The Festival of Lights was in Full Swing at Rose-Hulman

Jared Gibson
Staff Writer

Diwali, also known as the Festival of Lights, is considered one of the most significant festivals in Indian culture. It is a five day celebration that coincides with the Hindu New Year and began on October 17 this year. During the festival, a huge variety of decorations are put up. Houses are decorated with candles and rangoli art - colorful patterns created by an arrangement of rice or powder - decorates the ground. It is commonly marked by a huge show of fireworks, gift-giving, and lots of food.

For some, Diwali also carries religious significance. It celebrates the idea that good will always gain victory over evil and emphasizes the idea that one should give to those in need.

Yesterday, October 22, Rose-Hulman’s International Student Association brought Diwali to campus and any Rose-Hulman student could be a part of it for $5. The celebration was held in the Mul-Purpose Room of the SRC which was decorated for the occasion with candles, a rangoli art display, a Hindu shrine, banners containing words written in Hindi, and an example of the traditional clothing worn for the festival.

The event began with a short presentation on the background and significance of the occasion. Participants were then dismissed to either try their hand at henna, or check out any of the other decorations until the food was ready to be served. The food was catered by Taj Mahal (so, of course, it was DELICIOUS) and included dishes such as Naan, Butter Chicken (in both mild and medium spiciness), and some traditional Indian sweets for dessert.

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Nationalism or Globalism? US Foreign Policy Expert to Deliver Talk

Marc Schmitt
Editor-in-Chief

On Thursday, October 26, students will have the opportunity to hear professor Henry New deliver a talk, Nationalism or Globalism?: What’s the right mix in US foreign policy? The talk will examine the state of United States foreign policy under presidents Donald Trump.

New is a professor of political science and international affairs at the Elliot School of International Affairs at George Washington University. He served on the National Security Council during President Reagan’s administration, during which he was responsible for international economic af-fairs.

From 1989 to 2016, New headed the US-Japan-South Korea Legislative Exchange Program, consisting of semi-annual meetings between legis-lators of all three countries. He was awarded The Order of The Rising Sun, Neck Ribbon with Gold Rays by the Japanese govern-ment in 1995.

Most recently New has writ-ten Conservative International-ism; Arms Diplomacy under Jefferson, Pick, Truman, and Reagan. The book focuses on a United States foreign pol-icy tradition that emphasizes freedom promotion, peace through military strength, and the decentralized value of na-tional sovereignty when solving international problems.

The talk will take place in Murdock Hall on Monday, Octo-ber 26 during 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. Refreshments will be provided.

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Campus Photo of the Week
Submitted by Anthony Lin

Engineers Without Borders
Annual Basketball Tournament
Friday November 3rd
6:30 pm

Talent Show
Auditions: October 24 from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.
October 26 from 6-8 p.m.
Sign Ups on my.rose-hulman.edu

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Find them at scholar.rose-hulman.edu/rosethorn/
On October 18, Brendan Eich came to Rose-Hulman to deliver a worrying message: the internet is broken, and advertisers are tracking your every move while making money from your information. Eich is working on a solution in the form of a new internet browser, Brave, which puts your privacy choice above else. Eich says it is not the first time that something like this has been on the mind. While studying the birds, researchers found there were differences in face shape across several gennes. The longer beaks were found to be correlated with “having a higher number of flapping chucks,” according to Newseum. "DNA is a really useful way of finding out how natural selection occurs in the wild," ex- plains Lewis Spurgin, an evolutionary biolo- gist at the University of East Anglia.

Spurgin is one of the authors on the study, and he says that Lewis posioned his experiment to see if the category was read and their responses were found to be incorrect. That was because he was reasoning, seeing as no one managed to get the answer correct. Despite that, everyone had felt risky enough to bet all the money away. This was indeed so, and you can see by the key to success in the end is to bet everything except one dollar. It could have something to do with the fact that it was damaged beyond repair, but we don’t know, that’s something that we like to be in the future.” However, this is only one possible explanation for the data.

Brendan Eich points to the above diagram to show how digital advertising is broken, noting all of the intermediaries taking their cut of the revenue from your information.

The browser is already on its way towards imple- menting this replacement for digital advertising. This is as an initial coin offering (ICO) that raised 872k in 24 seconds, meaning that people are already in- vesting in Brave’s system. Currently, Brave is in phase one of its three phase plan, which is aimed at attracting publishers to accept BAT contributions. All publishers must do is sign up and they can start receiving contributions. Phase two is aimed at bringing advertisers into the system, convincing them of the benefits of Brave. Phase three plans on bringing other third parties into the fold and expanding the reach of Eich’s blockchain-based digital advertising.

The packed GM more reflected the excitement he feels about his talk, which focused on the theme of disrupting an established and inefficient market. Eich showed that even something as pedestrian as an internet browser still has the potential to un- dergo a radical alteration and breathe new life into a crucial tool. If you are interested in learning more about Brave Software or testing out the Brave browser, please visit Brave.com.
"Joanne" comes from a place in Gaga's heart that, quite frankly, I did not realize she even had.

A Review of Rupi Kaur's Latest Collection of Poems

Dald Rise
Guest Writer

From her first New York Times bestselling book Milk and Honey, Rupi Kaur brings us to her long-awaited second collection of poetry The Sun and Her Flowers. Kaur has done it again; she has taken her readers on a transcendental journey about her personal growth and healing, a journey that will make you find home within yourself. The book is divided into five chapters: the wilting, the falling, the rooting, the rising, and the blooming. Each poem is accompanied with one of her illustrations that truly make it come to life and evoke specific emotions within the reader.

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Illustration by Rupi Kaur

A Review of Joanne/Gaga: Foot Five Two

Thomas Hall
Staff Writer

Maybe you are a little monster, or maybe you can't stand the Lady Gaga that brought you such ear joys as "Judah" or "Poker Face." Please keep reading if you fell into the latter, because, while Joanne is a Lady Gaga album, it is not by the same Lady Gaga we have come to expect. In this latest album, we find Gaga's actual sound as an artist, and not the person the industry told her to be. That is what I got out of watching Netflix's Gaga: Five Foot Two, which dropped earlier this week.

Gaga: Five Foot Two – besides being a great way to convince everyone you are 5’2” when you are really only 5’1” – chronicles Lady Gaga’s journey through making and releasing Joanne, as well as her Super Bowl performance earlier this year. The documentary made Lady Gaga back into an actual person for me. Before, whenever I would think of Gaga, I would think of the larger than life pop star who comes up in meat dresses just to get the public to look at her, but now, I see an actual human with problems just like you and me. And I think her new album really gives depth to her book by sharing personal details and dedicating an entire chapter about her mother and her struggles of immigrant parents. This chapter holds some of the strongest poems in the book, providing an existence reality with in the pages that the reader can relate to. The book included pieces of conversations she had with her mother about their immigration from India, growing up as a third generation child in Canada, and Kaur’s childhood struggles. The Sun and Her Flowers came with a link to more personal content, through which the reader can learn more about Rupi Kaur and her mother.

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Fountain Square Music Festival took place in Indianapolis’s Fountain Square neighborhood a few weeks ago. This two day festival pulled in big names such as Bishop Briggs, COIN, Phantogram, and Dr. Dog. Although the headliners went off at about eleven I was amazed the amount of people that stayed late at the neighboring bars that acted as additional stages for the festival and kept the party going to the early hours of the morning.

Which brings me to the thing that most separates fountain square from every other music festival I have been to: At Fountain Square, there is only one outside stage which is in the middle of a closed off intersection and the other stages are inside neighboring bars. This definitely has a massive perk mainly being clean real restrooms and no porta potties; However, The difference, between Fountain Square Music Festival and other festivals, is further exemplified by comparing the mission of fountain square which is to bring attention and help renovate (*cough* *cough* gentrify) the fountain square neighborhood. This differs dramatically from what we have come to expect from music festivals mainly being, environmental sustainably and stopping global warming.

Although the vibe was a little off for my personal taste, due in large part that is did not feel like the festival I was expecting, the performers still killed it. COIN was the first big act of the festival and they set the bar high. Chase Lawrence, the lead singer, brought an energy that really brought all the members of the crowd together like a good musician can do. I mean just look at picture because after all a picture is worth a thousand words or a million of mine. Dr. Dog headlined the first night and put on one hell of a show. If you have never heard of him stop reading this now and go listen to him on Spotify. Honestly the cost of admission was worth it just to see him perform. Every time I walk away from one of his performances it’s always with the same thought, no recording of him does his live sound justice. Phantogram is one of those bands that is pretty good recorded but you have to go see them live because they put on a great show not just a music performance. Their lighting and fog designs left me in a daze.

Fountain Square Music Festival is still small but is without doubt growing and will become something truly cool and different. Overall, I strongly recommend attending next year if you are either a long time festival goer or are wanting to try something before committing to the craziness that is Forecastle Lollapalooza, Bonnaroo, etc..
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No one would score for the rest of the game so Frank-Hulman wins by a touchdown.
Rose-Hulman fell to 6-3 overall and will return to action this Saturday against Bluffton.

**SEVEN PLAYS TO TAKE THE LEAD**

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**Standout Performers**

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**RHIT Women’s Soccer**

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The Fightin’ Engineers fell short of an upset versus conference leader, Hanover College, three sets to one. The girls came out hot by dominating the first set 25-14. However, Hanover rallied back to win three straight sets of 25-20, 25-19, and 25-18. Junior Bailey MacInnis and sophomore Katie Orbeta contributed ten kills each in the match. However, Defensively, four different Engineers reached double digs in digs. Senior Allison Rogozinski added eighteen assists. Against Bluffton for the win.

**Teamwork makes the dream work**

Photo by Rose-Hulman Athletics

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3. Dust-Controlled Birth Control
4. Dual Purpose Sleeping and Love Potion - Vodka, it's Vodka.
5. Ketchup Chips
6. Textbook for PH112 Hybrid Physics Course
7. A Way to Make Everyone Look Good on Campus
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9. Ketchup Chips
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Did your prof say something hilarious or just great out of context? 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 flipside@rose-hulman.edu or fill out this nifty google form: https://goo.gl/forms/bB339sx6GHohggYt1

WACKY PROF QUOTES

"I had to learn to make jokes about it or else I might cry all the time." - Dr. Allen Holder

"It's like that X-Files thing except I'm a cool and well-known popular person. Please be my friend." - Dr. Micheal Taylor

"I've got a fever baby and the only remedy is more cowbell." - Dr. Kurt Bryan

"If engineering was easy then everybody would be one. And if engineering was hard then everybody would be one. So when was the last time you had a good day at work?" - Dr. Clifford Grigg

"You might not be able to see the a-dimensional space right now, but you might later." (It is Friday) - Dr. Kevin Christ

Registration is this week! Make sure to sell your soul to the Devil for your ideal schedule. Please send an email with questions, concerns, or content to the Thorn Flipside Editor <thorn.flipside@rose-hulman.edu> Disclaimer: The Flipside is purely for fun. Any uncredited work above can be attributed to me, Emma Osmow.

National 7 Day Forecast

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National Boston Cream Pie Day
National Food Day - Well, I guess important.
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National Mule Day - I don't care to be an ass, but why do they get a day?
National American Beer Day
National Chocolate Day
National Cat Day
National Oatmeal Day - My church made me put noisy animals on my bed so I would know what it was like to have large sum of money, literally. Don't be surprised if you keep the woolly money pit that Rose built out of our tuition.
National Bologna Day - This was separated from the over- arching food label because bologna isn't really food.
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National Halloween Day - This was separated from the over-ar ching food label because bologna isn't really food.
National Mule Day - I don't care to be an ass, but why do they get a day?
National Pumpkin Day - "A White Girl Breathing heavily."
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National American Beer Day - Day - Pharmacy's great places for meeting drug dealers.
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So that the 14 year old kid doesn't steal your bike.

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Taurus: That demon you accidentally summoned will turn out to be surprisingly good in bed. And the consequent Satanic whisperings in your ear will offer you new, exciting experiences.

Gemini: Having no filing system for your laptop will prove disastrous when you accidentally submit Shrek porn to Moodle. To prevent this, take your computer to EIT where they will completely wipe it and leave you a sobbing mess.

Cancer: This week, you'll realize that the people that told you identifying as a ghost was "weird" and "kind of annoying" were totally wrong. Embrace being Ghostkin and go naked to class. You're invisible. No one will know you.

Leo: Is your space too clean? Leave a few bananas under your bed, or else your classmates will think you are overworked yourself and have a bit of fun. Just kidding, you've got exams and assignments due.

Virgo: You've got grand ideas for a new start that specializes in miniature hats for squirrels. Ignoring startup work and focus on this instead. It promises to be very lucrative.

Libra: Poor midterm grades may have got you down, but don't fret. There's still plenty of time for you to get hit by the Public Safety vehicle or take pictures of Rosie in compromising positions for blackmail to secure your position at Rose.

Sagittarius: In order to bring a failing grade up, invest in designer Rosie in compromising positions for blackmail to secure your position at Rose.

The BORESCOPES

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