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Friday, March 20, 1998

ngineers in Concert next Saturday

Thorn News Editor

The music of new and old artists will resound through the Moench Hall auditorium next Saturday, when members of the Rose-Hulman community demonstrate their musical talents in Engineers in Concert.
The show will feature perfor-

mances from the Rose Concert Band and the Rose Chorus, a barbershop quartet, a clarinet quartet, a vocal ensemble, two piano duets, and several instrumental and vocal solos.

The music to be performed includes classical pieces by Brahms, Bach, Mozart, and Chopin. There will also be songs written by more contemporary to the contemporary of porary artists such as Bette Midler, Billy Joel, and Paul Simon. Two students will perform music that they have com-

The annual tradition of Engineers in Concert began at Rose in 1981, according to C. Mallory North, professor of mechanical engineering and coordinator of the show. North explained that there were three for the state of the state co-founders: David Dvorak, a junior at the time, Joan S. Spicknall, a professor of music, and North himself. and North himself.

North said that Dvorak and Spicknall originally came up with the idea. North, who was



Chemistry professors Luanne Tilstra and Mark Ball perform a piano duet at a previous Engineers in Concert.

Spicknall at the time, agreed to and staff, to the surrounding help as well. When Dvorak community. help as well. When Dvorak graduated and Spicknall moved away, North took over as the coordinator of Engineers in Concert. North alone remained in charge of the show until the late 1980's, when the Commission on Visual and Performing Arts decided to sponsor the show. North, however, is still the coordinator.

North gave several reasons for his participation in Engineers in Concert. He describes it as fun and said, "It seemed like a good thing to do." He considers the show to be a good outlet for dis-

he coordinates Engineers in Concert because "I want to dispel the notion that engineers and scientists are basically nerds...They have lots of backgrounds and abilities...This is one area where engineers and scientists do well."

Rose students participating in the show expressed sentiments similar to North's regarding place on Saturday, March 28, at Engineers in Concert. Lisa Carr, 7:30 p.m. in the Moench Hall a junior mechanical engineering major, will be involved in the show for the first time this be the master of ceremonies. with the idea. North, who was playing the talents of not only year. She will perform a piano taking piano lessons from Rose students, but also faculty solo and duet in the show. Carr

be nice to contribute to the performing arts community at Rose-Hulman. The arts aren't really emphasized here, and this is my little way of trying to do something about that."

Matt Rubacha, a senior computer engineering major, has participated in Engineers in Concert for all five years that he has been at Rose. He will perform two some in a years solo Rubacha explained, "[Engineers in Concert] is a great way to be involved with this campus." He also mentioned that performing in the show is a good way to display the talents that engineers have in non-tech-

Josh Horstman, a senior computer science major, will be performing in Engineers in Concert for the first time. He will be involved as part of the Concert Band, a clarinet quartet, and a piano duet with Carr. Horstman commented, "I thought it would be fun...It's a good chance to perform what we've been work-ing on and it's a good opportunity for the concert band to perform."

The show is open to the public, and admission is free.

Fire claims

by Joel Gillespie Thorn Editor-in-Chief

A fire on the night of Saturday, March 14 at the Hulman ranch south from Rose-Hulman on Highway 46 destroyed a house that was under construction. No one was injured in the blaze, which was reported between 7 and 8 p.m. Saturday night, after the house was already engulfed in flames.

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The formerly impressive structure, which could be seen from Highway 46, burned to the ground before the several fire departments called to the scene could extinguish the blaze. Initial estimates placed the damage between \$5 and \$10 million, but those figures have been clarified to between \$2.5 and \$3 million.

Mari Hulman George, the owner of the ranch and traditional starter of the Indianapolis 500, was at her Florida home at the time of the fire. No damage was sustained to adjacent buildings or to the considerable number of livestock which reside at the ranch.

Investock which reside at the ranch.

The house was about 80 percent completed at the time of the fire, and was scheduled to be done by late summer. The cause for the blaze is currently undetermined.

Hulman George is the matriarch of the Hulman family, which has operated the Indianapolis Motor Speedway for many years and has generously supported Rose-Hulman.

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First Day of Spring



NSBE to host leadership retreat this Saturday

by Vu Thu Pham Thorn News Reporter

National Society Black Engineers will host their first leadership retreat this Sat-urday from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Hulman Union.

"Lots of organizations don't know how to lead their group, so we want to host a retreat to enhance their leadership skills," said retreat coordinator, Aduni Akerele-Ale.

Akerele-Ale said that NSBE hopes the retreat will provide new knowledge of leadership to attendees so they can effective leaders. Doing well in school, leading an effective organization, or being able to lead a group in a project for a company are strong and marketable skills.

Eight different workshops will be presented. Some of the topics include time and financial management, conflict resolution, networking, running a meeting, and maintaining pro-fessionalism. Each workshop will have a limit of 15 people

The workshops will be given by representatives from many different companies. Some of the facilitators come from companies such as Delco, Marathon, Johnson Controls, GE Aircraft Engines, and Eli Lilly. Arleen Anderson, John Robson, and Dick Boyce will also help run some of the work-

when the spent a lot of time and effort organizing this are to be great. retreat. It is going to be great. All the facilitators are excited to do it," commented Akerele

Currently close to forty people have pre-registered to attend the retreat. Several NSBE chapters from other schools will also be attending. According to Akerele-Ale, there are still several spaces open. If a student is interested in attending the retreat, he or she can contact Akerele-Ale at 877-8018 or by e-mail at alize@cutey.com. Students may also register on the day of the retreat.

Blood drive next week



A blood drive will be held on March 24 and 25 from 11 a.m. to 4:40 p.m. Several prizes will be awarded on both days, including airplane tickets.

Loftus takes first in NCAA Nationals See Sports page 6 for details



March 21-22

- ·Baseball
- ·Rose-Hulman Invitational
- ·Games throughout Saturday & Sunday afternoon.

March 27

- ·Circle K Charity Dinner/Silent Auction
- ·Kahn Rooms, 7 p.m.
- ·Benefits go to combating Iodine Deficiency Disorder.

This Weekend

Friday, March 20

- ·India Tea Hour, Hulman Union, 4:30 p.m.
- Baseball, Rose-Hulman Invitational, Art Nehf Field:
 - * Wilmington College vs. Thomas More College,
 - * Rose-Hulman vs. Thomas Moore, 3:30 p.m. (9
- ·Golf, Wabash College, Crawfordsville or Hulman Links Golf Courses
- •Career Services Interviews: One Call Communications

Saturday, March 21

- •NSBE Leadership Retreat, Hulman Union, 9:30 a.m.-
- •Kids Fest, Sports & Recreation Center, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. •Science Rose Bowl, throughout campus 8:30 a.m.-
- 2:30 p.m. ·Baseball, Rose-Hulman Invitational, Art Nehf Field:
- * Rose-Hulman vs. Wilmington College, 10:30
 - * Thomas More vs. Wilmington College, 1 p.m.
 - * Rose-Hulman vs. College of Mount St. Jôseph, 3:30 p.m.
- •Men's Tennis, at Franklin College & Anderson University, 10 a.m. (ICAC)
- •Golf, Wabash College, Crawfordsville or Hulman Links Golf Courses

March 22-28

Sunday, March 22

- Baseball, Rose-Hulman Invitational, Art Nehf Field:
 - * Rose-Hulman vs. Wilmington College, Noon
 - * Rose-Hulman vs. Thomas More College, 3 p.m.
- •Men's Tennis, University of Southern Indiana, Rea Park Courts, 10 a.m.
- •Learning Center Supplemental Instruction Program: IFYCSEM, O-257, 7-9 p.m.

Monday, March 23

- •JV Baseball, at Olney Central College, Olney, Ill., 2 p.m. (DH)
- •Learning Center Supplemental Instruction Program, Physics III (All Sections), BL-114, 7:30-9 p.m.

March 22-28 (continued)

Tuesday, March 24

- •Explore Engineering (Grab Bag Engineering), GM
- •Men's Tennis, Olney Central College, 3 p.m.
- •Learning Center Supplemental Instruction Program, Calculus II (Klebanoff), G-310, 7:30-9 p.m.
- •Career Services Interviews: Indiana Department of Transportation
- ·Career Services Information Session: CPX, Hulman

Wednesday, March 25

- •President's Administrative Council, Faculty/Staff Dining Room, 8 a.m.
- •Smoking Cessation Program, "Mastering Obstacles," Faculty/Staff Lounge (E-204), Moench Hall, 11:45
- •Applied Mathematics Seminar, "Wavelet Applications In Image Processing," Allen
- Broughton, G-220, 1:35 p.m.
 •Chemistry Senior Seminar, "Study of Organic Charge Transfer Crystals," Richard Copeland, G-308, 4:20
- ·Baseball, at Millikin University, Decatur, Ill., 3 p.m. (9 Innings)
- •Learning Center Supplemental Instruction Programs, Physics III (All Sections), BL-114, 7:30-9 p.m.; IFYCSEM, O-257, 7-9 p.m.
 •Career Services Interviews: CPX

Thursday, March 26

•Men's Tennis, Manchester College, Rea Park Courts, 4 p.m. (ICAC)

·Career Services Interviews: CPX

Friday, March 27

- •Circle K Charity Dinner/Silent Auction, Kahn Rooms, 7 p.m. (Benefits Combating Iodine Deficiency Disorder)
- •Lambda Chi Alpha's Charity Run For Big Brothers/ Big Sisters, Starting At 6 p.m.
- •Army ROTC Spring Field Training Exercises, Camp Atterbury, Begins at 4 p.m.

 •JV Baseball, Wabash College, Art Nehf Field, 3 p.m.
- ·Golf, at Prairie Fire Classic, Galesburg, Ill.

Saturday, March 28

- •Fine Arts Series, Engineers In Concert, Moench Hall Auditorium, 7:30 p.m. (Free Admission)
 - Lambda Chi Alpha's Charity Run For Big Brothers/Big Sisters, Through 6 p.m.
 - •Army ROTC Spring Field Training Exercises, Camp Atterbury, Through 4 p.m.
 - ·Wabash Valley Alumni Family Day, Sports & Recreation Center
 - Baseball, at Franklin College, Franklin, 1 p.m. (ICAC)
 - •Golf, at Prairie Fire Classic, Galesburg, Ill. •Men's Tennis, at Kerry Seward Invitational,

March 29- April 24

Sunday, March 29

- ·Baseball, at IUPUI, Indianapolis, 1 p.m.
- •Men's Tennis, at Kerry Seward Invitational, Crawfordsville
- •Learning Center Supplemental Instruction Program: IFYCSEM, O-257, 7-9 p.m. •Computer Science Review Session, CS100, O-157, 7-9 p.m

Monday, March 30

•Learning Center Supplemental Instruction Program: Physics III (All Sections), BL-114, 7:30-9:30 p.m.

March 22-28 (continued)

Monday, March 30

•Computer Science Review Session, CS 100, O-259, 4-

Tuesday, March 31

- •Student Government Association Meeting, GM Room, 5:30 p.m.
- •Learning Center Supplemental Instruction Program: Calculus III (Klebanoff), G-310, 7:30-9:30 p.m
- •Night Exam, CS100 Test I, Sections A-D, Olin Hall, 7-9 p.m.

Wednesday, April 1

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- ·Smoking Cessation Program, "Mastering Obstacles," Faculty/Staff Lounge (E-204), Moench Hall, 11:45
- ·Applied Mathematics Seminar, "Wavelet Applications In Image Processing," Allen Broughton, G-220, 1:35 p.m.
- ·Learning Center Supplemental Instruction Programs, Physics III (All Sections), BL-114, 7:30-9 p.m.; IFYCSEM, O-257, 7-9 p.m.
- •Night Exam, CS100 Test II, Sections A-D, Olin Hall, 7-9 p.m

Thursday, April 2

- •JV Baseball, Vincennes University, Art Nehf Field, 2
- ·Learning Center Supplemental Instruction Program, Calculus III (Klebanoff), G-310, 7:30-9 p.m.

Friday, April 3

- •Start Of Spring Break, 5 p.m.
- •Admissions' Visitation Day, Kahn Rooms, Hulman Union, 1-4:30 p.m.
- •Golf, at Manchester Invitational, North Manchester

Saturday, April 4

- ·Baseball, at Wabash College, Crawfordsville, 1 p.m.
- •Men's Tennis, at Hanover College, Hanover, Ind., 10
- •Golf, at Manchester Invitational, North Manchester

Future Events

- •April 13 Spring Quarter Resumes, 8:05 a.m.
- •April 14 Institute Meeting, Kahn Rooms, 4:30 p.m •April 18 - Campus Beautification Day
- •April 21 -- SAB Talent & Fashion Show
- •April 24-25 -- Drama Club Musical, "Some Like It Hot (Sugar)," 8 p.m.
- •April 25 -- Fundamentals Of Engineering Exam, Throughout Campus
- •April 27 -- Last Date To Drop Course Without Penalty

Submissions To Campus Events

Events may be published in Campus Events by any organization or individual. Information on club meetings, lectures/ speeches, and athletic events, including announcements of times and locations may be submitted to Campus Calendar, in care of Dale Long, associate director of communications, at Box 14 or extension 8418. More detailed articles containing plans, agendas, and specific information should be submitted to the

All submissions must be made by Wednesday, at noon, in order to be published in Campus Events in the Rose Thorn on Friday.



Rayburn

SAB will present Mike Rayburn in a performance on Saturday in the auditorium. The show begins at

in a performance on Saturday in the auditorium. The show begins at 8 p.m.

Mike Rayburn offers a performance that is a perfect blend of music, cornedy and truly masterful guitar work. He is also a published songwriter with a pointed and unique style who draws upon influences ranging from Lyle Lovett to John Hiatt, As a result, his compositions range from the light-hearted and wirty to the profoundly insightful. With a degree in classical guitar, he gives a guitar performance that is as amazing to watch as it is to hear. His acoustic guitar adaptation of "The Devil Went Down to Georgia" continues to blow audiences away.

Rayburn has the ability to draw an audience into a powerful and unforgettable experience. Consequently, he has become an annual event at many schools. He also lectures on subjects such as the music business, songwriting and guitar techniques, and humanitarian involvement, For quite some time, he has volunteered with Compasion International, a Christian organization that works with needy children in inner cities find on Native American reservations.

Campus Activities Today magazine has named him America's Best Acoustic Act and America's Best Solo Performer. The Campus Activities has nominated him for its Best Contemporary Music Performer award.

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its Best Contemporary Music Per-

Rayburn has also released four albums, one of which was recorded live and captures the essence of a Mike Rayburn show.

SAB presents Kids Fest '98 to be at SRC on Saturday

Thorn News Editor

Rose-Hulman will host Kids Fest '98 at the Sports and Recreation Center (SRC) on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The event is being organized by Curiocity, a children's publication associated with the Terre Haute Tribune-Star.

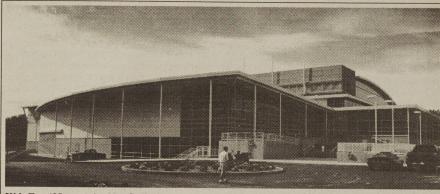
Melissa Brownson, editor of niche publications at the *Tribune-Star*, explained that Rose-Hulman was asked to host the event because Curiocity thought it was an ideal location. According to Brownson, the SRC is a good facility and its large size will be able to accommodate the expected

Matthew Sinclair, facility manager of the SRC, said that representatives from *Curiocity* contacted Rose-Hulman in July, before construction of the athletic center was completed, about the holding the event on-cam-

Although the event will occupy the fieldhouse area of the athletic center, Sinclair explained that other facilities in the athletic center will remain open for students. The weightroom, Hulbert Arena, and for students. The pool are expected to be open for student use. "If it came to either hosting the event, or closing [the SRC] off to all students, then we wouldn't host the event. We would always have [the SRC] open to all students," Sin
The special of the students are some of the events held by *Curiocity* in the past.

According to Brownson, other citclair said.

According to Sinclair, there are currently not any plans to hold future a good opportunity to gauge whether a celebration for their premier in



Kids Fest '98, organized by Curiocity, will be held at the Sports and Recreation Center this Saturday

other community events could be which 600 children attended. Brown- outside reservation of the SRC that is held at the SRC.

Curiocity is a free publication geared to 8 to 10 year olds. Brownson said that Curiocity contains both national and local content. Brownson explained, "One of our main goals is to encourage a sense of pride in the Terre Haute area. We do this by showing local heroes, local events, and family events.

Terre Haute's Curiocity publication sponsors several events throughout the year for children and their

ies have *Curiocity* publications as well as Terre Haute. Kids Fest '98 marks the one-year anniversary of community events at the athletic center. He explained that Kids Fest '98 is Haute area. Last year, Curiocity held

son is hopeful that 1,000 children will attend this Saturday's event.

Booths will be set up in the fieldhouse portion of the athletic center. There will be various activities for children like human bowling, a velcro wall, and a "make you own video" booth. In addition, some local businesses will also have booths Rose-Hulman will have an area set up at the event in which the Phantom II solar-powered car is expected to be

Sinclair explained that the determination of whether any future events will be held at the athletic center will be weighed against whether students will be able to use the athletic center. "We always want to keep [the SRC] open to [students]. If push comes to shove, then we just won't host [events] anymore," said Sinclair.

Sinclair explained this is the only

occurring during the academic term. Reservations usually only occur during breaks and the summer.

While Rose is providing equipment and the space to hold the event, Sinclair said representatives from *Curiocity* will be setting up for Kids Fest '98.

Sinclair said Rose-Hulman is not profiting monetarily from the event. The reward lies in community involvement. Sinclair explained, "It's an opportunity for the Terre Haute community to come onto the Rose-Hulman campus and have an enjoyable experience here

Brownson said Curiocity plans to make Kids Fest an annual event. Admission to Kids Fest '98 is \$2 for children and \$5 for adults. According to Brownson, all proceeds from the event will benefit the Children's Science and Technology Museum.

New administration presides over first SGA meeting this quarter

by Weeks Heist Senior Class President

Student Government Association had the first meeting of the spring quarter, as well as the first meeting under the new administration

The keynote speaker was the newly-elected president, Chris Repa, who gave the State of the Association address.

Vice-President, Alyssa Riley, told the senate that there will be some changes made to the meetings. Rather than having formal meetings, a more relaxed approach is going to be taken. The reason behind this is so senators will not feel overwhelmed

Haden Kirkpatrick, executive On Tuesday, March 17, the director, announced that petitudent Government Associations for the upcoming class on had the first meeting of the president elections will be pring quarter, as well as the placed in students' boxes. He also plans to have an informanew executive committee.

tion session with the current Team Rose Motorsports' fundpresidents for anyone who may be interested in running.

Senior Class President Weeks Heist announced that the senior their vehicle in time for the comclass picnic is starting to be planned and more information will be available at the next

Sophomore Class President Andy Davis announced that last Friday's concert was resched-uled because there were a few by the meetings and will then problems with the contracts of dents.

feel that they can speak more the bands that were supposed to

The senate approved the installations of Elizabeth Hagerman as parliamentarian, Eric Andrews as a replacement senator for the commuters, and the

ing request for \$3,600 was discussed and approved. The team should now be able to complete petition later this year.

Finally, a special events ad hoc committee was formed. This committee will be in charge of planning a large event for Rose-Hulman students. Several ideas were brought up, including a speaker or a concert for the stu-



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a) Depression is a bunch of symptoms exhibited by weak people.

b) Depression is an unbearable suppression of brain activity that can strike anyone.

htening out all the misconceptions, the correct answer is 'b'. It's a concept we should all understand and remember, and here's why. Depression strikes millions of young adults, but only 1 out of 5 ever seeks treatment for it. Too many just drag themselves along or eventually seek relief through suicide. Why not treatment? Partly lack of awareness. Partly

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Sprintime at Rose, past and present

Michelle Perez Thorn columnist

Ahh, Spring. The time when a young man's fancy turns to thoughts of outdoor fun in the Among the natural disas ters of the feared El Niño and the scarcity of "Normal Girls," even the men of Rose-Hulman have succumbed to the awesome influence of Springtime. By this I suggest that we take a tour through the Rose-Hulman of yesteryear to the campus on which we live today.

Tradition demands that we first pay homage to the fraterni-Fraternal formal banquets and dances have been a source coeducational interaction since the Greek system was first introduced to Rose-Hulman The boys gave it the "good old college try" as they scoured the grounds of ISU and the Woods

Women were scarce in those days and a night with the boys was deemed just as acceptable a night with the girl. (Although I bet the stories told at the first event came from the second.) Finding girls was a challenge and the advantage

The Fighting Engineers of the former all-boys school looked to Spring as the beginning of baseball season and the climax of college basketball. March Madness called for a 24-hour lookout for the next big game. School attire was also a hallmark of the all-male campus.

The campus was frought with men breaking out their old holey jean shorts and a variety of t-shirts. The atmosphere was open, the talk straightforward, and the boys all rolled out of bed minutes before class

We are now in the midst of creating new traditions. Today, the Sororities also hold Spring formals. Tri Delts have been seen wearing their newest aquisition—shirts promoting the Stars and Crescent Ball. Now, Rose women spend time preparing and plotting for the perfect way to approach Mr. Wonderful. Sounds like a scene from Alice's Wonderland if you ask

Another twist is the open formal sponsored by Rose. Last year, all members of the Rose Family were invited to get

was theirs, as the reputation of Rich Husbands In Training preceded them.

dressed up and dance ... now who says they always exclude the GDIs?

Outdoor events have also become popular with the girls on campus as outdoor pienics on Speed Beach allow privacy and fresh air for a change of pace. Mees girls (and I guess Mees guys) spend sunny days sunbathing on the front lawn, much to the delight of male passersby.

Spring isn't just for baseball players either, as the Rose softball team hopes to prove this weekend in their first game against Depaul. On a trendier note, fashion has also taken a dramatic turn on campus. With so many guys in every class, girls feel the need to dress somewhat nicely for all their outings. Boys, on the other hand, have also upped the acceptable class attire to a more suitable level.

With the doldrums of winter soon to be long forgotten, Spring revitalizes the spirit and turns thoughts of Calculus to those of Ultimate frisbee. As fresh air blows through the winds of change, the students relish in reliving traditions of the past and creating new ones for the future.

Letter to the Edtior

To the Residents of BSB Hall,

We are writing this letter for the problem that occurred early Wednesday morning, February 25. We were responsible for the pulling of the fire alarm that caused everyone to evacuate BSB Hall early that morning. We did not realize the dangers we caused through our actions. It was a very unintelligent thing to do, and we apologize for causing any inconvenience to all of the people that were involved.

Sincerely.

Bill Sellis Chuck Hayden

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Rose-Hulman Horoscopes

Who do you think you are? Some kind of dark underlord? You know you'll never overtake Barney Fife so just forget about it and move on to something else Golf caddy sounds nice.

Scarpio (Oct. 24 - Nov. 21) Is your refrigerator running? Well, you'd better let him out! Try to stay as active as possible for the next few days. I don't know why you should. It just sounds like a good idea.

Sacittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21)
How long has it been since you How long has it been since you talked to your uncle Bob? He's very worried about you, and wants to know how you're doing in your classes. Will it kill you to give him a call?

Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19) A mysterious letter in the mail will cause you to wonder who sent it. You'll probably never find out, but it's not important anyway. What you really need to worry about is the tacos.

Aguarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18) Your activities for the next week include eating, sleeping, cow tipping, and homework. It will definitely keep you busy, but if you practice good time management skills, you'll be able to do it.

Pisces (Feb. 19 - Mar. 20) You'll be asked to join some type of shady operation. If it will be to your benefit you should go for it. Don't tell anybody about it though. They might get the wrong impression of you.

Aries (Mar. 21 - Apr. 19)

You will be pleasantly surprised with roast beef for dinner tonight, but don't get too used to it. If you think you can have roast beef whenever you want, you've got something else coming.

F Taurus (Apr. 20 - May 20) Tauruses of the world unite! You'll be able to accomplish your mission if you all work together. Smile on your brother, love one another, smoke some banana peels (don't inhale).

Gemini (May 27 - vum 2) Gemini (May 21 - June 21) the vibrations of Gunner and Matthew Nelson will guide your way. Let them, with their golden blonde angelic hair, be vour muses.

Cancer (June 22 - July 22) I bet those sand castles are really starting to make you itch. You shouldn't have made them in your bed. On the other hand, the absorption capacity of sand is miraculous, isn't it?

Leo (July 23 - Aug. 22) It's a damn shame you weren't born on February 29th. Then again, you wouldn't even be a Leo, so why would you even bother reading this if you were? Some people are so weird, it makes me sick.

Virgo (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22) With so many forms of birth control on the market, you'd think that your cousin would be a connoisseur of sorts. However, if both of your parents were only children, you're out of luck, bucko.

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SGA Year in Review: Not just another usual pancake breakfast

SGA Publicity Director

Spring quarter has come. With it comes more work, maybe the sun, hopefully warmer temperatures, and most importantly, of course, a new SGA administration. But what of the old administration? should they be remembered? For all those people who have ever asked me "So what does SGA do anyway?" I present this humble history of the SGA's accomplishments and fallacies in the "Days of Dean."

It started out on a cloudy. February day one year ago with a college junior who had just found himself elected student body president by a six-vote edge out of the quarter of the student body that voted. One hell of a mandate from the people. Nevertheless, this enthusiastic young man began preparing his administration with vigor like a CS student with a new computer game.

With his newly elected vice president, Chris Repa, he chose for his Executive Council those people who he thought shared his commitment to work for the benefit of all students. For Sec

Exec member with stubborn opinion. Stuart Busby, Treasurer, a longtime Finance Committee member. The new Publicity Director was Ben Parker a freshman with high dreams for action, and Alyssa Riley for Executive Director, another freshman anxious to make an impact.

The first spring quarter saw several challenges for this newly assembled group. The new president's enthusiasm for change was challenged by a senate that for two quarters had been much more passive than what was now asked of them. Tensions within the inexperienced Executive Council ran

It didn't take long to meet up with trouble. Only weeks into the new administration, Dean discovered the moral dilemma of the Habitat for Humanity. This was an SGA-funded organization, and quite a good one at that, but it held in its constitution a reference to God, a direct violation of the SGA Constitution's standards for clubs. Now should he remove their club status, disallowing funding to a group who deserves money as

retary, Michelle Clark, a veter- much as anyone, or let it slide, We decided on saying the laws don't really

> He decided to stand behind the oath he made when he took office to uphold the Constitution. Whether it was right or ey allotted to wrong, he made his decision, each class in orand despite all the criticism to der to encourage come, he did not falter.

In the meantime, the new SGA got off to a rocky start. The senate was not appreciative of the sudden change in attitude at the top. Tension started to build up in all levels, due to several factors. However, some important things were accomplished. A student discount card was developed by the SGA to be distributed the next fall. Plans were begun as well for the next fall's bonfire.

Summer came and went, and in came a new SGA. Was this to be the strong, active senate that was so hoped for? Only time

Not long into the year, some of the faces changed. Carl Hartmann came in as Club Relations Director, a new position planned to create a better working relationship with funded clubs. Ben Parker decided he had enough of Rose and left af-

ter Fall Quarter. As a result, I entered into my new position as Publicity Director without a clue about what I was getting

I found out soon enough. Coming out of an amazing conference over Thanksgiving Break, the Exec went into their last quarter with a desire to finstrong.

several things we wanted to try. One was to increase amount of monmore activities by the classes. We wanted to share with the students one part of the conference we all appreciatedspeaker Marlon

Smith.

The new senate turned out to be a great improvement over past years. Senators have presented their views, offered initiative, and participated enthusiastically.

There have been strains, especial-

ly with the loss of quorum in the winter quarter's final meeting and the barrage of vetoes that followed, but it has remained solid through trials.

So how will the 1997-1998 leaders of the SGA be remembered? I hope it will be as a group of people committed to serving the students we were chosen to represent. A unit that fought against the SGA's reputation of inactivity and paved the way for a better SGA, and a better Rose-Hulman.

Now the torch has been passed to a new group of lead-Chris Repa has become President, and Alyssa Riley has moved up to be Vice-President. Their new Executive Council: secretary Chad Trembath, a junior willing to accept the responsibility; treasurer Jason Carter becomes the chairman of the finance committee that he has been a member of for two years; as proof of my insanity, I'm problems start being solved.

Things SGA has done over the past 3 quarters

- •Refrigerator Rentals
- •Brought speaker Marlon Smith to Rose-Hulman
- Gave out money and prizes at Basketball Halftime Contests
- Free T-Shirts!
- •Funded over 50 clubs, including SAB, Thorn, Solar Phantom, and WMHD
- •co-sponsoring of the Spring Carnival
- Worked to improve SRC hours
- •Provided a new Club Relations Committee to support new and existing clubs
- •Developed a smoother probationary status procedure for new clubs
- •Co-sponsored Evening with Industry
- •Worked to improve itself by the Senator of the Week program and internal conferences
- •Held a Student Body Survey to encourage student feedback
- •Expanded budget for class presidents to encourage activities
- *Co-sponsored the Homecoming Bonfire
- *Provided a Student Discount Card

sticking around as Publicity Director; freshmen Haden Kirkpatrick and Ephraim Lindquist take the tasks of Executive Director and Club Relations Di-

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Loftus champion

by Peter Anderson Thorn Sports Editor

Senior Ryan Loftus successfully defended his indoor pole vault national championship from last year last Friday at Brandeis University in Waltham,

chemical engineering major entered as the 11th best but vaulted ahead of the competition, winning on a vault of 16' 0-

"The championship has not come easy for him," head coach Bill Welch said. "There have been a lot of frustrations this year, but on that day he was able to put it together enough to rise to the occasion and win it.

Sophomore Phil Reksel also competed at the National Championships in the 400 meter. Reksel entered with the fastest time in the nation but finished a disappointing ninth with a time of

"It was a big disappointment, naturally, because no one wants to win and perform well more than Phil, and he is willing to put the work and effort into it to get to the top," Welch said.

The track team will start the outdoor season next week Seniors Loftus, Arvont Hill and Nate Subbert are being counted on to lead the team. Hill holds school records in the 100 m, 55 m and indoor 200 m as well as anchoring two relay teams. Subbert is a two-time national qualifier in the weight and hammer throws, and Loftus the two-time national champion in the pole

On the women's side, junior Kathy Hoffman returns for her third year in the sprints, and sophomore Beth Nixon is back as the top thrower. Junior Bessie Fulk returns in the 10,000 meters and intermediate hurdles.

Tennis team continues winning ways

by Joel Gillespie Thorn Sports Reporter

Rose-Hulman's men's tennis team enters a big weekend of matches with a lot of momentum, following the Engineers' 7-2 upset win at Wabash College

Rose travels to a triangular match with Franklin and Anderson at Franklin on Saturday, then returns home for another triangular against Southern Indiana and an opponent to be determined on Sunday, beginning at 10 a.m.

In the Wabash match, Rose played by far their best match of the season on their way to obliterating the Little Giants. The team's only losses came in fifth singles and third doubles. The match had to be moved indoors due to inclement weather, but that didn't slow the Engineers from improving their

match record to 5-1.

Wabash traditionally finishes second in the Indiana Collegiate Athletic Conference, behind perennial power DePauw. This win demonstrates Rose's improvement in relation to the rest of the conference

Last Saturday, the Engineers traveled to Cedar Rapids, Iowa, to play two matches against Coe College and Nebraska Wesleyan. The Engineers returned with a split, dropping a 7-0 decision to Coe and besting Wesleyan, 6-1.

mightily against the powerful Kohawks, as sixth singles player Jordan Williford was the only Rose player to win a set.

However, Rose got back on track against Nebraska Wesleyan. First singles player Craig Clark won a tough three-set match, 6-3, 4-6, 7-5, to get the Engineers going, and teammates Tyson May, Robert Kober, Jason Owen, and Williford followed with straight-set victories. The Engineers swept the doubles matches to complete the deed.

Rose-Hulman 7, Wabash 2

Singles - Craig Clark (RH) def. Mark Ratner 2-6, 6-2, 6-4; Tyson May (RH) def. Drew Cougill 6-2, 6-2; Robert Kober (RH) def. Dushynatti Surikanti 6-2, 6-1; Jason Owen (RH) def. Peter Suffeld 6-1, 6-4; Jordan Williford (RH) def. Todd Witts 3-6, 7-5, 6-4; Clint Swenk (W) def. Koji Okamato 7-6 (4), 6-2.

Doubles - Clark-Kober (RH) def. Cougill-Surikanti 8-6; May-Owen (RH) def. Swenk-Ratner 8-6; Suffeld-Roger Sullivan (W) def. Okamato-Eric Marion 8-5.

Sports Briefs

Valentine swims at Nationals

Junior Sean Valentine became the first swimmer or diver in Rose-Hulman history to compete at the NCAA Division III National Championships

Valentine set a school record in the 50-yard freestyle earlier this year with a time of 20.79 s. He is seeded eighth.

Since qualifiers are allowed to compete in three events, Valentine will also take part in the 100-yard butterfly and the time the Engineers play at home this season. 100-yard freestyle today and tomorrow

The meet is being held at Principia College in St. Peter's, Mo. Preliminaries for all events start at 11 a.m., with the Miller won the ICAC Championship as a freshman in finals at 6:30 p.m.

Women's Basketball (3-22, 0-10)

Men's Basketball (13-12, 7-5)

Most Improved Player - Jennifer Schwartz, So., C

Newcomer of the Year - Tarelle Van Dyk, Fr., G 1000 Point Scorer - Amanda Speich, Jr., G

Most Valuable Player - Bessie Fulk, Jr., G

Teammate Award - Joel Jansen, Sr., F

Coach's Award - Todd Burch, Sr., G

Golf team starts season this weekend

The Rose-Hulman golf team will participate in its first official meet of the season this weekend in a match

Saturday the Engineers will drive and putt in Craw fordsville before returning to compete at Hulman Links here in Terre Haute on Sunday. Sunday marks the only

Rose-Hulman is led by two of last year's all-ICAC golfers, junior Joe Miller and sophomore Zach Nicoson.

Athletes honored at winter banquet

Rose-Hulman honored its top performers from the winter season at a banquet Wednesday night.

Junior Bessie Fulk was chosen as the MVP of the women's basketball team for the second consecutive year. Sophomore Jennifer Schwartz was honored as the Most Improved Player and freshman Tarelle Van Dyk was Newcomer of the Year.

The two seniors received awards for the men's team. Joel Jansen was the recipient of the Teammate Award while Todd Burch was given the Coach's Award.

See below for complete listing of awards.

Winter Awards

Swimming - Men

Most Valuable Swimmer - Sean Valentine, Jr. Most Outstanding Diver - Mike Holm, Sr. Mental Attitude Award - Gavin Hoch, Jr. Most Improved Award - Ryan Claus, Fr.

Swimming - Women

Most Valuable Swimmer - Juliana VanWinkle, Fr. Most Outstanding Diver - Robyn Heald, Fr. Mental Attitude Award - Alyson Tews, Fr. Most Improved Award - Amy Hentz, Fr.

Rifle (19th in the nation)

Most Valuable Shooter - Rich Price, Jr. Most Improved Shooter - Mark Sweigar Outstanding First-Year Shooter - Chad Wendall, Fr.

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Engineers prepare for Invitational this weekend

Thorn Sports Reporter

The Engineers went 2-3 in the Mideast Invitational this week, a series of high scoring affairs at Art Nehf field. Rose will take its 8-6 record into the Rose-Hulman Invitational this week against Thomas More, Wilmington, and Mt. St. Joseph.

Hope 11, Rose-Hulman 8

A fifth inning, six-run explosion was not enough for the home team to stave off the Hope Flying Dutchmen, who scored three in the last two innings to defeat Rose

Hope started off the scoring in the third inning with two runs on two errors by the Engineers, half of their total for the day. A twoout double from Mike Kreuger cut the score in half in the bottom of the inning when he drove in Brad Garrett, who himself had doubled.

After a scoreless fourth, the visitors hammered Rose starter Matt Sims with five hits and six runs in the top of the fifth. Now trailing 8-1, the Engineers answered with six runs of their own, four of which were driven in by doubles hit by Rob Nichols and Jimmy Costa. The other two RBIs came

off hits by Andy Tochterman and Templin (1-1) picked up his first knocked his Ryan Pownall.

The Engineers tied it in the sixth on an RBI single from Kreuger, but reliever Andy Cain (2-1) gave up a run in the seventh and two more in the eighth to put it out of reach. The game was called in the eighth because of darkness, and Cain wound up with the loss, his first of the year.

Rose-Hulman 11, Greenville 7

Rose took the first of two doubleheaders last Saturday, coming from behind in the fifth to defeat visiting Greenville by four in yet another high-scoring game.

The Engineers trailed early, 7-4, but got a plethora of RBI singles in the fifth to go up for good. The sixteen hit performance did not end there, however. Nichols provided some insurance for the home team in the form of a tworun triple in the bottom of the

Tochterman had a big day at the plate, going two for three with two RBIs. McCullough, in addition to pitching a perfect 1 2/3 for his first collegiate save, hit a two-run homer in the fourth, his first of the year. Kreuger also hit his second homer of the year in the third. Barry

win of the year, coming into the third game in the fifth.

Greenville 8, Rose-Hulman 5

Greenville took the second contest of the twinbill, defeating Rose on an eight run, fourteen hit attack. The Engineers attempted a comeback in the fifth, but the attempt fell short.

Rose pitcher John Bowen (1-1) gave up six runs in 3 1/3 innings work, earning his first loss of the season. Nichols continued his hot streak, driving in two runs in the losing effort. Both Kreuger and Pownall also had big games, getting three hits each.

Rose-Hulman 9, M.S.O.E. 0

Rose rebounded from their Saturday loss to Greenville with a 9-0 drubbing of Milwaukee School of Engineering the next day, the first of another doubleheader.

Tochterman (1-1) pitched an outstanding game, scattering three hits, three walks, and eight strikeouts in the shutout victory. It was the lefty's first college win, and the team's first shutout of the

Rose scored their runs in two innings, scoring five in the second and four in the sixth. Kreuger three runs before the Engineers'

run of the season, a tworun dinger in the second, while Nichols continued to hit well, adding two hits and two RBIs to his season totals.

M.S.O.E. 6, Rose-Hulman 4

MSOE defeated the home team in the second game of the doubleheader last Sunday, with both teams doing all their scor-

ing before the end of the third inning. The loss put the Engineers' record at 8-6

The score was 6-0 when the Engineers came to bat in the bottom of the third, when Nichols doubled home a run. A succession of singles drove in the subsequent

Sophomore Mike Krueger leads the Engineers with a .458 batting average and has belted three home runs with 12 RBI and a team-leading nine doubles.

Photo courtesy of Darin Bryan

rally was killed. The pitching stabilized after that for both squads, neither side giving up a run after the third.

Brad Fetters (1-1) started the game and earned his first loss of the young season. Cain pitched four innings in relief, striking out five while allowing only two hits.

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