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NEW BEGINNINGS ISSUE

A TOAST TO A NEW YEAR

by Sean Lynch

Well, it’s that time of year again... that time when all the awe and wonder of the holiday season comes to a close and we must once again resume our schedules and regular lives. For

my fellow college students, this marks the start of a new semester! I personally find spring semesters to be the most exciting because they usher in the New Year for me and my peers. But what makes this semester different

from the last? What will make this particular year so special and grand? ...I don’t know! I’m not the type of person who knows current events. I’m not up to speed on my school policies, community news, or other town-

side drama. What I do know is that for Hilbert College, this marks our first post-apocalyptic semester following the supposed Mayan apocalypse.

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BUFFALO LABORATORY THEATRE

Gruesome Playground Injuries
 by Rajiv Joseph

Directed by Stephen McKinley Henderson
 Jan. 25–Feb. 9

The play that the *N.Y. Daily News* called “irresistibly odd and exciting”—*Gruesome Playground Injuries*—follows the lives of two characters, Kayleen and Doug, over the course of thirty years. The lives of these characters intersect at the most bizarre intervals, leading the childhood friends to compare the scars and physical calamities that keep drawing them together.

The Buffalo Laboratory Theatre is honored to have the opportunity to work with Tony-nominated Stephen McKinley Henderson. Acclaimed for his Broadway performance in

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FOUR NEW MANAGEMENT PROGRAMS

by Nina Pierino

With an already distinguished business administration curriculum, Hilbert College’s Professional Studies Division is introducing four new management programs for the semester of Fall, 2013.

The four distinct bachelor of science degree programs are these:

Business Management,
 Global Business Management,
 Small Business Management,
 Sports Industry Management.

All four degree programs are based on a general foundation of common business administration courses. Each degree path will focus on preparing students for needed degree skills as well as providing general knowledge to meet the needs of a changing economy.

For those interested in pursuing one of these four degrees, Hilbert’s Office of Admissions is now accepting students into these programs for fall enrollment.

MLK COMMEMORATION LECTURE

Award-winning author and journalist Farai Chideya brings more than twenty years of experience in the world of media, technology, and social justice to Hilbert College as the keynote speaker during an annual commemoration

Communications and English programs about pursuing careers in journalism, media relations, and writing will take place from 1:50 to 3:05 p.m. in the Palisano Lecture Room (Bogel Hall, Room 101).

Besides being an in-de-

pendent radio show devoted to “illuminating the African-American experience” from 2006-2009, and served as a correspondent for ABC News and an anchor for the prime-time program *Pure Oxygen* on the Oxygen channel, and contributed commentaries on CNN, Fox, MSNBC, and BET.

Founder of PopandPolitics.com, an online journal and multimedia journalism training lab for 18-29 year-olds pursuing careers in the field of journalism, Chideya’s website is now one of the longest continuously operating blogs in the world. Chideya and the website have had the highly coveted honor of being an official reporting agency for the 2008

Democratic National Convention, and received awards including a MOBE IT Innovator award. She has been named one of Alternet’s New Media Heroes and ranked in PoliticsOnline.com’s survey of “25 Who Are Changing the World of Internet and Politics.”

A book signing and reception will immediately follow the keynote address in the West Herr Atrium.

The annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Commemoration Lecture, which is free and open to the public, is being co-sponsored by the Hilbert Offices of Multicultural Affairs, the Career Development Center, the Liberal

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Farai Chideya

lecture in the memory of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., to be held Jan. 31. Chideya will speak on the topic “What Happens to Equality When We’re All Minorities: Re-Imagining King’s Dream for A Post-Majority America” at 4:30 p.m. in the William E. Swan Auditorium.

Prior to the keynote address, an informal discussion with students from Hilbert’s Digital Media and

mand diversity speaker, Chideya is the author of three nonfiction books: *Trust: Reaching the 100 Million Missing Voters*; *The Color of Our Future*; and *Don’t Believe the Hype: Fighting Cultural Misinformation About African Americans*. Her first novel, *Kiss the Sky*, was the *Essence Magazine* book club selection for May, 2009.

Chideya hosted NPR’s *News and Notes*, a na-

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CONTEST TALLY

(Complete Scores for Issue #5)

No.	Student Contributor	No of Articles		Totals
		Issues #1-#4	Issue #5	
1.	Bernadine De Mike	8	3	11
2.	Cecilia Chmurzynski	4	3	7
3.	Nina Pierino	5	2	7
4.	Emili Ripley	6	--	6
5.	Heather Bello	5	--	5
6.	David Grapes	3	1	4
7.	Samantha Sieg	3	1	4
8.	Shannon Connor	1	2	3
9.	Jeffrey Krajewski	2	1	3
10.	Annilee Obrochta	3	--	3
11.	Stephanie Smith	3	--	3
12.	Karl Blomback	2	--	2
13.	Andrew Cartagine	2	--	2
14.	Chad Damiani	2	--	2
15.	Alexia Guzman	2	--	2
16.	Jamie Hopkins	2	--	2
17.	Tim Kelly	2	--	2
18.	Sean Lynch	--	2	2
19.	Nicole Maiorana	2	--	2
20.	Adam Matula	2	--	2
21.	Joseph Pernick	2	--	2
22.	Sean Purtill	2	--	2
23.	Caitlyn Queen	2	--	2
24.	Cody Arnold	1	--	1
25.	John Babocsi	1	--	1
26.	Amber Bailey	1	--	1
27.	Garrett Boneberg	1	--	1
28.	Ryan Bradt	1	--	1
29.	Alexis Clune	1	--	1
30.	Melody Cole	1	--	1
31.	Keith Gombos	1	--	1
32.	Cameron J. Haag	1	--	1
33.	Jonathan Hulbert	1	--	1
34.	Sarah Karn	1	--	1
35.	Jeremy Kraska	1	--	1
36.	Ashley Kurucz	1	--	1
37.	Laura Lopez	1	--	1
38.	Melinda Manzella	1	--	1
39.	Chris Marshall	1	--	1
40.	Jamie Omerhodzic	1	--	1
41.	Hayley Ploetz	1	--	1
42.	Tyler Roth	1	--	1
43.	Marjorie Wagner Sanders	1	--	1
44.	Paul Sawicki	1	--	1
45.	Tristan Shaffer	--	1	1
46.	Tyler Sulski	1	--	1
47.	Greg Swaggard	1	--	1
48.	Nick Titus	1	--	1
49.	Sara Walker	1	--	1
50.	Matthew D. Williams	1	--	1

TOTAL 107

H-FILES' PHOTO CONTEST

For the eleventh year a judges will convene to re-view the entries.

The top four winning photos will appear on the front page of the second spring issue of *The H-Files* (Feb. 22), with the first-prize winner receiving a \$50 cash award and the second-prize winner receiving a \$25 prize.

In addition, attempts will be made to see whether photo contest entries can temporarily be placed in a suitable environment at Hilbert's web site for inspection at the contest's conclusion.

Happy photo-shooting!

Deadline for submission: Friday, February 8, 2013. During the week of February 11, 2013, a panel of

EDITORIAL

I BOUGHT A CLOUD

by Bernadine De Mike was hot."

Personally, when the light bulb goes off, which can be anywhere at any time, I have to trace and gather my inspired thoughts written on napkins, the back of grocery receipts, torn pages from one of my students' notebooks, or scraps of one-sided paper from garbage boxes.

If my cloud was ever in sight, this frantic race to capture lost thoughts would never happen. Instead, I would just pull down that friendly, beloved cloud and float

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David Grapes, Nina Pierino,
Annilee Obrochta, Emili Ripley,
Sean Lynch

Faculty Advisor

Dr. Charles A. S. Ernst

Buffalo Laboratory Theatre

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August Wilson's *Fences* (with Denzel Washington and Viola Davis) and roles in films like *Tower Heist* and *Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close*. Mr. Henderson brings his powerful artistic vision to the BLT stage for a night of theatre you won't forget!

The play opens on Friday, Jan. 25, with Henderson in attendance for that evening. Ex-

cept for a 2 p.m. matinee on Sunday, Jan. 27, all performances begin at 7:30 p.m. on Jan. 25-26; Jan 31-Feb. 2; and Feb. 7-9.

For all Jan. 25 to Feb. 9 performances, admission price for Hilbert students, faculty, and staff is \$10; for non-Hilbert students and seniors, \$15; for all others, \$20. To reserve tickets, visit www.buffalolabtheatre.org or call the box office (716)202-9033. Tickets may be limited, so please reserve early!



BIRTH LOTTO

Birth Lotto is a game in which a student's birthday is selected at random to determine each issue's prize-winner.

All student birthdays (month and day) for January were obtained to create a list, with each student in the list assigned a number.

The guest editor for the issue in question has randomly selected one of the numbers to determine the issue's prize-winner.

The prize for this issue is \$5.00, to be collected (with suitable picture ID) from Dr. Ernst (Room 105A, Bogel Hall, 649-7900, ext. 315).

And the winner is... Fleet Ryan!

To collect this prize, the identified winner must contact Dr. Ernst, with accompanying Hilbert College ID or driver's license by or on Friday, Feb. 8, 2012.

HILBERT NATIONAL PHILANTHROPY DAY DISTINGUISHED HONOREE

by Cecilia
Chmurzynski

On Nov. 14, 2012, Mr. Brad Hafner was selected by Hilbert College as its National Philanthropy Day Honoree for his many accomplishments and contributions to the college.

Brad Hafner is currently chairman of the West

Herr Automotive Group. In addition, he has served as trustee, board chair, and chairman of the Bricks and Mortarboard Capital Campaign. His funding support has been vital to the construction of the Hafner Recreation Center and to the development of the West Herr Atrium, the Franciscan Hall Atrium, the Hafner

Veterans Center, and to multiple endowed scholarships for students.

He is a lifelong supporter of the college, contributing to the transformation of the campus landscape physically and spiritually. On behalf of all the students, faculty, and staff, we extend our gratitude to Mr. Brad Hafner!



Hilbert College's Distinguished Honoree Brad Hafner & President Cynthia Zane, Ed.D., at 2012 National Philanthropy Day, with National Philanthropy Day Chair Brittany Finnegan-Zandi (right) & Vice Chair Kara Hite (left)

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And while we're all still very much alive, assuming that we're not all part of the cast to some otherworldly M. Night Shyamalan's film who have all been dead since the beginning of the movie, there's a lot that we can take away from the previous year.

Many celebrities and world figures have passed, while newcomers have propelled themselves into the spotlight of pop culture in today's media. Some of us have lost family members and personal heroes, while also meeting new friends and starting new relationships. Politics around the globe have been strained with fighting, riots, and elections. You may have even made life-changing decisions that will impact the very core of your everyday life. The year 2012 may have been phenomenal or terrible for you, but this is not about the past year. This is not about what events may have transpired. This is about the future. More importantly, this is about you.

It is up to you to learn from your mistakes and improve upon your victories. It is up to your own determination and willpower to fulfill any New Year resolutions you may have made with yourself. Some of us promised to avoid eating sugars and to lose weight, while others have vowed to give plenty of their own hours to volunteer work, helping to improve the lives of others. I know that there are a few students who have promised to stay on top of their assignments this upcoming semester and not to fall behind due to procrastination. (I used to make this resolution, but I eventually decided that I would stop kidding myself with such fantasies.) It is up to us to strive towards a better tomorrow; to strive for a new beginning; to seek a fresh start.

There was a young lad who had the hardest time in the start of 2012. His grandfather, one of the strongest and kindest role models that he had in his life, had just

passed away. To make matters worse, two of the people this young man considered to be some of his closest friends revealed their true feelings towards the man... disgust. They had been using his friendship as a means of personal gain. This young lad was completely shaken to the bone. He had lost one of his guiding stars and was now taking heat from fire fueled by former friends. He was backed into a corner with no way out.

However, after many months of suffering from depression, this young man managed to climb his way out of the rut that the world had knocked him into. He started to focus on the schoolwork that he had carelessly thrown aside. He began to strive for a better future. He strived to be a better man, much like his deceased hero had been.

He put an effort into his work in order to help around his place of employment. He tried to help those around his school who needed help. He found a new group of friends; a group that would not take advantage of the young man; a group that truly cared for him as much as he cared for them. Finally, this young man had begun to use his voice. He was done being the quiet kid in the corner who did his time in the school he thought of as a prison. It wasn't a prison... it was a future!

By the second half of 2012, this young lad had begun to try and get himself in better shape. He became slightly less lazy (it is a work in progress, after all) and tried to take better care of himself. Through his struggles, he started a relationship with the kindest and sweetest woman he had ever met. She was a woman who brought out the best in him. She truly completed him.

With the support of friends and family, this young man managed to change his year around completely by the end of 2012. He has made it a mission that he will try to be a better man so that he can do his part to make this a better world. And with the New Year, he has the perfect

opportunity to make these resolutions. He went into 2013 with the goal of living a better life, making better decisions, and being a better person than he had/did/was in 2012. And by God, am I trying to uphold my resolution!

But this isn't supposed to be an inspirational story. This isn't some Disney film where everything is happy and the moral of the story is clear as day. This is real life. There will be sorrow and mistakes along the way. But it is what you do as an individual that overcomes these obstacles. It is what you do as an individual that you can reflect upon in the future. It is a very big world out there and you need to make it your own!

Get involved, get active, get reading, get helping, get getting... do whatever makes you happy! Throw aside your inhibitions to make room for your ambitions! Be whom you want to be, not whom others want you to be. It is time for a fresh start, a new beginning. The world is flying by and you need to be ready to get the most out of it. So happy New Year and welcome to today! What you do today will influence how you'll be tomorrow... so what will you do today?

MLK Commemoration Lecture

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Studies program of the Social Sciences Division, the Digital Media and Communication program of the Arts and Sciences Division, and the McGrath Library.

RSVPs by Jan. 25 are requested by e-mailing Dr. Tara Jabbaar-Gyambrah, director of multicultural affairs, at tjabbaar-gyambrah@hilbert.edu or call 926-8835.

Elizabeth R. Maute
Media Specialist

MAZURKIEWICZ APPOINTED TO HILBERT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Gerard T. Mazurkiewicz, partner at Dopkins & Company, LLP, has been named to a two-year term on the Hilbert College Board of Trustees.

Mazurkiewicz has been a partner at Dopkins & Company, LLP, since 2004, where he works with a number of private companies and their owners to provide income tax and estate tax planning services as well as business and succession planning services. Prior to joining Dopkins & Company, LLP, he spent 32 years in the Buffalo office tax practice of KPMG.

He has and continues to work with various other community organizations including the Foundation of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Buffalo, the Community Foundation for Greater Buffalo, the

Women and Children's Hospital of Buffalo Foundation, the University of Buffalo Foundation, and the Sisters of St. Francis Financial Advisory Committee.

He is also a member of various professional organizations including the Estate Analysts of Western New York, the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, and the New York State Society of Certified Public Accountants, where he once served as president of the Buffalo chapter.

Mazurkiewicz received his bachelor's degree in business administra-



Gerard T. Mazurkiewicz

tion, *cum laude*, from the State University of New York at Buffalo. He and his wife Barbara reside in West Seneca, NY.

Elizabeth R. Maute
Media Specialist

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to the computer to review and edit. Even my new 64 gb hard drive that fits in my wallet cannot compete with the heavenly unlimited skies.

Yes, from now on, I will beam up, à la Dr. Spock, to retrieve any and all of my perfectly organized data. Voilà! My eight-page final psych paper on the case study of the weirdest teenager I ever met (notated on a McDonald's place mat while sharing a nugget or two)

will be in perfect spell-checked and formatted order.

The best scenario for my cloud ownership is when I have made that final flight into the sky. All my poems, essays, and photos will be there to meet me. Who says, "You can't take it with you"?



LUCKY NUMBERS RAISES FUNDS FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

by Shannon Connor

The 3rd annual Lucky Numbers Luncheon sponsored by the Hilbert College Staff Senate was held at Michael's Banquet Facility in Hamburg, NY, on Nov. 18, 2012.

Activities included the 50-50 raffle and a sit-down lunch.

More than one hundred gift baskets were auctioned off, resulting in a record-breaking total of \$9,400 raised for student scholarships!

ARTSY ANECDOTES OF LAUGHTER & TEARS

MAMMA MIA

by Bernadine De Mike

I really thought I was a good mom, but after two courses in psychology at Hilbert College and a TV series called *Supernanny*, I believe I have to re-evaluate my worth as a mother.

According to Freud, Adler, Skinner, Roe, and the rest, and especially after learning the genius methods of the “miracle” nanny, I have failed miserably. When did I sit and question my son about his “feelings” as to why he punched his brother, instead of putting both of them to work cleaning the house? I never even had a “time-out” corner (although they did hide in the closet until I cooled

off).

Teasing and fighting? Who had time? My daughters were either babysitting or taking ballet classes three hours a day after school. My son was always working on his new scary inventions, another was reading a stack of books to get on the TV show *It's Academic*, and the other worked part-time after school at a pizza joint. Other times, they just played with the latest baby, teaching her or him to walk, talk, and throw Cheerios at each other.

After-school activities for most of my children mainly consisted in months of rehearsals with Peter Wolfe for West Seneca musicals

and cramming in homework assignments during scene changes. I believe psychologists should look into the discipline of theater. You become a slave of the directors—no place for rebellion there. When things did get beyond my control, I could always use the fear factor statement, “Just wait until your father comes home and hears what you’ve done!”

Funny, I do not see major problems with the TV family who has nineteen children. Maybe the answer for great kids is in numbers. Grandma Vincenza had nine and Grandma Josephine thirteen and most of them were great human beings... including my mom and dad!



LEGISLATOR LYNN DIXON NAMES DR. WALTER IWANENKO NOVEMBER CITIZEN OF THE MONTH

by Cecilia Chmurzynski

Walter and Mary Iwanenko were honored with a proclamation by Erie County Legislator Lynne Dixon during the Nov.

community projects.

The Iwanenkos recently served as project managers to oversee the development of a community playground at Baker Victory Services-Child Pro in the city of Lackawa-

Iwanenkos' coordination led to the completion of playground installation in one day.

The playground was sponsored by the Buffalo Bills, KaBoom! and the American Dairy Associa-



Dr. Walter & Mary Iwanenko with Legislator Lynne Dixon

29th session of the Erie County legislature to recognize the many hours they have given to com-

nna.

With the help of Hilbert students and hundreds of project volunteers, the

tion and Dairy Council in WNY. The playground symbolizes community spirit.

SGA EVENTS & IMPORTANT DATES

by David Grapes, SGA President

Hello, Hilbert College students and welcome back!

The Student Government Association (SGA) has an eventful first few weeks to begin our semester. We also have some great student activities planned which we would like to share with you.

First, the SGA will be attending our spring semester retreat on Jan. 27 right

here at Hilbert College. This is where we gather together, outside the office, to discuss our goals and ideas for our campus. The retreat is also a team-building experience which allows us better to serve you, the student.

On Feb. 4-5 some of your SGA representatives are heading to Albany New York for Lobby Day. Your SGA will spend time in our state capital to fight for issues like student aid and student benefits. We will lobby our congressman

on your behalf.

The Spring All-Clubs Meeting will be held Feb. 7 in Bogel Hall, Room 101, at 3:15 p.m. If you belong to a club, or maybe you are thinking about joining, you will not want to miss this meeting.

Feb. 8 SGA is hosting our annual Winter Ball at Lucarelli's Banquet Center from 8 p.m. to midnight. Tickets can be purchased ahead of time through the SGA. There will be a cash bar for those students who are 21 or older. IDs will be

checked.

Lunch with SGA! Monday, Feb. 11, from 10:50 a.m. to 12:15 p.m., and Tuesday, Feb. 12, from 12:25-1:40 p.m., the SGA is inviting all students to eat a free lunch with us. Come and enjoy a free lunch while getting to know your SGA representatives. Both meals will be in the SGA office on the lower floor of the Campus Center.

Lastly, we will be hosting an SGA election debate on Mar. 20, location and time to be decided.

H-FILES' WRITING CONTEST

Previous issues of *The H-Files* had announced the publication's writing contest (in its fourteenth year) for most articles written within the 2012-13 academic year. The contest tally on page 2 of the current issue shows the standings, as of the first five issues.

However, with three more issues to go in the spring, there is plenty of opportunity to write articles and compete for fabulous prizes. The top ten students writing the most articles will be eligible for the following prizes.

1 st Prize:	\$100 check
2 nd Prize:	\$75 check
3 rd Prize:	\$50 check
4 th Prize:	\$25 Follett gift card
5 th Prize:	\$20 Follett gift card
6 th Prize:	\$18 Follett gift card
7 th Prize:	\$15 Follett gift card
8 th Prize:	\$10 Follett gift card
9 th Prize:	\$7 Follett gift card
10 th Prize:	\$5 Follett gift card

The first prize and part of the second prize are sponsored by academic divisions of Hilbert College, to whom many thanks are given for each division chair's generosity. Part of the second and the third prize are sponsored by *The H-Files*. Prize #4 is sponsored by the Hilbert College Bookstore (Follett Higher Education Group Store #0044), to whom much thanks is given, with college sponsorship of prizes #5-#10.

The same article(s) may also make you eligible for one of three top prizes in the *The H-Files*' Journalism Contest (already in its twelfth year)—if your piece is chosen by a panel of faculty/staff judges, with award-winners in both contests to be announced in the last *H-Files*' issue for Spring, 2013, appearing April 19.



LET'S GO TO THE MOVIES!

Each month Hilbert students may purchase one movie ticket to be used at Regal Cinemas for a discounted price of only \$5!

Tickets may be purchased in the Student Activities Office or Student Life Office. Student ID is required at time of purchase.

Transportation will be provided on a later announced date.

Kim Sperring
Student Activities Graduate Assistant

IT'S BACK... ZUMBA!



Ditch the workout, join the party! Zumba combines Latin and international music with a fun and effective workout. Dance to music such as salsa, hip hop, and samba. It is a great exercise and a great time.

Zumba will be held every Wednesday at 6 p.m. in the Franciscan Hall Atrium.

All Hilbert students are welcome. Bring your sneakers and a comfy pair of workout clothes.

Kim Sperring
Student Activities Graduate Assistant



ATTENTION SENIORS! 101 DAYS UNTIL GRADUATION: SENIOR EVENT

It is time to begin the countdown to graduation. Come celebrate with your fellow seniors and enjoy appetizers and a cash bar.

This event is open to all seniors! It will be held on Jan. 31, from 5-7 p.m. at J. P. Fitzgerald's. Transportation will be provided to and from the event. All seniors will receive a free T-shirt as well.

If you would like to attend, please sign up on the Student Activities door in the lower level of the campus center.

Kim Sperring
Student Activities Graduate Assistant

HEADING IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION: CONCUSSION AWARENESS PRESENTATION

by Shannon Connor

play procedures.

The Hilbert College Athletics Department is hosting a Concussion Awareness presentation: "Voices from the Silent Epidemic," on Jan. 29, 2013, from 7-8 p.m. in the William E. Swan Auditorium.

One of the three presenters touching on different aspects of concussion awareness is former Hilbert College student-athlete Edward Heffron, who will be relating his story about a concussive injury and his struggle with post-concussion syndrome.

The Hilbert College Team Physician Dr. Jennifer Teeter will focus her presentation on the current management of concussions for student-athletes—diagnosis, signs, symptoms, and return-to-

former boxer and current concussion awareness advocate, will gear his presentation to post-concussion syndrome and why awareness of the current concussion epidemic is important to athletes' long-term health.

This is a great opportunity, not only for athletes to learn more about properly taking care of their concussions, but to anyone interested who is or knows someone directly involved in a sport where this type of contact injury could become a concern.

For more information, please contact Curt Campbell, Head Athletic Trainer, 926-8806, or visit hilbert.edu/athletics.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS (Jan.-Mar., 2012)

January

- 25 *H-Files* delivery
Hilbert Horizons meeting, McGrath Library Conference Room, 5-7 p.m., refreshments included
- 25-26 Buffalo Laboratory Theatre (BLT) presents *Gruesome Playground Injuries* by Rajiv Joseph, directed by Stephen McKinley Henderson, Swan Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.
- 27 Buffalo Laboratory Theatre (BLT) presents *Gruesome Playground Injuries* by Rajiv Joseph, directed by Stephen McKinley Henderson, Swan Auditorium, 2 p.m.
- SGA Retreat, on campus
- 29 Drop and Add Period ends
Blackboard instruction for students, Academic Services Center, 12:30 p.m.
Common Ground Club meeting, Franciscan Hall, Conference Room A, 3:15-4:15 p.m.
"Voices from the Silent Epidemic," Concussion Awareness presentation, William E. Swan Auditorium, 7-8 p.m.
- 30 Blackboard instruction for students, Academic Services Center, 2 p.m.
S.A.D.D. Club meeting, St. Joe's Lounge, 4 p.m.
Zumba! Workout with Latin & international music, Franciscan Hall Atrium, 6 p.m.
- 31 Award-winning author & journalist Farai Chideya on careers in journalism, media relations, & writing, Palsiano Lecture Room (Bogel Hall, Room 101), 1:50-3:05 p.m.
Dr. Martin Luther King Commemoration Lecture: "What Happens to Equality When We're All Minorities? Reimagining King's Dream for a Post-Majority America" by Farai Chideya, Swan Auditorium, 4:30 p.m.
101 Days Until Graduation: Senior Event, J. P. Fitzgerald's, 5-7 p.m.
Buffalo Laboratory Theatre (BLT) presents *Gruesome Playground Injuries* by Rajiv Joseph, directed by Stephen McKinley Henderson, Swan Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.

February

- 1-2 Buffalo Laboratory Theatre (BLT) presents *Gruesome Playground Injuries* by Rajiv Joseph, directed by Stephen McKinley Henderson, Swan Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.
- 4-5 SGA reps go to Albany, NY, for Lobby Day
- 5 Common Ground Club meeting, Franciscan Hall, Conference Room A, 3:15-4:15 p.m.
- 6 S.A.D.D. Club meeting, St. Joe's Lounge, 4 p.m.
Zumba! Workout with Latin & international music, Franciscan Hall Atrium, 6 p.m.
- 7 Spring All-Clubs Meeting, Bogel Hall, Room 101, 3:15 p.m.
- 7-9 Buffalo Laboratory Theatre (BLT) presents *Gruesome Playground Injuries* by Rajiv Joseph, directed by Stephen McKinley Henderson, Swan Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.
- 8 *H-Files* photo contest deadline
SGA hosts Winter Ball at Lucarelli's Banquet Center, 8 p.m.-midnight
- 11 Lunch with SGA, SGA Office on lower floor of Campus Center, 10:50 a.m.-12:15 p.m.
Office of Campus Ministry's Valentine Party with the Franciscan Sisters of St. Joseph, 2-3 p.m. (leave campus 1:45 p.m.)
- 12 *H-Files* deadline
Lunch with SGA, SGA Office on lower floor of Campus Center, 12:25-1:40 p.m.
Common Ground Club meeting, Franciscan Hall, Conference Room A, 3:15-4:15 p.m.
- 13 S.A.D.D. Club meeting, St. Joe's Lounge, 4 p.m.
Zumba! Workout with Latin & international music, Franciscan Hall Atrium, 6 p.m.
- 15 Workshop: "Transitioning to the Real World: Services for Youth with Disabilities," Paczesny Hall, Room 216-18, 3-5 p.m., sponsored by St. Bonaventure's Counselor Education Program & Hilbert College's Human Services & Rehab Services Programs, R.S.V.P. to teuberha11@bonaventure.edu by Wed., Feb. 13
- 19 Common Ground Club meeting, Franciscan Hall, Conference Room A, 3:15-4:15 p.m.
- 20 S.A.D.D. Club meeting, St. Joe's Lounge, 4 p.m.
Zumba! Workout with Latin & international music, Franciscan Hall Atrium, 6 p.m.
- 22 *H-Files* delivery
- 26 Common Ground Club meeting, Franciscan Hall, Conference Room A, 3:15-4:15 p.m.
- 27 S.A.D.D. Club meeting, St. Joe's Lounge, 4 p.m.
Zumba! Workout with Latin & international music, Franciscan Hall Atrium, 6 p.m.
- 28 Annual Ski Club Trip to Stratton, Vermont

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- 5 Common Ground Club meeting, Franciscan Hall, Conference Room A, 3:15-4:15 p.m.
- 6 Office of Campus Ministry's Spring Seed Planting with the Franciscan Sisters of St. Joseph, 2-3 p.m. (leave campus 1:45 p.m.)
2013 Professional Success Program, Franciscan Hall Atrium, 5:30-7:30 p.m., for registration, sign up on Career Center door in Franciscan Hall
S.A.D.D. Club meeting, St. Joe's Lounge, 4 p.m.
Zumba! Workout with Latin & international music, Franciscan Hall Atrium, 6 p.m.
- 10-17 Spring Break
- 13 S.A.D.D. Club meeting, St. Joe's Lounge, 4 p.m.
Zumba! Workout with Latin & international music, Franciscan Hall Atrium, 6 p.m.
- 19 *H-Files* deadline
Common Ground Club meeting, Franciscan Hall, Conference Room A, 3:15-4:15 p.m.
- 20 SGA election debate (location & time TBA)
S.A.D.D. Club meeting, St. Joe's Lounge, 4 p.m.
Zumba! Workout with Latin & international music, Franciscan Hall Atrium, 6 p.m.
- 26 Common Ground Club meeting, Franciscan Hall, Conference Room A, 3:15-4:15 p.m.
- 27 Office of Campus Ministry's Easter candy event with the Franciscan Sisters of St. Joseph, 2-3 p.m. (leave campus 1:45 p.m.)
S.A.D.D. Club meeting, St. Joe's Lounge, 4 p.m.
Zumba! Workout with Latin & international music, Franciscan Hall Atrium, 6 p.m.
- 28 *H-Files* delivery
- 29 Easter Recess begins

WHO'S WHO

HILBERT STUDENTS NAMED AS OUTSTANDING LEADERS

Each year Hilbert College selects students based on the criteria of scholarship, participation and leadership, citizenship and service, and potential for future achievement for recognition in the *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges*.

A total of 58 Hilbert students received this year's recognition. Honorees for 2013 are these:

Marylynn Aaron of Ransomville;
Amanda Alba of Hamburg;
Hanah Ali of Orchard Park;
Andrew Besch of Elma;
Ashley Blahowicz of Hamburg;
Nicole Blair of Hamburg;
Jennifer Brock of North Tonawanda;
Michael Cavanagh of Orchard Park;
Adam Clabo of North Tonawanda;
Shannon Connor of Amherst;
Scott Cvetkovski of Cheektowaga;
Chad Damiani of Tonawanda;
Maria DelMonaco of Orchard Park;
Dana Dequaine of Attica;
Renaë Fraser of North Collins;
Gina Gemmati of Buffalo;
Joseph Gioele of Tonawanda;
Stacey Gura of Lake View;
Amber Grosch of Depew;
Cameron Haag of Amherst;
Cherie Haas of Warsaw;
Anna Hartloff of Lake View;
Jonathan Hulbert of Frewsburg;
Kelly Jablonicky of Orchard Park;
Caitlyn Jacob of Derby;
Megan Jarecki of Glenwood;
Jason Klosterman of Tonawanda;
LeeAnn Klug of Hamburg;

James Knapp of Lockport;
Rachel Kwiatkowski of West Seneca;
Erica Laduca of Rochester;
Joshua Lanphear of Lake View;
Stephen Lee of Fort Irwin, CA;
Justin Longhi of Kersey, PA;
Sherita Lowe of Buffalo;
Jerrell Mason of Buffalo;
Lisa Mast of Elma;
Katrina Matthewson of East Aurora;
Daniel McFarland of Lancaster;
Nicole Meldrum of Kenmore;
Jessica Morey of Buffalo;
Katie Newton of Batavia;
Annilee Obrochta of Angola;
Shane Olivieri of Hamburg;
Nina Pierino of Chaffee;
Ashley Pognant of Cheektowaga;
Emili Ripley of Batavia;
Marjorie Sanders of Blasdell;
Shirleen Schlemmer of Lancaster;
Amy Setlock of Lancaster;
Jacob Smaczniak of Lancaster;
Stephanie Smith of Hamburg;
Rebecca Sutton of Eden;
Corrie Thoman of Lockport;
Laura Vidales of Cheektowaga;
Jaymison Walter of Alden;
Anna Wojnerowicz of Lockport;
Robert Zielinski of Buffalo.

Students from more than 2,300 higher education institutions are represented in the annual directory, which was first published in 1934.

Elizabeth R. Maute
Media Specialist

CLUBS

OXFAM AMERICA HUNGER BANQUET

by *Samantha Sieg*

Oxfam America is an organization known for its advocacy for the rights of those in poverty both nationally and internationally. While America is one of the richest nations in the world, some of our citizens are plagued with poverty and hunger.

This year's GS 101 peer leaders teamed up with the Oxfam America Club at Hilbert College to share this message with the freshman GS 101 classes this past November. Together we hosted an Oxfam America Hunger Banquet, which Oxfam America describes as an "interactive event,

[in which] the place where you sit, and the meal that you eat, are determined by the luck of the draw—just as in real life some of us are born into relative prosperity and others into poverty."

During this event students were challenged to accept that hunger and poverty make up a large part of this world. To make this idea more concrete, photos from Hilbert's Kenya Krew 2012 were shown.

This event has been hosted for several years here on the Hilbert Campus. Those involved chose to make changes to this year's event, hoping to make it even more impactful

for participating students. One difference this year is that there is a new *Oxfam America Club* at Hilbert. This club gives students an opportunity to learn more about Oxfam America and participate in awareness activities, like the "Hunger Games" Screening and Bake Sale that was held Nov. 12. GS 101 classes will also held clothing and food drives through the end of the semester.

Making a change is as easy as spreading the word. Join Hilbert College's Oxfam America Club today and make a real difference in the world!

See photo on page 8.

THE S.A.D.D. CLUB

S.A.D.D. stands for Students Against Destructive Decisions. We are a peer-to-peer educational, prevention, and activism organization dedicated to Hilbert College's students' safety.

As a club we provide events to give students an opportunity to have safe fun on campus rather than making a decision that may be destructive to them and those around them.

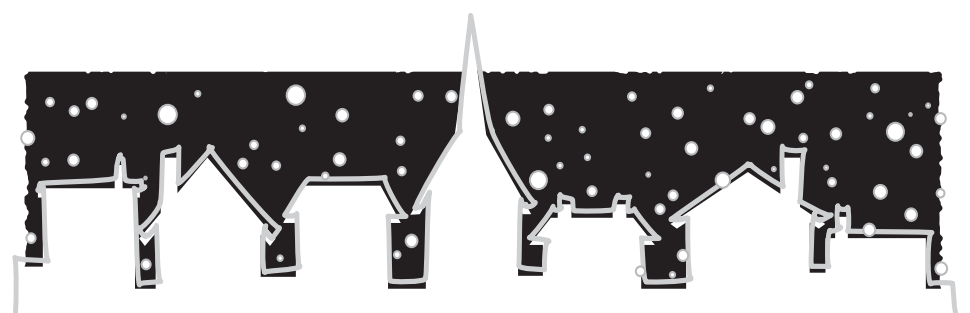
Some of our focuses are intoxication, driving while under the influence, self-harm, and many others. We encourage you to join our club and help keep Hilbert safe for yourself and your fellow students.

Upcoming events sponsored by the S.A.D.D. Club include a candy sale to benefit UNICEF and Taco Tuesday hosted by the Coyote Café.

The club meets every Wednesday at 4 p.m. in St. Joe's Lounge. The club is open to resident and commuter students.

For more information, contact Samantha Gerstner, President, sgerstner@hilbert.edu; Tricia Myers, Vice-President, pmyers@hilbert.edu; or Phyllis Dewey, Club Advisor, pdewey@hilbert.edu.

Phyllis Dewey
Club Advisor
Director, Counseling Center



CLUBS

HILBERT STUDENTS SHINE IN NYS PHI BETA LAMBDA COMPETITION

The New York State chapter of Phi Beta Lambda held its annual competition in April. The following Hilbert College students were cited for their performance. Other colleges represented in the competition were Briarcliffe College, SUNY at Geneseo, Herkimer Community College, SUNY at Binghamton, & SUNY at Oswego.

John Babocsi won first place in "Marketing Analysis and Decision-Making."

Adam Haker won first place in "Management Analysis and Decision Making."

David Haseley won first place in "Human Resource Management."

Nina Pierino won first place in "Project Management."

Sarah Zablonksi won first place in "Accounting Analysis and Decision-Making."

Elizabeth R. Maute
Media Specialist

SKI CLUB NEWS

The 2012 Hilbert College Ski Trip will take place on Feb. 28-Mar. 3, 2013. Those participating will leave Thursday afternoon and return Sunday evening. Included in this trip are accommodations at the resort, two-day lift tickets, three continental breakfasts, and transportation from Hilbert to Stratton for \$200 per person (fund-raising may lower cost). Given limited space available, a non-refundable \$50 deposit holds each student's spot. Cash or check payments should be brought to Professor John D'Amico in Biegel Hall, Room 114. For other information about the Ski Club, contact Ski Club President Greg Zitnik gzitnik@hilbert.edu, Ski Club Vice-President Jeremy MacKay jmackay@hilbert.edu, or Ski Club Treasurer Andrew D'Amico adamico@hilbert.edu.

John D'Amico
Club Advisor

HILBERT COLLEGE'S MILITARY CLUB

Veteran? Prospect? Serving? Supporter?
This club represents a networking, support, discussion, and outreach group for military past, present, and future. Join now!
E-mail Cameron Haag at chaag1@hilbert.edu or Erica Duncan at ericaduncan@live.com.
Casual bi-weekly meetings and events. Inquire!

OFFICES

ANNOUNCING A NEW TUTORING SERVICE!

Math, Writing, & Research Lab

Fridays, 11 a.m.–2 p.m., in the Academic Services Center

The Academic Services Center is excited to introduce the math, writing, and research lab on Fridays. This lab will be staffed by professional tutors, providing an opportunity for you to drop in, ask questions, and develop skills in math, writing, or research. These specialized and individualized labs will help to improve your grades in any of your classes!

Anna Hartloff has been a professionally trained and specialized math tutor at Erie Community College for approximately fifteen years, while also working as a math tutor at Hilbert College. In addition, she is a student at Hilbert studying accounting. Anna will work with you to help you succeed in your math classes. If you are interested in the math lab, bring your notes, assignments, and calculator.

Tara Petty is a graduate intern from the University at Buffalo. She is studying higher education administration and loves working with students. Tara has worked with students to develop their writing and research skills, and is a trained writing tutor. Tara will work with you throughout the writing process, on researching papers and on MLA or APA formatting. If you are interested in the writing and research lab bring your assignments and outlines. Drop in anytime between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. on Fridays!

Three Options for Tutoring Services

Drop In

Writing

Monday and Wednesday	10 a.m.–12 p.m.	PH 210
Tuesday and Thursday	9–10 a.m.	PH 210

Math

Tuesday	10 a.m.–12 p.m.	Career Lab in Fran Hall
Thursday	11 a.m.–2 p.m.	Career Lab in Fran Hall

Accounting

Tuesday	12:30–3 p.m.	Academic Services Center
	4–6 p.m.	

Tutoring by Appointment

Contact the Academic Services Center to make an appointment.

****ALL NEW Math, Writing, and Research Lab****

Friday	11 a.m.–2 p.m.	Academic Services Center
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JOIN US IN ACADEMIC SERVICES FOR SNACKS WHILE LEARNING TO USE BLACKBOARD!

Blackboard is the Hilbert College course management system that many instructors will be utilizing to post grades, assignments, due dates, course syllabi, and the like.

Tuesday, Jan. 29, at 12:30 p.m. or Wednesday, Jan. 30, at 2 p.m.

See you there!

STUDENT ACTIVITIES



GS 101 Students Attending the Oxfam America Hunger Banquet

POLAR PLUNGE: “FREEZIN’ FOR A REASON”

by Nina Pierino

On Saturday, Dec. 1, 2012, members of the Hilbert College Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (better known as SAAC) braved the freezing cold temperatures of Lake Erie at Woodlawn Beach State Park for the annual Polar Plunge.

The event brought out twenty student-athletes and coaches, and their efforts raised \$1,000 for the New York State Special Olympics. Congratulations to those participating to raise money for this worthy cause!



Hilbert Students Attending the Polar Plunge

PROGRAMS & PROFILES

NEW IMC GRADUATES

by Cecilia Chmurzynski

Congratulations to Peter Burns and Jenna Dulak on completing master of arts degrees in Integrated Marketing and Communications at St. Bonaventure University.

Peter Burns is the Vice President for Enrollment Management at Hilbert College and Jenna Dulak is the college's web manager, Information Services; adjunct instructor (MIS) in the business administration program of the Professional Studies Division; and distance learning coordinator.

Also completing the IMC master of arts degree program at St. Bonaventure are recent Hilbert graduates Frank Castiglia and Stephanie George.



Master of Arts Graduates in Integrated Marketing & Communications at St. Bonaventure University's Branch Campus on the Hilbert College Campus, Including Hilbert Alumnus Frank Castiglia & Hilbert Web Manager Jenna Dulak (fourth & fifth from left), Hilbert Alumna Stephanie George (seventh from left), & Peter Burns, Hilbert's Vice President for Enrollment Management (fourth from right)

GS 101 PERSONNEL INTERVIEWS: BONITA HOGAN

by Tristan Shaffer

On interviewing Bonnie Hogan, I learned that she is a half-time English/Spanish teacher on campus. She had previously been teaching English for thirty-one years here. However, this is her first year teaching Spanish at Hilbert College.

Hogan earned her bachelor's and master's degrees in English at Buffalo State College. She earned Spanish certification through the State University of New York at Buffalo and Canisius College. Her language skills were further developed through two summers of study at the University of Salamanca in Spain and Fulbright study at the Universidad Iberoamericana in

Mexico City. Ms. Hogan was a high school, middle school, and elementary school teacher for thirty-three years in various districts before retiring from the Frontier Central School District in 2005. She has enjoyed thirty-one years as an adjunct here at Hilbert. In 2011 she was awarded at Hilbert the Adjunct Excellence in Teaching Award.

When Hogan was a sophomore in college, she decided that she wanted to be an English teacher. She had enrolled, intending to become a teacher, but not of English; she was a math major at first.

One point she makes about herself is that she strives to be organized. She explained how organization is a big key to her success. She



Bonnie Hogan

encourages students to enjoy Hilbert. She says that the best thing about being a college professor is interacting with students and be-

ing there to help them if they need it. She is in the library for students needing help.

She gives advice to her students in class,

including easy ways for them to succeed. She says to the students in all her English classes to be prepared, so if there is a surprise test or an assignment due soon, they can be ready and willing to do it, no matter what. To her Spanish students she says that patience in learning the material over time is the best way to succeed. It took her many years to master Spanish and be sure she knew it, so she knows that a student's having just one semester to learn it can be challenging. Studying is the best way to learn it: If one just takes notes on it and does not study it, one will not learn anything.

Hogan is a very kind woman. She would gladly answer any

questions about English or Spanish to the best of her ability. Her teaching experience makes her a great professor and even better as someone on campus to help students with any problems during the years they are here. Having completed thirty-one years makes her an experienced teacher and even though she does not have many years at Hilbert as a Spanish teacher, her time in Mexico has been very helpful.

Overall, Hogan is a dedicated teacher. I have not personally had her for a teacher, but if she has been teaching for thirty-one years and is still doing it, having received an award for it, she has to be a memorable teacher!

OFFICES

ACADEMIC SERVICES GRADUATE INTERN: TARA PETTY

The Academic Services Center is pleased to announce that Tara Petty will be joining the center during the spring semester as a graduate intern.

Tara is in her last semester of the Student Affairs Administration master's program at the State University of New York at Buffalo where she also works in the Accessibility Office. She is interested in assisting

students in the area of academic strategies. She will be working with Debbie Dimitrovski to aid students as well as support the office in a variety of ways.

Tara will also be a professional tutor for the Writing and Research Lab on Fridays from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. She is very excited to be joining the Hilbert community and looks forward to meeting many of you!



TAX SAVINGS FOR STUDENTS

Hilbert students and/or their parents may be eligible to take advantage of federal tax credits when filing their 2012 tax returns. To be eligible, the taxpayer must file a return and owe taxes. As part of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA), the Hope Scholarship Credit was expanded and renamed the American Opportunity Tax Credit. The Hope Credit and the Lifetime Learning Credit were part of the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997 and went into effect in 1998.

The American Opportunity Tax Credit has a maximum value of \$2,500 per student (100% of the first \$2,000 of qualified tuition and fees paid and 25% of the next \$2,000 of such payments in 2012). To be eligible for the credit, the student must be enrolled on at least a half-time (six credit hours) basis in at least one semester in 2012 and be in the first four years of post-secondary education in a program leading to a degree. The credit for each student is available for up to four tax years.

The Lifetime Learning Credit is a tax credit with a maximum value of \$2000 (20% of the first \$10,000 of qualified tuition and fee payments). There is no minimum course load requirement for the credit nor is there a limit on the number of years in which

the student may claim the credit; in fact, expenses for graduate work are eligible.

There are a couple of other limitations on the credits—a student may claim only one of the credits in any year and neither credit may be claimed if adjusted gross income exceeds certain levels. Also, scholarships and grants reduce the amount of qualified expenses. To determine the amount of your education credits, complete Form 8863. Part I is for the American Opportunity Credit and Part III is for the Lifetime Learning Credit. Then attach Form 8863 to Form 1040 or 1040A. Students enrolled at Hilbert in 2012 will be sent a Form 1098-T in January. That form will identify whether the student was enrolled at least as a half-time student.

There is also a refundable tax credit or itemized deduction available to New York State resident taxpayers. This credit or deduction is available to resident taxpayers who pay allowable college tuition expenses of up to \$10,000 in 2012 and later years on behalf of self, spouse, or dependents for undergraduate study.

For additional information about these tax savings, you should consult a tax advisor.

Julie Lanski
Director of Student Financial Services

FINANCIAL AID CORNER January 25, 2013

Announcements from the Student Finance Office, Franciscan Hall

DROP/ADD PERIOD ENDS 1/29/2013 – The last day to change your course schedule (drop or add classes) is Tuesday, Jan. 29, 2013. Office Hours during the Drop/Add period (1/22-1/29) are 8:30 a.m.–6:30 p.m. (except for Friday, 1/25/13, 8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.).

BOOKSTORE CREDIT ENDS 2/1/2013 – The last day to utilize bookstore credit (charge your textbooks against your financial aid credit balance) is Friday, Feb. 1.

AVOID \$50.00 LATE FEE – Tuition payment arrangements were due on 1/4/2013; you are subject to a \$50.00 late fee; please contact or visit the Student Finance Office *today* to help avoid a \$50.00 late fee on your account!

COMPLETED FINANCIAL AID FILE – Financial aid cannot be applied to your student account until your financial aid file is complete. Please check with the Student Finance Office staff if you are unsure whether or not you owe any documentation to complete your file!

2013/2014 FAFSA – The FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) should be completed online at www.fafsa.ed.gov by Hilbert College's priority deadline of April 1, 2013. Filing your application before the deadline date enables you to be considered for institutional aid that may not be available at a later filing date... so be sure to file your FAFSA as soon as possible!

COMMUNITY FOUNDATION FOR GREATER BUFFALO 2013/14 SCHOLARSHIP – Applications are currently available online at www.cfgb.org. The deadline for the scholarship application is Mar. 1, 2013 (see online for additional information).

OUTSIDE SCHOLARSHIPS – NEED MONEY \$\$\$? Stop in periodically to the Student Finance Office and check out the availability of outside scholarships that may benefit *you*!

The Student Finance Office staff... is here for you!

Cindy Claar, Student Finance Technician, ext. 314
Kelly Canaski, Student Finance Counselor, ext. 277
Suna Combs, Student Finance Counselor, ext. 249
Yolanda Gatewood, Student Finance Counselor, ext. 414
Elaine Szczepanski, Student Finance Counselor, ext. 308
Beverly Chudy, Director of Financial Aid, ext. 207
Julie Lanski, Director of Student Financial Services, ext. 208

Regular Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 8:30 a.m.–5 p.m.; Friday, 8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.
Telephone: 649-7900

FINANCIAL LITERACY TIP

Prepare for Financial Aid Changes in 2013

Some components of college funding will or could change this year.

Taxpayers can continue to claim a credit for education expenses including textbook purchases.

The new year is only a few weeks old, but there are already reasons for college students to pay attention to the financial aid landscape for 2013.

As part of a deal passed Jan. 1 to avert the so-called fiscal cliff, education tax benefits previously set to expire were extended for five years. Through 2017, families or students can claim the American Opportunity Tax Credit (AOTC) to receive a credit of up to \$2,500 for college expenses, including tuition and textbooks.

Other changes include the revival of the Tuition and Fees Deduction, which had expired in 2011 but can now be claimed through 2013. Students, spouses, or parents can deduct up to \$4,000 on their income tax returns for qualifying

education expenses paid, including any school-mandated fees necessary to enroll or attend.

But the future of other federal education funding for 2013 is still up for debate, as members of Congress have until Mar. 1 to pass new legislation that would prevent cuts to popular financial aid programs such as federal work-study. Barring action, some programs will be set for automatic cuts in what is known as sequestration.

"We're looking to see what will happen to the campus-based programs, federal work-study, and Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants [FSEOG], as far as funding goes," says Pat Watkins, director of financial aid at Eckerd College in Florida. "Those were not spared in the fiscal cliff [deal] and they are up for reduction if we go into se-

questration."

This year, some students could receive college financial aid awards that include funding that might ultimately get cut, Watkins says. Eckerd College, for one, will dole out aid based on "what we hope we're going to have," she notes.

"Many schools [may] put a lot of caveats in their award letters, saying, 'This is contingent on federal funding,'" she notes.

The fate of subsidized student loan interest rates also rests with Washington politicians, who last year put a temporary freeze on a pending doubling of interest rates for certain undergraduate loans. Instead of rising from 3.4 percent to 6.8 percent last July 1, the interest rate on subsidized Stafford loans was kept at 3.4 percent through June 30, 2013. If Congress does not take action beforehand, the rates will automatically double on July 1 of this

year for new loans.

The potential interest rate uptick may not be immediately recognizable to many students, notes Brian Quisenberry, director of financial planning at Birmingham-Southern College in Alabama.

"I don't know if that effect is really felt by students until after they graduate," Quisenberry says. "Then all of a sudden, it's, 'Bam—what do you mean I have X thousand dollars in interest on all this stuff?'"

To stay up to date on the most recent changes to student financial aid, such as student loan interest rates, stay in contact with your college financial aid administrators, and check back with *U.S. News Education* in the coming months.

Katy Hopkins
Jan. 14, 2013
U.S. News Education

CLUBS

PBL ATTENDS WNY TOP PRIVATE COMPANIES EVENT

by Jeff Krajewski, VP of Phi Beta Lambda

On Nov. 13, 2012, I attended, as a member of Phi Beta Lambda, the Western New York Top Private Companies Event at the Hyatt Hotel in Buffalo.

The event was well organized and very professional. It started at 7:30 a.m. and lasted roughly two hours. I was honored to be in the company of several business leaders who had faced successfully the challenges of running a business.

When I sat down at

my table there were fruit, pastries, and orange juice waiting for me.

Some executives came to my table and we began discussing my education and different opportunities that may be available in the future.

They each provided insights on being innovative, having dedication, and creating a culture of open communication.

While talking with these business leaders, we were served a breakfast of scrambled eggs, sausage, and biscuits. During breakfast

we all watched as they counted down the top seventy-two companies in Western New York. I found that the companies in the top twenty made a total revenue of at least 60 million dollars, the top fifteen made at least 90 million dollars, the top ten made at least 200 million dollars, and the top five made at least 450 million dollars. The top five were Tripifoods, Inc.; Jack Hunt, Coin Broker; Osmose Holdings, Inc.; Delaware North Cos., Inc.; and in first place Rich Products Corporation, with

a total revenue of 3.03 billion dollars.

After the countdown, a panel discussion was held, during which the leaders of these top private companies answered questions fielded by the speaker.

I learned a great deal of new information from the discussions between the panelists. For example, "All of the success in my business starts with a dream, and then pursuing and conquering that dream," "Listen to your customers. Sell what they want, not what you want," "Don't branch

out, stick to what you know," "Continue the development of your products so your business keeps on improving," "Find the niche, protect it, and develop it," "Keep a home-like atmosphere so that employees remain satisfied," and "Make sure everything is replaceable—be prepared for all situations by understanding the responsibilities of the business."

These were just some of the comments that I wrote down for use in my professional career as a businessman. I am

very grateful that I had the opportunity to go to this event because I learned new information that is going to be useful for the rest of my life.

I would recommend to anyone who is interested in entering the business world to join the Phi Beta Lambda Club and receive all the benefits that it gives, including events like this.

Please contact me or Professor Patrick Heraty if you are interested in joining.

HILBERT GRAD STUDENT AWARDED FIRST ROTARY SCHOLARSHIP, WORKS ON VETERANS CENTER PROJECT

The Hamburg Sunshine Rotary awarded its first ever Annual Veteran's Scholarship Award to Hilbert College MPA graduate student and Village of Hamburg resident Kevin Wright on Nov. 10.

The \$500 scholarship award was presented by Michael Reilly, president of the Hamburg Sunshine Rotary and Hilbert adjunct professor, during the annual Veteran's Recognition Dinner. Kevin is a veteran of the Iraqi war and is currently working on his master's degree in public administration at the College.

Besides his graduate studies, Kevin has been working on a project at Hilbert to create an

administrative and recruitment position for the Veteran's Center at the College. Currently, Hilbert's Veteran's Center has a lounge and study area that provide veterans a place to go to for some quiet studying time, or to meet up with other veterans on campus. Wright said that although the center is great, he has seen a need for veterans returning to college to have a central contact person to whom they can go for help as they transition back to civilian life.

Working closely with Cameron Haag, the Hilbert College military club president, and Jeannie Kornacki, director of student ac-

tivities, Wright first conducted research on how other colleges, which have a set-up similar to Hilbert's veteran's center, were able to provide this support system and the results. They found that when vets had a central person they could feel comfortable contacting, and could relate to their needs, they succeeded better in and out of the classroom than those who did not have a central contact.

"Vets need help with the transition of returning to college and their communities," says Wright. "Many returning veterans have stressed the benefits of having a point of contact that they can go

for guidance, as they had in the military, from individuals such as a non-commissioned or staff non-commissioned officer."

Having completed his bachelor degree in 2004, prior to joining the military, Wright says, "I didn't realize how confusing navigating the financial aid process and the G.I. bill could be for vets. There have been a lot of changes since it was revised post-9/11. Returning veterans have a lot to deal with when they come home, such as joining the work force and finding a job, to juggling responsibilities of family life again." Wright says that the stress of how

to apply for college and financial aid can be daunting without having a support system there to give some guidance.

Besides helping to navigate the financial aid system, Wright envisions the Veteran's Center to offer support for vets who need assistance in finding help for mental and physical problems that arise after returning home. A person in this administrative position at the college would work closely with the local Veterans Affairs office in helping vets find the type of medical assistance they need.

"The Veteran's Center would be able to support local veterans in

the community as well as current and past students that don't know where to go for help or whom to talk to about it," says Wright.

Some of the funds from this scholarship will go to cover book expenses over the coming semester, says Wright. He also plans to give some of it back to the current Veteran's Center in the form of office supplies that are needed in the studying area. The Military Club hopes to hold a fundraiser with the Sunshine Rotary this coming year to raise funds for the Center.

Elizabeth R. Maute
Media Specialist

PRINT BYTES

Quality vs. Value

"... many leading executives, like the rest of us, are interested in quality for money, which is quite different from value for money, and even interested in qualities that don't immediately have to do with money at all." (10).

Michael Wood. "Must We Pay for Sanskrit?" *London Review of Books* 33.24 (December 15, 2011): 10.

PROGRAMS & COURSES

THE DEVELOPMENT OF FRANCISCAN VALUES THROUGH STUDIES OF AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE

by *Bernadine De Mike*

There are eight golden and pristine values stressed at Hilbert College and their thread of wisdom is wound through many of the courses here. However, I have found that my studies in American Sign Language, taught by a teacher of inspiration, Sr. Conchetta LoPresti, to be of immense significance in promoting several of these tenets.

HOPE is found in the many opportunities to

communicate with another culture so easily. It is with tremendous excitement that I enter class twice a week, practice the signs, and reach out through visits and conversation with the deaf. It is like breaking the sound barrier and indeed breaking through when there is no sound, but still offering a fascinating conversation. My greatest hope is to be able to teach deaf children in various phases of the arts, and this alone emits **JOY**.

I now teach signing to

my religious education class of nine children, which I know encourages them to continue these studies later on in life. To see their faces come alive with physical as well as mental prayer is an unimaginable reward. I feel compelled to study above and beyond what is given meticulously in the classroom and pursue the Internet at every available moment. I learn songs, teach my grandchildren, and entertain the family via two eight-year-old twins. Who would not

want to hear good old Louis Armstrong in his famous version of "Wonderful World" signed by two adorable little boys in baseball caps?

I have developed a new **COMPASSION** for the deaf and great **RESPECT** for their adherence to the fact that they do not feel they are debilitated or disabled. I totally admire their philosophy on life and acceptance of their culture, which does not deter from education, socialization, joy of life, and of course spiritual-

ity. Attending a Catholic church service for deaf families was like a breath of fresh air. I could use my hands, arms, face, and expressions to worship, not hiding my inner joy at being there. I was able to sing with movement and not with just a quiet voice, as is usually done, and loved watching the faces of the people surrounding me.

I have been teaching drama for most of my life and find it extremely difficult to have both children and adults, even dance

students, using their faces and hands. It is with joy that the deaf community can express themselves so easily. This shows their great **INTEGRITY** for feeling the words that flow from their hearts. I have a **VISION** of someday teaching this culture to many students either as a guest or in my own academy. This vision has certainly been the result of my entering one of the most fascinating classes in my three-year history at Hilbert... the ASL course.

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Film Review

Les Misérables: Simply Misérable?

by *Sean Lynch*

If you are an avid moviegoer such as myself, then you are probably already familiar with Tom Hooper's recent adaptation of the musical *Les Misérables*. If not, or perhaps you are a casual viewer, then perhaps you are a bit more in the dark on this film. The film has been doing phenomenally well at the box office and is even nominated for quite a few Oscars at the next Academy Awards. But does it deserve the praise that it has been receiving? How does this adaptation hold up to the original musical?

As I briefly mentioned, the film is an adaptation of a Broadway musical... which is an adaptation of a much smaller French musical... which is an adaptation of a very lengthy novel by Victor Hugo. With all of these different shifts in media, it is apparent that changes would have to be made. That being said, it is obvious that Tom Hooper has attempted to be as faithful as possible to the Broadway musical while still trying to leave his own voice, no pun intended, in the finalized work.

To review or critique the



Anne Hathaway as Fantine

actors, performances, and adaptation as a whole, it will be easier if I first establish an overview of the story. The story of the film/musical/book is a very complex one, so I shall try to sum it up as briefly as possible. Jean Valjean is a Frenchman who was imprisoned for two decades for the crime of stealing bread to provide for his family. When he is released on parole, he attempts to steal silverware from a priest he encounters. Valjean is caught by the police for stealing, but he is set free by the priest, who states that he gave the silverware to him. Valjean takes this as a sign and decides to turn his life around. He finds God and

devotes himself to helping others, as the priest helped him.

Fast-forward nearly a decade and Valjean, under a new name, has become a successful and wealthy factory owner and mayor of a small French town. One of the Valjean's employees, Fantine, is fired by the foreman for caring for her illegitimate child, Cosette. Fantine is desperate to get money to provide for her daughter and turns to selling her hair, teeth, and body on the streets. Eventually, she is arrested for assault (she attacks one of her clients) by Javier, an inspector who recognizes Valjean as a fugitive who evaded the police on parole. Valjean meets

the dying Fantine, who pleads with him to take care of Cosette. Valjean agrees, takes Cosette from the corrupt innkeepers watching her, and escapes the city (and Javier, who is determined to arrest Valjean).

Fast-forward another decade and Valjean and Cosette are living in Paris. Cosette meets and falls in love with Marius, a French revolutionist, while Javier continues his search for Valjean. A small revolution breaks out in the streets, putting Marius at risk. Thus it is up to Valjean to save Marius, take care of Cosette,

and evade Javier.

And that is just the story for the first two acts! I tried to provide as much of an overview as possible, while leaving out any spoilers as well as many of the side stories that occur throughout its course and runtime.

As far as the acting goes, most of the actors/actresses did a tremendous job in portraying their roles. Anne Hathaway as Fantine stole the show, despite her brief screen time, and Hugh Jackman played a very realistic and believable Jean Valjean. Amanda Seyfried did a charming Cosette, and

Eddie Redmayne gave a surprisingly breathtaking performance as Marius (even though the actor still has the same issue of never seeming to close his mouth all the way, making him constantly stand there with his lips gaping in awe). The corrupt innkeepers were played by Sacha Baron Cohen and Helena Bonham Carter, both of whom brought much humor to the film when they were on screen. And then there's Russell Crowe as Javier... oh boy, was that a bad casting call!

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Isabelle Allen as the Young Cosette & Hugh Jackman as Jean Valjean

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Crowe can be a good actor at times, and this is no exception. However, this is a musical, which requires some singing talent. Despite Crowe's history as being a singer for an Australian band, his singing ability in the film was incredibly poor. Every single time he opened his mouth, it felt as if the emotion was suddenly removed from every one of his songs.

As seen in many of the behind-the-scene videos, Hooper had the actors record their singing live so that they could bring a rawer feel to the emotions

behind the singing. With some performances, such as Hathaway's Fantine, the results were highly emotional scenes. However, with every single time Crowe sang, it felt as if he was struggling to hold the notes. I am unsure if it was the method, the singer, or perhaps both, but Crowe's performance as Javie brings the film to a sudden halt with every note he belches.

The only other actor whose performance was hindered by this live singing was Jackman as Valjean. For some songs it worked incredibly well! For others, Jackman changed the tempo and feel of the song far too much. It definitely felt raw

and emotional, but perhaps a bit too raw and emotional for its own good. However, with almost all of the other performances, the live singing worked to its advantage.

Another highlight, aside from Hathaway's solos, was "Empty Chairs at Empty Tables," performed by Redmayne as Marius. What was once a piece sung by a group of mourning soldiers has now become a heartfelt ballad sung by Marius alone in a bar. The result is a beautiful change to the piece!

One of the biggest disappointments with this film had to be its set pieces and scenery, though. The original Broadway musical was set upon a rotating

stage, which allowed for many set decorations to be deployed in such a limited area. Surely with the open-world access of cameras, these sets will only be better in the film, right? Wrong! The sets in the film seemed puny, most likely to account for realism. While I believe that attaining realism is a nice touch, there should still be a grand feel to the sets. After all, it's a musical! One has to take some liberties with realism given that everyone is singing all the time, so one would think that the same liberties could be taken in making the sets even more impressive. Instead, we are left with a very small church for Valjean to

have his godsend epiphany/change of heart in and the most pathetic revolutionary roadblock ever to have been put on film.

Overall, I still found the film to be a highly enjoyable experience. It definitely was not the best film I have seen this year (my favorites would have to be Quentin Tarantino's *Django Unchained* and Wes Anderson's *Moonrise Kingdom*), but it is worth checking out. The sense of realism is a nice touch, although it does take away from the film in some areas. The biggest downside to the film is Crowe's performance. I'm sorry Russell, but your terrible singing in the film ru-

ined "One Day More" for me, and that was my favorite song from the original musical. Luckily, all of the other songs stand up to the original Broadway numbers and some, such as "I Dreamed a Dream" and "Empty Chairs at Empty Tables," even surpass their predecessors!

Anyway, it will be interesting to see how well this film fares during the Academy Awards. It would be nice to see Hathaway get some recognition for her performance. If you have not seen *Les Misérables* yet, be sure to check it out! Just keep an open mind when you go into the theater or pop in the DVD.

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2013 MEN'S VOLLEYBALL SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time
<u>January 25 and January 26</u>	<u>SUNYIT Tournament</u>	
Friday, January 25	Elms College	6:00 pm
Friday, January 25	Bard College	8:00 pm
Saturday, January 26	Pool play	10 am/12 pm/2:00 pm
Thursday, January 31	* @ D'Youville College	7:00 pm
Sunday, February 3	D'Youville College	11:00 am
Sunday, February 3	Penn State Altoona	3:00 pm
<u>February 9 and February 10</u>	<u>UVC Crossover Matches (@ Medaille)</u>	
Saturday, February 9	* New York University	9:00 am
Saturday, February 9	* Bard College	3:00 pm
Sunday, February 10	* Vassar College	1:00 pm
Tuesday, February 12	@ Thiel College	7:00 pm
Thursday, February 14	* Medaille College	7:00 pm
Wednesday, February 20	* @ Nazareth College	7:00 pm
Saturday, February 23	Mount St. Joseph's (at D'Youville)	6:00 pm
Sunday, February 24	Penn State Altoona (at Medaille)	4:00 pm
Sunday, February 24	@ Medaille College	6:00 pm
Wednesday, February 27	* Elmira College	7:00 pm
Saturday, March 2	@ Juniata	2:00 pm
Saturday, March 2	Mount St. Joseph (@ Juniata)	4:00 pm
<u>March 9 and March 10</u>	<u>UVC Crossover Matches (@ New Paltz)</u>	
Saturday, March 9	* SUNYIT	1:00 pm
Saturday, March 9	* Stevens	11:00 am
Sunday, March 10	* New Paltz	3:00 pm
Thursday, March 14	* @ Penn State Behrend	7:00 pm
Wednesday, March 27	@ Keuka College	7:00 pm
Saturday, March 30	@ Wells College	11:00 am
Saturday, March 30	Theil College (at Wells)	1:00 pm
Wednesday, April 3	Penn State Behrend	7:00 pm
Sat., Sun. April 13, 14	United Volleyball Conference Tournament	TBD
Saturday, April 20	NCAA Division III Tournament	TBD
*United Volleyball Conference		
Head Coach:	Bill Schultz (3 rd year) 716-926-8802 wschultz@hilbert.edu	

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL LOSES AMCC PLAY-OFF MATCH

The Hilbert women's volleyball team (15-12) reached new heights and broke several records during the 2012 season. Unfortunately, their season ended after a 3-0, first-round AMCC play-off loss to Franciscan University Oct. 31. Still, the Hawks qualified for their first ever AMCC tournament after securing the sixth and final seed.

Hilbert played inspired volleyball as they challenged the Barons during the first two sets (25-22, 26-24). When they did not pull the second set victory from Franciscan, the Hawks dropped the third and final set by a 25-14 score.

Senior Devan Jonathan, junior Chelsea Reischuck (13 digs, four service aces), and freshman Al-

legra Johnson (10 digs) all finished the match with seven kills, while sophomore Jordan Botsford led on defense with 16 digs and five assisted blocks. Junior Shannon Memminger, as always, quarterbacked the team with 25 assists. Franciscan, as they did just four days earlier, finished the match hitting .229 with Anna Cain (14 kills) and Dani Link (11 kills) leading the charge.

Franciscan continued on in the play-offs and faced the number two seeded Medaille College Nov. 2. Pitt Bradford (#5 seed who upset #4 seeded Altoona in the other first-round game) faced Penn State Behrend, the #1 seed in the other semi-final game.

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ANTHONY HODGE HONORED AS AMCC PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Hilbert College senior Anthony Hodge (Brooklyn, NY) was named the Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference's men's basketball Player of the Week Nov. 26.

Hodge scored a season-high 18 points, shooting five for 10 from the floor and seven for eight from the foul line as the Hawks

beat Cazenovia College 78-51. Then four days later, Hodge chipped in 15 points to lead Hilbert over Alfred University, 77-67, in another non-conference victory. The 5'8" guard came off the bench to grab four rebounds (two offensive)

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MEN'S BASKETBALL PLAYERS NATIONALLY RANKED

At the holiday break after eleven games played, the Hilbert College men's basketball team was listed in every trackable statistical category available in a weekly Division III release presented by the NCAA. The Hawks were ranked in the Top 50 in six different categories and in the Top 200 in nine of the twelve remaining posts. Four individuals were ranked spanning seven different lists.

The 9-2 Hawks, who were off to the program's historical best start, were ranked 18th in Turnover Margin (6.3), 26th in Turnovers Per Game (11.6), 30th in Assist Turnover Ratio (1.25), 38th in Steals Per Game (10.5), 42nd in Scoring Margin (12.2), and 49th in Won-Lost Percentage (81.1). The other categories which fell in the Top 100 were 70th in Scoring Defense (63.1), 94th in Three-Point Field Goal Defense (30.5), and 100th in Scoring Offense (75.3).

Senior Dan McFarland (Lancaster, NY/St. Mary's) was noted in four separate individual lists: 90th in Assist Turnover Ratio (1.9), 174th in Assist Per Game (3.6), 225th in Free-Throw Percentage (78.7), and 271st in Field Goal Percentage (46.6).

Senior Anthony Hodge (Brooklyn, NY/TA&T/CCC/Plattsburgh) and freshman Jerame Owens (Rochester, NY/Spencerport) appeared twice each. Hodge was 103rd in Steals Per Game (2.27) and 252nd in Free-Throw Percentage (77.5). Owens was 142nd in Rebounds Per Game (8.1) and 244th in Block Shots Per Game (1.09). Sophomore Trevor Stark (Queens, NY/Robert F. Kennedy) was ranked 207th in Steals Per Game (1.91).

2012-13 Team Stats

Side Notes:

Dan McFarland is creeping his way up the All-Time Leader's board. He ranked 3rd in Steals with 163 (Kareem Allen 188); 3rd in field goals made with 506 in career (Dallas Reinard 623); 4th in Free Throws made with 260 (Mike Tyszka 461); 4th in Free Throws attempted with 368 (Tyszka 632); 4th in scoring at 1,321 points (Reinard 1,810) 5th in Assists with 239 (Michael Reyes 528).

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LORUSSO PACES HAWKS AGAINST GREENBURG

After battling back from a double-digit deficit, Hilbert College ran out of gas and surrendered a 71-55 Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference loss to Pitt-Greensburg in women's basketball Jan. 12. Sophomore point guard Sarah Lorusso had her best overall performance, finishing with 15 points, seven rebounds, three steals, and game-

highs of five assists, and three block shots. Greensburg's Courtney DiBridge made six three-pointers en route to her 21 points for the 5-2 Bobcats.

Natalie Whitman contributed 12 points and nine rebounds, while Amber Grosch and Wyann Jackson both chipped in season-high points off the bench. Grosch shot four of five from the floor

for nine points and Jackson knocked down a trey while making three of four at the foul line to finish with eight ticks.

Hilbert took control of the game right from the tip-off. The team built a six-point lead which they were able to hold onto for the game's first seven minutes. DiBridge's second

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BASKETBALL LEADS HAWKS AGAINST HUNGER

From Nov. 15 through Nov. 17, the Hilbert College men's basketball team took on an opponent that society has been forced to compete with for far too long.

"Hawks Against Hunger" was the team's community service project designed to raise money and awareness toward hunger. Through coordination with the Buffalo

City Mission, every \$1.98 raised at Hilbert provided a warm meal, it was hoped, to someone less fortunate.

On behalf of the men's basketball team, Captains Dan McFarland, C. J. Hodge, and Isaac Bushey were happy to present a check to Sue Cervi, Director of Volunteers from the Buffalo City Mission's Tupper Street location.

Thanks to this recent fundraising effort, sixty warm meals were provided this holiday season.

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Dan McFarland, C. J. Hodge, Sue Cervi, & Isaac Bushey

HILBERT HAWKED THE BARONS TO STAY PERFECT

With consistent offensive production each half, the Hilbert College men's basketball team extended its five-game unbeaten streak and improved to 2-0 in the Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference after its 87-51 victory over Franciscan University Dec. 1. The Barons were held to the fewest points allowed this season by the Hawks, as they improved to 6-1 overall and continued the best start in the program's history as a Division III member.

Anthony Hodge led the Hawks scoring with 15 points combined with four steals and three assists. Jerame Owens earned his first double-double of his career, netting 14 points with 11 rebounds (five offensive). Dan McFarland chipped

in seven points, nine rebounds, and three assists. The Hawks matched their season average of 12 steals for the game and secured a season-high five blocks. Franciscan's Justin Horstman led all scorers with 22 points while Hilbert held his high-scoring teammate, Tim Schenk, to three of 14 shooting, resulting in six points, eight under his average.

The Hawks spotted Franciscan three points at the start of the game, and then proceeded to go on a 14-0 run fueled by four different players by 14:09. With four shot opportunities in a row at 10:18, Franciscan cut the deficit to five points, 20-15. But Hilbert closed the period hitting seven of their last 10 shots to take a 46-21 half-time lead.

C. J. Hodge led the Hawks with 10 points, with solid support from Owens' eight points and nine rebounds. Ten different Hawks saw court-time minutes and earned markers in their personal stat-line in the stat sheet.

Even with a 25-point lead, Hilbert did not lose their offensive production after intermission. Eleven Hawks scored, with 13 players seeing quality minutes. Jordan Kumro led the 41-point barrage, shooting two perfect long-range shots and one inside-the-arc bucket in his six minutes of play. Owens netted six more points, going three for three in his four minutes of time and Trevor Stark distributed three of the team's 11 second-

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C. J. Hodge Leads the Hawks with Ten Points Against Franciscan

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and dished four assists in his 32 minutes of court time.

Currently Hodge is thirteenth in the conference for points per game (13.7), is tied for 10th in assists per game (2.3), 13th in free throw percentage (.769), and 13th in steals (1.7).

Hilbert was 4-1 heading into AMCC play Nov. 28 against D'Youville College (0-4) at the Hafner Recreation Center.

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Anthony Hodge

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HAWKS FLY OVER SOARING EAGLES

Moving to 9-2 overall, the Hilbert College men's basketball team captured a 71-66 non-conference win over Elmira College Dec. 15. In an exciting game with neither team gaining enough ground to put the match away, the Hawks fought through six lead changes and eight tied scores in their last game of the semester. Anthony Hodge ripped the nets for 24 points as did Trevor Stark, who finished with 17 tallies. Chris Cassidy earned team-high scoring honors with 18 points and eight rebounds to lead Elmira (0-8) in defeat.

Senior Dan McFarland chipped in 10 points, going four of four from the foul line for Hilbert, and Jerame Owens grabbed eight rebounds before he stepped off the floor owing to fouls late in the game. Elmira's Josh Keys scored all his points from long distance (4 of 5) and teammate Neil Randolph gave the Soaring Eagles 14 points.

Hilbert grabbed the first lead, but played catch-up the rest of the half. The Soaring Eagles shot 58.3% from the floor (five of eight behind the



Isaac Bushey Goes for Lay-up Against Elmira

arc) to maintain control of the game the first twenty minutes. Hilbert tied the game on three occasions, but they never jumped back on top before the break. Hilbert's Hodge shot six of seven from the floor and was one of one at the charity stripe to lead all scorers

with 14 points.

Stark opened the second period with a jump shot, which was followed by an Owens lay-up to give Hilbert their second lead of the game (36-35) at 17:43. Points were flying on the score board in spurts for each team the rest of the game. When

one team gained momentum, the other team came up with defensive stops while they found their offensive groove at the other end of the floor. Isaac Bushey's seven points and one steal led one Hilbert run that started at 9:06. Hodge and Stark continued their late-game scoring, and Jordan Kumro came through and did what was expected of him late. He rebounded and got to the foul line, making both shots, which held off the Elmira comeback.

Hilbert was impressive offensively. Though they finished the game shooting 44.2%, they took care of the ball. The Hawks were credited with only three turnovers the entire 40 minutes. They held the rebound advantage (29-27), shot 21 of 26 from the charity stripe, and finished with seven steals.

Elmira continued to shoot the ball well into the second half, finishing with nine three-point baskets and 52.3% in-field goals. The Soaring Eagles were charged with 13 turnovers and only one steal.

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half passes. The Hawks improved their shooting percentage as the game progressed, making 16 of

28 attempts (57%) in the second half to finish with a 48.6 field goal percentage.

McFARLAND & WHITMAN NAMED HILBERT STUDENT-ATHLETES OF NOVEMBER

Dan McFarland and Natalie Whitman have been named as the Hilbert College Student-Athletes of the Month for November, 2012. Both basketball athletes, last season's team MVPs, began their 2012-13 season where they left off last winter.

McFarland helped lead the Hawks to a 5-1 overall record in November. The 6'2" senior guard averaged 16.5 points, four assists, and 6.2 rebounds per game. His 31 minutes a game were very productive for Hilbert, for when he wasn't attacking the hoop for a score, he was looking for an open teammate to dish the ball to.

McFarland was 37 of 69 from the floor (.536) and was 20 of 25 from the foul line (.80). The lefty led Hilbert with 19 points in the team's 40-point AMCC victory over D'Youville College. His most impressive game was against Keuka, when he led the Hawks in scoring/rebounding/assists (19/8/8) in their road win Nov. 26. McFarland was named to the Hilbert Tip-Off All-Classical team.

McFarland (Lancaster, NY/St. Mary's) is a criminal justice major and carries a 3.2 cumulative GPA.

The 5'11" Whitman also led her team in minutes

played (32) as well as 15.7 points and 9.0 rebounds per game. She was credited with 54 rebounds and her 26 offensive boards were more rebounds than all (but one) teammate earned for the month. Her .390 field goal percentage (32 of 82) was second best for the Hawks and she earned 42 attempts at the foul line, making 30 (.714). Whitman produced two double-doubles in November, with her most impressive game being the home win over Cazenovia, when she hit for 21 points and 21 rebounds. She also scored 25 points and pulled down 10 rebounds in the

Hawks' lop-sided road win over Penn State Du Bois Nov. 17.

Whitman (Lockport, NY/

Starpoint/St. Andrews) is a forensic science/crime scene investigation major with a 4.0 GPA after her

first semester at Hilbert last spring.

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Dan McFarland



Natalie Whitman

BIG FIRST HALF CARRIES HAWKS TO FIRST CONFERENCE WIN

After jumping out to a 23-point first half lead, the Hilbert College women's basketball team held on to capture their first Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference win over Penn State Altoona (0-8) Dec. 8. Three players earned the coveted double-double as the Hawks improved to 3-6 overall. Natalie Whitman led all scorers with 25 points while Altoona's Moira Corrigan grabbed game-high rebounding honors with 14 caroms.

Jessica Jamison produced 13 points and 10 rebounds, but also found

three steals and shared the ball for game-high six assists in the Hawks' win. Whitman cleared 11 boards and Sarah Lorusso went five for six from the foul line. Corrigan led Altoona with 16 points and she had scoring help from Alidia Strouse (12) and Allison Edwards (10).

Hilbert exploded to a 21-4 lead after Wyann Jackson hit a long three-point shot at 12:11. With 1:41 remaining in the first half, the Hawks built a 23-point lead as Whitman

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consecutive shot beyond the arc gave the Bobcats their first lead (13-12) at 12:39. Grosch held off Greensburg's attempt to regain the lead when she sank a free throw and scored a put-back lay-up at 7:50. Untimely turnovers and missed shots by Hilbert allowed the Bobcats to jump out on a 14-0 run and head to the locker room with a 34-23 lead. Greensburg was credited with 10 steals while forcing 15 Hilbert turnovers by half-time.

Greensburg extended their half-time lead to 14 points by 16:51, but the Hawks did not quit. They cut the difference to under 10 with Jackson's jumper at 12:33. Both teams traded baskets until Jackson knocked down a three and Grosch scored another lay-up for the Hawks, but the 53-47 score was as close as Hilbert would get. DiBridge hit two more long-distance bombs and the Bobcats converted free throws to set the final sixteen-point spread.

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HAWKS JUMP TO SECOND PLACE

deGrandpre Earns 100th Win at Hilbert

With Hilbert's 74-64 victory over Pitt-Bradford Jan. 12, Coach Rob deGrandpre earned his 100th career victory in men's basketball. The Hawks (12-3) sat in second place in the Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference standings with a 6-2 league record, while Greensburg dropped to 2-6 AMCC (5-9 overall).

Sophomore Trevor Stark was perfect from the floor, making all six field goal attempts and all four free throws while, at the same time, distributing a game-high five assists. His 16 points matched teammate Anthony Hodge's efforts and were three points

more than Dan McFarland and Jerame Owens, who earned his second consecutive double-double with 13 rebounds. C. J. Hodge was credited with four steals and four assists quarterbacking the Hawks' offense.

Greensburg's Brock Witkowski's 16 points led four Bobcats in double digits. Brian Heinie and Rocco Contristano each chipped in 14 points, while Mike Pearson added 11.

Hilbert shot 47% from the floor and held Greensburg to 38.7% shooting. The Hawks won that battle of the boards (39-33) but watched the Bobcats go 10 for 11 at the charity stripe,



Men's Basketball Coach Rob deGrandpre

while Hilbert missed 10 attempts (18-28).

Hilbert took an early six-point lead to open the game after C. J. Hodge knocked down a long ball at 18:09. Bradford battled back and took a one-point lead after their next three possessions before the teams traded buckets the next three minutes. Hilbert slowly took over to close the half with a 42-31 advantage.

McFarland's eight second-half points led the balanced scoring by the Hawks, who built a 19-point lead by 10:20. Things got interesting when Greensburg made it a nine-point game with 2:47 left. McFarland

went three for four from the line and hit a jumper to stretch it back to 12 points with 0:52 on the clock and held on for a 74-64 win.

Hilbert then headed into a big week of basketball. They traveled to Penn State Behrend (5-2) Jan. 14 (8 p.m.) before they headed to North Buffalo for the back half of the AMCC schedule. The Hawks squared off on Jan. 17 against D'Youville, 1-8, whom they previously beat 94-55, and hosted Franciscan, 0-8 (87-51 win) Saturday, Jan. 19 (3 p.m.).

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BLAIR AND KNAPP NAMED NSCAA SCHOLAR ALL-REGION

Nicole Blair (Syracuse, NY/East Syracuse Minoa) and James Knapp (Lockport, NY/St. Mary's) were named to the National Soccer Coaches Association of America (NSCAA) Scholar All-Region team. The senior defenders were recognized for their solid work in the classroom as much as their performances on the field.

Blair currently carries a 3.61 cumulative grade point average and expects to graduate in May, 2013, with a degree in forensic science/crime scene investigation. The three-year captain played in 68 career games for the Hawks and was the heart and soul of the

team's defense for four seasons. Blair was Hilbert College's Most Valuable Player the last three seasons in women's soccer and has been named to the AMCC Academic All-Conference Team since her freshman year.

"Nicole played every minute for the program since she arrived on campus. She is a top-notch defender with great one-on-one defensive skills," said Kelly Starchok, Hilbert's second-year head coach. "She won balls in the air, played with incredible composure under pressure in the back, and her strong tactical awareness kept our defense organized while she marked the opponent's strongest offensive

threat."

Knapp currently carries a 3.76 cumulative grade point average and expects to graduate in May, 2013, with a degree in forensic science/crime scene investigation. The three-year captain started 70 games for the Hawks and helped transform the academic and athletic culture in the men's soccer program. This past November, at the conclusion of his final season, Knapp was named to the Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference (AMCC) Third Team All-Conference based on his athletic abilities. He has also been named to the AMCC Academic All-Conference Team since his freshman year.

"James was a work horse in the back, marking the opponent's top striker," explained Jeff Panik, Hilbert's second-year head coach. "His speed and determination made him difficult for any forward to beat. He also took on more offensive responsibility this season and his three assists proved his value to the team."

The 2012 men's soccer team finished with a six-game win improvement and set eight new offensive records. With their 7-9-1 slate, the Hawks qualified for the program's first ever AMCC play-off game.

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scored an easy lay-up in the paint. Altoona finished the half going on a seven-point run to settle for a 42-26 deficit.

Whitman was seven for eight from the floor and a perfect six for six from the foul line. Lorusso distributed the rock for five assists in her 13 minutes of play by the half. Hilbert shot 48.5% from the floor and held the Lions to a 23.7% field goal percentage. The Hawks held advantages in points in the paint (24-14) and fast break points (12-2).

After the break, Altoona found new life and slowly cut into the big gap. By 9:58, Hilbert held an 11-point lead (55-44)

which was further cut down to eight after Altoona's Edwards hit a three-point shot at 8:37. After that, Hilbert went cold from the field, but sank their free throws down the stretch to hold off the Lions' comeback. Altoona reversed fortunes in the second half, gaining the better stats in points in the paint, points off turnovers, and second-chance points.

Hilbert returned to action Dec. 12 when they traveled to Keystone (PA) for a double-header game with the men's team. After the mid-week contest, the women's team hosted Fredonia Friday, Dec. 14, before they headed into final exams for the fall semester.

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