Events on the College Calendar
November 26, 2018 – November 30, 2018

Monday, November 26
11:05 a.m. – Chapel: Ryan Bigham (WC)

Tuesday, November 27
11:30 a.m. – Science and Math Colloquium (DHS)
11:30 a.m. – RA/CAB informational fair

Wednesday, November 28
11:05 a.m. – Chapel: Connie Finney (WC)
5:30 p.m. – WB vs. Wells College
7:30 p.m. – MB vs. Wells College

Thursday, November 29
8:00 p.m. – CAB: Coffeehouse

Friday, November 30
9:00 a.m. – Honors @ Houghton Interview Weekend (CC)
11:05 a.m. – Chapel: Dean Jordan (WC)
7:30 p.m. – Christmas Prism (Rochester)

Wondering what’s new this week?  Look for items which are bolded and italicized in purple.

ADMINISTRATIVE & ACADEMIC

Need a shuttle for Christmas Break or to come back in January?
Plan ahead and don’t wait until it’s too late.  View the shuttle schedule for the entire semester and reserve your seat at http://www.houghton.edu/students/airport-shuttles/

Friday, December 14: Depart Houghton for Buffalo at 1:30 p.m. $20
* special shuttle on Thursday, December 13 departing campus at 8:00 a.m.
* special shuttle departing Houghton no later than 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, December 15.  Please note that residence halls close on Friday, December 14th at 3:30 p.m. If you take this shuttle, you will need to find alternate housing arrangements.
The deadline for requesting a special shuttle is by 5:00 p.m. Monday, December 3.  The deadline for signing up for a regular shuttle is by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, December 7.  Any requests after those dates may not be considered.
If you are interested in a special shuttle, contact kim.cockle@houghton.edu.

January 6 – shuttles departing Buffalo for Houghton at 5 and 9 p.m.  Sign-ups for this shuttle are due no later than 5 p.m. on Tuesday, January 1.
Requests for special shuttles are due no later than 5 p.m. on Friday, December 14th.  Any requests after either of these dates may not be considered.

Science & Math Colloquium, Tuesday, Nov 27, 11:30 a.m.–12:20 p.m., in the Dining Hall, South End.  Come and hear Brielle Kwarta & Ben Reber share reports from Summer 2018 REU Experiences

Brielle Kwarta - Economic Modeling of Free-Roaming Cats in Knox County, TN.

Abstract: Unowned free-roaming cats live outdoors and have little contact with humans. The unowned free-roaming cat population is a global problem due to predation on wildlife, the spread of infectious diseases, and causing other nuisances. Programs such as Trap, Neuter, and Return and Trap-Euthanize have been used to control cat populations. This study involves building a discrete-time mathematical model that represents the...
Benjamin Reber - The Climes They Are A Changing: Modelling the Spread of Thousand Cankers Disease Under Future Climate Predictions.

Abstract: Thousand Cankers Disease is a disease complex which primarily affects the Eastern Black Walnut Tree. It is spread by the Walnut Twig Beetle, which bores into the tree and carries a harmful fungus known as Geosmithia morbida. The tree forms a hard canker around this inoculation, which limits nutrient flow from roots to branches. Over time numerous cankers can strangle the tree and cause death. TCD was first present in the western United States, but has recently been observed in eastern states. A machine learning model known as Maxent was used to predict the regions with the greatest risk of a TCD outbreak in current and future climate scenarios.

Thursday, December 6, the fall line-up of the 2018-19 Faculty Lecture Series concludes with a talk by Prof. Jonathan Case of Theology: “Simulated Spirituality: Jean Baudrillard and the Church”.

Jean Baudrillard developed his theory of simulacra (simulated ‘reality’ that bears no relation to an original) in the 80s, long before the advent of the internet and the host of problems associated with distinguishing the augmented and virtual from the original and the real. Surprisingly, few theologians have attempted to apply Baudrillard’s analyses to the contemporary church and its submersion in the digital world. Prof. Case will use Baudrillard’s basic categories to not only critique contemporary church trends and practices but also open up a wider discussion about the search for authentic spirituality. All are welcome to attend. All Faculty Lecture Series talks are held in Library 323 and begin at 4:25; as always, there will be time afterward for discussion.

Save time and money on Christmas cards this year by printing them at Quick Print! We offer color and black and white printing, quality papers, and a brand-new magnetic paper to take your cards and photos to the next level. Stop by Quick Print in the basement of the Campus Center to see what we can do for you! We are open to faculty, staff, students, and community members 8:30am-12:30pm weekdays. Check our door for open hours and more information.

Quick Print Open Hours: Monday – Friday, 8:30am-12:30pm

Email job requests to quickprint@houghton.edu Please be sure to include as much information as possible: black/white or color; quantity; type of paper; cut/folded; etc., along with budget number if charged to a department. Be sure to include your deadline.

MANRRS VOCA Mock Interview Workshop: On November 29th, MANRRS and VOCA are teaming up to help students in the next event of a series of Professional Development Workshops. If you are considering grad schools, internships, jobs, or other professional pursuits in the next few years, the Mock Interview Workshop will help prepare you. Successful business owners and professors from Houghton will be conducting on-site 20-30 minute interviews with students to give useful feedback and experience.

If you want an interview experience to equip you with confidence and practice for the professional world, then email houghton.manrrs@gmail.com for more information. Don’t miss out on this opportunity!

HOUGHTON Royal Family Kids Camp NEEDS YOU! You can make a week of summer camp possible for 52 deserving children from Allegany County who have substantiated personal histories of abuse or neglect. PLEASE consider your role in helping to make the 25th annual RFKC a reality on July 7 – 12, 2019! We need residential volunteers as well as behind-the-scenes volunteers to be the hands and feet of Christ as we step forward in faith to show God’s love to some really awesome kids. RFKC needs include: Transportation and Storage Volunteers (non-residential) – Can you drive? Do you have a relatively strong back? RFKC is in need of volunteers to retrieve crafts, woodworking, drama and dress-up items and other supplies for use by campers during the week of camp. This is a HUGE NEED. It does not require being residential at camp.
Prayer Partner Coordinator (non-residential) – Can you make phone calls and send out emails? Do you pray? Each year, more than 100 individuals pray for our campers and staff during camp. Many of them faithfully serve in this role year after year. RFKC needs someone to oversee this process.

Counselors (residential) – Each individual counselor is assigned to come alongside two campers (ages 7-12) for the week. This is the “heart” of the RFKC ministry. It is a life-changing experience for the children and for the counselors. We need men and women of all ages (over 18) and from all walks of life!

Photographers and Videographers (residential) – Each camper receives a “memory book” filled with photos of them having fun at camp. At the end of the week, a video of the camp week is shared with the campers and their guardians. We don’t need a professional photographer or videographer, but if this is an interest or talent of yours, we need you!

Day-workers are also needed – if you want to share a woodworking or baking project or have another talent to share, we have a place for you as a day-worker at camp.

If God is calling you to get involved in RFKC, contact Nancy Murphy for more information at nancy.murphy@houghton.edu and/or (585) 376-4053.

The new Campus Wellness Room, located in the Health Center, offers students a quiet relaxing environment for prayer, reading, and/or quiet time. Equipped with low lighting, candles, fireplace, a desk, and a weighted blanket, the Wellness Room is available for students to reserve from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM, Monday-Friday. Sign up at the receptionist desk for your personal 30 minutes of peaceful time.

Fall 2018 Writing Center (ChC 101) hours are as follows:
Mondays 6:00-7:30 p.m. Anna Schilke
Tuesdays 4:00-5:00 p.m. Grace Sommons
Tuesdays 6:00-7:30 p.m. Anna Schilke
Wednesdays 9:15-10:45 a.m. Abigail Reeth
Wednesdays 4:00-5:00 p.m. Melissa Hodde (Paine 204--science-related writing especially)
Wednesdays 6:00-7:30 p.m. Nicole Soggs
Thursdays 4:00-5:00 p.m. Grace Sommons
Thursdays 6:00-7:30 p.m. Kayla Simmons
Fridays 3:00-4:30 p.m. Deven Blowers

Center appointments can be made in advance via sign-up sheets posted on the inside hall windows, with drop-in visitors being welcomed as well.

When making use of the Center, please bring with you assignment prompts and any other materials that may be of help.
Contact Laurie.Dashnau@houghton.edu (ChC 100-B, across the hall from the Center) with any questions, ideas, or concerns.

HIGHLANDERS SHOP

Wet Your Whistle Wednesday!
20% off drinks and Houghton Drinkware every Wednesday in November.

Bargain Books
Keep an eye out for bargain books arriving soon!

VOCA

VOCA (Vocational Opportunities and Career Advising) - It’s never too early to start looking for a job or internship. New positions are posted daily on Handshake. Login with your Houghton ID and password.

Reminder…On campus jobs are posted on Handshake! Need to update your resume? Check out the resources section in Handshake to help with resumes and cover letters.
“Men’s and Women’s Basketball Student Workers Needed” Positions – Scoreboard Operator, Shot-Clock Operator, Bookkeeper. If you are interested, please contact Coach McGraner at tonya.mcgraner@houghton.edu.

The Facilities Department is looking for college approved drivers to help clean college fleet vehicles. Must have a clean driving record. We prefer students who are 21, and able to be certified to drive the larger vans. You must have availability of at least one, 2-hour block per week between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Available hours will vary each week based on fleet vehicle availability. We will train you. This position is available immediately.

If you are interested in please apply to custodial@houghton.edu. Please let us know if you are a college approved driver and if you are approved to drive the large vans. Also let us know your availability each day of the week.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Part-time job available! Could you use some extra money? Do you like spending time with senior citizens? Are you interested in Geriatric Healthcare? Looking for honest, dependable, & kind-hearted help. There is a lovely elderly couple right here in Houghton who needs some in-home care such as transporting by wheelchair from bed to chair to commode, mild hygiene before bed, keeping drinks supplied, etc. Day and night shifts of different time amounts available. Pay is $11.75/hour. No experience necessary. Within walking distance to campus.

If interested, please contact Jan Schilke at 585-567-4889 or 716-904-2678.

It’s time to start thinking about that 4 letter word that happens every year in Houghton . . . SNOW. Do you enjoy the cold, invigorating air; the crunch of freshly fallen snow under your feet; getting up early to see campus before others are up? We may have the job that you are looking for. The Custodial Department is now taking names of students who are interested in being paid to shovel snow and remove ice from around various buildings on campus. Shifts are available weekday mornings, afternoons and evenings, as well as weekends. If you are interested in being considered for this position please email custodial@houghton.edu with “Snow Crew” in the subject line. Please include what building you live in, and if you are interested in weekdays (Monday through Friday), or weekends, and what times you are available. We look forward to hearing from you.

Need a job? Want to get paid to talk? Phonathon might be right for you! Work flexible, evening hours while gaining resume building work experience in a fun and fulfilling atmosphere. To join our team in the spring semester, please email bec.cronk@houghton.edu

The Track & Field program is looking for student workers to help at our 4 events we are hosting throughout the Winter/Spring. The sign up to work these events will be done through a google document, in which you can add you name to a working slot. The shifts range from 4-8 hours, and thus a great way to make some extra money! If you’d like your name to be on our email list for working these events, please email Head Coach Patrick Hager at Patrick.hager@houghton.edu.

BIRTHDAYS

11/26: Anna Wray
11/27: No Student Birthdays
11/28: No Student Birthdays
11/29: Shannon Piggott
11/30: Hayden Gould, Quang Nguyen, Elizabeth Stone

LOCAL/AREA EVENTS & INFORMATION

House to rent for spring semester: The Meilaenders will be in London during the spring semester and are looking for one or two responsible house sitters to watch our house in Houghton and our two cats (indoor/outdoor) while we are away. Fully furnished, rent negotiable, but we are willing to offer a decent deal to someone who can watch the cats. We fly back on April 30, which is the reading day before final exams, so for a student tenant we would need to figure out something for exam week. Direct inquiries to peter.meilaender@houghton.edu.
A STORYBOOK CHRISTMAS – Free Family Event at the Angelica Free Library! The Friends of the Angelica Free Library invites families to a brand-new event in Angelica.

“A Storybook Christmas” takes place Saturday, December 8th at the Angelica Free Library from 1:30-3:30 pm. Festivities include a hot cocoa bar, a winter-themed photo booth, two stations for holiday make and take crafts, community puzzles, and gingerbread-librarian cookie decorating.

The event will wrap-up (wrap up... get it?) at 3:15 pm with a ‘round-the-fireplace reading of T’was the Night Before Christmas by Clement Clark Moore. Angelica Community Radio (WRAQ-92.7) will broadcast the reading live so if you can’t attend “A Storybook Christmas” in person, you can still listen in (either on your radio or download the WRAQ app for your device) to the special reading at 3:15.

While you’re at the library, start a family tradition by checking out holiday books and movies to enjoy throughout the season. The library will extend due dates until after Christmas.

Come to Angelica for “A Storybook Christmas” and make a fun-filled day of it by visiting the Winter Farmer’s Market at the Angelica Grange on Park Circle between 10am – 2:00pm and the Angelica Boosters “Holly Days” sale from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm at the Little Building on Main Street.

For more information about “A Storybook Christmas”, please contact Library Director Christina Gallmann at 585-466-7860. We hope to see you there!

Building Abbreviations:  AA=Adelmann Atrium  AAC=Alumni Athletic Complex  AD=Alumni Dining Room  CC=Campus Center  ChC=Chamberlain Center  CS=Campus Store  CFA=Center for the Arts  DBR=Dieter Board Room  DH=Dining Hall  DHS=Dining Hall-South End  EC=Equestrian Center  FD=Field of Dreams  GH=Gillette Hall  HA=Houghton Academy  HWC=Houghton Wesleyan Church  JAVA=Java 101 Coffeehouse  KPAC=Kerr-Pegula Athletic Complex  L=Library  OAG=Ortlip Airt Gallery in Center for the Arts  OCG=Our Common Ground  NPEC=Nielsen PE Center  PH=Presser Hall (in Chapel)  SCI=Science Bldg.  RH=Recital Hall  SAS=Art Bldg.  TD=Trustees Dining Room  VDL=VanDyk Lounge (in Campus Center)  WC=Wesley Chapel  PPC=Paine Prayer Chapel  SHC=Student Health

Sports Abbreviations:  @=Away  FH=Field Hockey  vs=Home  IT=Indoor Track  MBB=Men’s Basketball  MS=Men’s Soccer  MLAX=Men’s Lacrosse  MT=Men’s Tennis  WB=Women’s Basketball  WS=Women’s Soccer  WLAX=Women’s Lacrosse  WT=Women’s Tennis  BB=Baseball  SB=Softball  XC=Cross Country  TBA=To Be Announced  TF=Track & Field  VB=Volleyball