This past Friday, January 16, Alpha Omicron Pi Fraternity hosted its annual Mr. Rose Pageant, “A Night at the Fayre,” in support of the Arthritis Foundation. The comedic male beauty pageant raised over 2000 dollars.

The contestants were nominated by various organizations around campus. Oluwatoba “Toba” Faseru was crowned Mr. Rose 2015 at the end of an entertaining night. The master of ceremonies was Dr. Richard House.

The first round of the pageant was a costume competition. Several of the contestants followed the theme of the night and dressed in medieval garb, however many took creative license and chose a different route. The second round, the talent competition, saw many different kinds of performances. Max Werner, representing Alpha Chi Sigma, lip synced and danced to Iggy Azalea’s “Fancy.” Two acts, Daniel Sutherland representing Triangle and Taylor Knoblock representing Alpha Lambda Chi, fed the judges Nutella sandwiches and fancy breakfast foods. D’Khari James “DJ” Turner-Smith of Sigma Nu performed a spoken version “Rocket Man” with three backup singers. Patrick Martin, representing Chi Omega, showed off his footwork by juggling his soccer ball. Gary “Swift” Newel, representing Delta Delta Delta and the runner-up for the event, treated the audience to a Taylor Swift mash-up featuring him dressing as the many faces of his hero Taylor Swift. Toba Faseru, representing Pi Kappa Alpha, performed an original song and had the audience singing along with him. Jonathon “The Night Knight” Earles, representing Alpha Phi Omega and the second runner-up of the evening, performed an amusing and quirky standup comedy routine. Daniel Ferguson, representing Fiji, gave off his juggling skills with tennis and basketball.

After an elimination round only five were left. Each contestant had to come up with a clever MacGyver way to save the “fayre” goers from 100 types of Arthritis, please contact Kassandra Schmidt at aol1del-taxi pc@gmail.com.

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Thorn: Why did you want to participate in the Mr. Rose Pageant?

Toba Faseru: I always kind of wanted to do it ever since I was a freshman, but I was always too scared to participate. Looking back, freshman to junior year Toba was not nearly comfortable enough to do Mr. Rose and just have fun.

Thorn: How did you feel right when you heard your name selected as the winner?

TF: My first thought was “Wow…you did it…you actually did it.” Before that, I was nervous. I mean my stomach was flipping. I really wanted to win, because you know, you only get one shot, and I had gotten pumped for the competition beforehand. Let’s just say my emotions I showed on stage were not completely made up.

Thorn: Personally, what do you think it means to be named “Mr. Rose”?

TF: For me, what it means to be Mr. Rose, is being a symbol for the true cause of the event. The past Mr. Roses and I are faces, so that when it comes to the Mr. Rose pageant, you can better relate to the cause the lovely ladies of AOPI really care about: the Cure to Arthritis. You can say “Hey that’s Mr. Rose from that AOPI event, for arthritis.” (laughing) But that is how I feel, and if I’m wrong than I should really be educated. I don’t want to do a bad job.

Thorn: What was the song you performed?

TF: So the songs name is “Lost in your Eyes”. It is just a simple four chord love song about this girl who had eyes that could make me lose track of time and space. I mean to me they were breathtakingly beautiful! I wrote it the week of Mr. Rose with the thoughts, “Lets write something catchy for this. If anything if it’s bad, it adds to the talent because you wrote it right?”

Thorn: Besides winning, what was your favorite part of the pageant? Why?

TF: So my favorite part of the pageant was when I finished singing “Lost in your Eyes.” The crowd was clapping and I’m thinking “They liked it. Cool!” I kind of sat there for a second because I wanted to say thank you, so as soon as the clapping died down I smiled to say, “Thank you! Have a great night,” but the clapping stirred up again. It was such a nice feeling. For the next 10 minutes I couldn’t stop smiling, I felt so nice inside.

Thorn: As you know, the pageant was hosted to benefit the Arthritis Foundation. Do you have any particular thoughts on battling arthritis?

TF: I think that battling arthritis is a very important thing. I think that it will improve quality of life. It could allow people who normally couldn’t play with their children or workout to do those things. Imagine if you’re a parent who doesn’t have the ability to play with your child because it hurt, That would be heartbreaking. So in short I think battling arthritis is an important battle to fight.

Thorn: Is there anything else you’d like to say that didn’t fit into any of these questions?

TF: Just wanted thank you Rose for singing along with me, and saying things like “Isn’t that Mr. Rose?” or “There goes Mr. Rose”. Thank you for all the friend request and for this wonderful honor. I hope I can represent the title well.
**News Briefs**

**Founder of Drug Trafficking Website, Silk Road, on Trial**

Silk Road founder and Internet entrepreneur Ross Ulbricht went on trial this week in federal court in Manhattan, accused of drug trafficking, money laundering, and operating a criminal enterprise.

The Silk Road is considered the first website where individuals could openly buy and sell drugs and various other illicit materials and services, including weapons and assassins for hire.

Located in what’s referred to as the “dark net,” the Silk Road operated in relative anonymity using two technologies, an anonymous web browser named Tor and the anonymous cryptocurrency Bitcoin. The site operated for over two years and generated $1.8 billion in sales.

The FBI took the website off the Internet at the end of 2013 and seized the website’s assets. Mr. Albrecht, accused of being “Dread Pirate Roberts,” is alleged to have set up the website and violently defended it, including hiring several assassins to kill people who threatened to take down the site.

Mr. Albrecht and his defense claim that he was framed by the real Dread Pirate Roberts, who they say is still at large. The defense also states the evidence against Mr. Albrecht, gathered mostly on a server confiscated in Iceland, was found and seized illegally. However, a judge stated that due to Mr. Albrecht’s precarious legal position he is not eligible for Fourth Amendment protection because he has not expressed legal interest in the server, which would also implicate him.

Obama Announces Middle Class Tax Overhaul in State of the Union Address

On Tuesday, President Obama used his State of the Union address to announce a tax overhaul for the middle class by raising taxes on the wealthy and levying a tax on financial firms and banks.

The tax proposal is likely to face serious opposition in both the Republican controlled Houses of Congress. The Republican party has long fought against tax increases on the wealthiest Americans, who they claim help increase economic growth.

The middle class tax overhaul would raise $320 billion over the next ten years and also cut taxes by $175 billion over the same period. The money will go to newly announced programs such as President Obama’s plan to offer some students free two-year community college.

The plan will also close loopholes in the tax code that allow wealthy individuals to pay a lower effective tax rate. Among those loopholes is the “trust-fund loophole” that allows inherited assets to escape taxation, which is estimated to shield hundreds of billions of dollars from taxation each year. The plan would also increase the top rate capital-gains tax from 23.8 percent to 28 percent.

The final source of revenue to pay for President Obama’s proposal would be a tax on companies, financial firms, and banks with assets of over $50 billion. More than 100 companies in the United States would be affected by this tax, and it is estimated to generate the remaining $110 billion needed for the plan.

The programs in the president’s proposal are focused on the middle class, who have been feeling the brunt of economic hardship since the financial crisis. The president also said the plan is the best chance middle class families have had to benefit from the improving economy.

What’s Diversity Got to Do with it?

Dr. Westerhaus-Renfrow’s speech at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration Dinner is not the only event on campus that is a sign of Rose’s increased diversity. There are more than six on-campus organizations dedicated toward improving diversity and increasing awareness of our students’ cultures and values, and events such as diversity week aimed at getting the student body to actively involved.

A look at the numbers that the Office of Admissions and Financial Aid love to tout to prospective students does confirm that Rose is becoming a more diverse place. We have twice the number of international and Hispanic-American students in the past five years alone, a great achievement that, when coupled with a record number of women entering in this year’s freshman class, puts Rose on the path to becoming a better and more diverse school. The question is if students actually feel like Rose is becoming a better place.

“If I never really feel isolated from the rest of the students here at Rose,” Anthony Lin, a freshman computer engineering and computer science student from Taiwan, said, “Our shared love of STEM(Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) easily bridges the cultural gap that we experience when first coming to Rose.”

Faculty no doubt welcomes the increase in diversity that brings new perspectives and new energy to the subjects that they are passionate about.

As Rose makes inroads toward becoming more diverse, we as students should welcome with open arms new students who want to join us in the pursuit and struggle of an engineering education at Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology.
A League Below the Dark

Derek Robinson  entertainment editor

On the ninth of December, exactly three months after the release of "Destiny," Bungie released "The Dark Below" expansion pack. To call it an expansion pack is a bit of exaggeration; this bit of downloadable content (DLC) doesn't add much at all to the "Destiny" experience.

While the gameplay mechanics are fantastic, the storyline elements feel tacked on. Players like myself stumbled into the blocked corridors where Crota’s minions hid long before they opened. The added mythos is entirely tangential to the plot presented in the main game, and the complete lack of an introduction within the plot leaves the entire experience feeling detached.

The gear added is largely aesthetic; raid gear bonus effects only assist in certain situations like the raid or while holding a sword. Aside from the loot obtained from Hive enemies, the DLC adds nothing stylistic that the recent update hasn’t, excepting a few interesting exotic items. Eris and her sort-of-faceman offer next to nothing to the player, aside from tasks to waste time on. The weapon she hands you has a cute effect, but the armor may very well be of no use to you and the class item is just a useless customization item. A few interesting armor pieces might entice you to grind through the overly specific and barely rewarding bounties, but I just couldn’t. The three real missions are fun largely due to their intensity, but they are also very short. The new strike adds a little flavor to the playlist, and the new raid is excellent as before, provided you can find a team. Unfortunately, that is in and of itself is a limiting factor, and the loot available can only be upgraded with materials that must be obtained from the very same raid. Sharing the same failing that "Destiny" suffers, end-game progress becomes at once incredibly narrow and restrictive.

Ultimately, "The Dark Below" doesn’t really detract from the overall "Destiny" experience, but it doesn’t add much either. There aren’t any additions to combat aside from more chances to find the anti-climactic sword that was in one mission before, and the backflipping hoverbike doesn’t see much use even if you don’t already have one upgraded.

Rating: 2/5 elephants

A Crisis of Conscience

Morgan Escenio  staff writer

Clint Eastwood’s newest title "American Sniper" hit the box office with a bang, but its overall message is very murky. Firstly, the movie itself is very American, as the title suggests, with a simple driven storyline that tugs on one’s heartstrings. It focuses on "The Legend," decorated U.S. sniper Chris Kyle. Much of the movie is devoted to highlighting his personal struggles, grappling with the dead bodies he has accrued during his tenure as a sniper, examining how a generally good man can be broken by the things he must do for his country. Bradley Cooper gives a masterful performance as Chris Kyle, seeing too little of the big picture— and then finally too much.

The issue that arises, at least in my mind, is some of the choices that Clint Eastwood made in creating the movie. Iraq has been and will always be a complicated and inflammatory issue, and the reductive nature of the movie takes away from it. The scene immediately prior to Kyle’s first deployment is him watching the 9/11 attacks, implying that there is some justification there for the U.S.’s involvement in Iraq.

The war is depicted as more black and white than history would suggest, focusing more on the Kyle’s problems with protecting his troops than the army’s position. Insurgents are described as savages, and none of the Iraqi characters in the movie are depicted positively. During the creation of the movie, Eastwood stressed that he would be creating an apolitical version of events, yet analyzing the movie itself shows that politics certainly play a major role in the movie.

That aside, the movie itself is quite good. The visual style is simple yet effective, all of the characters appear natural in their respective roles, and the movie never drags on one concept for too long, always keeping the viewer engaged in the plot. The disparity between the scenes in Iraq and America were accepted by different lighting techniques and added grime, and Kyle’s development from being comfortable in one to the other was an interesting story to watch.

Overall, the movie is very good at showing the story of the man who would become known as “the legend,” portraying him as sympathetic even with his harrowing body count, without getting itself bogged down by the events of the war going around him.

Rating: 4/5 elephants
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The Other Side of the Stage
Early Week Play Rehearsals and Scheduling Woes

Leaun Santichon • Flipside editor

Man, Monday, why do you always have to ruin my life?

Despite the horrible fact that it was, indeed, Monday, my week had started fairly well. The classes were not much harder than normal — read: head exploding — and I was eagerly excited for the first real rehearsal. I have to admit, it was hard to keep my hopes up after my mishap last week. All day I was bombarded with thoughts and worries. Did I send it out at all? Right people? Did I send it out? What if my actors lost faith in me? Bombarded with thoughts and worries. All day I was anxious for the first real rehearsal. I was nervousness left me so quickly. To my relief, Bruce was sitting on the bench with his plans to work in South Korea for six months before going on to work at a company that he and his friends had started about two years prior. This was his first real acting experience that he could remember well. Some time in our talk, Brian walked in and joined us. It seemed that once he came in, I could not get a word in edgewise, but I also did not want to. He was personable and comedic in a straight face sort of way. Honestly, if he had not have shown up, I doubt I would have waited as long as I had for Quinn to show.

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Okay, I thought to myself, you can do this. You have your actors. All you need to do is direct them. Except… "Have you seen Quinn?"

"No." Bruce said, "Not yet. I just got here myself."

Opening the door to the Band Room, I kicked a doorstop in place before turning on the lights. "Well, class only just let out, so there is some time still."

So the two of us built up a make-shift set. Music stands were used in place of counters and tables with a few folding chairs to go with the diner set up. The rest of the set was filled in by our minds alone. Once the stage was set up, I checked the clock. It was about twenty minutes past time to start.

"Quinn was coming right?" I asked aloud. Bruce shrugged and I wanted to smack myself. He would not know because he was not the one in charge. Instead, I took out my phone to check my email, looking for any news. Nothing new came up. Immediately, doubts started to fill my mind.

I knew I had sent the email. Bruce was here, on time, which supported that fact. Did I forget to send it to Quinn? That would be just my luck, as a Monday like this.

Instead of freaking out, I took a deep breath and took a seat in one of the chairs. "We will give him a few more minutes."

And so Bruce and I sat, waited, and talked. I learned that he was had graduated Rose, but was staying around for a Master's Degree that would be put to work immediately at the end of the quarter. He told me about his plans to work in South Korea for six months before going on to work at a company that he and his friends had started about two years prior. This was his first real acting experience that he could remember well.

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The Year of the Cookbook

Amaryllis Biducue • Lifestyle editor

I will be the first to tell you that I am not an experienced cook. Sure, I can bake a frozen chicken breast, cook pasta, or boil vegetables, but that is not enough. I decided that this year I would expand my limited cooking knowledge. With help from Internet cooking guides and recipes from Pinterest, I have found several doable recipes that make simple, boring dishes amazing.

Most individuals know how to make pasta and throw a canned sauce on top. But I know several sauces that make pasta taste amazing. Some sauces are simple combinations like the five-cheese sauce, which consists of alfredo sauce, cheese, and tomato sauce. The newest recipe I discovered is spaghetti carbonara. The recipe involves five simple ingredients: garlic, bacon, eggs, and cheese. In one skillet you fry up four slices of diced bacon and four minced cloves of garlic. Once you have the eight ounces of spaghetti cooked and ready, you stir in the bacon and garlic under low heat.

The tricky part of this recipe is mixing in the sauce, which is made by mixing two eggs and three-fourths cup of Parmesan together. If you put the sauce in as is, the eggs will scramble under the heat and make an awkwardly textured pasta. The key is to temper the eggs. Tempering means taking hot water and adding it to the sauce mixture before placing the sauce in with the spaghetti. This brings the eggs up to temperature without scrambling the eggs.

The next basic cooking skill I began to improve on was cooking chicken, which I did by making garlic chicken.

Once again the key to this chicken is the sauce. In a sauté pan coated with a tablespoon of olive oil, sauté four cloves of garlic and four tablespoons of brown sugar.

Once you preheat the oven to 450 degrees, place four chicken breasts on the pan and coat with the sauce. The delicious new dish is ready in about fifteen to thirty minutes depending on the size of the breasts. Though the ingredients are simple, the tastes you will experience on your palate are not.

I have yet to make fancy vegetables, but hopefully sometime during this year I will get around to fixing up my vegetables. I hope these recipes inspired you to want to go beyond the safe recipes and try something new to tickle your taste buds.

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The detritus of slut shaming

Katrina Brandenburg • Editor in Chief

Let’s talk about slut shaming. Let’s talk about slut shaming and its impact on female victims of sexual assault. Are you agitated by the topic already? Me too.

In a culture of slut shaming, a woman does not actually have the right to say no. It exists on paper but does not hold up well in reality. In the eyes of many, I have encountered, if she was drinking, dressed provocative, dancing suggestively, or acting “flirtatious” as interpreted by her attacker or by witnesses, then she clearly wanted to have sex. Say nothing of her prerogative to change her mind at any point and stop.

Do I believe these statements? No. Does anyone else, upon understanding that she did not intend to have sex or changed her mind, believe them? I count it unlikely, but some among the readers have probably already given up on my point or gotten too angry to continue reading to see that facts supporting my claims follow.

I assume that last statement based on my personal experiences. Any time that I bring up or join a conversation about the importance of consent in sexual activities, the recent reforms to how sexual assault accusations are handled on college campuses, or the outrageously low conviction rate for those accused of sexual assault, I am met by at least one person out of five who thinks men are the ones being wronged.

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I have heard and reheard the story of one man, whom no one in the room actually knows, whose entire life was dramatically ruined by being falsely accused of rape and then acquitted. Everyone knows it was false because that woman was ashamed that she cheated on her boyfriend, wanted the attention, or was known to be a slut. There is the problem.

I do not intend to be calling toward those male victims, but there is plenty of reason for a woman to back down from her accusations in a society that will greet her with hostility, immediate and unwavering suspicion, and blame while she already exposes herself to running the gauntlet of remembering her trauma out loud for others. There are a lot more women being sexually assaulted and not reporting it than women falsely accusing men of assaulting them.

I have also heard slut shaming dealt by one woman to another. Slut shaming is not a war between the sexes. It is a war on the rights of women from all sides. It does not matter how low her top was, tight her dress was, or short her shorts were. It does not matter how many men she had invited into her bed before him. She still had the right to say no.

Slut shaming is detrimental because it discourages equality and discourages women from practicing their right to dress and live as they please. However, it is most detrimental to victims of sexual assault because it creates a culture in which they can rightly expect to be met with hostilities from people of both sexes.

Stop implying that all those who come forward with accusations of sexual assault are liars just because of a few bad incidents that have been passed through the rumor mill hundreds of times. According to the Rape, Abuse, & Incest National Network (RAINN), only two out of every 100 rapists will ever be incarcerated. That should be enough reason to pause before dragging that one unfortunate man back out of the rumor mill again.

How do we arrive at as low a percentage as two thought? First, victims do not commonly come forward to discuss a traumatic and painful event with a police officer, a room full of jurors, or a defense attorney trying to discredit them as a client. Some victims never come forward at all, and many only do so to their closest friends.

So, any of the 92 percent of rape victims who come forward, as estimated by the Justice Department, should be treated with respect for the bravery of recalling a traumatic encounter. It is not easy to relive a trauma to anyone, let alone a stranger or strangers. The next time you hear someone recounting a traumatic experience of sexual assault, remind yourself of the 68 percent of victims who remain silent and unrepresented.

Once a report has been made, it is still only seven out of 100 rapists who lead to an arrest, according to the FBI. Where this disparity originates is hard to say with certainty, but some of it is likely rooted in how difficult it is to prove a rape after the fact. If she showers. If he didn’t leave her bruised and battered. If she doesn’t even know who he was.

Looking deeper, the numbers just keep getting worse. Of those seven rapists who are arrested, only three will be convicted of the felony of rape. That leads to time in prison for the two, but overall it is only two percent of rapists who will ever see the inside of a prison cell as a result of their violent crime against another person. I hope you are as filled with shock and disgust as I am right now.

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Maybe I would not have considered how big of an issue this all is if I didn’t personally know multiple victims of sexual assault. Maybe I would not have looked up these numbers if I did not understand how many years it took for a very close personal friend to build the strength only to begin her story and then collapse into an incontrollable ball of tears in my arms. Maybe if I had not known the two other women who confided in me for many years without realizing how they struggled with their memories of unwanted sexual encounters. In short, maybe I am biased by my personal friendships and personal experiences. Yet, I think the numbers speak for me and the victims of sexual assault whom I know.

In the face of such overwhelming facts about how little consequence there is for these sexual predators, it is high past time to stop shaming, blaming, or even unfoundedly doubting those who do come forward with a story of sexual assault. There will always be those who choose to lie about this, but their numbers pale in comparison to the thousands of unheard voices crying out in the often unrecognized ways of a traumatized victim of sexual assault.

Unpromising state of the Congress

Marc Schmitt • News editor

President Obama’s State of the Union address this past Tuesday was filled with promising proposals, and better yet it was filled with reasonable proposals, ones that could within reason be agreeable to both parties. However, what viewers saw during the televised address were strongly divided. The republicans contrasted by the far outnumbered democrats who cheered on the president. Not only is this a sign of what is likely to come in the next two years, but it is also likely to cast what the 2016 presidential elections are to look like.

A reasonable proposal by President Obama to close a loophole that allows the wealthiest individuals to escape a meager capital gains tax, a proposal with support from both parties’ bases, was immediately dismissed as being another indiscriminate tax hike that will hurt the economy. Despite being a minor issue for both parties, it is seen as a way to help democrats cast the republicans in the next presidential election as “the party of no,” who have been in opposition for too long and do not know how to effectively govern.

Whether this strategy actually works or not is yet to be seen. One thing is clear, there is little hope for this Congress to be a productive one.
Men’s basketball falters at Mount St. Joseph

Kevin Trzina • Staff Writer

Forward Matt Loesing came one point shy of his career-high total, scoring 18, but the Engineers still could not pull off the win in Cincinnati against the Mount St. Joseph.

Despite shooting almost 50% from the field (22-46), the nine-point deficit was only trimmed down to two and the Engineers lost 58-56.

This marks another close game from Rose, who seem to be getting relatively used to playing games down to the wire. Ten of the 15 games on the year have been decided by ten points or less and four of those ten have been decided by less than five points.

The demise came down to an uncharacteristically slow second half start that saw Mount St. Joseph explode for a 20-4 run to erase Rose’s 12-20 halftime lead.

Once the team managed to even up the momentum, Rose returned back to its fighting ways and clawed back within two when Loesing scored with just 49 seconds left to bring the score to 58-56.

In the last seconds, however, Junior Tyler Duffy’s shot landed off the mark and into the hands of the Lions to seal the game.

With the loss, the team falls to 9-6 overall and to 5-3 in Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference (HCAC) standings, but is only one game out of first in the conference standings. Mount St. Joseph leads in league play, standing at 7-1 in the HCAC and 12-3 overall.

The men will travel to play Transylvania on Saturday, January 24.

Women’s basketball routes Mt. St. Joseph

Kevin Trzina • Staff Writer

Host Mount Saint Joseph College was seeking its first conference win of the year but could do nothing in the face of a high-octane Lady Engineer offense, fueled by double-digit efforts from juniors Carrie Morris and Andi Evers as Rose went up 30-14 by halftime. The second half saw a freebie Mount St. Joseph comeback get snuffed out quickly as Rose dominated the rebounds 38-25.

Rose has gone 3-1 over the past four games and the story in each victory always seems to be awesome bench play. In January, over half of the points scored are coming from the reserves.

Freshman guard Alyzia Dilworth is making a name for herself with 12 and 14 points in games against Deiance and Earlham. This effort, coupled with 8.25 points per game and 5.0 rebounds per game from forward Josie Schmidt, makes for formidable bench options to put in at any time during the game.

The Lady Engineer Basketball team travels to Transylvania before coming home again to take on Anderson.

Track and field team obtains mixed results against Manchester

Kevin Trzina • Staff Writer

Do not let their now-constant presence on the track every day annoy you. The track team is doing work, and it showed in their first dual meet of the year.

The men’s team absolutely crushed Manchester 109-33 by claiming first in each of the 14 events with many of the top 3 places being swept.

Sprinters Isaiah Smith and Jordan Mothory posted the third-fastest 60-meter dash and second-fastest 200-meter dash times in school history, respectively.

Senior Zac Erba and sophomore Andrew Okruch took home victories in the weight throw and shot put while senior Austin Schulthies won the high jump with a 6’ 2 ¼”, while also taking home the 60-meter high hurdles and was on the 1st-place 4x400 meter relay team.

The women’s team got edged out 65-51 but was not without their share of first-place finishes.

Freshman Gabi Razma posted an 8.47 second 60-meter dash and a 28.36 200-meter dash, both good for first place. She also posted the second-best triple jump in school history (34’ 6 ¾”) that rewarded her with runner-up recognition.

Junior Mallory McDevitt added another second-best-in-school-history performance with a 10 foot pole vault, giving her a victory. Sprinter Addie Johnson played with the one-minute mark in the 400m dash and her time of 1:01.95 was enough to give her a victory as well.

Come watch all these Engineers and more on the Friday Night Invitational this Friday at the SRC.

Diver Regen Foote led the way in the one meter diving, outscoring the second place finisher by over 60 points. Foote, the school record-holder in one meter diving, was accompanied by junior Sam Gould who claimed his own 1st place finish in the one meter contest as well.

The Engineers get a full week of practice and rest before travelling to Franklin College for the HCAC Invitational at 1pm on Saturday, January 24.
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**TOP ‘10’ TEN**

**Things heard at the Career Fair**

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**Horoscopes**

*All the things you didn’t want to know.*

**ARIES:** Engineering is such a silly career choice. You were meant to do greater things, like become an astronaut!

**TAURUS:** Women are evil. Avoid all women on campus today. If you are one, avoid yourself as well.

**GEMINI:** Earmuffs with bows on them are the ultimate man-sensory today.

**CANCER:** You might be thinking of learning a new software program today. Don’t.

**LEO:** When the black cat washes its face, it will rain. Beware.

**VIRGO:** Feel free to allow your significant other to treat you like a princess. They only want your happiness.

**LIBRA:** You should have talked to that last company. They definitely would have offered you an internship.

**SCORPIO:** If you own property, increase it. If you don’t, get some. You can afford it.

**CAPRICORN:** Today’s a great day to start a study in alchemy. You can always use more gold.

**AQUARIUS:** I don’t know about you, but the ice on Speed Lake is looking breakable to-...