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## Industry projects improve student marketability

by Beth Bateman  
Thorn Reporter

Next fall, seniors in Rose-Hulman electrical and computer engineering department (ECE) programs will undertake some 30 design projects sponsored by various companies from around the United States, according to Fred Berry, professor of electrical and computer engineering. Students will work on the projects in teams of 4 to 6 students, and they will have an academic year to complete their work.

According to Berry, there are currently several industrial sponsors for the projects, including Chevron International, Integrated Controls (ICON), Central and Southwest, Iseley Enterprises, Ram Tech, Viewpoint Electronics Corp., Best Lock, Dwyer Instruments, Inc., Bioanalytical Systems, Inc., TRW, and ABS. However, the specific aspects of the student projects have not yet been fully determined; Berry expects them to be finalized this summer.

Berry says that the format of these projects will allow "more flexibility and freedom" than students' previous design projects. The assignment of projects will be based both on the students' preferences and the extent to which the project matches their skills. Initially, students will submit resumes describing their



Two of the companies at the career fair this week, Dwyer Instruments and TRW are also sponsors of design projects.

Photo by Chris Hansen

technical and personal strengths, and they will view abstracts for all of the projects. Berry described how the teams are then formed: "We'll arbitrarily pick people to assemble the teams, then have a sort of NFL draft, where [the team captains] can 'bid' on who they need."

According to Berry, after the teams have formed, they can then decide which project they request to do. The ECE faculty makes the final decision as to who works on each project. If a team wants to do a particular project, "they

will write up a justification as to why they should do that project. The team with the best proposal is then awarded with that project." Teams who are not assigned to their chosen projects or did not make proposals are matched up according to their skills and interests.

Once the teams have been assigned to projects, they must meet with the industrial sponsors to obtain a clear understanding of their expectations. Berry says that it will also be very important for the teams to maintain

communications with the company and Rose-Hulman faculty to report their progress.

Although finding lab space for the projects was currently a problem, Berry believes that students will have areas in some rooms of Moench Hall to store their projects, and some of the projects will be done at the sponsoring company. Equipment that Rose does not have will either be purchased by or borrowed from the sponsoring company.

The final assessment of the projects will be based primarily on the quality of work students put into their project. Berry said that there will be no penalty to students for an unfinished project, especially if it is due to uncontrollable circumstances, "if the team is working, making an honest effort, and making progress."

Professor Berry's involvement with the industry-sponsored projects similar to the work that he did for a similar program at Louisiana Tech University where he previously worked. He feels

that these projects are important because they are "consistent with the mission of [Rose-Hulman]-to put out the best engineering, science, and math majors possible," which he believes will make students more marketable to employers.

Berry said that arranging these projects has been "an entire (ECE) departmental effort. We've been laying the groundwork [for the projects] for 3 or 4 years. Everyone has been very enthusiastic." Contributions of the various ECE professors include industrial contacts and offers of assistance with the upcoming projects.

Most importantly, Berry believes that the projects will help prepare the future engineers for work in the industry. He said that when he was looking for a job, companies were willing to train graduates for 1 or 2 years. Now, however, the situation has changed. Companies are now hiring experienced graduates instead to save the expense of training students.

"The more we can make our students job-ready, the better their chance of finding an industry job," explained Berry.

Berry also hopes that the work on the projects will "ensure that students have a better competitive edge [in the job market] and will help students bring together all they've learned."

## Student input should guide decision-making in next SGA administration

### President

Michael Dean is a junior mechanical engineering major from Grand Rapids, Michigan. Dean believes that the president must provide leadership for the senate and represent the student body in all forms. If elected, Dean says that he will initially clean up many of the internal problems of the SGA, turning it into a "well-oiled machine." Furthermore, Dean plans to make the SGA start working for students as opposed to just monitoring clubs.

Dean's leadership experience includes serving as the leader of the Open Forum, a group of students trying to improve the workings of the SGA. Also, Dean has been the President and head coach of Rose's Volleyball Club, a member of the Quality of Education Committee, and is a member of the College Republicans.

Ed Ransom is a sophomore mechanical engineering major from Huntington, Indiana. Ransom serves as Treasurer/Fiscal Assistant of Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity. Ransom believes the role of the vice-president is to help the president achieve his goals. If elected, Ransom plans to hold open forum discussions with the SGA president and other students to get "real" feedback on students' issues and concerns.

Ransom would like to work with Career Services to push for more engineering opportunities for undergraduates. As a member of the Executive Council, Ransom would like to get involved in finding more financial aid for Rose-Hulman students.

### SGA Candidates

by Craig Miesse  
SGA Publicity Director

### Vice-president

Bryan Towne is a sophomore electrical engineer from Chillicothe, Ohio. Towne believes the SGA President should act as a liaison between the faculty and students. Towne would like to increase student-faculty relations as well as increase the power of the students in decisions regarding changes in their curriculums.

Towne's leadership experience includes serving as high school student body president and Pi Kappa Alpha Midwest Region vice-president. Towne is an Eagle Scout and is involved in the Rose Jazz Band.

Christopher Repa is a sophomore chemical engineering major from Tinley Park, Illinois. Repa believes the vice-president should operate as a liaison between the students and the administration. If elected, Chris plans to run the senate meetings effectively and would try to inform students of what is happening in the senate.

Repa is currently the secretary of SAB, the SGA Parliamentarian, a member of the 1996 and 1997 Career Fair Committees, vice-president of the College Republicans, and a member of Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity.

by Beth Bateman and Pete Anderson  
Thorn Reporters

New blood will be infused into the Student Government Association (SGA) with elections for president and vice-president slated for Tuesday.

The elections come off the heels of last week's primary elections which saw the field slimmed to two candidates per race. Michael Dean and Bryan Towne will vie for the opening president position and Chris Repa and Ed Ransom are competing for the office of vice-president.

Departing President Shawn Eads encouraged the new officers to put students first.

"I want the next SGA president to try to continue to put the power in the hands of the students," Eads explained.

Several voters agreed with Eads on the importance of student opinion.

"[SGA] should keep the student body in mind when they make decisions and look toward us to improve the future at Rose," commented sophomore chemical engineering major Michelle Williams.

Weeks Heist, junior electrical engineering major, agreed that the SGA needs to

"keep the administration wary of problems students have."

Based upon an informal straw poll, the expectations for the next generation of student government run high.

"They should live up what they say, improve the school, and represent [the students] well," added Sarah Waite, sophomore mechanical engineering major.

Outgoing vice-president Chris Meyer labeled senator enthusiasm as a major key for improving the student senate.

"The next vice-president needs to increase senator involvement and encourage them to speak up and voice their opinions," Meyer urged.

In addition to improving the senate, voters believed that the vice-president should work to communicate ideas from students to the administration.

"The vice-president's duty should be to act as a liaison between the SGA executive committee and the students," insisted Donnie Beene, senior electrical engineering major.

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**Feb. 1****Mom's Day:**

- \* Bookstore Open, Hulman Union, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- \* Women's Basketball, Hanover College, Shook Fieldhouse, 1 p.m. (Broadcast On WSDM-FM, 97.7)
- \* Men's Basketball, Franklin

College, Shook Fieldhouse, 3 p.m. (Broadcast On WSDM-FM, 97.7)

- \* Candlelight Dinner, Main Dining Room, 5:30 p.m. (Reservations Needed)
- \* Drama Club, "1940's Radio Hour," Moench Hall Auditorium, 7 p.m.

**Feb. 8**

St. Joseph's Campus Center Winter Euchre Tournament, Worx, 1 p.m.

**Feb. 14**

Valentine's Dance, St. Mary's-of-the-Wood's College, Le Fer Hall, 8p.m. - Midnight

**Today and Tomorrow**

- Fri., Jan 31—Bill Sisson Retirement Party, North Room, 7 p.m.
- Fri., Jan 31—Take Five, Shook Fieldhouse, 7 p.m.-Midnight
- Fri., Jan 31—Drama Club, "1940's Radio Hour," Moench Hall Auditorium, 7 p.m.
- Fri., Jan 31—Swimming, Millikin University, Terre Haute North Swimming Pool, 7 p.m.
- Fri., Jan 31—Track, at University of Notre Dame/Indiana University Invitationals
- Fri., Jan 31—Wrestling, at Monon Bell Classic, Crawfordsville, 6:30 p.m.
- Fri., Jan 31—Career Services Interviews: Comed
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  - \* Women's Basketball, Hanover College, Shook Fieldhouse, 1 p.m. (Broadcast On WSDM-FM, 97.7)
  - \* Men's Basketball, Franklin College, Shook Fieldhouse, 3 p.m. (Broadcast On WSDM-FM, 97.7)
  - \* Candlelight Dinner, Main Dining Room, 5:30 p.m. (Reservations Needed)
  - \* Drama Club, "1940's Radio Hour," Moench Hall Auditorium, 7 p.m.
- Sat. Feb. 1—Wrestling, at Monon Bell Classic, Crawfordsville, 9 a.m.

**February 2-8**

- Mon. Feb. 3—Learning Center Supplemental Instruction Programs, Berzsenyi's Calculus II, G-221, 7-8:30 p.m.
- Mon. Feb. 3—Career Services Interviews: Burgess & Niple
- Tues. Feb. 4—Institute Meeting, E-104, 4:30 p.m.
- Tues. Feb. 4—Computer Science Seminar, "1,001 Ways To Make Implementation Easier," Chad Maloney, G-222, 3:25 p.m.
- Tues. Feb. 4—Learning Center Workshop, "Internet Use," Pat Carlson of Rose-Hulman, L-130, 4:30 p.m.
- Tues. Feb. 4—Verbal Self Defense Workshop, "Listening Skills," Heritage Room, Hulman Union, 7 p.m.
- Tues. Feb. 4—Women's Basketball, Anderson University, Shook Fieldhouse, 7 p.m. (Game Broadcast On WSDM-FM, 97.7)
- Tues. Feb. 4—Learning Center Supplemental Instruction Programs, Erwin's Chemistry II, G-221, 7-8:30 p.m.; Kirtley's Physics II, G-219, 7-8:30 p.m.
- Tues. Feb. 4—Career Services Interviews: York International
- Wed. Feb. 5—President's Administrative Council, North Room, Hulman Union, 8 a.m.
- Wed. Feb. 5—Men's Basketball, DePauw University, Shook Fieldhouse, 7:30 p.m. (Game Broadcast On WSDM-FM, 97.7)
- Wed. Feb. 5—Learning Center Supplemental Instruction Programs, Berzsenyi's Calculus II, G-221, 7-8:30 p.m.
- Wed. Feb. 5—Career Services Interviews: National Air Intelligence Center, Rockwell
- Thur. Feb. 6—Explore Engineering (Balsa Wood Bridge Building), Civil Engineering Labs, 7-9 p.m.
- Thur. Feb. 6—Learning Center Supplemental Instruction Programs, Erwin's Chemistry II, G-221, 7-8:30 p.m.; Kirtley's Physics II, G-219, 7-8:30 p.m.
- Thur. Feb. 6—Career Services Interviews: VLSI Technology, Tellabs
- Fri. Feb. 7—Army ROTC Dining Out, St. Mary's-of-the-Woods College, 6:30 p.m.
- Fri. Feb. 7—Swimming, at DePauw University, Greencastle, 5 p.m.
- Fri. Feb. 7—Wrestling, at Wheaton Invitational,

Wheaton, Ill., TBA

- Fri. Feb. 7—Career Services Interviews: Advanced Automation Technologies, Inc.
- Sat. Feb. 8—Fine Arts Series, Pianist Richard Glazier, Moench Hall Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.
- Sat. Feb. 8—Track, Vincennes University, Shook Fieldhouse, Noon
- Sat. Feb. 8—Men's Basketball, at Hanover College, Hanover, Ind., 3 p.m. (Game Broadcast On WSDM-FM, 97.7)
- Sat. Feb. 8—St. Joseph's Campus Center Winter Euchre Tournament, Worx, 1 p.m.
- Sat. Feb. 8—Swimming, at Eureka Invitational, Eureka, Ill., 10 a.m.
- Sat. Feb. 8—Wrestling, at Wheaton Invitational, Wheaton, Ill., TBA

**February 9-15**

- Mon. Feb. 10—Learning Center Supplemental Instruction Program, Berzsenyi's Calculus II, G-221, 7-8:30 p.m.
- Mon. Feb. 10—Career Services Interviews: McLaren/Hart; IBM
- Tues. Feb. 11—Fundamentals Of Engineering Test Entry Deadline, Civil Engineering Department Office
- Tues. Feb. 11—Verbal Self Defense Workshop, "12 Special Rules For College Students," Heritage Room, Hulman Union, 7 p.m.
- Tues. Feb. 11—Wrestling, at Wabash College, Crawfordsville, 6:30 p.m.
- Tues. Feb. 11—Learning Center Supplemental Instruction Programs, Erwin's Chemistry II, G-221, 7-8:30 p.m.; Kirtley's Physics II, G-219, 7-8:30 p.m.
- Tues. Feb. 11—Career Services Interviews: Automated Analysis; Phelps Dodge Magnet Wire Company; RITRON, Inc.
- Wed. Feb. 12—Presidents Administrative Council, North Room, Hulman Union, 8 a.m.
- Wed. Feb. 12—Men's Basketball, at Anderson University, Anderson, 7:30 p.m. (Game Broadcast On WSDM-FM, 97.7)
- Wed. Feb. 12—Women's Basketball, at Lincoln Christian, Lincoln, Ill., 7 p.m.
- Wed. Feb. 12—Learning Center Supplemental Instruction Program, Berzsenyi's Calculus II, G-221, 7-8:30 p.m.
- Wed. Feb. 12—Career Services Interviews: Xilinx, Inc.; Cummins Engine Co.
- Thur. Feb. 13—Learning Center Supplemental Instruction Programs, Erwin's Chemistry II, G-221, 7-8:30 p.m.; Kirtley's Physics II, G-219, 7-8:30 p.m.
- Thur. Feb. 13—Career Services Interviews: BSA Design; Qualcomm, Inc.
- Fri. Feb. 14—Men's Indoor Track, at Purdue University Invitational, West Lafayette
- Fri. Feb. 14—Valentine's Dance, St. Mary's-of-the-Wood's College, Le Fer Hall, 8p.m. - Midnight
- Fri. Feb. 14—Career Services Interviews: NCR Corp.
- Sat. Feb. 15—Regional Mathcounts Competition, Hulman Union
- Sat. Feb. 15—Alumni Basketball Game:
- \* Recent Alumni vs. '96-97 Junior Varsity, 1 p.m.
  - \* Alumni Game, 2:45 p.m.
  - \* Tour of Alumni Center for Athletics & Recreation, 4:30 p.m.
  - \* Dinner For Alumni & Guests, Hulman Union, 5:30 p.m.
- Sat. Feb. 15—Women's Basketball, at Manchester College, North Manchester, 1 p.m.
- Sat. Feb. 15—Men's/Women's Track, at Univ. of Indianapolis Invitational, 11 a.m.
- Sat. Feb. 15—Wrestling, at Univ. of Indianapolis Greyhound Invitational
- Sat. Feb. 15—Rifle, at Western Collegiate Conference Championship, Columbus, Ohio

**Coming soon to an issue near you**

- Feb. 17 — Admissions On-Campus Visitation Day, 1-4:30 p.m.
- Feb. 18 — Women's Basketball, Franklin College, Fieldhouse, 7 p.m.
- Feb. 19 — National Engineers Week's Visitation Day
- Feb. 19 — Men's Basketball, Wabash College, Fieldhouse, 7:30 p.m.
- Feb. 21 — Spring Quarter Fee Payments Deadline
- Feb. 24 — Final Exams For Winter Quarter Begin, 8 a.m.
- Feb. 26 — Computer Science Senior Expo, North Room, 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
- Feb. 27 — End Of Winter Quarter, 5 p.m.
- Feb. 27-29 — Pacific Coast Teaching Institute
- Mar. 8 — State Mathcounts Competition, Hulman Union
- Mar. 10 — Spring Quarter Begins, 8:05 a.m.
- Mar. 13 — Regional JETS Contest, Throughout Campus, 5:30-9 p.m.
- Mar. 15 — Fine Arts Series, "Almost, Mr. Edison, Almost," 7:30 p.m.
- Mar. 21-22 — Rose-Hulman Undergraduate Mathematics Conference
- Mar. 22 — Fine Arts Series, Engineers In Concert, 7:30 p.m.
- Apr. 5-13 — Spring Break
- Apr. 10 — Rose-Hulman Showcase/Pre-Conference Open House
- Apr. 11-12 — National Assessment Conference, Hulman Union
- Apr. 19 — Fundamentals Of Engineering Exam
- May 2-3 — Delta Sigma Phi Basketball Marathon, Shook Fieldhouse
- May 2-3 — Drama Club, "The Music Man," Auditorium, 8 p.m.
- May 3 — Rose Show/Family Weekend/Honors & Awards Banquet
- May 9-10 — Drama Club, "The Music Man," Auditorium, 8 p.m.
- May 25 — Dedication Of Olin Hall Expansion
- May 30 — End Of Spring Quarter/1996-97 Academic Year
- May 31 — Commencement, Shook Fieldhouse, 11 a.m.
- June 19-20 — Sunrayce 97 Overnight Stop On Campus

**Submissions To Campus Events**

Events may be published in *Campus Events* by any organization or individual. Information on club meetings, lectures/speeches, and athletic events, including announcements of times and locations may be submitted to *Campus Calendar*, in care of Dale Long, associate director of communications, at Box 14 or extension 8418. More detailed articles containing plans, agendas, and specific information should be submitted to the *Rose Thorn*.

All submissions must be made by Wednesday, at noon, in order to be published in *Campus Events* in the *Rose Thorn* on Friday.

Make sure to stop in the bookstore to enter the drawing for a big teddy bear. Drawing is February 13.





# Students, staff guilty of violating parking regulations

by Thomas Hill  
News Editor

According to Jess Lucas, vice president of student affairs, there has seemingly been a general disregard of for all visitor parking.

Lucas explained that open parking spaces reserved for visitors are usurped by Rose-Hulman students or staff. Visitors who have received directions to visitor parking spaces must park in a remote alternative parking space after failing to find any available visitor parking spaces. In addition, delivery trucks are inhibited from making safe deliveries when the visitor parking areas near or en route to the Hulman Memorial Student Union become heavily crowded.

These complications motivated the implementation of a new vehicle towing policy, effective Monday, which will be enforced by the Rose-Hulman campus security office. Students or staff improperly parked will be towed at their own expense, which Lucas estimates will be \$30 to \$50.

"We encourage everyone to register your vehicle. We don't want to inconvenience anyone if we don't have to. [The new policy should] get the entire campus to realize we've got a problem and we're going to solve it. We're asking for cooperation to get this [problem] solved but if you don't get that cooperation, then you take some kind of tougher approach," explained Lucas.

On Monday, campus security will begin enforcing the new policy by towing vehicles improperly parked in a visitor parking space around the Hulman Memorial Student Union and Deming Hall, near the Olin Hall construction project or the Hadley Hall cul-de-sac, said Lucas. Security personnel can determine if faculty or students without parking decals on their vehicles are parking in visitor parking spaces, by checking license plate number through the Indiana State Police.

Lucas added, "If it takes towing 10 to 20 cars [to remove non-visitors from visitor parking spaces], then that's what will be towed."

Next, the campus security office will target vehicles parked lacking a parking decal. Lucas also claims that security office personnel have already begun collecting information such as license plate numbers on automobiles parked without the appropriate parking decals.

Lucas believes that students choose to park in visitor spaces instead of the remotely located newly paved lot by Moench hall, which usually has available parking spaces and many students haven't taken the time to register their car with the campus security office. He added that staff have parked in visitor parking spaces, complaining that staff-only parking spaces were being used by students.

According to Lucas, students are notified about the requirement to register their vehicles in the student handbook and they are given a vehicle registration form in

## Vehicle towing policy activation

Please be advised that a general lack of compliance within restricted parking areas on campus have made it necessary to activate the Institute towing policy to gain compliance. Effective Monday, February 3, 1997, any vehicle found not in compliance with the Institute traffic rules and regulations will be towed at the owner's expense! Specific area's of consideration are as follows.

1. Vehicle's not properly displaying a parking decal.
  2. Vehicle's improperly parked in area's specifically marked No Parking or Tow Zone:
- A. Around the Hulman Memorial Union and Deming Hall.
  - B. At the curblin immediately adjacent to B.S.B. Hall and the Olin Hall construction project office trailers.
  - C. The Hadley Hall cul-de-sac or any "Visitor" space.

their freshman packet to make registration convenient.

Lucas said that everyone will have an opportunity to register their vehicles at the security office before vehicles are towed for not having the appropriate parking decal. There probably aren't many other colleges that offer students a free parking decal and free parking spot upon registration; most colleges charge fees for parking, said Lucas. He also believes the new Moench parking lot spaces are not that inconvenient in comparison to parking available at other colleges.

"[Rose-Hulman students] have been spoiled by a good thing (free parking). You have to park ten blocks away at Indiana State University," explained Lucas.

As a result of less registered vehicles utilizing parking spaces than the amount of overall parking spaces available, it can-

not be determined if there is an actual shortage of parking spaces for students and staff who require them.

Lucas believes that fear of automobile theft is not a legitimate excuse for students refusing to park in a remote parking spot. "Not all cars parked in remote areas have been ripped off," said Lucas.

Lucas noted that Rose-Hulman has installed additional lighting to parking areas to help identify potential car thieves. Recently, a student on night patrol observed an individual with a hammer near a vehicle parked on campus. The student radioed security. Security followed the individual off campus, stopped him and had him identify himself. Then, security reported the identity of the individual to the police department.

## Rose Drama club re-awakens memories of 1940's radio shows

by James Tedrick  
Thorn Reporter

The winter Rose-Hulman Drama Club production, *1940's Radio Hour*, recreates the atmosphere and feeling of an actual 1940's radio hour complete with several songs of the era, commercials, a radio drama, and 'backstage' interaction. Using their small cast, this show provides a humorous look back at this once important facet of American life. Playing for two nights only, tonight and tomorrow for Mom's Night, everyone is encouraged to attend a show.

"Right now they're [the rehearsals] picking up, and it should be a good show," commented Rob Raque, sophomore Computer Engineer, who, along with senior chemical engineer Sean Eads, is directing this production.

*Radio Hour*, the work of Terre Haute locals Bunny Nash and Greg Stump, is designed to be flexible in order for this two act musical to accommodate a variety of casts and singing voices. *Radio Hour* has been performed a total of three times previously with the last performance for the Vigo County Historical Society. Jeff Bounsall, the musical director, selected the music for this



Rose-Hulman students rehearse for the Drama Club presentation that will be performed twice this weekend.  
Photo by James Tedrick

show, which include songs "Accentuate the Positive," "Swing on a Star," and the Rose Jazz Band performing "How High the Moon." In addition to the performances in the play, the jazz band and the Rose Chorus will perform the pre-show featuring such songs as "The Lullaby of Broadway," and "April in Paris."

The all-Rose-Hulman cast features several actors of past Rose-Hulman productions including *Crazy for You* and *Little Shop of Horrors*. The lead roll of Jerry Simon is played by veteran Eric

Anders, a Sophomore Chemical Engineer.

Eric describes the character of Jerry as "an arrogant guy, full of himself. He thinks he's running the show."

Kevin Tretter, a sophomore Computer Engineer, plays Don Richards, the announcer of the program and an "old pro" in the radio industry. Eddie McGee, played by sophomore electrical engineer Brian Duggan, is a rookie in the radio show business. The production's three main actresses are freshmen Kristen Roth, a computer science major, as Bobbie Roberts, Katy Klein, civil engineer, playing Ginger Solomon, and Fanny Bowley, chemical engineer, as Gayle Fisher. Also at the radio station are Bennie Kowalski, played by Matt Lensli, a junior mechanical engineer, and Matt Leplinski, a freshman math major, who, according to the script, are the ones "spinning the dials."

The characters did not come with intended personalities. Instead, the members of the cast were asked to develop their character, including their interaction with the characters, from the lines they had in the script and their image of the characters they played.

This paid off as each of the performers gave something extra to their part. For instance, all the female actors decided how their parts should be played and how their interaction with each other will develop.

"We developed the girls off the lines in the script; how we wanted to play the part and how people perceived us and our actions," commented Katy Klein, whose character, Ginger Solomon, is "really sickeningly perky... and clueless to things around her. The other girls don't like her very much."

Also appearing in the show is Dan Czuba, a senior mechanical engineer, as Alvin Payne, the show's piano player, and the Coca-Cola singers, an ensemble consisting of freshmen Brooke Chenoweth, computer engineer, Sandi Schmidt, mechanical engineer, sophomores Ryan Ward, mechanical engineer, Derek Lengacher, electrical engineer, and junior chemical engineer John Barr. Not appearing on stage are computer science majors George Bergstrom, a sophomore, and Dave Sing, a freshman, as the technical crew for the performance.

## News Briefs

•Professor Alan T. Roper, vice president for planning and data systems announced that a campus-wide change to a Netscape-based e-mail system is under way. Training sessions about Netscape mail are being coordinated by Nancy Bauer, user services manager of the Water Computing Center.

Roper noted that Rose-Hulman can no longer receive technical support for the DaVinci electronic mail system unless Rose-

Hulman purchases the new version of the DaVinci system.

•Three Rose-Hulman student teams will compete in the annual Mathematics Contest Feb. 7.

Professor Alan Broughton, mathematics department head, described the contest as a grueling test of our students' skills and endurance. The contest requires a week to complete the modeling problem. Coaches for the Rose-Hulman teams are Professors

Yosi Shibberu, Aaron Klebanoff and Frank Young.

•Professor Buck Brown, dean for research and graduate studies and Thomas Mason, Professor of Economics visited officials at General Motors regarding possible distance learning projects.

•Twenty Rose-Hulman Air Force Cadets will visit Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, its laboratory facilities and the Air Force Museum this weekend.

## Alternative to career fairs, career service office offered

According to Michael Howes, president of Talbert Technologies, finding a job should be easier with "Job Cafe," a world wide web site introduced by Talbert Technologies.

Job Cafe is designed specifically to bring college students together with prospective employers from around the country. According to Howes, students of all majors and backgrounds can use the Job Cafe to enter their resume free of charge.

Job Cafe requests students submit personal job preferences in addition to the credentials on resumes. Students may indicate where they would like to live, the size of the company they would like to work for and the amount of overtime and travel desired.

Job Cafe is located at <http://www.jobcafe.com>. Howes strongly encourages all students seeking permanent employment or internships to investigate the web site.



# Rose exempted from financial aid regulations

by Kevin Kaminski  
Thorn Reporter

The Rose-Hulman financial aid office has made various changes to improve the speed and accuracy of financial aid processing. Electronic transfers have speeded up transactions. In addition, participation in the Department of Education's "Experimental Cite" program has allowed the financial aid office to make further improvements.

Ed Detamore, director of financial aid, described several changes that have been made toward electronic filing for federal student financial aid. Detamore said the federal government has new regulations requiring that colleges increase use of electronic transfer methods as opposed to the traditional paper-work.

The U.S. Department of Education formerly provided paper rosters of all Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) transactions. New requirements specify that schools must now accept these rosters electronically or using electronic tape. Rose-Hulman has been accessing the information electronically for the past three years. Detamore also said reimbursement for Pell Grants given to students has been done electronically for the past three years.

The electronic method eliminates the need for students to turn in a paper copy of their Student Aid Report. The Financial Aid office receives the information electronically. Corrections to Student Aid

Reports are also faster. The new method allows Rose-Hulman to make necessary changes electronically. After submitting the changes to the federal government, a reply is received within 72 hours. The financial aid office can reprocess the information with the change and the student receives verification of a change.

Another function that is changing to electronic transfer methods is student status confirmation reporting. This notifies the federal government of student enrollment information for the purpose of providing information to the government regarding which students need to begin repaying student loans. The reporting process was previously done using a paper method. Electronic processing for this procedure has just begun at Rose-Hulman, as it has with other schools. The electronic processing will allow the formulation of a central database on all loan amounts for students. For transfer students, financial aid information will be more easily transferred using the electronic method because of the elimination of a separate "financial aid transcript" that used to be needed with traditional course transcripts.

The federal government is working on putting the FAFSA form on the world wide web. In June, renewal FAFSA forms will be available on the web. Students will be able to pull down their renewal information and submit the form on the web. Students submitting

renewal FAFSA forms for the 1997-98 school year will still need to fill out the paper form, which should arrive in the mail this month.

Additional improvements in the financial aid process may be made as a result of Rose-Hulman being a participant in the Experimental Cite program. As a participant, the federal government has guaranteed that Rose-Hulman will be exempt from certain specified regulations. This allows the Financial Aid office to act as they see fit for the Rose-Hulman population.

In exchange for this flexibility, Rose-Hulman must provide a report annually to the federal government detailing what changes have been made and how the changes have affected financial aid processing.

Detamore said, "It is certainly worth the extra time that it takes on our part because I think it facilitates better things for our students."

One area of change is the requirement of entrance and exit interviewing for loan counseling. Every student must have an entrance interview before his or her first loan is disbursed and an exit interview before he or she graduates. Government regulations specify what must be covered in these interviews. The flexibility from the Experimental Cite program has allowed Rose-Hulman to modify these criteria.

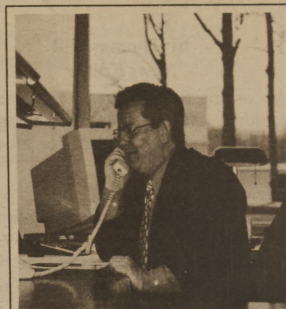
Detamore remarked that Rose-Hulman students have an excellent loan repayment rate. The loan default percentage for this year is

0.9%. Studies have indicated that students will read information sent to them by the financial aid office. For this reason, mailings are used in lieu of on-campus interviews. Students are sent information, and may contact the financial aid office if they have any questions. Information on whether or not the loan default rate changes as a result of this change will be sent to the federal government.

Another regulation that has been waived through the Experimental Cite program is the requirement of a 30-day delayed disbursement for first-time Stafford Loan borrowers. Rose-Hulman already credits the disbursement amount to students up front. Detamore said he felt this method is not risky because of the low loan default rate and student withdrawal rate of Rose-Hulman students.

Several educational institutions are participating in the five-year Experimental Cite program. For Rose-Hulman, the five year period began July 1, 1995 and will end June 30, 2000.

Detamore said the Department of Education actively recruited schools from various sectors. The department will examine the results sent to them from the participating schools. By collecting information from a variety of types of schools in various locations, they hope to develop better regulations for federal financial aid. Detamore indicated that the Department of Education is moving a step in the right direction by trying



Ed Detamore, believes an experimental financial aid program will be beneficial.

Photo by Chris Hansen

to be more flexible while still meeting their quality control goals.

Detamore is optimistic about the program. He hopes the study will indicate that schools similar to Rose-Hulman, for example, those with low loan default rates, can have additional flexibility in regulations without adversely affecting loan repayment. Detamore believes the program will indicate that schools administer their own financial aid programs very well and in a way best-suited for their school. He believes the schools will develop procedures that meet all federal requirements and still work well for students.

Detamore encourages anyone with questions on the new procedures or financial aid in general to contact the financial aid office.

## Concert organizer, Lambda Chi Alpha honored at banquet

by Thu Vu Pham  
Thorn Reporter

The Big Brother/Big Sisters organization of the Wabash Valley recently honored Sue Dayhuff, secretary for the electrical and computer engineering department, and two representing members of the Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity, Rimas Guzulaitis and Brad Rosenberger. They were honored at a recent banquet at Rose-Hulman for their fund-raising efforts to help the children of the Wabash Valley.

"It wasn't a big thing, some others students on campus won them, too," commented Dayhuff.

Big Brothers/Big Sisters is an organization that provides an adult friend and a positive role model for local children between the ages of 6 and 14.

Dayhuff was honored for her work in organizing the annual benefit concert for Big Brothers/Big Sisters. Dayhuff recalled her involvement with the program as part of her interest in bringing talented musicians to Terre Haute, as well as helping out a good cause.

In 1993, Dayhuff approached Big Brothers/Big Sisters with the idea of hosting a benefit concert to raise money for the organization. Big Brothers/Big Sisters had the first concert, "A Salute to Elvis", starring Eddie Miles, an Elvis Presley impersonator that Dayhuff met while vacationing in Tennessee. The concert brought in \$9000 for the organization.

Since the 1993 Elvis concert was so successful, Big Brothers/Big Sisters has organized two more concerts, and Dayhuff plans to continue the success with yet another this year. The concert was originally planned for January 18.

Unfortunately the timing coincided with an Alan Jackson concert that may have steered away many concert-goers, so Dayhuff moved the date back to March 15. The concert, aptly titled "The King is

Back", will be at the Indiana theater starring Bruce Borders, a Jasonville, Indiana Elvis Presley impersonator. Dayhuff encourages everyone at Rose-Hulman to see the concert.

Lambda Chi Alpha was honored for raising over \$2000 for Big Brothers/Big Sisters last year during their "Run for Kid's Sake" event. According to Rosenberger, Big Brothers/Big Sisters has always been Lambda Chi Alpha's "biggest Public [service]".

"[Run for Kid's Sake] is an event that had been going on [with Lambda Chi Alpha] for many years. I was honored that Big Brothers/Big Sisters appreciated our work for them," commented Rosenberger.

Lambda Chi Alpha is currently involved in other projects for Big Brothers/Big Sisters. Rosenberger currently heads a team of four bowlers collecting pledges for the "Bowl for Kid's Sake" program on February 15 and 22.

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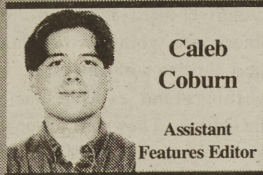
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# Religion: Fundamentals of American society



**Caleb Coburn**

Assistant  
Features Editor

Throughout each and every day, religion effects our individual lives. Whether it be our own or someone else's, we cannot deny this effect of religion. Each person has their own thoughts about religion, and very rarely are any two people's thoughts the same. Instead of ignoring this part of our lives, which seems to be the current trend, it would be wiser to discuss this topic. That is what the following collection of articles is for.

In the late 1780's, when our founding fathers were busy putting together the Constitution, they knew it was quite important to ensure the freedom, specifically religious, of

the American people. That was one of the many reasons the first European settlers came to North America, to escape religious persecution in their homelands. Thomas Jefferson, Benjamin Franklin, John Adams, and countless other leaders recognized this, which resulted in the First Amendment, the freedom of religion.

Despite popular belief, though, this country was not founded upon Christian beliefs. The phrase "In God We Trust" wasn't put on our currency until the middle of this century. In fact, those founding fathers were not what we would describe as "Christians" today. What this country was founded upon was an ideal of perfect freedom of religion. It was not important to them what each person believed or why they believed it, but that they could believe what they wanted without prejudice. It seems to me that today we, as a society, have forgotten what

those great men said and what they desired.

I believe we may be at a point in time where we can regain our founding fathers' original idea of religious freedom. We may be at a point in history where we can forget what everyone else thinks about existence, except for yourself and what concerns you. I think it's time for this country to lose its ignorance and prejudice of religions and to accept people for what they do, not for what they believe. Unfortunately, without a starting point nothing can be accomplished.

For the readers of this newspaper, the following collection of articles is intended to be that start. By reading about other religions, we can begin to eliminate that ignorance towards other religions. Experiencing others' beliefs, or simply talking about them, can be that beginning that opens our eyes to other beliefs. In fact, it may be possible to see that other religions are very sim-

ilar to your own but just use different examples to explain the same fundamental ideas.

Why should we start this change? First of all, not everyone needs to change, of course, and no one should change unless they desire to. I believe, though, that everyone should investigate other religions and other people and determine how they like it. Is my viewpoint fair to others? Do I give respect to anyone else who doesn't believe in what I do? These are just a few of the questions that can be asked. The most important question is do you respect the fact that your belief isn't the only one, and do you keep it to yourself unless someone asks for it?

Without respect for your fellow humans, no society will continue to survive. This has been proven countless times throughout history. Much of this respect is developed through accepting people who believe the opposite of what you might. Not only is it

impossible to go through life without running into someone with a differing opinion, it would make life extremely monotonous and boring. Just because religion is more personal than, say, your favorite color, doesn't mean you should show less respect.

So, as you read through the following articles, remember that they are someone else's beliefs. They aren't intended to "convert" you over to a particular belief or cause you to question your own beliefs. They are intended solely to give you another look at life, another perspective on how people live. Read them with an open mind, and remember that no one is forcing you to read the articles. By doing this, we all can become a wiser society and, perhaps, create a better place to live.

## Living life in Christian service leads to freedom



**Michael Bickel**

Thorn  
Columnist

*You will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.*  
-John 8:32

People have many misconceptions about Christianity. Most people think it has to do with church, or laws, or being good. I don't need to tell you what you think about Christianity; you already know. I don't want to say that you're wrong, either. All I need to do is try to explain what Christianity means to me.

First of all, I recognize the presence of God. God exists above everything else. Nothing changes God. He, she, or it is absolute, therefore God is equivalent to truth. Anything that is God is completely true, anytime, anywhere, etc. Conversely, anything that is completely, absolutely true in all cases is God.

God is the datum by which truth is measured. In geometry, proof is based on logic derived from previously recognized truth. In being the absolute truth, God proves or disproves all things. Truth and God are synonymous. If truth exists, then God exists.

My role as a Christian is to try to become as close to God as I can during my life. I do this by studying the example of Jesus Christ. Jesus said "I am the way, the truth, and the life..." (John 14:6). My life is in pursuit of truth and contemplation of the nature of truth.

As a human I can never be

perfect, and I can never get really close to God. Therefore, I must reject my human life and live the ways of truth. This is the difficult part: to live physically but to consider physical reality worthless. But the result of this is freedom.

If you reject pride in everything that you do, you have nothing to lose and everything to gain. Even when you gain things, you still have nothing to lose. If you humble yourself, no one else can humble you. Humility brings freedom from the pressures of the world.

A truly humble person will work harder for anything. This is due to the fact that a humble person works for the cause, not for the respect. As a result, the humble person is respected more in the end. This is one example of what Jesus said in Matthew 10:39, "He who finds his life will lose it, and he who loses his life for my sake will find it."

Jesus gave up his life as a service to humanity and as an example for his followers. It is a difficult example to follow but a worthwhile one. After all, what is your basic life worth? Slow computers, work, television, food, etc. You even get to keep most of it after you give it up. It's a small price to pay to be close to God.

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## Morals not dictated by belief in God



**Singalex Song**

Thorn  
Columnist

According to Webster's New Collegiate Dictionary, atheism is "a disbelief in the existence of a deity." While I believe in neither the existence nor the non-existence of god, I do lack a belief, so I have considered myself an atheist for several years now. I have always tried to keep an open mind but as of yet I have found absolutely no evidence to support the existence of "God."

The fact that most cultures have believed in a god in one form or another does not prove a god's existence. It does suggest that it is probably human nature to desire the existence of a deity worth worshiping and to believe in some higher and more perfect form of justice. While belief in a god can be a very comforting thought, it must be taken on faith, which is essentially suspending reason to believe in something despite evidence to the contrary. Nobody knows for sure whether or not there is a god, but the burden of proof does not lie on the atheist. I cannot bring myself to believe in a god on faith alone, because I see faith as an excuse to suspend curiosity for fear of realizing the truth.

Putting the lack of proof aside, there are still many things that disturb me about god-centered religions. For instance, are all the varying religions worshipping the same god? If so, why does such a god allow the millions of deaths caused by religious conflict? However, if only one of the thousands of religions is correct, then which one is it? Most people acquire the religion of their regional culture. So, is only one of these cultures "right" and every-

one else wrong?

I am secure in my opinions, and I don't really care what anyone else believes as long as their belief doesn't directly effect me. However, it seems that people who are insecure of their own beliefs tend to want to congregate together with others of the same belief, or force others to the same beliefs. This seems like an effective protective shell to hold together a weak philosophy. Whenever people have tried to "convert" me, they have always resorted to appealing to emotion. In high school debate, I came to realize that appealing to emotion is about the cheapest form of persuasion. As a debater, it is a desperate action showing that your case has little merit. It seems to me that the belief of a god stands on a shaky foundation that must be reinforced by methods other than reason.

Like most atheists, I have my own ethical code, and I am offended by those arrogant enough to suggest that their religion is the only source of morality. It doesn't require a belief in a god to dictate that one shouldn't hurt others. This is a value in every human society; one that operates on the basic premise that people don't want to get hurt, so they don't go around hurting others. Albert Einstein once said, "If people are good only because they fear punishment and hope for reward, then we are a sorry lot indeed." My motivation for being a good person stems from my own rational self interest and not out of some unhealthy feeling of guilt or fear of punishment.

I think our society needs to focus more on the "here and now" in order to improve our world, instead of trying to reserve a place in an afterlife that might not even exist. I think a belief in a god feeds human arrogance in a way that is especially dangerous now when our technology has developed to the point where we can

destroy ourselves as a species. I don't think "God" is going to clean up our pollution problem or replant the trees that are continually being burned down in the rain forests of Brazil. I think it would be better to hold the mentality that we are nothing more than just tiny specks floating in the vastness of space. The universe could care less whether we destroy ourselves or continue to prosper. We are the only beings concerned about our own welfare, and we are the only ones responsible for our own destiny.

Scientific technology is constantly increasing the scope of human knowledge, and it is for this reason that we humans have the high quality of life that we share as a species. The only way we can advance as a society is to constantly question the world around us, and then strive to answer those questions. I enjoy learning and am proud to be in the engineering field, where I know that I can apply knowledge to improve the quality of life for the future of humanity. I hope that many of the current barriers to the advancement of knowledge will be torn down within my lifetime.

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## Voluntary devotion realized through faith seen in others



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Columnist

I was the type of child who was forced to attend church every Sunday whether I liked it or not. I never put anything into it, and therefore I got little out of it. I've always had a technical outlook and thus I've always had some doubts towards the beliefs I was taught. It wasn't until after my freshman year of college that I had a real religious experience causing me to think more about my religious viewpoint.

I've detailed my experience at Handicap in previous articles, so I will briefly recap what it is and how it has changed my outlook on religion. Handicap is a camp where mentally handicapped adults are paired up with a counselor, who becomes a friend, for a week. They participate in activities that they rarely have an opportunity to do, such as fishing or hiking.

These handicapped individuals have more religious faith

and love for God than any non-handicapped person I've ever encountered. These people look forward to going to Heaven because they believe that they will no longer be burdened with their handicap. They imagine heaven as a place where they can be accepted and loved by everyone without being prejudged due to their disability.

This belief gives these people something to hope for regardless of whether it will ever. It makes living here on earth a little easier knowing there is a God who will always love them no matter how they are treated by society.

Seeing the impact of religion and the faith in these people forced me to re-evaluate what religion meant to me. I realize that God blesses every human being with specific talents. While these talents may be overshadowed by certain disabilities, they still exist. Seeing people who are not as fortunate as me is a very humbling experience. It makes me count my blessings and realize how fortunate I really am.

A big part of Christianity is the faith, hope, and belief that there is a God who is watching

over you. It helps me see my obstacles or problems as opportunities to build more character and to grow stronger.

I also realize that there are some things that are beyond my control, and I like to believe that those things are vastly impacted by God. This enables me to be more optimistic because I just see the downfalls of life as just a part of God's plan to improve me. A victory without hardship isn't as meaningful as one where many obstacles were overcome.

I have a close friend back home who is an avid atheist. As a result, he constantly questions my motives of attending church. He attended 10 years of Catholic schooling where religion was stuffed down his throat. He appreciated some of the morals he learned from the experience but didn't want to have his life dictated by the church.

He keeps me from getting too caught up with the institution of church because there are some people who center their lives around the physical church instead the principles which it teaches. He and I both agree that attending church can be bad when people center their lives

around their church involvement.

In *The Seven Habits of Highly Effective People*, Stephen Covey describes different aspects around which people center their lives. Some examples of different centers are around yourself, your spouse, family, money, work, possessions, pleasures, a set of principles, and the church. Each of these different centers has their certain downfalls. Church-centered living is bad, especially whenever people see church as the end instead of a means to the end. Simply attending church doesn't imply an automatic ticket to holiness.

Covey states that church-centered people get so busy with the pressing human needs surrounding the church that they contradict the very precepts that they claim to believe. They live

their lives worrying about how others are going to evaluate their actions with respect to the teachings and expectations of the church. They start to see the world in terms of "believers" and "non-believers," and they then try to shove their beliefs down the "non-believers" throats.

No one likes to have religion stuffed down their throats. Nothing is accomplished from something you aren't willing to do. Faith is a choice that must be made on an individual basis. My faith has helped me transition from being a pessimist to having more of an optimistic outlook. It has also helped me attain a better attitude towards overcoming adversities.

## Taoism: the way of nature

Caleb Coburn

Assistant Features Editor

While growing up back home on the outskirts of Louisville, Kentucky, my parents wanted to raise me with a choice of religion. While they didn't encourage me to go to church, they certainly encouraged me to make my own choices about life. As a result, I grew up to be a somewhat typical agnostic. In other words, I neither believed nor disbelieved in a higher being, i.e., a god.

But that in no way means that I did not grow up without a set of moral beliefs and philosophical ideas. To paraphrase a comment my father made to me in a discussion at 2:00 a.m. over a break last year, I have a higher moral system than he does. And he's proud of me because of that. I am, in essence, living proof of self-thought and expression. I think the way I do not because of something I learned in church or through religion, but through my own observations of what is right and wrong and the way things should be in their natural state.

Until last year, I had thought that this way of thinking was just my own personal philosophy. This, of course, had its own deficiencies mainly due to the fact that it was mine and I could not compare it to anything else. Then my very good friend, Jennifer, introduced me to *The Tao of Pooh*, a book by Benjamin Hoff. In this book, the fundamental beliefs of a philosophy called Taoism are put into a Winnie-the-Pooh context, which works surprisingly well.

As it turns out, this new

viewpoint was what I had already formulated on my own. Here were most of my philosophies, on living and dying in this world laid out through Pooh-bear, Piglet, Tigger, Rabbit, and so on. This ancient Chinese concept of Tao, dating back to circa 650 B.C.E., was so natural for me that I immediately began reading more about it. (Hoff also wrote a sequel called *The Te of Piglet*.)

So what exactly is Taoism? The Chinese word *Tao* can be translated many ways, one of which, that is most often used, is "the Way." The third most translated book in the world, next to the Bible and the *Bhagavad Gita*, is the *Tao Te Ching* (pronounced 'Dow Deh Jeeng'), generally believed to be written by Lao Tzu. This book is a collection of 81 chapters and lays the fundamental groundwork for Taoism.

I think of "the way" as being nature: that which seems to be the right thing to do. Nature surrounds us all, and we cannot escape it. The most peaceful state of being is when you are one with nature, in effect achieving Tao or "the way." Defying nature is futile, and only bad things result when you try to do the opposite of what is intended. These are all ideas that anyone could come up with, but few seem to actually follow (including myself).

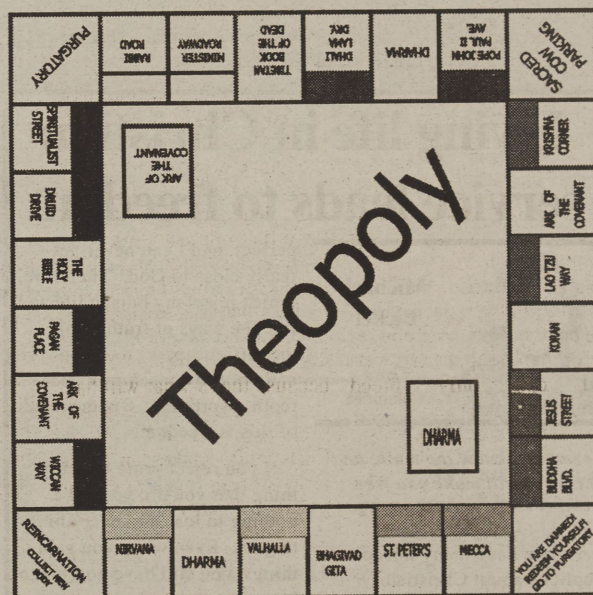
At this point in time, that is the best quick definition I can give for the concept of Taoism. I see nature as being everything, and everything is included in nature. The amazing, or perhaps weird, thing is that it is very easy to correlate my idea of Tao with the concept of "God"

that is used in Christianity, Islam, and Judaism. Both are all-powerful and are impossible to describe physically because of this power. Where I tend to disagree with this idea of "God" is in its common personification of being.

A large part of religion is defining the world around us: where it all came from, what is responsible for putting us here, and so on. Religions are created daily to explain these seemingly unanswerable questions. I cannot ever see myself following such a religion because I don't believe that any of these such questions can be answered. Every religion can be taken apart and proved wrong by not only scientific reasoning, but often by its own beliefs. That is where the concept of Taoism is different; it does not try to explain any of this.

I do not go through life trying to figure out where we came from. I don't really care what happens to my soul when I die. These things and many other questions about our existence don't bother me because I don't ask the questions. I can completely accept the fact that we are here on earth, and that is not going to change. I live in the present, not the past or the future. Religions are the result of people asking these questions, while Taoism is the result of people not asking the same questions.

I have just begun to discover the greatness of Taoism, though. I cannot say that I am a master, or even a good representative, of these ideas. However, what I have read and what I know can be learned by anyone, under any religion. This philosophy can



be used in nearly any situation, and, because of this, it is greater than any religion I know of. It allows me to concentrate on what is important: my friends, family, education, and fun. Religions don't allow for this as they seem to be busy trying to figure out questions that do not have any answers and can't see past this sometimes.

Caleb Coburn is a mechanical engineering junior here at Rose-Hulman. He is enjoying his first night as the new assistant features editor, as he prepares to spend the rest of his Thursday nights in pure hell. He would like to remind everyone to take it easy this weekend, as we still have 4 more weeks to go before break.

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# Point-Counterpoint: Church and State

## Leaving religion out of education

**Don Cole**

Thorn Columnist

Ever since the infamous "Monkey Trial" of the early '20s brought the subject to the forefront, the subject of religion in schools has been very touchy. There are those, who believe that separation of church and state has no gray areas; specifically dealing with religion in school, and there are those who believe that imposing religion upon young people in public schools will help reduce violence and increase moral standards in our schools.

Religion and government simply do not mix. Our founding fathers knew this, resulting in the First Amendment which clarifies that Congress shall not pass any law in preference to any one religion. Our founding fathers learned from the bloody lessons of the Crusades, the Inquisition, Queen Mary, better known as Bloody Mary, who executed thousands for not converting to Catholicism, and the English Civil War, that supporting one single religion can be costly. Imposing one religion on people that isn't welcomed can only breed contempt, hatred, and sometimes outright war. Yet, today, in the enlightened twentieth century, there are those who want to meddle with it again.

Until the 1920s, schools had prayer in them because non-Christians didn't go to school with Christians, or, if they did, they were afraid to do anything about it. Thus, no one really cared if they prayed in the morning or had a Bible class; but that changed. Jews went to school with Christians and teachers began introducing Darwin's theory of evolution. All of a sudden, the idea that it was okay to have religion in schools was challenged. By the late 1960s, the Supreme Court temporarily closed the issue by deciding mandatory prayer in public schools was wrong based on the First Amendment.

Now, the push to institute prayer back into school is renewed. Why? They, supporters of this renewal, say kids have no sense of morals these days, and family values have degenerated. They believe that imposing prayer or a Bible class upon students is the way to bring them back to moral standards. Apparently it's okay to discriminate on the basis of religious beliefs because that's what will happen if religion is allowed back into schools. Since Christianity makes up a majority of religiously inclined, it will probably be a Chris-

tian prayer in school. What about other religions and people who refuse to participate? No one answers. Times have changed since the days when it was taboo to challenge the religious establishment in this country.

What then, if the champions of school prayer win? When the Roman Empire was converted to Christianity, fanatics destroyed the Great Library at Alexandria claiming that it was filled with pagan ideas and other nonsense. Thousands of years of history were rendered irretrievable because the Roman government decided to support one religion and destroy the others. What I'm trying to say is that once this ball gets rolling, it's hard to stop.

This debate goes beyond the obvious argument about whether or not religion belongs in school. It's a debate about what we, as a nation, value more; freedom for everybody or freedom for the majority. I choose the latter. Finally, a word of advice for the religious leaders trying to build a political power base: Please stay on the pulpit and out of my affairs.

## The state of church

**Bob Voros**

Thorn Columnist

Many ideas sound good in writing but never actually function as well when applied to the real world. The idea of separation of church and state is one of these concepts. If church and state were to rule over separate groups of people, there would never be a conflict. However, the boundaries of control between religion and state in an individual's life tend to overlap. While the right and wrong of a religion may be defined one way, the right and wrong of a government may be alternately defined. The problem is to whom do the citizen/followers adhere to.

It is in the defining of right and wrong where religion and state conflict. In our Constitution, the justification of its sovereignty is not divinely justified. The organization of its power is devoid of any religious nuances. In essence, the concept of our government does not support nor deny any religion. However, to make the concept realistic, people must be used.

Once power is divided into positions, it must be used to support the laws that describe the correctness of a citizen's actions. Such are the actions of a democracy. These laws are created by the individuals elected into the positions of power. They are only humans with biases and influences that influence their views of right and wrong. These judgments are based on their moral standards which, most likely, are formed by their religious background.

As a result, for as long as there is a religion, it will almost always directly influence the state.

Religion influences state through second-hand influences, mainly its followers which attain positions of power. The duty of most religious followers is to uphold their spiritual beliefs before their governmental laws. This includes influencing their governmental laws to support their religious beliefs.

In the United States government, citizens may choose to support a certain set of morals by electing a representative of a certain faith. If this person is elected, it is only by the will

of the voting majority, the democratic way. Why should the views of a majority be denied?

Only unsuccessful attempts can be made to eliminate religious influence from our nation's representatives. Such an action would have to deny those persons their right to be elected or their right to be part of a religion. The only measure to stop such a person from being elected is to vote for another candidate.

Religiously motivated actions, such as the teaching of creationism in public schools, have to be implemented by elected official. These officials were elected with their biases known. They are going to make judgments based on these beliefs.

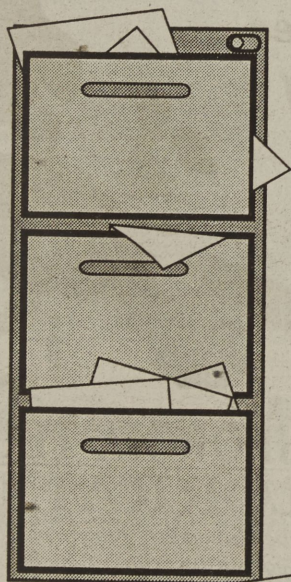
The greatest feature of our Constitution is that we can protest laws that infringe upon the freedoms that we are guaranteed in the Constitution. Just like the ACLU in the Scope's "Monkey Trial," we can show that the law implemented by these biased officials was a violation of the first amendment. There are many other ways to change laws which include lobbying, writing to your representative (now via e-mail), and rallying support for candidates that best reflect your views.

No government is free of religious influence, and for no reason should they be. A religion allows people to unite behind a singular cause which aids in the implementation of law. Fortunately there is more than one religion and more than one non-religious group trying to implement law. These differing views allow our government to be dynamic.

I, on many occasions, ponder the irony of an Atheist or Buddhist doling out American currency. I wonder if a person has a right to say a word about religious discrimination if they do nothing to prevent it.

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# Incentives will increase the cost of education



Pete  
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Thorn  
Columnist

"You know what? After a long day's classes what I would really like is a nice can of soda and a candy bar. Wouldn't it be nice if we could all have a candy bar and a drink after every class?"

I was fairly enamored by this notion. I decided that it was not fair that some people were able to enjoy these refreshments on a daily basis while others were denied this basic level of happiness. I decided to even up the score.

I called my rich uncle across the great Atlantic pond and said, "Thio Mano (which basically means Uncle Manny in Greek), can I have \$105,000 for the noble pursuit of granting every Rose-Hulman student one can of pop and one candy bar each day. I would give each student \$1.20 daily on the condition that he use it only to buy the above items from the Rose vending machines."

My uncle frowned (you can

tell he's frowning even over the phone) and said, "I'd love to give you the money for your grand and benevolent plan, Petro (a Greek name for Peter), but it just won't work."

He proceeded to explain that in a situation where every student had this funny money, there would be shortages of pop and candy. Indeed, the demand for candy would be so ridiculously high that Calderon Bros., the owner of the vending

machines, would have to be a bunch of business fools not to raise their prices. The prices of the candy and soda would skyrocket, making it just as inaccessible as it was before, if not more.

Dejected, I returned home and planned my next great philanthropic endeavor.

Okay, I admit it. I made the whole thing up. Of course, I didn't really think this would work. You'd have to be a fool to try something like this, wouldn't you?

Not surprisingly, the United States Government, which is as short-sighted in its policy as it is uneducated in economics has tried this many times. One such phenomenon is subsidized education, and it has been tried repeatedly since the Presidency of Lyndon Johnson. In fact, Congress is getting ready to try it again.

My friends, I'd like to introduce you to the Higher Education Act. The Higher Education

The following year, government officials are delighted as college enrollment booms. More and more teenagers go to college, and it seems that everyone is happy . . . until the colleges start raising their prices.

Why do they raise their prices? Is it because their deans are evil, wicked people who want to keep poor children out of their country clubs? Of course not. They raise their prices because the market dictates that they have to.

With the demand for college education at incredibly high levels, schools must deny admission to a far greater portion of their applicants.

One of the methods by which they do this is to raise

it is well worth paying extra to go there. I.U. will have become a substandard university.

So colleges across the country raise prices. New colleges, offering Mickey Mouse degrees, spring up all over the country competing for the \$1500 dollars per person that the Higher Education Act and all subsidized education acts provide. What is the end result? The cost of legitimate colleges goes up, college enrollment increases, and a college education becomes necessary for even the most menial of jobs.

This is simple economics: supply and demand. And yet our government really believes that its policies are exempt from the rules. Despite its grand intentions, the market has thwarted them.

The evidence is clear. The same Wall Street Journal article reports, "public four-year colleges raised tuition 256% between 1980 and 1995, far outstripping an 85% increase in consumer prices and a 93% increase in typical family income . . .", and "[e]ven though tuition is rising faster than family incomes, more people are going to college."

Finally, after twenty years of subsidized education, the United States Congress is facing the same dilemmas it faced when it began subsidizing college students. Rich people are going to college and poor people are not . . . even though they gave them this great handout. College is even less affordable now than it was before government aid began. But in spite of the desperate failure of government financial aid programs, the politicians are once again offering to buy us all a free ride through college.

Meanwhile, I'm in so much debt I can't buy a Snickers bar and a Coke.

## That's one heck of a candy bar

Act will, according to the December 30, 1996, issue of the Wall Street Journal, "[give] most families a \$1500-a-year tax credit for the first two years of college for students who maintain a B average and by allowing them to deduct up to \$10,000 in tuition in subsequent years."

That's one heck of a candy bar.

Think about this for a minute. President Clinton hands you \$1500 dollars and says, "Go to college and spend this money, or I will take it back." What would you do? If you were already in college or planning to go, you'd happily take the money and spend it. If you weren't planning to go to college, you would jump at the chance to spend this money and enroll yourself in college. Of course, everyone else would too.

admission standards. Another method is to raise prices.

Imagine how many more people would want to go to Rose if tuition was halved. Rose has no problem filling its already ballooning classes. By keeping prices and admission standards high, Rose has managed to limit its enrollment to manageable levels.

Even if schools attempt to keep their prices low, they will be forced to raise their prices by other schools that do not. Suppose Indiana University decided to raise its prices and the University of Illinois did not. Because of the artificially high demand, both would fill their classes. But because of the additional revenue that Illinois received, it starts building stadiums, quadrangles, research institutions, and student health clubs. Soon, the U of I is so developed as an institution that

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# Time doesn't have to be viewed as a four-letter word



**Dave Hile**  
Editor-in-Chief

Find an empty spot on your calendar and write "I hate the inventor of the Franklin Planner."

I always said that it could not happen to me, but recently, my survival at Rose-Hulman has depended on keeping a detailed list of meetings, tests,

homework, projects, and reports which require my time and energy. While my planner cooperates with my memory, it leaves the rest of my mind in a state of panic. Just keeping a planner near acts as a persistent reminder that my hours are numbered and things *must* be done. In many ways, it is like a second mom.

During any typical Rose day, my planner becomes laden with notes, reminders, and the inevitable 'to-do' lists. With a stacked planner, I find it difficult to set aside time for anything besides the items

inscribed as important. According to my planner, I was never running out of things to do and increasingly deleted events because they had already passed. I quit using the letters A-S-A-P because soon everything was followed by that haunting acronym.

However, I managed to find an outlet whereby I could close the planner, toss it in a corner, and say "What the hell" (or something to that effect). Community service has closed my planner and opened my eyes to things beyond and, ultimately, much more important than anything

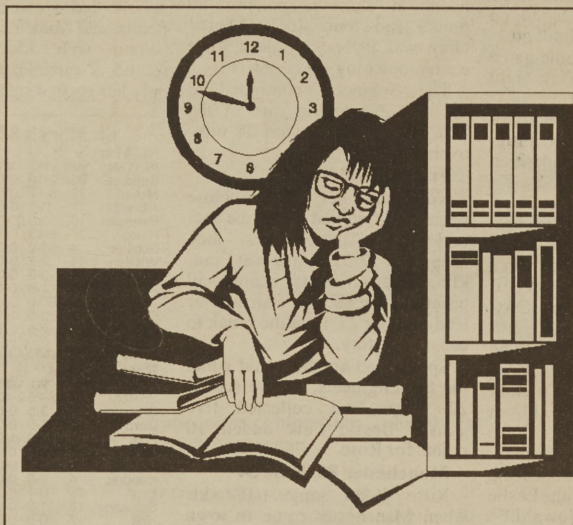
help others when so many vital tasks are on the "front-burner." My mind tends to agree, but it is humbled after working for the community. The assignment which seemed so important, really is quite silly compared to problems encountered by others. A per-

forget about Rose-Hulman and concentrate on important tasks. However, there are many other viable alternatives which inevitably leave the sacred planner in the dust.

These alternatives can be as simple as punting your homework to catch a movie or as

complex as skipping lab to peer into a sunlit afternoon sky. (I have noticed that the sun really looks different when not viewed from behind a confining window.) The secret is finding something that you enjoy so much that you can tell the planner to take a hike.

Unfortunately, the planner does not run away when you



## The price of winning

**Matt Gumbel**  
Features Editor

What is the price of winning? Is it your pride? Is it your integrity? Will you lose a friend? What is it worth to you?

There are many times in our lives that we are faced with tough decisions. We'd all like to think we know what we would do, but do we really?

The other night, I failed in my duties, not only as a Rose student, but also as a member of the human race. My team had an intramural volleyball game. Six members who were signed up for the team showed up along with one person who was not officially a member of the team. However, we still encouraged her to play with us.

We started play and quickly realized that we were not going to win. No one on my team was playing especially well. However, one person, the one not officially on the team, felt she was playing exceptional poorly. After we lost the first game, the teams traded sides of the court. However, she did not come with us. She decided that she had played too poorly the first game to continue playing and felt she was solely responsible for our loss.

I watched her walk across the gym floor... and did nothing. I watched her walk out the door... and did nothing. I watched her walk down the long corridor... and did nothing.

She is not as poor of a player as she thinks. I thought about running after her. I failed when I chose to stay. I should have caught up with her and insisted that she come back and play... but I didn't. Why? Because I felt that I should stay and concentrate on winning the next game. I chose to stay and try to win, instead of supporting a friend in need. I not only failed to support her, I failed myself. I thought I was the type of person that would always run after someone in that situation and encourage them to turn around. I was sure that winning wasn't worth losing a friend. However, when the actual situation arose, I failed the test.

Life isn't about how often you win or lose. It's about the kind of person you are. No one will remember the score of the game, but I will always remember how I watched her walk out of that gym.

I realize that no amount of apologizing can make up for what I didn't do. The only thing to do now is look towards the future and learn from my mistakes. I also hope to encourage others to do what I could not. I encourage others to be stronger than I was and support those who need it the most.

We always say, "Well if I was in that position, I know what I would do." But what will happen when you really are in that position? Will you pass the test, or will you fail?

What is the price of winning? Is it your pride? Is it your integrity? Will you lose a friend?

What is it worth to you?

I have faced at school.

Last weekend, I opted to postpone a lab report, homework assignments, studying for tests, and preparing for a 12 page issue of the *Thorn* to work at the Lighthouse Mission. I sorted, folded, and hung clothes for Lighthouse's goodwill store. The small shop gives local residents an opportunity to purchase clothing at reasonable prices. Lighthouse's efforts overshadow any work I have ever accomplished at Rose-Hulman, and humbles the messages from my planner that I am too busy to waste time.

A planner cannot comprehend how I could make time to

son lacking warm clothes dwarfs any problems confronting a struggling chemical engineering student.

Yet, I am not convinced that I would always recognize the silliness of my problems without seeing what the Lighthouse Mission is doing in Terre Haute. Before volunteering at the mission, I was worried about completing my homework in time to watch the Super Bowl. Afterwards, I would have been embarrassed if I had not used that time on Sunday evening to finish my assignments.

Helping the local community has been the most constructive method for me to

leave it, but continues to pester. The planner assures you that work still *must* be done, but it no longer seems as intimidating. After a brief escape, your brain knows that the world will not end, despite the threats of your professor.

David Hile (CH '97) works with the community through Alpha Phi Omega. "A Phi O" is a national service fraternity which gives college students a chance to help their community and school. The fraternity frequently works for local christian charities, community groups, and the Rose-Hulman community.

## Ode to Mother

Mother, Mother you are so neat;  
To have you here is such a treat.

Mother Dearest, you are so cool;  
I'm glad you're paying for this school.

A mother's value can't be set;  
No better mom have I met.

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# Panthers first prey in Engineer twinbill

by Joel Gillespie  
Sports Editor

The season doesn't get any easier for the Rose women's basketball team. After dropping a 82-45 decision to St. Mary's College last evening, the Engineers have to tangle with the top team in the conference, Hanover, at 1 p.m. on Saturday in Shook Fieldhouse. Rose will also play a home game against Anderson Tuesday night at 7 p.m.

The Engineers (2-15 overall, 0-5 ICAC) have continued to struggle against the fierce competition in the ICAC. They dropped a 77-51 decision at Franklin on Tuesday, and fell at home to Manchester, 88-54, last Saturday.

Hanover has rebounded from a 6-7 nonconference start to reel off five straight victories in ICAC play. The Panthers have outscored their opponents by an average of 21 points in ICAC play, including a 88-32 victory over Rose on January 11 in Hanover.

The Panthers boast three players among the top ten in scoring in the ICAC: Alicia Smith, Leslie Fryman, and Amanda Howard.

## St. Mary's 82, Rose 45

Rose kept the game tight against the Belles of St. Mary's until midway through the second

half. The Engineers trailed, 54-41, with 10:45 to go in the game, but St. Mary's finished the game on a 28-4 run to win convincingly, 82-45.

St. Mary's (2-14) held Rose scoreless for nearly eight minutes while they pulled away.

Amanda Speich led the Engineers in scoring, posting 20 points and four steals. Mandy Gray was the next-highest Rose scorer, notching six counters.

The Engineers continued to have trouble taking care of the ball, as they committed 38 turnovers.

## Franklin 77, Rose 51

Rose saw yet another close game get stretched out in the second half Tuesday, as they dropped a 77-51 decision at Franklin. The Grizzlies scored 50 points in the second stanza after leading only 27-19 at the break to coast to victory.

Speich had another solid game for the Engineers, as she scored 22 points and collected five assists. Bessie Fulk added 10 points for Rose.

## Manchester 88, Rose 54

Rose faced some tall odds when Manchester came to town last Saturday. The Engineers

were already without starting forward Holli Krumbein, who has missed the last ten games with a

stress fracture, and then center Sarah Gordy had to sit out the game with a toe injury.

Manchester's run-and-gun offense was too much for the Engineers, and the Spartans went on to an 88-54 victory. Rose was able to string together some good offense in the loss, however.

Fulk tied a career high with 18 points, and Speich followed closely behind with 15. Becky Smith scored a career-best 13 points in only her second start of the season.

## St. Mary's 82, Rose 45

PLAYER	MIN	FG	3PT	FT	REB	PTO	ATP
Sandline	33	2-10	0-0	0-0	5	4	32
McGill	29	8-17	0-0	2-2	11	0	21
Albrecht	17	3-8	0-0	5-5	8	0	21
Peterson	10	1-3	0-0	1-2	0	2	0
Nikes	27	6-13	0-1	0-0	5	2	13
Schiller	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Whalen	14	2-2	0-0	3-5	0	1	0
Haigh	3	0-2	0-0	0-0	1	0	1
Hoban	17	1-1	0-0	1-4	1	2	4
Banko	18	6-10	0-0	1-2	1	4	0
Griffin	15	2-6	1-1	0-0	3	2	1
Balck	13	2-6	0-1	0-0	2	2	0
Team							
Totals	200	33-82	1-41	20-51	14	21	82

PLAYER	MIN	FG	3PT	FT	REB	PTO	ATP
Speich	37	9-25	2-10	0-0	6	2	6
Gray	29	3-5	0-0	0-4	9	4	8
Gordy	26	1-5	0-0	2-2	6	4	1
Fulk	32	2-10	1-3	0-2	3	7	5
Smith	36	2-10	0-0	0-0	4	0	7
Winters	6	1-2	0-0	0-0	0	3	0
Kundrat	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	3	0
Eash	10	1-0	0-0	0-0	3	2	0
Schwartz	13	1-2	0-0	0-0	3	0	2
Holt	7	0-0	0-0	2-3	1	1	0
Team							
Totals	200	19-60	3-13	4-11	44	19	38

St. Mary's.....	40	42	82
Rose-Hulman.....	27	18	45

## ICAC Women's Basketball 1996-97 Standings

Team	W	L	W	L
Hanover	5	0	11	7
DePauw	4	1	15	3
Franklin	3	2	4	12
Manchester	2	3	7	10
Anderson	1	4	5	12
Rose-Hulman	0	5	2	15

## January 25

Manchester 88, Rose-Hulman 54  
DePauw 84, Anderson 40

Hanover 73, Franklin 55

## January 28

Franklin 77, Rose 51  
DePauw 69, Manchester 51  
Hanover 64, Anderson 48

## Franklin 77, Rose 51

PLAYER	MIN	FG	3PT	FT	REB	PTO	ATP
Speich	40	10-27	0-6	2-4	6	4	5
Gray	31	2-5	0-0	0-0	6	4	3
Gordy	12	0-3	0-0	0-2	5	3	4
Fulk	40	3-13	0-4	3-5	2	5	0
Smith	39	2-7	0-0	3-4	4	0	2
Winters	4	1-3	0-0	0-1	0	0	1
Eash	11	0-1	0-0	0-0	3	0	0
Schwartz	16	1-3	0-0	2-4	5	0	0
Holt	7	1-1	0-0	0-0	1	0	0
Team							
Totals	200	20-63	1-10	20-37	17	20	8

Rose-Hulman.....	19	32	51
Franklin.....	27	50	77

## Intramural Calendar for the Week of February 2

February  
**2**  
Sunday

## Indoor Soccer

**Level B**  
1:00 MUFC vs. Smashers  
2:00 Nuggets vs. LCA 2  
3:00 Speed vs. Mighty  
4:00 No Good vs. Intensity  
**Level C, Division A**  
5:00 BSB vs. Steel  
6:00 Speed vs. Toaster  
7:00 Blumberg vs. Brain

February  
**3**  
Monday

## Volleyball

**Level B, Division A**  
10:00 Pike 3 vs. Hammer BC  
**Level B, Division B**  
10:00 Bomb vs. LCA BW

February  
**5**  
Wednesday

## Volleyball

**Level A**  
10:00 Mr. E vs. Pike 1 BW  
10:00 ATO vs. Pike 2 BC  
**Level C, Division C**  
10:00 Quantities vs. Posse BE  
11:00 LCA 2 vs. Speed BW

February  
**6**  
Thursday

## Basketball

**Level B, Division B**  
9:00 Seniors vs. Machine SE  
9:00 Batman vs. Fiji BW  
9:00 Pike 2 vs. Zeros BE  
**Level C, Division B**  
8:00 Crusaders vs. Pike 4 BW  
8:00 Batesville vs. Joe's BE  
9:00 Tenacity vs. Dec'cons SW  
**Level C, Division C**  
7:00 SAC vs. Fat Boys BE  
8:00 Bomb vs. GDI SW  
8:00 Autobots vs. BSB 3 SE  
**Rec League**  
7:00 STAFAC vs. Skinner SW  
7:00 Apathy vs. Village SE  
7:00 Shorts vs. Speed BW

## Are engineers worth the money they are paid?



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The contest is open to all students

Members of the Thorn and their families are ineligible

## Track shines at home

by Ryan Loftus  
Sports Reporter

Rose-Hulman hosted their first Early Bird Track meet last Friday, and the Engineers won 13 events.

Kelly Barney sped to victory in both the 60 and 300 yard dash, setting school records. Other top performers included Nikki Overman with a first place in the 20-lb. weight throw and Nikki Powell in the 60 yard hurdles.

Powell's performance set a school record of 9.64. She finished the night with a third place in the 60 yard dash.

On the men's side, Ryan Loftus qualified for the NCAA Division III Nationals in the pole vault. His mark of 16' 4-1/4" broke both the Shook Fieldhouse and the school indoor records. Both records were

previously held by Mike Brown.

In other field events, Nate Subbert barely missed his personal best in winning the 35-lb weight throw with a toss of 49' 11-1/2".

David Lawrence won the shot put with a throw of 45' 8"; this effort was his second personal best of the week.

Phil Reksel started off the night for the runners by winning the 60 yard high hurdles with a personal best time of 8.13. This victory was his second of the meet after tying for first in the long jump.

Arvont "The Thrill" Hill and Tony "Mad Dog" Hinkle placed 1st and 2nd in the 300 yard dash with personal best times of 33.65 and 33.72, respectively.

Tim Rooney won the 400-yd dash.

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# Grizzlies roar into Shook for ICAC showdown

by Joel Gillespie  
Sports Editor

Franklin comes roaring into Shook Fieldhouse Saturday at 3 p.m. after a huge road win over DePauw Wednesday to tangle with Rose, fresh off a tough, 68-63 loss to Wabash.

The Engineers had their four-game winning streak snapped in the game. Rose romped past Manchester, 69-39, last Saturday, and head into the second half of the ICAC slate in third place with a 4-2 league mark.

Rose did a great job of slowing down the fast-breaking Grizzlies in their first meeting this season, a 61-54 Engineer victory at Franklin on January 15. Rose head coach Jim Shaw hopes for a repeat of that kind of effort this time around.

"Franklin will try to push the tempo and get us running up and down the floor with them," Shaw noted. "We've got to avoid turning the ball over 22 times like we did last time."

With their 60-58 win over DePauw, Franklin stopped their slide which began with the loss to Rose. The Grizzlies are now 2-4, good for sixth place in the league, and are 9-6 overall.

The Grizzlies are led by guard Bart Hunter, who is averaging 14.2 points per game. Hunter and Jason Sibley each had twelve points in the teams' first meeting. Bryan Egli led the Engineers with 18 points in that game.

The men's contest is the second game in Saturday's women-men doubleheader, which begins at 1 p.m. with the women's game against Hanover.

## Wabash 68, Rose 63

Wabash used a two-minute spurt midway through the second

half to gain a small lead, and they held off a late Rose spurt to hold on to a 68-63 victory.

Rose led for the majority of the first half, but Wabash made a run to take a one-point lead into the locker room.

The Engineers slid ahead in the second stanza, but Josh Estelle scored eight consecutive points for Wabash as they took the lead for good with about ten minutes to go in the game.

"They are a tough team to defend, and they got away from us for a two-minute stretch, and basically beat us in that time," Shaw commented.

"It was one of those games where every possession was hard-fought and contested on both ends by both teams."

The game was a battle for supremacy in the ICAC, and the Little Giants emerged as conference leader going into the second half of the season. Wabash entered the game as the second-rated NCAA III team in the mid-west region, and Rose was ranked sixth.

"We played well, just not well enough," Shaw noted.

Rose placed four players in double figures in the game, and they were led by senior forward Troy Halt's 19 points and eight rebounds.

Senior center Kent Murphy was eight of nine from the floor on his way to 16 tallies, and sophomore guards Bryan Egli and Joe Puthoff had 12 and 11 points, respectively.

## Franklin at Rose-Hulman

Saturday, February 1  
3 p.m. in Shook Fieldhouse

### Rose-Hulman (12-6 / 4-2 ICAC)

P	No.	Name	Ht.	PPG	RPG
G	10	Joe Puthoff	6-3	7.3	2.0
G	15	Patrick Grace	6-2	3.8	3.1
G	25	Bryan Egli	6-3	14.7	4.5
C	53	Kent Murphy	6-8	11.9	6.4
F	55	Troy Halt	6-4	15.1	7.0

### Franklin (9-6 / 2-4 ICAC)

P	No.	Name	Ht.	PPG	RPG
G	14	Jason Sibley	6-2	9.7	4.4
G	32	Bart Hunter	6-1	14.2	2.3
C	34	Marc Steczyk	6-5	11.5	4.8
F	40	Jarrod Brett	6-4	13.4	4.0
F	52	Br. Berglund	6-4	6.1	4.4

## Rose 69, Manchester 39

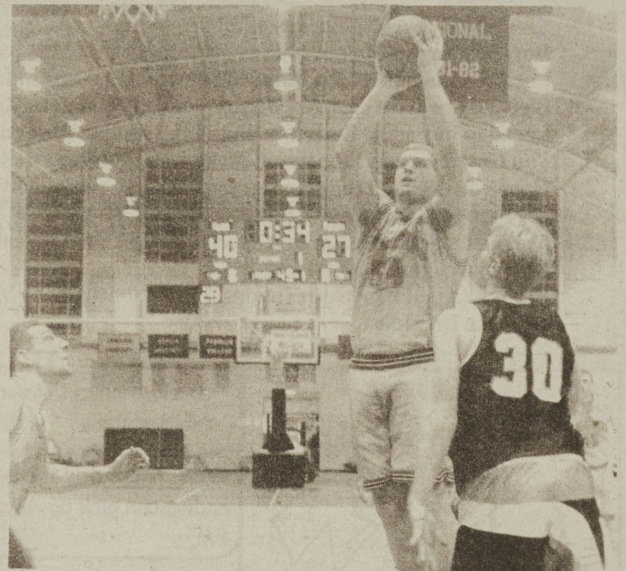
No one expected Rose to do what they did to Manchester last Saturday, but no Engineer fans complained following their team's 69-39 victory over the Spartans.

Rose used Manchester's poor free-throw shooting to take a twelve-point lead into the locker room, and then the Engineers just plain blew out the Spartans in the second half.

"We played well and they didn't, and when that happens in this league you have that kind of game," Shaw said. "They could do the same thing at their place if we're not ready to play."

Rose plays at Manchester in their regular-season finale on February 22.

Halt led all scorers with 19 points and 13 rebounds, which clinched ICAC player of the week honors for him (see story). Murphy and Puthoff had 13 points apiece, and Egli added ten points and four assists.



Sophomore center Sam Johnson takes the ball up strong against Anderson.

## ICAC Men's Basketball 1996-97 Standings

Team	ICAC		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Wabash	5	1	16	2
Manchester	4	1	12	5
Rose-Hulman	4	2	12	6
DePauw	3	3	10	8
Hanover	2	3	11	6
Franklin	2	4	9	6
Anderson	0	6	8	9

### January 25

Rose-Hulman 69, Manchester 39

Wabash 88, Franklin 81

DePauw 57, Hanover 56

### January 27

Wabash 96, Anderson 57

Manchester 123, Emmaus 34

### January 30

Wabash 68, Rose-Hulman 63

Franklin 60, DePauw 58

Hanover 72, Anderson 65

### February 1

Franklin at Rose-Hulman

Wabash at Anderson

Manchester at Hanover

## Wabash 68, Rose 63

PLAYER	MIN	FG	3PT	FT	REB	PTO	ATP
Egli	31	3-10	1-3	5-6	3	4	3 212
Halt	36	8-18	3-3	0-0	8	1	1 019
Murphy	29	8-9	0-0	0-2	6	2	5 016
Puthoff	35	4-9	3-7	0-0	4	5	1 311
Grace	37	2-5	0-0	0-0	6	0	3 4 4
Burch	3	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	0	0 0
Wydyck	1	0-1	0-1	0-0	0	0	0 0 0
Jansen	7	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0 0 0
Millington	2	0-1	0-1	0-0	0	1	0 1 0
Poehlman	8	0-2	0-2	0-0	1	0	0 0 0
Johnson	11	0-0	0-0	1-2	3	3	1 0 1
Team							
Totals	200	25-56	7-17	6-10	34	18	1510 63

### Wabash

PLAYER	MIN	FG	3PT	FT	REB	PTO	ATP
Tabor	34	6-14	0-10	10-10	4	0	2 222
Kopp	30	3-7	0-1	4-4	8	2	1 010
Jaryszak	20	3-8	0-0	0-0	1	0	2 6
Barrett	22	0-3	0-1	0-0	1	1	0 1 0
Kendrick	28	4-7	1-2	4-6	6	1	2 013
Gearheart	5	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	2	0 0 0
Estelle	22	3-8	2-5	2-2	5	4	1 210
Merrill	7	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0 0 0
Flint	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0 0 0
Johnson	18	3-4	0-0	1-2	3	3	1 7
Latham	12	0-1	0-0	0-0	2	0	0 0 0
Team							
Totals	200	22-53	3-10	24-32	14	7	8 68

### Rose-Hulman

30	33	63
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### Wabash

31	37	68
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# Halt wins Player of Week thrice

by Joel Gillespie  
Sports Editor

After losing four starters from last year's conference tournament champion team, many observers thought that the Rose-Hulman men's basketball team might be set for a rebuilding year. However, what they didn't count on, among other things, was the emergence of Troy Halt as one of the ICAC's premier players.

Halt was named the league's player of the week this week for the third time this season. Rose defeated Anderson and

Manchester in lopsided contests last week, and Halt scored a total of 35 points in those games.

Halt was customarily modest when asked about the award, "I thought I had a decent week, but it wasn't that outstanding," he said.

The 6'4" senior forward has been a force all year long for the Engineers, averaging a team-high 15.4 points per game and leading the conference with 8.2 rebounds a game in league play.

That didn't come as a surprise to Rose head coach Jim Shaw. "I knew Troy was going to have a

great year this year, and he hasn't disappointed," he noted.

After averaging 10.3 points per game in his first year as a starter last season, Halt has assumed the team leader role with ease this year.

"He's expanded his role because we have a different team this year," Shaw noted. "Troy's provided great leadership, has been our most consistent scorer, and has emerged as one of the conference's best players."

"I had to step up and be a leader," Halt added. "It's been a challenge for me to speak up."

# Swimmers at North tonight

Rose-Hulman's swimming and diving teams will try to build on the momentum of their first dual-meet victory of the season tonight when they square off against Millikin University at Terre Haute North High School at 7 p.m.

The Engineers' men's team ran away from Benedictine for a 150-78 victory last Saturday. Rose scored eight first-place finishes in the meet, including two by Sean Valentine.

Valentine won the 50 and 100 freestyle, and also picked up a second-place in the 100 breaststroke. Freshmen Matt Jackson and Matt Ward won the 200 freestyle and the 200 individual med-

ley, respectively.

Two Engineer relay teams came out victorious in the meet. In the 200-yard medley relay, the team of Chris Dunlap, Tim Weller, Jeremy Feller, and Eric Panhorst won in a time of 1:47.00. Ward, Ozgur Ozkaya, Jeff Somers, and Matt Jackson won the 200-yard freestyle relay in 1:37.20.

Jeff Epperson won the 1 and 3-meter diving, and Chris Dunlap won the 100 butterfly. Dan Peairs came in second in the 1000 freestyle, and Valentine notched a second in the 100 breast.

## Engineers' Winter Sports Calendar

	Friday 31	Saturday 1	Tuesday 4	Wednesday 5	Friday 7
<b>MEN'S BASKETBALL</b>		Home vs. Franklin, 3 p.m.		Home vs. DePauw, 7:30 p.m.	
<b>WOMEN'S BASKETBALL</b>		Home vs. Hanover, 1 p.m.	Home vs. Anderson, 7 p.m.		
<b>TRACK</b>	at Notre Dame (IU Invite), TBA				
<b>SWIMMING</b>	at TH North vs. Millikin, 7 p.m.				at DePauw, 5 p.m.
<b>WRESTLING</b>	at Monon Bell Classic, 6:30 p.m.	at Monon Bell Classic, 6:30 p.m.			at Wheaton Invite, TBA

# Rifle team goes postal

by Michael Ray  
Head Rifle Coach

The last 3 weeks of practice paid off for the rifle team this past Saturday, as the team broke 2 school records that have stood for nearly 16 years, tied another and had another individual record fall. The team smallbore score of 4429 and aggregate of 5890 broke the records set in the 1980-81 season.

The 1461 air rifle score tied the record set earlier in the year. However, even with this great performance, the team was 9 points short of defeating Ohio State, who posted a total of 5899, shooting a 4432 and 1467.

Senior Mark Fields led the team and was the overall high shooter at the match, tallying an 1131 in smallbore and 376 in air rifle, which set the school record for individual aggregate at 1507.

He was followed in smallbore by sophomore Rich Price who shot a personal best, senior Parke Lucas, and sophomore Bryan Rushing.

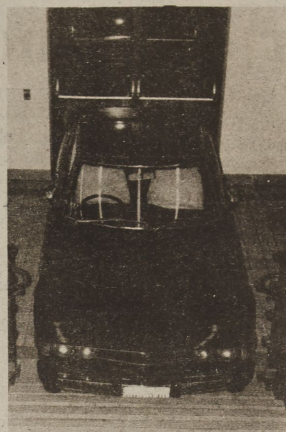
In air rifle, freshman Matt Perrier posted a personal best of 370 to back up Fields. Lucas and Rushing rounded out the scoring.

The next 2 weeks of practice should keep the team in tune for the Intercollegiate Nationals at Xavier where the team is looking to shoot a Top 20 score.



### Top Ten Lines Guaranteed to get Money from your Mother this Weekend

10. I really thought the Packers would cover the spread.
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5. You can never have too many Tickle-me-Woodsie Dolls.
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3. I bent my pole. (Ryan Loftus only)
2. I can get a great deal on that special-edition, anatomically correct Chewbacca doll.
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Rose-Hulman would like to remind drivers that any spot within a reasonable walking distance to classes is strictly off-limits. A good rule of thumb is the "Skinner Test." If residents of Skinner Hall feel sorry for you, you are parking in a proper spot and will not be towed. (Residents of Skinner should park near Blumberg.)

By: Bob Voros  
1-31-97

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Feb. 1, 1997, 1:00 PM Duck Dk11-23115-6 becomes sentient.

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Brothers and sisters, follow me and we shall free ourselves of these technical bonds.

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