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Whoa-oh, Halfway There

Whoa-oh, Homecoming and Career Fair

Lauren Wiseman
News Editor

The fifth week of the quarter is one filled to the brim with activity for the Rose-Hulman community, past and present. Hot off the heels of the Study Abroad Fair and the Graduate School Fair is the Career Fair. At the end of the week is Homecoming, bringing back Rose grads for a weekend packed with one activity after the other. Here are just some of the highlights for this busy week.

Kicking off the week is the Career Fair Bootcamp, running from 12-3 p.m. in the Career Services office. Students can bring in their resume to be perused by the professionals, getting tips on how to polish it before taking it to the Career Fair. There will also be interview preparation for students who want to brush up on talking to recruiters before entering the fray.

Speaking of that fray, the Career Fair is this Wednesday from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m. in the SRC. Over 200 employers will be there looking for students. Full-time positions, internships, and co-ops are

out there from all sorts of companies. Career Fair staples like ArcelorMittal USA, Eli Lilly, and Marathon Petroleum Company will be there; and for students looking for possible academic opportunities, Illinois Institute of Technology and Trine University are good options to look for.

Once Career Fair is over, the week cascades right into Homecoming. Friday holds several events on its own, with some of the major highlights in the evening, like stargazing at the Oakley Observatory at 8 p.m. After that is the Pep Rally, which will see a Homecoming Queen Coronated at 8:30 p.m. at Cook Stadium. Immediately following is the time-honored tradition of the Bonfire: 266 railroad ties, stretching 21 feet into the air, set ablaze to determine the outcome of the homecoming football game.

That game is set for Saturday at 2 p.m., but Saturday is not just for the game. Bright and early at 9 a.m. is the Rosie's 5k Fun Run and Walk, taking place on the SRC track. On the Root Quad at 9:30, they are unveiling the Herman Moench bust, which happens in

tandem with the 95th anniversary of Moench Hall.

Later on in the morning are the Academic Open Houses. From 11 a.m. until 1 p.m., past and current students have a chance to mingle with the faculty of their major's department. The different disciplines of Rose are scattered across the academic buildings, with a more detailed list of locations available on My Rose-Hulman.

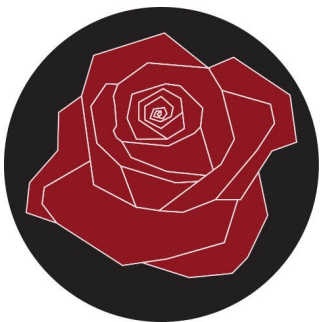
From the open house, Homecoming Saturday continues with Tent City, which kicks off at noon in the parking lot of Cook Stadium. Tents from different clubs and organizations on campus will line the lot for alums and current students to come, reconnect, and reminisce. Tent City feeds right into the big Homecoming game against Mt. St. Joseph at 2 p.m. Rose currently stands at 2-0 in the HCAC, and Mt. St. Joseph stands at 1-1.



The Bonfire is a time-honored tradition at Rose, ushering in Homecoming week.

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A full schedule of events is available on My Rose-Hulman, including class reunions. The class of 1952 is celebrating their 65th reunion this year, making them the oldest class coming back to campus this year. But other events for specific graduation years abound, like the Graduates of the Last Decade (G.O.L.D.) Party. For more information and a complete schedule of events, check out the [Homecoming website](#).



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Saturday Supper

Using Food to Forge Bonds, Regardless of Backgrounds

Marc Schmitt
Editor-in-Chief

Students, staff, and faculty flocked to the Student Recreation Center to enjoy food, conversation, and more at this year's Saturday Supper. Hosted by Rose-Hulman's Center for Diversi-

"It's a great place for family and friends to come and share a meal together."

ty, the event brought together people from diverse backgrounds to bond over the simple pleasure of tasty

food.

Attendees could choose food from a range of Terre Haute favorites, including Chavas, Fifi's, Grand Traverse Pie Co, Homey's, The Red Barn, Rick's Smokehouse, Royal Mandarin, and Taj Mahal. The variety of food reflected the goal of bringing together students

and faculty from all backgrounds. Large tables were set up for attendees to dine together, and each table was assigned when people arrived.

While eating, people were encouraged to connect and get to know more about each other.

After eating, attendees had the opportunity to take a group photo with their table, cementing the experience.

There was also a chil-



The Saturday Supper is held with the strongly held belief that food has the ability to bring people together.

Photo by Marc Schmitt

dren's play area where parents could drop off their kids, run by the Society of Women Engineers.

The event was staffed by a number of diversity organizations on campus, including National Society for Black Engineers, Society of Asian Scientists and Engineers, Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers, and the Society of Women Engineers.

Saturday Supper was a hit with students.

"It's a great place for family and friends to come and share a meal together," commented Sidney Hohl, a freshman biomedical engineering student.

"I think it's really cool that Rose puts this on for its students," said Jacob Wyrick, a senior electrical engineering student. "This is

"I think it's really cool that Rose puts this on for its students."

really awesome."

You can learn more about the Center for Diversity's upcoming events by visiting their area site on My Rose-Hulman.



The SRC was decked out with tables for the supper, catered by Terre Haute favorites, including Chavas and Rick's Smokehouse.

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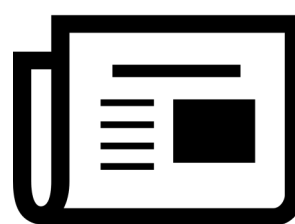
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News Briefs

Hailey Hoover
Staff Writer
Voter Registration

For those who were not aware, this past Tuesday was Voter Registration Day. This event is held every fourth Tuesday in September. Although you might think that this was nationally recognized day for many many years, it was first established a short time ago in 2012.

As the name of the day suggests, this is the day each year the people that make up the general public are encouraged to register to vote in not just presidential elections, but anything and everything in between.

What makes this an important day? Well, each year millions of people all across America will miss the opportunity to vote due to not being registered or having an expired registration. This day each year involves a number of different groups and organ-

Cancer Patient Receives In-Hospital Homecoming

Recently, Blake Mounts of Hilliard Ohio was diagnosed with a severe form of Leukemia. Unfortunately this occurred just days before his homecoming dance, making him unable to go. Luckily his date, a girl by the name of Kaitlin O'Connor, had the idea to bring the homecoming to him.

With the help of Blake's sister, Taylor, Kaitlin and a number of friends surprised Blake at the hospital

izations taking action to give proper information to the American people. Democracy is one the foundations of the nation so every American citizen should take part in it. It helps the public have a voice and an opinion in what is happening in their government.

It is also an important day because it reminds people to take charge. If you didn't register on Tuesday, you still have time to choose. For starters, you can visit www.voterregistrationday.org where they will have a section that will bring you to the registration application. So do not feel discouraged if you haven't already registered. Look into the different options for your area so you don't miss out on any further elections.

all dressed for the dance. They decorated a room at the hospital and brought Blake a formal outfit to wear. The couple took pictures and even wore a boutonniere and corsage.

It is heartwarming to see that Blake did not have to miss out on his homecoming and got to spend his evening surrounded by people that care about him. It was a special and emotional night for everyone involved.

Delta to Allow Texting on Flights

If you've ever been on an airplane, then you know that you are often told that you cannot have communications with people on the ground during the duration of your flight. More specifically, you are not allowed to text anyone while in the air. Unless you're on a Delta flight, that is.

Starting this October you will now have the ability to send and receive messages while on your flight. This is rather taboo because it was often said that the act of texting interferes with pilot and airplane communications. Naturally, this news generated quite a bit of buzz.

It is important to note that you cannot use standard SMS texting. How Delta's system will work is that you will have access to texting through Delta's Wi-Fi portal page. You can choose the free standard connection or upgrade to the premium connection through purchase. Therefore, you can chat using something such as iMessage on Apple products, Facebook messenger, and WhatsApp.

Delta released a statement that they want their customers to be able to stay connected. This will be extremely useful, especially for people on long flights possibly

overseas or flying for business. It will also come in handy in case of emergency so you can still reach your loved ones on the ground and vice versa, if needed. Out of the 1,300 planes Delta has, only 130 of them will offer this feature to start off. It will be interesting to see if they make it a regular feature on all of their flights as time progresses and if any other airline companies follow in Delta's footsteps.

TOWN HALL MEETINGS

Lauren Wiseman
News Editor

Today, students, faculty, and staff have a chance to voice their opinions in a Town Hall meeting about a possible new academic building. There are two open forums for faculty and staff

in the GM Room, and then an Open Meeting for students in the Hatfield Auditorium, all of which will be conducted by Principle at Ratio Design, Chris Boardman.

Rose-Hulman is no stranger to Town Hall meetings in order to tailor change that best fits the needs of the campus. In 2016, Vice President for

Student Affairs and Dean of Students Erik Hayes brought students together to talk about food options on campus. While Hayes and a committee heard proposals from three different service providers, students had a chance to discuss how they felt about the current options.

During ninth and tenth hour, fac-

ulty and staff will meet in the GM Room to give their thoughts to Boardman. The open meeting for students will be in Hatfield at 7 p.m., and is scheduled to last an hour. After these open forums and meetings, a survey will be sent out to receive further input on the possibilities.

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Kingsman: The Golden Circle Much Flash; Little Substance

Jared Gibson

Staff Writer

The London-based private intelligence agency is back in their fast-paced and action-packed sequel *Kingsman: The Golden Circle*. Fancy suits, fancy accents, fancy fight scenes with fancy gadgets, what's not to love?

Eggsy (Taron Egerton), who has now earned his rightful place as a *Kingsman*, has progressed a lot since we last saw him. Still operating out of London, he knows the ins and outs of the job pretty well, and he's in a committed relationship with a royal princess. This princess also knows that he works for a secret organization and that he occasionally must leave to save the world, thus removing the complications that arise from spies falling in love in other movies or TV shows.

Sadly, a new set of complications arise for Eggsy when a sudden and devastating missile strike effectively wipes out the *Kingsman*. This leaves Eggsy and his tech guru, Merlin, to track down who was responsible for such a crushing blow, their only lead being an old *Kingsman* recruit and the ring of solid gold melted onto his chest.

With very little resources or information, Eggsy and Merlin seek help from their American counterpart, the *Statesman*. What happens next is a string of flashy and sometimes comical fight scenes interspersed with the villain, played by Julianne Moore, coming uncomfortably close to securing an agreement with the President of the U.S. that would effectively end the war on drugs.

Like most sequels, *Kingsman: The Golden Circle* was not as compelling as its predecessor *Kingsman: The Secret Service* (2015). This is not to say that there were not enough fight scenes or spy gadgets. No, actually, it was quite the opposite. The *Golden Circle* is filled with so many flashy fight scenes and state-of-the-art spy gadgets that jaw-dropping is very nearly required for anyone viewing this film. In fact, I could have sworn I spotted jaw-drops low enough that it caused the jaw's owner to snap out of their reverie, scoop their jaw from the ground, sit back, and stare in disbelief at the incredible amount of physics and basic logic that the movie simply ignores.

Of course, unrealistic fight scenes and gadgets are nothing new when it comes to super-spy movies, but *The Golden Circle* is over



See? I told you. Burgers made from human flesh.

Photo courtesy of IGN.com

the top. It reminds me of the more recent *Fast and Furious* movies. Like *Fast and Furious*, it felt as if the producers tried to compensate for the lack of weight and substance by putting in an extravagant amount of glitz and glam in the form of robotic guard dogs, a ski lift that also functions as a high-speed centrifuge, a 50's-themed utopia built into some ancient ruins in a tropical rainforest, liquid-gold tattoos that don't even look good, burgers made from human flesh (just wait; it gets better), and Elton John showing off some ridiculous martial arts in a feather suit.

On the other hand, the movie did have its moments. It made sure to present the viewer with the interesting contrast between *Statesman* and *Kingsman* and the more subtle, underlying contrast between Americans and Englishmen.

Another interesting feature of the film was the blue veins that appeared on anyone who used illegal substances distributed by the villain. Considering that this particular villain's criminal organization operates on a global scale, these blue veins appeared on quite a lot of people. The interesting part about these

veins is that it gave the movie a little bit of depth that was otherwise absent. It created a mechanism that revealed people's dirty secrets and presented it to all those around them.

Watching how witnesses react to this mark of guilt was interesting, especially in light of how they held the victim in high regard and the use of illegal drugs in low regard. How do they react when confronted with this hard truth? Are they disgusted? Are they still willing to accept them and love them after learning about this dirty secret? In any case, these veins gave the movie at least one lesson for its viewer: People who are often viewed as upstanding citizens break the rules sometimes. Nobody's perfect and neither was this movie.

Good acting, plenty of humor, lots of fight scenes and spy gadgets, and a mission to save the world from the grip of a power-hungry drug dealer all make this movie fun to watch. However, in addition to being over the top, it lacks the depth required to be truly engaging.



TOGA! TOGA! TOGA!

A REVIEW OF NATIONAL LAMPOON'S ANIMAL HOUSE

Lauren Wiseman

News Editor

I'll be honest, I really only watched this movie so I could wear the "College" sweater with full street cred. Y'know the one. John Belushi wore it in...oh! I was supposed to say what I was watching. National Lampoon's *Animal House*. There we go.

The great-granddaddy of raunchy comedies follows Faber College's Delta Chi Tau fraternity over the course of a school year. Because the frat is infamous for being full of drunken degenerates, Dean Vernon Wormer (John Vernon) wants to remove the frat and employs the pompous, spotless Omega Theta Pi President Greg Marmalard (James Daughton) to find just one way to kick the Deltas off campus for good. What ensues is about what you would expect: borderline criminal pranks, cheating on midterms, and raucous toga parties.

It took me some time to realize I liked this movie. At first, I was so put off by some of the cruder jokes I was prepared to say I did not like it. As I thought about it, though, the movie won me over and, yes, I did like *Animal House*.

One of the reasons I liked it so much was Saturday Night Live alum John Belushi. Used sparingly but brilliantly in the film, Belushi could pack more comedy in a single eyebrow raise than some actors can in their whole career. His performance as the 28-year-old hedonistic John "Bluto" Blutarsky is perfect. The

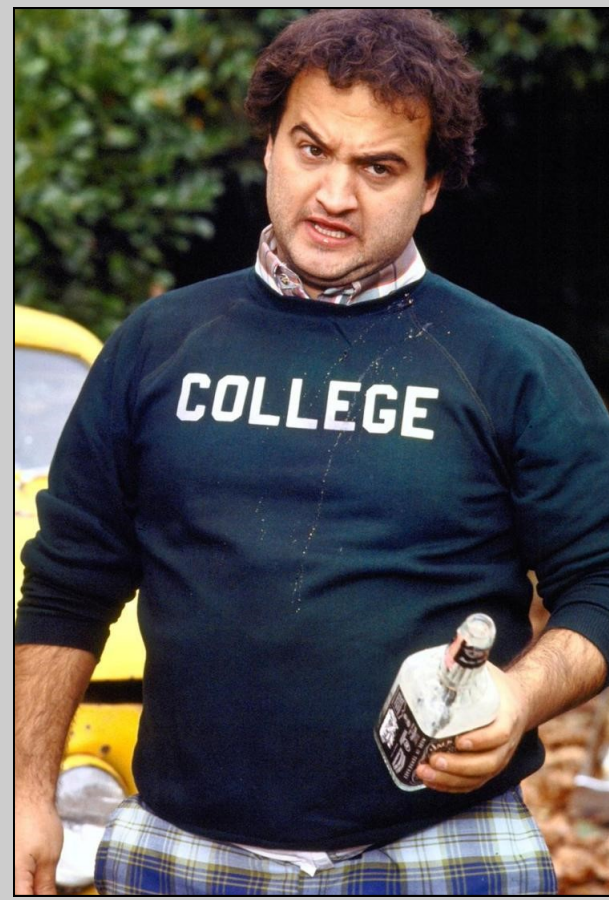
cafeteria scene allowed his creativity to be particularly effective, and it is completely improvised.

While not as outrageous as Belushi, there is something to say for Tom Hulce's performance as Larry Kroger. He captured the awkward, straitlaced college freshman with aplomb. His face was always engaged, and there was something almost heartwarming about the performance...circumstances notwithstanding.

The common thread through these performances, as well as the others, is the comedic timing. I could attribute this to any number of things: Landis's directing, the cast's natural abilities, the writing—who knows? Even when I did not find a joke funny because of the content, it was still funny because of the way it was executed.

That being said, there were some things that just did not fly. There was way, way more nudity than I was expecting. And for the first scene, it was funny. After that, it left me more uncomfortable than amused.

There were a couple gags that showed their age. The gag with the mayor's daughter was extremely uncomfortable for me, and I knew about it in advance. One bit for the "Where are they now?" segment probably should not have been taken lightly. Again, I get it, in the context of 1978, it was probably funny—and I will defend jokes, songs, movies, books in their context—but that joke in particular really didn't do it for me.



Truly, the most iconic of college apparel.

Photo courtesy of nydailynews.com

There is a reason *Animal House* is considered one of the funniest comedies of all time... because it is. As comedies today aim to push the envelope and be just a little edgier than its predecessors, *Animal House* set the envelope on fire and danced on its ashes. If I watch another raunchy comedy (highly unlikely), I have the gold standard to measure it by.



“Belushi could pack more comedy in a single eyebrow raise than some actors can in their whole career.”

Surviving Rose Tips to Get Over Rose Boredom

Seun Ladipo
Lifestyle Editor

Somewhere throughout your occupation of this school we all call home, you will find yourself, either bored, tired of doing homework, alone, or all of the above. These times may occur early in your freshman year or may even wait until the end of your senior year, but they will come at some point. These times are seen by many as a one of the dark sides of being in college as they are unavoidable and difficult to get through.

I am writing this today as a challenge to anyone that has found themselves in this situation. A challenge to get up and find a new hobby. To take up something that will not only take that miserable time and turn it into something useful, but something that may evolve into a pastime that you can continue long after Rose has sucked the life out of all of us. In these dark years, we must find our own light or we will never find our way to the end of the tunnel that is Rose-Hulman.

The first thing that comes to my mind is to pick up an instrument. Playing an instrument can be an extremely gratifying experience although as the sole purpose of an instrument is to produce noise, not all are adored equally by your peers. One instrument that comes to the mind of many when searching for one to pick up is the acoustic guitar. This seems like a good choice with its very shallow learning curve, general likability, ease of use (no cords and such), and relatively low cost, although these can all be deceiving. First off your guitar has no mute, so if you want to play without judgement you will have to find an empty room somewhere on campus to play in secret. HSS After Hours is a good option to check out. If you practice while your roommate is doing homework this has the potential to cause some

serious problems no matter how good you think you are. A solution to this problem is to get an electric guitar as without an amp no one more than ten feet away can hear you play. To add to that you can even pick up a headphone amplifier to play sweet nothing to yourself and practice all you want. I know right, what a time to be alive! With an electric guitar you can really vary your style of play as there are so many different styles of guitar themselves all with different electronic components, and body styles, thing you miss out on with an acoustic guitar. You can even be a rebel and get a bass guitar or even both cause why not!

Another hobby you can pick up to better yourself as a human being is to create something tangible for yourself. This is quite a broad spectrum but as this school is full of engineers, we all must have some sort of creative spirit in ourselves. Whether we express this spirit through our code or through a sewing machine. Using our knowledge to innovate and create things will not only foster our engineering prowess, but it will also help us find a passion in whatever it is that we enjoy. So I dare you to get out there and go make something. It does not matter how it turns out as long as you are having fun continue this until you have found pride in whatever you create.

In all, I dare you if you have had these fits of worthless boredom before to pick up an instrument or go create something. Rose-Hulman is truly a great place although everyone has those times in which we cannot take the beating that it is giving to us. In these times, we must find a way to survive so we can eventually say that we escaped the grasps of this school.



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I Don't Need You.

Evë Maquelin

Copy Editor

“Hi! My name is Evë, and I’m a CS from Portland, OR. I speak three languages, and have a moderate obsession with Scandinavian pop.”

I must have said those sentences hundreds of times over the course of freshman orientation. In fact, I know I said it at least 50 times during Mees Hall’s “speed-dating” session in the quad. With less than a minute per person I met the bulk of my residence hall, and by the end of the hour we’d each perfected our blurb, ready to regurgitate it at any moment for the next four years.

Those sentences haunt me. It seems every time I meet somebody new on campus, those are the first words to come out of our mouths. We are so primed to ask those few questions and give those few answers that often we never go any deeper than that. Meeting new people is reduced to a surface level interaction in which we aim for quantity, not quality. Catch their name, and try to remember their interesting fact. It’s like networking, but without the business cards.

It is a sad existence, but collegiate life is simply not setup to promote anything else. College culture thrives off quick, meaningless encounters, and there is so little incentive to break that cycle and look deeper. Everything from classes to dining accommodations is geared towards efficiency and effective-

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ness, resulting in an environment that does not properly foster social interaction.

For many of us, this way of life is new and wildly different from our past experiences. In high school, we were forced to constantly interact with people. We would see them for 8 hours a day, more if we did after-school activities with them. This forced us to be kind, or at the very least civil with one another, and over time we would form relationships and get to know each other well.

In grade school, close friends were easier to come by and keep. With dozens of contact points each day it was hard to forget about one another, and hard to fall out of the loop on their lives. You lived their life at the same time they did, and that created a bond. Contrast this with the 50 minutes you may spend with someone in a class at Rose. Not only might this be your only interaction with them that day, but Rose professors don’t waste time letting the class get to know each other. Here we operate under the assumption that everyone already knows one another, and professors prefer to put the onus of meeting our classmates on us, using their limited class time to teach material.

In college we are stripped of these relationships forged by constant contact. The closest we get is

in our relationships with randomly assigned suitemates or roommates. Barring a serious conflict, continuous interactions over time lead to good relationships, which bring nothing but comfort in our stressful environment.

All that said, we need to decide whether our penchant towards inconsequential relationships is a problem. Is society moving towards a state in which close relationships are useless? Or is it with age that our priorities shift away from the previous norm? What makes putting the effort into maintaining a close relationship worth it?

It is no secret that maintaining good relationships is a lot of work, as both parties need to be committed to communicating and building each other up. Unfortunately, college is not an environment that encourages that.

As life goes on and we accumulate more responsibilities, we do not appropriately prioritize our relationships, and that is what concerns me. Often we make the wrong choice between enriching existing relationships, and continuing life at ease in a world of acquaintances. We cannot live fruitfully without knowing and being known by our peers, as this constant anonymity is depressive and inhuman.

Our lack of meaningful social interaction sets us up for greater and greater disaster each day. Treating conversations like mere transactions and being content with merely what is on the surface leads to a life of discontent. We would seek approval in already meaning-

less interactions, which they are not equipped to provide.

When you do find someone you wish to interact with on a deeper level, it is exceedingly difficult to break through that boundary. Be it a romantic interest or even just a desire for friendship, we live so closed off to the possibility of forming relationships that often we do not even try. With so few contact points, we do not see the potential or allow new relationships to grow. This unrequited love (friendship edition) creates tension in our society.

There are organizations that seek to change that, or are built in such a way that being impersonal or remaining anonymous is impossible. Fraternities and sororities exist to create communities of like-minded individuals. Athletic teams spend so much time training, eating, and competing together that it would be impossible to maintain a surface level relationship. It is our natural instinct to find community and grow to truly know those people.

In the same way we must learn to live life openly, and know that every interaction is a chance for something greater. That person you just met could be who you take on an overseas adventure. It could be the person you marry. It could be literally anyone, but you both need to be willing to find out. Our interactions cannot be confined to name/major/hometown, they are the first step towards something more. Take it.

When All Others Stand

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Where is your line? How much can your conscience take before empathy kicks in? Is there a piece of legislation, or an overlooked injustice, that would bring you to your knees during your country’s anthem? If nothing at all comes to mind, then that is the clearest definition of privilege I can give you.

“Whataboutery” is the latest evolutionary form of racism, permeating both conservative and liberal political rhetoric across the board. You can only bring up black-on-black crime in Chicago or demand more police camera footage so many times before you are forced to come to terms with the problem. And whether or not the means were justified, that is effectively what the recent NFL anthem protests have done. The Black Lives Matter movement needed a message that would strike a chord with the people that needed to hear it—primarily older white Conservatives: the lives of the young African-Americans kneeling in protest are just as important as the lives of the soldiers that died to protect their right to do so.

Much of the backlash against athletes like former San Francisco 49ers quarterback Colin Kaepernick arises from a deep misunderstanding of the reasons behind the demonstration. In order to understand why they chose to kneel, however, we have to think about why people have traditionally stood. For many, the Star-Spangled Banner’s dramatic chord progression and heartfelt words

offer an opportunity to reflect on American ideals, on its past and its present and where we fit within it. As a result, South Carolina senator Tim Scott is not alone in his sentiment that “every man, woman, and child should stand for the national anthem...without question.”

However, it is no coincidence that the highest note in the anthem highlights the word “free.” Consider this for a moment. What if that word did not apply to you or other people with your skin tone, at least not in its entirety? What if the decades-long “War On Drugs” was initiated under the premise of cleaning up the streets, but instead worked to incarcerate people of your racial group at an disproportionate rate? What if this was directly connected to increased instances of police brutality in recent years? What obligation do you have to stand for an anthem that talks of freedom when people that look just like you are being strangled to death or shot in front of their children?

Unfortunately, conservative media is particularly apt at distorting the message. In the same way that Alt-Right/Nazi activists and counter-protesters in Charleston were collectively labelled as “very good people,” and how a few civil rights demonstrations turned violent were used as examples of BLM terrorism, the movement Kaepernick started is being highlighted as a direct attack on the flag and traditional American mor-

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als. In the “Final Thoughts” segment of a recent airing of her LA-based show, Tomi Lahren stressed that “it’s not just a cloth and a song,” but rather “an eternal reminder of how blessed we are as Americans.” Popular Conservative personality Bill O’Reilly also emphatically criticized the Jacksonville Jaguars and Baltimore Ravens for kneeling in protest, claiming they “don’t know what they were doing.” Don’t get me wrong: Liberal media is also responsible for confusing the issue. Articles like Vox’s “Donald Trump Versus the NFL, Explained” or the Daily Mail’s “Scores of NFL Stars Kneel in Defiance of Donald Trump” portray thoughtful demonstrations against civil rights injustice as simply anti-Trump protests.

Both sides are distinctly wrong. Kaepernick himself stated that he first knelt because he was “not going to show pride in a flag for a country that oppresses black people and people of color.” For the ex-NFL athlete, it is “bigger than football.” As a result, Eric Reid, a friend of Kaepernick’s and a co-protester, stated that their posture resembled “a flag flown at half-mast to mark a tragedy.”

For better or for worse, the Black Lives Matter movement, or-

ganized around the idea that people of color are systematically disadvantaged on a national scale, is getting exactly what it needs: attention. The President has been pushed to address them directly, in full view of our nation and the world at large, where his brusque, super-patriotic responses speak to his detachment from the problem.

Yet what can you really expect from a man who believes climate change is a hoax devised by the Chinese government?—who is a self-proclaimed expert diplomat but refers to one of the world’s most dangerous leaders as “Rocket Man” to his face at U.N. meeting?—who labels all media outlets that publish antagonistic articles about him as “Fake News”? Are we foolish to expect an individual like that to be in touch with the people he has sworn to protect, not to mention the less-privileged among them?

The idea that the activists should find another less incendiary way to highlight their narrative is more than just out-of-touch, it is dangerous. If protests were docile, didn’t blur the line between mild irritation and outright disrespect, or stretch our minds and moral opinions, would they even be protests?

Sports



RHIT Football

Blake Powell
Sports Editor

Rose-Hulman had a well balanced performance on Saturday afternoon with 256 rushing yards, forcing three turnovers and scoring a defensive touchdown to beat Anderson University 48-23.

Garrett Wight led the ground attack with 125 yards and two touchdowns while Stanley Hogan added 73 yards and two scores. Parker Lappin pitched in 56 yards and a touchdown as well.

In the air, Lappin finished 12-26 for 147 yards and one touchdown to lead the offense across the 400-yard mark. Zack Murphy led the receivers with 80 yards on six catches and one touchdown followed by Raymond Burnick's 57 receiving yards.

The defense imposed their will with four sacks, three forced turnovers and a defensive touchdown. John Kirby had a team-high five tackles and one interception. Alec Thompson had the biggest defensive play of the game with a 43 yard interception for a touchdown. The Rose-Hulman defense featured 25 different players with a tackle.

The Fightin' Engineers took a 14-3 lead early in the second quarter with two touchdowns in three minutes. Garret Wight capped off a drive with a

1-yard touchdown run and then Thompson scored on an interception to take the two score lead.

Anderson closed the score to 21-17 midway through the third quarter with their 16-yard touchdown pass. Rose-Hulman went on to score three unanswered scores to finish off the game with a 48-23 victory.

Rose-Hulman improved to 4-1 overall and an undefeated 2-0 record in the HCAC.



Mike Riley did not have five sacks.

Photo by Rose-Hulman Athletics

ROSE-HULMAN		ANDERSON
164	Passing Yards	191
256	Rushing Yards	54
2	Turnovers	3
27:00	Time of Poss.	33:00

RHIT SPORTS BOX SCORES

RHIT Men's Soccer

Blake Powell
Sports Editor

Rose-Hulman sits at 5-4-1 on the season thus far while falling 0-1 in conference play after their loss to Transylvania on Saturday afternoon. Rose-Hulman nearly scored with a header from Cobi Illian that hit off of the crossbar but ended with a limited amount of oppor-

tunities as they finished with just seven shots. Senior, Carter Wright, collected four saves in the loss. The Fightin' Engineers will return to action on Wednesday against in-state rival Earlham College. Kickoff from the Intramural Field is set for 7 PM.

MEN'S SOCCER	1	2	FINAL
ROSE-HULMAN(5-4-1)	0	0	0
TRANSYLVANIA(8-0-0)	0	1	1

Standout Performers

Carter Wright– Collected four saves
Preston Denton– I heard he plays soccer, but does he really?
Cobi Illian– Almost scored a goal, but didn't

RHIT Women's Soccer

Blake Powell
Sports Editor

Rose-Hulman fell to Transylvania in a tough defensively fought match up. Both teams were limited on their opportunities as the Fightin' Engineers only had four shot attempts in the first eighty minutes and then flurried in the last segment of the game to end with ten total shots. Transylvania only fired four

shots in the game. Samantha Jacobs, Jessica Wells and Madeline Romeo led the Rose-Hulman offense with two shots each. The Engineers almost scored with Wells' shot in the 81st minute but clanged off of the crossbar and was cleared by the Transy defense.

WOMEN'S SOCCER	1	2	FINAL
ROSE-HULMAN(3-5-0)	0	0	0
TRANSYLVANIA(3-5-2)	0	1	1

Standout Performers

Samantha Jacobs– two shot attempts
Jessica Wells– two shot attempts
Madeline Romeo– two shot attempts

RHIT Volleyball

Blake Powell
Sports Editor

Katie Orbeta captured her first career triple-double for the win on the road against Transylvania. Obeta recorded ten kills, twenty-five assists and eleven digs to lead a balanced performance.

The team had three players reach double figures in kills: Bailey MacInnis(13), Obeta(10) and Becca Poppel(10).

Alison Rogozinski joined Orbeta in double figures in assists with fifteen while Gabi Razma lead the team with 30 digs. Katryna Dahlberg added twelve digs, Poppel with twelve digs and Orbeta with eleven digs.

The blocking effort was led by Mia Styczynski with five block assists and MacInnis with four.

The Fightin' Engineers improved to 12-8 overall and 2-0 in HCAC play with the victory. Transylvania fell to 10-6 overall and 0-1 in conference play. Rose-Hulman returns to action with a trip to Anderson University on Wednesday night.

The Rose-Hulman volleyball team has shown tremendous potential throughout their season as they head into conference play. Good luck to these women on the rest of the season as it shall be exciting to watch.



Teamwork makes the dream work.

Photo by Rose-Hulman Athletics

	1	2	3	4	FINAL
ROSE-HULMAN	28	25	19	25	3
TRANSYLVANIA	26	23	25	17	1

ROSE-HULMAN		TRANSY
.124	Hitting %	.121
8.0	Blocks	13.0
82	Digs	86
6	Aces	6

RHIT Player of the Week



Anderson University is the RHIT Player of the Week. Anderson University had an amazing game on Saturday with only 54 yards. Jason Rowland, tight end, number 87, said it better than anyone, Rose-Hulman is welcome for the victory because Anderson beat themselves. Jason Rowland has outstanding stats this season as he has one reception for one yard. Before playing tight end this season, Jason was a defensive linemen in 2015 and 2016 with a grand total of three tackles (one was a tackle for loss). Congrats to Anderson and good luck on your season.

Photo by Anderson University Athletics

RHIT SPORTS SCHEDULES

Football	Volleyball	Soccer	
		Men	Women
September 9th-Millikin-7PM	<u>October</u>	<u>September</u>	<u>September</u>
September 16th-Hanover-2PM *WVCA Yellow Shoelace Game	4th-@Anderson-7:30PM	5th-Greenville-8PM	5th-Greenville-6PM
September 23rd-Defiance-1:30PM *Samaritan's Feet Game	7th-Bluffton-5:30PM	9th-Carrol(Wis.)-1PM	7th-@Washington-7:30PM
September 30th-@Anderson-1:30PM	11th-@Franklin-7:00PM	13th-@Wabash-5PM	12th-@Principia-7PM
	13th-@Ohio Northern-3:00PM	16th-Millikin-3:30PM	14th-DePauw-7PM
	13th-Albion-7:00PM	20th-@DePauw-7PM	16th-Millikin-1PM
October 7th-Mt St Joseph-2PM *Homecoming Game	14th-John Carroll-2:00PM	23rd-@OhioNorthern-7PM	20th-@Webster-6:30PM
October 14th-@Manchester-1:30PM	18th-Mt. St. Joseph-7:00PM	26th-@Principia-7PM	24th-Westminster-1PM
October 21st=Franklin-1:30PM	21st-Hanover-2:00PM	30th-@Transy-3:30PM	30th-@Transy-1PM
*Senior Day	25th-@Earlham-7:30PM	<u>October</u>	<u>October</u>
October 28th-@Bluffton-1:30PM	28th-Defiance-1:00PM	4th-Earlham-7PM	3rd-@Earlham-3:30PM
		7th-Machester-3:30PM	7th-Manchester-1PM
		11th-Anderson-7PM	11th-@Anderson-7PM
		14th-Defiance-3:30PM	14th-Defiance-1PM
		18th-@Mt St Joseph-7PM	18th-Mt St Joseph-7PM
November 11th-@Earlham-1:30PM		21st-@Bluffton-3:30PM	21st-@Bluffton-1PM
		25th-@Franklin-7:30PM	25th-Franklin-7:30PM

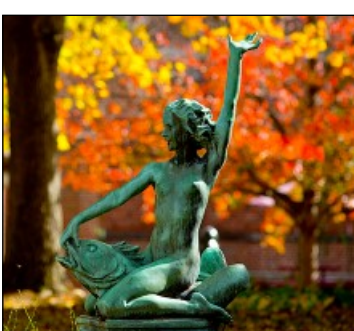
National 7 Day Forecast

National Name Your Car Day	02	National Techies Day	03	National Taco Day	04	National Get Funky Day	05	National Plus Size Appreciation Day	06	National LED Light Day	07	National Pierogi Day	08
National Custodial Workers Recognition Day		National Boyfriend Day		National Golf Lover's Day		National Rhode Island Day		National Mad Hatter Day		National Frappe Day		American Touch Tag Day	
National Consignment Day				National Vodka Day		National Do Something Nice Day		National German-American Day		National Inner Beauty Day		Clergy Appreciation Day	
National Fried Scallops Day				National Walk to School Day		National Apple Betty Day		National Noodle Day				National Fluffernutter Day	
National Child Health Day				National Pumpkin Seed Day				National Manufacturing Day					

ASK THE NAKED LADY RIDING A FISH

Turning Down Tinder Difficulty?

Dear Lady: Recently, I have downloaded the app Tinder at the recommendation of my Math professor. I thought it would be a great way for me to meet some fun people. Maybe go on a few dates, fall in love. You know, that kind of thing. But I have gotten no matches! I've tried everything, from using pictures of heart-throb Nicolas Cage to swiping for everybody, even my grandmother. Nothing is working and I've got to ask: How do you turn the difficulty level down on Tinder?



- Swipe Right Please

Dear Swipe Right: I've done some research into your query and I've got some bad news for you. Tinder's difficulty level can't be accessed until you've completed the tutorial. Did you collect any fuccbois or basic white girls? If you haven't, then try starting there. You'll need five matches there before the tutorial is over and you can access the difficulty setting.

However, it sounds like you're having trouble attracting even the scummiest people on the app. Choosing Nick Cage was a good move, but maybe there's something wrong with your profile description? Try avoiding terms like "My Little Pony" and "M'Lady" as they immediately turn away everybody. Instead, make sure your description has a few wholesome memes and a differential equation or two. Differential equations get everybody hot.

Top 10

Ideas for New Academic Building

1. Home for Hybrid Physics/Medical Physics and Nanomedicine Program
2. A Literal Think Tank
3. Nap Chamber
4. Café to Replace Logan's (RIP)
5. Backpack Parking Garage
6. Art Gallery
7. Observation Deck to Watch Engineers in Their Natural Habitat
8. New CS Lab (One Large Couch - No Windows)
9. A BIC, Adequately Tooled
10. Quidditch Pitch
11. Capsule Hotel
12. A Single Classroom (2,000 Square Feet)
13. Colosseum with Robots
14. Stop Sign Manufacturing Plant
15. Giant HVAC Unit
16. A Worse New Olin Lobby
17. Weird Choir Wasteland
18. More Space for Dr. Chambers to Definitely Not be Growing Weed w/ Hydroponics

WACKY PROF QUOTES

"It was my life dream to be a baseball statistician, but in college I found it was easier to get women with poetry. So although not as lucrative, I did get women to make out with me. Cha-ching!"

-Dr. Mark Minster

"Does this not want to make you take drugs and become a math major?"

-Dr. Kurt Bryan

"The only good response to this is to give me the finger and go home."

-Dr. Bill Butske

"I went back and found as many colorized photos of WWII could find, maybe that'll get through to you filthy, filthy millennials"

-Dr. Terrence Casey

"The comment that is appropriate for this is, 'bovine poopy.'"

-Dr. Clifford Grigg

Did your prof say something hilarious or just great out of context? Are your students comically loquacious? Did you hear something amusing on your jaunt about the fine halls of this institution? We want to hear about it! Send your quotes with who said it to thorn-flipside@rose-hulman.edu or fill out this nifty google form: <https://goo.gl/forms/bB339sx6GHohggYt1>

Is the Haute a Hoax?

A General Disappointment

Flipside Editor

In a recent survey conducted by Those Guys™, it was found that 82% of Americans don't believe that Terre Haute exists. The first to respond to the news was the Ominous Presence that resides somewhere in the Government. "Of course Terre Haute exists! This is a preposterous accusation, and anybody in doubt is to be enrolled in mandatory re-education."

Regardless of the official statement, scientists are flocking to Terre Haute to confirm the statement. Research stations have been set up discretely around town, though exact locations are kept secret as not to affect the study. There is definitely NOT one in the water tower on Rose campus. Students who see people in lab coats climbing the water tower are to avert their gazes and whisper "flickity flock there's no such clock" three times in order to cleanse themselves. However, faculty and staff are encouraged to wave at the scientists as it helps validate their field of study. In order to see how the studies are



The Picturesque Downtown of Terre Haute, IN ... Or is it?

Photos Courtesy of Wikipedia

going, we managed to corner a scientist who was busy fishing used Band-Aids out of the McDonald's dumpster. When asked for a comment, she launched into an enthusiastic explanation. "The American people are surprisingly correct! We've been looking at the data and geographically, there's no room for Terre Haute. We think that the government has been fudging the size of Indiana to fit it, but Terre Haute is actually probably-

That is the end of her statement, as men in black suits escorted her into the back of a darkened van. We are left to wonder collectively as a campus: Is the Haute a Hoax?