The evening kicked off with a choir and band combination of "Strike Up the Band" that greatly showcased the concert's theme. The Concert Band continued with a grand medley from the Gershwins brothers (two popular American composers from the 20th century) that featured sections of their best works like "An American in Paris" and "Rhapsody in Blue." The Jazz Ensemble also played more Gershwin music and another blues style piece, music you could sit back and relax to. As for the Rose Chorus, the group performed the song "Foolin' Good" and showed the emotion with which the song was written. Choir director Michelle Azar also invited the students she teaches at Terre Haute North for a beautiful rendition of "Over the Rainbow" from The Wizard of Oz.

For the grand finale, all groups came together to perform a classic "Theme from New York, New York." The sounds of Frank Sinatra and "Lady Marmalade" came together to perform the timeless classic "New York, New York."
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Dara Nafiu
World News Editor

Millennials have single-handedly killed McDonald’s, sex, tout, Home Depot, and even democracy itself. For the past two decades, Generation Y has been everything from a suspect for disfigured astronauts to the punchline for tired comedy bits. Somewhere between Tide pods and back pain, they are an easy target for an older generation that is begrudgingly coming to terms with the mess it has created. Of course, as the nineties kids push thirty, they are starting to experience the cynicism that comes with age. Unlike the baby boomers before them, however, they aren’t directing it at the younger generation or wistfully longing for a by-gone era. Instead, that cynicism has made them demand of it’s issues like climate change, police brutality, violence, freedom, and human rights. Whether you believe it’s an unfortunate product of identity politics or redefining reactivity and redefining reactivity and reactivity in the workplace, millennials think far too differently to be covered by blanket statements, but that doesn’t the stop the media from trying.

Woudn’t you be tired of listening? This collective exhaustion, this generational exasperation, is perfectly encapsulated by “okay, boom-er.” Equal parts irritable and dismissive, it can be applied in almost any context. Not leaving a tip because your waiter didn’t smile? Okay, boomer. Don’t think the woman taking your drive thru order should be paid a living wage? Alright, boomer. Still think runaway student debt is the product of lazy graduates instead of a fundamentally flawed system? Yes got it, boomer.

This throwaway phrase is quickly becoming whatever, “mom-dad” was in the 80s. Still, the words have proved to be far more divisive than anyone could have expected. Conservative talk show host Bill O’Reilly claimed that “Boomer” is the n-word of agism. This, unfavourably and tone deaf comparison immediately prompted the following response from Diction ary.com: “Boomer is an inform al noun referring to a person born during a baby boom, especially one born in the U.S. between 1946 and 1995. The n-word is one of the most offensive words in the English lan guage.” Whether you view the term as a passing once or a genera tional waky, it cannot be compared to a word forged from centuries of hate.

The final twist in this viral sen sation is that Gen Xers are begin ning to refer to their millennial par ents as “boomers.” In this way, the generational identifier has trans cended age and now represents out dated or close-minded ideas. So next time, whether you’re serving a table full of fifty something or as the but of another recycled joke, just close your eyes and whisper to your self, “okay, boomer.”

Microsoft Japan has seen a 40% increase productivity after experi menting with a 4-day workweek this past summer. This experiment came to Microsoft Japan’s attention after considering ways to ensure an innovative and efficient work envi ronment for its employees, especial ly when it comes to a flexible work schedule that can be customized to the employee’s lifestyle and needs. To encourage employees to take a day off and only work four days a week, Microsoft Japan has given those who took Fridays off a special paid leave.

What was quite interesting is how other aspects of the work life changed due to the shorter work week. For instance, Microsoft Japan has set a rule to cut the duration of meetings from 60 minutes to 30 minutes, which pushed its employ ees to effectively use their provided time to discuss what is critical to everyone’s time.

Although this idea of a 4-day workweek has shown to increase productivity and work balance, only few companies have implemented it permanently around the globe. The workplace analyst Dan Shulman says that the most common workplace perk that employees look for is flexibility, but the traditional 9-to-5 workday is the norm in the world. Some places even reward those who work extra hours, un a ware that it is one of the fastest routes to causing burnout.

The nature of work has changed over the years, especially with advancements in the Internet, Skype and email. However, the same traditional work styles are still be ing practiced. By decreasing the workweek from 5 days to 4 days there will be an increase in innova tive higher productivity that stems from a healthier and balanced rela tionship with work.

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Jojo Rabbit

Jojo’s Bizarre Adventure (with Hitler!)

Lauren Wiseman
Staff Writer Emerita

“We still have Nazis, so I guess I’ll need anti-Nazi satire. Thankfully, the latest director to take on the subject is Taika Waititi, director of the best Thor (Ragnarok) and the best vampire movie (What We Do in the Shadows. And, like the great Mel Brooks before him, he also dressed up as Hitler to make fun of the dictator.”

This time, though, Hitler is the imaginary friend of ten-year-old Nazi fanatic Jojo Jan-nes—a.k.a. Jojo (Roman Griffin Davis)—who learns that his mother, Roonie (Scarlett Johansson) is hiding a Jewish girl named Elsa (Thomasin McKenzie). Jojo begins to learn that his blind devotion to the Fatherland may have obscured the truth about the war, about Jews, and about his good buddies, Adolf.

Waititi has a knack for building good films around unlikely protagonists—having done it in his earlier films Boy and The Hunt for the Wilderpeople—and has a great performance out of the young actors, bridging the gap between competent leads and believable children, and both Griffin Davis and Archie Yates, playing Jojo’s friend Yorkie, China, and Elsa, respectively.

Youth, Alfie Allen, Stephen Merchant, and even Rebel Wilson are all hilarities in their performances, however big or small. One standout I do have to mention, though, is Thomasin McKenzie. Her eyes are imprisoning, bleak to look away from, conveying the too many years Elsa has already lived. She plays Elsa with intensity, bravery, and miscalculation.

All these characters play in a cartoonish, almost “fun” version of Nazi-Germany, and the cinematography evokes Wes Anderson—eliciting many to compare the film to Moonlight or Stereoscopic, which is a pretty apt comparison.

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“Are you actually learning anything from this film? The latest edition to the Call of Duty series, Modern Warfare makes up for that mediocar game with improved multiplayer gameplay.”

Jojo Rabbit

A Review of Ruby Sparks

Lauren Wiseman
Staff Writer Emerita

“They’re not interested in me, they’re interested in some idea of me.”

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The latest attempt to channel the same idea for nearly a decade, the pain of his relationship with a girl who resists being turned into his imaginary friend. Jojo Rabbit is a little weird that he kind of loves her, but this is all a therapeutic exercise.

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Unprofessional Engineering
The Creative and Compelling Pittsburg Podcast

William Kemp
Business Manager

The Unprofessional Engineering podcast is probably the most hilarious and interesting podcast any aspiring or current engineer could listen to. Hosted by James Hezing and Luke Mihelic, their witty commentary in light-hearted language has made each show make each and every episode enjoyable. Both work as product marketing managers at Autodesk, but they still find the time to share interesting facts about many aspects of engineering that to most would seem boring.

Along with “normal” episodes, James and Luke have several series of episodes, including “How it’s Made,” “Great Inventors,” and “Companies That Built The World.” They’ve had several special guests on their show to talk about what they do in the engineering world and aspects of their job that most wouldn’t immediately connect to engineering.

Some of my favorite episodes come from the “How it’s Made” series. Episode 159 talks about how solar panels are made and how they’ve changed since the invention of the solar cell in 1881. Did you know that the blackish color of solar panels isn’t natural? Or that today solar panels are so advanced it’s possible for a window to be a functioning solar panel?

The “Great Inventors” series talks about (surprise, surprise!) some of the most historical inventors of all time. My personal favorites include Marie Curie, Benjamin Franklin, and Elon Musk. Marie Curie was an absolute amazing physicist and chemist whose theories changed both fields dramatically. She coined the term radioactivity, discovered two elements, and developed mobile radiography so field hospitals could x-ray patients. Ben Franklin, however, was the most surprising to me. Yeah sure, he’s a founding father and invented the lightning rod, but there is so much more to him. One of Ben Franklin’s first inventions was swim fins. Isn’t this some huge discovery or anything, but the fact that he did it at 11 years old, today’s fifth grader, is astounding. Later on in life, when his brother had kidney stones, Franklin changed the urinary catheter from a thick, metal tube, to a flexible one. As for Elon Musk, I think he speaks for himself as (in my opinion) the current world’s best entrepreneur/engineer.

The “Companies That Built The World” series happens less often than the other two with only four episodes; Corning, Westinghouse, Ford/GM/Chrysler, and Boeing. As for Elon Musk, I think he speaks for himself as (in my opinion) the current world’s best entrepreneur/engineer.

I highly recommend listening to this podcast, or at the very least checking out some of the episodes mentioned above. You can listen to this podcast on iHeartRadio, iTune, and YouTube, among other platforms. If you have a topico you’re interested in or if you just want some really cool stickers, you can simply email James at unprofessionalengineering@gmail.com for a shout out in their next episode.

Must Watch YouTube Channels

Recommendations from the Rose Thorn Staff

Colin Beach
Lifestyle Editor

Alex “Trench guy cooking” (from Jonathan Kawachi, Staff Writer)

Alex is one of the many food channels that can be found on YouTube, but he takes it one step further. His videos often dive beyond just the ingredients of the dishes he features. He’ll go into a step-by-step breakdown of each part of the preparation, often talking a very engineer/scientific approach to optimize the food’s flavor and the cooking process. He’s also a resident of France and has a knack for engineering, leading to many vlog style videos featuring exotic Chinese food, experimental foods, and more technical videos about how to deck out and personalize your kitchen. His videos are filled with his love and passion for food. For Rose students who might want to try cooking up their own game, I’d recommend Alex’s “Ramen Addiction” series, where he goes in-depth on how to make and store your own noodles, broth, and ramen-related additions.

Matt D’Avella (from Dall Dima, Editor in Chief)

Matt is a minimalist and a filmmaker. He has more than 100 million views because his videos/short films are exquisite and always have a clear message. His channel has a variety of videos like self development, minimalism, productivity, and meditation. He also talks on many other random challenges and tests for 30 days, like quitting sugar for a month. His channel is definitely one of my favorites on YouTube, they are high quality and informative, yet are very fun to watch.

Scrumdidlyumptious (from William Kemp, Business Manager)

Scrumdidlyumptious… both the name and a perfect description of the channel. With videos more or less daily, the chefs of Scrumdidlyumptious use unique kitchen tactics and recipes that anyone with some expertise could do at home. Cooking is one of my favorite hobbies and I’ve spent my fair share drooling over the videos from this channel. If you ever want to try something new out in the kitchen, this is the perfect place for inspiration.

Linus Tech Tips (from Aidan Moulder, Opinion Editor)

Linus Tech Tips is a great channel for tech news, reviews, experiments, and (above all) tips. I learned basically everything I know about computers and PC building from this channel, but they also talk about current technologies like phones, wearables, and smart home products.

Lock Picking Lawyer (from Thomas Hall, Staff Writer)

The no face voice of this channel is very calming to listen to, no matter your interest in lockpicking or not. It also just makes you aware of how much security is really just security theater (i.e. fake) and actually does nothing if you really want to get into someone’s home.
Baseball is Bad

My perspective on America’s favorite pastime

Basball is not a sport. It is a game. A game is defined as an activity that follows a set of rules, with the objective of winning. Baseball, on the other hand, is a sport. A sport is defined as a physical activity that is competitive and involves skill, strategy, and teamwork. Baseball is a sport because it requires physical skill and strategy to succeed, and it is played by teams against each other. Additionally, baseball is a sport because it has a defined set of rules that govern the game. Baseball is not a game because it does not follow the definition of a game.
**Women's Soccer**

**Caleigh Kintner**

**Sports Editor**

The Rose Hulman women's soccer team earned the second Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference Tournament championship in program history after defeating Hanover College with a final score of 1-0. This improves the team to 15-4-1 overall and earns them an automatic bid to the NCAA Division III Women's Soccer Tournament.

The Engineers found themselves in a battle for the HCAC title against the Panthers. Rose Hulman was able to lead Hanover in shots at the end of the first half 6-5 in a highly defensive matchup. Elle Ogden was able to get to the net in the 40th minute after an assist from Joscaa Wells to put Rose Hulman ahead going into halftime 1-0.

The second half continued to prove to be a defensive stand-off. Hanover would outshoot the Engineers 4-1 in the second half, but were not able to connect with the net to tie the score. The Engineers would defeat the Panthers with a final score of 1-0 with an even number of shots between both teams 7-7. Goalie, Katie Dietmert, was able to record two saves in the Engineers 1th shutout of the season.

After the match, Rose Hulman was presented with the HCAC regular season and championship trophies. Jessica Wells was named the HCAC Tournament Most Valuable Player for her efforts in the post season tournament that included the game winning goal against Hanover and both assists in the semifinal win over Mount St. Joseph.

This is the second time in program history that the Engineers have claimed the HCAC title. Rose Hulman won its only previous appearance in the HCAC Tournament Championship Game in 2007. This will mark the program's second NCAA Tournament appearance in the HCAC Tournament title match.

**Image Courtesy of Rose Hulman Athletics**

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**Football**

**HCAC Championship Game**

**Caleigh Kintner**

**Sports Editor**

Hanover College earned its second consecutive Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference football championship and NCAA Division III Tournament appearance with a 42-15 victory over Rose Hulman Institute of Technology in the conference championship game on Saturday at Coach Baker Field.

Garrett Wight led the Rose-Hulman offense with 86 yards on 20 carries. Andrew Donn completed eight passes, and Eric Merritt added four completions with a 23-yard touchdown strike to Dejon Bones at the final drive for the Engineer passing game.

Zach Phillips led the Rose-Hulman defense performance with 11 tackles with one interception. Jack Heyl contributed 10 tackles and one sack. Jacob Hendrich added five tackles, two tackles for loss and one sack on a day that the Engineer defense amassed four sacks.

Hanover took a 7-0 lead on its first possession, when Wezennsky connected with Bleistein on a six-yard touchdown pass. Rose-Hulman answered to close within 7-0 on a 24-yard run by Wight at the 9:44 mark of the first quarter.

Rose-Hulman stands 6-3 overall and 5-2 in HCAC play entering its season finale at No. 8 St. John's (Minn.) next week.

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**Volleyball**

**Caleigh Kintner**

**Sports Editor**

The Rose-Hulman Fightin' Engineers were defeated by #20 Transylvania in the HCAC Tournament Semifinal Match 25-11, 25-14, 25-17.

Kayla Harding led the Engineers offensively with six amazing kills for the night followed by Riley Woodcroft who totaled four kills.

Kate Orbeta led the team with 12 assists followed by Erynn Castaneda who was able to contribute eight assists of her own to support the Rose-Hulman Engineers.

The Engineers defense was led by Katryna Dahlberg recording 21 digs in the match. Orbeta had the teams second highest total with nine digs on the night.

Masha Breuer led the team with three block assists.

Rose-Hulman advanced to the HCAC Tournament Semifinals one year after winning the league championship at Transylvania. The Engineers compiled a 6-3 record in HCAC regular season play.
An Inner Look at the Underground Rose-Hulman Black Market

Gordon Poon

Over the last week, I immersed myself in one of the most dangerous communities on Rose-Hulman’s campus: Conwell’s Corner, also known as the Rose Black Market.

Located in the President Office Suite in Olin (above the main receptionist), people come and go daily to pay their respects to the wooden statue of Rosie while also participating in the trade of dangerous contraband.

“Are you guys really bluff right now? It’s almost like it’s Monday or something.”
- Dr. Kyle Claassen, on a Monday

If anyone turns an L-beam and loads it on the web, they probably went to Purdue.
- Dr. Christine Buckley

“And you’re not going to quote that? You put my stupid quotes in the Rose Thorn and you don’t put that??”
- Dr. Amir Danesh

“I don’t have a Ph.D. either... oh my god this is going to be a quote,”
- Dr. Amir Danesh

“I like crack problems.”
- Dr. Ashley Bernal

“Apparently today I prefer left-handed coordinate systems. Someone take me out and shoot me if that’s ever the case.”
- Dr. Kyle Claassen

“Lee Dr. Doering shoot you.”
- Dr. Daniel Chang

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/bBi310sxG5tHIsqYE1

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Walking through the market is a thrilling experience for first timers. The Subway sign hangs graciously over the main stairs for people to walk while eating, with the market opening up to wide shops selling storage space for clubs, decent food, and a multitude of dried markers from popular professors. Shops line the walls with advertisements for “unlimited bandwidth options” and digging deeper I was able to find someone willing to sell me this article space on the Rose Thorn. While the official slogan of the market “Anything for the right price”, is hung right below the Subway sign for all to view, the general consensus of all parties is that the real rally cry is “It’s just like the old SharePoint!”

From all walks of life, people come to Conwell’s Corner looking for high quality items, or just to procrastinate. One buyer, who wished to remain anonymous, stated that “[the market] is a tight knit community. People from all walks of life come here, from dying seniors to profs to remain anonymous, stated that “[the market] is a tight knit community.”
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