



Campus Insight

Presidential Announcement Coming

The next president of Rose-Hulman is expected to be announced sometime in March by the college's board of trustees -- culminating a five-month search, interview and negotiation process.

Two finalists were selected to come to campus in February for campus and community visits, and to attend the trustees' winter meeting.

Information about the new president will be released on Rose-Hulman's news web site (www.rose-hulman.edu/news) when appropriate.

The national search process to identify individuals to be candidates for the Rose-Hulman presidency resulted in 142 persons

being nominated or submitting an application for review.

The 19-member committee of representatives from the faculty, staff, student body, alumni, trustees and Terre Haute community narrowed the list to 13 candidates. The field was cut to seven after further review in mid-January, and these candidates were brought to Indianapolis for interviews.

"It was vital that every segment of the Rose-Hulman community provide input to the trustees," stated Bill Fenoglio, chairman of the Presidential Search Committee and a trustee.

The new president will replace Bob Bright, trustees chairman, who has served as chief executive officer for this academic year.

Inaugural License Plate Scholars



Eight students are the first to reap the benefits of Rose-Hulman's license plate program, receiving \$6,000 scholarships. The first License Plate Scholars are (from left) Steven Maynard, Jake Wagle, Derek Trobaugh, Megan Whitaker, Ryan Schipper and Zach Gilmore. Missing from photo are James Hammer and Steven Vande Lune. (See story on Page 3)

Campus Will Spring Forward In April

Times will be changing at Rose-Hulman this Spring. Literally.

For the first time, clocks on campus will spring ahead one hour at 2 a.m. on April 2 to start observing Daylight Savings Time (DST). Previously, the campus has been on Standard Time all year. This means the college will be on the same time as the east coast of the United States year-round. (On Oct. 29, the clocks will be turned back one hour.)

A decision by the U.S. Department of Transportation ends a yearlong debate among Indiana residents. A bill adopting Daylight Savings Time was approved by the 2005 Indiana General Assembly.

"Though a perfect outcome is not possible, we have substantial improvement," Indiana Gov. Mitch Daniels told The Associated Press in January. "Indiana is in step with our customers in the global economy."

Indiana has a long, confusing history of multiple time zones, with some parts of the state observing DST and some not, counties switching back and forth, and even some towns straddling two zones. Indiana is one of three states that had not officially observed DST. That meant that no one ever changed their clocks in Terre Haute, so it spent half the year on Central time and half on Eastern.

That's about to change on April 2.

Commencement Awaits For Seniors

Parents and family members will celebrate the crowning achievement of a Rose-Hulman student's college academic career -- receiving a bachelor's degree -- during several events that mark the end of the school year.

Seniors will make the traditional commencement processional through campus on May 27, arriving in the fieldhouse area of the Sports and Recreation Center by 11 a.m.

Parents are advised to plan ahead. Lodging in Terre Haute may be at a premium during May 26-28 -- the weekend of Indianapolis 500 festivities.

Here is information about other end of the year events:

Honors & Awards Banquet: Seniors and other students will receive scholastic and academic department honors at the Honors & Awards Banquet May 6. Students being honored will receive invitations in early spring.

Senior Soiree: Seniors and their families will enjoy a

farewell reception May 26, on the front lawn of Hatfield Hall. The event is hosted by Chairman Bob Bright and his wife, Shirley.

Commencement:

There will be plenty of seats for parents, family members and other guests in the fieldhouse. Seating is on a first-come, first-seated basis.

Webcast Available:

A live webcast of the commencement ceremony will be available, beginning at 10:30 a.m. The link is www.rose-hulman.edu/Gradcast/

End of the Year Special Events

May 6 - Honors & Awards Banquet, 5 p.m.

May 26 - Senior Soiree, 6-7:30 p.m.

May 27 -- Commencement, 11 a.m.

Commencement information materials are available at www.rose-hulman.edu/StudentAffairs/commence.html

Parents Can Leave A Lasting Memory

A lasting memory of a student's time on campus can be part of the Reflection Plaza on the front lawn. A graduate's name, class year, major, fraternity or a short message can be engraved in a special brick that will join the hundreds already in place. The brick options are: 4-inch by 8-inch, \$150; 8-inch by 8-inch, \$500; and 12-inch by 12-inch, \$1,000. Bricks can be ordered online at <https://banner.rose-hulman.edu/alumni-affairs/Brick/Brick2006.htm> or contacting Brian Dyer in the Office of Alumni Affairs at 800-248-7448, ext. 8359.

Orders made by Feb. 28 should be set in the plaza in time for commencement.

Parents Can Salute Seniors In Newspaper

Parents of seniors can show off their pride in their child's accomplishments by placing a congratulatory advertisement in the Graduation Issue (May 12) of *The Thorn* campus newspaper.

Ads cost \$4.50 per column inch or \$15 for 2 columns by 2 inches; \$50 for 3 columns by 4 inches; \$65 for 2 columns by 8 inches; \$100 for 3 columns by 8 inches; \$160 for half page or \$300 for a full page. Ads must be purchased by May 1.

Parents can send requests to thornbiz@rose-hulman.edu.

Parents' Association News

Freshmen Scholars to Reap 4.0 Awards at Mom's Day Dinner

Can you believe the school year is headed toward the home stretch? Where did all the time go?

The Parents' Association is planning several special activities for this year's Mom's Day. (See schedule on pages 5-6.) New events on tap are a behind-the-scenes tour of what it takes to create a dramatic production in Rose-Hulman's beautiful Hatfield Hall Theater and an information session that will provide helpful tips to improve email.

Then, there's the fun and games of the Student Activities Board's "The Price Is Rite" and the spectacular musical production by the Drama Club.

All of these programs are family-friendly and open to people of all ages. It might be called "Mom's Day," but it's a day for the family!

The Parents' Association will present several awards during the Mom's Day Dinner.

The Joy Hulbert Award is awarded to a woman who has played an important role in our student's education or had a positive influence in Rose-Hulman.

Then, 22 students that completed their first year on campus (2004-05) with a perfect 4.0 grade point average will receive an engraved letter opener from the Parents' Association. The honorees will include: Alexander Clerc, Samantha Dick, Aaron Gerhardtstein, Amanda Grantz, Timothy Karwoski, Megan Knilands, Nathaniel Lindle, Devin Love, Katie Maggard, Andrew Maxwell, Bradley Munchel, Nicholas Ohrn, Peter Outcalt, Kimiko Parker, Jason Rodzik, Ian Rogers, Ian Ross, Scott Ruskamp, Ryan Schultz, Brian Thompson, Chastity Williams and Sara Zenner.

Next year's Parents' Association officers will be elected during our business meeting on Mom's Day (8 a.m. in the Faculty/Staff Dining Room of the Hulman Union). We'll also be planning future events. Our meetings are open to all parents. Join in the fun! Contact the Student Affairs Office at (812) 877-8472.

The Parents' Association promotes the welfare and interests of Rose-Hulman students through services and open communication on campus and wherever Rose-Hulman families reside. There are no dues or fees.



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Career Fair Attracts Record Crowds; First License Plate Scholars Named

More than 100 corporate recruiters from a record 88 companies attended Rose-Hulman's winter career fair in late January for the opportunity to meet students for full-time, internship and co-op opportunities.

In fact, the event was so popular that it had to be moved from the lobby and rooms in the student union to the field house area of the Sports and Recreation Center to accommodate requests for booth space.

Companies attending the event ranged from Boston Scientific and Cummins to Microsoft and Toyota. Some of the recruiters represented companies, such as oil and gas companies from Texas, that visited Rose-Hulman for the first time. Other recruiters returned after being among several hundred that took part in the fall career fair last October, according to Kevin Hewerdine, Rose-Hulman's director of career services and employer relations.

"The job market is strong and recruiters want to interview more students," Hewerdine stated.

A spring career fair is planned on April 19. Information about career fairs at Rose-Hulman is available on the Web at www.rose-hulman.edu/careerservices/.

Students Benefit From License Plate Program

The fact that more than 1,250 vehicles are traveling on roadways with specialty Rose-Hulman license plates is helping eight Indiana-based students afford to attend the college.

The first License Plate Scholars were announced this winter by Brian Dyer, director of alumni affairs, and Jim Goecker, dean of admissions and financial aid.

Receiving \$6,000 scholarships for the rest of this school year or 2006-07 were seniors Derek Trobaugh and Megan Whitaker; juniors Ryan Schipper and Jake Waggle; sophomores James Hammer and Steven Maynard; and freshmen Zack Gilmore and Steven Vande Lune. Two additional scholarships will be awarded for freshmen attending in 2006-07.

License Plate Scholars must be students from Indiana; should have demonstrated financial need; consideration is given to families with more than one student enrolled at Rose-Hulman; consideration is given to families that have had more than one student graduate from Rose-Hulman; and students who are legacies will be considered, if all other criteria above cannot be met.

The scholarship fund receives \$25 from each license plate sold. This \$25 fee is tax deductible. Contact the Office of Alumni Affairs to purchase a specialty license plate.

Englehart Calling Signals For Grid Team

Rose-Hulman didn't have to look far to find a replacement for its head football coach, promoting former offensive coordinator Steve Englehart to lead the program.

Englehart, a Fightin' Engineer assistant coach since 2002, has served as the program's recruiting coordinator since 2003.

Englehart inherits a program that finished 5-5 last season under Ted Karras, who resigned to accept the head coaching

position at Marian College (Ind.) in late January.

Englehart, 28, is a Terre Haute native who earned three varsity letters as quarterback at Indiana State University. He earned academic all-Gateway Conference recognition in 1998 and 1999, and was named a GTE Scholar Athlete three times.

Faculty Quality, Reputation Key Decisions

The quality of Rose-Hulman's engineering and science degrees and the college's academic reputation played a key role in this year's freshman class choosing to attend the college, according to this year's Freshman Poll.

The survey was completed by 92 percent of the freshman class. Eighty-nine percent listed the quality of engineering and science programs as very important to their decision to attend Rose-Hulman. Other important criteria were academic reputation, faculty quality, career services, academic facilities and personal attention.

The survey also revealed that:

- ♦ 99.7 percent anticipated being satisfied with attending Rose-Hulman.
- ♦ 99.8 percent anticipated being able to find a career/job in the field for which they were trained.
- ♦ 96.6 percent anticipated being actively involved in at least one extracurricular activity.
- ♦ 75 percent intend to obtain an academic degree higher than a bachelor's.

Colts Scholarship Recipients Honored At Game

The first two recipients of the Indianapolis Colts Minority Science and Engineering Scholarships to attend Rose-Hulman were introduced to thousands of fans prior to the start of the Colts' home game against the San Diego Chargers on Dec. 18.

Freshmen Janelle Crockett and Joshua Coe of Indianapolis, their families, and Robert Bright, Rose-Hulman's chief executive officer, were greeted by Tom Zupancic, senior vice president of business development for the Colts, at the 20-yard-line in the RCA Dome in Indianapolis.

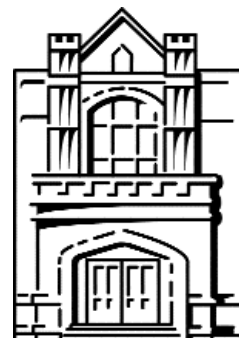
Crockett and Coe were awarded four-year, full-tuition scholarships.

The Colts have conducted its summer training camp at Rose-Hulman for the past seven years.

Homework Hotline Is Setting Record Pace

Rose-Hulman students continue to answer the call from thousands of Indiana middle school and high school students needing help understanding math and science. The college's Homework Hotline toll-free telephone tutoring service had received 26,328 calls through January -- over 1,300 more than last year's record pace, when 39,835 calls were answered.

Thirty student tutors are available in the Homework Hotline Communications Center from 7-10 p.m. Sundays through Thursdays to help callers. The telephone number is 1-877-ASK-ROSE (1-877-275-7673).



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Student News & Notes

Students Honored For Good Deeds

Six students were recognized as Outstanding Student Leaders of the Quarter this fall and winter by the Student Government Association for their efforts in giving back to the campus and Terre Haute community.

The honorees, nominated by a faculty or staff member, were:

- ♦ Megan Lafferty and Michael Reeves organized a holiday canned food drive for the local 14th & Chestnut Community Center on behalf of the Admissions Office's A-Team.

- ♦ Matt Mayer and Eric Volz organized more than 90 freshmen to design and assemble the homecoming bonfire -- continuing a longtime campus tradition. It took four days to construct the 30-foot tall structure from 700 wooden pallets and 350 railroad ties.

- ♦ Andrew Stroh, organized a "Sock It To Me" fund-raising event for Terre Haute's Ryves Hall Youth Center. He went throughout residence halls collecting donations in a sock. At the end of the night, Stroh had collected \$1,000!

- ♦ Roger Wiltfong, president of the Inter-Fraternity Council, which pledged this fall to assist Terre Haute's Salvation Army' food pantry throughout the 2005-06 school year. He also serves as a volunteer for Hospice of the Wabash Valley and Terre Haute's Regional Hospital.

- ♦ Kevin Zekis led a student volunteer group that spent a Saturday morning beautifying sidewalks and open areas throughout downtown Terre Haute as part of the United Way of the Wabash Valley's Days of Caring program.

Scholars Nominated For Honors

Seniors Amber Brannan and Roger Wiltfong joined junior Stephen Lewis in being nominated for this year's All-USA College Academic Team. Meanwhile, juniors Eric Clifft, Ryan Long and Thomas Werne, and sophomore Rachel Krasich have been nominated for the prestigious Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship program.

These nominations were based on outstanding academic, research and community involvement.

Besier, Speir Get Sciencetech Award

Sophomores James Besier and Elizabeth Speir earned the D.J. Angus Sciencetech Education Foundation Award for showing improvement in their grade point average of nearly one letter grade since the first quarter of their college academic careers.

The award, worth \$500 to each student, is presently annually to encourage academic improvement and perseverance.

Dorr Passes First Actuarial Exam

Junior mathematics major Nathan Dorr has successfully passed the first stage in hopes of becoming an actuary. This is quite an accomplishment for an undergraduate student.



Spreading Holiday Cheer: Members of the Delta Delta Delta sorority joined over 225 student volunteers that assembled bicycles and tricycles for needy children throughout Indiana during the recent holiday season. The students assembled and inspected 450 bicycles in less than three hours! Approximately \$1,000 was also donated to the project as students gave up one of their meals through the Residence Hall Association's Give Up A Meal program.

Students' Musical Talents To Be Displayed In Show

The musical talents of Rose-Hulman students, faculty and staff will be showcased in this year's Engineers in Concert on April 22, starting at 7:30 p.m., in the Hatfield Hall Theater. The show is free and open to all family members. Seating is reserved. Persons can reserve tickets by calling (812) 877-8544, starting on April 17.

Chosen by audition, students in this year's show will be:

- ♦ Alex Clerc, a junior, will perform a guitar solo and vocal/guitar arrangement.
- ♦ Seniors Krishna Ersson and Alexandra Jantzen will showcase their handbell playing skills in a duet.
- ♦ Will Foraker and Sophia Percival, both freshmen, will present a musical comedy routine, with piano accompaniment.
- ♦ Seniors Jeremy Fox and Jamie Sutherland have joined with juniors Gregory Amidon and Ian Dailey to form a jazz combo.
- ♦ Lenny Grammel, a sophomore, will perform a violin solo.
- ♦ Sophomore Tim Mayhew will perform in a family flute quartet.
- ♦ The vocal talents of senior Adelle Maynard will be featured in a solo.
- ♦ Junior Jennifer Weber will perform an oboe solo.
- ♦ The Rose Chorus, directed by David Gibbs, and Rose Concert Band, directed by Gary Turner, will also perform.

Campus Helps Keep Blood Bank Filled

A total of 508 pints of blood were donated to the Indiana Blood Center by students, faculty and staff members in two campus drives during the winter quarter. The donations are used in hospitals and other health care facilities throughout central and western Indiana.

Four blood drives are conducted throughout each school year, with Rose-Hulman being the IBC's largest collegiate donor.

FRIDAY, MARCH 24

Drama Club Musical, "Guys & Dolls"

7:30 p.m., Hatfield Hall Theater

Drama Club members will be presenting the first of two shows this weekend of this entertaining musical. See description of the musical on next page. Tickets are \$10 for all guests, \$8 for non-RHIT students, and free for Rose-Hulman students. **Reservations required, with seating being reserved -- See Page 9.**

SATURDAY, MARCH 25

Parents' Association Meeting

8 a.m., Faculty/Staff Dining Room, Hulman Union

Parents are invited to help the Parents' Association plan future events and discuss issues important to Rose-Hulman.

Bookstore Open For Gift Buyers

9 a.m.-4:30 p.m., First Floor, Hulman Union

Rose-Hulman's bookstore is well-stocked with commencement gift ideas for those parents wanting to make purchases.

Mom's Day Information Booth

9:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Lobby, Hulman Union

The Parents' Association booth will be the place to jump start your day with coffee and fellowship, get your special Mom's Day button, mingle with other parents and get answers to any questions you might have about the day's activities.

Parents' Information Sessions:

◆ Hatfield Hall "Behind The Scenes"

10-10:50 a.m., Lobby, Hatfield Hall

Technical Director Greg Stump and Drama Club members will showcase many of the technical features that enhance Rose-Hulman theatrical productions -- through visual and sound effects, set design and theater characteristics. Persons planning to see the musical will be fascinated by this sneak peak at the many technical aspects that go into live theater.

◆ Job Market Update & Student Panel

11-11:55 a.m., Kahn Rooms, Hulman Union

Kevin Hewerdine, Director of Career Services and Employer Relations, will update parents on the market for students seeking full-time, internship and co-op positions. He will also lead a student discussion on career issues. **Seating is limited to 300 persons. Reservations are required -- See Page 9.**

◆ Campus Art Tours

11 a.m.-Noon, Lobby, Hulman Union

12:30-1:30 p.m., Lobby, Hulman Union

Rose-Hulman Art Curator Matthew McNichols will provide guided tours of art exhibits currently on display throughout campus, including rapid prototype objects created by students in Engineering Mechanics 104-Graphical Communications.

Limit 20 persons in each group. **Reservations required.**



Mom's Day

A Special Weekend For The Family!

Friday-Saturday, March 24-25

◆ Improving Email: Rules of the Road

1-2 p.m., GM Room, Moench Hall

English professor Julia Williams will present a hands-on workshop for parents and students. While one seminar won't fix every email problem, it can serve to remind us of effective email techniques and provide us with new insights on making email work to our advantage. **Seating is limited to 150 persons. Reservations are required -- See Page 9.**

Mom's Day Brunch

11 a.m.-1 p.m., Dining Room, Hulman Union

Enjoy a leisurely lunch on campus, just like students. No reservations necessary. Cost: \$5 per person. Pay at the door.

Intercollegiate Athletic Events

- ◆ Lacrosse Match, Intramural Fields, 11 a.m.
 - ◆ William Welch Track Invitational, Noon
 - ◆ Baseball, vs. Concordia, Art Nehf Field, 11 a.m.
 - ◆ Softball, vs. St. Mary's College, Softball Stadium, 1 p.m.
 - ◆ Lacrosse Match, Intramural Fields, 4 p.m.
- There is no charge for supporting the Engineers' teams.

Craft Time

Noon-2 p.m., Lower Lobby, Hulman Union

The entire family can get involved in creating colorful crafts in this event. There is no charge. Just come and have fun!

Keepsake Photographs

1-3 p.m., Main Lobby, Hulman Union

Mothers and families will be able to take home a memento of this special day -- a photograph with your son or daughter. And, better yet, it's all free!

There's More About Mom's Day on Next Page

Reservation Form Is On Previous Page Or Online at www.rose-hulman.edu/momsday



Mom's Day Events -- March 24-25

"The Price Is Rite"

3:30-5 p.m., Kahn Rooms, Hulman Union

Come on down! The Student Activities Board will host its popular game show, with selected parents given the chance to win prizes in fun-filled games -- just like the real thing! **There is no charge, but seating is limited to 300 persons. Reservations required -- See Page 9.**

Candlelight Dinner

5 p.m., Vonderschmitt Dining Room, Union

Families of Rose-Hulman students will be treated to a special dinner. The meal will include:

- ♦ Chicken in Pecan Sauce
- ♦ Mandarin Romaine Salad
- ♦ California Blend Vegetables
- ♦ Rice Pilaf
- ♦ Dinner Rolls/Butter
- ♦ Chocolate & Amaretto with Pirouette
- ♦ Coffee/Tea/Water

(Vegetarian meal available -- Please indicate on reservation)

Each dinner costs \$16 per adult and RHIT student; \$8 for children (11-3 years old); Free for children under 3.

Reservations required -- See Page 9.

Chairman Speaking: Robert Bright, Chairman of the Board of Trustees and Rose-Hulman chief executive officer, will update parents on what's been happening on campus this winter.

Jazz Band Performing: The Rose-Hulman Jazz Band, directed by Gary Turner, will set an appropriate mood for this special evening by performing several popular jazz selections throughout dinner.

Honoring A Special Woman: The Parents' Association will present the Joy Hulbert Outstanding Service Award to a woman who demonstrates support to the campus community.

Freshmen 4.0 Students Honored: Students that completed their freshmen year in 2004-05 with a 4.0 grade

Local Lodging Information

Terre Haute Hotels

Comfort Suites, 501 E. Margaret Ave.	(812) 235-1770
Day's Inn, 555 S. Third St.	(812) 235-3333
Drury Inn, I-70 & U.S. 41	(812) 238-1206
Econo Lodge, 401 E. Margaret Ave.	(812) 234-9931
Fairfield Inn, 475 E. Margaret Ave.	(812) 235-2444
Hampton Inn, I-70 & U.S. 41	(812) 242-2222
Holiday Inn, I-70 & U.S. 41	(812) 232-6081
Knight's Inn, I-70 & U.S. 41	(812) 238-1586
Pear Tree Inn, I-70 & U.S. 41	(812) 234-4268
Ramada Limited, 101 W. Margaret Ave.	(812) 232-8006
Travelers Inn & Suites, I-70 & U.S. 41	(812) 238-1461
Super 8 Lodge, I-70 & U.S. 41	(812) 232-4890
Travelodge Terre Haute, 530 S. Third St.	(812) 232-7075

Terre Haute Bed and Breakfast Inns

Farrington House, 931 S. Seventh St.	(812) 238-0524
Sycamore Farm, 5001 E. Poplar St.	(812) 877-9288

point average will receive a special gift from the Parents' Association for their academic success.

Musical Theater: "Guys & Dolls"

Rose-Hulman Drama Club

7:30 p.m., Hatfield Hall Auditorium

All the hot gamblers are in town, and they're all depending on Nathan Detroit to set up this week's incarnation of "The Oldest Established Permanent Floating Crap Game in New York". The only problem is, he needs \$1,000 to get the place.

Throw in Sarah Brown, who's short on sinners at the mission she runs; Sky Masterson, who accepts Nathan's \$1,000 bet that he can't get Sarah Brown to go with him to Havana; Miss Adelaide, who wants Nathan to marry her; Police Lieutenant



Brannigan, who always seems to appear at the wrong time; and the music/lyrics of Frank Loesser, and you've got quite a musical. Includes the songs: Fugue for Tinhorns, "Luck Be a Lady", "Sit Down, You're Rocking the Boat".

Members of the cast featured in the production are: David Bander, Adler Edward, Christian Gage, Alicia Gehlhausen, Meganne Greenwell, Justin Jennings and Eric Volz. There are 46 actors and actresses in the production.

The play is directed by Bunny Nash, with Greg Stump serving as technical director. Several students are assisting in the technical crew.

Tickets cost \$10 for all adults and \$8 for non-RHIT students. It is free to all Rose-Hulman students. **Reservations required -- See Page 9. There will be no guarantees of ticket availability without a reservation!**

(The play is also being presented on Friday, March 24)

Make Your Hotel Reservations Early!



Parents planning to attend Mom's Day and commencement are advised to make their hotel reservations early! There are several festivals that attract visitors from throughout the Midwest.

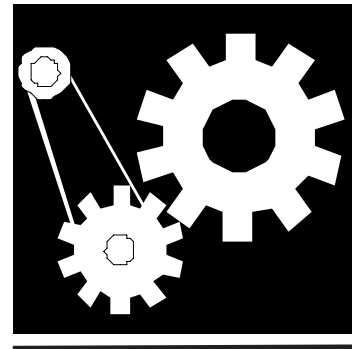
A listing of local hotels has been published for your convenience. For more information about local accommodations and attractions visit www.terrehaute.com

Terre Haute Campgrounds

Hawthorn Park, 6067 E. Old Maple	(812) 462-3392
K.O.A. of Terre Haute, I-70 & Indiana 46	(812) 232-2457
Fowler Park Pioneer Village, southern Vigo County	(812) 462-3392

It's A Small World

Students' Rapid Prototyping Projects Featured in Spring Campus Art Exhibits



Student News

The creative process involving technology, science and the arts are featured in a display of winning rapid prototyping projects by freshman mechanical engineering students that are part of art exhibits currently on display throughout Moench Hall.

Rapid prototyping is the automatic construction of physical objects through the use of 3D modeling Solid Edge software and equipment at Rose-Hulman Ventures. After only six weeks of instruction, students constructed an interesting object of their choosing. Each object is minuscule in shape and design, and has remarkable attention to detail.

"It should be no surprise that some of our students created truly amazing projects in a short period of time," stated David Fisher, one of five mechanical engineering professors that taught the graphical communications course.

"At times the sheer magnitude of the destruction became overwhelming and truly humbling," stated Cory Wright. Equipped with shovels, boots and an open mind, the group met the pastor and members of the First Baptist Church of Slidell, where they stayed for the week. Groups of students helped clear trees and brush, and stripped water damaged homes of furniture, carpet, appliances and drywall.



Attention To Detail: Freshmen Cody Davis and Alex Dillard used 3-D modeling Solid Edge software in a graphical communications course to create a rapid prototype of a turbine engine (above). Below, David Lewis created the motorcross motorcycle (left) and Bob Warden created the X-Wing space vehicle (right). The devices are on display in Moench Hall.



Projects featured on display are:

- ◆ Brandon Bauer and Nelson Ross Shaffer, a chess board.
- ◆ Steven Bennett, a combola-tion.

- ◆ Stephen Brannan, a custom Glock 19 gun.

- ◆ Andrew Byrley and Chad Whitaker, a tower bridge.

- ◆ Pablo Corrales, a bender.

- ◆ Cody Davis and Alex Dillard, a jet turbine.

- ◆ Michael Ferguson, Sleeping Beauty's castle.

- ◆ Tess Fuller, a grand piano.

- ◆ Bryan Gardner, a guitar.

- ◆ Tyler Goble and Ryan Schalk, a Dubs device.

- ◆ David Lewis, a motorcycle.

- ◆ Sam Ostling, a Romulan Warbird from "Star Wars".

- ◆ Tim Schrock and Andy Steward, a Gameboy device.

- ◆ Bob Warden, an X-Wing space vehicle, from "Star Wars" movies.

- ◆ Dan Wismer, an Apache helicopter.

- ◆ Josh Zarecky, duplicating the works of M.C. Escher.

On display in the Humanities Department section of Moench Hall are 16 pastels by budding artist Timothy Mayhew, a sophomore mechanical engineering major. The exhibit features such paintings as "When We Were Young".

Fraternity Lends Helping Hands to Hurricane Relief

Fifteen members of Rose-Hulman's Phi Gamma Delta fraternity assisted in recovery efforts this past fall in Slidell, La., a community hard hit by the affects of Hurricane Katrina.

"At times the sheer magnitude of the destruction became overwhelming and truly humbling," stated Cory Wright.

Equipped with shovels, boots and an open mind, the group met the pastor and members of the First Baptist Church of Slidell, where they stayed for the week. Groups of students helped clear trees and brush, and stripped water damaged homes of furniture, carpet, appliances and drywall.

"To see God's work in Louisiana strengthening the hearts and minds of the residents and volunteers was a rewarding experience," Wright stated. "We were grateful to help out as much as we could. Hopefully, we were able to not only provide a helping hand but also an open ear and a bit of hope."

Other students participating were Robbie Baldwin, Leven Brown, Josh Clark, Aaron Gerhardstein, Cameron Hummel, Morgan Lollar, Devin Love, Steve Myers, Zach Pieri, Tim Pulliam, Kyle Thorp, Ryan Robinson, Mitch Vlaminck and Adam Williams.

Student Notes

Buttry & Frey to Lead SGA

Juniors Riley Buttry and Jennifer Frey have been elected to serve as president and vice president, respectively, in the Student Government Association. The one-year terms begin at the start of the spring quarter.

As student leaders, Buttry and Frey will represent their classmates in meetings with administrators and the board of trustees. SGA also distributes student fees to assist organizations.

'Trash-Tactic' Tops Contest

A team with the appropriate name of "Trash-Tactic" earned top honors in this year's Recyclable Engineering Contest, organized by the Office of Student Activities to help students escape from the winter-time blahs.

Members of the winning team were David Frucht, Mike Haughney, David Mumaw and Matt Neisen. The team also received the Best Design Award.

Placing second was the team of Tim Clasby, Matt Colchin, Chris Huizenga, Blake Lin and Tim Parsons.

Blue Key Initiates Eleven

Eleven students have been initiated into the Blue Key National Honor Fraternity based on academic performance and campus involvement.

Taking the oath were Nathan Bartlett, Ian Dailey, Alicia Gehlhausen, Kyle Hassler, Brandon Hathaway, Tony Homan, Matthew Kivett, Stephen Lewis, Matthew Mayer, Derek Trobaugh and Eric Volz.

JABBA Wins College Bowl

For the second straight year, the JABBA team captured top honors in campus' College Bowl Competition. They advanced to the district contest in late February.

Members of the JABBA team were seniors John Beety, Angela Smiley and Aaron Dubin, and sophomore Elizabeth White. Freshman Brittany LeClear is a new member.

Placing second was the team of freshmen Kyle Cornelius, Roger Dinius, Corey Kump, Robert Martin and Daniel Wismer.

Duo Get Asphalt Honors

Civil engineering students Derek Davidson and Kevin Hanson were presented scholarships from the Asphalt Pavement Association of Indiana for their interest in roadway design.



Student Internship Turns Into DVD: Senior computer science major Michael Lehenbauer is featured in the documentary "12 Weeks With Geeks," which chronicled four interns during the development the Fog Creek Copilot service as part of New York City-based Fog Creek Software's Project Aardvark. The DVD was shown to students, faculty and staff members on campus.

Students' Innovative Ideas Get Help to Spawn Products

Innovative ideas by Rose-Hulman students that could lead to the development of new products have received support from Engenius Solutions, a student-operated organization that strives to cultivate entrepreneurial activity on campus.

Three students split \$5,000 to support new product development proposals submitted in Engenius Solutions' Student Design Product Competition.

Earning top honors was Ryan Schipper, a sophomore civil engineering major, for his unique flood prevention device. He received \$2,500 to cover further development costs.

T.J. Kelley, a freshman electrical engineering major, earned \$1,500 for his artificial sunrise clock, and Robert Tauber, a junior biomedical engineering major, received \$1,000 for his body indexing product concept.

Creating a prototype device is the next step in the project development cycle. Along the way, students will also examine any possible patent infringements, review prospective markets and study manufacturing production costs. There is no timeline for the products.

Each of the award-winning concepts had unique aspects that made them stand out among the 60 new product ideas, submitted by 30 students for the contest, according to Engenius Solutions Managing Director Michael Shepard. Four other student product ideas may also receive assistance to bring their ideas to market in the future.

"This is a stepping stone in the engineering design careers for freshmen and sophomores," Shepard said. "If we do nothing more than teach them about product development, then we've supported the educational experience."

Mom's Day Reservation Form (Return By March 17)

MOM'S DAY ACTIVITIES (Check those sessions you plan to attend)

Parents' Information Sessions:

- Hatfield Hall Behind The Scenes (No. of Persons: _____)
- Career Services' Job Market Update/Student Panel Discussion (No. of Persons: _____)
- Improving Email: "Rules For The Road" (No. of Persons: _____)

Campus Art Tours:

- 11 a.m. to Noon Tour (No. of Persons _____)
- 12:30-1:30 p.m. Tour (No. of Persons _____)
- Mom's Day Brunch (No. of Persons _____)
- Craft Time (No. of Persons _____)
- Mom's Day Keepsake Photographs (No. of Persons _____)
- "The Price Is Rite" Activity (No. of Persons _____)

MOM'S DAY DINNER

	No.	Price	Total
Adults	___ x	\$16.00 = \$	_____
R-H Student	___ x	\$16.00 = \$	_____
Children 3-11	___ x	\$ 8.00 = \$	_____
Children under 3	___ x	FREE =	FREE

(Reservations Required)

___ Vegetarian Menu Desired

MUSICAL - "GUYS & DOLLS"

FRIDAY, MARCH 24 Show

	No.	Price	Total
Adult Guest	___ x	\$10.00 = \$	_____
Non R-H Students	___ x	\$ 8.00 = \$	_____
R-H Student	___ x	Free =	\$_____

SATURDAY, MARCH 25 Show

	No.	Price	Total
Adult Guests	___ x	\$10.00 = \$	_____
Non R-H Students	___ x	\$ 8.00 = \$	_____
R-H Student	___ x	Free =	\$_____

Note: Tickets will be reserved at Will-Call Booth

TOTAL AMOUNT OF BILL: \$ _____

Parent's Names: _____

Student's Names: _____

Daytime Phone: (____) _____ Parent's E-mail: _____

PAYMENT METHOD

- Check (Payable to Rose-Hulman) VISA MASTERCARD AMERICAN EXPRESS DISCOVER

Credit Card Number: _____ Cardholder's Name: _____

Expiration Date: ___/___ Amount Charged: \$ _____ Authorization Signature: _____

Return by **MARCH 17** to: The Student Affairs Office, CM 7, Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology, 5500 Wabash Ave., Terre Haute, IN 47803

PARENTS' NEWSLETTER SURVEY:

- I would appreciate also receiving this Parents Newsletter in PDF format at the following email address:

Register online at: www.rose-hulman.edu/momsday

2005-2006 ACADEMIC CALENDAR

Spring Quarter

March 6 -- Start of spring quarter
April 8-16-- Spring break
April 8 -- Midterm progress reports filed
April 21 -- Final date to drop a course without penalty
May 22-25 -- Final exams for spring quarter
May 27 -- Commencement

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

March 15 -- Greek Leadership Awards Banquet
March 17-18/24-25 -- Drama Club Musical, "Guys & Dolls"
April 5 -- Computer Science/Software Eng. Senior Symposium
April 19 -- Spring Career Fair
April 22 -- Fundamentals of Engineering Exam (Seniors)
April 22 -- Engineers In Concert
April 29 -- Campus Beautification Day
May 3 -- Electrical & Computer Eng. Senior Symposium
May 17 -- Mech. Engineering Senior Project Presentations
May 5-6/12-13 -- Drama Club Play, "A Few Good Men"
May 6 -- Honors & Awards Banquet
May 11 -- Commencement Rehearsal/Senior Send Off
May 20 -- Senior Athletic Banquet
May 26 -- Senior Soiree
May 27 -- Army/Air Force Commissioning Ceremony

RESIDENCE LIFE/ HOUSING DATES

March 6 -- Housing information sent to students
March 17 -- Resident Assistant application deadline
March 20-24 -- Resident Assistant interviews
March 31-- Sophomore Advisor application deadline
April 3-7/17-19 -- Sophomore Advisor interviews
May 1 -- Housing Preference Forms distributed to students
May 3 -- Housing Preference Forms and deposit deadline

FINANCIAL AID DATES

March 10 -- FAFSA Forms Must Be Received By Federal Processor (Indiana residents)
Mid-May -- Upperclassmen mailed Rose-Hulman financial aid award letter

2006 PARENTS' ASSOCIATION EVENTS

Aug. 25-26 -- Freshman Move In Days
Oct. 7 -- Homecoming Football Game (vs. Defiance College)
Oct. 28 -- Dad's Day (Football vs. Anderson University)



What's Ahead

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