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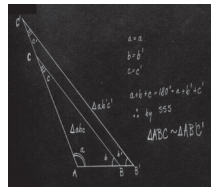
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A new kind of survival game. **Page 4**



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How well do you know your professor? **Page 6**



Fightin' Engineers trounce Defiance and Earlham. **Page 7**

Eastern World on Campus Celebrating the Lunar New Year

Christopher Kodama
staff writer

New Years is one of those holidays that can be celebrated twice a year if one wanted. Last week on Friday was the Lunar New Year, something which is principally celebrated in Asian countries such as China, Korea, and Vietnam. According to the Chinese calendar, last week on Friday marked the transition from the year of the Water Snake to the year of the Wood Horse. The Chinese zodiac system involves the use of elements and animals assigned to each year in order to predict future events, similarly to Western Horoscopes.

The Chinese Cultural Club and the International Student Association hosted a New Year's celebration in the Faculty Dining Room with Chinese food and traditional New Year's activities. Chinese celebrations of the New Years are very festive, spanning a couple of weeks. Some elements of the celebrations include the color red, posting of symbolic characters, lion/dragon dances, and firecrackers. One common tradition is to give younger relatives red envelopes that contain money. The event at the Faculty Dining Room also had red envelopes, but instead of money, the envelopes contained chocolate coins. Another activity at the event was a

game that involved transferring black and white Go pieces from one bowl to another with chopsticks. Students also got to practice writing Chinese characters by writing with a calligraphy brush and water on special "magic paper" that darkens on contact with water and lightens

when the water evaporates. The food served during the event included cream custard buns, BBQ pork buns, fish fin dumplings, shrimp meatballs, shioma, and crab rangoon. Students enjoyed the food and the opportunity to learn more about Chinese culture. Deming 2 SA Chris-

topher Lui commented that it was a great event to show people a little about the way that people celebrate Chinese New Year with food and entertainment. I had fun playing Chinese-themed games while eating pretty authentic dishes. It was nice to see the annual traditional show

playing in the background as well as receiving a red packet, known as hong bao or lai si in Chinese for writing a Chinese character.

The next major holiday on the Chinese calendar is the Lantern Festival, which this year coincides with Valentine's Day on February 14.



Scenes of the Lunar New Year celebration in the Faculty Dining Room on Saturday, February 1st. Many students showed up to this event organized by the International Student Association.

Photos courtesy of Taku Nagasaka

events

Final day to drop course

This is just a reminder that if you need to drop a course, TODAY IS THE DAY.
Registrar Office, February 7, 8 a.m.

Blues Brothers Revue

Want to end the school day with some fun? Come and enjoy some blues.
Hatfield, February 7, 7:30 p.m.



Comedian John Cassidy

Feeling bored Saturday evening? Come and enjoy a comedian's stand up routine.
Kahn Room, February 8, 8 p.m.

World Cup Warm Up

Sign up for this Brazilian activity. Food, music, and fun are all guaranteed.
Kahn Room, February 11, 5 p.m.

sports

Men's Tennis vs. Vincennes

February 8 - 3:30 p.m.

Men's Basketball vs. Hanover

February 12 - 7:30 p.m.

Women's Basketball vs. Franklin

February 19 - 7:30 p.m.

Men's Tennis vs. Alma

February 22 - 3:30 p.m.

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U.S. Diplomat’s Private Call Exposed

In a telephone call, which has been leaked to the public, an American assistant secretary of state and the ambassador to Ukraine are heard discussing the political crisis in Kiev. The conversation included assessments of their European counterparts and their frustrations with the current situation. The conversation notably included the assistant secretary referring to the European Union with an expletive.

While the original source of the leak is unclear, it is a fact that it was the Russian government who initially took note of the video, which was posted on YouTube on Tuesday and tweeted it out. A link was sent out Thursday from the account of an aide to Russia’s deputy prime minister with the message commenting that the assistant secretary was making a controversial judgment about the EU. U.S. officials are not commenting on the origins of the video but have expressed disappointment that the Russian government promoted its viewing. The conversation could easily inflame passions in Kiev, Brussels, or Moscow where America’s role in Ukraine has already been labeled as controversial.

United Nations Criticizes the Vatican

On Wednesday the United Nations Committee on the Rights of the Child issued a report that compels the Vatican to remove child abusers from its ranks. The report also calls them to surrender the offenders to law enforcement and open archives in order to hold church officials who knew of and concealed abuse responsible for instances of abuse that were internally covered up. The Vatican responded to the committee the same day, saying that the committee’s report was outdated and that the necessary changes had already been made.

However, the report was staunchly critical of the church’s current practices, not just their prior offenses. The conclusion of the report states that the committee is worried that the Holy See has not fully acknowledged or accepted the extent of the child abuse crimes committed, nor has it taken crucial measures needed to adequately protect the children in question.

The source of the criticism in the report is a panel that took a closer look at the Vatican’s compliance with the Convention on the Rights of the Child, an international agreement signed by 140 sovereign entities, which is designed to protect children. The report also comments on the Vatican’s handling of contraception, homosexuality, and abortion in cases of rape and incest.

The report is likely going to put pressure on Pope Francis to make tangible changes to the manner in which the church handles abuse problems. Although the panel’s recommendations are not binding, it is anticipated that Pope Francis will act on them, and changes will be seen by the time the Vatican reports back to the committee in 2017.

Senate Extension of Unemployed Benefits Fails

Undercutting a key component of Obama’s economic recovery plan, the Senate did not move forward on a three-month continuation of assistance to the long-term unemployed. The failure of the measure to move forward this Thursday means that it is unlikely that Congress will approve the measure soon. 60 votes were needed in order to break a Republican filibuster effort and advance the legislation, and the program fell just one vote short, grinding to a halt with 59.

The main issue legislators had with the program, which would have allowed individuals who had drained their unemployed insurance to continue to receiving benefits, was the question of how the government would have paid for such a hefty expenditure.

The benefits, which expired at the end of 2013, left more than 1.3 million Americans without assistance. President Obama has repeatedly pressured Congress to extend the program, which originated as an emergency measure during the recession. However, even if the program were to slide through the Senate, the possibility of getting the extension through the Republican-controlled House of Representatives would be a weighty task. John A. Boehner, Speaker of the House, stated he would only support a bill if it was both paid for and could help to stimulate job growth.

SGA Elections

Christopher Kodama • staff writer

Last Tuesday elections for the Student Government Association were held, ultimately resulting in victory for candidate Kylie McCollum over opponent Bill Tsogtbaatar. McCollum is a junior Chemical Engineering Major with past experience as Freshman and Sophomore Class President as well as SGA Vice President, where she got valuable experience working with other students, faculty, and administrators. One of her main goals is to continue building connections between students and the administration and to increase communications between senators and their constituents. Outside of school, McCollum plays on the women’s tennis team, is a member of Chi Omega and Alpha Chi Sigma, participates in Intervarsity Christian Fellowship, auditions and performs in Rose musicals, and enjoys hanging out with friends. McCollum is enthusiastic about her future plans as president: “I appreciate everyone who learned about the candidates running and took the time to vote. I am excited

for this next year in SGA, leading senate with our newly elected VP Alex Thomas, and connecting our campus as best as I can through events and conversations with our students and administration.”



Kylie McCollum, the new SGA President.
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“That Awkward Moment”

Bethany Martin
editor in chief

When you see a trailer for a comedy with Zac Efron heading the cast you probably, and understandably, get a bit skeptical as to the quality of the flick. It becomes especially sketchy when the title looks like the beginning of an annoying status update from that girl you hated in high school. However, this movie was not terrible. It will certainly not go down in history as one of the greatest romantic comedies, but it definitely has its upsides.

The movie is about three college buddies and their development after one of them discovers that his wife has been cheating on him. Mikey (Michael B. Jordan) plays the unlucky, yet hunky, emergency room doctor whose wife no longer finds their marriage to be worth the effort. His graphic designer friends Jason and Daniel (Zac Efron and Miles Teller) take a vow to remain single with Mikey and to keep him from crawling back to his ex-wife. The pledge basically means nothing

to Jason and Daniel in the beginning; they already have “rosters” set up so that they get all the sex and none of the relationship. However, in the most cliché of story developments the two players get their just deserts when their perfect women fall into their lives and they must decide between their bro code and their futures. The promise means nothing to Mikey either as he pretends to set up a roster but really just starts hooking up with his ex-wife in the hospital.

Everything hits the fan when the lies come crashing down. Mikey finds out that his ex-wife is still cheating on him, Daniel’s girlfriend finds out that he’s been keeping their relationship a secret, and Daniel de-

cides that in order to not be in a relationship he won’t be going to her father’s funeral. All in all the boys aren’t very bright and are pretty selfish. Alas! The two sex fiends find that they can feel love and re-

lationships aren’t all about sex (shocker). The portrayal of women in this movie was pretty

ing, but she liked to drink Scotch and play Xbox so she was A-Okay with the boys. Vera (Jessica Lucas), the cheating wife is a user and an abuser. She conveniently forgets to tell her husband that she does not in fact love him anymore, and she just wants to have fun. Chelsea (Mackenzie Davis) is really the only likable female lead. She starts out as a wing woman for Daniel and eventually becomes the woman for whom he cleans up. Their story was my favorite.

The plot is old and dusty with cheesy, ridiculous gags, but I enjoyed it. It was an easy way to unwind and get a good laugh. It is sort of interesting when you realize that the two liberal arts men got their happy endings and the science one ended in divorce. However, the movie is apparently a good representation of how men act while they are alone, which is only mildly scary. It cracked me up, which is worth something.

Rating: 2.5/5 elephants



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varied. Zac Efron’s love interest Ellie (Imogene Poots) was quirky and odd. She was not very interest-



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“Rust”

Morgan Escalera
business manager

My first day spent in the world of Rust involved running around with a rock in my hands, punching trees and large rocks. After some time gathering materials, I came across some player-made structures. I ran through them, not wanting to cause any trouble. Suddenly I heard a call of my username, followed quickly by a gunshot. Suddenly walking became a problem, and I was bleeding ostensibly. I was told again to stop, and this time I did, turning around to face my attacker. Through the mic I heard “This is what you get” before my hip was blown to pieces by a shotgun blast.

So began my experience with “Rust.” For those of you who are unfamiliar with the game, “Rust” is a game where the object is survival against hunger, wildlife, and other players. It has gained a certain amount of notoriety for the harsh treatment of new players by existing players. A certain amount of beginner hazing is common in almost all player against player games, but death is ubiquitous already because of the natural causes of

death players can also undergo.

Within the first hour of playtime, I had died of starvation, zombie attack, wolf attack, and been beaten to death with a rock. After about four hours of continuous deaths and respawns, I found myself situated with a large amount of materials and even a makeshift shotgun for defense. This is where the other side of player vs player really appealed to me. Gunning down players in addition to natural threats greatly increases the amount of loot that can be obtained in the game, and it can be greatly satisfying personally to lay down retribution for all of the deaths you underwent to get there.

In short, “Rust” is an experience that many should try, even in its early alpha stages. It offers an interesting blend of building, hunting, fighting, and scavenging which feels realistic to the survival theme the development team was going for. It’s a good game but certainly not for the faint of heart or the impatient.

Rating: 3.5/5 elephants



ARAmark SECRETS EXPOSED

Amaryllis Biduaka • Living Editor

If you think that you’ve had everything at the ARA, think again! Chances are that you haven’t unmasked all the secrets in the cafeteria. If you are like me and getting the ARA blues, never fear! There are new ways that you can spice up any meal. Before you walk more than five steps in, always check the bottom rack of the fruit rack. Sometimes, exotics such as pears and kiwis can sneak their way in, so keep an eye out. If you’re one to get omelettes or even scrambled eggs, head over to the drink station first and get a fourth of an inch of milk in an ARA cup. Before you order your egg, ask Lucy to add the little bit of milk in your eggs for IHOP quality eggs. If you decide you want a grilled sandwich instead, may I suggest the big kid grilled cheese. If you haven’t been to Panera, the big kid grilled cheese consists of a blend of cheeses covered with several strips of bacon. To give the sandwich an ARA twist, select a bread, your personal mixture of cheeses (the cheesier the better), and ask Lucy to add in

bacon bits to your mix before you have it grilled.

If you tend to head straight for the salad bar, then in-

stead of grabbing one bowl for salad, grab two. Fill one with your salad and leave the other empty. I always see people walking around with salad dressing only on the top

of their salad or trying to mix in the salad using their fork and tossing the leaves out of the bowl. Did you know that if

if a spicy chicken wrap is offered for dinner and snag the chicken to give your salad an extra kick. If spicy isn’t your

of the grill. If your tray is off the counter you have gone too far.


Now you are just about done and ready to head out, but wait, there’s more! Before you go you have to get your drinks and dessert. If you aren’t a fan of the dessert of the day put just wait until Friday. I always find that on Fridays, especially Fridays on the start of break, the ARA tends to have the most variety of desserts. You are bound to find something you like then. Now the last thing to stack on the tray are drinks. If you want to get creative with the variety of drinks, become your own bartender and mix your own. Try mixing apply berry and orange juice together for a fruit drink with a unique taste every time. If they’re out of chocolate milk, no worries, grab the type of milk you prefer and head to the dessert bar for some chocolate syrup to sweeten the drink to your own liking. Likewise, if the machine is out of flavored coffee, use the freshly brewed coffee and mix it with chocolate and caramel syrup from the desert bar to your liking. These tips and tricks can get your through the ARA food blues.



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JUNK IN THE TRUNK

David Harvey • Staff Writer

Driving in the wintertime presents several challenges of heavy snow, frigid temperatures, and ice patches. While it is often best to avoid going out in these hazardous conditions, sometimes driving is unavoidable. There are a few things that you can keep in your car in case of a wintry emergency.

A Shovel and an ice scraper are both two of the essentials. While many people have an ice scraper, a small shovel can be very handy if your car gets stuck in a ditch. Small snow shovels are relatively compact and can be purchased rather cheaply. They are especially helpful during years of heavy snowfall such as this one. Another must have for your car in the wintertime is a blanket. Often times the winter weather can make it difficult for help to reach those who are stranded on the road. Keeping a blanket in your car can help you keep warm while you wait for help to arrive in the event of a mishap. A phone charger is a definite must as well. Getting stranded with a

dead phone is as useful as getting stranded with no phone. Additionally, jumper cables are an important thing to store in your car. Jumper cables are useful all year long, but they become the most useful in the wintertime. The winter is when batteries tend to fail the most often and in that case, a jump is all you need to be on your way. Even if you do not know how to use the cables, having them will allow you to find someone who can help you regardless of whether or not they have cables.

Finally, it is very good to keep drinks and a small snack with you in your car during the wintertime. This can come in handy if you are going to be stranded for a long time, or if you use a lot of energy to get your car out. Having a snack can either get you recharged to drive again, or can keep you from being hungry or dehydrated as you wait for help. At very least a snack can brighten your day if you do get your car stuck. These items are all relatively easy to obtain, are cheap, and can save you a whole lot of headache if an emergency arrives.

Professors via Students

Various Students • guest writers

Every professor has their way of communicating with students. These mannerisms and patterns get instilled into the students' minds. Students were posed the following problem statement: A triangle has a base of five feet and a height of ten feet. Find the area. Here are the responses one would expect from each professor.

Dr. All: "I'd show you the proof of the area formula, but I forgot my markers back in my office."

Dr. Anderson: "That won't challenge the student enough; make it a five-dimensional fractal."

Dr. Black: "First, take a Smith chart ..."

Dr. Brackin: "When I was at Lilly, we used triangles all the time..."

Dr. Carvill: "There's always more than one answer."

Dr. Chang: "Just apply node-voltage at all three corners."

Dr. DeVasher: "First, you need to find the stereochemistry and determine which synthesis reaction to use."

Dr. Ditteon: "Make sure you write it up in your lab manual."

Dr. Erwin: "Does it follow the sodium chloride or cesium chloride crystalline structure?"

Dr. Evans: "What's the probability that the triangle

Dr. Grimaldi: "Would you like to come up and do it on the board, Mr. Smith?"

Dr. Graves: "Hit it with your \$3000 sledgehammer."

20 unknowns" or "Just plug it into MAPLE and solve it. Then grab a cookie from outside my office."

Dr. Livesay: "Oh! I forgot to do the Japanese word of the day! We'll get to the triangle question after that."

Dr. Mason: "Who owns the intellectual property rights, and what is Rose's cut?"

Dr. Mayhew: "Did you know that the word 'triangle' comes from the Greek..."

Dr. Mech: "Is that an open or closed triangle?"

Dr. Moloney: "And the area of this triangle is ... Mr. Thielemeyer?"

Dr. Moorhead: "Let me ask Dr. Layton and get back to you ..."

Dr. Mueller: "Make it into a square and cut it in half."

Dr. Nolte: "Draw the triangle on the board. If the marker doesn't work, throw it away and scare all of the other markers into working."

Dr. Phelps: "Why is the area important? Is it more cost effective to find the area or let it be?"

Dr. Purdy: "First, state what's given, then what you're supposed to find ..."

Dr. Sanders: "I don't want this in the Thorn..."

Dr. Tarrant: "This is my kind of math! I can do this!"

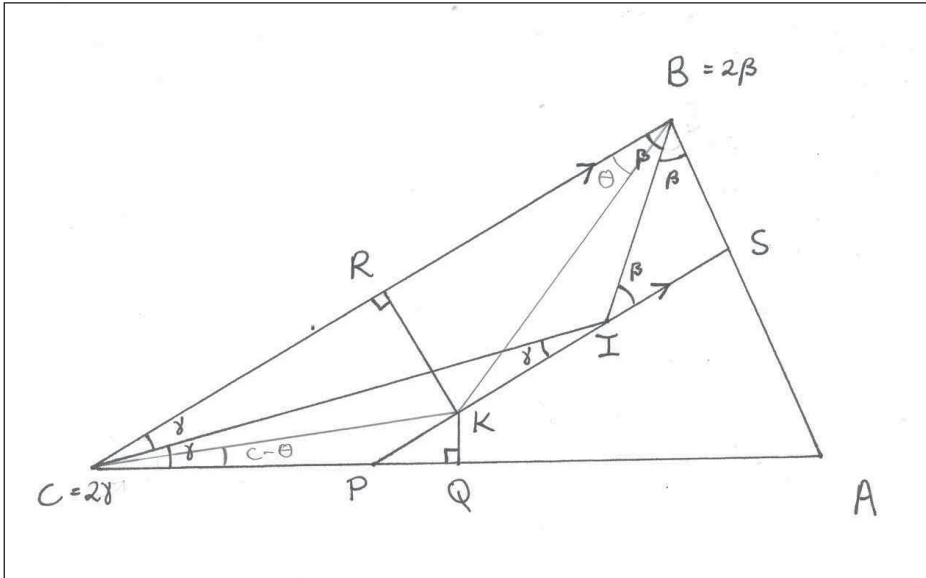
Dr. Thom: "A paisley has a base of 5 feet and a height of 10 feet. Find the area." or "The best angle of attack for this problem is the 'try-angle.'"

Dr. Throne: "Buy a case of Tab, and while drinking it, perform an unnecessary amount of math proofs to solve for the area."

Dr. Siahmakoun: "Fourier transform that sucker and go from there."

Dr. Western: "Perform some astounding in-class demonstration in which the chances of his walking away unhurt approach zero."

Dr. Wheeler: "So now if we look at this puppy over here ..."



Geometry is more subjective than one might think. How many ways are there to find the area of triangle?

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has any area?" or "Maybe the answer is in a letter from my mom."

Dr. Goulet: "It is sometimes desirable to think of a polygon as a piece of metal with constant thickness. Express the area using a series of integrals."

Dr. Henthorn: "Take the energy balance of the triangle and find its specific enthalpy. Then square it."

Dr. Hoover: "Apologize for not having it done already."

Dr. Kawano: "Run a simulation in MATLAB and then solve for the 20 equations,

The Bigger Picture

Sidharth Ramesh • staff writer

As engineers, Rose-Hulman students learn concepts which to that not be of use in everyday life. For example: calculus or thermodynamics. But, topics like computer programming and Technical Communication are useful even after the quarter ends. It is a good idea to know a little bit of accounting. Specifically, a balance sheet, an assets and liabilities page, and how these figure in company assessments.

profits and loss statements are probably the thing that a manager is most bothered about. Creating value is where engineers fit in the Enterprise. Not all engineers figure into the profit side of the statement, but are on the service and maintenance side and may be liabilities. Sales and R&D engineers create value to the company. Nevertheless service and maintenance are also jobs, just like sales and R&D. But if there were to be a hierarchy of jobs then it is probably R&D, sales, and then maintenance.

Learning to assess a company, its strengths and weaknesses, its position in the industry, and the competitor's size can help you get a better understanding of the industry

ecosystem. A position can be translated in terms of cost to the company. This cost falls on the liabilities side of the assets and liabilities page. A job or project done creates value to the company and this can be converted to a percentage reve-

information about industry performance end past year trends and expected growth rate are readily available.

Most people select any job that comes their way. They overlook asking questions like what the opportunities of the company are, what the Cumulative Annual Growth Rate (CAGR) of the industry is, or what the past trends look like. These might not be immediately linked to the job but they do have an effect on one's salary, bonus, and employment during unfortunate ties. All this might sound like macroeconomics stuff

but these, directly or indirectly, do have an affect. Knowing a bit about these things would definitely help.

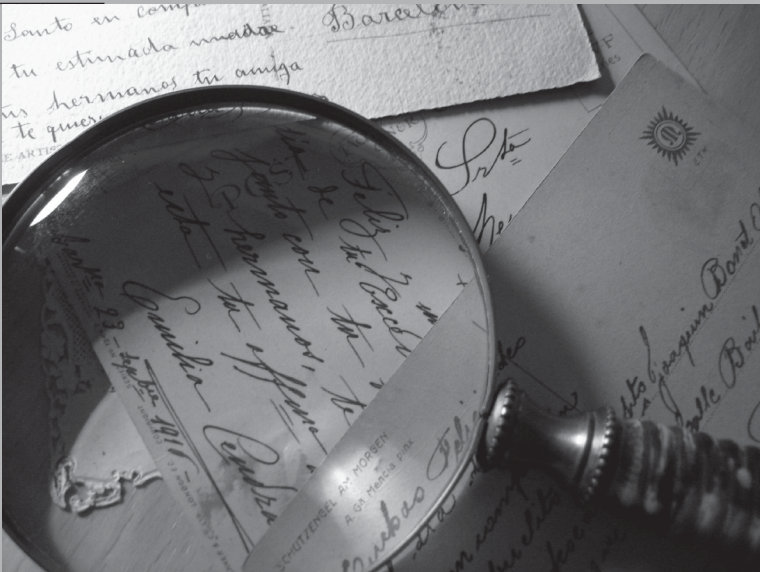
For those who aspire to become entrepreneurs or consultants it is absolutely necessary to learn the different indicators for predicting the growth or well-being of a company. At this point you are asking big questions like how to value a business or what does a merger or acquisition mean for long term strategy? Take some consolation in the fact that there really is no correct answer to these questions. One can choose a mixture of factors to analyze a company's financial health. As a way of getting started, use the SWOT reports to learn a little bit more about the potential company that

could hire you, more information about the industry past performance, and the projection will also be helpful in supporting your decision. All this might sound like too much, but it starts to become fun once you begin.

Being able to see the bigger picture is integral in being considered a professional

nue contributed to the profit side of the assets and liabilities page. Being able to identify this enables thinking in terms of value brought to the company and the job.

Being able to see the bigger picture is integral in being considered a professional. This is even more important for those who are aspiring to become consultants or entrepreneurs. Rose-Hulman students have access to wonderful information regarding industry size and individual company performances. All one has to do is type the keyword: "industry" in the journal finder page of the Logan Library website and bam! The Strength Weakness Opportunities and Threats (SWOT) analysis of hundreds of companies and other



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Men’s basketball tops two HCAC foes

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It was a battle of the titans as Rose-Hulman hosted Defiance College on Saturday. Both squads came in tied atop the HCAC at 9-2. In their first meeting, The Fightin’ Engineers edged Defiance on Jan. 11 with a narrow 58 – 57 win on the road.

Rose-Hulman would jump out to a 9 – 5 lead with an early seven points from sophomore Jimmy Miller and a score from senior Alec Houpt. It would be neck and neck for much of the first half with the lead changing hands four times. Defiance though held a 27 – 23 advantage at halftime.

After the break, Houpt would open up the scoring for Rose-Hulman with a jumper to close the gap to two. Striking back, Defiance would push the lead to seven with 13:34 remaining. Around the 7 minute mark, Martin would sink a three-pointer for Rose-Hulman, followed by a successful jump shot from senior Julian Strickland to make the game

44 – 46.

With 1:23 left, the Fightin’ Engineers would regain the lead for the first time since 5:45 remaining in the first half. On the next Defiance possession, Houpt would make a key steal to allow Rose-Hulman to run the clock down to 0:22. The defense would come up big again as sophomore Tyler Duffy came up with another steal with 0:08 to go.

Strickland would make four free throws and Duffy would add another down the stretch to give Rose-Hulman the victory, 58 – 54.

Although Defiance outshot Rose-Hulman from the field, 50 percent to 48 percent, an 11 - 12 day from the free throw line helped to contribute to the Engineer win. Rose-Hulman would also committed fewer turnovers, giving the ball away only three times compared to Defiance’s six turnovers.

Strickland would lead with 14 points and four assists. Miller recorded 13 points with four rebounds and three assists. Houpt would also break into double digits with 10 points, and he pulled down six

rebounds as well.

The Fightin’ Engineers returned to action on Wednesday against Earlham College. While Rose-Hulman would start sluggishly, they would end the first half on a 17 – 7 run to pull within four at half, 27 – 31.

Continuing to trudge forward in the second period, Rose-Hulman would regain the lead on a layup from Strickland with 12:18 to go. Riding their momentum, the Engineers would push the lead to as many as 14 as Earlham could not keep pace. Strickland would end up with 17 points in the 65 – 54 win on the road. Miller tallied 16 points.

Rose-Hulman moves to 16 – 4 on the season and improved to 11 – 2 in the HCAC. They stand atop the HCAC and look to seal a No. 1 seed for the HCAC Tournament.

They will next play at Manchester University before hosting Hanover College on Wednesday evening. The Hanover matchup will tipoff at 7:30 p.m. in Hulbert Arena.



Senior Jake Dodd scored eight points during the Engineer’s game against Earlham.
Rose-Hulman Athletics

Senior Day win for women’s basketball

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The Rose-Hulman women’s basketball team hosted conference opponent Defiance College last Saturday as part of Senior Day, honoring this year’s seniors, including Lauren Meadows, Jaci Dalton, and Kelsey Ploof. This was the second regular season matchup between these two HCAC schools. The Fightin’ Engineers won 63 – 57 back on Jan. 11.

Rose-Hulman would though be led by two freshmen, who both broke into double digits to help seal a 69 – 59 for the Fightin’ Engineers over Defiance. Freshman Josie Schmidt tallied 17 points with five rebounds,

and classmate Abbie Mashall had a career-best 15 points. She also pulled down seven rebounds and dished out five assists.

Shortly after tipoff, Rose-Hulman pulled ahead 9 – 2 on three layups and a three-point shot from junior Sheree Williams. The Engineers would widen the lead to 17 – 7 with 14:35 to play in the first. Defiance would though fight back to tie the score at 27 – 27 at halftime.

A 48 percent shooting effort in the second half would help Rose-Hulman to pull out the win. They would not trail in the closing period and out commanded a fourteen point lead for several minutes. The final score would end up being 69 – 59 in favor of Rose-

Hulman.

The Fightin’ Engineers then hosted Earlham College on Wednesday evening. Standing 5-7 in the conference coming in, Earlham hoped to upset Rose-Hulman who was tied for sixth place at 6 – 6.

Earlham would start the game on a 10 – 4 run to take control early. Rose-Hulman would battle throughout the first half as too many turnovers resulted in a nine point (16 – 27) deficit at halftime.

With the game winding down, the Engineers rallied to draw within five with under a minute to play. Forced to foul, Rose-Hulman would allow Earlham to make several free throws to bolster their lead. The game would end in favor of Earlham, as Rose-Hulman would lose 54 – 63.

They will begin a three-game road trip as they travel to Manchester University on Saturday and Hanover College on Wednesday. Rose-Hulman is currently 8 – 12 overall and are 6 - 7 in the HCAC. Five regular season games remain before the HCAC Tournament begins on Feb. 28.



Senior Kelsey Ploof nets a double-double during Wednesday’s game against Earlham.
Rose-Hulman Athletics

Men’s track and field sweeps Engineer Invitational

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Capturing first-place in five events in addition to four second-place finishes, the Rose-Hulman men’s track and field team won their second straight meet at last weekend’s Engineer Invitational. The Saturday event, hosted in the Sports and Recreation Center, featured nine teams from five different states.

Three men’s teams and one women’s came in ranked in the Top 25 in the USTFCCA Dual Meet Rankings. The No. 11 Rose-Hulman men would have to defeat the higher ranked teams from Wabash College and Washington University to take the title.

With event victories in the long jump and the high jump, junior Austin Schulthies would lead the way for Fightin’ Engineers. Schulthies was named HCAC Men’s Field Athlete of the Week for the second consecutive week after earning three top three finishes at last week’s Friday Night Invitational.

Also winning in a field event for Rose-Hulman was junior Dimitrios Valioulis with a triple jump leap of 41’0 ½. Freshman Levi Hartzler would finish a close second in the event.

The Fightin’ Engineers would also capture a one-two finish in the 60-meter high hurdles. Freshman Isaiah Smith would earn first-place with junior Blake Schulthies just 0.03 seconds behind in second.

The 4-x-200 meter team of freshman Adam Wilson, Smith, senior Clay Becker, and junior Jake Kelley also took first-place with a time of 1:33.18.

On the women’s side, the highlight of the meet came in the mile. Three of the best Division III runners looked to run a sub five minute mile as all came in hovering around that mark. After the dust settled, Rose-Hulman senior Ryann-Rebecca Montgomery would set a school record with a time of 5:04.90, but a photo finish ended up giving the win to Emily Frith of Bel-larmine University.

The event was also part of Senior Day for Rose-Hulman. In their final indoor home meet, 15 seniors were honored before the Engineer Invitational.

Both the men’s and women’s teams will be back in action as they travel to Ohio Northern University on Saturday. After that, they will compete in one more event before heading to the HCAC Indoor Championships on Feb. 22.

BREAKING NEWS: WORLD CRISIS!

Sauren Lantichen • Flipside Editor

It's finally happened! The world had gone into Crisis Level 7! Rapid zombie squirrels have started to infect the populace and everyone and their grandma is in danger. Man Dag-inot with his trusty machine gun leg has taken to the front lines in defending the civilians.

At Rose, the safety bunker is full to overflowing and those unfortunate enough to have

been kicked out are spending their last days eating as much junk food as possible and playing video games for hours on end. Many of them resemble zombies even now. It is worse than the Finals' Week Scare.

Your job as the last remaining humans is to document all events leading up to this outbreak in an attempt to find the cure. If no cure can be found, we are all doomed.

Top "10" Ten

To discretely slip into class (when you're late)

1. JUMP THROUGH THE GLASS WINDOW
2. WEAR CAMO
3. EMAIL THE PROFESSOR THAT THEIR HOUSE IS ON FIRE... THEN SLIP INTO CLASS WHEN HE STEPS OUT OF CLASS TO MAKE SOME PHONE CALLS
4. CLOSE YOUR EYES... IF YOU CAN'T SEE THEM, THEY CAN'T SEE YOU
5. PULL THE FIRE ALARM
6. TEXT A FRIEND TO STAGE A HEATED ARGUMENT OR FIST FIGHT AND SNEAK IN BEHIND THE CHAOS
7. FLIP THE POWER BREAKER TO THE BUILDING
8. ARMY CRAWL
9. USE THE OTHER DOOR
10. SHUT THE POWER-POINT/VIDEO SYSTEM AND SNEAK IN WHEN YOUR PROFESSOR IS TROUBLE-SHOOTING THE PROBLEM

TWITTER-PATED

Twittergirl107:
Why doesn't anyone flush the toilet?! #gross

Twittertroll22:
because I want people to know my pee is the color of a no. 2 pencil!

WACKY PROF QUOTES

"Don't make me evalf you!"

— Dr. Holder
Wow, the designers of Maple really need to re-think their commands...

"Rose is a very unsexy place..."

— Dr. Minster
That's a confidence boost.

"I'm currently on medication, so please excuse me if I don't make sense."

— Dr. Chang
Good thing to know.

"You need something to blow. A lot of that."

- Dr. Onyancha
No comment.

"It should really only be scientists getting their tongues stuck to flag poles. The engineering solution is 'Just don't lick the flag pole!'"

- Dr. Nolte
But we built it for that reason in the first place!

Rose professors say crazy things. E-mail them to the Flipside at thorn-flipside@rose-hulman.edu

Horoscopes
All the things you never wanted to know

ARIES:
You may be feeling creative and artistic. Don't be. This is an engineering school.

TAURUS:
Your friends are hiding something from you. It will probably turn out okay, but you never know.

GEMINI:
Today is a good day for a walk. Don't worry about your projects or homework or that 10 page paper that's due tomorrow. You'll get to it eventually.

CANCER:
You will feel energized and ambitious. You could use this newfound energy to finish all those projects you have backed up... or you could go to the mall and mess around. Your choice.

LEO:
There is a material item that you really want. On the one hand, you could make it yourself and feel the sense of accomplishment that comes with creating something. On the other, you could get your parents to buy it for you and save a lot of time and effort.

VIRGO:
That person over there holding the newspaper. The one looking up and around like an idiot. Yeah, they're one too.

LIBRA:
You are energized and ready to go. Be careful. This will scare a lot of people. You can also use this to your advantage.

SCORPIO:
Today is a really good day to make some friends. It's also a good day to manipulate them.

SAGITTARIUS:
You need some fun in your life. Try volleyball, bowling, or a few dance classes. You never know what –or who – you might find.

CAPRICORN:
If you don't actively pursue things, nothing is going to happen. So go talk to your crush and ask them out. The worst they can say is "no."

AQUARIUS:
Today is a great day to take on more work. Another project, cleaning your room –whatever it is, you can handle it.

PISCES:
You know the only thing you want to do is sleep. Why not do it? It's not like classes are that important anyway.

Heard 'Round Campus

WHEN I SIT DOWN... IT ALWAYS POPS UP!

