Vote For: More Services

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The proposed 50c increase in the blanket tax allotment for the Student Association would be the first increase since 1957. Since 1960 however, the Student Senate has been incurring deficits every year.

A cutback in activities to balance the budget would severely limit, if not eliminate a good number of the student services which the SA now performs.

The cost of these services is increasing rapidly, especially in the following areas:

- Representation at various student conferences.
- Social events — it is extremely difficult to hold the kind of all-school party that Rice students demand and still break even (Homecoming lost $900 this year).
- Freshman orientation activities.

The present blanket tax allotment is outmoded and unrealistic. An increase in funds is necessary to allow the Student Association to meet the needs of a student body in a growing university.