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It is the hope of these programs that these opportunities will increase the number of supportive members of the Rose-Hulman community, making it a more welcoming environment for those previously mentioned members of the LGBTQIA+ community and for those yet to be noticed or noticed.

Safe Zone training sessions are split into two categories: general training sessions and advanced training sessions. While it is recommended that anyone interested in this opportunity attend a general training session before attending, an advanced version, both provide an opportunity to learn something new.

While the Advanced trainings cover topics that people may find more complex than those in the General training, we review the basic concepts from the General training during the Advanced trainings so people can learn from the Advanced trainings without having attended the General training,” said Xander Dondis.

General Safe Zone training sessions usually address terminology, privilege, subtle forms of homophobia, and understanding the differences between biological sex, gender identity, and sexual orientation in the span of a hour. These sessions usually provide their attendees with more of a foundation than those in the General training session. In addition, more difficult topics that some people may find more challenging to understand or more uncomfortable to address are included.

The other type of advanced training session, which will be offered next quarter, focuses on sexual/romantic identities and the terminology used to talk about them.

Safe Zone began offering training sessions in the fall/winter of 2015, and this Wednesday (January 16) the first Safe Zone session of 2019 will be held in STC 124 from 5:20 p.m. – 6:20 p.m. As mentioned before, it will cover terminology and non-binary identities. If you are interested in being a supportive member of the RHIT community or even simply curious about what the LGBTQIA+ community has to offer, consider attending this week’s advanced training session.

You can RSVP for the event via my.rose-hulman.edu, and if you have any questions regarding Safe Zone training sessions feel free to contact Dr. Dondis who serves as the student group’s advisor.

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Rose Riot!

A collection of photos

Dara Nafiu

News Editor

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Floor/hall dinner became campus dinner as Rose students gathered to spend time with friends over some great food.
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Come to our C-Think info session on Thursday at 7:30 in M103 for the answer!
For more info contact: hendritc@rose-hulman.edu

Last Week’s Answer: Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow

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**The Pen is Mightier than the sword, join us.** Tuesdays at 5:15 in O259.
On the first day of the new year, Ocasio-Cortez was sworn in as the new representative for New York’s 14th congressional district. This was an historic moment, as she was the youngest woman ever elected to Congress. At 29 years old, she will be the only member of the 116th Congress younger than 30. This is significant because it reflects a new generation of leaders who are ready to tackle the most pressing issues of our time.

Despite some early challenges, Ocasio-Cortez has already made a name for herself in Congress. She has previously announced that she would be a Democratic Party towards the left, pushing for policies that benefit the working class such as free tuition and universal healthcare.

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The Spider-Man franchise has changed significantly, and Spider-Man for nearly twenty years (I know, I can believe it) has been the subject of much criticism. The voice of Tom Holland for the Marvel Cinematic Universe was a step in the right direction, while the number of films from the studio riddled, self-inflicted wounds. The Middle-Aged white folks subject, though, is now pop music or hip hop. This way or another is easy.

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Over the past few months a new genre of music has erupted from the depths of YouTube for a reason that no one truly intended. YouTube’s recommendation algorithm is not perfect and there are many times in which a video will be recommended for a large group of people. This can have various repercussions although many times these go unnoticed and get lost in the midst of the internet. Having said that there a few times when the stars align and we are subject to a whole new side of a topic we never even knew existed. This is exactly what happened when recently the realm of Japanese City Pop was shown through the depths of YouTube as it was a very popular Genre in Japan in the 1980s. Tracks such as Mariya Takechi’s plastic love and Taeko Ohnuki’s 4 am have gained massive popularity in various internet communities. Some of these tracks have even found more success today than they ever received in the past. To take a deep dive into what citypop actually is I would compare it to a mix of classic American disco, funk, and soul with heavy bass lines and catchy choruses along with the quintessential Japanese influence of which all this music is based upon.

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Snow Ice Cream

Recipe Courtesy of allrecipes.com

Ingredients

- 1 gallon snow
- 1 (12 fluid ounce) can evaporated milk
- 2 eggs, beaten
- 1 1/2 teaspoons vanilla extract
- 3/4 cup white sugar

Directions

1. In a large bowl, combine evaporated milk, eggs, vanilla and sugar until smooth. Gradually stir in snow until mixture reaches desired consistency. Eat at once.
2. Realize that the snow you grabbed was not completely clean and throw away your ice cream.
3. Drive to Meijer/Walmart/Aldi
4. Buy some real ice cream
5. As you wait in line you think about why you thought that it would be a good idea to make ice cream out of snow.

Nutrition Facts

- 312 calories;
- 9.6 g fat
- 47.4 g carbohydrates
- 9.6 g protein
- 120 mg cholesterol
- 165 mg sodium.
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Bordering on Madness

Aidan Moulton

Staff Writer

The United States Government has been shut down for several weeks, and is approaching a full month. The only reason that things have dragged on this long is because the President threw a tantrum when

someone told him "no" when he asked for a ridiculous amount of money ($4.6 billion) to build a wall. Because of this, 800,000 government workers are not being paid. Many, not all, federally-funded organizations are without funding and thus cannot operate.

What I find particularly ridiculous about this budget dispute is that President Trump already has some funding for the wall. His administration previously approved $1.6 billion for upgrades to physical border security. However, only 8% of that money has been spent. So, I don’t believe they will ever support this project.

I believe it’s a marketing ploy. With every news report, Trump is getting a little bit more support. His wall, however, is a huge waste of funds. What we need is comprehensive immigration reform. That would actually help people.
**Standout Performers**

Ryuji Aoki

Craig McGee

**RHIT SPORTS SCHEDULES**

**Track & Field**

Dec 18: @ University Of Kentucky
Jan 11: @ RHIT
Jan 12: @ Bloomington, Ill
Jan 18: @ Valparaiso, Ind
Jan 19: @ Grand Rapids, Mich
Jan 25: @ Franklin Community Middle School
Feb 2: @ RHIT
Feb 14-16: @ Vigo County Aquatic Center

**Swimming & Diving**

Dec 5: Mt. St. Joseph
Dec 8: Transylvania
Dec 13: Boyce
Dec 15: Manchester
Dec 22: Millikin
Jan 2: Hanover
Jan 5: Earlham
Jan 9: Franklin
Jan 12: Bluffton
Jan 16: Anderson
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**RHIT Men’s Basketball**

Unfortunately the men’s basketball team was unsuccessful against Bluffton. This puts an end to their 6 game winning streak. The team’s record is now at 10-5 and 6-2.

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Craig McGee

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Byron Fazekas
Craig McGee

**RHIT Women’s Basketball**

The Lady Engineers managed to pull out a win against Bluffton. Their strong defense was what brought them over the top. The team’s record is currently at 10-5 overall and 7-1 in the HCAC.

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**Standout Performers**

Ally Bromenschenkel
Kayla Gerken
### Wacky Prof Quotes

**"This is music history. Here we go. Porky the Pig."**
- Dr. Chapman

**"Whoever came up with that feature, I am going to murder them."**
- Dr. Simori

**"What’s that thing, the Thorns? Usually I get quoted for something stupid."**
- Dr. Herniter

**“If you're going to die, go do it in Dr. Chang's room.”**
- Dr. Throne

**Student: “Can we cancel class?”**
- Dr. Throne: “No, but you can sleep through it as usual.”

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/bBl395s6GH0hggYYt

### Rose-Hulman to Rename Winter Break

**Maureen Winterbreak**

Many more changes are happening on Rose-Hulman’s campus, some even the campus community could not anticipate. The latest change came from the Naming Rose-Hulman Things Committee meeting after the 2018-19 winter break. It occurred to the committee that most students actually did homework over break, and that some professors assigned homework specifically to be done during the time away from campus. As a result of this revelation, the Naming Rose-Hulman Things Committee has elected to change the name “winter break” to “winter work-from-home.”

“We understand that many students are commuters, and thus work from home all the time,” one committee member explained. “However, for the majority of the students on campus, they return to their homes and, given the amount of work they have to do, it really is a bit of a misnomer to call it a ‘break.’”

During a town hall meeting to address the new change, one audience member—identified to be a 2015 Engineer-

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### Year’s Resolutions

1. Stop eating slices of cheese from the fridge at 3 AM
2. Stop walking out of the KIC emergency door - KIC stands for Kline Innovation Center. Change my mind.
3. Start reading the Thorn every week
4. Read textbook chapters before class
5. Start eating cigarettes (it’s a metaphor)
6. Just pods
7. Vodka
8. BE. AGGRESSIVE. BE. AGGRESSIVE.
9. Become the Spider-Man of my universe ;)
10. Start drug detox in time for internship drug test
11. Start eating slices of cheese from the fridge at 11 PM
12. Kick your Adderall habit
13. Tithe to the Canadian border wall goalfundme
14. Watch the Detective Pikachu movie at least 5 times
15. Memorize the script of the Bee Movie (again)
16. Relearn your ABCs
17. Finally learn how to connect your computer to the projector
18. Become a level 35 mafia boss - That’s how mafia works
19. Fix D116 printer
20. Drink 8 gallons of water a day

### Decent Chang of the Week

“Dr. Chang, or ‘D Boogie’ as he should be called, is a great prof.” - Rate My Professor

Happy New Year! Hope those sixth week tests don’t crush you. Please send an email with questions, concerns, or content to the Thorn Flipside Editor <thorn.flipside@rose-hulman.edu>.

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