' record. The seniors' only loss was a forfeit to the sophomores, and the tie was also with the sophomores, 2-2. However, in that tie game, the call that kicked the seniors' top scoring ace, Dan Woods, out of the game, was much disputed. Despite their 4-3 record, the juniors were the toughest competition for the seniors. But, as the saying goes, the best man always wins. Oops! I guess I shouldn't have said that. The sophomores were next in line with a 2-3-2 record and then, of course, the freshmen took proud possession of the cellar with a 1-5-1 record.

A look at the houseleague football scene finds the Drybones in first place with 5 wins and 1 loss. In second place with identical records of 4-2 were The Dukes and Ma Burns. However, The Dukes beat Ma Burns so probably The Dukes can claim second place. Here is the way the rest of the teams ended up:

	W	L
1. Drybones	5	1
2. The Dukes	4	2
3. Ma Burns	4	2
4. Smith House Un.	3	3
5. Mad Bombers	3	3
6. The Sting	1	5
7. Mixed Breads	1	5



The Houghton College Cheerleaders.

Could There Ever Be Varsity Foosball?

The game begins. The White team has the ball and kicks toward the Red goal. The Red goalie saves the shot and takes possession of the ball. . .

Fans crowd around urging on their favorite players. There is a feeling of intense competition as the players spin, twist, and yank the rods that control the plastic men in the game of football. Houghton's newly popular sport that is a cross between soccer and pinball machines.

The Red team's goalie shoots the ball to one of the forwards who snaps it into the goalie pocket. The score is 1-0. The ball is dropped in and rolls down along the mid-court line. The White team gets the ball. Dan has a tight grip on the handle of the rod that connects the three six inch tall plastic

players that act as forwards and an even tighter grip on the handle that connects the five backs. Walter controls the two guards with his right hand and the goalie with his left hand.

With a quick snap of the wrist, Walter's goalie kicks the ball to one of his guards. He kicks it down to one of the forwards, but it is intercepted by a player from the other side.

The opposition, Tom and Bob, stand on the opposite side of the waist-level football table. Tom's Red forward attempts a bank shot, similar to a bank shot in pool where the ball is bounced off the wall for a surprise angle. But the White goalie blocks it and so the game goes on. Tom's skill was obtained by a lot of practice, but he has a lot to learn

before becoming really proficient. He has developed a quick wrist action and has nearly mastered the toe shots, heel shots, forward banks and some slop shots.

But as is the familiar phrase around here, "the facilities aren't sufficient." Dean Harter has announced that the school has recently ordered two good tables, but the company from which the tables are ordered has given no exact delivery date.

Incidentally, the "sharks" of this game are commonly agreed on by dedicated fans as the following: defense—Mark Conklin, Walter Wager, Bob Campbell, and Diana Mee; offense—Dan Johnson, Tom Hodge, Gene Scott and Carol Capra. Look out!

During Winterim Try Something Different

by Kathleen E. Confer
While many college departments have been advertising Winterims in such exotic places as England and Buffalo, the newly formed Society for Better Appreciation of Houghton (BAH) has seen the need for another type of cultural study Winterim.

Sad to say, the average Houghton student has a decided lack of knowledge of the environment where he studies, eats and occasionally plays. Winterim in Houghton will be an attempt to increase awareness of Houghton's unique culture and how to appreciate it. The Society is convinced that

a myriad of delights await the student as he delves into Houghton's venerable traditions and social characteristics.

Most of the college departments will be participating and courses may be taken for major or minor credit as well as elective work. Tentative course offerings include:

Beginning Houghtonese — an analysis of the development and characteristics of the Houghton dialect. Major contributing languages — North Pennsylvanian, Western New Yorkish and New Joiseyese — will be discussed individually and synthetically. Also, Houghtonese speech patterns will be

dealt with, including the origins of such terms of obscure denotation as "per", "infirm", "tab" and "Bib. Lit." Three credit hours.

Meteorology — Basic Houghton weather patterns and how to live with them. Particular attention will be given to Houghton's rainfall and reasons why the community is second only to certain Central American jungles in annual precipitation. Four hours credit: three lecture, one lab. Umbrellas recommended.

Music Appreciation — a study of musical preferences of Houghton students, particularly music majors. Such favorites as Solfege, keyboard and string class will be considered. 12 Departmental Seminars, 7 Studio Classes, 10 Faculty Recitals, 2 Artist Series, and 8 Student Recitals are also required. Two credit hours.

Literature — Major works to be considered will be the *Star*,

Boulder and Lanthorn. Time permitting, the lesser works, *Scoop Sheet* and *Info* will be studied. Students are encouraged to possess at least a casual familiarity with these classics prior to beginning the course. Documented library paper and scholarly bibliography required. Four credit hours.

Clothing & Creative Design — the first half of the course will deal primarily with the history of Houghtonesque fashion: its evolution and present form. Building upon this knowledge, the second half will be geared to practical application, including a seminar for women on effective disguise of blue jeans. Three credit hours.

This Winterim promises to be both an exciting period of cultural enrichment and a profitable time of practical learning. Winterim in Houghton will undoubtedly be one of the most popular of 1975 so get your application in early.

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