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Going To Miami!

Lady Highlanders Notch 1-0 Victory in OT

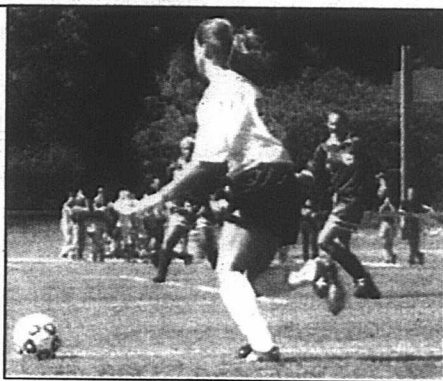
Dionne Miller

The scoreboard read 0-0 at the end of regulation Saturday in a hard fought battle between the visiting lady Eagles of Green Mountain College and the Lady Highlanders of Houghton.

Fans remained supportive as the teams headed into the first 15-minute sudden death overtime. Play continued evenly matched until the final minute. With a mere nine seconds remaining, freshman forward Andrea Stoos scored the biggest goal of her college career thus far to give the Highlanders a 1-0 victory. The Houghton bench cleared and several fans rushed the field to celebrate with the team. With this victory, the Lady Highlanders earned the right to defend their regional and sectional titles in Miami, FL at the NAIA National Tournament, this weekend Nov. 17-20.

Scoreless regulation time does mean uneventful play. Both teams played especially hard and it was obvious a lot more was at stake than a simple win or loss on the permanent record. Although the Highlanders did dominate most of the second half, they were unable to converge that command of the game into points on the score board. Neither team ever gave up, however, and the goal by Stoos in the last minute of play startled everyone, on and off the field.

This trip to compete at the national level marks the second consecutive year



Full steam ahead to Miami!

Houghton has attended. In the 1998 season, the lady Highlanders lost in the Regional semi-final game to Dominican College, 1-0. The season did not end there. On a wild card draw, the women's soccer team was invited to play at Nationals in Mobile, Alabama. Winning their way into the tournament, as they have this year, helps the team feel more confident. "Being at Nationals last year showed us the caliber of play required at the national level," says Highlander junior forward Sunshine "Sonny" Leonard. "Winning in the past season has definitely prepared us better for this year." This victory gives the Highlanders a record of 17-2-1.

The Lady Highlanders and their coaching staff leave for Miami on Tuesday morning. Congratulations, girls, on an excellent season!

New Organization Pitches in for WNY

Service Committee Gets Students Involved

Tammy Joubert

A new organization, tentatively called the Service Project Committee, is in the making with the hope of impacting many lives. The organization's mission statement says that it is "a ministry geared towards enabling students to meet the immediate needs of established ministries in Western New York."

The organization founder Steve Dunmire (known as "The Duke") says, "The philosophy printed in Houghton's 1999-2000 catalog includes a lot about preparing us to be scholar-servants. I saw a great need to try to support that philosophy by organizing a group of passionate students to investigate, organize, and publicize service opportunities."

A committee of thirteen students has been meeting regularly Tuesday nights to organize activities for the fall semester. The group has already taken a group of about twenty-five to the Salvation Army in Buffalo. They helped out by painting, raking leaves, and doing other various clean-up jobs. The group also took four male students to a father & son weekend to help with the organizing of activities.

This past weekend, the committee went to Orchard Park to collect winter clothing and monetary donations for The Salvation Army

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Scenes From 'Amahl'

The 34th Annual Madrigal Dinner Approaches

Dionne Miller

Christmas is fast approaching and with it, holiday traditions and fellowship with friends. This year at Houghton is no different. It's time once again for the annual Madrigal Dinners.

During the evening, the College

Chamber Singers provide excitement and anticipation for the holidays. Each year friends of Houghton are invited to experience this unique evening of musical entertainment and Yuletide cuisine, all presented in the Royal Court of Houghton.

This year, however, the royal court will be presenting the opera "Amahl and the Night Visitors." Madrigal dinner 1999 will take place in the castle setting as in the past, with the royal court in costume for their roles in the opera.

"Amahl" is a moving story of the

miracle of Christmas, featuring a crippled little boy and his widowed mother on the unbelievable night they were visited by the Three Kings on their star-guided journey to the Christ-child. Directed by Dr. Jean Riegles, with the assistance of Dr. Ben

King, this story promises to be soul stirring and is certain to get your heart and

mind focused on the true celebration of Christmas.

The 34th Annual Madrigal Dinners will be presented December 2, 3, & 4, 1999, beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the College Campus Center. Tickets are available at \$18 per plate. For students on the full board plan a reduced \$15 price is offered.

Entire tables may be reserved for a maximum of 8 but it is important to purchase tickets early as seating is limited. All ticket reservations and questions can be directed to Rebecca Crouch in Public Relations (5680).

Madrigal Dinners

EDITORIAL

Letter from the Editor: "Reverse Reality Check"

Tim Graffam

As is the case with most students here at Houghton at this point in the semester, I'm running on fumes. Thanksgiving is arriving not a moment too soon because it's time for a refill. Though I do need a nice long break to dig myself out from underneath the enormous pile of work I have to do, I particularly need to remember exactly why it is I should be so thankful.

The past couple of weeks have been pretty crummy. Trouble with relationships of all kinds, more work to do than ever before (mostly writing), and a debilitating tendency to focus on myself. I get overwhelmed very easily and things spiral downhill quickly from there. All of the minor (and some major) difficulties add up to make me forget that I actually have it very, very good in my life in general. Thanksgiving this year is kind of a reverse reality check.

Normally a reality check says "hey fool, stop dreaming and get back to the harsh realities of life." As much as I would love to be able to say that to myself (just to have an excuse to be gloomy, it's easier that way), my reality check says "stop bumming around, you've got nothing to be

miserable about." My reality is much more pleasant than I often fool myself into believing.

By reversing my reality check I get to enjoy the simpler things and finer points in life without getting clouded by negativity and cynicism. For example, I'm really looking forward to gaining some perspective as I lounge around enjoying the company of my family, eating turkey, and filling my time with soothing sights and sounds of Nintendo. No work to do, no Star to do, and no reason to sulk. When

it all starts up again the following Monday morning I will be refreshed and ready to go, ready to close out the semester and greet the new millennium with my best foot forward.

I have too much to be thankful for to be walking around in a dark, gloomy cloud of pessimism, and I'm not afraid to do battle with the weight of the world. I've got too much going for me to lose.

Thanksgiving, my upcoming reverse reality check, is arriving just in time to remind me the trials and tribulations that seem so ominous and depressing when I'm running on empty actually pale in comparison to the countless blessings that dominate my life when I stop a moment and enjoy them.

Letter to the Editor: "The Consequences of Being Brief"

Colin Ryan

Many thoughts fill my head when I reflect upon the first big event of the winter to usher in the new millennium, the Boxer Run. Clad only in boxers and running shoes, roughly 20 residents of South Hall braved the cold climate, tightly-packed and hard-thrown snowballs, and various other attacks to accomplish our winter mission: to welcome the coldest of seasons by taking a chilly excursion on the night of the first snowfall to East, Lambein and Big Al's to sing Christmas songs. Our repertoire consisted almost entirely of Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer, peppered with disparaging remarks about Shenawana. We were out to make a big scene in the name of our beloved dormitory.

That was the concept anyway. I would describe what actually happened as not quite the blissful, ethnocentric endeavor drenched in Christmas spirit we projected. Rather, a war waged with snow and ice and insults ensued. At least the drenched part was accurate. Once again, it causes me to ask: "What can be done about the Shen-South conflict?" Some say correctly that it is for the most part a friendly rivalry. But there is a level at which feelings are hurt, elbows are busted, and perhaps the spirit of Christ is overlooked.

Understanding that each of us thrives on the feeling of belonging to a specific group, which ranges from Houghton College itself to a specific intramural team, I must ask a tough question. What happened to Christianity? How rarely do we call ourselves by that name within the Christian environment? This is what leads to debacles like the "Holy War" soccer game between Roberts and Houghton. We stray from righteousness because we know that we are all Christians and therefore still have control. But then we wake up to see how far we've taken it and how little control we really have. Harmless fun? Perhaps. But the line between harmless and harmful is very thin and it's crossing the thin line that distance us from God.

I'll step off the soapbox for now and tell you about the Run itself. Standing just inside the door to the bridge leaving South Hall, and seeing the (Sh)enemy up above us on the road, I felt like a D-Day soldier - preparing to hit the beach. Feeling naked [literally] and entirely vulnerable, we were suddenly running in a disorganized

clump over the bridge and up the footpath. You can't count on any defense when your protective garb is designed exclusively by Joe Boxer. Here are a few things that went through my mind as I charged up the footpath: *Ok, stay near the front. Watch yourself. Whoa! Right by my ear! Better yell something cocky. Nice one, Colin. That was funny. Ah! Water all over my face! Wait, water? Man they're not holding back. Too bad they can't seem to hit anybody. Hey, that guy lives in South?! Yeah, he'll get it later - keep going. Better taunt them again. I'm so glad I'm doing this instead of studying. Hey, that guy's aiming at me. Hit him! Oh wow! Oh no! I actually threw him off the footpath! Ah well, he'll live. Here's the campus center. I'm definitely mostly naked in front of people I don't know. Shake it off. Yeah South! And so on.*

Now that it's all over and the adrenaline has worn off, I have to question my attitude. What was it that consumed me so and caused me to behave with such intensity, even animosity? Could it be anger? Or hate? Hmm. I am reluctant to use a word so strong, but what then? Perhaps pride is the mindset I'm looking for. Yes, I was inflamed with pride. Pride in my dorm and hatred for Shen. We feel this way because they devote more time attacking us than supporting their own. I have to constantly remind myself that it does go both ways.

So again I ask, "What is to be done about the Shen-South conflict?" You might get suggestions from me, but not the answer. There is a personal verdict for each person and choices these two groups can make to redirect the faltering sense of unity on this campus. The sooner the better. The millennium is approaching and it's best we stitch up this open wound. Perhaps with an event that doesn't pit the two dorms against each other for once? After the year 2000 crisis, there might not be a second semester, or even communication of any kind, and we just might miss each other.

So come on now. Southies, go shake a Shen guys hand. Shen, likewise. Show this college we're men enough to get past our differences. Let's look through Christ's eyes and see each other for what we really are: different shades on the same canvas, er, campus. I urge you, brothers, with a verse that didn't quite make the New Testament cut: Don't let Y2K go down on your anger.

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NEWS

Houghton Gets Into Christmas Spirit

Stephanie Smith

For some of us this may be the first time away from home during the Christmas season, but no need to worry, the Houghton administration are prepared to do some decorating!

Be sure to notice in the coming month the wreaths, garland strings, pine cone picks and yes,

even candles spread around the campus to give Houghton that magical Christmas look and feeling. The Christmas banners to be hung around campus will be the ones from years past made by Lisa Bennett.

A traditional theme will be used bringing the Christmas spirit here to Houghton.

Shakespeare Players present: *Twelfth Night*

Travis York

Joel Dunham is directing this semester's performance of Shakespeare's comedy "Twelfth Night." Sonya Marthai plays Viola, a shipwrecked young woman who assumes her twin brother Sebastian (Dan Worrall) has been lost at sea and pretends to be a man to protect herself in the country of Illyria.

Viola poses as an officer in the army of Count Orsino (Glen Benedict) and becomes his close companion and go-between in his bid to win the heart of Countess Olivia (Jule Ann Davis). Meanwhile, a power struggle ensues in Olivia's home between her demented steward Malvolio (Andy Crowley) and her cousin (Barry King). From what I've seen in the rehearsals, it's guaranteed entertainment.

The play will be held in room 123-125 of the Academic Building November 18, 19, and 20 at 8:00 p.m., and there will be a matinee Saturday at 3pm. Admission is \$1.

Freshman Praise & Worship Class of 2003 Gains Focus

Stephanie Smith

You may have seen the freshman class vice president Stephen Leader at dinner with his catchy advertisement ploy on his chest for the freshmen class Praise and Worship night. Being a freshman myself, I thought I'd go to show support to my class, but what I soon realized was that wasn't the real reason I was there.

I was impressed with the turn out; each stairwell was filled with freshmen happy to be there. The music was touching and the building was filled with glorify-

ing songs. The praise and worship band brought tears to my eyes; I couldn't help but get caught up in the moment. The whole freshman class seemed to share an intimate time of songs and praise.

In the midst of the evening Donald Merriam came to give a devotion, his sincere words were encouraging and touched many of us there. I feel lucky to have shared in such a wonderful uplifting time with the class of 2003.

If by chance you weren't able to go, make it a point to be there next time. You'll be happy you did.

Service Committee cont.

from Bills' fans as they filed into Ralph Wilson Stadium for a game.

The next big opportunity to get involved in service is December 4th. We are organizing a big push to get as many students and faculty involved in as possible. We have expectations of involving as many or more students as

were involved with the Martin Luther King, Jr. service day last year. Come out and sacrifice a little time to help someone else.

If you have any questions contact organization leaders Steve Dunmire, Thom Scriven, or Tammy Joubert.



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Basketball Se

New Coach, New Attitude Men's Hoops Preview

Judy Johnson

It's only two weeks until the home opener for the men's basketball team but the squad has been hard at work, for much longer. Preseason has been characterized by intense agility and endurance workouts, early morning sprints, hours in the weight cage, and disciplined practices. Not only is the team prepared physically, their workouts have instilled in them a renewed sense of confidence and unity.

New head coach Brad Zarges has made physical training the first step in building a successful squad. "The team has made a tremendous commitment to the work it will take to change the pro-

gram." Coach Zarges, who comes to Houghton from an assistant coaching position at King College, is enjoying the challenge and working with the team. "There is no group of guys I would more prefer to be around. They will be a fun group to work with through the hard times and celebrate with when we exceed our expectations." Instead of focusing on wins and losses, Coach Zarges is concentrating on performance goals—how the team is shooting, rebounding, etc. He feels that this is a more tangible way of charting their progress than just looking at their record.

The squad lost a strong senior class, but the underclassmen and freshmen are ready to step up

their game to fill in for the five departing seniors. Seniors Ruben Jurik, Kurt Sauder, and Nate Ward will play a large role in the leadership of the team. Coach Zarges has been impressed by their commitment to the team and their impact on the team's performance. Joining Jurik and Ward in the post is Jeremy Martin, Dan Yanda, Brice Benson, and Eli Knapp. Each will be called on to play a larger role this year and is working to improve

his scoring and rebounding from last season. The ball will be handled by Sauder, Seth Edwards, Chris Hearn, and Ryan Pauling. This group of guards is characterized by their tireless work ethic and athleticism. Four freshmen are

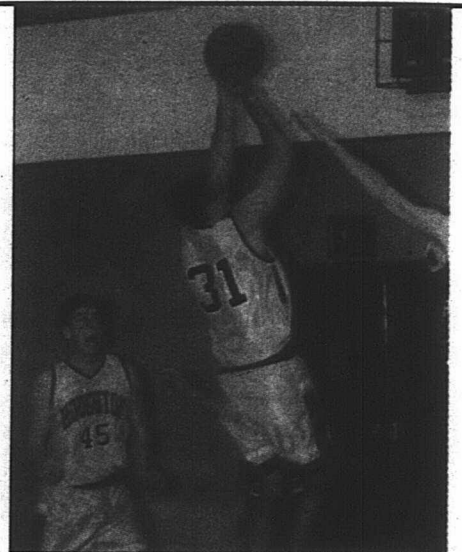
also looking to make an impact. Dean Phillips, a guard from Scio, NY, is a three-point threat.

From Smethport, PA, forward Kyle Nelson's strength will be an asset to the team in the post. Local favorite

Jeremy Thomas will take his leaping ability from the soccer field to the basketball court. Forward Ben Yanda, another hometown boy, will use his 6'6" height to make a defensive impact.

The men's basketball season is promising. There is little doubt they will improve their record as the team rebuilds. Perhaps more importantly, they are real winners because of their heart. Few people on this campus have devoted themselves as strongly to something as this troop of men has. They are full of determination and courage.

Be there December 3 when they bring that determination to the Houghton hardwood against Alfred University.



Men's Basketball Schedule '99-00

Northeast Atlantic Conference Game *Doubleheader Home Games in CAPS

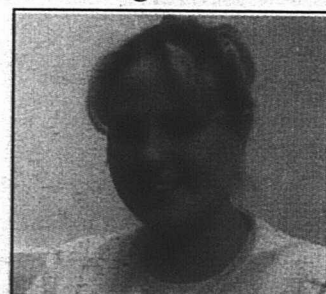
DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
FRI, Nov. 12	Mt. Vernon Nazarene Tournament	6, 8 PM
SAT, Nov. 13	(Grace, Trinity Christian, Mount Vernon Nazarene)	1, 3 PM
FRI, Nov. 19	Mercyhurst College Tournament	6, 8 PM
SAT, Nov. 20	(Pt. Park, Guelph, Mercyhurst)	6, 8 PM
TUE, Nov. 23	Mohawk College*	8:00 PM
MON, Nov. 29	University Of Pitt. at Bradford	7:30 PM
FRI, Dec. 3	ALFRED UNIVERSITY	7:00 PM
SAT, Dec. 4	St. Vincent College	8:00 PM
TUE, Dec. 7	Hilbert College	7:30 PM
FRI, Dec. 10	WALSH UNIVERSITY	7:00 PM
SAT, Dec. 11	SUNY @ Binghamton	7:30 PM
WED, Dec. 29	Coaches vs. Cancer Classic at Daemen College	5:30, 7:30
THU, Dec. 30	(Mohawk, Daemen, George Brown)	5:30, 7:30
TUE, Jan. 4	Colby College	7:00 PM
WED, Jan. 5	Husson College	7:30 PM
SAT, Jan. 15	MT. ALOYSIUS COLLEGE* +	8:00 PM
FRI, Jan. 21	WILMINGTON COLLEGE*	8:00 PM
SAT, Jan. 22	GOLDEY BEACOM COLLEGE*	5:00 PM
WED, Jan. 26	Daemen College* +	8:00 PM
SAT, Jan. 29	Mt Aloysius College* +	8:00 PM
WED, Feb. 2	D'YOUVILLE COLLEGE*	8:00 PM
SAT, Feb. 5	Roberts Wesleyan College* +	8:00 PM
FRI, Feb. 11	Holy Family College*	8:00 PM
SAT, Feb. 12	Univ. Of Sciences, Philadelphia*	5:00 PM
WED, Feb. 16	DAEMEN COLLEGE* +	8:00 PM
SAT, Feb 19	ROBERTS WESLEYAN COLLEGE* +	8:00 PM

Question of the Week: "What is your favorite thing about Houghton basketball?"



-- The Dune
(Junior)

"I like the 200 pound rat running around with the dogbone."



-- Michelle Adkins
(Freshman)

"They're tall."

photos by Dan Mund

Season Preview

Building On A Solid Foundation Lady Highlanders Preview

Joe Adams

"I think this year is going to be really exciting" says junior captain Wendy Ivey of the Lady Highlander basketball team.

In the 1998-1999 season the women finished 24-6 setting new records for wins in a season and consecutive wins (16). In the process, they captured the Northeast Atlantic Conference title and made the program's second appearance at the NAIA National Tournament. Not only that, but Ivey was named first team all-conference, sophomore Alicia Campbell second team, and Janelle

Tombs received honorable mention.

During pre-season, the women ballers were ranked 19th in the Nation in NAIA Division II for the first time.

This year's captains, seniors Janelle Tombs and Libby Shaw along with junior Wendy Ivey, bring years of experience as well as strong leadership abilities.

The major change for this year is that previously our experience was on the inside (positions) and we built around that. This year, our depth is on the outside, and it is going to be more of a perimeter game."

That doesn't mean that the inside game is going to be weak, Libby Shaw will be starting there along with sophomore Bethany Eib and Junior Lesley Swanson.

With the graduation of Amie Fells and Faith Winchell, there are some gaps to fill, but returning senior Krista Newell, along with junior Suzie Ellis should help the ladies on their road to victory. Also, freshmen Katie Packard, Amanda Sweeney, and Angela Lane should prove as strong new additions to the program.

For the 1999-2000 season, coach Skip Lord is looking for growth, not only on the court, but in the spiritual life of the team as well. "We are really going to try

to represent Christ both on the court and off" said Lord.

The ladies will face off against Walsh University in their season opener in Ohio on November 19th and 20th.



In Brief: Player Profiles

Profiles by
Jason Mucher

Wendy Ivey (Jr. Hodgdon, Maine) returns after leading the team in points (12), rebounds (7.1), and assists (4.4). The all-around talent was named First Team All-Northeast Atlantic Conference for her play last season. Ivey is a team captain.

Libby Shaw (Sr. Akron, Ohio) has consistently improved over the course of her career. The 6-2 team captain appears poised to provide a presence in the paint this season.

Lesley Swanson (Jr. Sherman, N.Y.) looks to step into a larger role this season. Over the summer Swanson improved her strength, complementing her offensive post ability.

Bethany Eib (So. Spring Grove, Pa.) has returned in excellent condition this year. She has been impressive in the preseason workouts and should contribute in the post.

Alicia Campbell (So. Greene, N.Y.) impressed everyone as a freshman. She was named Second Team All-NAC after averaging 11 points, 5 rebounds, and 3.6 assists in her debut campaign.

Captain Janelle Tombs (Sr. Wellsville, N.Y.) is back for her senior season after being named an Honorable Mention All-NAC player last season. Tombs is an excellent shooter from the perimeter (11 ppg, 42 three-pointers).

Krista Newell (Sr. Houghton, N.Y.) has returned to form and brings a more consistent shot and an improved offensive game to the team.

Sarah Tooley (So. Wooster, Ohio) showed outstanding potential last season. With improved quickness and jumping ability, Tooley is ready to contribute more in 1999.

Women's Basketball Schedule '99-00

+Northeast Atlantic Conference Game *Doubleheader Home Games in CAPS

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
NOV 19-20	Walsh University Tournament Walsh (Ohio), Mt. Aloysius (Pa.), Spring Arbor (Mich.)	
TUE, NOV 23	at Mohawk College (Canada)*	6 PM
MON, NOV 29	at Carlow College (Pa.)+	6 PM
SAT, DEC 03	at Madonna University (Mich.)	5 PM
SAT, DEC 04	FANSHAW (Exhibition)	7 PM
WED, DEC 08	UNIV. of PITTSBURGH at BRADFORD (Pa.)*	6 PM
SAT, DEC 11	at Gannon University (Pa.)	6 PM
TUE, JAN 04	Univ. of New Brunswick (Canada) @ Husson College	2 PM
WED, JAN 05	at Husson College (Maine)*	5:30 PM
MON, JAN 10	at University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown (Pa.)	6 PM
SAT, JAN 15	MT. ALOYSIOUS COLLEGE (Pa.)* +	6 PM
FRI, JAN 21	WILMINGTON COLLEGE (Del.)*	6 PM
SAT, JAN 22	CARLOW COLLEGE (Pa.)+	3 PM
WED, JAN 26	at Daemen College (N.Y.)* +	5:30 PM
THU, JAN 27	WILLIAM SMITH COLLEGE (N.Y.)	7 PM
SAT, JAN 29	at Mt. Aloysius College (Pa.)* +	6 PM
WED, FEB 02	D'YOUVILLE COLLEGE (N.Y.)*	6 PM
SAT, FEB 05	at Roberts Wesleyan College (N.Y.)* +	6 PM
FRI, FEB 11	at Holy Family College (Pa.)*	6 PM
SAT, FEB 12	at Univ. of the Sciences, Philadelphia (Pa.)*	7 PM
WED, FEB 16	DAEMEN COLLEGE (N.Y.)* +	6 PM
SAT, FEB 19	ROBERTS WESLEYAN COLLEGE (N.Y.)* +	6 PM
FEB 24-26	NAC Championship	
MAR 8-14	NAIA National Tournament Sioux City, Iowa	



-- Troy Bilodeau
(Junior)

"I like watching
Seth Edwards
run...and Dean."



-- Sharon Paulson and
Linda Shea (Juniors)

Sharon: "That
Eli Knapp is on
the team, I
think."

Linda:
"Kurt Sauder."

COMMUNITY

Spotlight on Faculty: Richard Halberg

Becca JungDhari

Many of you may know Professor Richard Halberg from either having a business class with him or from seeing him in the halls. You might not know is that behind that professionally attired figure, (you can almost always identify business professors from their suits) is a former Boy Scout, Shenawana resident, soccer alum, and fifth grade school teacher to name a few.

Professor Halberg is originally from Youngstown, Ohio. Although Halberg played soccer here at Houghton, he didn't play in high school. Football was the sport to play, but "I was a small guy, a bit of a late bloomer, and I just wasn't big enough to play." Coming to Houghton College in 1967, Halberg played "intramural everything." After having a gym class with Coach Burke freshman year, Halberg was encouraged by Burke to join the team. Halberg played for the Highlanders the next three years. Professors Shea, Stevenson, and Stegen, were his teammates. When he later returned to Houghton, he served as Assistant Coach to Burke for fourteen years.

While at Houghton, Halberg was a resident of third floor Shen. Halberg majored in mathematics with minors in political science and business administration. His business minor was added as an afterthought when he was trying to come up with enough credit hours to fill his schedule. He also met his future wife Virginia Alexander, a music major. Although reluctant to give specifics, Halberg participated in his share of "mischievous behavior." A particularly memorable moment, involving another current professor was the releasing of animals in the library. Specifically, the animals were pigeons, mice, and one rabbit. (They tried to involve a rooster in this escape, but were unable to obtain one.) Surprisingly enough, the library closed early that



evening.

After graduating from Houghton, Halberg tried to use his mathematics degree to enter the field of computer programming. As there were no openings, he fell back on his business minor, selling health and life insurance. While working in sales, he began to look into other employment opportunities and the possibility of getting his MBA. Opportunities arose for Halberg and his wife to be employed at a church in Akron, Ohio. They accepted with Virginia working as Minister of Music, and Halberg as a fifth grade teacher at the Christian school. Two years later he moved into the position of Business Administrator, while at the same time getting his MBA. The following year, 1975, Houghton College called offering him a job as a professor in the Business Department.

Professor Halberg is approaching his twenty-fifth year at Houghton. Reflecting, Halberg says one of the best things of being at Houghton for so long is his concept of "deferred compensation." No, it's not money. It refers to the joy of seeing former students being successful in life. "The students whom I have today are going to be entirely different people in 10, 20 years. I try never to pass judgement. While in college, students are only a fraction of who they will be. They are still a work in progress. If I weren't here, I might not get to find out how they have made a difference."

SGA Report

SPF PROPOSAL APPROVED: The Senate accepted a proposal to be passed on to the Special Projects Fund Committee at its meeting last Thursday. The proposal is requesting funding for acquiring the necessary

equipment which will improve and increase opportunities for students to engage in water sports. The two proposals, for kayaking and rafting totals \$8,071.15. The Special Projects Fund Committee will soon meet to make a final decision on this proposal.

Single male room available for second semester (\$500) very close to gym and music building. 567-4889.

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Ministry Moment: FCA

Linda Shea

Can athletics be a ministry? After four grueling volleyball matches at Roberts Wesleyan this weekend, keeping the restaurants of Rochester in business through our team's mad consumption of food, sleeping, talking, singing and laughing with fifteen other girls on a big purple bus, the question arises: is there any fulfilling meaning in sports?

Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) is a nation-wide organization whose purpose statement reads "To present to athletes and coaches and all whom they influence the challenge and adventure of receiving Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, serving Him in their relationships, in the fellowship of the church, and through athletics."

Several years ago, a branch of FCA was formed here at Houghton. This semester the group meets every other Tuesday at 8:00 p.m. for a time of worship and fellowship. Some gatherings are spent around a bonfire, playing games, or listening to guest speakers. These have included representatives from Athletes in Action and our very own athletes who have used their sport to travel to the mission field. Regardless of the activity, each FCA meeting provides an opportunity for athletes and anyone interested in sports to interact.

Nicole Becker, soccer player and FCA cabinet member, enjoys the meetings because of the unity it creates amongst Houghton's athletes. "We are

separate teams all week, but Tuesday night we are one group," she explained. "I am thankful for the friendships I have made with other players."

FCA Vice-president Laurie VanOrmer emphasized that the organization seeks to interest more students on campus this year and reach out to the surrounding community. Plans are in the making to start FCA clubs in local high

schools. As well

reaching out to others, FCA members gain encouragement from their interaction and sense growth in themselves. From her four years of involvement in this ministry, Laurie has

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Laurie VanOrmer

sensed a change in her perspective of sports. As she put it, "I'm not playing hockey to impress my coach or my team, but I'm playing for God."

Can sports have meaning? I am incapable of writing a comprehensive theological essay to persuade you of why I believe giving my time and my self to a sport is meaningful. But let me close with one story. As Nicole Becker crouched on the sideline waiting to be substituted into the soccer game, a referee asked her what the Bible reference on her sweatshirt stood for. In the few minutes before she stepped out onto the field to kick around a little white ball, she shared her faith with a man who did not know the Gospel.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes provides a fun time for building friendships and unity. But more importantly, it launches us onto the track, the court, and the field with meaning.

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ENTERTAINMENT



Motoi on Music

Motoi Nishihata

Skalleluia Too

The Insyderz

KMG Records

With the wave of ska coming to a close a while ago, "ska" bands were forced to either change styles by losing their horns or adjust to a new sound while keeping their horn section. The Insyderz

have maintained their horns and have successfully evolved.

When the Insyderz first started as a band, they covered praise and worship songs and eventually those songs resulted in the first *Skalleluia* album. *Skalleluia Too* is their fourth major release (produced by Gene Eugene) and includes fourteen songs with twelve classic praise songs and two of originals. The album has a diverse range of musical styles, anywhere from New Orleans jazz, dixieland, hard rock, punk, and hard-core. Gone from many of the songs are the "ska" beats that ruled in the past. Since

the Insyderz aren't really a "ska" band anymore but one that writes music with horns, I would like to label the Insyderz a new genre. It's not ska, but "skrock." Adding to their sound is a keyboard along with several other guest instrumentalists.

Popular praise and worship songs such as "Shout to the Lord," "In the Secret," "I could sing of Your Love forever," and "The Old Rugged Cross" are on the album. The two original songs are "When I Look Up," a punk/rock song written by Joe Yerke (lead singer with a phenomenal growling voice) and "Psalm 139," sung

by drummer Nate Sjogren. "Step by Step" incorporates the ska beat for the ska-crazed fans. On the opposite side of the spectrum, "Shout to the Lord" uses no horns and an electronic drum-looping machine. The Insyderz slow things down with songs such as "Who is this" and "Pour out my heart."

Overall *Skalleluia Too* redefines "ska" and should be setting the stage for the genre's future. But at the same time the Insyderz keep focus of why they are a band: to worship God through making quality music, to share Christ with others, and to have a blast.

Father of the Bride Review

Lindsay Ackerman

On November 11-13, Houghton College presented a production of Caroline Francke's *Father of the Bride*. This three-act comedy was directed by Bruce Brenneman with the assistance of Student Director, Erin O'Brien.

Father of the Bride is the story of a bride-to-be and her

father's reaction to her upcoming marriage. The cast, comprised of Houghton students, was well rehearsed, delivering their lines clearly and without hesitation. They brought feeling and depth to their characters.

The bride's father, Mr. Banks, was played convincingly by Avery Munger, who epitomized the stereotypical, overreacting, overprotective father. The bride, Kay, was played by Rebekah Baney. She combined sweetness and stubbornness, amusing the audience with her rapid switches from crying, to shouting, to smiling.

Mrs. Banks, played by Suzannah Strauss, and Ben and Tommy Banks, played by Jeff Wester and Jason McMullen, added to the comedy, providing several laughs for the audience.

The play was well received. David Davies said, "I thought the most enjoyable aspect of the play was the actors' performances." Julie Levak agreed commenting, "Avery Munger did an outstanding job." Aaron Harrington enjoyed the comedy. He said, "The humor by the minor characters really added to the overall quality of the play."

Despite being a little long, the play seemed to hold the audience's attention. Overall, Houghton College's rendition of *Father of the Bride* proved to be an enjoyable experience.

As It Were... by Kevin MacDonald



THINGS THAT NEVER
HAPPEN AT HOUGHTON
- PART 1 -

The Lamest Dining Hall Word Search Ever

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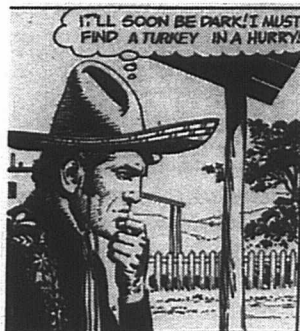
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Fruity Pebbles

(note: Keeping with the spirit of the dining hall, Fruity Pebbles do not actually appear in this word search.)

Man and Snail (Special Edition)

(Adapted) By Donovan Garcia-Church



SPORTS

Fall Sports Score & Schedule Box

Men's Basketball (0-2)

Saturday 11/13
Houghton: 45, Grace: 80

Friday 11/12
Houghton: 53, Mt. Vernon: 100

Women's Soccer (16-2-1)

Saturday 11/13
Houghton: 1, Green Mtn.: 0

Saturday 11/6
Houghton: 2, Tiffin: 0

Volleyball (22-9)

Friday 11/12
Houghton: 3, Mich-DB: 2
Houghton: 3, Carlow: 0

Saturday 11/13
Houghton: 3, Daemen: 2
Houghton: 1, Mich-DB: 3

Field Hockey (15-4)

Thursday 10/28
Houghton: 4, Mansfield: 5

Cross Country

Saturday 11/20
at NAIA Nationals

Intramurals

Racquetball

Singles Points Leaders:

Zimmerman	6
Smith	6
Nelson	3
Asif	3
Sabine	2
Rudd	1

Doubles Points Leaders:

Merrian & Luce	7
Zimmerman & Fabian	5

Indoor Soccer

1999 Soccer Champs	6-0
Team Nutzo	4-4
Another Name for...	2-6
Ronaldo	2-6
I'm A Gamer	1-6
Prenus et Butri e Casa	5-2
Siemi Strike	5-2
Stone Cold 6	3-4
Die Veruckten Kinden	6-0
Dogs...Sticks	3-4
No Mo Mo Yo	2-5

Embich, Johnson Named D-II All-Stars

Denise Dunckle

Senior captains Kristen Embich and Judy Johnson of the Lady Highlanders' field hockey team have been selected to the 1999 National Field Hockey Coaches Association Division II North/South All-Star team. Eighteen field players were chosen from Division II including Kristen Embich, while Judy Johnson was selected as an alternate.

This Saturday, November 20th at 5:30 the Division II All Stars will play against the Division III All Star team at Northeastern University. "This speaks highly of these two seniors in terms of their contributions this season and over the last four years," said head

coach Donna Hornibrook. "From the program's standpoint it's a major accomplishment. It's a step toward credibility for Kristen and Judy and also for Houghton College field hockey."

This is the first year Houghton's field hockey program was eligible for postseason player recognition because of the recent acceptance for provisional membership into NCAA Division II. For the past thirty years, Houghton has competed in the NAIA, which does not sponsor field hockey.

"It is really a honor for Kristen and me, since this is the first year our team has been associated with Division II," said Johnson. "Hopefully this will be the beginning of a lot of success

for our team in Division II."

Under the leadership of Embich and Johnson, the lady highlanders finished this season 15-4. Embich scored nine goals and had a team high 15 assists, finishing her career with 16 goals and 25 assists. As the lead scorer for the team in 1999 and 1998, Johnson scored fifteen goals this season and contributed 6 assists. In her career, she netted a total of 35 goals and added 14 assists.

During the careers of Embich and Johnson, the team's record was 54-11-3, including major wins against top Division II teams such as Bloomsburg University in 1997 and Lock Haven University in 1998.

V-Ballers Advance to Regionals

Tim Graftam

Persistence paid off for Houghton's volleyball squad last weekend at the conference play-offs as they clawed their way to three victories in four games and a berth in the regional tournament to take place next weekend.

On Friday, November 12 the team came out victorious in two matches in double elimination pool play. Houghton first defeated Michigan-Dearborn College in a grueling five game match. Linda Shea was her usual well-rounded self with 10 kills, 3 aces, and 27

digs, while Alison Roberts had 34 digs. Stephanie Thompson contributed with 45 assists. The Lady Highlanders then dispatched Carlow College with ease, 3-0. Monica Wagoner, Danae Diller, and Sarah Tooley had 7, 8, and 9 kills respectively.

On Saturday the 13th Houghton continued their winning ways in the semifinal round against rival Daemen College in another match that went to five games. Linda Shea had 14 kills and 28 digs, Alison Roberts had 11 kills and 31 digs, and Stephanie Thompson had 44 assists. Unfortunately,

the ladies succumbed to the fatigue of a long weekend in the final round rematch with Michigan-Dearborn. Linda Shea and Alison Roberts combined for 17 kills, 4 aces, and a whopping 75 digs.

Of the weekend Shea said, "It was a great team effort. Alison Roberts was a digging machine and Sarah Tooley was crushing the ball. Julie Levak had a crucial dig in the Daemen match. The whole team really dug deep throughout the draining weekend."

Even with the loss in the finals the women have still secured a bid in the regional tournament due to their phenomenal play during the regular season, notably the tournament at Walsh University.

Appreciating Fandom

John Osae-Kwapong

Ninety minutes of hard exchanges during which both teams had chances to score ended without a winner. The worst scenario one could expect was another sixty minutes of playing time and shootouts.

With their drums, bells, voices, bilingual abilities and sense of strong school spirit, the fans cheered as hard as they could. I couldn't figure out what the eleven ladies doing battle on the field were thinking, but I am sure the strong desire to win was to bring back the smiles on our faces after the painful elimination of our men gave them energy to keep fighting like wounded tigresses. I am sure that thoughts of warm sun and five days away from Houghton was another added incentive.

If Coach Lewis was a man of the world under such tensed circumstances, I could imagine him pacing down the field with a cigarette hoping for the vic-

tory. However, a man so strong in his faith and cherishing his walk with the Lord, he remained his cool self, and I am pretty sure his simple prayer was "Let thy will be done Heavenly Father."

As the clock slowly ticked away the first fifteen minutes of overtime, it was as if the players sensed a cry from the fans saying "We can't take this anymore." The lady highlanders decided to strike with just nine seconds to go. I can still picture the ball rolling into the net. At long last the Lady Highlanders had made it, a victory well fought for and well deserved.

As I reflect over my experience as a fan with Highlander sports, through the victories and defeats, I have learned some very important lessons. The first and most important lesson is true sportsmanship, especially taking defeat in good faith. I can remember all those times in high school when we disrupted games, engaged in fights and chased referees after games because my school

was losing or lost. What a great shock it was when for the very first time I saw a losing team sing a song of praise and pray at the end of a game.

I have also learned that unity is attainable through different ways. On the field or on the courts, whether as professors, players, fans, students or community members, all that matters is we are part of a Christian community believing in our athletes.

Lastly, I have also come to fully understand my role as a fan. I need to be well behaved, cheering in such a way that I will have no problem providing a yes answer to the question "Will Jesus be able to do this with me?" Also, as the players on the teams make sacrifices to play, so also do I need to make sacrifices to watch them play.

To the Lady Highlanders I say "Ayeekooo" and to all of our Highlander sports teams thank you for all the lessons you have taught me. As I get ready to leave this institution, I am sure to carry living memories of all of you on the days we won and the days we lost.