

# HOUGHTON

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Struggle not for the self. Strive not for the soul. Your task is to stand beside those who suffer.

There is nothing at the end of the day save that which is sacrificed for the good of someone other than yourself.

How is it that being nice has replaced being kind? Only kindness matters.

For what is the purpose of our struggle. To what end do we work? A single goal unites us: serving our God and the needs of His children.

Do you have two hands? Put them to work. Do you have only one hand? That is enough. Do you have no hands? Thank God for your feet and start walking.

# Sacrifice. Service.

# So what?

## Beyond our own Concerns

A highlight of each fall semester's opening activities is the dedication service for new students and parents. I enjoy looking out on the assembled multitude in Wesley Chapel, wondering how each of these students will impact Houghton College while they're here, and what they'll do in service to the Lord both while they're here and after they graduate.

As part of this service, I deliver an address titled: *In the Beginning or Going and Growing*. I attempt to set the stage for what parents and students can expect from the college experience. The number of letters and comments I receive about this event tell me that the message is meaningful for both groups. Many readers of this column will remember this occasion and its significance.

Now, don't worry, there

won't be a test, but do you remember remarks in that address about the importance of service? Here are several:

College also provides freedom and freedom is inextricably intertwined with responsibility. It was the great historian Gibbon who once observed about ancient Athens: "When the freedom they wanted most was the freedom from responsibility, then Athens ceased to be free."

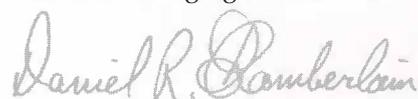
Gibbon's point was that we have an obligation to serve, that we are responsible for more than just our own concerns. As Christians we know that "we are not our own, we were bought with a price." God's grace has been extended to us, and part of our grateful response should be to extend grace to others through service.

Later in the address I return to this theme of our responsibili-

ties with a more specific reference to service:

"... gain spiritual exercise by performing service in the name of Christ. As college students, it is important to develop and strengthen life-long habits of giving yourself and your substance to assist others in the spirit of Jesus."

Reunion surveys provide proof that the habits of service you cultivated here as Houghton students continue to grow and flourish. I'm proud of your service to your communities, churches and neighbors. In the closing words of the Houghton College mission statement, I trust that your lives will reflect Jesus's love and light wherever you "lead and labor as scholar-servants in a changing world."



The individuals listed here have gone *beyond their own concerns* during the 1998-99 academic year to provide volunteer services to Houghton College. Our thanks goes to them for all their contributions.

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From left: Dr. George Boespflug, director of the School of Music, Barbara Kavanaugh and President Daniel Chamberlain surround honorary degree recipient, Dr. Patrick Kavanaugh (third from left), following his Founders' Day chapel address.

## Founders' Day

The 1999-2000 academic year at Houghton College is a celebration of the arts, and that theme was clearly evident in Houghton's Founders' Day convocation on October 1.

Highlighting the convocation was the address by Dr. Patrick Kavanaugh, director of the Christian Performing Artists' Fellowship and artistic director of the MasterWorks Festival at Houghton. In his presentation, "Missionaries with New Tools: Faith, Art and Beauty," Dr. Kavanaugh stressed that Christians need to demonstrate to the world the beauty inherent in God's nature.

"We don't perform or create just so we can enjoy ourselves and have a good time. We do it because it glorifies God. In the practice rooms as well as on stage," said Dr.

Dr. Gerald and Norma (Burst '59) Lloyd '59 received the annual President's Advisory Council on Excellence Award at the Founders and Heritage Luncheon. The couple, who has lived and served in Corry, Pa., for the past 33 years, remain loyal supporters of Houghton College. Two of their children, Stephen '90 and Kristen '93, are also Houghton graduates.



# Echoes of the C

## HOMECOMING '99

Parade grand marshalls President and Mrs. Chamberlain just want to give peace a chance. The groovy couple represented the early 70s at the 1999 Homecoming parade, an event that offered tribute to each decade of the 20th century.

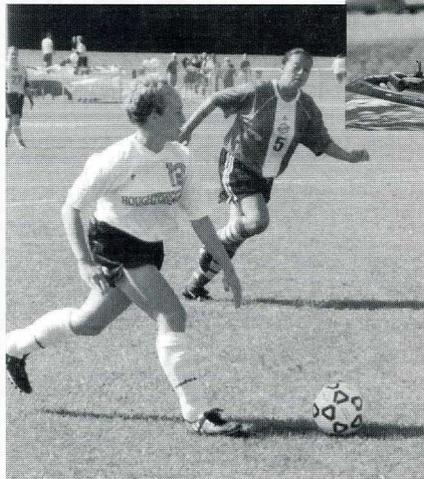


Kavanaugh, "we need to do things with excellence. Excellence is an aspect of beauty. We can all strive for it in our own jobs. It is not cliché to say there is art in teaching or art in science. My father worked all his life at the post office, but he was an artist. He made it a noble profession."

Dr. Kavanaugh received an honorary doctor of fine arts degree during the ceremony.

Taking their place as platform guests were members of the music and art faculty. The Scripture reading was provided by Dr. George Boespflug, director of the School of Music, and the benediction by Aileen Ortlip Shea, founder of the college art department.

The convocation also marked the first performance of the year by the College Choir, directed by music professor B. Jean Reigles. The Houghton College Brass joined the choir on a powerful presentation of R. Vaughn Williams's "O Clap Your Hands."



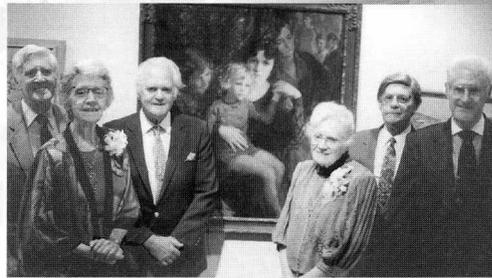
It was a 4 and 0 day for Houghton's teams. Men's soccer defeated Bethel College (Ind.), 3-1, women's soccer defeated Bethel, 6-0, field hockey defeated Nazareth College, 3-0, and volleyball defeated D'Youville College, 3-0. See Sports News for details on athletic field dedication and legacy walk groundbreaking.

Christy Reese '00 and Kris Clester '01, editors of the yearbook, dedicated and presented the Boulder to Al Rehn. The beloved Big Al served as Houghton's food service director for 17 years until taking a position in North Carolina last year.

## Gallery Opening

Celebration of the arts continued during the grand opening of the Inaugural Exhibition of the Ortlip Gallery in the Center for the Arts.

After a ceremonial ribbon pulling and recognition of the family for which the gallery is named, guests were able to enjoy the first exhibition, aptly featuring



*A family with a long history in the Houghton community was fittingly honored as the Ortlip Art Gallery was officially opened. The first exhibit featured "Seldom-Seen Paintings" by Willard and Aimee Ortlip. Their children (from the left) Willard Ortlip, Marjorie Ortlip Stockin, Paul Ortlip, Aileen Ortlip Shea, Henry Ortlip '40 and Stephen Ortlip '42, were on hand for the celebration.*

# Century

"Seldom-Seen Paintings" by Willard and Aimee Ortlip.

The couple started with a studio in Philadelphia in 1910, and after successful painting careers, retired to Houghton in 1947 and began teaching. Three of the Ortlip children continue the tradition of devotion to the visual arts: Aileen Ortlip Shea, a Pulitzer Prize winner and portrait painter, began the art department at Houghton in 1936. Marjorie Ortlip Stockin joined her sister at Houghton in 1939, retiring in 1978. Their brother Paul Ortlip, has been commissioned to paint portraits and navy scenes by the U.S. Navy, NASA, and most recently, a portrait of George Bush for the presidential library.

The evening also featured the dedication of a display area in the Adelmann Atrium, outside the gallery, from the class of 1943 to Marjorie Stockin, who served as advisor of the class. Some of Professor Stockin's works were on display.



*The Homecoming King and Queen rode in style during the parade. The royal couple, Oliver Gingrich of Richfield, PA, and Heather Hebbard of Franklin, NY, were crowned at the Homecoming bonfire on Friday night. The evening also featured fireworks and a performance by Houghton band Ready for Monday.*

*Former food services director Al Rehn took his place at a 1950s malt shop, also known as the first place winner, junior class float, during the Homecoming parade. Big Al, who left Houghton last year after 17 years of service, was recognized at the Founders' Day Convocation as the 1999 yearbook was dedicated in his honor.*



## Students Welcomed Back

Houghton welcomed back students in late August for the start of the final full academic year of the millennium. Students were greeted by college employees who helped them move into their residence halls. Along with several completed construction projects, students arrived to a new campus-wide phone system, providing a voice mailbox for each student living on campus, and to free-access college laundry facilities for students living on-campus.

The enrollment of 1,175 full-time students includes 365 new students, among them 290 first-year students and 75 transfers. In addition, 50 students are enrolled part-time and 215 students are enrolled in the college's Program for Accelerating College Education.

"We are very happy that our enrollment for this year will exceed budget targets," said Tim Fuller '79, vice president for enrollment management. "And the quality of our incoming students continues to be impressive, with test scores nearly 175 points above the national average."



*Professor of English Charles Bressler (center) was among the faculty and staff who helped move students into their residence halls when they arrived for the semester.*



*Music and art faculty and supporters of the fine arts stand behind Dr. Boespflug, Dr. Chamberlain and trustee David Blanchard as they cut the ceremonial ribbon.*

## Celebrating the Arts

A ribbon-cutting and consecration ceremony for the newly-completed Center for the Arts highlighted the first days of the 1999-2000 school year, that has been designated a celebration of *Arts in the Center* at Houghton College.

The ceremony included recognition of the fine arts faculty, a performance by the brass ensemble, invocation by Vice President for Finance Jeff Spear '79, and comments by President Daniel Chamberlain on the significance of the occasion. "Ribbons mark the conclusion of a race. There is great joy in breaking the ribbon," said Chamberlain. "But this is not an end in itself. Facilities are the tools to help us complete our tasks more effectively, to God's glory. This facility will add to the beauty of campus as it adds to the beauty of those who study here."

Dr. George Boespflug, director of the school of music, President Chamberlain, and trustee David Blanchard, each cut a piece of a ribbon stretching across the promenade, and then the students, faculty, staff moved into the building for mini ribbon cuttings for each room. The event concluded with the singing of "Great is Thy Faithfulness."

The celebration continued the next day with a service of consecration for the Center for the Arts. Dr. Boespflug recognized individuals who played vital roles in the completion of the Center, including Professor Robert Galloway, who served on the building committee; Mr. Ken Nielsen, project coordinator; Mr. Jeff Spear, who propelled the project forward; and President Chamberlain, who has always had a vision for the arts.

In his address, President Chamberlain shared from Joshua 4:19-24, stressing the similarities between the stones of the Israelites and Houghton's Center for the Arts. Each project was a corporate act of commemoration, celebration, and commitment.

"It's a time of consecration for us all. Let us celebrate this great gift from God," concluded Chamberlain.

All in attendance participated in a litany reading, composed by English professor John Leax.

## Houghton is only Western New York School among Top National Liberal Arts Institutions

For the tenth-straight year Houghton College has been ranked among the top *national* liberal arts colleges in the country.

Houghton is one of only 15 New York institutions, and is the sole western New York representative, listed in the national liberal arts category of the 2000 edition of *U.S. News and World Report's* annual college guide.

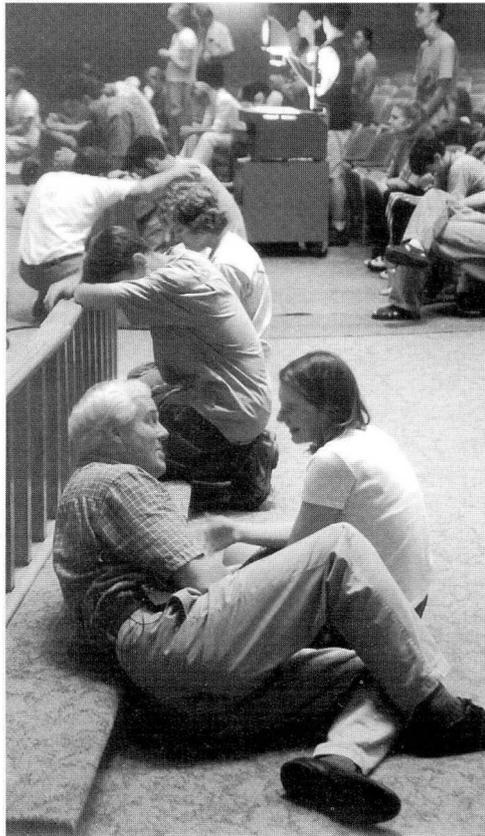
"We are pleased to be recognized among national liberal arts colleges. It puts us in a unique position among western New York institutions," said Houghton president Daniel Chamberlain. "And it speaks highly of the curriculum, the faculty and staff of Houghton College."

Of 1,400 accredited four-year schools surveyed by the magazine, just 162 qualified for the best national liberal arts list. Institutions ranked in the national liberal arts category are compared with schools from across the nation, not just with those in their region. They are also more selective—requiring higher college entrance test scores—than those in the regional liberal arts category.

The *U.S. News* liberal arts classification is comprised of schools that emphasize undergraduate education and award more than 40 percent of their degrees in liberal arts disciplines such as foreign languages, life sciences, philosophy, and psychology.

## Christian Life Emphasis Week

The Rev. Steve Wingfield, founder of the inter-denominational Wingfield Ministries, was the speaker for Christian Life Emphasis Week (C.L.E.W.) in September. At the beginning of each service, he challenged the audience with the prayer, "Lord, speak to me." He stressed the importance of accountability and openness with our brothers and sisters in Christ. Most of his ministry is at various retreats, universities, and special events throughout the U.S.



Rev. Steve Wingfield counsels a student following C.L.E.W. service.

## 2000 *Who's Who* List includes 19 Houghton Students

Nineteen students have been named to the 2000 edition of *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges*.

A nominating committee of Houghton faculty, staff and students based their selections on five criteria: scholarship, citizenship, service to the school, Christian maturity and participation, and leadership in academic and co-curricular activities.

Students included on the prestigious list are: Allison Adams of St. John's, Newfoundland, Canada; Stephanie Arendt of Middleton, R.I.; Erin Bennett of Honeoye Falls, N.Y.; Michel Cox of Quito, Ecuador; Will Cushing of Delmar, N.Y.; Ruth Erde of Gray, Maine; Amanda Farwell of Albion, N.Y.; Michelle Forsythe of Dayton, Ohio; Jessica Fortt of Tolland, Conn.; Adrienne Fritz of Ephrata, Pa.; Doug Graham of Tully, N.Y.; Sarah Hanson of Paris, Maine; Laura Kolb of Williamsport, Pa.; Kim Klink of Fairview, Pa.; Mark Manwaring of Lisle, N.Y.; Krista Newell of Houghton, N.Y.; Andrea Potteiger of Mechanicsburg, Pa.; John Osae-Kwapong of Accra, Ghana; and Thomas Scriven of Westfield, N.Y.

The Houghton inductees join an elite group of students chosen from more than 2,300 institutions of higher learning located in the United States and several foreign nations.



Front row from left: Jonathon Bradshaw '97, Linda Woolsey '74, Michael Frank; back, from left: Brad Zarges '92, Matthew Pelletier, Stephen Woolsey '73, Ettien Koffi, Jeffrey Wolinski; not available for photo: Patty Jeanne Slaughter '88

## New Faculty Bring Wealth of Experience

Houghton College has welcomed nine new faculty members to campus for the 1999-2000 academic year.

"We're pleased with this recruitment class. This group of faculty is particularly strong. They are academically well-qualified, they are committed Christians, and they are excited to be here," said Academic Dean Ronald Oakerson.

Following is a list of the new faculty and their credentials:

**Mr. Jonathon Bradshaw, interim instructor of accounting.** Mr. Bradshaw received a bachelor's degree from Houghton in 1997 and an MBA in finance and accounting from Rochester Institute of Technology. He has worked in retail since leaving Houghton, while working on his MBA.

**Dr. Michael Frank, visiting assistant professor of political science.** Dr. Frank most recently served at Knox College (Ill.). He is a specialist in politics, with particular expertise in voting behavior. Dr. Frank holds a bachelor's degree from Northern Illinois University and a doctorate from the University of Illinois.

**Dr. Ettien Koffi, associate professor of French.** A native of Cote d'Ivoire, Dr. Koffi holds a master's and doctorate from Indiana University. He most recently taught French, Spanish, and linguistics at Bethel College (Minn.). He has worked as linguistic and translation consultant for the United Bible Societies.

**Dr. Matthew Pelletier, assistant professor of biology.** He received a bachelor's degree from Liberty University and doctorate at Virginia Tech. He has served as a post-doctoral research associate at Virginia Tech and at Cornell University. He most recently completed post-doctoral work in the Plant Pathology Department at Cornell.

**Dr. Patty Jeanne Slaughter, assistant professor of therapeutic recreation.** She received her bachelor's from Houghton, a master's degree from New York University, and a doctorate from Indiana State. She brings a broad range of experiences in psychology, working with diverse populations in community and private settings. Dr. Slaughter will begin teaching second semester.

**Dr. Jeffrey Wolinski, assistant professor of physics.** He received his bachelor's from Rutgers University, and master's and doctoral

degrees from Harvard University. He most recently served as assistant professor at Calvin College, where he taught courses in astronomy, general physics, and electronics.

**Dr. Linda Woolsey, part-time professor of English.** Dr. Woolsey holds a bachelor's degree from Houghton, a master's from Binghamton, and a doctorate from Drew University. Since 1984 she has taught at King College (Tenn.), and prior to that served eight years as assistant professor of English at Nyack College.

**Dr. Stephen Woolsey, professor of English.** Dr. Woolsey is a graduate of Houghton College. He received his master's from SUNY Binghamton and doctorate from Drew University. Dr. Woolsey most recently taught at King College (Tenn.).

**Mr. Brad Zarges, instructor of physical education.** Mr. Zarges will also serve as the men's basketball coach at Houghton. He received his bachelor's from Houghton and completed his master's degree at East Tennessee State University. He most recently served as assistant men's basketball coach at King College (Tenn.).

## Faculty news

**Ms. Heidi Arnold**, instructor of English and communication, spent a month in Cameroon with Wycliffe Bible Translators' Discovery program—a program that immerses participants in a culture to gauge their interest in missions. Ms. Arnold was accompanied by Houghton senior writing major Cheryl Morgan and two students from other colleges. The group spent a week in a mountain village, where no English was spoken, attended lectures by Cameroon missionaries, spent time in work situations and in prayer. "I learned that God is multifaceted. I saw sides I had never known before," said Ms. Arnold. "It was powerful, having prayer with people from another culture, speaking in another language."

Music professor **Mark Taylor** has founded the Allegany Youth Wind Symphony, a high-school age honors symphonic band that provides an opportunity for advanced wind and percussion instrumentalists in the area to play high-quality repertoire. The group's debut concert will be on Sunday, December 5, at 3:00 p.m. in Wesley Chapel.

School of Music Director **George Boespflug** had a busy summer—aside from overseeing the progress of the Center for the Arts. In May, he published an article titled "Pop Music and the Traditional Ensemble," in the *Music Educators Journal*, and he traveled to the Czech Republic with members of Sound Doctrine and the women's basketball team on a short-term missions trip. In August, he performed with Houghton faculty member and flutist Julie Tunstall, at the National Flute Association Conference in Atlanta.

**Ms. Sharon Givler**, director of career development, has been elected to the Executive Committee of the Association for Christians in Student Development (ACSD), and also serves as editor of *Koinonia*, the official publication of this na-

tional organization.

**Doris Nielsen**, director of the Wilderness Adventures program, was honored as a Woman of Today for the World of the Out-of-Doors by the Seven Lakes Council of the Girl Scouts at the annual Salute to Women of Excellence program in July. The program recognized the accomplishments of girls and women in the Seven Lakes area. The World of Out-of-Doors includes activities that focus on enjoying and appreciating the out-of-doors, living in and caring for our natural environment, and understanding and respecting the interdependence of all living things.

Mrs. Nielsen has worked in the fields of camping and outdoor recreation since 1947. She designed the college ropes course and initiated academic courses in outdoor recreation. She is also the originator of the Highlander program, a 10-day experience for new students, using ropes course, rock climbing, and backpacking.

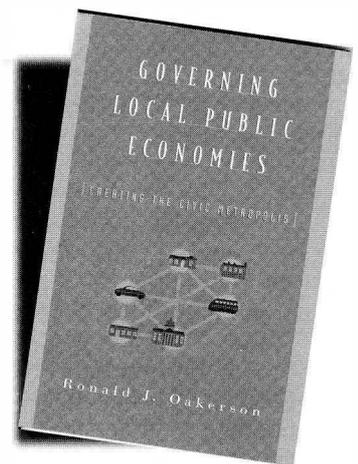
In October, sociology professor **Jayne Maugans** was inducted into the Oxford Scholars Society. She was nominated to the Society by one of its diplomats, and after application, was accepted as a Fellow in August.

Philosophy professor **Shannon O'Roarke** delivered two presentations at a conference called "The Ethics of Parenting" at PACE University in New York City in February. Her first presentation was titled "Self-Esteem and Moral Development." The second, given jointly with sociology professor Jayne Maugans, was called "Study into a Possible Correlation Between Gender and Self-Esteem."

Academic Dean **Ronald Oakerson** has published a book titled *Governing Local Public Economies: Creating the Civic Metropolis*. In it Dr. Oakerson outlines "a new way of viewing and analyzing issues of governance and service provision in metropolitan areas,"

stressing the importance of variety in local government and defending noncentralized governance. The book expands on a report called "Organization of Local Public Economies" produced by the U.S. Advisory Commission of Intergovernmental Relations.

For the fifth-straight year, music professor **Mark Hijleh** received an ASCAP Award for original compositions written within the past year. The awards, made by the American Society of Composers, Authors, and Publishers, reflect the organization's continuing commitment to assist and encourage writers of serious music. Dr. Hijleh has been composing between three and five pieces a year since 1983, and close to 30 of those works have been performed publicly. His version of "Silent Night," first performed in 1995, was recorded by Houghton's College Choir and included on a CD released last year. More recently, he has been commissioned to write scores for two independent films, "Footprints" (about Christian painter Danny Hahlbohm), and an as yet untitled short film set in World War II (directed by 1997 Houghton graduate **Jason Dickerson**).



## Equipped for Urban Ministry

Houghton College, through the Pastoral and Church Ministries Program (P.C.M.P.), awarded the Rev. Philip Crawford of Friendship Baptist Church and Minister Jerry Thomas of Promise Land Missionary Baptist Church with certificates in ministry at the fourth graduation exercise on Tuesday, July 13.

The certificate in ministry is awarded to students who successfully complete the 12-course requirement. The curriculum includes theology, Biblical interpretation and application, church administration, teaching methods, youth and street ministry, counseling, and practical ministry applications.

President Chamberlain presented the certificates to the graduates and admonished them to use their gifts and skills to improve the welfare of the community and humankind. He said, "We are becoming an urban nation. Therefore, it is crucial that we think of the cities and that we be prepared to minister in them, recognizing that this is both a great responsibility and privilege."



## News from West Seneca

Houghton at West Seneca is preparing to construct a new entrance road. For the first time since Houghton College and Buffalo Bible Institute merged in the late 1960s, the campus will have a "front door" on Union Road. Acquisition of property between Union Road and Park Lane is being finalized.

During the summer the campus hosted more than 700 guests from Louisiana, Georgia, and North Carolina as they worked on mission outreach projects in the greater Buffalo area.

Conference facilities were used by such groups as the American Automobile Association, United Parcel Service, West Seneca Youth Bureau, Non-Profit Management Center, West Seneca East High School, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, West Seneca High School Academy of Finance Board of Directors.

Science Adventures held two weeks of summer science day camps on campus in late August. Highlights included Friday afternoon rocket launches, culminating a week of Rocketry Camp.

The most recent P.A.C.E. graduation was held on Saturday, September 25, 1999, at the Houghton campus. Thirty-nine students from five different cohorts were awarded the bachelor of science in management degree. Communication professor Roger J. Rozendal presented the address, "The Execution of Mike the Horse and other short stories OR Lessons in Management I Learned as a Child." Graduate responses were given by Susan Gunzelman, Dawn Parker, Gerald Peterson, and Donald Howard.

## Summer Alumni Weekend

Over 1,000 alumni and accompanying family members enjoyed class reunion activities during this summer's Golden Agers Fellowship and Summer Alumni weekends. Alumni events started with the Golden Agers program, an event which saw 140 alumni of more than 50 years out return for a day of fellowship and news from the college. July alumni weekend,

which immediately follows the Golden Agers activity and hosts the 50-, 45-, 40- and 35-year classes, was highlighted by Houghton's largest ever 50 year reunion. In early August, the 30-, 25-, 20-, 15-, 10- and five-year classes returned to campus. These classes brought with them scores of children, including 45 teens, who were ably entertained with various programs.

Reunion planning was complicated somewhat by the multiple construction projects on campus. Alumni handled the inconveniences graciously and enjoyed an early look at some of these sites, including the new Center for the Arts. July visitors had the opportunity for a last, sentimental look at the college's old Music Hall.

*Frances (Hotchkiss '36) Little, left, and Harriett (Sartwell '36) Norton renew a long-time friendship at Summer Alumni Weekend.*

## Volkswagen

Don't grab the swatter just yet. The giant yellow bug seen on campus uses its four tires, not six legs, to get around. The yellow 1999 Volkswagen Beetle is being primarily used by the admission office. Emblazoned with a purple and gold college logo on each door, the vehicle is making its way all over the northeast United States this fall as college admission counselors visit prospective students.



## Electric Truck

Houghton's addition of a 1999 Ford Ranger electric truck to its fleet of vehicles is a reflection of the college's commitment to be an early adopter of new technologies and to be a wise steward of natural resources. The college plans to use the vehicle for routine trips around campus, including picking up recycling and taking it to the local transfer station, and as part of the college fleet for short trips by faculty and staff. The vehicle will also be available for demonstrations to local school students and to regional groups considering the purchase of a similar alternative fuel vehicle.



## Y2K Preparations

While the concerns of a Y2K catastrophe (in the U.S. anyway) have subsided, Houghton has been busy making sure that the bug doesn't bite us on January 1. Here's a report on our preparations.

1. The college's administrative computing systems were updated for year 2000 compliance this past spring.
2. The campus computer network is also ready, with college PCs fully tested this past summer.
3. Houghton's voice mail system was upgraded this summer in conjunction with other improvements to the phone system and is fully compatible.
4. The Heating Ventilation and Air Conditioning software has been appropriately updated.
5. Community Bank, NA, with a branch office in our campus center, has been Y2K certified by government regulators.
6. We have been assured by Rochester Gas and Electric (RG&E) that the power will be flowing on January 1.
7. Our elevators do not use date-sensitive software and should function in a normal fashion in the new year.

Will there be little blips in our region? Perhaps. But we are convinced that the college is well prepared for the date change and will face any unanticipated challenges as they arise.

Our students return for classes in the second week of January.

## Legacy Walk Groundbreaking

Coordinators of the Highlander 2000 fund-raising effort have unveiled the latest facet of the campaign that will help increase giving and create a visible legacy to future Houghton athletes. At half-time of the men's soccer homecoming game, ground was broken for a Legacy Walk — to be located near the athletic complex — that will encourage and remind current students of the Houghton tradition of excellence. Each name engraved on the paver brick will be a reminder that those players who have come before have invested themselves to ensure a continued legacy. Future alumni will have the opportunity to add their names to the bricks as they take their place among those who contribute to the Houghton experience.

A landscape architect is currently developing the specific plans, complete with benches and flower gardens. To find out more about securing commemorative bricks for the Legacy Walk, or to contribute to Highlander 2000, please contact Dale Fillmore, associate vice president for advancement, at 716-567-9343.

More information on Highlander 2000 can be found on the athletics Web page at [www.houghton.edu/news/athletics](http://www.houghton.edu/news/athletics).

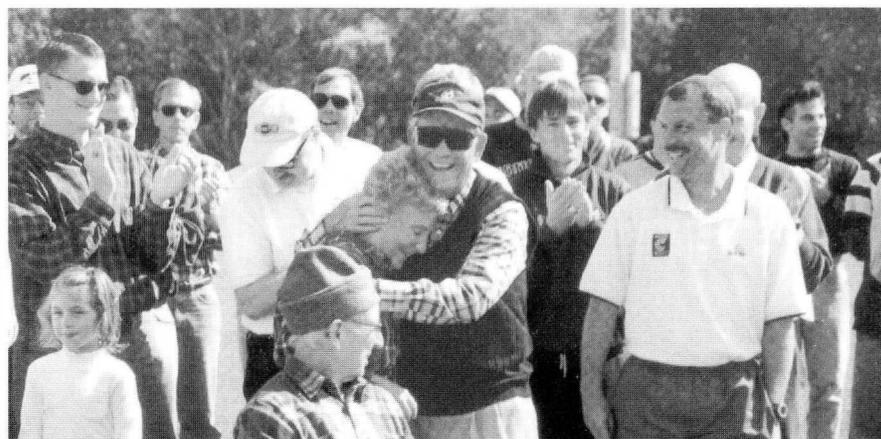
## Burke Field

The name "Burke" has become synonymous with Houghton College soccer. How fitting then that current and future Houghton Highlanders can now compete on a field named in honor of the man who began the men's soccer program in 1967. Coach Doug Burke and his wife, Esther, were recognized at homecoming as a sign designating "Burke Field" was unveiled before a crowd of 1,500, including many of Burke's former players.

President Daniel Chamberlain offered remarks, citing the couple's combined 64 years of service to Houghton, and noting Coach Burke's 27 years as head coach of the men's program. During his tenure (1967-1993), Coach Burke's teams won 289 games, placing him third on the NAIA's all-time list. His teams captured 12 conference and district titles, made three appearances at the NAIA national tournament, and won three National Christian College Athletic Association national championships. Coach Burke was named NAIA Coach of the Year in 1978, and has also been inducted into the NAIA Hall of Fame.



*Following a countdown and fanfare by the Homecoming Brass Band, spectators attending the Homecoming soccer games were treated to the unveiling of a beautiful sign for Burke Field.*



*Coach Doug Burke and his wife, Esther (center), were surprised to learn the new game field has been named in their honor. The couple, who served at Houghton for a combined 64 years, shared the moment with their four children, Sharon '77, Stephen '82, Susan '82, and Sandra '86, and two granddaughters.*

## Houghton Aims to Distinguish Itself with NCAA Division II Affiliation

Houghton has made a move designed to solve several problems faced by its athletics program and to place it in a unique position among western New York colleges.

The college has applied and been accepted for provisional membership in the NCAA Division II, college athletics director Skip Lord announced in August.

The provisional status is the typical four-year probationary period that schools must go through before being granted full-membership within the NCAA.

"At this time we see Division II affiliation as the best option. However, we still have some questions about the future of our program," said Coach Lord. "Over the next four years we will be able to thoroughly investigate the full ramifications of D-II membership and work through the necessary institutional channels to determine if this is, in fact, the direction we wish to go."

The college intends to maintain a dual alignment with the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) and the NCAA D-II, a posture that has been taken by numerous schools in order to better service their student-athletes.

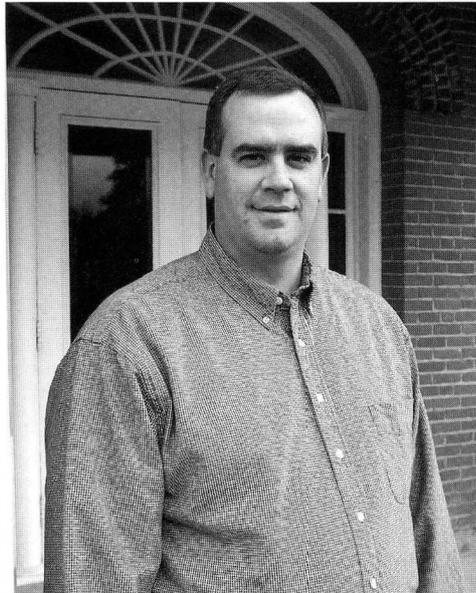
The NAIA lacks the visibility of the NCAA, and the diminishing number of NAIA schools in the Northeast has made conference affiliation and scheduling a concern.

"We have struggled the past few years to maintain a viable conference affiliation, which has made it difficult to complete our schedules and to qualify for post-season play," said Coach Lord. "And more and more NCAA Division III schools have dropped us from their schedules."

The move also means post-season opportunities for Houghton's field hockey team, which has defeated Division II powers Bloomsburg and Lock Haven over the past two seasons. The sport is not sponsored by the NAIA, so Houghton has had no opportunity for post-season play in the past.

Houghton now becomes one of just two Division II schools in western New York. (Roberts Wesleyan is also a provisional member.)

"We do feel that a move of this nature sets us apart in our own niche as far as western New York sports are concerned," said Coach Lord, who noted that aside from Roberts and Division I schools Niagara, Canisius, Buffalo, and St. Bonaventure, all other western New York colleges compete at the NCAA D-III level or in the NAIA. "We are excited about what this would say to the surrounding area about Houghton's unique position in intercollegiate athletics."



## Zarges Named Men's Basketball Coach

Bradford Zarges '92 becomes the sixth head coach of the men's basketball team in the program's history. Coach Zarges comes to Houghton after five seasons as assistant coach at King College in Bristol, TN, taking over a Houghton program that has struggled in recent years. The team finished 5-22 a year ago and are 39-93 over the past five seasons.

Coach Zarges, a native of White Plains, NY, played basketball for two years at Houghton before beginning his coaching career as a student assistant in 1989. After earning his degree in physical education, he was named full-time assistant in 1992. In 1995, Coach Zarges was named assistant coach at King College, where he helped turn around a struggling program. The team improved from five wins in 1994-95 to 20 wins, capturing a conference champion-

ship and earning an NAIA Division II national tournament berth in 1997-98.

Coach Zarges, who recently completed a master's degree in sport sciences, will also teach in Houghton's Physical Education and Recreation Department.

Coach Brad Zarges

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# Res Pu

Civics has a somewhat old-fashioned, pre-1960s ring to it. The impression is not entirely mistaken, for Americans born prior to World War II are members of a civic generation that raised community engagement to its highest level in American history. The idea of an active citizenry nonetheless goes back to the ancients; the English word "republic" is derived from the Latin *res publica*, meaning "the public thing." Broadly, *res publica* refers to all things that members of a community share in common, both tangible and intangible. As citizens we benefit in common from *res publica*, but to do so we must also contribute to it—to its maintenance and improvement.

Cicero stated the basic proposition of civics: *res publica est res populi* (loosely translated, the public realm belongs to the people). It is our common property. Earlier, Aristotle observed an important paradox about common property: "That which is common to the greatest number has the least care bestowed upon it."

Consider two polar responses to Aristotle's paradox: to rely primarily on coercion, forcing citizens to make provision for the public good, or to foster civic virtue, so that citizens identify their self-interests with the good of the community and willingly contribute to its maintenance.

## ...Fostering the Civic Dimension of Christian Virtue

by Dr. Ronald J. Oakerson

It is no exaggeration—nor is it sentimental worship of the past—to note that America was founded on the idea that civic virtue is the preferred way to care for *res publica*. When Alexis de Tocqueville visited the United States in the second generation after the founding, he saw an egalitarian society that effectively combined liberty and virtue, supporting what seemed to him enormous public productivity—nowhere, he wrote, was *res publica* better cared for than in America.

Although the mid-20th century saw Tocqueville's America reach a pinnacle of civic activity, the trend over the last 40 years has been downward. Today many political observers doubt the ability of the United States to maintain its strong civic culture very far into the 21st century.

Tocqueville identified three main sources of civic virtue and the community engagement it fostered—religion, education, and local governance:

- Religion supplied moral instruction that was widely accepted throughout society; much of the civic activity found in America today is directly tied to religious organizations, especially local church congregations.
- Education also was cited for its civilizing and moralizing capacities; civic engagement in America is

still highly correlated with educational attainment, although the correlation has recently weakened.

- Strong local governance allowed Americans to see the results of their virtue — and their vice — and to compare the consequences observed in their own community to others. But the stature of local governance has diminished over the 20th century, exposing Americans more and more to Aristotle's paradox, as members of a single mass public.

Today, a movement has arisen to restore civics to its historic place at the core of American political culture, and Christians are among the most prominent leaders. One organization in the forefront is the Council on Civil Society, sponsored by the Institute for American Values and the University of Chicago Divinity School and chaired by Jean Bethke Elshtain, professor of social and political ethics and a prominent evangelical scholar. The Council's report to the nation, "A Call to Civil Society: Why Democracy Needs Moral Truths," is essential reading for Christians who wish to discharge their civic responsibilities.

Christian educators are exceptionally well suited to respond to the need for civic leadership. As Paul advised in Philippians 2:4, "Look not only to your own interest but also to the interests of oth-

ers." Christian liberal-arts colleges must therefore provide thorough instruction in civic know-how as well as the civic virtues. Carefully structured opportunities for community service should be closely tied to academic programs. Both our curriculum and our co-curriculum should clearly point students toward effective Christian engagement with the world—engagement anywhere on the globe that Christians are called to work and to serve. We in Christian higher education must serve by preparing leaders, as we lead in preparing servants. ♦

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I was hungry and you  
gave me food  
I was thirsty and  
you gave me drink  
I was a stranger and

you took me in  
I was naked and you  
clothed me  
I was sick and you  
visited me  
I was in prison and  
you came to me

*Matthew 25: 35, 36*

# Sacrifice.

Houghton graduates are distinguished by habits of service. Not in a tidy compartmentalized fashion but permeating their lives—in subtle, benevolent, spectacular, one-at-a-time ways.

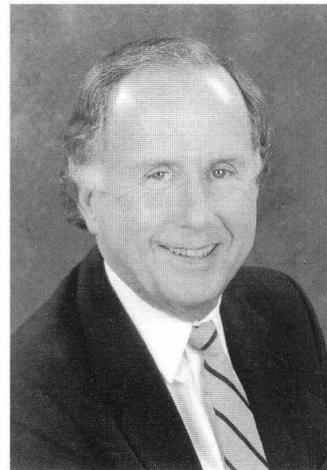
## Paul Beavers '54

SOUTHBURY, CT

Paul Beavers notes that the instruction and example of his parents was such that "I have always felt that reaching out to others was an integral expression of my faith and a part of my own nature." He has lived out this calling through service to his local school's booster club and youth council, a broad-based social service agency and an organization serving the mentally ill. These roles have come about through his own interests and via his status as a pastor and hospital chaplain. A special emphasis of Paul's work is reconciliation, a ministry which he suggests is needed and well-received.

Describing his involvements as "stretching and enriching," Paul adds that helping others excludes indifference and builds compassion. "It suggests entering into their own plight to the extent we can... listening before we act... not responding as the 'haves' to the

'have-nots' but rather as a fellow struggler. I am constantly reminded of my own inadequacies, but at the same time, of the rich resources available to me through faith, family and friends. It is out of this context and understanding of myself that I feel I can be most helpful to others."



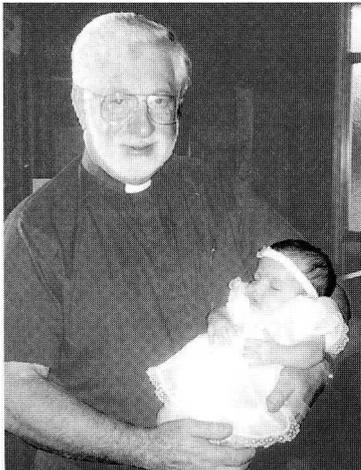
# Service. *Extending the Grace.*

## Ruth (Berglund '58) August FRAMINGHAM, MA

"I've learned that people are people. Politics and war don't matter. People are loving, receptive, and kind. They are like my brothers and sisters," reflects Ruth (Berglund '58) August about her work in F.L.A.M.E. (Framingham-Lomonosov Association for Mutual Exchange), which is a Sister City program between her hometown and a city in Russia. The exchange furthers cultural understanding and friendships between nations. Mrs. August actively participates in the exchange as the main communicator between the two cities and two-time hostess. She also seeks donations from the community which enable money, hospital equipment, and various goods to be brought to Lomonosov, where they are desperately needed. During the three times Mrs. August visited Lomonosov, she taught music in elementary and high schools and organized many events for the participants of both cities. "We are light in their darkness," explains Mrs. August. "We bring them so much love, especially the love of the Lord."

## Rev. Arthur Fuller '63 SHARPSVILLE, PA

When the owners of Sharpsville (PA) Ingot-mold Foundry of Shenango, Inc., announced, in 1993, that the plant would close in three days, the livelihood of families was threatened. The company had been a stable employer in the region, but as the market changed, the foundry experienced a steady decline. Then the idea came. What if the steelworkers buy the plant? After the idea was consummated, they staged a 42-day sit-in (to prevent ma-



chinery being moved out). A rally was initiated to raise awareness and when the speaker failed to show, a local pastor was called upon to offer some inspiration—about two minutes' worth. According to media coverage, "the steelworkers' local found itself leading a valley-wide movement of faith and determination."

Art Fuller was the pastor in the center of the movement. He saw this as an opportunity to "instill hope in the whole atmosphere of decline in the valley... There was no hope in the community." Under the direction of newly named CEO Rev. Fuller and a committee, \$250,000 and some \$400,000 in pledges were raised. On Christmas Eve 1993 the deal was sealed. Despite the uphill climb, Rev. Fuller says, "We provided sustainable jobs for about 100 families for at least five years. God blessed us. We witnessed to many. Many families went back to church... God still has His hands on Sharpsville."

## Jack and Evie (Faulkingham '69) Mann '69 APPLETON, NY

When not engaged in their day jobs as educators, Jack and Evie Mann may be found working with 4-H, Cooperative Extension, school committees, civic groups or a Christian family service agency. Why get so involved? From a practical perspective, it allowed them to have an active presence in their children's education and social scene, as well as a voice in local affairs. "We live in a rural community," they report, "so serving on business or community committees was a good way to stay in touch with happenings." Jack and Evie, who were involved in migrant and nursing home visitation and local church ministries during their Houghton years, also view service as both duty and opportunity. "The best way to grow as a person and a



Christian is to get involved. Everyone has something to give to the community."

Their experiences have provided insight into human nature. "We have learned that everyone has the need to be heard and accepted. Some of the best conversations happen after the meeting or on the drive home. These are the times people open up and reveal their real life concerns and provide opportunity to share experiences and faith."

## Catherine Ray Dodd '73

Catherine Ray Dodd's activism was launched by her own experience. An attorney and single parent, she was diagnosed with breast cancer in 1996. She now enjoys a clean bill of health and credits God and the caring of others for strength to battle the disease. "When we face a battle and make it through with God's help, it seems the gratitude just flows up in an overwhelming desire to make it count for something." Count, indeed. In 1998, Catherine helped to start Banner of Hope, an organization devoted to breast cancer research, treatment and education. Last year, Banner raised some \$20,000 for local breast cancer agencies. Her advice to others: "Turn your trials into opportunities to serve."

Catherine has also worked with victims of domestic violence. She notes that breast cancer sufferers and abuse victims share a need for inspiration and education. She reports, "That one common issue is the need for hope. Without hope, a woman cannot even begin to battle the fear that accompanies abuse or the threat



of such a devastating illness." She has also worked to ensure that women in these struggles have access to information, both therapeutic and preventive. An additional element of her participation is encouragement. "The support of others," Catherine adds, "makes all the difference in the world."

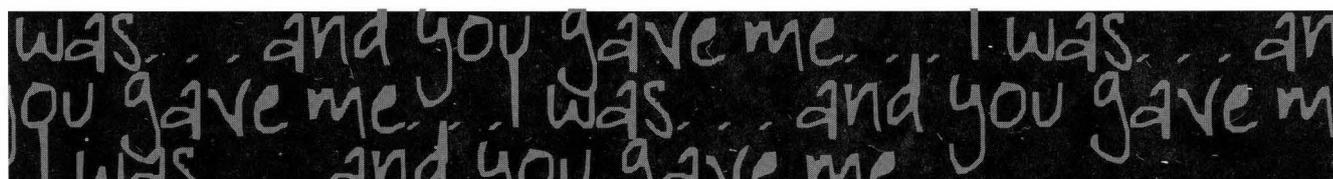


David Foster, far right in photo, looks on as a "favorite" teacher and principal (in Ronald shirts) serve good readers and their families.

## David '80 and Martha Manikas Foster '82 CORNING, NY

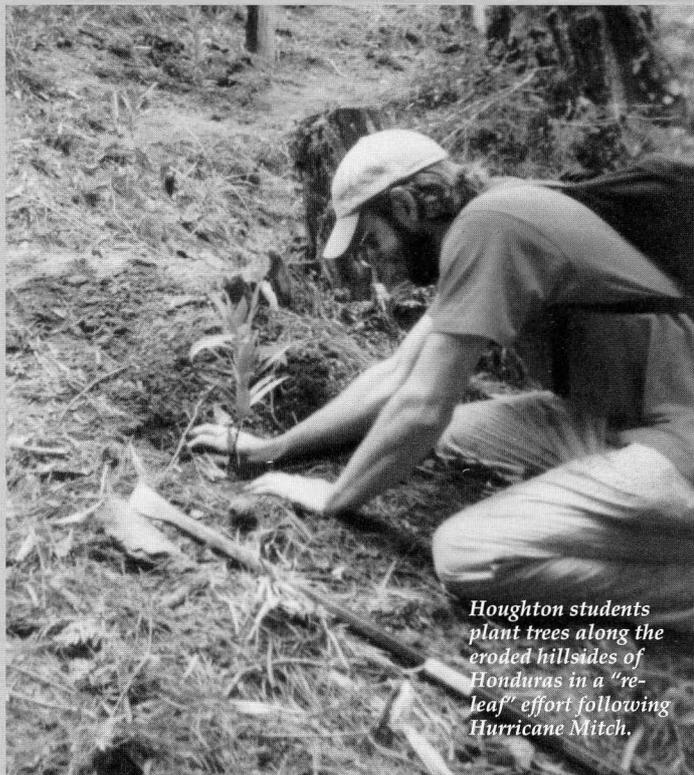
David and Martha Manikas-Foster own and operate two McDonald's restaurants. As their children began school they recognized the need to excite children about learning, in particular reading. With this passion and serving the community's needs in mind they established the Ronald McDonald School Challenge. Traveling with the Ronald McDonald clown to elementary schools they challenge students to read for a certain amount of time each week for a month. As a reward for reaching their goal, their teachers work at one of the Manikas-Fosters' McDonald's restaurants for one evening, or "School Night." The thought of seeing their teachers working at McDonald's motivates student reading and has resulted in 80 percent of the participating students and their parents packing the restaurant to be served their favorite food by their favorite teachers. Principals also love the program, now in its sixth year, for its service as a team-building activity for teachers. A percentage of the proceeds from the program, totaling some \$3,300, have been donated by the Manikas-Fosters to the school library to be used toward the purchase of more books for the ambitious "readers to devour."

David and Martha comment, "The only way to view our lives is as ministers, no matter what profession you're in. It's doing ministry in the marketplace." ♦



"A Christian education challenges students to see that work isn't just a way to make some money. It's a way to honor and serve God. This is reinforced through service learning opportunities."

—Dr. Robert Andringa, *Coalition for Christian Colleges & Universities* president



Houghton students plant trees along the eroded hillsides of Honduras in a "re-leaf" effort following Hurricane Mitch.

## FROM THE Classroom → TO THE Community

From her wheel chair, the little girl surveyed the laughing clown and dancing animals, then frowned and asked, "Where's the butterfly?" The artist recalls, "I hadn't planned a butterfly in that picture, but every day she asked. So I let her choose the colors and painted a little butterfly with a tambourine into the scene. Every time she passed she stopped to visit her butterfly."

Erin Bennett '00 spent her summer painting murals for Camp Happy Days and Special Times, a camp for kids fighting cancer and other life tragedies. The art major describes her experience as an "incredible" time of learning and ministry: "My painting classes prepared me for doing the work, but what encouraged me toward service is something Houghton embodies—Christian liberal arts education. Houghton has taught me God needs missionaries in every aspect of life. As I painted characters on the walls, I was able to make connections with kids who stopped to watch, to let my faith be very genuine for them to see." For Ms. Bennett and other students, service for the public good brings textbook theory to life and often sheds light on vocational direction. For the community, the benefits of service-learning are as diverse as the Houghton students involved.

Here are just a few examples:

### Oral Interpretation/Reader's Theater classes

Jennifer Hartenstine '00 read Judy Blume's *The Pain and the Great One* to second graders. "It was wonderful to interact with the kids. My book had two sections—one from a second grade boy's point of view and the other in his older sister's voice, so the children really identified with the story."

Doug Gaerte, associate professor of communication, comments, "Reading to kids is very different from reading to peers. Students learn how to adapt their presentation style," he says. "Teachers also appreciate the new voices in their classrooms. With Reader's Theater, we often prepare pieces that fit into the curriculum. For example, we performed a children's book called *Follow the Drinking Gourd* for students studying the Underground Railroad. A good performance brings the issues to life."

### Volunteer Tax Assistance Program (VITA)

"By enabling students to put their knowledge to work, VITA provides hands-on experience with taxation documents and interaction with people, cementing ideas learned in class," says Jonathan Bradshaw '97, interim instructor of accounting.

Through VITA, co-sponsored by Houghton and



*Some essential renovations and cleaning of Buffalo area shelters, missions and churches were possible through the volunteer efforts of Houghton students.*

the IRS, students in the Federal Income Taxation Course assist community members with tax return preparation. As a recent grad, Mr. Bradshaw participated in and later supervised VITA as a student. "People are always so grateful—they can't believe we prepare returns or answer tax questions for free. It's a very practical Christian service."

### Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)

"Since I'm living in and benefiting from this community for four years, serving as an EMT is a way I can give back," says junior biology major Jeffrey Thompson. "I've realized I can handle emergency medicine and acquired first-hand knowledge about the body which sheds light on my class work," he says. And Thompson has gained vital communications skills: "I've learned how to interact with people in a stressful situation—not only with the patients, but with other EMTs to optimize care for the patient." Fire chief and professor of biology, Ken Boon '62 feels serving with the Houghton Ambulance Squad benefits pre-med students because "their career goals parallel what they do for the fire department."



*The Pastoral and Church Ministry program prepares pastors and lay leaders to more effectively serve the urban community.*

### Water Safety Instructor (WSI)

For WSI certification, students teach six weeks of swimming lessons to a class of 5-7 children. "Planning lessons, controlling class and holding children's attention forces students to discover what really works," says Paula Maxwell '85, associate professor of physical education. She receives lots of positive feedback from parents: "We usually have about 150 children in the program each year, with about 30 turned away because we lack enough instructors. People will drive 40 minutes to bring their children to Houghton because our students do such a good job."

Senior Scott Bussom found WSI well worth it. "Using games to teach swimming was really neat. If I hadn't taken WSI, I wouldn't have thought about making lessons fun." David Marshall, also a senior, agrees: "Keeping the children enthusiastic, helping them to have a good time in the water, challenged me to be creative. I felt unsure about my teaching skills—now I know I can help people improve."

Whether it's piano pedagogy students introducing community members to the expressive qualities of the piano, or psychology majors volunteering at a local camp for abused and neglected children, or elementary education students teaching local school kids math in innovative ways, or accounting students engineering and designing a computing system and database for a local business, the benefits of service-learning are as diverse as the Houghton students involved. And for a college like Houghton, what better way than service-learning to link the scholar and the servant? ♦

—Kim (Weaver '95) Maxwell



*Houghton students are vital members of the local ambulance squad.*



# Class Notes

Your classmates would love to hear about you. To share your news, write to Alumni Office, Houghton College, Houghton, NY 14744 OR e-mail your news to milieu@houghton.edu. Don't forget to send any interesting photos; they may find their way into print.

**43** On July 30, **Gordon Anderson Sr.** was married to Carol Jacobson. Alumnus **Ben Armstrong '44** assisted in the ceremony. Gordon is pastor of First Baptist Church in Ossining, NY, and continues his involvement with Tele-Missions International. This mission, which he founded 46 years ago, supports missionaries around the world and provides scholarships to Christian college students in the U.S. (including Houghton students) and Scandinavia in honor of his son, **Paul Timothy Anderson**, who died in 1965 while a student at Houghton.

**44** The American Baptist Churches of Vermont and New Hampshire's Institute For The Laity is offering Pastoral Theology: A Relational Model, led by **Philip Chase**. Designed for those in small congregations, the program is part of the denomination's regional lay education program. Currently pastor of First Baptist Church in Barre, Vt., Phil has over 50 years experience in pastoral ministry and hospital chaplaincy. He and **Marion (Schoff '43)** live in Middlesex, Vt., and may be reached via [Popchase@together.net](mailto:Popchase@together.net).

Retired United Methodist minister **Victor Smith** lives in Ontario, NY, with his wife Bernies. Among his interests is alerting the church to environmental issues, the subject of his doctoral research.

individual has contributed so much to our ability to intelligently regulate casualty insurers for the public good."

**Tarbell & Charlotte (Carnal) Lamos** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in June. Both are active in the central NY district of The Wesleyan Church and in the ministries of Lyncourt Wesleyan Church of Syracuse. They currently head up a visitation ministry to shut-ins and nursing home residents.

**54** **Paul Beavers** is director of pastoral care for Danbury Hospital and founder/past president of the Connecticut State Chaplains Association. He also leads a community action group and serves on the board of an agency that serves the mentally ill. Paul recently marked the 40th anniversary of his ordination. (See page 16.)

The May 19, 1999, issue of *Alliance Life*, the magazine of the Christian & Missionary Alliance, profiled missionaries **Milton and Nancy (Kennedy) Pierce**. The couple was recently honored at the denomination's general council for 40 years of service to the Bobo Madare people of Burkina Faso. They've been involved in evangelism, church planting, theological education by extension (TEE), and Bible translation. For three years, Nancy served as Alliance TEE director for seven African countries. Though retiring, the Pierces plan to return to Africa for a one-year stint overseeing a C&MA guesthouse in Cote d'Ivoire and readying the Bobo Bible manuscript for publication.

**Foster Williams** serves as an area minister and interim executive director for the American Baptist Churches of Maine.

## REUNION 55

**59** A nursing coordinator for St. Luke Avera Hospital, **Edward Haskell** is also an artist. He recently built a studio in his home and last year saw one of his oil paintings take second place, of 156 entries, in the 1998 Dakota Art Show. Edward coordinates all art-related projects for his Nazarene church. He and his wife, **Lilli (Kresge '61)**, live in Aberdeen, SD.

**Elaine (Murray) Lindsey** has completed her doctorate through the University of South Carolina; her thesis was titled "A

Contemporary Curriculum Theory for Christian Schools." Elaine is director of curriculum and instruction for Ben Lippen Schools, Columbia, SC. She may be e-mailed via [lindsaw@aol.com](mailto:lindsaw@aol.com).

**Carolyn (Paine) Miller** was elected president of SIL International at the organization's triennial conference in June. She is the first woman to hold this position. Formerly known as Summer Institute of Linguistics and a sister organization to Wycliffe Bible Translators, SIL International works with minority and indigenous communities worldwide, promoting language and cultures where little written tradition exists. The ministry works with other Christian organizations in literacy, education, translation, and anthropological research efforts. Carolyn and her husband, **John '57**, have been with SIL since 1960, most recently as co-directors of the Mainland South East Asia Group.

A managing editor with South-Western Educational Publishing in Cincinnati, **Enid (Schmidt) Nagel** is currently leading the company's business education team. Previously, she developed high school math textbook series for South-Western and Prentice-Hall. Enid sings with the Cincinnati Choral Society and recently performed with the group in Carnegie Hall. Friends may reach Enid at [Enid.Nagel@swep.com](mailto:Enid.Nagel@swep.com).

## REUNION

**60** **Anthony Yu** is now in his 32nd year of teaching religion and comparative literature at the University of Chicago School of Divinity, where he is the Carl Darling Buck Distinguished Service Professor in Humanities. Among his professional highlights is the translation of the sixteenth-century Chinese classic, *The Journey to the West*. This award-winning project, which took 13 years to complete, was published in four volumes and twice reviewed by the *New York Times*. A stage adaptation was cited by *Time* magazine as one of the ten best plays of 1995. He is currently working on translating the work of a late imperial Chinese woman poet as well as critical essays on human rights and the Chinese tradition. Last year, Tony was elected a fellow of Academia Sinica, the highest scholastic organization in China; the organization has but 200 elected fellows worldwide.

**61** TEAM missionaries, **Herb Apel** and his wife, Lorelei, are currently working in the South London neighborhood of Streatham Hill. Their focus is on training, visitation, and evangelism. They anticipate retirement in 2001.

**Barry and Margaret (Tysinger '59) Ross** have moved to Anderson, Ind., where Barry will be teaching Old Testament at the Anderson University School of Theology. For the past 20 years, the Rosses have been missionaries in Asia under the auspices of The Wesleyan Church.

## REUNION 45

## REUNION 50

**51** The American Academy of Actuaries honored **Robert Bailey** with its Robert J. Myers Award at a May 27 luncheon in Washington, DC. In recognizing Robert, who has held key positions in both the public and private sectors, the Academy noted "probably no other single

# Class Notes

**64** Marriage and family therapist **Carol (Young) Schreck** has completed her doctorate at Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary. Carol is an assistant professor at the seminary and also works with Kairos Counseling Services of Paoli, Pa. She is involved in issues relating to hunger and in the ministries of Wayne Presbyterian Church. She and her husband, **Peter '65**, live in Malvern, PA., and may be e-mailed at [76401.45@compuserve.com](mailto:76401.45@compuserve.com).

**Karen (Bronner) Stumpf** retired in June after 33 years of teaching high school English. She is now an adjunct instructor of English at Jefferson Community College and is pursuing a master's degree through SUNY Oswego. Karen enjoys flying; she earned a pilot's license several years ago, and is active in United Church of Cape Vincent, NY. Her e-mail address is [stumper@gisco.net](mailto:stumper@gisco.net).

## REUNION 65

**69** A former public school teacher and principal, **David Kreller** now operates Crystal's Hallmark Shoppe in the Coralwood Mall, Cape Coral, Fla. David has served McGregor Baptist Church as pastor of education and, in 1994, founded Southwest Florida Christian Academy. David and his wife, **Nancy (Gillies '72)**, live with their family in Cape Coral. Friends may reach them via [dkreller@aol.com](mailto:dkreller@aol.com).

Seneca Falls, NY, resident **David Odell** is a regional wildlife manager for the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation. Among his career highlights has been the development of the Northern Montezuma Wetlands Project, an effort that will ultimately result in the acquisition and restoration of 30,000 acres of wetlands for waterfowl and wildlife. David's involvement has included community relations, grant writing, and planning for a visitors/education center. Friends may e-mail David at [deodell@gv.dec.state.ny.us](mailto:deodell@gv.dec.state.ny.us).

**Dorothy (Welde) Wise** recently retired after 30 years in public education; most recently she served as principal at Vincent Elementary School, Spring City, Pa. She anticipates devoting the next year to the completion of her doctorate. Friends may e-mail her at [dtwis200@aol.com](mailto:dtwis200@aol.com).

## REUNION 70

**72** Pennsville, NJ, attorney **John Jordan** has been named 1999 Professional Lawyer of the Year by the New Jersey Commission on Professionalism, an organization sponsored by the N.J. Bar Association, the state judiciary and the state's three law schools. A general practitioner, John was nominated by the Salem County Bar Association. He and his wife,

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**Lois (Lindley '71)**, also an attorney, reside in Pilesgrove, N.J.

**Deborah Lewis** has completed a master's degree in history, with an emphasis in American history, through George Mason University. She's approaching her 10th year on the staff of the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Company, for which she writes computer software. Classmates can reach her at [Deborah\\_lewis@freddiemac.com](mailto:Deborah_lewis@freddiemac.com).

**74** **Bev Becker** is a products research engineer with Proctor & Gamble in Cincinnati, Ohio. She has been involved in the development of four new paper products and three upgrades over the past ten years. Bev attends Hope Evangelical Free Church.

**Marsha (Auborn) Benner** works for

the State of Pennsylvania as a citations department supervisor. She oversees the preparation of personal citations (for milestones, achievements, heroism, condolences etc.) being introduced by members of the state house or senate.

**Linda (Gowman) Hansell** teaches high school math for Baltimore County public schools. She has been a frequent speaker at regional math education meetings and received an outstanding teacher award in 1998.

A teacher in the Cleveland, Ohio, Public School System, **Katurah Johnson** was honored this June with the Superintendent's Award for outstanding service. Katurah is active in Open Door Missionary Baptist Church and volunteers at Karamu House Theater. She lives in Maple Heights, Ohio.

**Ordelia Johnson** works as an information technology specialist for IBM. She is involved in her church and volunteers with The Columbus Zoo and Crippled Children's Association. Ordelia and her family live in Groveport, Ohio.

**Lynn (Bolte) Samaan** is director of short-term missions at Gordon College. She's also founding director of Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary's overseas missions practicum and is New England regional representative for India Gospel League. A certified spiritual director, Lynn has co-authored two books and speaks frequently at women's retreats. Her e-mail address is [samaan@hope.gordon.edu](mailto:samaan@hope.gordon.edu).

**REUNION 75** Pastor of Philadelphia's Somerton United Methodist Church, **Frank Billman** led a 12-member team on a three-week mission trip to Nepal last May. The group led a program for teenage missionary children and visited projects throughout the country. Frank's e-mail address is [frbillman@aol.com](mailto:frbillman@aol.com).

**79** A teacher at Gulf High School in New Port Richey, FL, **Ron Barnett** has been appointed by Governor Jeb Bush to the Florida Environmental Quality Commission. He's also an elected commissioner of the town of Port Richey. Ron has been involved in the development of a marina and enjoys training Arabian horses. Friends may e-mail him at [joshuasfl@gte.net](mailto:joshuasfl@gte.net).

In 1998, **Fran (Hutton) Carl** was appointed by the mayor of Attleboro, Mass., to one of four places on that city's election commission. Last fall, she presented several seminars on election-day poll procedures and legal issues for election staff and police officers. Fran is a three-time member of her state Republican convention and has taught U.S. government courses for local home-school groups. She currently teaches a church history Sunday school class for teens.

A former school administrator, **Michael Chiapperino** is launching Christian Book Summaries, a national publication which will provide 5000-word summaries of top Christian books. Mike and his wife, **Cheryl (Gligora)**, live in Gahanna, Ohio, with their two daughters. Their e-mail address: [mikec@iolzi.com](mailto:mikec@iolzi.com).

Chiropractor **Brian Scharf** has been named to the boards of Bertrand Chaffee Hospital and the Christian Chiropractic Association. Since 1993, Brian has served as pastor of the Machias, NY, United Methodist Church.

**Peter and Nancy (Tozier) Sieling** live in Bath, NY, where they own and operate Garreson Lumber. They may be reached via [garreson@servtech.com](mailto:garreson@servtech.com).

**REUNION 80** Attorneys **Rob and Cathy (Christy '82) Reese** live in West Chester, PA, with their three children. Rob is a director and general counsel for Statek Corporation (a microelectronics company) and

its Delaware holding company. A corporate and commercial litigation specialist, Cathy is a litigation partner in the Wilmington, DE, office of Philadelphia law firm Blank, Rome, Comisky & McCauley. Rob and Cathy both teach Sunday school at Brandy-wine Valley Baptist Church. Cathy can be e-mailed at [reese@blankrome.com](mailto:reese@blankrome.com).

**Glen Anton Selin** now lives in Poland, where he teaches English at the University of Silesia in Katowice. His students are pri-

marily doctoral candidates, physicians, lawyers and psychologists. He's also an examiner for the Cambridge University Young Learners Examination Program. In addition to his academic work, Glen is a minister-at-large with the Free Christian Church of Poland, with responsibility for Bible teaching, children's and youth work and teaching English for evangelism. Glen notes "I absolutely love living in Poland." Friends can e-mail him at [antonselina@hotmail.com](mailto:antonselina@hotmail.com).

## Future Alumni

Mark & Michele (Freeborn '91) Couser '90  
Nathan & Casda (Liddick '88) Danner '89  
Jeff & Kathleen (Anderson '84) Dimock

Dan & Ling (Li '93) Dinse '91  
James and Michelle (Lang '84) Dunlap

William & Ann Greisner, III '85  
David & Heidi (Shea '96) Huiheng  
Tony & Mary (Putney '85) Johnson  
Wilson & Alyson (Bowman '90) Jones '87

Douglas & Donna (Bashore '91) LaRue  
Jeff & Grace (Obringer '87) Louthier  
Brad & Danielle (Gadevsky '95) Marolf '94  
Kevin & Robin (Shea '94) McGee  
Oliver & Jennifer (Anno '90) Meidl  
Allen & Susan (Jordan '84) Myers  
Ben & Mandy (Hobbs '97) Pehrson '96  
Christopher & Christine (Lamos '92) Pollock '92  
Bruce & Karen (Aldrich '81) Randall  
Arnold & Karen (Ross '96) Rychlicki  
Todd & Betsy (Fisk '95) Russell '95  
Stephan & Jan (Wayner '91) Schilke '91  
Joel & Christine (Forster '96) Tate '95

Rachel 5-20-95  
Joel Nathan Way 6-18-99  
Colby David 9-22-94  
Trevor Scott 9-23-96  
Carter James 6-25-99  
Erica Joy 5-8-98  
Steven Joseph 4-7-99  
Juliana Alexandra 4-7-99  
William Anthony IV 2-20-99  
Luke Wesley 7-27-99  
Scott Miles 5-12-99  
Kelsea Grace 9-20-97  
Kendra Joy 6-30-99  
Daniel Isaac 6-26-99  
Roman 6-25-98  
Jacob Lee 9-15-98  
Mary Noelle 12-18-97  
Vanessa Grace 4-28-99  
Sarah Elizabeth 2-15-99  
Josiah Hobbs 7-16-99  
Hudson Douglas 9-13-99  
Adam Moses 3-24-99  
Aaron Arnold 3-25-99  
Caleb Patrick 5-26-99  
Tess Riane 6-14-99  
Elisabeth Jean 12-9-98



## Down the Aisle

John Swiniarski & Glory Ackerman '84 4-17-99  
Daniel & Allison (Aldred '98) Bates '98 8-7-99  
Andrew & Jeanna Childs '97 5-22-99  
Joseph & Molly (Pettit '85) Dewey 7-3-99  
Jay & Megan (Timura '96) Evans 3-6-99  
Michael & Kiley (Potter '99) Farwell '99 6-12-99  
Benjamin & Amie (Fells '99) Gleason '99 8-14-99  
Frederick & Carol (Morrison '95) Larca 1-10-99  
Ben & Sarah (Stefanski '99) Lingenfelter 6-26-99  
Joel & Ann (Burgher '97) Lowne '97 6-19-98  
Mark & Gayle (Pollard '00) Pavone '97 7-24-99  
Nathan & Tara (Smalley '98) Reimer '98 6-5-99  
Christopher & Stephanie (Bohm '94) Seavey 5-15-99  
Jon & Lori (Scott '97) Sheldon '96 7-9-99  
Andrew & Kara (Roggie '98) Swenson '99 6-26-99  
Marc & Ruth (Judy '98) Swenson '98 5-22-99  
Lee & Elizabeth (Sherwood '99) Thurber '97 7-31-99  
Michael & Renee Trexler '92 6-26-99  
Dan & Tracy (McLean '92) Quinn 7-17-99  
Steve & Yvonne (Marion '93) Vonderweidt 4-10-99  
Michael & Lorri Warwick '93 8-7-99



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**84** After 15 years teaching in Palm Beach County, FL, **Michelle (Lang) Dunlap** is taking a leave of absence to care for her infant twins (see *Future Alumni*) and four-year-old. She expects to remain in education through consultative training/staff development activities. Friends may e-mail her at [jdcomp@belsouth.net](mailto:jdcomp@belsouth.net).

**Amy (Lehman) Greene** has completed her doctorate in education through Nova Southeastern University. She is head of the teacher education department at Washington Bible College in Lanham, MD. Amy's e-mail address is [agreen@bible.edu](mailto:agreen@bible.edu).

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**87** After several years with the American Boychoir of Princeton, N.J., **Craig Denison** has headed west for Denver and the Colorado Children's Chorale. Craig will serve the group as music director.

**88** **Hilary Hashagen** lives in Bamberg, Germany, where she works as a reading specialist for a U.S. Department of Defense school. She enjoys traveling in her free time. Friends may e-mail Hilary at [hhashagen@hotmail.com](mailto:hhashagen@hotmail.com).

**Dave & Amy (Danner '93) Sperry** live in Black Mountain, NC. Amy is director of development for Girl Scouts of Western

North Carolina; Dave teaches outdoor education classes for Montreat College. They attend Montreat Presbyterian Church and would love to hear from friends at [dsperry@montreat.edu](mailto:dsperry@montreat.edu).

REUNION **90**

**92** **Michael and Pam (Vanderworken) Ballman** reside in Dallas, Texas.

Michael is pastor of Neighborhood Church of the Christian & Missionary Alliance; he completed a master of theology degree through Dallas Theological Seminary this May. Pam is a social worker at Baylor University Hospital.

After a stint teaching at Christiansen Academy in Venezuela, **Bill Burrichter** has returned to the U.S. and Lancaster County, PA. He is now serving as a guidance counselor at Pequea Valley High School. Friends may reach him via [bill\\_burrichter@pvsd.k12.pa.us](mailto:bill_burrichter@pvsd.k12.pa.us).

**Tracy (McLean) Quinn** and her husband, Dan (see *Down the Aisle*), will spend 2000 in Mudgee, Australia, on an international teacher exchange. Tracy is a fourth-grade teacher in Gloucester, Ontario.

Congressman Amo Houghton has named **Bob Van Wicklin** as his staff legislative director. Bob has worked with Congressman Houghton since 1992, holding positions in New York State and, since 1994, Washington, DC.

**94** Alaskan **Lora Graham** is certified in therapeutic recreation and coordinates activity therapy for Charter North Star Behavioral Health System. She's pursuing a master's degree in guidance and counseling. Lora's involvements include Youth for Christ, Parkside Church, and literacy programs. She has also taught English in China. Friends can e-mail her at [cnhlorag@hotmail.com](mailto:cnhlorag@hotmail.com).

**Alyson Schmelzle** has recently departed for Quito, Ecuador, and a faculty position at The Alliance Academy. She'll be teaching second grade and helping out with clubs and activities. Alyson's friends may reach her at [aschmelz@alliance.k12.ec](mailto:aschmelz@alliance.k12.ec).

Philadelphia College of Bible has named **Lori Sheetz** head field hockey coach. Lori had been an assistant coach for the squad.

**Becky Zehr** has completed a master's degree through SUNY Potsdam. She teaches first grade at Belleville-Henderson Central School and also works part-time at Flower Memorial Library in Watertown, NY, where she resides. Becky serves as a deaconess at Stone Presbyterian Church. Friends may reach her via [rzehr@bell-henderson.moric.org](mailto:rzehr@bell-henderson.moric.org).

REUNION **95**

Asbury College has named **Ken Hill** head men's soccer coach. A former Highlander standout, Ken has been a graduate student and assistant coach (for **Peter Fuller '82**) at Mobile College and also played professionally for the

Charlotte Eagles.

**96** An international product manager for Frontier Corporation in Rochester, NY, **Kimberly (Verrier) Mann** has developed and released six new products. She is working on her MBA at the University of Rochester. Kim is a youth leader for Trinity Covenant Church and sings with the Eastman Rochester Chorus. Friends may reach her at [kimberly-mann@frontiercorp.com](mailto:kimberly-mann@frontiercorp.com).

**Harry and Amy (Wells) McDougall** live in Fulton, NY, with their young son. Amy is a grad student in school psychology at SUNY Oswego; Harry, an administrator for RPS, is currently on disability and awaiting a kidney transplant. Friends may e-mail them at [mcdwells@aol.com](mailto:mcdwells@aol.com).

## CORRECTION:

Jason Wiens's '97 e-mail address was incorrectly noted in the last *Milieu*. Friends may reach him via [jwiens@wsunix.wsu.edu](mailto:jwiens@wsunix.wsu.edu).

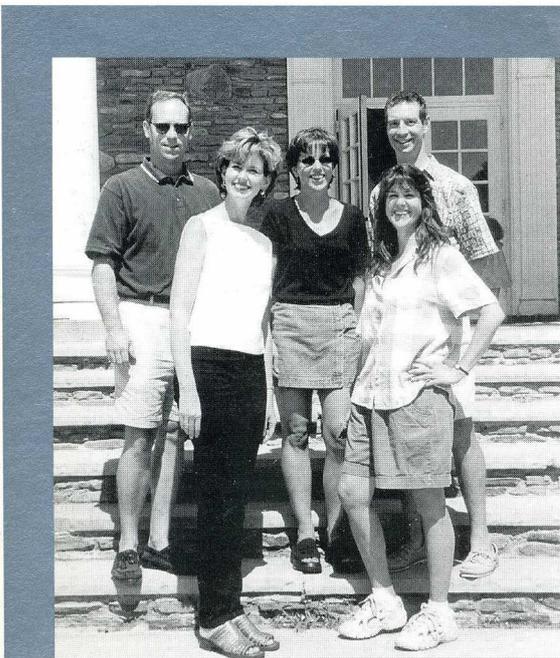
**98** After a year of teaching in the Buffalo area, **Joel Barber** has joined the faculty of Houghton Academy. He anticipates coaching there and assisting with the Houghton men's soccer team. Joel has earned two national soccer coaching licenses and has coached premier level teams. This summer, he competed as part of the Empire State Games men's soccer squad. Friends may contact Joel at [joelbarber@juno.com](mailto:joelbarber@juno.com).

Ithaca, NY, is home to **Nathan and Tara (Smalley) Reimer** (see *Down the Aisle*). Nathan is a computer programmer for Silver Bullet Technology. Tara is an artist for Wegmans supermarkets and is also beginning to expand her personal artwork. The Reimers can be reached at [nathan.reimer@sbullet.com](mailto:nathan.reimer@sbullet.com).

## P.A.C.E. Program for Accelerated College Education

**C1** **Lisa Anderson**, a resident of Jamestown, was recently hired as the 4-H youth educator in Home Economics by the Chautauqua County Cornell Cooperative Extension. She will be organizing training programs for leaders, planning and conducting home economics programs, and writing news articles. Lisa is delighted with the flex-time schedule and variety of responsibilities in her new position.

**E2** Strykersville, NY, resident **Bonnie Sick** received a three-level promotion to human resource specialist at Motorola. She believes this is directly related to receiving her Houghton degree, coupled with five years' experience in Human Resources during her 22-year career in manufacturing.



1984 graduates, from left: Doug Wheeler, Nancy Haven Gervasi, Laura Conway, Tom Fuoco and Laurie Jacobson were five of the several hundred alumni from the reunion classes 1970 and later who returned to campus to enjoy seminars, a picnic lunch with faculty, and kids' programs.

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**D2** **Paula Ring**, of Cheektowaga, NY, recently appeared on Channel 7 TV's AM Buffalo morning show with P.A.C.E. Director David Frasier. After Paula described her busy schedule with three kids, a husband, a house, and a full-time job at Univera Health, the TV hosts inquired as to how she managed to work her education into the mix. Paula's forever classic response: "I just quit watching TV!"

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**Y1** **Kathy Welch**, of Hinsdale, NY, formerly with Thomas J. Lipton Company, is now coordinator of continuing education for the Olean campus of Jamestown Community College. She recently attended an orientation for a new cohort beginning in Olean, to encourage the new students. Kathy said a result of taking Biblical Literature, "I rediscovered, and became grounded in, my faith through that intensive exposure to God's Word."

## In Memoriam

'16 **Paul R. Russell**, 100, passed away on April 5, 1999. A lifelong methodist layman, Paul was the architect of the Park Avenue Methodist Church Fund. This fund, created in 1966 and the fruit of a wise 1950s real estate investment by this New York City-based church, has since distributed over \$3,000,000 to Methodist concerns, ministries and human service agencies in the metropolitan area.

'29 Former Houghton College language professor **Alice M. Pool**, 90, died on June 5, 1999. A resident of South Dayton, NY, Alice transferred to Houghton from Chesborough Junior College and completed majors in both Latin and French. In 1935, she returned to the college for the next 38 years as a professor of Spanish. Along the way, Alice completed a master's degree from Middlebury College (Vt.) in 1936 and a doctorate at Universidad Nacional de Mexico in 1950. She also enjoyed a year as a Fulbright lecturer in Colombia. In retirement, Alice traveled extensively, did missions-related work in Mexico, gardened, corresponded with many missionaries and Spanish speaking inmates in U.S. prisons, organized outings and an annual Christmas dinner for her retirement community. She attended Houghton's Orlando area alumni gatherings as long as health permitted. Alice is survived by nephews and nieces, including **Kay (Hendershot '60) Welsh**.

'29 **Edena (Haynes) Sallberg** passed away on March 16, 1999, one week before her 90th birthday. A native of Rushford, N.Y., Edena studied history at Houghton, serving for one year as an assistant to history professor Frieda Gillette. She also served a term as Girls League president.

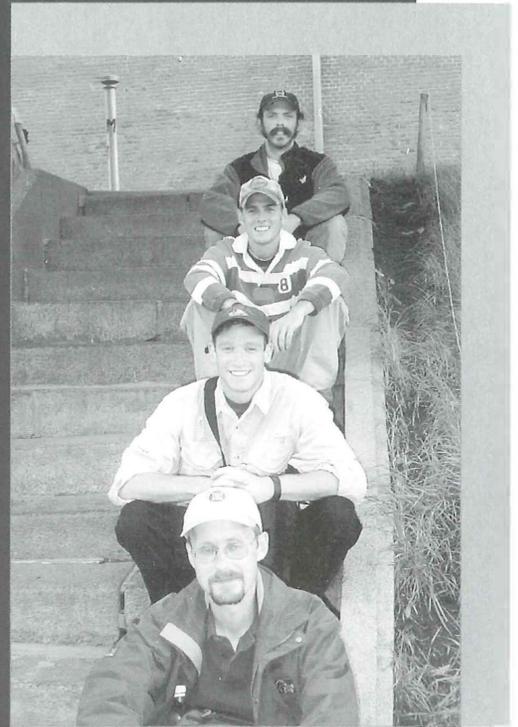
## Service Reunites Scholars

In August, eight alumni traveled to Perm, Russia, to assist Junior Achievement (JA) with a Russian-based leadership camp for high school students. The trip's purpose was to incorporate wilderness activities Houghton offers through its Highlander and STEP programs, with the experiential learning and leadership training already established through JA. Drawing from the wealth of alumni who have staffed the Wilderness Adventures office, Houghton recruited past employees from various vocations around the country for this short-term service experience. Among those volunteering to travel with this exciting mission were **Greg Bish '95**, **Sharon Hibbard '92**, **Deborah Hibbard '95**, **Scott Wight '89**, **Rob Baird '98**, **David LePere '91**, **Kevin Elkin '99**, and **Gregory Hitchcock '92**.

While in Russia, the team functioned as group leaders for 80 Russian students. The alumni initiated and organized various activities, and successfully constructed a ropes course using limited materials. The staff, having known each other through Houghton, worked very well together. Mr. Bish relates, "It was a big reunion for all of us." Even though the language barrier was prevalent, strong unity among the staff and their use of non-verbal communication helped them to relate to and interact with the campers. Some alumni are still keeping in touch with the teens they met with hope of one day returning for another outreach like this.

Mr. Bish, who now serves as the director of relief at World Hope International, co-sponsor of the trip, said a partnership between World Hope and Wilderness Adventures may be established. This would offer more service opportunities for Houghton College students and alumni in the future.

—Dionne Miller ('00)



Among the eight alumni invited by Russian educators "to instill moral and ethical values in future generations" are from top, **Kevin Elkin '00**, **Rob Baird '98**, **David LePere '91**, **Scott Wight '89**.

Mother of two, **Edena** devoted her adult years to homemaking and also worked as a bookkeeper. She is survived by her children along with several grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Edena was predeceased by her husband, **William '29**.

'30 Retired schoolteacher **Eleanor (James) VanGilder**, 90, passed away on February 8, 1999. Eleanor majored at English and Latin at Houghton, in preparation for teaching. Her subsequent career ranged from a one-room schoolhouse to her final

position at Hinsdale Central School. Eleanor was a longtime member of First Baptist Church of Cuba, N.Y. She is survived by four children, eight grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

'39 Retired pastor **Verdon R. Dunckel**, 80, passed away on December 28, 1996. Verdon attended Houghton in the late 1930s, transferring to Hillsdale College where he earned his bachelor's degree. He later completed a master's degree at Michigan State University. He served as a Free Methodist

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clergyman for 58 years, including stints in pastoral ministry, and missions and seventeen years as a chaplain and counselor at Spring Arbor College. He is survived by two brothers, three children, numerous grand and great-grandchildren and his wife, Bernadine.

'39 **Ernest Swarouth** passed away on November 22, 1998. A religious education major, Ernest's Houghton College involvements included chorus, forensics and the Ministerial Association. He enjoyed many

years of service in pastoral ministry. He is survived by his wife, **Thelma (Harding '42).**

'42 **Lt. Col Merwyn Stanley "Red" Ellis**, 81, died April 23, 1999. Merwyn came to Houghton from Canisteo (N.Y.) Academy High School but found his college education interrupted by World War II. He joined the U.S. Air Corps and served on active duty for four years. A flight instructor and bomber pilot, he flew B-29 Superfortresses on missions over Japan from the Pacific island of Tinian. Merwyn remained in the USAF re-

serves until 1978. After the war, he resumed his education, completing a bachelor's degree at the University of Southern California. He worked as a sales representative for a textile firm for 29 years, retiring in 1978.

Merwyn's hobbies included golf, tennis, croquet, bridge and backgammon. He penned a book in his retirement, *Tales from a Diary*, and was a member and elder of First Presbyterian Church. He is survived by two children, two brothers and Lee, his wife of fifty years.

'45 **Word** has reached the alumni office that missionary **Gwendolyn Charles** passed away in March 1994, in Africa, after a long struggle with an unidentifiable illness. Gwendolyn had served the Presbyterian Mission at Elat, Cameroon, for forty years. A missionary colleague notes, "She is buried here at the mission station in Elat. Her memory is cherished by the Africans she so lovingly served."

'66 **Allen Montague "Monte" Ferry**, 54, of Fairfax, Va., died suddenly of a ruptured aorta on June 25, 1999. Monte majored in history at Houghton, while being involved in house league athletics and the college ski club. After graduation, he went on to American University College of Law earning his law degree. He was employed with a Washington, D.C., law firm before joining the Army Corps of Engineers as a (civilian) lawyer, where he was employed at the time of his death. He had earned several ACE commendations for outstanding work. Monte's hobbies included tennis, reading, gardening, music and visiting the ocean. He is survived by his wife of 32 years, **Marilyn (Wing '68)**, two daughters and two sisters. Memorials may be directed toward the American Heart Association or Houghton College.

Former Houghton College development officer **De Vere M. Gallup**, 79, died July 10, 1999. A Michigan native, De Vere completed his education in his home state, earning a bachelor's degree in chemistry from Wayne State University and, after a tour of duty in the Navy during World War II, a doctorate in microbiology from the University of Michigan. He embarked on a successful research career, eventually leading research activity for Merck Corporation. At the same time, he maintained a strong interest in Christian work; he was involved for many years in Bucknell University's Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship. In 1971, he came to Houghton giving many productive years in fundraising and alumni relations efforts. De Vere is survived by his wife, Lucille, three children, including **Judy Sutherland '68**, and eight grandchildren.

**CORRECTION:** The photograph that accompanied the obituary of Marjorie Boyd Bain in the Summer 1999 issue of *Milieu* was a photograph of her sister-in-law Mary Freeman Bain. Our apologies to the families of both women.

## Memorial Gifts as of 9/14/99



**David Anetrini** by Mr. Dale Slocum

**John Andrews III** by Dr. and Mrs. John M. Andrews, Jr.

**Wilfred C. and Mary Bain** by The Estate of Wilfred C. Bain

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**Mary R. Presley** by Pulaski Wesleyan Church

**Josephine Rickard** by Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence K. Stanley

**Bertrand Rudd** by Mr. & Mrs. Harlow Chase; Mr. and Mrs. Chester D. Rudd; Mr. & Mrs. Richard J. Rudd

**Lela Smith** by Mr. Harold I. Smith

**James E. Spear** by Eileen G. Spear

**Jeff Telego** by Mr. Stephen H. Bariteau; Dr. & Mrs. Craig Burrows

**Patricia A. Trine** by Miss Melinda L. Trine

**Elizabeth J. White** by Mrs. Carol A. Jones

**Betty Stratton Yarnall** by Miss Betty Sumner

## NOVEMBER

1	Faculty Recital — Ed Wadin, bassoon	Recital Hall
3	Young Performers' Series Concert	Wesley Chapel
8	Faculty Recital — Julia Tunstall, flute	Recital Hall
11-13	Fall Theatre Production: Father of the Bride	Academy Auditorium
15 - Dec. 15	Art Exhibit — "Four Art Faculty" Gary Baxter, Scot Bennett, Ted Murphy and John Rhett, Reception: Nov. 19	Ortlip Gallery
19	Faculty Chamber Music Series	Recital Hall
20	Flute Ensemble Concert	Recital Hall
20	Philharmonia Concert	Wesley Chapel

## DECEMBER

2 - 4	Madrigal Dinner	Campus Center
8	Student Chamber Music Recital	Recital Hall
8	Young Performers' Series Concert	Wesley Chapel
10	Symphonic Winds Concert	Wesley Chapel
12	Christmas Concert	Wesley Chapel

## JANUARY

10 - 31	Art Exhibit — A Time to Sew: Textile Art Reception: January 14	Ortlip Gallery
16 - 20	Christian Life Emphasis Week	Wesley Chapel
24	Faculty Chamber Music Series	Recital Hall

## FEBRUARY

1 - 28	Art Exhibit; "The Ortlip Sisters" Paintings by Aileen O. Shea and Marjorie O. Stockin, Reception: Feb. 12	Ortlip Gallery
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## James Rogan, M.D. '83

If not for the intervention of James Rogan '83, Danny Steele '02 might still be a drug trafficker on the streets of Washington, DC.

Dr. James Rogan, M.D., is a respected doctor in Tell City, IN. His patients would likely say he's professional, knowledgeable, and devoted. He's the only doctor for miles who is qualified to do surgery, and he still makes house calls. Beyond that small town, however, Dr. Rogan is known for practicing another kind of medicine: helping young people get cleaned up, from the inside out.

"I just let them do stuff with me," he says. The rewards of good behavior (ie. staying off drugs, finishing homework) are helping out on Dr. Rogan's 200-acre ranch. There's corn, soybeans, and hay to plant and later harvest, and there are 10 beef cows to feed. Running his bulldozer or playing on the dune buggies are bonuses. For Danny, keeping clean was rewarded with an all-expense-paid scuba-diving trip to Puerto Rico. Other beneficiaries have been given trips to Egypt and Germany. Dr. Rogan paid for two young people to attend Houghton College.

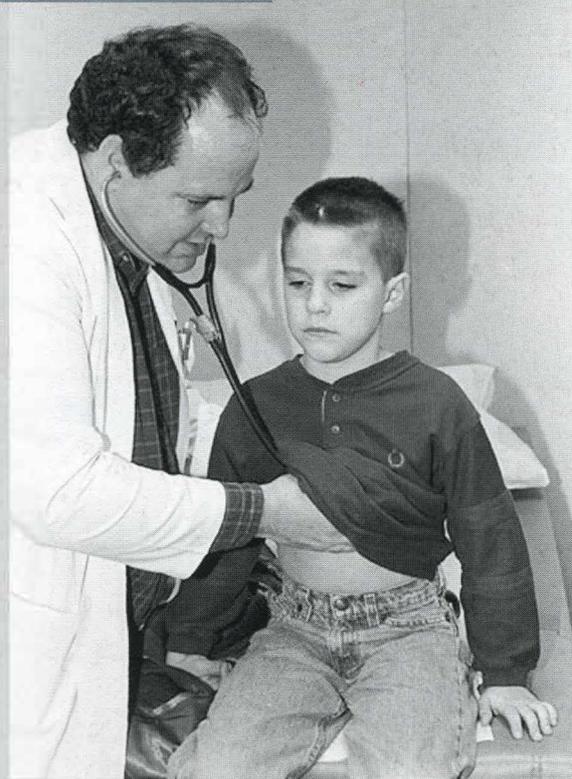
"After I help them establish a sense of self-esteem," says Dr. Rogan, "I help them begin to understand God. They see my relationship with Him and they want to know Him, too. Every kid that's come to me has gotten saved."

"God's the reason I'm at Houghton today; He used Jamie," testifies Danny. "Jamie showed me what it means to love unconditionally. Living with him was like boot camp; he prepared me for college, and for life."

The scripture verse Dr. Rogan chose to be printed next to his senior Boulder picture was Colossians 3:17: "And whatever you do, whether in word or in deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him."

Says the doctor, "God has blessed me with a lot. I must share it with others. Professors at Houghton challenged my immature view of the Scriptures and tossed rebar and concrete into the foundation of my faith."

James Rogan. Affluent physician. Brother to the needy. Exemplar of service to others. We salute him and alumni around the world who have devoted themselves to improving the lives of their fellow men.



*From Allegany County Outreach president at Houghton to family practitioner, James Rogan '83 is still modeling how to love others and contributing to their lives.*

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