SERVICE LEARNING ISSUE

REPORT ON DOMINICAN REPUBLIC SERVICE TRIP

by Emili Ripley

This was my second year of going to the Dominican Republic (DR) with the Students In Free Enterprise (SIFE) organization at Hilbert College. Last year I went as a freshman and was the project leader for meeting and discussing financial records with a mechanic by the name of Juan Louis. This year I was the only current returning student and, again, I led the project for consulting with Juan Louis. I was able to teach him about bookkeeping skills and the benefit of saving money for his business and family. Every time you participate in a service learning project you experience something different and take away new knowledge and feelings. Compared to last year, the SIFE group was twice the size this year. This helped me to see things from a different perspective. I was able to widen my way of thinking, and observe more thoughts and feelings from other members. You can gain a sense of where people grew up and how they were raised when they react to sights they see while being in a country with as much poverty as the DR. This year I was educated about the location of poverty compared to the wealthy parts of town. Believe it or not, they are adjacent to each other in all the cities we traveled to. We would be driving to our work site in the morning and notice these houses that looked like Miami mansions; then the next second there were houses with barbed wire fencing, made of tin scraps. The locals whom we were able to talk to expressed their

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H-FILES’ PHOTO CONTEST

BIGAJ & STEINHORST WIN TOP PRIZES IN PHOTO CONTEST

The H-Files photo contest featured twenty-three entries by eight students, with a maximum of four photos per student. The composite scores of a panel of student judges, viewing the photos independently as anonymous entries, produced the following results:

1st place: Jamie Bigaj, a $50 prize for the photo “Under the Pier”;
2nd place: Kaitlyn Steinhorst, a $25 prize for the photo “L’ocean”
3rd place: Samantha Hahn for “Rusty”;
4th place: Kaitlyn Steinhorst, “Addictions”;
5th place: Heather Bello, “Basilica”;

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My Service Experience
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Since my trip to Camden, NJ, I have been on three other service trips, including two to the Dominican Republic with the SIFE team here at Hilbert College. I have also participated in numerous community service acts through my church, clubs on campus, and home town.

I can see that in today's world many opportunities for us to make changes in our lives and other people's lives. I know we hear it a great deal, but we, as college students and young adults, are the future. We need to be the catalyst for change in people.

Service is something that is not done so you can feel good about yourself. It is to sacrifice your time for someone who needs the help more than you need a new pair of shoes or the latest iPod. The reason might not be to feel better about yourself, but you definitely will feel a sense of happiness when you are the reason someone else is smiling.

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 March 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...James Smith!

To collect this prize, the identified winner must contact Dr. Ernst, with accompanying Hilbert College ID or driver’s license by or on Friday, Mar. 25, 2011.

The H-Files, Volume 12, Issue 7

Guest Editors
Regina M. Ernst, Madison Lux, Kayla Tigue, Rachel Dobiesz, Jillian Cohen, Frank Castiglia, Emili Ripley

H-Files Photographer
Thomas Wills

Faculty Advisor
Dr. Charles A. S. Ernst
by Bernadine De Mike

No, this article is not about sex, but now that I’ve got your attention… Hi! My name is Bernadine De Mike and I will be writing a monthly column that will entertain, excite, sometimes antagonize, but always inspire the students at Hilbert. I am the wife of a former railroad engineer, the mother of seven (yes, I said seven) great children, and director of the Royale Dance Academy and Theater.

As a graduate of Nar in, I had planned to study social work at D’Youville College, but due to various circumstances, was led to open the first of five dance studios, study dance teacher training at the U. of Michigan and New York, and continue studies in drama, stage production, tech theater, photography, French, and Italian. You will discover that I am passionate about the value of the arts, the immense benefits of dedicated study, high goals, and a positive attitude toward great achievements. I discovered the joy of writing here at Hilbert, where the amazing and caring teachers are gems beyond measure.

And all students are invited to join our theater productions (we are planning a major dance-drama for school field trips and general audiences here at the Swan) and help with tech theater, market ing, PR, costume and scenic design and execution, of course, acting, singing and dancing. Although I am in the process of rewriting scripts and training manuals, it is certainly not as much fun as my “Artsy Anecdotes”!

Join me for lunch any Tuesday or Thursday at 12:30 p.m. at the Campus Center. Call for info — anytime (553 4379).

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ARTSY ANECDOTES OF LAUGHTER & TEARS

NEW BLENDED E’S COURSE RECEIVES VERIZON FUNDING

As preparations are made for a blended traditional-online intro duc tory course in Hil bert College’s forensic science/crime scene investigation major, a check presentation recently took place on campus for the Verizon Foundation grant be come n used to develop the class.

With the $18,000 Veri zon grant, virtual classroom technology will be used to offer an “Introduction to Forensic Science” course for this first time this fall in a hybrid format that links online and classroom-based instruction.

Paula Witherell
Director, Public Relations

ADVENTURE, CHALLENGE OF KILIMINJARO CLIMB IS SHARED

The Kilimanjaro Climb for Kids, last summer’s climbing excursion of the highest free standing peak in the world as a way to help raise awareness and support for Kids Escaping Drugs, was discussed March 2 by Hilbert College alumnum and climb participant Brian Kruszka.

Kruszka and fellow climber Ed Kilgore, WGRZ-TV sports di rector, talked about their remarkable experi ence and the challenge of climbing Tanzania’s Mount Kilimnjaro at an 11 a.m. presentation in Hilbert’s William E. Swan Auditorium.

A 2009 Hilbert gradu ate, Kruszka also dis cussed his affiliation with Kids Escaping Drugs and his personal motivation for participating in the climb of Mount Kilimnjaro, which stands 19,340 feet above sea level.

The Lake View resi dent has described his involvement in the climb as a “tangible way to illustrate any life you want to live is out there, waiting for you, with no limits of time and space.”

The event, which was sponsored by the Hil bert Counseling Cen ter, was free and open to the public.

Paula Witherell
Director, Public Relations

PRINT BYTES

Liberal Learning and the Global Village

“To insist that the [college] curriculum should have a practical orientation is not, however, to claim that education should become narrowly vocational: Liberal-arts education has never been more important than in today’s globalized world” (G2).

THE BUFFALO LABORATORY THEATRE PRESENTS

The Buffalo Laboratory Theatre (BLT) presents Standing on My Knees, a play by John Olive. Directed by BLT Artistic Director Taylor Doherty, the production stars Katie White as Catherine and features Michael Seitz, Linda Stein, and Marie Costa.

Standing on My Knees tells the story of Catherine, a talented poet affected with schizophrenia, who is returning to the “real world” after several months in the hospital. Urged on by her publisher she struggles to pursue her art, but the intensity of thought and emotion required for her writing brings on her attacks and the imaginary voices that bedevil her. At a party she meets Robert, a young stockbroker, and as their relationship deepens she relies even more heavily on Thorazine pills to control her illness and maintain a semblance of normalcy. Ironically, while the pills block her voices, “they also stifle her creative impulses and the talent that has brought her the most joy.” Trying to handle both her relationship with Robert and her needs as an artist, she cuts down on the Thorazine doses, leaving Catherine walking a dangerous line between her love, her poetry, and the madness that has consumed her in the past.

The Buffalo Laboratory Theatre performs in the Swan Auditorium on the campus of Hilbert College at 5200 South Park Avenue, Hamburg, New York. Opening night is Friday, March 11, at 8 p.m. with performances continuing that weekend on March 12 (8 p.m.) and a Sunday, March 13th matinee (2 p.m.).

The remaining performances run Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m.—March 17, 18, 19, and March 24 (Alumni Night), 25, 26. Tickets are $5 for Hilbert students; $20, adults; & $15 seniors, other students, Hilbert alumni.

For reservations or information please call: (716) 202-9033 or go to www.buffalolabtheatre.org.

Kathleen Golde
Associate Artistic Director

CALENDAR OF EVENTS (March-April, 2011)

March

11 H-Files Delivery

12 Buffalo Laboratory Theatre presents Standing on My Knees by John Olive, 8 p.m., Swan Auditorium

13 Buffalo Laboratory Theatre presents Standing on My Knees by John Olive, 8 p.m., Swan Auditorium

13-20 Spring Break

15 FSSI Motherhouse Tour, 6:45 a.m., 3229 South Park Avenue across from Hilbert’s campus, four days notice required, contact Sr. Sharon Goodremote, FAAJ, 649-1205—for faculty, staff, trustees, students & families

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21 SGA Elections, 8 a.m.-6:45 p.m. in back entry of Bogal Hall

SIFE meeting, 3:15 p.m., PH 140

22 SGA Elections, 8 a.m.-6:45 p.m. in back entry of Bogal Hall

Women’s History Month Speaker, Dr. Jennifer C. Rosati, Asst. Professor of American Studies at St. John Fisher College, 3 p.m., Bogal Hall auditorium, Room 101

23 Campus Center Advisory Board, 2-3 p.m., Campus Center Conference Room, lower level

SMA Meeting, 3:15 p.m., Campus Center Conference Room, lower level

S.A.D.D. Club meeting, 3:15 p.m., Bogal Hall, Snack Room (near chapel)

Yoga class, 5-6 p.m., instructor Kathy Zawadzki, Franciscan Hall Attirum—for faculty, staff, & students

24 Workshop, “Charting Your Path to Success: Staying Motivated in the Midst of Challenges,” facilitated by Dr. Tara Jabbar-Gyambrah, 2:30 p.m., Bogal Hall, Room 160

27 Jose Tapa from The Real World: Key West speaks on social networking, 6 p.m. Bogal Hall auditorium (Room 101)

Alumni Night: Buffalo Laboratory Theatre presents Standing on My Knees by John Olive, 8 p.m., Swan Auditorium

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29 Lasertron, 7-11 p.m., shuttle departs from Campus Center (lower level) at 6:30 p.m. (cost per student, $5)

April

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3 Workshop, “Creating a Balanced Life Experience: Navigating School, Work, Family, and Extracurricular Activities,” facilitated by Dr. Tara Jabbar-Gyambrah, 2:30 p.m., Bogal Hall, Room 150

4 SGA Awards Banquet, 6 p.m., Campus Center Dining Hall

Conference on Diversity, Equity, and Social Justice: “Building a Multicultural Community One Word at a Time,” 4-5:40 p.m., SUNY Cortland, sign up in Office of Multicultural Affairs by March 11

Hilbert College Memorial Miles 5K Run/Walk, 10 a.m., Hilbert campus

5 SIFE meeting, 3:15 p.m., PH 140

5 H-Files Deadline

Presentation, “Basic Understanding of Student Loans and Credit Report,” 3:30-4:30 p.m., Bogal Hall auditorium (Room 101)

5 S.A.D.D. Club meeting, 2-3 p.m., Bogal Hall, Snack Room (near chapel)

6 Yoga class, 5-6 p.m., instructor Kathy Zawadzki, Franciscan Hall Attirum—for faculty, staff, & students

Regal Movie Night, 9 p.m., Regal Cinemas Quaker Crossing, $2 per student, sign up in Student Activities Office

6 S.A.D.D. Club meeting, 3:15-4 p.m., Bogal Hall, Snack Room (near chapel)
HILBERT BLIMP IS DE-COMMISSIONED

The famous Goodyear Blimp at Bills games had nothing on us.”

Remarked one sport student, “I was hoping to take a ride some day in the blimp’s gondola, until I realized that it’s a fake. It just filled with helium, like the rest of the blimp.”

Whispered a maintenance worker, “It’s really just a big balloon shaped like a dirigible with the words ‘Hilbert Blimp’ written on it, but it’s still a great idea, although you can only make out the words with the aid of high-powered binoculars.”

It was also admitted that several students had tripped over benches in the Quad while craning their necks to watch the blimp do slow and steady circles over the campus.

Volunteered a bookstore operator, “We liked the idea so much we made up a batch of blimp t-shirts with the same logo as the blimp, and it worked pretty well until the really good readers among Hilbert students, with the careful use of phonics, realized what the t-shirt logo reproduced from the blimp actually said—and by extension the blimp itself.”

When pressed to explain this cryptic comment, the respondent noted absently that the lettering on the blimp’s sides doesn’t actually say “Hilbert Blimp,” but refused to explain further.

It was only when a staff member was plied with a fruity alcoholic beverage of unknown origin that the truth came out. “Someone who got a really good look at the blimp with a Mt. Palomar-class telescope realized that the words spray-painted on the side of the blimp said ‘Bilbert Limp,’ not ‘Hilbert Blimp.’”

Observed an administrative assistant, “It’s really most unfortunate. It took a long time to decide what to paint on the side of the blimp. We even ran a contest, and the winner—a custodian with a literary flair—came up with ‘Hilbert Blimp.’ Somehow it got miscommunicated.”

Apparently the first “H” in the material we submitted to the painter looked like a ‘B’ and don’t ask me what happened to the actual ‘B’ of ‘blimp.’”

A work-study student handling phone calls said, “We knew we were in trouble when someone called in asking for directions to Bilbert.”

An admissions staffer noted, “Several prospective students complained that when they looked up ‘Bilbert Limp’ on the Internet, they couldn’t find our website. We knew then that the blimp would have to be de-commissioned.”

On a crisp, clear day in March, the long tether attached to the Hilbert blimp was reeled in, the blimp deflated, and the remains given to the library for disposal. Librarians are hoping that it might figure prominently some day in a front hall display of Hilbert artifacts.

Said one such librarian, “We take blimp deflation very seriously and hope that the Bilbert, I mean Hilbert, Blimp will bring back fond memories of a time when we braved the Southtowns skies with great blimpitude. We might even throw in a couple t-shirts, spelled correctly, of course.”

What next? The Hilbert hang glider?

SCHOOL SUPPLIES BEING DISTRIBUTED TO COSTA RICAN CHILDREN

As part of a spring break service learning trip, a group of Hilbert College students are collecting school supplies that will be distributed next month to needy children in Costa Rica.

The school supplies collection is being organized by students in this semester’s “Reading and Writing Buffalo” course, taught by Amy Smith, Ph.D., professor of English and director of the Honors Program.

“The course focuses on ways in which people and places interact and are shaped by that interaction. With the service learning trip to Costa Rica, it is another opportunity for students to explore different aspects of ‘place,’ such as learning about the country’s educational system that will include a visit to a school where the supplies will be delivered to the youngsters,” explained Smith.

Pencils, pens, notebooks, scissors, erasers, paper, and other basic school items are being accepted. Supplies may be placed through March 7 in donation boxes located in Paceseny Hall (near the vending machines), the Honors Lounge in Paceseny Hall, and the Bogel Hall foyer.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES

SCHOOL SUPPLIES BEING DISTRIBUTED TO COSTA RICAN CHILDREN

Monetary donations to purchase supplies are also gratefully accepted.

For more information, e-mail Amy Smith or call ext. 354.

Paula Withrell
Director, Public Relations

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The New Literacy

“It will be impossible to provide the quality of education a growing number of students need without an informed and effective use of new media and communications technologies. . . . It is, of course, necessary for students to learn to read critically and write well, but this is no longer sufficient. They must also cultivate literacy in the technologies they will use in their personal and professional lives” (G2).


SIFE Competes!

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explaining the impact they made in the community.

Judging panels are made up of presidents and executives from local corporations who know about SIFE and are involved in the organization.

The judges have a rubric for each team’s presentation that grades them on project need, environmental factors, target empowerment, business concepts and approach, and project benefit.

We hope that this year’s SIFE team will be as successful as the ones in the past. 
Thank you to everyone who has come to our events so far! We hope you enjoyed them; we know we did. We're not done yet! We have plenty of programs to attend for the rest of the semester. Hope to see you there!

**Yoga** – Every Wednesday, 5 p.m., Franciscan Hall Atrium

Relax in the middle of the week with yoga. Whether it is in downward dog or mountain pose, yoga is a great way to stay fit and cool down at the same time. Yoga is offered every Wednesday in the spring semester.

**Jose Tapia from The Real World: Key West speaks on Social Networking** – Thursday March 24, 6 p.m., Bogel 101

Jose Tapia, from The Real World: Key West, will be coming to Hilbert to discuss social networking. Have an addiction to Facebook? Come to this speaker and learn what you can do to stop clicking on the famous social networking site so often.

**Lasertron** – Friday, March 31, 7 p.m.-11 p.m.; shuttle departs from the lower level of Campus Center at 6:30 p.m. sharp! Cost is $5 per student.

Join us as we venture to Lasertron for four hours of laser tag! The giant laser tag arena plays like a competitive team sport and is very fast-paced. The arena has four scoring zones for both the red and blue teams. Players in a standard game receive sixty Laser Pulses and fifteen Energy Units. Offensive and defensive strategies are required for effective team play. Special CHIPS “Competitive Human Interactive Player Software” are used to maximize team strategies. Sign up in the Student Activities Office!

**SGA Banquet** – Friday, April 8, 6 p.m., Campus Center

Celebrate the accomplishments of the outstanding clubs and people on campus at the SGA Banquet! Enjoy food and company at this traditional event. A great way to recognize the clubs and leaders on campus for their hard work and dedication. Dress is business casual.

**Regal Movie Night** – Thursday, April 14, 9 p.m., Regal Cinemas Quaker Crossing

$2 Movies! $2 Movies! $2 Movies! Don’t miss this amazing deal to see a variety of films at Regal Cinemas for such an amazing price! Sign up in the Student Activities Office.

**Children’s Easter Party** – Sunday, April 17, 2 p.m.-4 p.m., Campus Center

Celebrate Easter at Hilbert with the Children’s Easter Party! Enjoy and assist as the children within the community take part in Easter festivities on campus. Help with various crafts and come see the Easter bunny at his miraculous event!

If you would like more information or have questions, please contact the Student Activities Office at 716-926-8932 or e-mail Jean MacDonald at jmacdonald@hilbert.edu,

Jean MacDonald, Director, Student Activities
HILBERT STUDENTS ACHIEVE ACADEMIC HONORS

More than 365 Hilbert College students have been named to the Fall 2010 academic honors list for having achieved a 3.3 GPA or above for the semester.

Named to Hilbert’s Fall 2010 academic honors list are the following:

AKRON: Matthew Brown, Jennifer Burke, Shannon Connor, Sydney Dettman, Zin Het, and Andrew Wiertel

ANGOLA: Theresa Dentice, Rebecca Kozinski, Donald Nowak, Anniline Oробочта, Matthew O’Connell, Erica Page, and Jessica Wright

ARLINGTON: Zachary Cattaw, Samantha Hahn, Alyssa Szwartz, and Jaymison Walter

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BUFFALO: Andrew Cole, Jessica Grotke, Lanie Harrington, John Kane, Danny Lysek, Ashley Maciejewski, Joseph Paternoster, Marjorie Sanders, Haley Sitttmiszewski, and Samuel Waspahre

BLISS: Carole Jones

BOWMANSVILLE: Anna Galati and Rachel Kuch

BUFFALO: Caitlin Alongi, Jamie Bigaj, Angela Borkowski, Frank Castiglia, Samuel Cosentino, Grant Decz, Ashlynn Doris, Samantha Elminowski, Gabriel Finch, Gina Gematti, DeEtta Gomner, Ashlee Hayes, Laurence Jones, Joshua King, Bryan Kiremmyer, Matthew Lamb, Alain Levesque, Monique Lewis, Sherri Lowe, Lisa Luster, Michael Martino, Jerrell Mason, Jasmine McCarter, Ryan Nye, Lawrence Oaks, Ashlin Penetton, Brittany Rogers, Victoria Rucinski, Kelly Schrecengost, Laytona Seals, Samantha Sieg, Heather Smith, Christopher Spence, Kellie Lawn, Julie Truanse, Tamiko Williams, Rosemary Zebracki, Robert Zielinski, and Joseph Kwestek

CADYVILLE: Robby Bailey

CAMPBELL: Adam Putz

CANTON: Elizabeth Kennedy

CASSADAGA: Valere Culverwell

CATTARAUGUS: Cody Calabro

CENTRAL SQUARE: Brandon Morse

CHEAFFEE: Nina Pernino

CHEektowaga: Jill Amblems, Heidi Cunningham, Erica Gastneck, Ashley Jozwiak, Andrew Kaun, Michael Kessler, Ryan LaCorte, Frankian Manuso, Brittany Marks, Sallie Muppert, Katy Morawski, Amanda Ratajeczak, Frank Simmeth, Kayla Tigges, Kyle Uzar, Laura Vidales, Jason Wahl, and Arianna White

CLARENCE CENTER: Joseph Gooche

COLDEN: James Reinhardt

COLINS: Andrea Andolshek, Hayley Ploetz, and Tami Smith

DANSVILLE: Joshua Sick

DARIEN CENTER: John Wallace

DAYTON: Angela Farris

DEPEW: Andrew Berghold, Jacquelyn Berst, Amber Grosch, Jessica Kagels, Holly Opanaskan, Shonnah Romesburg, and Elaine Snyder

DERBY: Kristie Coleman and Jillian Pelechaty

EAST AMHERST: Marissa Loomis

EAST AURORA: Lisa Ayers, Shannon Baldwin, Justine Jackson, Brittany Kay, James Kozuta, Kathleen Mangam, Katrina Matthewson, Andrew Niedzielski, Jessie Roland, and Kristina Wojczak

EAST CHATHAM: Samantha Lawrence

EAST CONCORD: Tiara Heintz and Madison Lux

EAST SYRACUSE: Nicole Blair

EDEN: Mary Burdick, Christopher Busch, Stephen Cromiller, Derrick Esfend, Jonathan Flowers, Rina Rachinger, Katrina Schmitt, Frederick Stickau, and Rebecca Sutton

ELBA: Christina Weibel and Gianni Zambito

ELLENTOWN: Matthew Erickson

ELMA: Andrew Besch, Shawn Cromiller, Bonnie Goodrich, Jeremy Kranska, Ashley Mazur, Christopher Nowak, and Douglas Takae

ERIE: Pa.: Zachary Taylor

FORESTVILLE: Jessica Litzinger

FORT WASHINGTON, Md.: Sarah Ott

FREDONIA: Sommyruth Butte, Kenneth Mosser, Misty-Lin Paleo, and Emily Remington

FREWSBURG: Jonathan Hubert

GLENWOOD: Alexander Boczchichio and Jay Janik

GLOVERSVILLE: Jessica Morey

GRAND ISLAND: Kimberly Kustell

HAMBURG: Stephanie Agone, Amanda Alba, Ashley Blahowicz, Robertaresch, Jesse Burns, Matthew Butera, Philip Chabill, Michael Cuvravino, Jay Coleman, Nicholas Colucci, Alyssa Conrad, Katie Courtine, Adam DeMonico, Amber Dipalma, Rachel Dobiesz, Kenan Drezdnic, Josh Folaron, Stacy Granica, Valerine Janiga, Nicole King, LeeAnn Klug, Ryan Lamb, Frederick Martin, Julian Martucci, Patrick McGowan, Angelina Middleton, Lindsay Miller, Katelin Milliman, Michael Nero, Shane Olivieri, Kaylee Omercheka, Megan Parshall, Nicole Petrelli, Thomas Rivera, Rachel Rush, Aaron Sams, Katey Strode, Daniel Swiech, Daniel Telak, Lindsay Tenebreuso, Stephanie Trifonavic, Kelsey Tumiel, Emily Valenti, Alicia Wildman, and Sarah Zablonski

HANOVERTON, Ohio: Elizabeth James

HOLLAND: Stacey Cox and Tiffany Martin

HOLLAND, Mich.: Brandly Graham and Jessica Vogelwede

HONEYOE FALLS: Kelly Milne

IRVING: Lonna McCary and Shawn Pierce

JAMESTOWN: Chelsey Jones

KEMMORE: Kevin Conti and Nicole Meldrum

KERSEY, Pa.: Justin Longhi

LACKAWANNA: Emily Alvarez, Andrew Day, Nicole Fryer, Emily Schilling, and Zachary Ziemek

LAKE GROVE: Matthew Hunt and Melissa Messina

LAKE VIEW: Marissa Caruso, Timothy Dotzel, Bryan Duzekiewicz, Chelsea Langdon, Joshua Lamphere, and Melinda Manzella

LANCASTER: Lawrence Hitterman, Garrett Boneberg, Sara Burris, Brittany Holdsworth, Lauren Lukasiewicz, Ashley Madera, Melissa May, Whitney Preyer, and Jacob Smacnai

LAWTONS: Kelsey Barratt

LEER: Paul Liebsd

LEE CENTER: Nicholas Kieffer

LEWISTON: Nichole Grena

LIVERPOOL: Chelsea Miller

LOCKPORT: Chelsea Covell, Daniel Dury, T’ne Holmes, James Knapp, and Corrie Thoman

LYNDONVILLE: Molly Burgess

MARILLA: Adam Haker and Angela Zak

MEDIA, Pa.: Thomas Wills

MEDINA: Marshall Hall

NEW BERLING: Amber Bailey

NEW YORK: Heather Bello, Dianda Cano, and Dontrell Young

NIAGARA FALLS: Marissa DiCamilo and Cameron Haag

NORTH COLLINS: Renae Fraser, Tyler Loretto, Andrew Tisdale, and Coolan Voss

NORTH SYRACUSE: Hillary Lloyd

NORTH TONAWANDA: Jarret Anson, Jennifer Brock, Kelly Cline, and Samantha Stuber

OLEAN: Justin Joyce and Jamie Sloane


OWEGO: James Campbell

PERRY: Molly Merz

RANSOMVILLE: Sarah Messer

RICHMONDVILLE: Sara Juco

RIPLYE: Samantha Mattucks

ROCHESTER: Rebecca Elenisk, Erica Laduca, Patrick Lagueras, Colby Miller, Sarah Schmidt, and Ryan Sheehan

SCHODACK LANDING: Alicia Simpson

SILVER CREEK: Nicole Phillips

SLOAN: Joshua Anderson

SOUTH WALES: Chelsea Reischuck

SPRINGVILLE: Ashley Beeman, Rebecca Brown, Jacob Gorko, Adam Haag, Ryan Mertowski, and Andrea Rebol

STOW, Ohio: Richard Sykora and Adam Weaver

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JOIN THE S.A.D.D. CLUB
by Jill Cohen

What does S.A.D.D. stand for? S.A.D.D. stands for Students Against Destructive Decisions. When talking about destructive decisions we refer to decisions that prevent students from being successful in their educational experience. We work as a team to create and achieve community service for those in need. We try to be leaders in this endeavor and to serve as role models in all of our activities.

The S.A.D.D. Club was a club on the Hilbert campus for many years. This year we have achieved great things by playing bin-ball with the Franciscan Sisters of St. Joseph. We donated personal care baskets for Renaissance House and Haven House. And, we sent individual letters of support to all of their residents. We encourage team building by sharing dinner together and enjoying fun activities together. We also have a great advisor, Phyllis Dewey, Director of Counseling.

Did I say S.A.D.D. looks good on a resume? Future employers will take a second look at all of our activities in this fine organization.

We continue to recruit new members. So why not give us a try! The semester is not yet over and we still have great things to accomplish in the community while having fun at the same time. As an active member of S.A.D.D., I encourage you to join the S.A.D.D. Club now.

We currently meet at 4 p.m. every Thursday in the first floor lounge of St. Joe’s. If you are unable to make that time, please let us know that you are interested. Days and times are made to fit student schedules. Please e-mail Jill Cohen, club president <jcohen@hilbert.edu> or stop by the Counseling Center located near the first floor lounge in St. Joe’s.

Hope to hear from you soon!

SENIORS: CLASS ACT NEEDS YOUR HELP!
by Jill Cohen

Also the 5k run will be taking place on April 9, 2011, which Class Act is going to help sponsor, and signage is going to be put up in Meghan Sorbera’s honor as well. It would be great if seniors participated in the run among the other individuals and we ran together as a class. We would be united and running in Meghan’s honor. If you do not want to run in the event I would encourage you to volunteer at the 5k and help out! Our classmate Meghan was supposed to graduate with us in May. By donating and running in her memory, we are showing everyone that she is part of the Class of 2011 and always will be!

For any questions or concerns, please contact Jill Cohen, President of Class Act <jcohen@hilbert.edu>. Or stop by the Office of Institutional Advancement and see our advisor, Deanna Messinger! Also, freshman, sophomores, and juniors, please feel free to get involved.

Class Act is not just about giving back to the school when you are a senior. We are also looking to start new traditions and it is never too late to make a difference within your graduating class!

JOIN THE S.A.D.D. CLUB

CJ CLUB UPDATE

The Criminal Justice Association collected personal care items to donate to kids who have escaped drug use. The personal care baskets were delivered to the recipients during a special presentation at the Swan Auditorium on March 2.

Donna Zimpher
Faculty Advisor

Academic Honors

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TONAWANDA: Alexis Clune, Eric Davies, Spencer Forbes, Jason Klosterman, Tiffany Marchiano, James Pernick, and Joseph Pernick

UTICA: Zeania Green

VARYSBURG: Darren Gasiiewicz and Kristen Maplesden

WATERLOO: Stephanie Smith

WATERTOWN: Rebecca Easton

WATTSBURG, Pa.: Gregory Majchrzak

WEBSTER: Kristina Kechle

WEST SENEA: Mohammed Ahmed, Brandi Carter, Jade Cummins, Cory Evenden, Samantha Hawker, Matthew Hoffmann, Kelly King, Rachel Kwiatkowski, Anthony Marchitte, Aaron McGrath, Melissa McGuire, Cheryl O’Dierno, Lisa O’Shei, Nicholas Pawlowski, Amanda Pecak, Matthew Putnam, Michael Rust, Kathryn Rezeka, Michael Shriver, Jennifer Szmania, James Wechter, Jessica Winter, and Noelle Wojnar

WILLIAMSVILLE: Aaron Dinderski, Edward Heffron, Elizabeth Kiffer, and Brittany Oates

SOME PHOTO CONTEST ENTRIES

Heather Bellow, “Basilica”

Nichole Grenga, “Depth of Field”
SIFE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC REFLECTION

by Donald Nowak

The 2011 Hilbert College SIFE service learning trip to the Dominican Republic was a great adventure and learning experience for all of those involved. For the past several years, Hilbert College SIFE has embarked on a journey to the Dominican Republic to teach students the importance of serving and influencing the lives of others. I can personally say that the trip was a great success.

While in the Dominican Republic, SIFE contributed to several construction projects to benefit small businesses. The first project that the group completed was the installation of a concrete floor of a nail salon. As a participant, I contributed to the project by aiding in the removal of debris from the original floor, the mixing of the sand-water-concrete mixture, and transportation of the cement to the area where it would ultimately turn into a floor. The second project that was completed was an addition onto a small clothing store. I aided in the removal and installation of sheet metal as well as the construction of the addition’s frame. In both projects I learned technical craftsmanship skills.

I was also the project manager of a business plan workshop. The workshop was designed to benefit microloan recipients on the importance of having a solid plan in place to ensure the success of their business. The workshop solidified the knowledge and aspects of business plans. From participating in the workshop I also learned the various types of small businesses that are prominent in the Dominican Republic.

There were several instances in which our SIFE group demonstrated teamwork. One of the most memorable experiences in which the group demonstrated teamwork was in the installation of the ceiling floor. Our group took turns mixing concrete. The group even created an assembly line to transport water from a large barrel with nothing more than coffee cans and small buckets. We communicated with each other as a team to accomplish a large task.

My definition of community has definitely changed since the trip. I normally would define community as “your surroundings.” This is, however, an inadequate definition. A community is the area where you live, no matter how large or small, that is made up of people who are friendly and who help one another. In the Dominican Republic the people are very community-oriented. Everyone knows each other. Neighbors spend a large amount of time together, either conversing or helping with daily activities. The members of the community also keep watch over the children of the community.

The trip taught me many valuable life lessons. However, the most important lesson is what you have to appreciate what you have. While in the Dominican Republic, I had no access to the Internet, my cell phone, or even warm water. The people of the Dominican Republic have very few possessions; however, they are happy with what they do have. Children enjoy simple toys that may seem inadequate to some. The people value their health, family, and friendships. Living in the country for a week allowed me to forget about the constant phone calls, text messages, and e-mails. I found that when you strip away your possessions, you really see what you do have.

The experience has changed me as an individual. I have realized that there is more to life than possessions. I find myself spending more time with my family and friends. I have gone out of my way to say hello to the people in my community. I realize that some of the “problems” that we run into on a daily basis really do not measure up to those real problems others may face.

As a member of SIFE, it has been a goal to give back to others. I feel that this was a great success. I feel that we made a big difference for the people who allowed us to come into their lives and help. The trip stripped away barriers such as language. I can safely say that I made friends with individuals without being able to have a verbal conversation. The trip was a great experience. I was surrounded by some of the best people at Hilbert College and I had the opportunity really to appreciate what I have and what I value. I was strongly encouraged more people to embark on such journeys. I think the service learning experience can be improved by gaining more participants. In doing so, I believe that more can be accomplished on the service learning trips.

In the first week of January, the Hilbert College SIFE team went to the Dominican Republic for a service trip to help us move the experience that I had was unforgettable. I did not know what to expect going from my world into a different way of living. However, the experience was amazing and I did not want to come home.

I had the opportunity to be the project manager in helping with the nutrition center in the town of Bonita. At the time we were staying. The nutrition center is a place where kids can go for free and have opportunities to learn new material and to play games as well. The SIFE team bought tomatoes, beans, cabbage, spinach, and lettuce to plant in their garden. The center did not have a wheelchair; therefore we had to carry many buckets of dirt to the place where we were planting. However, the most memorable thing that we took out of this experience was how the little kids were more than eager to help. They knew how to do in their town. I went to the nutrition center in the town of Bonita, the kids were helping us, they do not have many activities to do in their town. The center did not have a wheelchair; therefore we had to carry many buckets of dirt to the place where we were planting. However, the most memorable thing that we took out of this experience was how the little kids were more than eager to help. They knew how to do it has been a goal to travel to the Dominican Republic to work on projects for people, but just playing with these children made their day. When the SIFE team was about to leave for the day, one little boy told me that he did not want the team to leave and that made me feel sad, but at the same time it made me feel that I have helped this little boy smile for a day.

Another project for my team was putting an addition onto a house for a lady. This was different because it was not a group effort and it was a great project to participate in as well. We also painted houses and shops for people who could not afford the materials to paint their buildings. The team also taught classes on financial literacy. We taught students on advertising and taught women on opening their own businesses.

At times on our trip, some things did not go as planned and we had to come up with an alternative solution. I believe that, in these situations, the people I worked together with came together as a team and worked together to get through these problems. We all had to come together and think of solutions to help us achieve the goal. Also, almost spending every minute of the day with the people in the Dominican Republic was a great experience.

For the last dinner that we had all together, Dr. Smith asked whether we could sum up the trip in one word, and if so, what would it be? I said “grateful.” Being here in my house, I do not really think about where I am going to get my food next, if I am going to have electricity or not, and if I am going to have a place to live. Many people take these needs for granted, but the people in the Dominican Republic are very thankful for the roof over their head, the food that they happily think about for that day, and for being alive. This experience will be one that I shall always remember and I shall never forget all the great friends that I made, from the ones on my team to all the great friends that I met in the Dominican Republic. I believe this experience changed who I am and how I look at life. I cannot wait to go on the trip next year.
PHOTO GALLERY, including Photo Contest Entries

From Left to Right:
Sarah Bosworth, Jennifer Allen, Tom McArthur, Jon Clark, John Kordrupel--Hilbert College SIFE Alumni Getting Together with Professor Dan Roland & Celebrating with the Theme “Home Town Heroes.”

Samantha Hahn, “Rusty”

Heather Bello, “Purpleness”

Kaitlyn Steinhorst, “Addictions”

Jamie Bigaj, “The Surfboard”

Stephen Lee, “Skateboard”
PHOTO GALLERY

Kristen Reeves, “NYC Fall”

Samantha Hahn, “Our Old Farm”

Heather Bello, “Waterfall”

Jessica Winter, “The Scream”

Jessica Winter, “Clouds”

Jamie Bigaj, “The Leaf”
REFLECTING ON MY DOMINICAN REPUBLIC EXPERIENCE

by Nina Pierino

My role was being able to participate actively in all the different projects we engaged in throughout our six-day stay in the Dominican Republic (DR). Although I may have not had all the technical skills required to complete all aspects of certain projects (such as constructing a floor), I did whatever possible to keep the project moving so that I was not wasting time and was always productive. Personally, I founded the uniform distribution drive project. It was an overwhelming feeling of accomplishment to be able to provide school children with dozens of brand new (and almost brand new) uniforms which they might not otherwise have had to attend school.

I developed many skills as a result of the many projects in which we participated. I acquired many new technical skills that I did not possess before. How many people can honestly say they have a pretty good knowledge of how to make a concrete floor? After this trip, it is something I now have an idea of how to do. I also developed better skills when it comes to working with large groups. I learned to embrace different opinions and ways of working and thinking. Most importantly, these projects helped to strengthen my sense of patience. There is much hard, strenuous work and time involved in these projects. It is easy to get worn out and annoyed when working all day long, and it can sometimes seem as though the project is not going anywhere. When the group was finally able to see the finished projects, however, it was rewarding to see how much our patience and hard work really paid off.

One of our projects was to transform an old, tiny clothing store. It was a great undertaking and I do not believe anyone in the group was really prepared for how much of a difficult task we had ahead of us. Much of the project was very demanding and laborious and frustrating. By the end, however, we all started to work very well as a team to accomplish our goal, which was a little shop. It is a testament to all of our efforts and teamwork that the shop turned out as wonderfully as it did in the end. We also grew and bonded the most as a team when we were completing that project.

Community is more than just people living together. It is people working together, being there for each other, and being a helping hand. Not only did we experience this within our own group, but we also experienced it at the places we were working. It is just so easy to see how close people are. They are always willing to help each other, and you experience how they spend time and enjoy one another’s company with hardly anything. They are able to make the most out of their lives and it is definitely a whole different mindset from what I am used to experiencing back home.

I believe that the most valuable lesson I have learned from this experience is that in life, one really has to be grateful for all the great things one has been given. In the DR, some people do not even have a stable roof over their heads, let alone nice clothing, food, clean/running water, an education, or all the things that we have here in the United States required for our projects. It is different actually to experience this at first hand after hearing people say, “You do not know how lucky you truly are to live the life that you do.” It really opens everyone’s eyes to what we sometimes are not overly thankful for on a daily basis.

This experience has humbled me in so many ways. It is just so hard to understand happiness for what it is truly meant to be. There is no materialism as we witness every day here at home. People living there do not need material things to be happy because they are content with the little that they have. Kids can entertain themselves for hours just playing in the street. It is sad because children in the U.S. probably could not ever imagine themselves entertaining themselves for hours with nothing. Everything is just so simplistic. It really makes you think twice before complaining about frivolous matters on a daily basis because we should really just be happy with all the necessities which we never had to struggle to obtain.

This project related to the business administration program because we were involved in “micro loan” projects or, in other words, enabling people to start their small businesses to help make them successful and set an example for the other people around them showing that, yes, it is possible to operate their own successful business. To instill the knowledge of what we have learned from this discipline is something I think the people there are truly grateful for.

In my opinion, this was one of the most eye-opening and best experiences of my life so far. I learned so many new things, met so many new people, and feel that I made a lasting difference to someone. It is impossible to think of a better way to spend six days than to improve the lives of other people.

For next year (and I know it may not have been a problem in previous years) we need to make sure we have the projects planned out well ahead of time so we are able to budget time and money accordingly. It may also be beneficial to think of a better way to split people up so there is not more work than there are hands and vice versa.
OFFICE OF MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS & McGrath Library

Women’s History Month Speaker

Presentation Title:

Ordinary Citizens, National Heroines: The Mirabal Sisters’ Role in Overthrowing Dominican Dictator Trujillo

Dr. Jennifer C. Rossi


DATE: MARCH 22, 2011
TIME: 3 P.M.
LOCATION: 101 BOGEL HALL

Please RSVP to the Office of Multicultural Affairs Office no later than March 17, 2011, by e-mailing tjabbaar-gyambrah@hilbert.edu or calling (716) 649-7900 ext. 243.

Free and open to the public. Refreshments will be provided.

Sponsored by the Office of Multicultural Affairs & The McGrath Library

FINANCIAL AID CORNER

March 11, 2011

*Announcements from the Student Finance Office, Franciscan Hall*

FALL 2011 REGISTRATION: Registration for FALL 2011 is scheduled to begin the week of 3/28/2011. You will NOT BE ALLOWED TO REGISTER if your financial aid file is incomplete (outstanding paperwork) or if you are delinquent on tuition payments according to your signed promissory note payment plan. Please check with the Student Finance Office immediately if you are unsure of the status of your Spring 2011 student account.

2011/2012 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, 2011. 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 TODAY!

COMPLETED FINANCIAL AID FILE – Financial aid cannot be applied to your current 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!

FEDERAL WORK-STUDY PROGRAM - We have PAID community service positions available through Hilbert College’s Federal Work-Study Community Service Initiative, i.e., grade school tutors and public service positions within local police departments. If you’re looking for a position that will help your future career & look great on your resume, please pick up an application at the front desk of the Student Finance Office.

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FINANCIAL LITERACY EVENT – “Basic Understanding of Student Loans and Credit Report” will be presented on April 12 and April 13 at 3:30 to 4:30 p.m., Bogel Hall 101. Students who attend will have a chance to win prize giveaways! SEE YOU THERE!

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Get informed about the money you are borrowing to get ahead of student loan debt!
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FINANCIAL LITERACY – TIP OF THE MONTH

What Does Money Mean to You?

Before we talk about how you spend money or use it, you need to understand what money means to you. Although this may be your first time earning and controlling your own money, you have actually already formed definite ideas about what money means to yourself.

Are you a Spender? You know, the kids who used up their allowance as fast as they could. While other kids might save some of their money or take their time figuring out what they wanted to buy, you more often than not bought whatever item caught your fancy, often unhappy to find the item you really wanted after the money was spent. Were you the kid in the store always asking your mother to buy you something? Maybe you saw people you perceived on always having the newest video game, fanciest outfit, or the most up-to-date electronics gadget. If this describes you, you are a spender.

Perhaps you are a Saver? Were you the kid who really placed your money in your piggy bank? You never bought things, unless it was with someone else’s money. There is always something more important to save for, although you are still reluctant to spend the money. Just knowing you have money tucked away in the bank makes you feel good. You just know that someday you will have full that you have the money. Knowing that you have money put away makes you feel a little more secure about things.

Maybe it’s not about money but about things. Maybe you are a Conspicuous Consumer? You know, you believe that the “clothes make the man or the woman.” The car you drive is meant to impress and you have to keep up with whatever new fashion or trend is around. Even if you do not have money, you must look, act, and dress like you do. It is all about image.

Are you the type who always picks up the tab? You know—the one who is always bing hit up for a loan and generously gives to others. Do you find that this generosity has made you popular and far more likable than if you were a little less generous? Maybe deep in your heart you sometimes feel as if you have to buy a person’s friendship. If so, we call you a Door Mat. People really do not see you for who you are, but rather for what you can do for them. Although you are a good, kind person, you tend to attract people who are neither good, nor kind, but quick to take advantage of your generosity.

These are just a few of the types. The important thing to realize is that in order to understand how to handle money, you must know what money means to you because that influences your behavior. For example, a saver knows all about how to save money, but little about how to spend it. And, at times we all have to know how to spend money, whether we are paying a bill or making a purchase. A spender on the other hand has lots of experiences spending. Such persons may spend but still not know how to shop, how to compare prices and quality, and get the best deal for their money. Spending experiences mean that the person has never had a savings plan or learned how to budget money. These skills are very important when you are trying to juggle bills with a limited take-home income. In either case, there are specific skills and strategies one must learn to handle all of the responsibilities adults face. So let’s get to work!

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the facility because “a citizen’s right to health outweighs narcotics laws.” The Supreme Court in Canada will be hearing this case in May.

Relevance

This article is relevant because of the widespread epidemic of AIDS in the world. According to www.avert.org, an international HIV and AIDS charity, at the end of 2009 there were 3.08 million adults and 2.5 million children living with HIV. In 2009, 2.6 million adults became infected with HIV and 370,000 children were born with the virus. In North America, there are currently 1.5 million people living with HIV. Currently, there is no cure for this terrible disease and places like Insite might be the start of helping to prevent such vast numbers of people contracting it to begin with.

Critical Analysis

The central issue presented here is HIV infections and what we as a society are willing to do to help eradicate this disease. At first glance, Insite seems like it would be a very positive implementation in this regard. When one takes a closer look though, there are some downsides to this also. The most obvious pro in this situation is that because of this center there has been a decrease in the transmission of HIV in downtown Vancouver. It is a safe haven for drug addicts. They can receive free medical treatment while there. The facility promotes “responsible” drug use by providing sterile needles. Condoms are given to them for free. Testing visitors for HIV and treating them if positive is definitely a step in the right direction. This center is actively trying to find people who are infected and treat them. There is a financial aspect to this also. Approximately $250 million is being saved by lowering the rate of infected people needing to be treated.

There are also a few downsides to this situation. Insite does not provide the illegal drugs for users, only a place where they can be safe using them. Hence, all the other activities that revolve around drugs, such as stealing, continue. While Insite’s cause is noble and somewhat effective, a bigger focus should be on having greater impact on prevention. Fewer people using drugs would also affect the HIV infection rate. According to the Health Canada website, operating costs for Insite are approximately $3 million per year. These funds that could instead be used towards drug prevention. One other con to this argument is the fact that while they do refer addicts to plus-billation services, they do not make it mandatory, which would have an even greater impact.

Observations

HIV and AIDS are very serious problems, and something most definitely needs to be done to lessen the impact on the world’s population. In my estimation, Insite is good because those individuals cannot afford health care. Of utmost importance is figuring out a way to test HIV-prone people so that they can receive treatment. There is a stigma attached to HIV and AIDS that prevents most individuals from getting this testing done. Right now only 10 out of 50 states have mandatory HIV testing for pregnant women. This should be mandatory in all states. HIV testing is required for all federal job programs, for anyone being sent to a federal prison, and for all members of the armed forces. The cost of treatment in a country like the United States also raises some concerns. To have an effective program, government funding will undoubtedly need to be set aside.

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DIVISION NEWS

ADJUNCT MINI-CONFERENCE & APPRECIATION DINNER

On Friday, March 4, an Adjunct Mini-Conference and Appreciation Dinner was held at Hilbert College for part-time faculty, as planned by an Adjunct Planning Committee comprised of Cindy Blesedale, accounting, who developed a flyer for the event; Michael Luka-sik, English; Joseph Ruth, criminal justice; and Peter Wolfe, history/art history—in conjunction with Hilbert’s Center for Excellence in Learning (CEL) as part of its adjunct outreach efforts, as supported by the Office of Academic Affairs.

The twenty-two adjuncts attending all or part of the conference/dinner represented all academic divisions and a number of disciplines within them. In addition to Adjunct Planning Committee members, the event was attended by Fred Becker, CJ; Robert Cannata, forensic psychology; Cindy Chandler, legal studies; Patrick Crotty, business administration; Mary Dedrick, physical ed.; Edward Drabczyk, CJ; Michael Liwicki, CJ; Lisa Lograsso, mathematics; Jason Luna, CJ; Deborah Mogavero, FSCSI; Michael Moravec, legal studies; Sam Palmiere, CJ; Nicole Patterson, English; Helen Rosati, English; Kelly Thiel, mathematics; Mark Warren, legal studies; and Kristen Wheaton, legal studies.

After registering on site (4:30-5 p.m.) for the conference, Adjuncts were ushered into the Library Conference Room (LCR) of the McGrath Library for the first of three late afternoon and evening sessions. From 5 to 5:45 p.m. Dr. Ron Es- kew, director of institutional research and assessment, and professor of psychology, made a presentation supported by PowerPoint entitled “The Two A’s: Adjuncts and Assessment” to apprise part-time faculty of the nature of assessment and the need for it in institutional and faculty levels, and identifying the college’s efforts in developing a range of assessment protocols and in utilizing various assessment instruments to support and strengthen student learning.

Part-time faculty then strolled over to the Campus Center Dining Hall for a 6 p.m. dinner consisting of tomato bisque soup, strawberry salad, carved roast beef and turkey, vegetable lasagna, parsley potatoes, honey-glazed carrots, green beans almandine, rolls, banana créme pie, apple pie, and assorted beverages.

Hilbert President Cynthia Zane, Ed.D. welcomed those assembled and provided an update on a variety of campus initiatives, followed by a further greeting from Christopher Holoman, Ph.D., provost and vice president of academic affairs (VPAA), who focused on the support and reorientation that events like the current one were meant to provide for adjunct faculty as part of the Hilbert community. Also present for the adjunct dinner were all four division chairs—Dr. Michael Degnan, Arts and Sciences; Wendy Edson, Professorial Studies; Edward Qualey, Criminal Justice-Forensic Science/Crime Scene Investigation; and Sharon Sisti, Social Sciences. Also present were the following assistant chairs: John Babi, for criminal justice and also representing Hilbert’s Faculty Development Committee comprised of academic faculty who have volunteered to outline the expectations and goals of the adjunct faculty and ensure that they have the support they need to succeed.

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CJ NEWS BEAT

Recent graduate Nicholas Delmonaco has been selected for a position as an agent with the United States Border Patrol. Nick will be attending the academy in March.

Congratulations to Nick on his new position! The Criminal Justice Studies-FS/CSI Division wishes him continued success during this exciting new journey.

Donna Zimpher, Assistant Professor, Criminal Justice
ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

MOVIE REVIEW

THE ROOMMATE

3 Stars

by Will Brown

It’s that time again for some suspense and drama. The Roommate stars Leighton Meester, who also stared in a drama-inspired film called Country Strong with Gwyneth Paltrow, who portrayed a pop country singer/songwriter. In The Roommate Leighton Meester and co-star Minka Kelly play the roles of college roommates at the University of Los Angeles. Kelly’s character plays Sarah Matthews, who is a nice and innocent girl, your typical “girl-next-door” type. She becomes best friends with Meester’s character Rebecca. Sarah soon finds out that her roommate is not what she appears to be. Things start to happen that cannot be explained.

I had hoped for this film to be scarier but with a rating of PG-13 a movie can only go so far with the gore and thriller. This movie has a quality twist of Alfred Hitchcock’s Psycho and a bit of setting from Wes Craven’s popular 90s’ horror movie Scream. Meester plays a shy young girl who is just starting college and who has a few “skeletons in her closet.” Sarah and Rebecca become close friends, but Rebecca becomes too close a friend in wanting to become Sarah herself. She becomes obsessed with Sarah. Rebecca has a two-faced personality that she keeps to herself until the end, where again, just as in many horror-suspense films, she finds out who she really is.

The Roommate tries really hard to be reflective with both of the characters’ pasts and backgrounds: Sarah (Kelly) trying to become a big fashion designer with her past still trying to connect with her, her ex-boyfriend tries to get back with her, while she is trying to move on with someone new, and Rebecca (Meester) not fitting in while in high school. The filmmakers try to make this suspenseful, yet with comedy in the middle. The trailer suggests that it is made to be scarier and parts of the movie make you jump, which I think is just like every other horror movie out there. It just gets old watching the same movie remake again. The good parts are in the trailer, though there are also scenes that are a bit funny to watch, however.

With that said, I did laugh yet felt a bit tense at parts of the movie that need to be recognized as such. The film particularly has the suspense and drama-based structure for a spine-tingling, thriller film. At times the movie can be slow and boring, but by all means it provides, on balance, a great time, with some fine looking girls playing such awe-inspiring roles. Meester delivers a remarkable performance with a complete 180-degree turn from the country singer in Country Strong to a psycho in The Roommate. There is some genuinely good acting. Even though both actresses are not big-time “A”-rated celebs, they did a great job.
Host Nazareth College dominated Hilbert in men’s volleyball Feb. 22, as the second-ranked Golden Flyers won in three sets to run their winning streak to seven matches. Scores were 25-11, 25-19, and 25-14 in the United Volleyball Conference match game. Nazareth improved to 16-3 (5-0 UVC), while Hilbert dropped to 1-13 (0-4 conference).

Senior R. J. Sykora (Stow, OH, Stow Munroe Falls) combined eight kills with six assists, one service ace, and four digs to lead the Hawks in defeat. Anthony Blasz (Eden, NY/Eden) had a team-leading six digs and three kills to match his three blocks. Junior Dan Miranda had eight kills with two service aces and three blocks for the Golden Flyers. Senior Will Siwy contributed six kills in seven attack attempts and sophomore setter Connor Ecklund had 18 assists.

Hilbert College men’s volleyball dropped a four-set match to Thiel College Feb. 26 with set scores 25-20, 25-27, 25-12, and 25-17. The Hawks played tough the first two sets, capturing the second set 27-25. Sets three and four found the home team playing catch-up after falling behind early in both games. Hilbert’s four-game losing streak drops them to 1-15 after this non-conference loss. Thiel, out of the Midwestern Conference, improves to 5-14.

Freshman Fred Sickau (Eden, NY/Eden) had 19 kills with no errors (.543) to lead Hilbert through the four sets. Senior Dan Wolfe (Rochester, NY/Irond-equoit) passed for 29 assists and senior R. J. Sykora (Stow, OH/Stow Munroe Falls) had 14 digs and three service aces.

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The Allegheny Moun-
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ence released the All-
Conference selections for the women’s bas-
ketball league March 1. Hilbert College’s
junior forward Julie Bossard (Arkport, NY/
Canisteo-Greenwood) was selected to the 3rd
Team All-Conference, marking the first time
she was honored by the AMCC for her athletic
abilities. In 2009-10, Bossard was named to the
All-Sportsmanship Team, as selected by
her peers.

Averaging almost thir-
ty-two minutes a game
on the court, it was un-
usual to see Bossard not
involved in the game. She averaged 10.7 ppg and 8.6 re-
bounds per game, earning 10 double-doubles for
the year. The 6’0” forward led the Hawks in scoring ten of the 24
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HILBERT SHOOTS DOWN ALTOONA

Chris Hoak Makes a Foul Shot

HAWKS WIN BIG IN FIRST ROUND OF PLAY-OFFS

102-60 over Mount Aloysius

Barry Mason Fights for Position on a Rebound

With an 77-68 road win at Penn State Altoona Jan. 19, the Hilbert College men’s basketball team earned a right to host the first-round game in the Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference play-offs. Junior Chris Hoak (Hamburg, NY/St. Francis) continued his hot shooting at the three-point line (5-10) to help the Hawks pick up their needed much win, escalating them to sole possession of fourth place in the conference. Hilbert (8-10, 11-14) hosted Mount Aloysius College (7-11, 10-14) Feb. 22 at 7 p.m. at the Hafner Center in a play-off game. Hilbert opened the game on a 6-0 run with scores by C. J. Hodge (Rochester, NY/Gates Chili) and Dan McFarland (Lancaster, NY/St. Mary’s) before Altoona found the run. After back and forth scoring by both teams, Hoak entered the game with the Hawks up 11 of 12 (12-45) and they quickly found themselves only up by four after an Altoona lay-up by Matthew Gehret. Hoak then went on a scoring spree, hitting four threes giving the Hawks a 14-point cushion at 6:13. Besides Hoak’s 12 first-half points, Hodge finished with nine, McFarland eight, and freshman Barry Mason (Singing Valley/Twining, NY/Cassadaga Valley) scored six on three for three shooting in six minutes.

The Hawks continued to dominate through the first ten minutes of play in the second half, building a 24-point lead (64-40) at 12:16. Altoona found some scoring punch and cut the lead to nine with less than a minute to play on two occasions, but Hilbert had the game in the bag by then and held onto to win. The Hawks shot 54% from the floor (53% behind the arc), but were out rebounded for the game by 11 (37-26) and surrendered 17 offensive rebounds to Altoona. McFarland led the Hawks with 16 points and Hoak scored 15, all from long distance. Chris Parrott (Warsaw, NY/Warsaw) chipped in 13 points and Hodge finished with 12 (three steals). Kirk Peters led the home team with 24 points, hitting 11 of 20 shots from the floor (eight for nine in the second half). Hilbert prepared for post-season play for the third time as the fourth seed since joining the Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference in 2004-05. In both previous seasons, the Hawks defeated their #5 seeded opponent (2007–Frostburg; 2006–La Roche) and moved on to face the #1 seed (Lake Erie College). Lake Erie moved on to capture the AMCC championship title both years qualifying for the NCAA Division III tournament. In 2006-07 Hilbert’s Dal Reinarz was named the Player of the Year for men’s basketball in the AMCC.

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Summer Basketball Camps

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HAWKS FALL IN SEMIFINALS

In another career night, Dan McFarland propelled the Hilbert College men’s basketball team to a 102-60 victory over Mount Aloysius College Feb. 22. With the win, the Hawks moved on to play in the semi-final game of the Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference Tournament against the number one seed and host institution, La Roche College. Hilbert continued to add wins to their overall record at 12-14 while Mount Aloysius finished their season at 10-15.

McFarland (Lancaster, NY/St. Mary’s) matched his career-high 38 points, most of them coming inside the arc. The sophomore’s shooting display was impressive (17 for 25 from the floor) and consistent from the first half to the second, where he hit for 19 points each period. Hilbert found the up-tempo pace of the game, with many players attacking the rim with confidence. Senior Miguel Lantigua (Brooklyn, NY/Uniondale) chipped in 16 points (four for five from the floor and eight for ten from the charity stripe) and junior Chris Parrott (Warsaw, NY/Warsaw) hit for 14 second-half points to pair with his 15 rebounds, four blocked shots, three assists, and three steals. Another big man inside to earn a double-double was Keon Renumb (Ben- netsville, SC/Ambrose- oph Walsh), who scored 13 points and pulled down 11 rebounds. The quarterback for the team, distributing the ball for game-high seven assists, was freshman C. J. Hodge from Rochester, NY (Gates Chili).

Mount Aloysius, who was ranked in the national Division III statistics for scoring offense (fifth at 89.9 ppg), was held to 29 points below their average. The Mounties starting five players shot a dismal 26% from the floor, with their leading scorer De- metrius Davis scoring only ten points. Senior Joey Stephenson led the visitors with 12 points, only two below his scoring average. The win marked the third time the men’s basketball program moved on in the play-offs to play against the top seed in the semi-fina- ral game of the AMCC Tournament. Hilbert was scheduled to face-off against La Roche College at 1 p.m. Feb. 25, with the winner of that contest vying for the championship the next day. The AMCC champion would earn an automatic bid to the Division III National Basketball Tournament beginning the following week.

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Schultz Inducted into NECVA Hall of Fame

On Feb. 24, 2011, Bill Schultz, head men’s volleyball coach at Hilbert College, was presented with his Class of 2010 North East Colleigate Volleyball Association’s (NECVA) Hall of Fame plaque. Making the presentation to Schultz on behalf of the NECVA was John Hutton, who coached Schultz during his undergraduate years at D’Youville College.

Schultz was a member of the nationally recognized D’Youville College team and was named a Division III All-American in 2004. As well, in 2003 and 2004, the Grand Island native was honored as the NECVA Western Division Player of the Year. Schultz extended his playing days when he competed professionally for the Association of Volleyball Professionals (AVP) Beach Tour for two seasons. During that time, he qualified for the Main Draw Tournament and faced Olympic Gold Medalists.

The NECVA Hall of Fame is a virtual Hall of Fame, whose sole purpose is to recognize and acknowledge outstanding achievements and contributions to the NECVA and/or the sport of men’s volleyball. Those nominated include coaches, players, administrators, and organizations who have made an impact on NECVA and/or the sport of men’s volleyball and/or off the court. The inaugural class was inducted on April 4, 2009, at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology during the 2009 NECVA Sports Award Banquet.

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Hilbert Hawks in Semifinals

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St. Mary’s) had another offensive explosion, scoring a game-high 30 points in the team’s third loss to La Roche this season. The Hawks finished the season at 12-15 overall, while La Roche continued on in the AMCC championship game Feb. 26 against Penn State Behrend, who outlasted Medaille College (58-51) in the other semifinal game.

Hilbert jumped out to a 32-19 lead by 8:17 in the first half. Five players were in the scoring column during that 11-minute stretch of play, but it was McFarland’s 16 points which stood out. Nate Wojciechowski made three three-pointers as La Roche responded with a 11-2 run of its own, closing the gap to four points (5:39). Three minutes later, Laron Mann forced the third tie in the second half, yet Hilbert didn’t quit. Both teams traded two-pointers, giving the Hawks a two-point lead again, but just over one minute left, Mann scored a lay-up, knotting the 40-40 score.

Wojciechowski and Mann hit back-to-back threes to open the second half, yet Hilbert did not quit. Both teams traded two-pointers, until McFarland and Chris Parrott (Warwick, NY/Warwick) hit back-to-back threes for Hilbert, cutting the lead to just one point. At 16:12, La Roche went on another 8-0 run, taking their largest lead of the game and the Red Hawks never surrendered from that point forward.

Hilbert shot 44% from the floor for the game, while La Roche was a consistent 15 for 28% both halves (53.6%). Hilbert gave up 11 offensive rebounds and their eight second-half turnovers impacted the Hawk’s offensive flow. La Roche found their stride in the second half and finished the game with four players hitting for double-digit scoring. Wojciechowski scored 22 points (five-eight behind the arc) and Mann was six for seven from deep) to finish with 18 points. David Jackson (14 points) pulled down 16 rebounds (six offensive) and Joe McIntosh chipped in ten points.

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H-Files Photo Contest Entries

Kaitlyn Steinhorst, “Warmness on Cold Winter Night”

Kristen Reeves, “Fluffy”