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### New twist on bonfire

### Will it fly with alumni?

**Rory Sant**  
Staff Writer

Hearsay and speculation have been surrounding this year's bonfire over the last year. Everyone has heard the rumors and everyone has opinions, but what's going on, what does it mean, and what really happened?

What's going on is easy to answer. We are having a bonfire, although it may hardly resemble those of years past. This year's bonfire is less than a sixth of the size of last years, contains less than 300 railroad ties, and took only 14 hours to build.

In previous years Rose-Hulman has always been able to get a waiver from the Wabash Valley Pollution Control Center, the governing environmental organization in the Terre-Haute area. The waiver not only allowed us to build a bonfire whatever size we feel like, it also allowed us to use treated ties.

Treated ties are what made the bonfire so cheap to build. Most railroad ties that have been used on tracks are treated with a compound called creosote. Creosote

prevents the ties from decaying, however when burned the compound is carcinogenic. Since there aren't many uses for treated ties that aren't on a railroad track, they can be purchased for fairly cheap and its one of the primary reasons bonfires of years past have been able to be so immense.

Unfortunately, for reasons not cited in this article, the Environmental Protection Agency was notified of our annual event last year. The EPA is the authority over the Wabash Valley Pollution Control Center and they were told not to grant us the waiver this year.

At this point, the bonfire's prospects looked dismal. In fact, it became so serious that an announcement was made during the summer to all the alumni that there would be no bonfire this year. However, after investigating the law, it was determined that a bonfire could be built, but that there would be restrictions. The two primary restrictions are that it's limited to only 1000 cubic feet of wood, and only non-treated ties could be used.

#### What Now

This is where the current bonfire design begins to make sense. Normally, the bonfire is designed by freshman, however, because the lack of volume necessitated a well thought out design. The bonfire committee decided to sponsor a contest, open to all students, to design the bonfire and the winning proposal would be rewarded \$250.

The goal of the contest was to create a design that maintained as much as possible of the tradition, while abiding by all applicable laws. The structure could not use machines, it needed to be safe, and there had to be an outhouse. There was also a limit of 375 untreated 8'x8"x6" railroad ties at the schools disposal.

Two juniors, Michael Chansky and Logan Harper, submitted the winning contest entry. Their design calls for approximately 284 ties, and using the rest of the one thousand cubic feet for hay. The structure has a circular design with an open face. The traditional chimney style center is maintained, and the diesel fuel will be used to help spread the flames as quickly as possible.

#### The Building Process

Construction on the design began last Thursday. After four hours of work, what was there remained unguarded and it was shortly destroyed. Fourteen more hours of work were done Monday through Wednesday of this week.

You may be asking yourself what happens if the bonfire isn't up to the specifications? If that is the case, then Rose-Hulman has to find some way to take care of a \$25,000 fine. Don't worry though; the bonfire committee has been in close contact with the Pollution Control Center, and today there will be an inspector arriving from noon to four o'clock to verify that everything is within the set parameters.

An interesting fact to mention is that many alumni have offered to cover some of the cost of the fine if we, as an institution, decided to disregard the EPA and go full out on the bonfire. The bonfire committee did not consider that an option, but it does make a statement about what this bonfire means to Rose-Hulman.

#### What Made the Bonfire Meaningful

You would be hard pressed to find someone in the Rose community who hated the bonfire. It's a giant fire and its cool, but its so much more dynamic than that.

There is the tradition aspect: for nearly eighty years in some way, shape, or form students on this campus have been sharing in the same experience. It gives the alumni something to talk about when they come back to visit. In the span of ten years this campus can change and so what is taught in the classroom, but everyone could always discuss how awesome the bonfire is.

Then there is the fact that its done completely by the students. The only help the school offers is a little bit of money and somebody to find out where to spend it, but building that bonfire is something that takes an entire body of people, working together as a team to accomplish. Every student here has the opportunity to gaze up at that blazing inferno and to say, "I did that."

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### Deming 2 provides tradional fuel for fire

**Joe Reese**  
Staff Writer

Last Saturday Deming 2 took a trip to Gravel Switch, Kentucky where the Great Outhouse Blowout was held. Driven by the need to find an outhouse for the homecoming bonfire and the need for speed, Deming took a road trip.

Sophomore Advisor Jake Klug was asked to find an outhouse for the homecoming bonfire. Jake, Pat Allen and Bridget Wiltgen went to a couple different places around town to ask people of they knew of anyone who perhaps had an outhouse we could use for the bonfire. After getting no good leads at Kroger and K-Mart, they decided to try their luck at Wal-Mart.

Krug and Allen came back to Deming Hall with less gas and nowhere to get an outhouse. Then inspiration hit. They ran a Google search. Keyword: outhouse. One of the links they found lead them to the website for Penn's Store, which claims to be the oldest country store in America, still in continuous operation by the same family since the 1850. Penn's Store is

located in the dead center of Kentucky, in a small town called Gravel Switch.

Penn's Store has only had one piece of plumbing installed in its 150 year history. In 1992, a "one-holer" outhouse, made of poplar and tin, was donated to the store, where is has seated many a patron since it was installed.

To celebrate the the installation of the restroom facilities, the Great Outhouse Blowout was conceived. The Great Outhouse Blowout is an all day event that occurs annually either the last week in September, or the first week in October.

It is an all day event that several hundred people attend, not just to see the johns race, but also for other events. There are bands and radio personalities present to entertain the crowd, as well as a car show.

Klug and Allen called the organizers of the Blowout several days prior to the race to get information about it, and also to ask if they might be able to obtain an outhouse. The lady they spoke to told them about the race, and as luck

would have it, one of the teams had dropped out of the race due to a leg injury. They were told the \$50 entrance fee would be waived if they wanted to bring a team down to compete. How could they refuse? This was a once in a year offer.

The crew from Deming 2 left the campus at 3:00 a.m. and headed for Kentucky. After about six hours and several wrong turns later, they arrived in Gravel Switch, only to be greeted with blank stares. Apparently, the Rose students were not expected to show up.

The weather could not have been nicer for the race. The sun was out and the temperature was in the low 80's. It was a perfect day to race an outhouse. The parade of privies started at noon and the teams walked down the race track, showing off their johns.

During the parade, disaster struck. The front wheel fell off the team's borrowed outhouse. Undaunted, the team decided to stick it out and race. There was no point in going home after driving so far to do nothing.

An outhouse racing team consists of five members. Four people push the specially made outhouse, while one person sits on the throne. The outhouse itself is not an actual outhouse, but a smaller version made of cardboard or anything else that strikes the makers' fancy.

It is mounted on a tricycle platoform with handles for the pushers and a seat inside. Phil Rendina, John Stauffer, Shad Majors and Chris Renfro pushed while James Baxter sat on the hot seat.

It seemed as if the missing wheel had doomed the team, as they lost the first heat to Electric Express. The race was a double elimination bracket set-up, so the team was sent to the loser's bracket. After a team meeting and the chance to rest their legs, the team won the next three heats in succes-

sion, beating Rio's Roundabout, Con-am, and the outhouse driven by the Little South Hunters. Every race was a win or go home situation. One loss and the trip was for nothing.

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# Alumni returning to Rose-Hulman for Homecoming this weekend

Thousands of Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology alumni from throughout the world are expected to return to participate in class reunions, golf tournaments and the opportunity to reconnect with their alma mater during the college’s annual homecoming this weekend, Oct. 11-12.

Reservations for more than 40 homecoming activities are greater than past years, according to Alumni Director Brian Dyer. Many alumni were forced to miss last year’s festivities because homecoming occurred shortly after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

“Alumni couldn’t return last year because they couldn’t get transportation or didn’t want to travel under the circumstances. Many of those alumni are expecting to return this year, even though it’s not the right

year for their class reunions,” Dyer said. “There is a special bond between our alumni and Rose-Hulman, and we’re finding that to be especially true this year.”

Gunter Thiel, a 1952 graduate, is expected to return from Switzerland, where he owns a construction equipment company. Others returning include Ed Withers, a 1933 graduate, from Gaithersburg, Va.; Russell Kerr, a 1935 graduate, from Indianapolis; and five members from the Class of 1942 for their 60th reunion.

Meanwhile, younger alumni will gather to reminisce at the Terre Haute Brewing Company on Friday and Saturday nights.

Other special events this year are tours throughout the weekend of the newest campus building, Hatfield Hall, which includes an alumni cen-

ter, an auditorium and rehearsal rooms, and offices for the development, external affairs and alumni affairs departments. The outdoor track and field complex, which has undergone nearly \$1 million in renovations, will be rededicated at 1:45 p.m. on Saturday.

Several alumni want to step back to their college years by attending a class with a current Rose-Hulman student. The “Back To Class” program is organized by the Student Alumni Association. Irv Keeler of Indianapolis (West Terre Haute native) and Ray Chalfant of Atlanta, both 1942 graduates, are among alumni participating this year.

More than 200 alumni will be playing golf Friday at the Hulman Links or Country Club of Terre Haute golf courses. The pep rally,

queen coronation and fireworks begin at 8:30 p.m. on Friday at Cook Stadium, followed by the traditional bonfire, constructed this week by freshmen living in campus residence halls.

Saturday activities include a 5-kilometer alumni run, at 8 a.m. at Cook Stadium; alumni awards breakfast, 9 a.m. in the Hulman Union; alumni association meeting, 10:30 a.m. in the Hulman Union; academic department open houses, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. throughout campus; and Rosie’s Kidz Zone for alumni families, from noon to 4 p.m. near Cook Stadium.

Distinguished alumni receiving Honor Alumni Awards for their service to Rose-Hulman are Don Dekker, a 1961 graduate; Gene Glass, a 1949 graduate; Bernie Vonder-

schmitt, a 1944 graduate; and Roger Ward, a 1971 graduate. Dick Neal, a 1977 graduate, and Tom Curry, a 1967 alumnus, will be recognized for their 25 years of service as class agents for the Alumni Association.

The football team hosts Rhodes College of Memphis, Tenn., at 2 p.m. on Phil Brown Field. Baseball, basketball, soccer and volleyball will also host alumni games on Saturday.

Affinity group activities on Saturday include a drama club reunion and luncheon in the new rehearsal room of Hatfield Hall and a hospitality tent near Cook Stadium for alumni that assist the Admissions Office in helping recruit prospective students to Rose-Hulman. Several drama club alumni plan to stay on Sunday to help construct the set for the fall play, “Arcadia.”

## National Depression Screening Day

**Wes Kalata**  
Staff Writer

According to the National Institute of Mental Health, 18.8 million Americans are coping with depression. Depressive symptoms can be caused by a number of events including the death of someone close, a major lifestyle change (i.e. new school, marriage, ending a relationship) or a major disappointment. However, depression may also be caused by a change in brain chemistry or other physical illness. Whatever the cause, you need not suffer.

This is where the RHIT Student Counseling Center comes in. Brent Tucker, Jamie Aten, and Lori Cichon are all counselors currently enrolled in the Counseling Psychology doctoral program at Indiana State University. They provide help with a wide range of issues from homesickness and roommate problems to eating disorders and depression, just to mention a few. In addition, they can provide information about studying, test-taking, handling responsibility, etc.

All it takes is one call or e-mail to the Student Counseling Center to set up an appointment

for your first visit. Walk-ins are welcome, but appointments are preferred. Stop by at their office in room 147 of the Hulman Union, between the Health Services and the Student Affairs offices. They’re here to help you in a confidential and considerate manner.

You can call 877-8537 or e-mail a request for an appointment to Brent.T.Tucker@rose-hulman.edu or Lori.M.Cichon@rose-hulman.edu. If you would like to know what other services the Student Counseling Center provides, please visit their website at <http://www.rose-hulman.edu/users/groups/HMUCS/>.

## Deming 2 continued from page 1:

Deming faced its arch nemesis, the Electric Express in the final race in the lower bracket. The options were win and race for first, or lose and place third. The Electric Express won by a nose. In the final, the Electric Express lost to the team from Kentucky Tech. The team came back with two trophies, for third place in the race and also the long haul award for driving the most miles to get to the race.

Unfortunately, they could not bring an outhouse back. The racing outhouses weren’t the right type for the bonfire and no one was willing to part with theirs.

The team drove back to Terre Haute, exhausted but satisfied. Shad Majors sums up the entire trip for everyone, “I had a blast.”

The outhouse obtained for the bonfire this year was donated by Richard Boyce from Cory, Indiana.



Photo courtesy of Deming residents

The Deming racing outhouse in all of its glory.

## Habitat House needs campus support

The Rose House made minimal progress this past weekend due to a low turn out of students and shortage of some materials. Despite having less than 10 people this weekend, the remaining trusses were put into position and the particle board is one piece shy of being complete.

Although Homecoming celebrations will be the main attraction on campus this weekend, the Habitat for Humanity student chapter would like to see interested volunteers at the worksite this Saturday. Finishing the roof is top priority and this is a labor intensive job. Rose-Hulman faculty and staff will take over the duties while students are enjoying fall break.



Photo courtesy Habitat House

Volunteers needed for Homecoming weekend.

## Bonfire twist continued from page 1:

Finally, as it was already said, it’s just a neat thing to do. In the words of Junior Matt Brandt, “It really rocks when you have a fire that big, and have to divert air traffic. I mean come on, how cool is that?”

As far as this year goes, whether or not the bonfire is cool, isn’t known yet, and it won’t be known until tonight. It’s definitely the major question mark this homecoming, and ultimately it will be up to the alumni to decide, or this may be the last bonfire at Rose.

This Sounds Familiar  
One of the important things to note is that this is not the first time the bonfire had been near death. In 1996 similar events were taking place. This was the year that saw the construction of the new Sports and Recreation Complex. Because of the construction, the old site (west of where the SRC is now) could not be used. In addition, normally the ROTC groups took the responsibility of building and guarding the bonfire, but for whatever reason they could no longer do it. These events finally led to the Bonfire being cancelled. However, it was not in the interest of the students to let this 70-year tradition die. A group of five resident assistants diligently fought the decisions and helped to reorganize the planning of the bonfire.

One of the RAs at the time was current Director of Residence Life, Erik Hayes. Erik has been very involved with the bonfire since his time as a student here and now continues to contribute to its efforts. He has also done quite a deal of research on the topic of the bonfire and its history here at Rose. If you are truly interested, it is worth your while to talk to him about it, but most of the important facts are summarized here.

History  
Although the bonfire is rumored to have begun in 1923, the earliest record of the bonfire is from 1932 during a Halloween celebration. Students are quoted as having been, “singing songs, eating donuts, and drinking cider.” In those early times, the bonfire wasn’t really a tradition; it was more of just a thing that students did every year. It wasn’t until years later that the event was moved to homecoming and became an event to attract alumni.

The first picture of the bonfire was taken in 1942. Back then it was basically one large, tall wooden pole with an outhouse on the top of it. Piled around the pole were tons of branches, hay and

anything else that would burn.

In 1964 the bonfire started to take the shape it is now, abandoning the giant wooden pole approach for a center column made of railroad ties. Once ties and pallets started being used together the bonfire tradition really took off.

In the 80’s the bonfire became an amazing spectacle. Not only was the bonfire enormous, but it was also littered with the decorations of the freshmen that built it. You might remember the Sophomore – Freshman rivalries we heard about during orientation; they were true and no more apparent then by the “Sophomores Suck” signs that stood out like billboards from near the top of the center column.

It continued like this until fairly recently. As the nineties went on, it became more and more difficult to find supplies and to get help. As Rose rolled into a new millennium, saving the bonfire was a difficult task.

The End?  
Friends of former bonfire chairman and recent alum, Ed Grandstaff, could easily summarize his sentiments towards the bonfire. “It didn’t die on my watch,” was a reiterated comment whenever he was involved in a bonfire discussion. The difficulties of keeping the bonfire alive were becoming too overbearing to circumvent, as well as the lack of support that the school seemed to be providing.

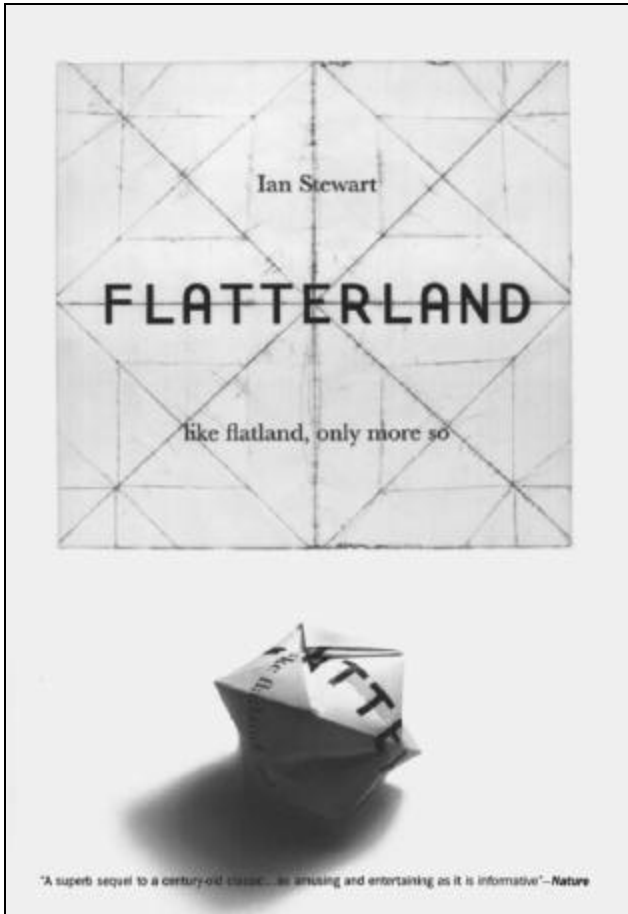
Texas A&M students also have a homecoming bonfire tradition, or at least they did until 1999 when an inadequate design allowed the bonfire to collapse killing 12 students and injuring more. This put a spotlight on the Rose community as to whether the bonfire was even safe, let alone even necessary.

In 2000 railroad ties became exceedingly sparse. A summer long search for them resulted in few locations with fewer ties. The following year, homecoming occurred only two weeks after the beginning of the school year. This allowed little time to build a bonfire, but still, Rose-Hulman students prevailed.

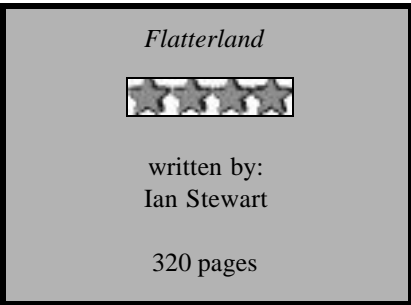
However, shortly after that bonfire, the EPA was notified of our actions as well as those companies responsible for supplying the school.

So now we are where we are. Anxiously anticipating a bonfire that we are nervous about; hoping that in whatever form, will carry on a time honored tradition; awaiting the decisions of thousands of alumni and students who have yet to determine if it will live up to their expectations.

# Like Edwin A. Abbot, only more so



Jacob P. Silvia  
Staff Writer



If you're into math (I know that you all are, don't lie), you've probably read Edwin A. Abbot's "Flatland." It tells the story of a two dimensional world in which the inhabitants are geometric shapes. The protagonist lives in a harsh, dogmatic, narrow-minded world, where life imprisonment threatens those who try free thought. Our hero, A. Square is visited by a sphere, who he perceives as a circle changing shape (due to Square's two dimensional perception). "Flatterland" by Ian Stewart takes place one hundred years later, focusing on Square's great-grand-

daughter, Vikki Line, a literal line. She stumbles upon Square's copy of "Flatland" (since the original was written through the perspective of the main character, a common thing of the time). Her parents tell her the book is heresy, and that her great-grandfather found a not so happy fate after writing it. They make her get rid of it, so it doesn't give her any crazy ideas. Unknown to them, Vikki makes several copies of "Flatland," and reads them religiously. Inside the text, she discovers a secret code from her great-grandfather. He shows her how to contact the Spaceland entities via a construction. She follows the instructions to the letter, making a construction of a few letters ("COME," which is readable from the third dimension). The next day, she is surprised by a visitor named Space Hopper. He, like Sphere, is from Spaceland. Unlike Sphere, he can travel to many other worlds. These worlds allegorically describe mathematical concepts and theories. All the while, Stewart uses witty mathematical puns.

This novel draws close resemblances not only to "Flatland," but also to "Alice In Wonderland." Vikki plays the role of Alice, as she travels through bizarre worlds where everything is different from what it should be, yet the inhabitants find their surroundings to be completely normal. This book shows neat little mind-twisting concepts, like parallel lines that intersect, confined areas that stretch on to infinity for the residents, and the odd things that happen when spheres are inscribed on hyperspheres. All the while Vikki is confused and the Space Hopper is amused as they bounce from one realm to another to learn strange new mathematical principles. This book is educational. That is, it educates while it entertains. I learned things about a whole variety of concepts, all the while giggling at the cleverly devised humor nestled here and there. It makes one wonder if Ian Stewart could possibly write a book without using math puns. Coscant.



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## Album of the week


Drew Wright  
Staff Writer

Hopesfall

The Satellite Years

Melodic hardcore

Available on Trustkill Records



Those of us who have been mourning the loss of early nineties midwest indie legends Hum will find much to rejoice about the latest offering from Hopesfall, a young melodic hardcore band hailing from North Carolina. After releasing only one LP independently and an EP on the now defunct Takehold Records, the quartet takes a mammoth leap forward on their Trustkill debut, 'The Satellite Years', thanks in part to the production know-how and wisdom of former Hum frontman, Matt Talbot. Formed in 1998 as a cure for boredom and creative outlet, the band quickly made a name for itself with their emotional and intense live show, destroying nearly two hundred dollars worth of equipment their very first time on stage. While they gained significant momentum in the underground, their success was somewhat overshadowed by the buzz created by Poison the Well, a now well-known band with a similar sound who had formed only a few months before. Since then, Hopesfall has seen countless line-up changes, most recently replacing founding member, Ryan Parish. It was with this distressing baggage that the band entered the studio last spring to work on 'The Satellite Years.' What was produced is nothing short of awe-inspiring. Under the watchful eye of Talbot, the band magically morphed into an impressive rock machine, fusing their old screams, sparse melodic interludes, and intense and upbeat riffing, with matured vocals, improved songwriting, and a bottom heavy groove and spacey sensibility that could have appeared on any of Hum's masterpieces. The music itself takes on a much heavier feel, placing an increased load on the bassist, Adam Baker, who handles the emphasized role without skipping a beat. Another change is the sudden appearance of low end breakdowns, which did not play a major role in any of their previous releases. Older fans be not discouraged however, as there is plenty on 'The Satellite Years' to fulfill your desires, with songs like "Waitress" and "The Bending." One of the greatest things about this album; it seamlessly blends the old and the new, creating a deliciously palatable blend of musical goodness, capable of being enjoyed by indie and hardcore fans alike, as well as music fans in general.

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★★★★★

Starring: Edward Norton,  
Anthony Hopkins, Ralph  
Fiennes, Emily Watson

I was wary walking into “Red Dragon,” the latest movie in the Hannibal Lector saga. The pre-views looked promising, and all five of the leading actors have been nominated for Oscars. On the other hand, how good could a thriller be when director Brett Ratner’s other work serves mainly to show off Chris Tucker? I was also afraid that this series would fall under “Jaws” syndrome – classic first movie, with increasingly silly sequels. Walking out of the theater, my fears were put to rest. “Red Dragon” is a very good thriller, but it is unoriginal.

The movie captures the same spirit as the original Lector movie, “Silence of the Lambs,” getting rid of the flashy camerawork and excessive gore of the first sequel, “Hannibal.” The pacing is slow in this prequel, but action is thrown in enough to keep the movie interesting. All the acting is great, creating characters you care about.

The movie starts out with cop Will Graham (Edward Norton) talking to distinguished doctor Hannibal Lector (Anthony Hopkins), who is helping him with a case. Graham discovers Lector is actually the killer and brings him down. Lector gets locked up and Graham resigns from the force. Graham is called back to service when another serial killer case comes up that no one else can solve. But Graham can’t bring down this killer on his own, so he goes to the imprisoned Lector for help.

Ralph Fiennes blew me away as conflicted villain, Francis Dolarhyde. As a child, he was constantly scolded whenever he did something wrong. A scar on his face makes himself conscious at all times. Fiennes delivered an Oscar-worthy performance by capturing the pain, aggression, and struggle of his character. He takes his pent up anger and aggression out on innocent families, believing that one day he will become “the red dragon.” What sets him apart from the average villain is that he tries to control his madness. This brings depth to a role usually used for simple shock value.

What most people will be going to see, though, is Hopkins reprising his Academy-Award winning role as Lector. His character plays in the spirit of the one in “Lambs,” with insights into Graham’s life and



Hannibal Lector (Anthony Hopkins) gets some exercise in prison when detective Graham (Edward Norton) stops by to get info on a serial killer in “Red Dragon.” <http://www.imdb.com>

tricky word play. I was disappointed with a few of his lines as they were too funny. He’s not as bad in this movie as in “Hannibal,” but not as good as in “Lambs.”

My largest problem with this movie is that it sticks to the thriller laws written by “Lambs.” In fact, so much of the movie felt like “Lambs,” that at times I felt like I was watching that movie. People looking for thrills and Lector won’t care about this point, but it poses a problem for future sequels or prequels. Three times is the charm in this case, and while this movie is good, another one like it will be too much.

Another minor quibble is that the characters motivations change so much in the second half of the movie. All the focus shifts to the side plot involving Reba (Emily Watson), and you feel as if no other lives are at stake.

Overall, “Red Dragon” is very thrilling and contains an amazing performance by Fiennes. You probably won’t care about the change of pace in the second half, because you will be at the edge of your seat. Lector appears enough to get your cannibal fix, and other characters work well enough. Maybe if “Red Dragon” wasn’t constantly trailing “Silence of the Lambs” shadow, it could have been something more than very good.

Have they got a show for you!

Jacob P. Silvia  
Staff Writer

Jonah: A VeggieTales Movie  
Rated G

★★★★★

With voices of Phil Vischer,  
Mike Nawrocki, Tim  
Hodge, and Lisa Vischer

This past weekend, I happened to see the latest theatrical production of BigIdeas - “Jonah: A VeggieTales Movie.” In case you’re not familiar with VeggieTales, it is a computer animated video series portraying vegetables that exemplify various ethics with a strong religious theme. They do this by way of parody, prose, and paradigm (attempted alliteration of comedy, song, and example).

This movie is a religious movie, so it is rather difficult to write it without actually mentioning religious themes pertaining to a Judeo-Christian monotheistic view. If this offends you, I apologize.

The movie “Jonah: A VeggieTales Movie” focuses on the story of Jonah, from the Judeo-Christian histories, a prophet of God. He travels the countryside, telling the people of the world what God has to say to them. One day, God tells him to prophesy to the wicked city of Nineveh. Jonah was reluctant to go, due to his hatred of them, and his seeing of them as a worthless people. Jonah attempts to flee God, but God is one step ahead of him wherever he goes.

In the movie “Jonah” (forgive me for not typing the entire title, but you get the picture), the VeggieTales characters are used to tell the story of Jonah. Of course, BigIdeas lightened the mood of this story as to make it appealing to children. One such instance: The Pirates Who Don’t Do Anything (a group of pirates with a self-descriptive title) actually play a sizable role in this movie.

Musical numbers are spread throughout this film. They range from serious to downright silly. If you stay throughout the credits, you even get a special treat. The songs on whole are quite



Pirate Larry, Cap’n Pa and Mr. Lunt, on the deck of the U.S.S Lazy Susan in “VeggieTales” <http://www.imdb.com>

well done. One such song even features the talent of the gospel group Anointed. To further your craving of “popular” artists doing VeggieTales songs, pick up the OST for Jonah. It features the likes of Newsboys and Relient K. Boy, I remember the days when they weren’t popular, and I could actually chill around with them at Club U in Akron, Ohio.

The movie is not phenomenal, but is worth seeing if you’re a fan of VeggieTales. If you’re not, you probably wouldn’t fully get the movie. The feel of the movie is similar greatly to that of the video series, only it’s slightly longer with no intermissions for Silly Songs with Larry. Also, the computer animation is nicer.

So, if you’re lagging behind on your VeggieTales fix, make like Bob the Tomato, and catch up!

# An interview with President Hulbert

Nicole Hartkemeyer  
Staff Writer

President Hulbert commented on several of his accomplishments and the discoveries he’s made during his time at Rose. He emphasized that he considers himself very lucky. He enjoys coming to school everyday, teaching, helping with financial responsibilities, doing research, and working with the people of Rose-Hulman.

Hulbert’s research in biomaterials has enabled him to work with many different individuals and companies all over the world. He states that helping to build prosthetic devices such as hips, knees and heart valves been very rewarding. He has met “exciting and wonderful” people including the developer of the artificial kidney, famous heart surgeons, and famous orthopedic surgeons.

His technical meetings and research have lead him all over Europe, Asia, and Africa. He has also been to every state, except Wyoming, while visiting with alumnae and friends across the country. He enjoys traveling with his wife and especially likes her ability to point out his shortcomings. He says it “keeps him humble.”

His family consists of his wife, three children, and ten grandchildren. His two sons are alumni of Rose-Hulman, though his daughter never had the opportunity to attend because at the time Rose was not co-educational. This, he said, was one of the main reasons he worked so hard to open the school to co-education.

Hulbert’s goal is to provide the opportunity to attend Rose-



Hulman to more and more people. Speaking out against the concern of many Rose students that the school may become too big and lose the qualities its

known for, he stated that the school should not turn away talented students. Ho conceded, however, that this goal should not conflict with keeping the

personal atmosphere at Rose.

Hulbert also commented on the new Biology major now offered to Rose students. He believes there are many poten-

tial ideas for cures for diseases, such as cancer, that the next century should be a century for the biologists and bio-medical engineers. He feels strongly that it is primarily up to the students studying these areas to figure out ways for the rest of us to live longer, happier lives.

Whether it’s making mechanical hearts or figuring out how to make organs repair themselves, engineers will be needed. Improving the quality of life in today’s world is dependent upon them. His goal is to see students from our school involved in this, as “not everyone can do it, and a lot of people aren’t willing to learn [how to do it]. It’s hard, not all just common sense, but I know we can do it.” And just as Rose has been ranked #1 for it’s other engineering and science fields, he wants to see the same thing happen for the new biology major.

Hulbert stated that he is very proud of how Rose has grown since he took office. The improved facilities, new buildings such as the SRC, White Chapel and Hatfield Hall, and the plans for another new residence hall and new life science building have all been welcomed improvements over the years.

Hulbert is looking forward to homecoming. He has always been an avid fan of Rose sports teams and also looks forward to seeing the alumni again. The students he taught and cheered for, he now sees as successful adults, many married with children of their own. Hulbert states that he would not trade places with anyone and that his marriage to Rose-Hulman has been a good one.

**Birth**

April 12, 1936 Adams Center New York

**Education**

B. S. in Ceramic Engineering – Alfred University, 1958  
Ph. D. in Ceramic Science – Alfred University, 1964

**Present Position**

September 1, 1976 – President,  
Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology

Courses taught – biomaterials, biomechanics, introduction to design anddesign of artificial organs

**Teaching Experience**

July 1976-August 1976President Designate,  
Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology & Special Assistant to the President  
July 1973-July 1976Dean of the School of Engineering:  
Professor of Bioengineering, Tulane University; Adjunct Professor of Biomaterials in the Department of Surgery, Tulane University School of Medicine  
July 1970-June 1973Associate Dean for Engineering Research and Interdisciplinary Studies; Professor of Materials Engineering and Bioengineering; Director of Materials Engineering and Bioengineering, Clemson University

**Scientific and Professional Societies**

American Society for Artificial Internal Organs  
Academy of Surgical Research  
National Institute of Ceramic Engineers  
American Society for Engineering Education  
Society for Biomaterials – Member, Board, of Directors-Council 1974 -present  
President – elect 1974-1975

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**Research Experience**

Office of Naval Research Contract “Characterization of Tissue Ingrwoth Into Porous Bioceramics”  
N. I. H. Grant entitled “Artificial Bone Segments”  
N. I. H. Grant entitled “Ceramic Implant Materials for Replacement of Bone and Teeth”  
Zimmer Corporation Contract entitled “Evaluation of a Ceramic Metal Composite Hip Prosthesis”

P. H. S. Grant entitled “Design of a Water Disposable Packaging Container”  
N. S. F. Grant entitled “The Plastic Deformation and Fracture Behavior of the Intermetallic Compound Ag2Hg3  
General Atomic Company Contract entitled “Design and Evaluation of LTI Carbon Endosteal Implants”  
N. I. H. Contract entitled “Kinetics of Corrosion of Prosthetic Materials”  
Implant Technology, Inc.; design and evaluation of composite hip system

# History of President Hulbert

Nicole Hartkemeyer  
Staff Writer

Since the beginning of President Samuel Hulbert's position at Rose-Hulman, many changes have been seen around campus and in the classrooms. He has worked hard to enable women to enjoy the same opportunities Rose-Hulman had previously offered only to the male community, to introduce a new Biology major, to improve facilities and build new buildings, and to obtain a number one ranking for undergraduate engineering studies four years in a row.

Samuel Foster Hulbert was born on April 13, 1936 in the small town of Adams Center, New York. His parents, Foster and Wilma worked

very hard raising Sam and his younger sister Berdetta while operating the small dairy farm on which they all lived. At a young age, Sam began helping his family on the farm and when they later moved into town he helped to deliver milk in "Hulbert" bottles each morning. He knew that growing up in a small town could limit a persons potential and decided early that he wanted to go to college.

Hulbert did very well in high school academically and in his many extra-curricular activities. Always active, he joined various clubs and sports teams. He discovered he was a natural leader and was the captain of the football, basketball, and baseball teams.

It was his high-school science teacher that suggested he attend

Alfred University, knowing that if he studied ceramic engineering he could attend tuition free. This also gave Hulbert the opportunity to continue playing sports as well. Alfred's football team was undefeated during his sophomore and junior years and he was even asked to try out for the Philadelphia Phillies.

College also provided "a way to get away from the milk route." Hulbert received his Bachelor of Science in Ceramic Engineering in 1958 and through summer work realized that he did not want to be a practicing ceramics engineer in a refractory plant. And so he returned to Alfred University for graduate school, where he ultimately decided to become a college professor. Hulbert married his college

sweetheart, Joy Husband, shortly after he began his teaching career. He obtained his Ph.D. degree in Ceramic Science in 1964 and took an assistant professor position at Clemson University. During his time there, he saw how well President Robert Edwards, handled the transition from an all-male, racially segregated, army-ROTC-oriented university to a co-educational, racially integrated, research-oriented university.

During his time at Clemson, Hulbert and three fellow colleagues did research that would later be considered the beginning of a new field of knowledge called bio-materials. He also became interested in using ceramic materials to make synthetic bone. In 1973, his interest grew to improving undergraduate research

and took the position of Dean of Engineering at Tulane University in New Orleans.

After three years as dean at Tulane, he received a letter from a small, private, engineering school in west-central Indiana, that was seeking a President. In 1976, Samuel Hulbert was inaugurated as Rose-Hulman's 11th president. In his first report to the school, he outlined his vision for changes that he felt were necessary for Rose-Hulman to improve. The main points included co-education, improving facilities, housing, enrollment, and providing the best possible route for an education in the engineering and science fields. Twenty-six years later, he has led the school in achieving these goals and continues to look to the future.

## Honors and Awards

Outstanding Educators of America  
Blue Key Honor Fraternity  
Chairman, Clemson University Research Faculty Council, 1968-1969  
Tau Beta Pi  
Personalities of the West and Midwest, 1979  
Notable Americans of 1976-1977, American Biographical Institute  
LL. D. - Indiana State University, May 9, 1981 (Honorary Doctor of Law Degree)  
Clemson University has established the "Samuel F. Hulbert Award" for outstanding contributions to the field of Biomedical Engineering  
Society for Biomaterials has established the "Samuel F. Hulbert Endowment Fund" to support young investigators in the field of Biomaterials.  
Chapman S. Root Award by Hospice of the Wabash Valley, 2000  
Founder's Award, Society for Biomaterials, 2001  
Honorary Doctorate from Clarkson University, May 2002  
Avenues of Service Award, Terre Haute Rotary, May 2002  
Executive Leadership Award, District V, Council for Advancement And Support of Education, July 2002



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Medical College of Georgia  
(Biomaterials) 1969 to 1973  
National Institute of Dental  
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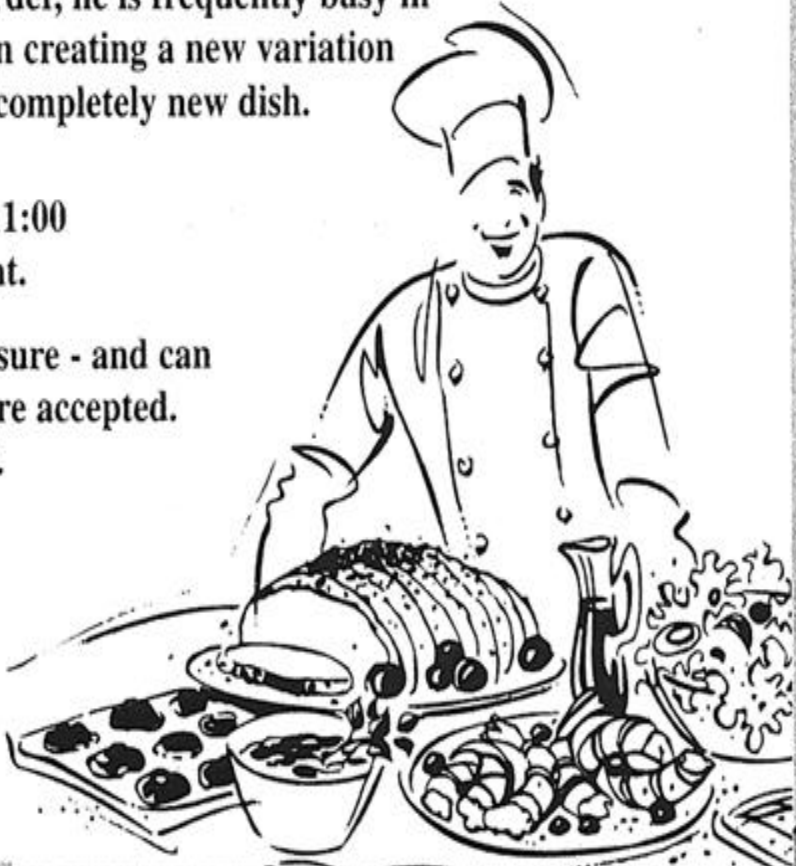
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# Forever in Blue Jeans



“I’m the opinions editor and you’re not.”

Brandon Hathaway

After seeing those Old Navy commercials for the painter pants on TV, the ones where they parody the Green Acres theme, I want to kick Morgan Fairchild in the face. And she's the least offensive person in the commercial.

I have felt this way about a great many commercials that are on television lately. It could be any fashion commercial, not just Old Navy, though Old Navy sticks out.

The Gap, Old Navy and Levi's have a long history of making commercials that make no sense. The "Fall Into the Gap" series, where musicians would perform bits of well known songs ("Tainted Love" and "Mellow Yellow", for example) were all ridiculous. The commercial with Will Ferrell as Neil Diamond performing "Forever in Blue Jeans" exists as the single anomaly. That was sheer brilliance in an otherwise hopeless sea of insanity.

Old Navy does not entirely fit the trend of being unintelligible. They're just aggravating. The rugby shirts, the commercial that takes place on the sun, the older commercial about the fleeces that takes place on the airplane... They are just difficult to watch.

The blue jeans commercials are usually like something out of a Salvador Dali painting. Every time I see a Levi's commercial, I expect to see a clock melting in the background. The "House of Cheese" commercial? I've heard Cake songs that make more sense.

Although the fashion industry does hold most of the high cards in this deal, they don't hold them all. The long distance phone companies apparently have a severe inability to discern what is funny from what is mindlessly stupid. Carrot Top's long run of commercials with AT&T is baffling. The 10-10-etc commercials with Terry Bradshaw and Mike Piazza just keep getting worse. And I am convinced that Taco Bell's ad campaign is headed up by some sort of amphibian.

Taco Bell has had some bad luck, too, ever since the disappearance of the chihuahua. I did not particularly care for him, but I did not harbor much animosity,

either. But good grief, when the guy gets out of his car and says, "Four? You've got to be insane!" It just makes me wonder what the screening process was for that commercial. There has been quite a string of bad commercials out of this Pepsi subsidiary, like the taco that made the cars lean on two wheels. It makes me wish for a Gap commercial.

Thankfully, not all of the commercials out there are terrible. Geico has been pretty consistent in producing material that can be



commercials are intended to accomplish. They convince viewers to purchase their product. So why do some of these companies generate such insipid pieces of advertising? Well, a lot of it is

so that they can be remembered. After all, I am writing about commercials that I hate, essentially giving them free advertising here.

Which sort of undermines my point, but that's a sacrifice I will have to make to speak my mind. However, because commercials are methods of persuasion, the attitude of the commercial reflects the company's attitude towards you as a consumer.

If the commercial is aimed to entertain, then they are exhibiting some respect towards the consumer. If the advertisement is an appeal to your sense of popularity, then they are insulting the viewer's intelligence. No product, not even beer or cigarettes, will change an individu-

als social standing for the better. The fashion commercials try to show beautiful people wearing their clothes while trying to develop a new trend. Companies who use this advertising tactic see consumers as nothing more than a vehicle to purchase their product thereby increasing its popularity to get others to buy it.

Not that the companies that who have entertaining commercials don't think the same way. They are just better at pretending. I contend that an entertaining commercial has more merit than an irritating one not just because it is not irritating, but because it is more creative and creativity deserves reward.

Commercials are an art form, albeit a low art form. The companies have to grapple with the inherent disadvantage that regardless of how good a commercial is, it is an undesired interruption. So, it is in the company's best interest to produce a commercial that will actually make people want to watch it, because that way, it will be more memorable and improve the viewer's opinion of that particular company.

If this cannot be accomplished, than it may be best if the advertising people for that company found different jobs. After all, anyone can make a bad commercial. I just wish they wouldn't.

## Do leftist political agendas breed ignorance?

By Elliot Cook  
The Informer (U. Hartford)  
10/10/2002

(U-WIRE) WEST HARTFORD, Conn. - Founder of the journal Race Traitor and contributor to Harvard's W.E.B. DuBois Institute for African-American Research, Dr. Noel Ignatiev recently ranted: "The goal of abolishing the white race is on its face so desirable that some may find it hard to believe that it could incur any opposition other than from committed white supremacists."

A comment of such absurdity must make one wonder in what murky depths of higher education was a mind like this allowed to ferment. How could a man of such academic credentials sputter such an inflammatory and nonsensical assertion?

The answer is unequivocally linked to the tendentious climate in our country's colleges and universities. The extremist liberal, unlike the moderate conservative, finds a welcoming atmosphere to converse and spawn notions pertaining to the furthering of the leftist cause in the higher education system of America. It is no wonder that a mind such as that of Ignatiev is encouraged to continue on its destructive and demagogic track. Our colleges and universities are conducive to the liberal's exaggerated sense of self-importance

while restrictive and demonizing to that of the conservative. College students today are bombarded with enough anti-white and anti-American rhetoric that by graduation, they see themselves as international oppressors and the bearers of great evil.

A study conducted by American Enterprise magazine gave testament to this claim as it found that in the departments polled -- Cornell University, University of Colorado at Boulder, Stanford, Brown, University of California at San Diego, Berkeley and Williams College -- each employed an extremely disproportionate number of professors who were registered with the Democratic party. These numbers peaked at Williams College with 98 percent of their polled professors claiming to be non-Republican.

What is Harvard's position on Ignatiev's genocidal campaign? Their support is clearly shown as Ignatiev's article has been showcased in the September-October 2002 issue of Harvard magazine. In the article, Ignatiev threatens: "Make no mistake about it: We intend to keep bashing the dead white males, and the live ones, and the females too, until the social construct known as 'the white race' is destroyed -- not 'deconstructed' but destroyed."

Ignatiev, a Jew, believes that the white race in America is a guilty party because of their his-

torical advancement at the cost of blacks in America. In his magazine he complains: "[T]he white race is a club, which enrolls certain people at birth, without their consent, and brings them up according to its rules." To which rules is he referring? These rules of membership that the "white club" innately follow exist only in the minds of the racists that proclaim they exist.

It is deplorable that our colleges and universities have been allowed or even encouraged to perpetuate their educational subjectivity. How can a student expect an objective and undistorted education when American educators have so overwhelmingly sworn allegiance to one political party? It is inherent that the educators will, by their sheer numbers, shape the political mindset of their students.

Through its processes, the liberal machine that has been effectively fused with contemporary American education, churns out millions of young minds every spring, containing the implanted political beliefs of a manipulating group of educators. The machine is celebrated by its orchestrators and products alike, as it displays minds like that of Noel Ignatiev and casts those of dissenters away, who are then deemed racist or ignorant for their nonconformity.

## Come out, come out, wherever you are



Been thinking of coming out? No, I don't mean peeking out of your dorm room for the first time in 6 weeks to blink in awe at the sunlight you forgot existed; I mean coming out of the closet, i.e. identifying and accepting yourself as a gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgender person. If you've been pondering that very issue, then you're in luck! Today is National Coming Out Day.

National Coming Out Day is a chance not just for gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgender people to come out, but also a day for those who support people's equal rights to stand up for those around them who may make such a decision. Often during events such as National Coming Out Day, questions will be raised as to why straight people should even care about a movement that really does not include them.

Caleb Baker, a straight student and member of a GSA [Gay-Straight Alliance] in New York City explains: "Although I am straight, I know people affected by hate and prejudice - they are my friends. I believe that everyone who has seen the face of hatred, whether affected by it or not, should be involved in preventing it. That is why I am involved...That is why I sit every week with other students not afraid to face prejudice. That is why I work with them to teach respect."

Prejudice affects everyone; therefore, in support of both National Coming Out Day and the campaign against prejudice, Rose-Hulman's Gay-Straight Alliance, Unity, is asking students to join them in wearing a white ribbon and signing a pledge today in the Commons. The pledge reads, "This ribbon represents my commitment to ending hate crimes and discrimination".

By wearing this white ribbon of tolerance, you can show your support of those who have or will come out of the closet and to let people know that Rose-Hulman is a place where everyone belongs.



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Homecoming Queen Candidates

Six Vying To Wear Rose-Hulman Homecoming Queen Crown  
One of six female students will be crowned Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology's homecoming queen by President Samuel Hulbert during Friday night's pep rally, starting at 8:30 p.m., at Cook Stadium.

The finalists include seniors Cassie Mateo, Adrian Meadows and Sarah Stalnaker, junior Jill Kurdys, and sophomores Radhika Dave and Cheryl Fang. Elections will be conducted on campus Thursday in the Commons Area of Moench Hall.

The pep rally is among 45 homecoming activities involving returning alumni and current students. The rally, organized by the Blue Key Honor Society, will also include cheer and banner

contests, introductions of fall sports teams and a fireworks display. Afterward, a specially-designed bonfire, constructed this week by freshmen, will be set ablaze.

Each of the six homecoming queen finalists have been active in student activities and earned academic recognition.

Mateo, a computer engineering major from Portage, is president of the Delta Delta Delta sorority, her sponsor; past president of the panhellenic sorority council; and member of Blue Key, Student Alumni Association and Admissions Office's A-Team. She was named the Eta Kappa Nu Sophomore Computer Engineering Student of the Year in 2001 and was a National Merit Scholar in high school. Her escort will be Chris

Rumph.

Meadows is president of the Student Alumni Association, vice president of the Biomedical Engineering Society, song and spirit chair of the Chi Omega sorority, and dream girl of the Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity, her sponsor. She is a mechanical engineering major from Collinsville, Ill., being named an Illinois State Scholar. Her escort will be David Odle.

Stalnaker, a chemical engineering major from Fredericksburg, Va., has been a dean's list student throughout her Rose-Hulman career. She is president of Chi Omega, her sponsor; vice president of the Tau Beta Pi honorary; co-chair of this year's Career Fair; and member of the cheerleading squad and Omega Chi

Epsilon society. Her escort will be Phil Isom.

Kurdys, valedictorian of Terre Haute South High School's 2000 graduating class, is a mechanical engineering major. She is a tutor for the Homework Hotline, was community service director of Chi Omega, and a member of the Alpha Lambda Delta honor society, American Society of Mechanical Engineers, A-Team and cycling team. She was nominated by the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity. Her escort will be Ryan Kopp.

Dave is a member of the American Institute of Chemical Engineers, pre-med club, Chi Omega, dance team and Alpha Lambda Delta honor society. She has earned a varsity letter on the tennis team, serves as a Homework Hotline tutor and has helped or-

ganize the Career Fair. She is a chemical engineering major from Merrillville. The Fiji fraternity nominated Dave for the contest. Her escort will be Scott Green.

Fang, an electrical engineering major from Cupertino, Calif., is enrolled in Rose-Hulman's semiconductor certificate and consulting engineer training programs. She is a senator in the Student Government Association, representing the New Residence Hall, and a member of the soccer team. She has traveled to Hawaii, Las Vegas and Venice City with her parents, and relaxes by playing the piano. Fang was nominated by the Speed residence hall and her escort will be Craig Cotner.

A total of 14 students were nominated for this year's queen contest.



Radhika Dave



Cheryl Fang



Jill Kurdys



Cassie Mateo



Adrian Meadows



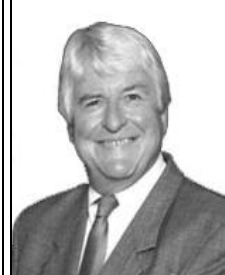
Sara Stalnaker

Dekker, Glass, Vonderschmitt and Ward to Receive 2002 Honor Alumni Award

The Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology 2002 Honor Alumni Award will be presented Oct. 12 to four graduates who have served their alma mater in important roles that have benefited Rose-Hulman students and contributed to the college's development.

The award will be presented to Don Dekker, Rose-Hulman emeritus professor of mechanical engineering, Bradenton, Fla.; Gene Glass, retired engineering partner, Colley Associates, Corpus Christi, Texas; Bernie Vonderschmitt, chairman of the board, Xilinx Corp., Jasper, Ind.; and Roger Ward, vice president, Great Lakes Division, HNTB Corp., Indianapolis.

The four will be honored during the Homecoming Alumni Awards Brunch at 9 a.m. in the Hulman Union. The award is presented annually to alumni who have provided exceptional service to the college.



Don Dekker

Dekker retired last year ending a 36-year teaching career at Rose-Hulman. Dekker taught courses

in creative design, internal combustion engines, thermal design and design methods. He served as the chair of his 40th class reunion last year at Homecoming.

During his career at Rose-Hulman, he served on numerous academic and student services committees. He was also an adviser to the campus chapter of Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity.

In 1986, his faculty colleagues elected him to the Board of Directors of the American Society of Engineering Education. He has also served as chairman of the Midwest Section of ASEE. Dekker received the bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from Rose-Hulman in 1961.

Glass has been a long-time supporter of astronomy and the observatory at Rose-Hulman. Through his support, students studying astronomy have a CCD camera for taking astronomical images. He made it possible to refurbish an historic Clark telescope that is



Gene Glass

now housed at the Oakley Observatory on campus. Glass was a member of the Rose-Hulman Commission on the Future Task Force on Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences. He earned bachelor's degrees in electrical engineering and mechanical engineering from Rose-Hulman in 1949.



Bernie Vonderschmitt

ing and mechanical engineering from Rose-Hulman in 1949.

As an alumnus, Vonderschmitt has brought national recognition to the college through his pioneering work in solid state electronics and integrated circuits. He has been dedicated to helping make a Rose-Hulman education available to talented students through his continued support of the college's scholarship fund. The main dining room in the Hulman Union is named in his honor.

In 1979, Rose-Hulman presented him with an honorary degree. A 1944 electrical engineering graduate of Rose-Hulman, Vonderschmitt is the holder of 13 patents for design activities conducted during an illustrious career at RCA. He

is the recipient of the prestigious David Sarnoff Outstanding Achievement Award in Engineering. Vonderschmitt provided valuable expertise during the Rose-Hulman Commission on the Future strategic planning process.

Ward has served as an alumni volunteer in numerous capacities, most recently as president of the Rose-Hulman Alumni Association in 2000. He currently serves on the Department of Civil Engineering Advisory Board, and has been an adjunct professor in the department. Ward has been an effective volunteer for the college's career services office, and has served for many years as a class agent.

Ward received a B.S. degree in biological engineering from Rose-Hulman in 1971. He is vice president of HNTB which is a global architectural, engineering, planning and construction organization. Ward is principal-in-charge of environmental engineering for the company.



Roger Ward

Balloon Man on campus

The fascinating art of Balloon Sculpturing comes to Rose-Hulman when Louis Paul, the "Balloon Guy" appears with his colorful and exciting program, "Balloon Man on Campus" from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. near Cook Stadium.

Louis Paul, hailing from Cumberland, Maryland has been delighting audiences of all ages for over thirty years. Labeled as the most talented and sought after "airigamist" in the country today, he is in consist demand by major corporations, colleges and universities, fairs, and festivals.

During Rose-Hulman's Homecoming activities, Paul will be offering his audience a choice of nearly fifty different and original balloon sculptures in dozens of different colors.



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Freshman Stacy Otts has scored three goals for the Engineers so far this season.

## Women’s soccer remains 10th in Great Lakes Region

The Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology soccer team maintained the 10th spot in the National Soccer Coaches Association of America Great Lakes Region rankings on Tuesday.

Rose-Hulman stands 10-3 on the season and 3-1 in Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference play after sweeping Millsaps College and Oglethorpe University in Terre Haute last weekend.

Junior Jessica Farmer (Brownsburg) and freshman Amber Hoffman (Middletown, Pa.) lead the Rose-Hulman offensive attack. Farmer has 10 goals and 24 points, while Hoffman has tallied eight goals, a school-record seven assists and 23 points in 2002.

Sophomore Cheryl Fang (Cupertino, Calif.) has added four goals and nine points, while sophomore Amy

Sibilia (Omaha, Neb.) and freshman Stacey Otts (Avon) have scored three goals each for the Engineers.

In goal, sophomore Amanda Brindley (Maple Plain, Minn.) has recorded five shutouts among her nine victories and has allowed just 1.55 goals per game this season.

The balanced offensive attack has featured 11 goal scorers and 14 point producers in 2002. Rose-Hulman has outscored its opponents 38-18 in 13 matches and already established a single-season school record for wins.

SCAC rival DePauw University is ranked second in the Great Lakes Region, with undefeated Ohio Wesleyan University ranked first.

The Engineers enjoy a bye week-end on Homecoming before traveling to Southwestern University and Trinity University on Oct. 18 and 20.

## Results from Men’s Cross Country

Samford University won the team title at the University of Louisville Invitational Cross Country Meet held on the Shelbyville campus. The winners scored 50 points to runnerup Wayne State University 76. Rose-Hulman finished with three non scoring runners in the 23 school meet.

Richard Hale, former West Vigo runner, led the Engineers for the second straight week finishing 111 of the 190 runners in the meet. Hale ran 28:06 for one of his better performances since joining the Running Engineers four years ago. Ben Leonard finished 119 in 28:23 and Kevin Hanson in 169th place. Both runners had their best performances.

Daniel Abicht, graduate student at Rose, running untached, battled two other runners to the finish line for the top spot, finishing third one second behind the winner from University of Southern Indiana Joey Byrne in 25:12, for his best ever time in the 8000 meters.



Dan Abicht fights for third place in Beloit.

## Track dedication takes prior to Saturday’s homecoming football game

Prior to the kickoff of the Homecoming football game on Saturday (Oct. 12), Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology will dedicate a new outdoor track and field facility that surrounds Cook Stadium and Phil Brown Field.

The state-of-the-art, 400-meter track features a Martin ISS 1000 surface, considered the world’s finest polyurethane athletic surface. The Olympic Games and NCAA championships at all levels are held annually on Martin ISS 1000 surfaces.

In addition to the track surface, the complex features areas for jumping, pole vaulting, throwing and steeplechase competitions. The track’s versatility makes Rose-Hulman one of just four Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference schools with an on-campus facility to host the league cham-

pionship.

The facility allows Rose-Hulman to continue its track and field tradition of success, featuring 31 All-American awards and six Academic All-American honorees since 1975.

## Upcoming athletic events

- Saturday, Oct. 12**  
•MXC, WXC at Rose-Hulman Alumni Meet, TBA  
•Rife at Wisconsin-Oshkosh, 11 am  
•FOOT vs. Rhodes College, 2 pm
- Sunday, Oct. 13**  
•MGOLF at DePauw Invitational, TBA
- Monday, Oct. 14**  
•MGOLF at DePauw Invitational, TBA
- Thursday, Oct. 17**  
•RIFLE at Tennessee Tech, 2 pm
- Friday, Oct. 18**  
•MXC at Millikin University Invi-

- tational, TBA  
•RIFLE at Jacksonville State University, 2 pm  
•MSC at Southwestern University, 2 pm  
•WSC at Southwestern University, 4 pm
- Saturday, Oct. 19**
- Key**  
FOOT = Football  
MGOLF = Men’s Golf  
MSC = Men’s Soccer  
MXC = Men’s Cross Country  
VB = Volleyball  
WSC = Women’s Soccer  
WXC = Women’s Cross Country
- FOOT vs. Millsaps College, 1:30

FLJIs in FOOTBALL

Happy Homecoming and Congratulations to our Senior Brothers

Super Seniors: B.J. Dames, Dan Schwartz

Seniors: Jordan Aigner, Sam Burton, Raymond Chin, Jeremy Kashman, Dan Lessing, Jesse McQuiston, Josh Reed, Jason Short, Tim Swan

We’re Proud of You!!

Good luck to our underclassmen, too!!

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2002 Football standings				
Team	SCAC		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Trinity	2	0	5	0
U. South	2	0	3	2
Centre	1	1	4	1
DePauw	1	1	3	2
Millsaps	0	0	2	1
Rhodes	0	2	2	3
Rose-Hulman	0	2	1	4



**Jordan Aigner (#90)**  
Position: DL  
Major: C.E.  
Hometown: Boonville, IN



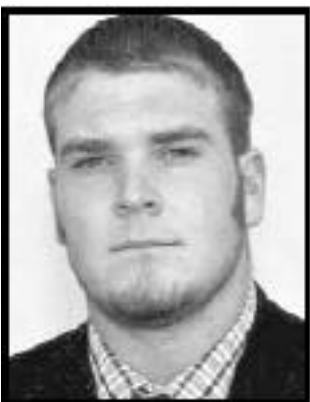
**Sam Burton (#33)**  
Position: FB  
Major: M.E.  
Hometown: Edinburgh, IN



**Raymond Chin (#21)**  
Position: WR  
Major: C.E.  
Hometown: Moorehead, KY



**BJ Dames (#24)**  
Position: RB \*  
Major: B.E.  
Hometown: La Porte, IN



**Derek Frank (#98)**  
Position: DL  
Major: M.E.  
Hometown: Bloomington, IN



**Tom Gaio (#60)**  
Position: OL  
Major: C.E.  
Hometown: Chardon, OH



**Nat Hill (#19)**  
Position: DB  
Major: M.E.  
Hometown: Bloomington, IN



**Seth Jones (#68)**  
Position: DL  
Major: M.E.  
Hometown: Peru, IN



**Jeremy Kashman (#13)**  
Position: WR  
Major: C.E.  
Hometown: Pittsboro, IN



**Rob Kief (#9)**  
Position: WR  
Major: M.E.  
Hometown: Cincinnati, OH

## Meet the 2002-2003 Rose-Hulman Fighting Engineers' Seniors and Super Seniors

( \* denotes Super Seniors )



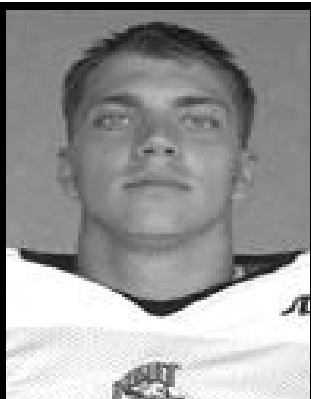
**Chris Lelak (#65)**  
Position: OL  
Major: E.E.  
Hometown: Mooresville, IN



**Daniel Lessing (#62)**  
Position: OL  
Major: M.E.  
Hometown: Hamilton, OH



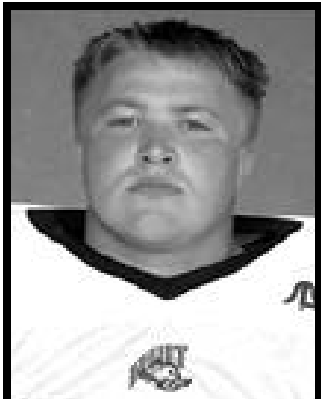
**Jesse McQuiston (#18)**  
Position: DB  
Major: M.E.  
Hometown: Boonville, IN



**Nick Osborn (#58)**  
Position: LB  
Major: M.E.  
Hometown: Bargersville, IN



**Josh Reed (#80)**  
Position: WR  
Major: C.E.  
Hometown: New Palestine, IN



**Aaron Roberts (#38)**  
Position: LB  
Major: C.E.  
Hometown: Plainfield, IN



**Daniel Schwartz (#64)**  
Position: OL \*  
Major: B.E.  
Hometown: New Palestine, IN



**Jason Short (#25)**  
Position: RB  
Major: M.E.  
Hometown: Niles, MI



**Tim Swan (#34)**  
Position: LB  
Major: M.E.  
Hometown: Framington, MI



**Jared Tharpe (#1)**  
Position: QB  
Major: M.E.  
Hometown: Oakridge, TN



**Kevin Tierney (#79)**  
Position: OL  
Major: E.E.  
Hometown: Louisville, IN



**Josh Willis (#10)**  
Position: QB  
Major: E.E.  
Hometown: Franklin, IN



**Matt Zuber (#29)**  
Position: LB  
Major: M.E.  
Hometown: Paris, IL

The Rose Thorn

FLIP SIDE

Top Ten Things to Do on Break

Prof Quotes

- 10 Laminate your complete Flipside collection.
- 9 Prove that you can play 86 hours without kicking it. The bucket, that is.
- 8 Show your parents some of your new \$30,000/year Maple skills.
- 7 Adopt a kitten. Blackmail your RA into letting you keep it.
- 6 Sleep. Long time.
- 5 Work nonstop in hopes of repaying your poker debts.
- 4 Contemplate contemplation.
- 3 Scoff at the 3 projects you have due the next Monday, "Ha! It is break!"
- 2 Wonder how your profs pass time in Terre Haute without you around.
- 1 Mill about Speed Hall looking forlorn, wishing you went home.

A Flipside Editorial (Rant)

It's getting out of hand, people. For some reason, a certain 'Special' individual found it humorous to scribe the number '420' into the new sidewalk being put in along the road to the frat houses.

Please, someone, provide me with photographic evidence that this wasn't one of our students. I beg you. Children everywhere are crying this is so dumb. How stupid can you get?

What's going on around here? I mean now, they're sodding in grass by Hatfield hall. In OCTOBER. Not to mention the big, ugly void in front of New Olin previously known as Templeton.

Hasn't that building been torn down since mid-August? Call me crazy, but maybe I just think it's a better idea to grow stuff while there's still a sun out, I think it's called photosynthesis, maybe you've heard of it.

And the Root Quadrangle (sorry, my fellow tools, but it is not named for the

math or UNIX terms, but a person), I don't actually know what they're doing there, I tend not to ask guys driving Gigantrix Dump Trucks with a purpose what the !\$@# they're doing to my precious campus. Ron claims it has something to do with the roof.

And, the Flipside Editor's horrible abuse of the English language. I mean, look, who starts a paragraph with 'And' anyway? It's against every rule in the book!

And, lets not forget to mention the Homecoming Queen contest. I seriously recommend that this thing stops before it gets out of hand. I know popularity contests were all the rage in High School, but it only gets worse if we feed the flames, folks.

Try wandering a campus like Purdue around homecoming time, it's absurd. These girls (and the guys too) get all prissied up for a ridiculous poster-sized full-color personal adver-

tisements that remind me a lot of the fun prostitute flyers in Las Vegas. Of course, in the Homecoming ads these people brag about how smart they are, and how much they love to spend their free time with retarded kinds, whereas the sex workers are at least somewhat honest.

Finally, of course, this year's stupid bonfire. We here at the Flipside like to point out just how much this year's bonfire sucks every chance we get. We're not even going to mention certain graffiti adorning the thing, instead, we have a plan. The Habitat House. Let's burn that puppy down, it'll be frikkin' awesome. I know, I know, they're supposed to be a family moving in it ASAP, but all these service types will feel guilty, and the damn thing will be finished weeks ahead of schedule. Great plan, eh? Fine, you think of something else.

"You guys want to avoid Calculus like a fat-fingered proctologist."

--Dr. Bremmer

"My life-long dream is to open a bar called 'Bremmers' since there's no other good bar in Terre Haute."

--Dr. Bremmer

Mike: "If it takes  $2^{64}$  iterations..."

Student: "You're screwed."

Mike: "Well, in slightly more technical language..."

--Prof. Mike Wollowski, teaching us the technical term for 'screwed.'

"We're going to meet a Sonka's next friday and have class there. When we are drinking our beer, we will be studying supersonic flow because of how fast we are drinking them."

--Dr. Chambers

"And today, we've learned how to parameterize a potato chip."

--Dr. Rickert, proving that Calc III really does have a purpose.

"It seems like on of nature's favorite roles is that of an ungrateful child."

--Prof. Syed

"I'm an engineer. I'm gonna pretend I know what this crap means!"

--Prof Graves, on how he derived an equation in Calc II

"I need a volunteer, anybody? Ok, come up here. Now, I've got some industrial strength rubber gloves..."

--Prof Ardis

"Tennis balls hitting rackets, pool balls hitting other pool balls, pool balls hitting the guy at the bar if he looks at you wrong..."

--Prof. Thomas, describing many instances of momentum and impulse in the real world.

Have your profs said something wacky lately?  
Well, stay awake for a change and write it down!  
Send your Prof Quotes to:  
[flipside@rose-hulman.edu](mailto:flipside@rose-hulman.edu)  
Any other humor, comments, suggestions, complaints, or death threats are welcome as well.

<div><div>This Week in the News</div><div>A Korean businessman drops dead after 86 straight hours of playing Half-Life in a net cafe. What a Pansie.</div></div>	<div><div>This Week in History</div><div>1797 AD - The Cubans start wrapping small versions of cigars in cotton. I'm just glad we don't call them Castrettes.</div></div>	<div><div>This Week in the Porn Industry</div><div>'Actress' Savanna Samson has signed on to be a wine-critic for <i>101 Philly</i>, a Philedalphia magazine. The usual jokes include playing on critic terms like 'full-bodied' and 'supple.' Oh well, at least she's used to foul tastes.</div></div>
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