Faculty approves graduate degrees in music, comp sci

by Chris Ekren

Rice's board recently passed a proposal to establish a performance degree of Doctor of Musical Arts and a Master of Music M.S. and Ph.D. in computer science. The proposal passed easily on the first reading, some faculty expressed concern over the future role of graduate education at Rice.

Vice President for Advanced Studies and Research John Margrave, who presented the proposal to the council, argued that the department is able to support their new offerings without help from the university president.

Margrave commented, "The Shepherd School is a separate cost center. The cost of the new degree program will be supported by such groups as the Shepherd Society."

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He continued, "I know that we have the faculty to support more graduate programs. In many areas we have internationally renowned faculty that could easily attract the graduate students. The question is whether we have the facilities to support more students. 1,500 might be a viable target."

Ken Kennedy, chairman of the computer science department, added, "We have in the past years been producing de facto computer science Ph.D.s, but they got their degrees from electrical engineering or math sciences. Now they can be explicitly labeled computer science Ph.D.s. Now the National Science Foundation can treat us as a full fledged member of the graduate academic community."

"A graduate program is essential for first rate undergraduates."

Much of our teaching is done by graduate students. Individual attention is very important in the computer science field; graduate students allow us to provide that," Kennedy asserted.

"One of the good things about Rice is the computer science program," he added, "is the opportunity undergraduates have to participate in original research. This experience in research, a direct outgrowth of having graduates in research, helps our undergraduates get into good graduate schools."

Kennedy continued, "We had three undergraduates accepted into Stanford last year. Five went to Cornell. I think the interaction of undergraduate and graduate students in the computer science department has a salutary effect."

WRC sweeps events in injury-plagued Beer-Bike race

by Dave Collins

The Lovett College jerseys sported an abstract "photo finish" commemorating the 1982 Boat Race incident involving a cyclist and a pedestrian with a camera, wherein the cyclist got off of it. Could its designer have known that 1983 would produce a photo finish in the traditional sense and a similar accident?

This event was the 26th annual Beer-Bike Race, a spring festival which attracts more spectators each year — and, for the first time, television cameras. Will Rice College, entering as a mock New Orleans funeral, saw its men, women and alumni dash to sweep the event's three divisions.

TexPIRG doubts Republicans' motives

by Patty Cleary

In response to newly-voiced concerns over the validity of the Rice Texas Public Interest Research Group (TexPIRG) and its blanket tax, the Student Association will hold an open forum on TexPIRG at its meeting next Monday.

Stated SA president Mark Melches, "From now on, we plan to conduct our meetings as open discussions with a specific topic. Right now, TexPIRG seems to be a pressing issue, and we thought it would be appropriate to invite Marlon Brown, GSA chairman, and Duaine Pryor to be in a forum."

The issue of TexPIRG's blanket tax arose again recently when Greg Vint, president of the Rice Republicans, began consultation with an attorney to see if TexPIRG's automatic student funding could be discontinued. The Republicans accuse TexPIRG of partisan activities which they assert should disqualify it from the classification of organizations which can legally receive a blanket tax.

TexPIRG's attorney, however, asserts that the Republicans' actions are totally ungrounded and are a political ploy, a plan, rather than the actions of concerned Rice students. Stated TexPIRG Chairman Duaine Pryor, "We believe he(Vint) was in contact with the Mid-Atlantic Legal Foundation, the group completed the circuit in 12:44 and the men equalled last year's winning time by completing 20 laps (10 miles) in 24.02.

Richardson College finished. 74 seconds back in the men's race as

the pair battled the treacherous headwind on the backstretch of Hackerman Field as 4,000 eyes witnessed the most exciting finish in recent history.

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Pryor explained that he views Vint and the Republicans as acting out a strategy of the CRNC because they choose to work outside the university to bring about changes.

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Former coach Neely dies

Jess Neely, a former Rice football coach, died Saturday, April 9, at age 85. Neely, whose career spanned 40 years, was one of five college football coaches to win more than 200 games. His career record was 207 wins, 199 losses and 14 ties.

During Neely's 27-year stint as Rice football coach, the Owls' overall record was 144 wins, 124 losses and 10 ties. Between 1960 and 1966, the Owls either won or shared the Southwest Conference championship four times. Neely's 1949 team, which defeated North Carolina in the Cotton Bowl, was voted the nation that year by an Associated Press

ambulance arrives at site of second accident

Hackerman appoints Wierum proctor, board of governors promotes 19 profs

President Norman Hackerman has appointed Dr. Frederic A. Wierum, Jr. of mechanical engineering and material science as acting proctor in the absence of Proctor E. C. Holt, who underwent bypass heart surgery on April 4.

According to the President's Office, Wierum will hold the position either through the academic year or until Holt returns.

The Thresher has learned that the field of candidates for dean of undergraduate affairs has been narrowed to the following professors: Drs. Jeffrey Kurtzman of music, Eva Lee of health and physical education, Holly Beth Posnoodexter of health and physical education, and Ronald Stubbings of business.

The Rice board of governors recently approved 19 faculty promotions which will become effective on July 1. The board promoted the following faculty members to full professor: Chandler Davidson Sociology Robert Dibney Psychology Edward Doughty Physics John Olson Biochemistry Peter Shilen Mathematics Meredith Skura English Richard Smith History Albert van Helden History Faculty in Gottschalk of see Faculty, page 6
Beer-Bike's bloodbath begs big questions of decisions

More than Will Rice's surprising sweep, the bloodiness of Beer-Bike has been a hot topic of conversation this past week. Anyone who attended the races last weekend had to be somewhat shaken by the clamor of crashing bikes and bodies. Although the Rice student is usually a byword for apathy, the crowd of spectators did not leave its shock and indignation in the bleachers Saturday. All across campus I have heard, "How are those people who got hurt at Beer-Bike? Why wasn't there an ambulance there?"

Letters to the editor addressing Beer-Bike, some angry, some only analytical, started arriving in the Thresher office early Sunday afternoon and have not stopped. Unfortunately, space had already been allocated under the Student Association constitution to the Honor Council election statements. The letters will run in next week's issue, the last issue of the year.

Just for the record, however, I'd like to bring up some of the points made forcefully in the letters:

- There should have been an ambulance at the track. Rice Program Council President Doug Gardner and the Beer-Bike coordinators decided not to have one simply because one wasn't needed last year. I guess you should cancel health insurance if you haven't been sick recently. Of the $900 spent for beer, some should have been "blood money." It was a stupid decision. I'd point out that more than one ambulance would have been necessary anyway is callously sidestepping the issue.

- There should have been at least one campus police officer present. Gardner admitted that he called the campus only that day to have an officer at the races; with that little advance warning, one can not blame the campus for not being able to spare one of Saturday's two-person workforce.

- There should be more training of everyone concerned. Bikers should not compete if they do not know how to put on a helmet properly or how to brake without spilling (don't lock the front brakes, for one thing). Many catches and pushes were handled abominably; the resulting injuries to both bikers and spectators could have been prevented if as much attention had been paid to their technique as is paid to the chugging. Finally, spectators must learn that the track is a race course and not a boulevard; just like at graduation, congratulations should be withheld until all have crossed the finish line.

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Food Service fascism flourishes

Registration for meal plans will begin Monday in the college offices. Despite the Rich Hoppe-ria about the Food Committee's endeavors, a cursory look at the guidelines reveals that the Food Service is as fascist as ever. All first-semester students on campus will have compulsory full board that semester. Only increases in meals per week will be necessary. Such fascism is almost as hard to swallow as braised beef tips. A cursory look at the guidelines reveals that the Food Service is as fascist as the RPC's charter. Refusal to point out that more than one ambulance would have been necessary anyway is callously sidestepping the issue. The new RPC president, Brian Marek, has a challenge for next year. Responsible decision-making is in order. More publicity of important decisions could ensure that fewer gross errors are made by the RPC and Beer-Bike coordinators. Beer-Bike should not become Blood-Bike.

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Aggies aggressive for Texas Merit scholars

Across the country, college administrators contend that recruiting bright students in Texas has become a high stakes endeavor. Education experts are even predicting “bidding wars” for scholars of this type. Continuing

Such intense recruiting has led to frustrated and disgruntled admissions officers at several Texas schools, including Rice. Most administrators point to Texas A&M as the biggest

Last year, A&M attracted 190 National Merit Scholarship finalists, second only to Harvard. Officials at other Texas schools contend that A&M tries to get these finalists to commit to scholarships before student have a chance to receive and evaluate other offers. While most colleges allow students until May 1 to make a decision, A&M requires a much earlier decision.

Richard Stabell, assistant to the president in charge of admissions and records at Rice, commented, “Just to buy a crop of students is not a good way to do it. It’s fine for the university, but I’m not sure it’s in the best interest of the student.”

Admissions officials at Rice, Southern Methodist University, Texas Southern and Trinity all agree that forcing students to commit to scholarships before hearing from other schools is unethical.

Director of the A&M honors program Harry Cress stated that A&M set earlier deadlines so if a student refuses a scholarship, it can be offered to another qualified candidate.

“We have to find other students with our money if they don’t accept,” Cress explained. “We begin making offers in the fall, and we say you’ve got five or six weeks, and we give them a date to make up their minds.”

According to admissions officials, University of Texas is also making a bid for top students. Last summer Texas presented over $100,000 to show 700 potential National Merit finalists the campus. The finalists from all over the country received paid travel expenses, food and entertainment. Texas also guaranteed each student at least a $1,000 scholarship.

While Marshall’s organization establishes certain standards for recruiting, there are no penalties for violating its ethical code.

Director of Admissions at SMU Pepper

Scott Healy contacted National Merit officials last year about A&M’s recruiting practices, but was informed that A&M was doing nothing illegal.

Collegiate group tries to stop speaker sabotage

A group of organizations representing presidents, faculty, and students has banded together in an attempt to halt disruption of speakers on college campuses. Prompted in particular by incidents involving Jean Kirkpatrick, the chief U.S. delegate to the United Nations, academic officials are worried about the future of open forum on campuses. They contend that a dangerous precedent will be set if dissidents continue to “impede” speakers as Kirkpatrick was.

“The hiss and boo, when they go beyond brief expression of opposition and become instruments to silence those with whom one disagrees, are inappropriate at any public gathering, but especially in places of higher learning,” asserts this unusual joint plea.

This statement was endorsed by the American Association of University Professors, the American Council on Education, the National Coalition of Independent College and University Students, the National Organization of Black Students and the United States Student Association.

Kirkpatrick has been the prime target for campus protests, especially in regard to U.S. policies in Central America. This year on February 15, Kirkpatrick was driven from the lecture platform by 800 jeering students at the University of California at Berkeley. On February 24, Kirkpatrick announced that she was withdrawing from a speaking engagement at Smith College after she was informed that security could not be guaranteed. On March 2, Kirkpatrick’s speech at the University of Minnesota was disrupted by the shouts of 4,000 members of the audience.

Yalies spend vacation in Afghanistan combat zone.

They arrived in Peshawar, a Pakistan city, and made contact with the “moderate Alliance,” a coalition which included the Afghan mujahedeen freedom fighters. Sponsored by The Yale Free Press, Bork and D’Elia donned the traditional dress of Afghan tribesmen and were taken on a “night ride” through the city streets to avoid police. They then took a seven-hour bus ride to the Afghan border and spent two days in a refugee camp.

On the bus ride they witnessed the denationalized “free zone” of Pakistan, where there is virtually no civil law and where arms, including military rifles and machine guns, are openly manufactured and sold. Carrying camera bags, the young men had several close calls at security checks, which included the body search of five other people on their bus and necessitated the bribing of a Pakistani official.

At the refugee camp they crossed a mountain, entering the Afghanistan province south of Kabul. They witnessed two battles between Soviet helicopters and mujahedeen forces. They described the mujahedeen morale as “incredible” and their fight as that of “an entire nation in arms against the oppressor.” The mujahedeen slogan, “Freedom or martyrdom,” gives them strength, claim the Yalies. The young Americans saw soldiers as young as 10 carrying rifles.

Bork said the mujahedeen repeatedly asked him why the United States is not supplying aid for the Afghan cause. Bork noted that the mujahedeen faced great ammunition and medical shortages and lacked adequate defense against the helicopters.

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by Berke Breathed

by Lynn Lytton

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The Honor Council will hold elections for four positions next week. Candidates must file petitions for positions at the S.A. office by 3 p.m. today. The election for the sophomore position will be held Monday, April 18, and at-large position elections will follow on Thursday, April 21.

Candidates who do not win a sophomore position may run for an at-large position by indicating an interest in doing so at the bottom of their petition.

and if our caseload stays at this level or continues to grow, we will lose these expenses. Without this budget increase, there will not be sufficient funds to fulfill our primary duties of orientation, improvement, and maintenance of the Honor System next year. With a larger blanket tax, then, the Council should be able to make the system much more efficient and probably more fair.

The Honor Council appreciates my privilege to live and work in a place where personal responsibility is seriously honored. Therefore, I would like to further my participation by representing these goals of ours in service to the Honor Council.

As a member of the Honor Council, I strive to be of service to each individual. This is especially true of students who have failed to live up to the code each year miss out on the most important aspect of their college education. They also bear the brunt of that attitude.

The past year on the Council has been a very controversial one. When I voted for the resolution by the Honor Council recommending to the University Council that it create an ad hoc committee to investigate the administration's relationship with the Honor Council, I was concerned about the very existence of the system. Until the administration begins to view the Council in the same light as Edgar Odell Lovett envisioned it, the continued existence of the Council remains in question.

We must consider very seriously who we want to represent. A member of the Council is subject to pressures most students are not. Furthermore he or she must be willing to devote as much time as is required to assure fair and just procedures. The Honor Council is not just another student organization. A small error on the part of the Council could jeopardize a student's future. It is crucial that an Honor Council be both receptive and unyielding. If the present difficulties are to be resolved, it will require a strong, dedicated Council willing to devote the time and effort required to meet these challenges.

The honest error on the part of the Council must be willing to accept and correct these errors. As members who calmly sit back and adopt a wait and see attitude, the Honor Council will ultimately watch the system crumble.

be to keep this from happening by keeping in touch with the pulse of the university and supporting the decisions and purposes of the Council.

A university-wide position requires a great deal of time and mental fortitude to carry out. These new positions will give the Council new insight and hopefully new wisdom in order to make decisions that will affect the university. I present myself as a candidate with these goals as my reason. It is time to let the new organization show its merit.

Sophomore Position

Richard Torczon

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Instead, the Honor Council requires two things that most resume stuffers can not afford to give: time and dedication. After all, we are talking about meetings that ruin your Sunday afternoon and last until late at night. We are talking about being around during the summer to aid in the production and mailing of Honor Council booklets and matriculation cards. We are talking about being here freshman week to administer the Honor Council test, and just to be visible. You must always be accessible to comply with changes and suggested reforms.

I live in Houston and would be here during the summer and freshman week. I am willing to sacrifice my Sundays and other time to help further the Honor System. I am open to input from any member of the Rice community: faculty, administration and students.

Finally, although I am an enthusiastic supporter of the Honor System, I am not blind to the possibility of improvement. Together we can all work on greater faculty and student involvement as well as administration accountability.

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At-Large Positions

Amelia Battle

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Jonathan Berk

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Muzumdar elaborates relevance of Gandhi's message

by Shelina Shariff

On Wednesday afternoon, Dr. Haridas Muzumdar, a biographer of Mahatma Gandhi, spoke about Gandhi's message of non-violence and its relevance to our times.

Muzumdar, who came to the United States in the 1920s to complete his higher education, is dean emeritus at the University of Arkansas. He wrote a biography on Gandhi after accompanying him on the famous salt march and staying at Gandhi's ashram.

Muzumdar suggested that his topic is especially relevant now with the recent release of Richard Attenborough's film Gandhi. The film has sparked considerable interest in the man and his philosophy.

After Gandhi's death, Muzumdar was sent to the United States by Jawaharlal Nehru, then prime minister of India, to explain India to the Americans. He recalled the fateful day in 1947 when Gandhi was shot, stating, "Even Americans who did not know much about him felt something was lost in this world.

Muzumdar explained that Gandhi felt India had to be free from the British both for the Indians and the British. The British were harming themselves by enforcing their domination and needed to be cleansed.

Muzumdar then traced the development of the idea of non-violence. Jesus gave the Christian tradition the idea of non-resistance. Gandhi used the term "passive resistance" in South Africa. Gandhi then used the word satyagraha to describe his concept of non-violence. Satyagraha is a Sanskrit word which means persistence in truth. However, non-violent resistance is not really passive but active resistance of a non-violent means.

Muzumdar believed people themselves are not inherently violent, but that the system compels them to fight wars. War becomes a matter of government policy. India won freedom by non-violence and the result has been friendship rather than hatred between Britain and India.

The Boys in Room 201

by Mark Rome

The University Court, which met last Thursday to consider charges against three students rusticated by Baker Master Jeffrey Adolph and Colin McDough, placed two of the students on probation with stipulations. Kurtzman rusticated Baker members Rick Christon, Mark Hatch and Troy Cates after receiving numerous complaints that the students shot BBs at passers-by.

After receiving the complaint from Kurtzman, Proctor E.C. Holt investigated the allegations. Holt listened to each of the eight victims cited in Kurtzman's complaint, as well as examined the evidence presented, including some 4.4 mm BBs found after the shooting.

Holt determined that Cates was not to be charged for the shootings and allowed him to move back onto campus. In addition, Holt transferred the accusations against Hatch and Christon to the University Court. Since the two pleaded no contest through a representative, the court only had to determine their penalty. During the hearing, the court listened to testimony from witnesses and arguments from both sides.

The defense suggested the students be placed on probation for one year, participate in a youth program the athletic department is associated with and pay all charges resulting from the shootings. The court decided to accept the defense's suggestions and to add one month of escort service duty, two nights per week, to the punishment.

The students who were injured by the BB firings were Edward Ams, who received a pellet in the cheek, Chris Brehm, who was hit in the back of the neck, and Chris Matney. Others involved were Karen Chen and Michael Murphy, both hit but not injured, Nancy Adolph and Colin McDough.

Graduation weekend commences at the Shamrock Hilton.

In honor of the graduating Rice students, the Shamrock Hilton is offering special graduation weekend rates, good only from May 6 thru May 10. Just down the street from the campus, your family will enjoy resort-like facilities, yet still be close to you. The Shamrock's tennis center and world's largest hotel swimming pool are a delight for exercise and relaxation. And our dining facilities, which include exotic Trader Vic's and the refreshing Terrace Restaurant, are a diner's paradise. For added convenience, the Shamrock's airport bus terminal is right across the street, and provides direct service to both airports.

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that a series of anti-PIRG campaigns is underway. To date, PIRGs in Colorado, New York, New Jersey, Missouri, Washington, Michigan have been subject to some kind of ultra-conservative attack. The CRNC has sent an anti-PIRG memo to Republican groups across the nation. In the attached letter, the national chairman of the CRNC writes, "Attached please find the CRNC's anti-PIRG packet. In order to defeat PIRGs, or to make sure they never get started, you should follow (our) strategy completely."

The letter continues, "The presence of PIRGs on campus has gone on for too long. Let us be thankful that we are among those who will ensure that this tyranny will not continue."

The attached document from the CRNC reads: "If need be, the CRNC will assist you in undertaking legal action. Our new anti-PIRG project is called 'The CRNC PIRG-Free Zone Project,' and we are rewarding certificates of recognition to all State CRFs who rid their state of this pestilence."

The strategy information includes sample anti-PIRG flyers, lobbying letters and sample letters-to-the-Editor by PIRG fighters. In another Republican memo under the heading "Project Inform," the CRNC states, "Ralph Nader's PIRG has become a major threat to democracy on American campuses."

This memorandum urges that if hinting to administrative officials that lawyers are looking into the school's PIRG does not provoke a reaction, college Republicans should immediately form a coalition involving individuals from all political parties. "At this stage," the memo reads, "don't attack their (a PIRG's) political leanings. Get all groups riled up over the fact that PIRG is given special treatment... This way it doesn't look like an attack on the left by the right."

**McIntosh to receive teaching award**

The Rice chapter of Phi Beta Kappa recently named Dr. Roderick J. McIntosh as recipient of its 1983 Award for Outstanding Teaching by an assistant professor. McIntosh, an anthropology professor whose promotion to associate professor with tenure was recently approved, will receive his award at the April 29 meeting of the Beta of Texas Chapter.

**Rice to hold astronomy day**

Rice University and the Houston Astronomical Society will sponsor National Astronomy Day on campus on Saturday, April 23. All of the activities, which will take place primarily in the Space Physics Building, are free and open to the public.

The purpose of the annual astronomy day is to increase public awareness of the benefits of participating in astronomy-related activities. Included in the day's schedule will be astronomy lectures by professional and amateur astronomers.
Havens, Madigan give lift to Kopit’s tragic Wings

Wings
Main Street Theatre
Through April 30

Arthur Kopit wrote his play Wings about how the spirit can soar above physical limitation. At the same time, Wings reminds us constantly that the soul, however loosely it is joined to the body, is nevertheless irrevocably earthbound. Main Street Theatre, under the guest direction of Neil Havens, handles these gripping themes with skill. Susan Robinow Madigan, in the leading role of Emily Stilson, concisely personifies these themes.

Wings is loosely plotted, consisting predominantly of monologues from Emily, a former wingwalker in the younger days of aviation. The play begins as Emily is having a severe left hemisphere stroke (although in her mind she is not experiencing a stroke, but reliving a plane crash she had when she was a pilot). The play follows her progress from intensive care to being denied the ability to be eloquent centers into his grasping right. Hafer buoyantly plays a Billy that has escaped most of the physical damage of a stroke. Freeman Williams (Mr. Brownstein) is also thoroughly convincing as an aphasic (a person suffering from one of a multitude of speech or comprehension disorders due to neural cell death).

Especially effective in his characterization are his hand gyrations of the patients. All the frustration of being denied the ability to be eloquent centers into his grasping right. Hafer buoyantly plays a Billy that has escaped most of the emotional scarring of a stroke by retreating into childhood. Susan Cooke plays Amy, the doctor in charge of therapy for these four patients. Cooke successfully combines the brisk efficiency of a doctor in a big hospital with a sincere delight in her patients’ progress. Cooke’s smooth, unmanpered acting provides a striking and necessary contrast to the, at times, frantic gyrations of the patients.

But it is Susan Robinow Madigan in the role of Emily who steals the show. She is superbly versatile in this role which swings her from sudden joy to nagging frustration to despair. Especially well-done are her scenes when she lapses into gibberish, at least what sounds like gibberish to us but what would sound like ordinary speech to an aphasic. Madigan seems supremely unaware that she

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Feature

Ginsberg helps keep philosophy of 60s alive and well

Allen Ginsberg
Hanszen Commons
April 11

Allen Ginsberg, Beat Generation poet, political activist, and teacher at the Naropa Institute in Boulder, Colorado, visited Hanszen College Monday, April 11, in an afternoon discussion with students and faculty, and an evening performance of some of his work. At the afternoon session, Ginsberg shared his ideas about art, and explained how creative expression is simply the transcription of what he calls, “mind gazing,” a process of meditation in which “you discover how big your mind is.”

Ginsberg described the mind as infinitely vast, and that through mind gazing, one may realize intelligence and spiritual liberation. “Be aware of the shape of the mind,” he said, “if the mind is shapely, then the art will be shapely. Awareness is intelligence.” Ginsberg also explained the Dharma Wheel, the wheel of law of natural cause and effect according to Buddha, which forms the basis of his mind gazing, and the art of the Beat Generation that he continues to create and teach. Through meditation and the study of the Dharma Wheel, Ginsberg explained, one may understand the nature of existence, the noble truths, and the path to awareness. “You don’t want to make your mind do what you want it to do,” Ginsberg explained, “you want to set it free.” Art, he said is “where the mind is revealed.”

Ginsberg explained his views, including his beliefs that the causes of suffering are ignorance, desire and grasping, and that political turmoil is caused by aggression. “You have to learn how to relate to aggression,” he said, “Check out your own, then check out everyone else’s.” He also commented on the nuclear deadlock (the “double bind”) between the US and the Soviet Union. “How do you relate to a double bind?” he quizzed. “You create space to untangle the knot.”

Ginsberg feels that the understanding reached through Dharma and mind gazing could lead to better political and social understanding between nations. “Ronald Reagan has a big mind just like any Buddha. He just covers it up,” he said. “It is bigger than any ideas of myself. The more that Ronald Reagan projects is bigger than anything I ever know.”

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Word and Chip C.
Talent, patronage problems plague Houston theatre

The following, the first in a two part series, are the reminiscences of an actor in and reviewer of theatre in Houston as he leaves the world behind the hedges.

The Houston theatre scene can hardly be compared to New York, London, or any of the other great entertainment centers, but it is probably more thriving than most people give it credit for. Between the professional, community, and university groups, there is enough theatre year-round to sate all but the most voracious playgoer. As might be expected, some of it is a lot more satisfying than others, but most of it is worth a look.

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This Week / by Stephen Bene

Film

*Excalibur* Director John Boorman has created a spectacle (though a lengthy one), in this no-holds-barred retelling of the Arthurian Legends. If you didn't see *Excalibur* the first two times around, see it tonight at 5 and 9:30 p.m. at the River Oaks Theatre.

**Dr. Zhivago**. This multiple-award-winning romance set in the Russian Revolution stars Omar Sharif, Julie Christie, with supporting well-knowns Alec Guinness, Geraldine Chaplin, and Rod Steiger. Also at the River Oaks, this 1965 masterpiece plays this Sunday, April 17, at 1 and 7:30 p.m.

**Wages of Fear**. A thriller in the vein of *Apocalypse Now*, *Wages of Fear* is a 50's French film concerning four Europeans trapped in a South American village who will do anything to get out, even if it means driving a truckload of nitroglycerine through the jungle to explode-out an oil well fire. *Wages* is in French with subtitles, and shows Wednesday, April 20, at 7:30 p.m. at the Rice Media Center.

Museums and Galleries

*Rice Student Exhibition*. The twentieth annual department of art exhibition will begin Monday, April 18, with a reception from 6 to 8 p.m. Exhibited in Sewall Art Gallery will be works in painting, drawing, sculpture, photography, and video, along with a special performance by the Rice Dance Troupe. Works are all by art department undergraduates and BFA students. The exhibition runs through May 7 with Gallery hours of 12 to 5 p.m., Monday through Saturday.

*Neartown Fine Arts Competition*. As part of their "April in Montrose," the Neartown Business Alliance sponsors the art competition and exhibition beginning Saturday, April 16, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Sunday, April 17, from 12 to 5 p.m. The competition features work by five Montrose-area schools including the University of St. Thomas, the Houston Art Institute, and the High School for Performing and Visual Arts. The juried outdoor competition/exhibition of sculpture, painting, photography, and graphic design is at various locations along Yoakum Blvd. between the Southwest Freeway and Harold Street.

Theatre

*Man of La Mancha*. Theatre Under The Stars' staging of this inspiring Tony-winner based on Cervantes' *Don Quixote* runs tonight, tomorrow, and Sunday (April 14-17) and next week Thursday through Sunday, April 21-24. TUTS' production features two notables from the original Broadway production: director Alain Armack (who won a best-director Tony for the Broadway staging), and Joan Doner as Dulcinea (which she has played in London and Paris as well as on Broadway). Call Susie Works at Theatre Under The Stars at 622-1626 for time, place, and ticket information.

**Comedy Workshop**. Throughout April, the Comedy Workshop presents *Funny for Money*, a Musical Abou Comedy, in its Cabaret theater, 2035 San Felipe at Shepherd. About the lives and times of stand-up comics, *Funny for Money* plays Tuesdays through Thursdays at 8:30 p.m. with tickets $4 and reservations suggested, and Fridays and Saturdays at 8:30 and again at 11:30 p.m. with tickets $6 and reservations a must. Call 524-7333. After the Saturday night show, various members of the troupe perform audience-suggestion improv free of charge.

*An Evening of German Renaissance Drama*. Teutonic Productions concludes its two-night run of three Carnival plays by 16th-century dramatist Hans Sachs tonight at 8 p.m. in Sewall 301. Performed in the original German, *Das Haus Eren* (The Hot Iron), *Der Tod im Baumstumpf* (Death in the Tree Stump), and *Das Kaufherzlichen* (The Calf Hatching) are light-heartedly interpreted by an ensemble of German students and native speakers. The comic plays run about 20 minutes each. Admission is $2.50 at the door.

*At the Rice Dance Troupe, a* predominantly modern company, will give its annual spring performances this Friday and Saturday night in Hamman Hall, both nights at 8 p.m. In addition to student-choreographed and student-performed works, director Linda Phenix and guest artists from Roberta Stokes' company will perform. Tickets may be reserved by calling Linda Phenix in the physical education department or may be purchased at the door.

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Razorbacks trounce Rice 8-1 as team tries to maintain .500

by Tony Salterro

A stunning upset of the University of Houston was the high point of the week for the Rice men's tennis team. The Owls posted their first victory over the Cougars since 1978, rallying from 5-4 to win 8-1. The Owls are now 6-1 in the conference and 21-3 overall.

Rice's next victims were the Razorbacks, who are the top-ranked team in the conference and 21-3 overall. The Owls were down 4-3 when they came back with a 6-1, 6-2, 6-3, 6-4 victory over the Hog's 6-2, 6-3, 6-4, 6-3. With their conference mark at 5-4, the second place Owls prepared for the team's next match, a dual meet against LSU.

The Owls' top singles players, Tracie Blumentritt and Susan Rudd, won their matches against the hands of Houston's Margaret Redfern, 6-4, 6-2, and Bette Riel, 6-3, 6-2. Rice rallied in its doubles matches, taking the 3-0 lead from the Cougars 6-1, 6-3, 6-0. With one conference match remaining, the Owls are 6-1 in the conference and 21-3 overall.

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Day of reckoning arrives as Owls tackle No. 2 Texas

by Arthur Rabeau

The baseball Owls are working on their disappearing act to perfection and as a result are on a rampage through the Southwest Conference. First, they vanished from sight after defeating Lamar on April 5 to begin a two-game road trip. Then they took on a non-league game from Sam Houston State but had two others fade into oblivion. Finally, they flickered back into reality in Fort Worth last weekend.

Much to the dismay of Texas Christian, Rice caused the Horned Frogs' pitching to disappear and blanked TCU as a result. The Owls are now poised to get rid of a couple of records as well as they prepare to take on a very visible Texas team this weekend.

When last the Owls saw the SIUE Bearcats, they battled to a 3-3 deadlock in the Cameron Tournament which was suspended after 10 innings. It finally settled on the seventh by the simplest expedient of declaring the game a tie, which cleared the way for that day's scheduled match.

There was no tying nonsense this time as Rice cruised to a 6-2 victory over a combined seven-batter lineup by Derek Hoelscher and Ronnie Peoples. The Kains briefly took the lead via a two-run uprising in the fourth inning, but the Owls inexorably kept pace with the visitors from Houston had more than enough to attempt a steal.

The first Frog victim was Bob Eggleston safely swipes second against North Texas State University with a double play, while Mike Fox held onto the throw despite a massive collision with Frog third baseman John Herrick. Spivey then picked Denny Day off third and struck out Steve Cottage to end the threat.

Meanwhile, Owls' increasing sharpness at a crucial point in the conference race, as Derek Hoelscher has a sore arm and may not be able to pitch for a while. Norm Charlton, a

The Owls are not only seeking a sweep, but also, as previously mentioned, a pair of special accomplishments. One is head Coach David Hall's 100th career victory, which was hopefully achieved in Wednesday's game with Lamar. If the team took that game, they are now three wins away from becoming the most successful Rice team in history. The previous record? 34 wins in each of the last two years—Hall's first two years as head coach. After a 7:30 p.m. game Friday and a 2 p.m. doubleheader in Austin, the Owls return for a three-game series with A&M on April 23 and 24.

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PEACE CORPS

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The men's track team returned from the Texas Relays Saturday with just one winner, but he was a big one. Vince Courville took first in the 100-meter dash with a time of 10.23.

The Rice Thresher, from the Southwest Area. The number of the best track athletes in the nation, but perhaps the top four or five.

In the invitational 100-meters, in a big one. Vince Courville took first place in the 100-meter relay, which came in first with a 7.45. Earlier in the year, before Francisco Melendez was removed from the team and before Jerry Fuqua became sick, Rice would have been in position to win the race. Straub was, nevertheless, unhappy that his distance crew did not do better in the men's 400-meter medley.

In what had to have been a disappointing performance for him, Rice's Paul Bratlow placed third in the pole vault 16-10 3/4. Bratlow had been hoping to at least better his season's best of 17.0. Dale Jenkins out of Abilene Christian won the event with a 17-9 3/4.

In the women's division Rice had two athletes of note — Dixie Lewis and Monique Millar. Lewis came in fourth in the 10000 with a time of 3:21. Millar finished eighth in the heptathlon setting a school record in that event.

The newly surfaced track provided a number of fast track times including a new American collegiate record of 3:01.98 in the 1500-meter relay by the Baylor Bears.

Rice did not fare as well in the relays as Straub had hoped. However, they did take second behind Arkansas in the sprint medley. Arkansas finished in 3:15.70 while Rice's team of Courville, Terry Jones, John Bell and Gawain Guy were clocked at 3:16.34 ahead of SMU 3:17.92, Texas Southern 3:31.60, and Oklahoma State 3:23.25.

"I thought we were going to win," said Straub of the race, "I think Gawain was affected mentally by the big early lead he had." Arkansas' Stanley Redwine, who was affected mentally by the big early lead he had, ran the third leg of the Razorbacks' 800-meter relay as Straub had hoped. However, they did take second behind Arkansas in the sprint medley.

Rice's only other relay team to place was the 3200-meter relay which came in fifth with a 7:45.42.

Individual times were kept by KTRU staff atop the Bozobus, as well as the college teams. One time of 2:02 was recorded for a woman ride in the Bozobus position (name undetermined), which would eclipse the men's mark by three seconds.

The race was a race full of firsts. For the first time, the event will be broadcast on cable television. The Home Sports Entertainment Network (HSE) will run an edited, voice-over videotape of Beer-Bike 1983 in the near future.

For the first time, a woman rode as a member of a men's bike squad. Will Rice's Martha Crandall rode 2.21 miles to aid in the WRC men's winning effort.

The first serious accidents also occurred this year. Margaret Schroeder, a freshman riding for Baylor, did not slow down as quickly as her bicycle did at the close of her lap; the vehicle performed an imperfect 360-degree flip, throwing Schroeder to the pavement.

"I'd only practiced about once on that bike," Schroeder reflected, "and I guess I didn't get enough practice. I braked a little too hard, and I flipped." Schroeder landed on her head, chipping four front teeth, which will have to be capped. The flesh wounds on her face should heal rapidly; they are being treated as burns by the staff at Hermann Hospital, where she was taken after a noticeable delay.

At the close of the men's race, WRC's Terry Romankov's victory celebration was interrupted by a collision with a pedestrian at the south end of the pit. The bicycle, moving at about 20 mph, knocked graduate student Byung-Geon Khe to the ground and into a state of unconsciousness.

"There wasn't really much I could do," Romankov said afterward. "I swerved to one side, and he moved the same way." Romankov himself sustained a broken collarbone, which will keep him in a sling for up to six weeks.

Most of the attention was focused on Rhee, who suffered a concussion and underwent a CAT scan shortly after impact. Rhee was also placed in an ambulance bound for Hermann Hospital after what seemed to be a dislocated collarbone.

"I can't remember what happened," Rhee recalled, "I was infielid unconscious for about two hours. I'm still very dizzy and get headaches from time to time.

In previous years an ambulance has been on site in anticipation of an accident; this year no such vehicle was about, since it was not used in the 1981 or 1982 races. The conspicuous lack of an emergency vehicle has caused some controversy.

Outgoing Rice Program Council President Doug Gardner admitted that it was a "stupid decision" not to have an ambulance ready. Both victims had to lie on the asphalt for an ambulance to arrive from the Medical Center. But in Rhee's case, the ambulance would already have taken Schroeder to the emergency room and thus have been just as unavailable, Gardner added.

Gardner gave the race good marks for running smoothly, except for the accidents, which he attributed to insufficient crowd control. The RPC had announced that precautions were taken to prevent another collision; the design of the bleachers with front railings should have helped.

Still, while the last rider had a lap still to ride, people were spilling out onto the homesretch. Due to limited money and manpower, the RPC was forced to depend on the self-discipline of the students.

Gardner also suggested that a paramedic be present, believing an ambulance to be too costly, especially if unnecessary, and that greater emphasis be placed on catching practice.
HANSZEN
Katherine Eggert

Tonight is the infamous and extensive Hanszen Tower Party, just in time for Owl Day. A cup donation will be collected at the tower entrance. The fun continues through the SA office.

The Philosophy department is pleased to announce the second annual Tsanoff Scholarships and the Jacob and Babette Atlas Prize in Moral Philosophy. Separate Tsanoff prizes will be awarded for the best essay written in an upper level philosophy course and for the best essay written in lower level 100 and 200 level courses. The prizes consist of scholarship funds and the amount awarded will be equivalent to a year's tuition. Only freshmen, sophomores, and juniors are eligible. Essays must be submitted by 4/14.

The Jacob and Babette Atlas Prize in Moral Philosophy will be awarded annually to the undergraduate who writes the best essay in moral philosophy. All undergraduates are eligible for this $500 prize. Essays must be submitted by 4/29.

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All organizations interested in participating in the Freshman Week Activities Fair need to contact Gretchen Martinez through the SA office.

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JONES
Robin Berg

If you're hosting a prospective freshman for Owl Day and want to show them the most scenic part of Houston or if you just want to have a good time, come to an off-campus Owl Night party tonight at 812 Richmond (next to the U-Totem and across from Wet and Wild). Beer and punch will be served. It's fun!

WEISS
Dove Chilton

Room draw will be on Monday, April 18. Squat forms (this is for real this time) are due today in the college office.

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**Tuesday, April 19th, 11:45-12:45 in the Student Union:**
Promotions from the River Oaks, Rice Community. For more information, call 526-3888.

**April 22nd, 7:30PM at St. Paul's UMC:**
Carol Huddleston, organ, 7:30PM 4/16, St. Paul's UMC.
Sarah Brockus, voice, 8PM 4/15 at St. Paul's UMC.
Warren Friesen, viola, 8PM 4/17, Hamman Hall.

**April 24th, 11:45-12:45 in the Student Union:**
Free demonstrations, instructions or activity recognizing the first phase of gentry from Rice students. Conference, refreshments. For more information, call 626-1498, 626-2284.

**April 29th, 12:00-1:00, 11:45-12:45 in the Student Union:**
Join the new Rice Heterosexual Support Group. Our first meeting will be held at 5:30 Monday 4/18. Call Michael, Randy, or Pat for more details.

**April 30th, 5:00-9:00 in the Student Union:**
Apartment sublet to furnished. $320/mo. Contact the author, printed in miscellany 3/25. It is furnished, but no pictures are available. Contact the author, printed in miscellany 3/25.

**April 24th, 4:30-5:30, 6:00-7:00 in the Student Union:**
The Rice Players are continuing auditions for the summer stock company. Every Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 4:30-5:30. For more information, call 526-3888.

**April 26th, 7:30PM, Rice Community Center:**
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**April 24th, 7:30PM, Rice Community Center:**
For more information, call 528-3742.

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