Jackson appeals suspension from Proctor Holt

When police officers returned, Jackson again verbally abused Velman. Velman, an handcuffed Jackson and placed him under arrest. "I was very, very incoherent," Jackson says. "I'm not saying I didn't do it."

According to Jackson, the police report states, "Jackson was disorderly for the purpose of public incitement."

"This was no destruction of university property," Jackson says. "I did not hit one person. I did not even threaten to do so."

Other campus police officers then drove Jackson to the Houston Police Department's downtown headquarters, where Jackson was interrogated well into the evening by university authorities, including Officer Anthony E. Velman. The campus police then left, making no charges.

"About an hour later, "I got mad and the cops back," Jackson said.

Brown College Court in uproar

Should one of the proposals fail to pass, the voting will come to a halt. The problem is that with her position as a cabinet member, Laverne should not have gone in capacity to talk with court members. It is clearly violating an understanding that the court and the cabinet are separate entities. The cabinet should not enter the election process, and people put pressure on her (Elizabeth)," said Michael Batie.

Montez wrote in a letter expressing her opinion on the matter, "The point that brought out a division between cabinet and court, court giving the impression of absolute division and doesn't seem to leave the possibility open that we would to be taken some necessary.

Palmer termed this "dangerous burning of the separation of powers," and the new court filed the protest "because there seems to be some kind of evidence that elections were run improperly at WRC." Mike Yonichuk, president of Wiess, said that Jackson had heard rumors of fairly serious violation and felt that they ought to be looked into. He said he does not necessarily demand a revote. "If it's just a couple of things—a couple of votes—then no, but if it's something that would have influenced a lot of votes then maybe yes. But it's not my decision alone, it's up to the University," he said.

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We’re not laughing

“It’s necessary that the punishment fit the criminal as well as the crime.”

—Proctor Edward C. Holt

In the last week, Proctor Holt sentenced Lovey, sophomore, Tom Jackson to a two-semester suspension for violations of his disciplinary probation. Jackson, a former Student Association Senator who has been active in the university, has admitted wrongdoing and has shown himself to be willing to correct his behavior. Holt, in this case, has given out a punishment that fits neither the criminal nor the crime. What’s more, Holt has arrogantly displayed contempt for Jackson and disregard for the responsibility of the proctor’s office.

His actions in the Jackson case have been entirely inappropriate. By taking it upon himself—without waiting for the benefit of input from others charged with enforcing discipline—he has denied Jackson a fair hearing. On disciplinary probation or not, Jackson should have received a more even-handed treatment. The case should have been handled even more carefully because one of the officers involved was given a warning last fall because of complaints that he had been too harsh in his handling of students.

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It’s no laughing matter.

Bell rings a sour note

At the beginning of each academic year, Southwestern Bell hits Rice students hard. The company charges every student who starts phone service in his or her room a $50 “installation fee.”

As far as I can figure, installation involves no more than flipping a switch or perhaps setting up a computer account. In fact, not all the company has done is hook up the new phones. A $50 activation charge is grossly out of line, especially when the company gets to extract it from your student account.

As a rough estimate, if there are 100 phones in each college, Southwestern Bell annually drains almost $50,000 from Rice students for its unsolicited and unnecessary service.

Some Student Association senators, fresh from elections in which they promised to make life better for us in all sorts of nifty ways, ought to check out the phone charge and see if anything can be done about it.

Other universities have various types of group agreements with phone companies. We have a lot of buying power on mass (enough, in fact, to spend all our long-distance money on MCI).

This summer, the National Democratic Party will convene in Atlanta, Georgia, to choose the Democratic nominee to go on to the November 1989 presidential election. (Don’t forget to vote; it’s your constitutional right.) The person who wins will become President of the United States.

On January 20, 1989, we will reach the climax of this electoral process, with the inauguration of the president. This is the first presidential election that every student will get the chance to take part in and vote, and I am thrilled to take such a large part in the selection of the leader of our nation. The fact that I, a young, Mexican-American female with virtually no political connections, can have a voice in the process shows that anyone can influence who is selected to lead our country. I am also having fun of lan-
Styrofoam banned at Yale

After months of hearing student lobbying and after receiving 1,600 written petitions, officials at Yale University dining halls are discontinuing the use of styrofoam products in the school’s food service, according to the Yale Daily News. This decision follows one already made by Harvard University, Brown University, and the University of Colorado.

Members of Yale Residence Education, the group largely responsible for coordinating the process, believe that the disposal of solid waste is one of the most serious environmental problems today. The production of certain styrofoam releases chlorofluorocarbons into the atmosphere, and that these byproducts have been related to damage to the ozone layer.

Although the production of the particular kind of styrofoam used by the Yale dining halls does not release chlorofluorocarbons into the environment, the styrofoam is still biodegradable. New Haven landfills will be exhausted in three years, and the city will be forced to hum waste. The incineration of styrofoam releases toxins into the atmosphere, and that these byproducts have been related to damage to the ozone layer.

The Rice Thresher, the official student newspaper at Rice University. Editorial and business offices are on the second floor of the Ley Addition to the Rice Memorial Center, P.O. Box 1892, Houston, Texas 77251.

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Beer-Bike guidelines clarified

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The alcohol policy will be in full force, so remember your Texas I.D. Both Texas law and the alcohol policy require that no alcohol be allowed on the premises while the beer bikes sell beer. Our “premises” are the stands and the area immediately to either end of the bleachers.

Gate 1 of the Stadium will be open and the bathrooms on the west side will be unlocked.

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Beer-Bike Chairman

Sammie the Owl statements

Bushkull/Neblett

Shepard/Johnson

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We’re wildmen. Or so we’ve heard. Each of us has enough energy and school spirit for about ten people, and there is nothing in the whole world we would rather do than turn around being Sammy the Owl. Really. Well, almost nothing. Surely those of you who don’t know us probably don’t read, but just don’t know it’s us? So vote for us to be your new mascot for ’88-’89. We’ll be great.

John Shepard and Sam (the owl) Johnson

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Doonesbury

BY GARRY TRUDEAU

Contrary to myth, the trials of the鸭子 (Duck) in the cartoon strip Beavis and Butthead are not uninteresting. Case in point: The Inopportune Bed Doorknob.

Other Aggravations: the Dull Pencil, the Incorrect Bridal Bobby Pin, the You Wouldn’t Mint!

But of all the myriad hardships that attend privilege, one is dreaded above all others.

The Houseguest Who Wouldn’t Leave.

So what is it? Old Friends? Feels like 4 Months? I Just Got Here!

Eervisors in this household pull his own bangs. Bailey, do you understand?

Everyone’s Gonna Get

Mornings, lady. You know I mean, sir.

Oh, there was the odd distraction such as the time the delicate lady sunbather rode by and asked directions.

I say? Hello?

But even on occasions such as these, when Butthead has averted his gaze, glanced embarrassed, and promised apologies, and sorryed, I许, I had the strangest day.

Oh, we’re back in time for dinner. Forgive me.

Our hero’s life with the duck has become as predictable as spring rain in Scotland.

Another day with my beloved Tea Buns.

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Honor Council at Large

Kevin Yankowsky

My name is Kevin Yankowsky and I am running for a second term on the Honor Council because I still feel that I can well serve our student body in that capacity. I have a full year of Honor Council experience, and currently hold the office of Honor Council Trial Chair. I would love to continue to represent you on the Honor Council and would appreciate your vote.

Todd R. Jones

I have been a "Jones" person all my life to the past four years at Jones college have been like being with family. This year I'm still at Jones and I am running again for Honor Council representative. I served as your "at-large rep." last year and thus have an understanding of the Council's workings. I would appreciate the opportunity of serving as our representative for another term.

Diane Kuhlman

I believe strongly in our Honor System at Rice and also that we as students play the most important role in making the system work. As a Rice student, I want to be more involved in strengthening it. I am an enthusiastic, responsible, and dedicated individual. As a member of the Rice volleyball team, enthusiasm is basic. My enthusiasm motivates me to get things done and this would extend into my role on the Honor Council. Because I am a responsible individual, you can trust that I will devote my time and effort to the Honor Council, I would do my best to inform the students of Council proceedings, listen to students' opinions, and uphold the values of the Honor System.

Mark Matteson

As it is evidenced by the Honor Council campaign statements and is hopefully echoed by the sentiments of every student at Rice, the Honor System is one of the most highly regarded and unique institutions at Rice. Rice is one of the few universities nationwide that continues to carry such a system; it is the Honor Council's function to ensure that the system survives at Rice and does it successfully. As an at-large representative, I believe that my experience and ability would enable me to help to ensure the successful functioning of the Honor System. I served as an at-large representative on the Council two years ago; I know what it takes to get the job done. I am also cognizant of the flaws that do exist (e.g., faculty, students—members of the system) and will not put up with any crap. Thank you.

Mary Bittle Teer

Qualifications: Vote president and representative of Honor Council at girls' prep school, peer council for 2 years, Haasie Cabinet action rep., intramural and college sports, club soccer.

Rice's Honor System is a vital part of the university. It is because of the students' and faculty's faith in it that trust and respect exist between the students and faculty. For two years I served on the Honor Council of my high school as a representative and now as a vice-president. Since our honor system is almost identical to Rice's, I am already familiar with the basic beliefs and principles of the council. I believe strongly in the importance of maintaining a strong Honor Council. The people of every university make the honor system work and I would proudly represent those people. If I am elected, I would be willing to put forth the extra effort needed to do an excellent job and keep the Honor System of Rice strong.

William Chow

Qualifications: 1987-88 Honor Council Ombudsman; at-large, Committee on Examinations and Standing; College representative of the Chinese Student Association (secretary). During my three years at Rice, I have met with many council members, and I have voiced my concerns with and my perception of the Honor System.

For more information and a complete endorsement, please see theypress.

By Garry Trudeau

Lord Zonker, as you well know, I believe that nobility that comes with the title of "prince," unfair. Our house will always be yours...

Lord Zonker, maybe you should consider moving in permanently.

Our hero takes a hint.

You know, Lord Zonker, maybe you should consider moving in permanently.

Four months, four years, what's the difference? And have the family mean, too! The Shatner, the Shatner, the Shatner, the Shatner...

Now, Duke, that might be a tad excessive, but I appreciate the thought... the thought...

That night, he sent for his family.

And Dad—brings lots of Tweeds!

Good evening, sir. I wonder if I might have a word with you.

Sir, the Duke is too good a host to say so, but the concept of the household is not entirely exhausted hospitality.

I know it's not my place to report this, sir, but I thought you should know.

Thanks, Bennett. Say since I'm here I could use some more birth salts...

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Planning for Commencement Gala continues

by Jim Low

Just for the record, the 15th Annual Commencement Gala benefiting the Rice Student Volunteer program (RSVP) is scheduled for April 29 and is intended as a social event for graduating Rice seniors, as well as a charitable function.

The event will be held on the 47th floor of the Tower, which offers an excellent view of the city, according to the ad hoc committee in charge of the event. There will be a little more than the average of people, organizers say, attributing this to the popularity of RSVP. This event will feature two bands, a buffet dinner, and dancing.

Tickets are sold on the week of April 9, according to Charles Martin, Director of Student Advising. An RSVP representative will set up a table in each college on Tuesday and Wednesday, April 5 and 6.

After that, tickets will be available from those representatives in their room until April 22, the last day of classes. Student tickets will be $15 per person until that time, and a $20 per person tickets will be mailed at Sammy's the same day for graduate students who need to purchase tickets after April 22.

A cash bar for students will be provided, and drink tickets will also be available for purchase. The organizers stressed that the gala is a charity event, hence the need to charge for drinks. The price of the drink tickets has not yet been released.

Alcohol Policy form may change in future

by Judi Voino

The Rice University Alcoholic Beverage Policy form will undergo some changes as a result of the recent meeting of the WRC Tower Party. The current policy is to be revised "if the current one doesn't get the necessary information," according to the chair of the committee, said John Holt.

In addition to ticket sales, the ad hoc committee has solicited underwriters to help raise funds. About $15,000 has been raised from underwriters so far, Krusekopf stated. "We hope to raise as much as possible for RSVP," he said. Fifty percent of RSVP's current funding is provided through the President's office, according to Holt.

The university's alcoholic beverage policy will now be changed to read as follows: "The total attendance from any one time or the event is not radically different from the expected number of people expected at any one time or the total number that will attend the party for the duration of the event. We drew up the forms as a result of the change in the drinking age a year and a half ago and we did the best we could at the time," said Patricia Martin, Director of Student Advising and Activities. She said the form would be revised if the current one doesn't get the necessary information.

The opinion of the WRC court was put on record as the court did not have a formal opinion on the form. The court stated that they interpreted the form to denote that the number of people expected at any one time or the total number of people attending the event is not radically different from the expected number of people expected at any one time or the total number that will attend the party for the duration of the event.

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Seniors Cox, Bruckner receive Watson Fellowship

by Shelley Field

Seniors Juliet Cox from Wiest College and Christine Bruckner from Will Rice College have been named Watson Fellows and each will receive a $13,000 stipend for independent study abroad next year.

Fifty schools participate in the program, each nominating 4 graduating seniors who submit a proposal and personal statement to a national committee which interviews the 200 finalists and chooses 75 recipients.

The proposals are for study of a personally important subject, as opposed to a purely academic one.

Cox will journey to Iceland to study the political arena of the feminist movement there, the Women’s Alliance, which holds approximately ten percent of Iceland’s parliamentary seats.

“I want to learn about the goals and ideals of the group and why they have been politically successful. Their party system allows small parties to be represented because house seats in parliament are proportional to the number of votes a party gets,” she said. Bruckner plans to study historical and contemporary forms of Japanese architecture.

“I want to explore how Japanese aesthetics relate to the interiors, how gardens relate to buildings, how contemporary architecture relates to traditional and cultural values,” she said.

An architecture major, Bruckner says that at Rice she has studied Western and European architecture, but she has not been exposed to Eastern styles. “I am interested in the relationship of nature and the environment. The Japanese have dealt with it in a beautiful way,” she said.

Bruckner plans to keep sketch books and to take photographs, although no formal project is required by the Watson Foundation.

“They allow you to fulfill a dream that you may have, and if you can prove to them that you want it badly enough, they will provide the money,” she said.

Students who are currently junior are encouraged to attend an informational meeting about Watson Fellowships today, April 8, at 4 p.m. in 222 Sewall Hall. The deadline for submitting an application for a Watson Fellowship is early in October.

Submissions for poetry contest due

The English department, in conjunction with the Academy of American Poets, will sponsor the Academy’s annual University and College Poetry Contest. The department will give $100 to the best set of five poems submitted by a Rice undergraduate.

Interested students should submit five poems to Assistant Professor of English Susan Wood in the English department office. Deadline for submission is Friday, April 8.

Each set of poems should include the student’s name and phone number. Submissions will be judged by a professional poet who is not affiliated with Rice. The prize will be awarded on May 6, at the Prizes and Awards Ceremony.

OWL Day planned

Approximately 300 prospective freshmen will arrive at Rice on Thursday, April 7 for the eleventh annual Owl Day program. The “owls” are high school seniors who have been accepted on the regular decision admission plan, and they do not have to commit to Rice until May 1.

The Student Admissions Committee is encouraging students to sign up to host a prospective, or to help with Owl Day. Students can sign up in the Admission Office in Lovett Hall until March 29.

The purpose of Owl Day is to allow prospective students to get a feel for Rice before they have to make the final decision of which college to attend. “We have Owl Day so that those students can see what it’s like to be a real Rice student,” said Susie Scown, Assistant Director of Admissions.

Scown said that she does not want the prospective to leave Rice thinking that“I want to explorer Rice thinking that drinking to excess is part of being a ‘real Rice student.’ They have been several complaints that this has been the case in the past. ‘We hope students will not make alcohol a primary focus’ Owl Day,” she said.

Owl Day will end on Saturday.

SA information

The first meeting of the new Student Senate will be held Monday, March 28, at 10 a.m. in the upper left of the Humanities complex. Student justice, Food and Housing, and peer counseling will be on the agenda.

All students are invited. Anyone interested in applying for Parliamentarian of the SA senate should contact the SA office by Wednesday, March 30.

The University Committee on Alcohol Policy has three student positions available. Interested persons should contact the SA office by March 30. For more information, call Bill Davis at 527-4965.

RICE STUDENTS $5.50 ON SUNDAYS

GOODBYE

by Mary Gallagher

March 17 - April 17

Main Street Theater

524-6706

by Andrew Li

The Computing Reference Area (CRA), a joint project of Fondren Library and the Institute for Computer Services and Applications’ Computing Resource Center, will open March 28 under the leadership of Martin Halbert, CRA Librarian.

The goal of the facility, located adjacent to the User Clinic in the Mudd computer center, is to provide students with access to information on various computing topics.

Fondren Library’s Center for Scholarship and Information will supplement materials in the CRA, but the two facilities are separate entities.

The library currently has 140 subscriptions to computer-related periodicals, books, manuals and newsletters for both Apple and IBM computer software, product information, directories and reviews, vendor literature, and introductory tutorials on specific computing topics. Andrea Martin, manager of the center, said, “We are constantly expanding and upgrading our software, and we plan to continually build upon the materials in the facility.”

“The goal of the CRA is to disseminate information on computing topics to the Rice community. This library will house documents in a central area where faculty and students can easily access various materials,” said Halbert.

Services at the CRA include performing hardware and software evaluations and comparisons as well as information on specific vendors and their products. The center will also have information linking the computer system on campus to external computing systems. Staff will be on hand to look for solutions to specialized questions regarding microcomputers, mainframes, and supercomputers.

Halbert believes the system will aid those wishing to purchase software in determining particular models and prices, ranges, and available features. Students can read through the manuals and then check out the software at the user clinic before an actual purchase.

The CRA also offers a reserve software service for faculty to make products available for classes. Course softwares will also be provided for future classes. For example, Martin specified materials that would help engineering students solve technical problems. The facility is currently open, although it is open unofficially. The CRA will officially begin operation on March 28, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on weekdays.

Christine Bruckner

by Mary Gallagher

Main Street Theater

524-6706
Allegations made against Brown Court and Cabinet

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the court process. Marks and Mays are also implicated in the alleged manipulation of the election.

"They (Marks and Yate) are on the record and saying that they wanted those motions to go to the court on the election so that the chief justice would be a freshman male," said Palmer.

The current Court consists of Dwight Gaston, Israel Ramirez, Brent Lovett, and Anne Bullen.

In addition, Palmer said that the Brown constitution states: "After the election of the five court members, the outgoing court members shall confer with the new Court and advise its members of the duties of the court and the responsibilities of the Chief Justice. Afterwards, the court shall elect one of its members the Chief Justice, who shall represent the college on the University Court of Appeals Board and who shall act as Parliamentary and Constitutional Advisor." The chief justice would then run the court meetings.

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As part of its annual Shakespearean festival, Baker College opened The Taming of the Shrew this week. This play was the first Shakespeare production done at Baker back in 1975. In recent history, however, they have forgotten one of the Bard's most famous lines, "Shakespeare is the soul of wit." The amount of time that it took to perform this comedy is the most negative thing that can be said of the play.

The Taming of the Shrew is perhaps the most well-known of Shakespeare's plays, having received an entertaining rendition on the silver screen with Elizabeth Taylor and Richard Burton, and, more recently, a hilarious spoof on TV's Moonlighting. Baker's version is a much more traditional version.

The play opens in front of a tavern as a drunkard named Christopher Sly (H.C. Clark) is thrown outside after breaking a few glasses. His drunken stupor only passes out and is later discovered by a Lord and his band of followers. The Lord decides to play a joke on Sly by having all of his servants treat Sly as a Lord when he awakens, explaining that he has been in a party for fifteen years, but is now cured. As part of the charade, the Lord and his minions present a friend of the silver screen with Elizabeth Taylor and Richard Burton, and, more recently, a hilarious spoof on TV's Moonlighting. Baker's version is a much more traditional version.

In disguise, one of the servants presents a lady to the drunkard named Patti Rocks (Michelle Keener), who has a very unpleasant disposition and therefore no suitor. Before Bianca can marry, Kate must first be wed. This is the dilemma facing the older Gremio (Nick Shannon) and the young Hortensio (Elliott Weisenthal), both suitors for Bianca. Then comes Lucentio (George Langworthy), a student who falls in love with Bianca as well.

Arriving on the scene to solve everyone's problems is Petruchio of Verona (Don Russell), who, after hearing about Kate from Hortensio, decides that the dowry Baptista is offering is enough to outwit any personality disorders that Kate might display. The story from then on breaks into two halves—the taming of Kate and the courting of Bianca.

As for Petruchio and Kate, they don't exactly hit it off, although they do spend a lot of time hitting. Their initial encounter is highly amusing due to Russell and Keener's excellent timing. Throughout the entire play, Keener's hardened outer and petulant inner are gradually softened, but never fully removed by Russell's perpetual weakening of her hostile tendencies.

Russell is a delight to watch. He takes a lead role previous experience and sharp acting skills to ease the centerpiece of the production. Russell is an ideal counterpart of Russell, although she is much better in the second act, which deals with her marriage to Petruchio, than in the first act where she was constantly screaming her lines as a shrew should.

The courting of Bianca is the much more complicated storyline. As Bianca, Arne Marley is ideally lovely to look at. Shakespeare gives us little other reason to believe that she is a thieving woman who smiles at him the right way. Her voice is nothing special, but her performance is solid as she is Spastically slow scenes at the end. Yet, audiences will surely feel that they have intruded into the minds of the people, and have taken a glimpse into a world that some people had no idea existed.

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Characters talk sex, sex, sex in bizarre Patti Rocks

Patti Rocks
River Oaks Theatre

When a bunch of film critics got together in a room, one of the topics discussed was the gender realism, particularly realistic dialogue, in movies. (I am, of course, including myself and the audience that preceded me in this film."

The point of the movie gets across. Soliloquies and sermons are not necessary. Characters do in conversations: interrupting before they have finished speaking and not hesitating in quickly changing the subject without an explanation to the viewer as to what the hell is going on.

On top of any of its other accomplishments, Patti Rocks is the first movie in a long time (or, in this case, actually it has characters talking the way real people do. This low budget (OCC) version of its flaws (particularly some slow passages at the beginning and end) incorporating the dialogue to reveal parts of the male psyche that probably haven't been pictured on the silver screen.

In the film, dialogue is paramount, and most of the action takes place within the confines of a car and a bedroom. Most of the movie is a kind of On the Road odyssey with beer being substituted for pot, and with the emphasis on what's going on inside the car as opposed to the world that exists outside. And, of course, what the occupants talk about are not beats and generation gaps, but sex, sex, and sex.

Billy is a middle-aged wildman: married, a father, and someone who apparently fools around with any woman who smiles at him the right way. He has his best friend Eddie to ride with him to La Crosse, Wisconsin, where Billy has gotten a young woman pregnant. His hope is that with Eddie's help he can convince the woman, Paris (Karen Landsey), to give up the baby.

More than half of the movie takes place in a car, and the conversation between Billy (Chris Mulkey) and Eddie (John Jenkins) is fast-paced, funny and excitingly revealing. Billy is a walking piece of testosterone, and, after a plot twist, does a confession along with everything else from the female orgasm to transvestites. He's kind of like a cross between Fred Flintstone and Archie Bunker. Eddie is Billy's alter-ego: quiet, depressed, divorced, and more than anything else, very lonely. To Billy, women are simply "beef"; for Eddie, they're an unsolvable mystery.

In between the movie-gun dialogue, the two travelers run across an injured skull and a woman who comes on to Billy and treats him with the same "piece of beef" mentality that Billy uses on all of his women. It's obvious that the two would much rather deal with the skull than the "barbaric" woman.

Apparently, some people, particularly radical feminists, are up in arms because they fear that the audience will see Billy as a kind of anti-woman hero, but it seems as if those people who are upset are essentially missing the point. Billy is a dinosaur, a man who has feelings for no one of the opposite gender, and in the end it is Eddie who makes a connection with Patti. He understands that her desire to kill the baby simply represents her own free will. She is Billy's true love—once he has gotten a young woman pregnant. His hope is that with Eddie's help he can convince the woman, Paris (Karen Landsey), to give up the baby.

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The Rice Players

Once again the Rice Players have succeeded in bringing us wonderful theater, this time in the form of three one act plays. The advantage of performing three short pieces as opposed to a single longer play is of course, immediate. We get to see a lot of talent, and there's definitely something for everyone.

The Players open with How Gertrude Stunned the Philosophers’ Club: a funny and hilarious play by the eccentric Martin Epstein. John Jordan Smoot directed this gem, and it was superbly imaginative as written and very definitely so as performed. Edward (Tom Seeming) and Edgar (San Collins) are intellectual elitists who find spirituality in the soft leather shoes of an all-male philosophers’ club where they are served by a waiter (Katie Hinger) who is off-beat and contemplative as all waiters should be. Now, you know what kind of disasters occur when people who think too much decide to get together—always something intriguingly spurred by irrationality.

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Mother's Day
Jones College

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FRIDAY
- The Rice Players present three one act comedies tonight and tomorrow at 8 p.m. in the Farnsworth Pavilion of the Ley Student Center. The plays are A Betrothal, How Gertrude Saved the Philosophers’ Club and 12:21 p.m. Call 527-4040 for ticket information.

- The Storming of the Shrew is being presented by Baker Shakespeare in the Baker Commons tonight and tomorrow night at 8 p.m. Call 630-8001 for reservations.

- The Shepherd School of Music presents The Pierrot Plus Ensemble, conducted by David Colston, tonight in the Shepherd School Recital Hall at 8 p.m.

- David Lindley and El Rayo X play Rockefelder’s (3620 Washington Ave.) tonight. It seems this Lindley guy is “the guitar hero” of a lot of big names.

- The Farrell Dyde Dance Theatre presents Television Lives tonight and tomorrow at 8 p.m. in Houston Theatre (2517 Austin). Call 630-4113 for more information.

- Houston Symphony Orchestra presents violinist Gary Fargharki tonight and tomorrow night in Jones Hall at 7 p.m. Call 227-ARTS for information.

- Jones College presents Mother’s Day tonight in their common at 8 p.m.

SATURDAY
- In their Faculty Artist Series, The Shepherd School presents Francesca Bells, mezzosoprano (allegedly so cool a title as “Buhman”), with Mary Norris on piano tonight in Hamman Hall at 8 p.m.

- Rockefelder’s wants you to see Kirk Whalum play there tonight and tomorrow because “1988 is the year of the saxophone and Kirk is right on top.” Good grief, who writes this stuff?

COMING UP
by John Montag

SUNDAY
- The Museum of Fine Arts and The Rice Design Alliance present the last film in their “Cinemarchitect” series, tonight at 7 p.m. in the MFA’s Brown Auditorium.

- Jones College closes its run of Mother’s Day this afternoon at 4 p.m.

MONDAY
- Robert Erwin presents the last of his four lectures tonight, entitled “A Case Study, Miami International Airport,” in 301 Sewall at 7 p.m.

- It’s a “Bluegrass Jam Session” at The Red Lion tonight. How does one jam to bluegrass? Why would one want to?

TUESDAY
- The Shepherd School presents visiting artist Uri Pianka, concertmaster of the Houston Symphony Orchestra, on violin, and Scott Holshouser on piano tonight in Hamman Hall at 8 p.m.

- Another Mexican night at the Pub. Don’t miss it.

THE SALLYPORT AWARD
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The Sallyport Award will be presented to a graduating senior who has made substantial service to the community life at Rice. The primary goal of the Sallyport Award is to recognize student service which may not have been recognized in other ways. If you know someone who has worked hard and given his/her time and talent to benefit the entire Rice community, please take the time to nominate that person so that he or she may gain recognition for his/her contributions.

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Will Rice's women favored to dominate again

by Phil Miller
Dear Dad,

Next Saturday is Beer Bike and Rondelle. There are three Men's, Women's, and Alumni. The women's race is the best, though. It's great to go out and watch girls you know try to prove their prowess at chugging beer. It does me proud to go to a school as liberated as Rice University. Those here before us were gifted with a vision which would make Mr. Rice, Dr. Lovett, Capt. Baker, and Mrs. Jones proud. There is one problem of equality facing this race, however, a point which I'm surprised hasn't been made. The women only chug 12 ounces. I'm certain they do this, and am surprised that they aren't fighting for their rights to equality. But enough of that, there's still going to be an exciting race. Well, maybe not that exciting. The race is pretty much a moot point. Everyone I talked to said the women from Will Rice were going to win. That's not surprising since they've won five years in a row. But Dad, what surprised me most was the milquetoast attitude most of the women's teams took toward the race. Realism is okay, but it can only get you so far, somewhere college students and personal pride need to come into play. It probably is a race for 2nd place, but you don't get second prize. Will Rice has done an effective job of squelching the opposition at nearly every college.

They have won the race 5 years in a row, and that could tend to dishearten the competition. 5 years. That means that no senior or 5th year has ever seen another women's team win. Regardless of the size of recruiting and under the table payoffs, the Will Rice women are a force to contend with. The only question seems to be will they better their time from last year?

Will Rice women's rider Nancy Jones is very excited about this year's team. While she was not willing to make a prediction as to her team's finish, she did say that they have been training hard. When I asked her what motivates those fearless women, she replied that with a winning tradition it is easy to get freshmen and upperclassmen psyched for each race. Speaking for all the guys I know, seeing Nancy Jones in skin tight biking shorts gets them psyched, which reminds me of something Sid Rich coordinator Martin Mayne said about the Will Rice women's team.

Apparently Sid intelligence (an oxymoron?) reports that "97% of Will Rice women take the superior position during sex." He feels that this is much more conclusive evidence of gender ambiguity than the testosterone tests suggested by Baker coordinator Rich Chapman. The tests Chapman suggested were mixed by Beer Bike chairman John Crouch, who said he wouldn't test unless he had visual proof on the women. All this may be in jest, or it may be sour grapes, but however you look at it, the race, Will Rice will be the favorite.

Hanszen chugger Kristina Veasagne says that beer chug team hasn't been training that hard. They have had some problems with chugging, but by race time everything should work out as well as it did last year when Hanszen took 2nd place. Bike captain Mari Ochiai leads a team of riders which have the fresh phenom Steph Green. Hanszen came closest to catching the purple WRC mareman last year, but they didn't want to deny them the title.

A Lowell rider said that her team hadn't been training or anything specific because of their late start, but that they are doing well. She was pleased because every rider really wants to be out there. The only question mark for her is the new blood. They have a lot of inexperienced riders. Look for a strong showing.

Allison Roder said that her Brown women weren't training much. They only have two riders who've been on the team before. They are just looking to go out and have a good time. This is a healthy attitude to take if no one wants to take the race too seriously. Just having a good time is an end in itself.

Team Wiess women's rider Jenny Chapman said that her team has been training hard at both long distances and sprints. A lot of basic work was needed this year because she has such a young team. She was one of the few people who weren't willing to pick Will Rice to win, she feels it will be a close race and Wiess will do well.

Jennie's riding captain Kathy Westerfield said that her women will quite well, predicting a top 3 finish.

When I asked her what kind of training Jones had been doing, however, her response was that Jones women, "don't predict anything." Top 3 seems like a long shot to last place finishers.

Baker coordinator Rick Chapman's response to questions about this year's Baker team were very positive. He sees the Baker women establishing a "dynasty" of their own. When asked to say something about the Will Rice women, his only response was that Will Rice's "women" don't have a chance. Men's chug co-captain Andy Kopplin added that, "All attention will be focused on our women, no matter where they are in the race."

Demonic Baker, itchy Sid to challenge WRC men

by Wes Gere
Well, the bikes are all greased up and the beer is being watered down for the long-awaited (or dreaded) Beer-Bike '88 tomorrow. The procession will start and the bicycle course will become a battlefield where college rivalry will explode in chugging beer. It does me proud to go to a school as liberated as Rice University. Those here before us were gifted with a vision which would make Mr. Rice, Dr. Lovett, Capt. Baker, and Mrs. Jones proud.

There is one problem of equality facing this race, however, a point which I'm surprised hasn't been made. The women only chug 12 ounces. I'm certain they do this, and am surprised that they aren't fighting for their rights to equality. But enough of that, there's still going to be an exciting race. Well, maybe not that exciting. The race is pretty much a moot point. Everyone I talked to said the women from Will Rice were going to win. That's not surprising since they've won five years in a row. But Dad, what surprised me most was the milquetoast attitude most of the women's teams took toward the race. Realism is okay, but it can only get you so far, somewhere college students and personal pride need to come into play. It probably is a race for 2nd place, but you don't get second prize. Will Rice has done an effective job of squelching the opposition at nearly every college.

They have won the race 5 years in a row, and that could tend to dishearten the competition. 5 years. That means that no senior or 5th year has ever seen another women's team win. Regardless of the size of recruiting and under the table payoffs, the Will Rice women are a force to contend with. The only question seems to be will they better their time from last year?

Will Rice women's rider Nancy Jones is very excited about this year's team. While she was not willing to make a prediction as to her team's finish, she did say that they have been training hard. When I asked her what motivates those fearless women, she replied that with a winning tradition it is easy to get freshmen and upperclassmen psyched for each race. Speaking for all the guys I know, seeing Nancy Jones in skin tight biking shorts gets them psyched, which reminds me of something Sid Rich coordinator Martin Mayne said about the Will Rice women's team.

Apparently Sid intelligence (an oxymoron?) reports that "97% of Will Rice women take the superior position during sex." He feels that this is much more conclusive evidence of gender ambiguity than the testosterone tests suggested by Baker coordinator Rich Chapman. The tests Chapman suggested were mixed by Beer Bike chairman John Crouch, who said he wouldn't test unless he had visual proof on the women. All this may be in jest, or it may be sour grapes, but however you look at it, the race, Will Rice will be the favorite.

Hanszen chugger Kristina Veasagne says that beer chug team hasn't been training that hard. They have had some problems with chugging, but by race time everything should work out as well as it did last year when Hanszen took 2nd place. Bike captain Mari Ochiai leads a team of riders which have the fresh phenom Steph Green. Hanszen came closest to catching the purple WRC mareman last year, but they didn't want to deny them the title.

A Lowell rider said that her team hadn't been training or anything specific because of their late start, but that they are doing well. She was pleased because every rider really wants to be out there. The only question mark for her is the new blood. They have a lot of inexperienced riders. Look for a strong showing.

Allison Roder said that her Brown women weren't training much. They only have two riders who've been on the team before. They are just looking to go out and have a good time. This is a healthy attitude to take if no one wants to take the race too seriously. Just having a good time is an end in itself.

Team Wiess women's rider Jenny Chapman said that her team has been training hard at both long distances and sprints. A lot of basic work was needed this year because she has such a young team. She was one of the few people who weren't willing to pick Will Rice to win, she feels it will be a close race and Wiess will do well.

Jennie's riding captain Kathy Westerfield said that her women will quite well, predicting a top 3 finish.

When I asked her what kind of training Jones had been doing, however, her response was that Jones women, "don't predict anything." Top 3 seems like a long shot to last place finishers.

Baker coordinator Rick Chapman's
Owls falter against Tech in conference opener

by Scooter Vee

The last week has been one of disappointment for the baseball team. After pulling out an exciting victory over the Texas Tech Red Raiders last Friday evening in the opening game of the Southwest Conference schedule, the Owls proceeded to lose their next three games, all at home.

The Owls opened their Southwest Conference schedule in grand style, scoring Texas Tech 4-3 on junior Tim Yerman's one-out single to left field which scored senior Jay Knoblauh. With one out in the ninth, Knoblauh walked and stole second. Junior Mike Grace was then walked intentionally, setting up Yerman's single to the Red Raiders' attempted strategy.

The winning pitcher was sophomore John Polasek, who went the distance for the fifth time this season, allowing six hits and striking out eight. Polasek's record moved up to 6-0. However, Rice had more than one hit, though Yerman's efforts produced two RBIs.

The low scoring continued into the first game of the doubleheader on Saturday with Tech squeaking out a 2-1 victory even though junior John Pope, pitching a steady diet of aspirin tablets, allowed only one hit the entire game. Pope and two relievers held the Owls to two runs.

Tech got both of its runs in the third, when Pope walked the bases loaded and then allowed a two-run double. The Owls got their only run of the fifth when freshman Chris Feris singled and then scored on senior Charlie Wese's single. Rice managed only one run in each of the last two innings.

A TSU runner makes a big mess as he scores against Rice. The Owls will need to find a groove against TSU's hitters. Cooper, for his hero innings of work, was tagged with the loss, his first of the year. The Owls had a few individual bright spots but failed to ignite anything resembling the explosive rally of their previous game. Feris and senior Ben Matthews both went three-for-five with Matthews scoring three runs. Freshman Merritt Robinson smacked his second homer of the year, knocking in two runs in the process.

Hines summed up the evening by saying, "Tonight was definitely our worst performance of the year." He also spoke of the need to "get back in the race in the conference." The Owls will travel to Waco on Thursday to take on Baylor in games Friday and Saturday. A series win will indeed be important if Rice, now 23-9 overall, has hopes of doing well in the tough SWC, which boasts four top 25 teams. The next home game is against TCU at 7p.m. on April 1.

By Joel Sendek

The top scholar-athletes at Rice for 1988 were honored last Saturday, with John Graf and Gwen Johnson-Samora being selected as the top awards.

One individual from each sport is honored as a Scholar-Athlete, then from this select group, two are chosen as Mr. Hubert E. Bray Scholar-Athletes. The selection is based on the unique combination of excellence in the classroom together with outstanding athletic performance.

John Graf, a junior from Baton Rouge, Louisiana, is a swimmer who broke records at Rice for both the 100-yard and 200-yard breaststroke. He is an Electrical and Computer Engineering major with a near perfect GPA. When asked what it takes to perform so well in both areas, he responded, "It's a lot of hard work in both areas. School is my first priority, and my GPA actually went up when I started swimming. I think it's because it cuts down on the blow-off time."

Graf also mentioned that the swimming coach, Kip Wingendor, was always approachable and eager to grant time off when the academic pressures were beginning to mount. "The coach should be credited with always placing academics first," Graf said.

Graf had been selected as the scholar-athlete representative from the swim team last year, but was not one of the two overall nominees. "That award is pretty exciting to get," he said.

Like Graf, Gwen Johnson-Samora has also been honored as a scholar athlete in the past. Samora, a Brown senior from Baytown, Texas, is a two-time GTECoSIDA academic All-American in volleyball. She is double majoring in Psychology and English. This year she won the overall Bray Scholar-Athlete award for women's sports at Rice. Unfortunately, Samora was unavailable for comment.

Other women's sports honorees include: Basketball - Edith Adams (Economics/ Sociology); Cross Country - Michelle Bart (Psychology/ English); Swimming - Carol Snell (Spanish/Poli Sci); Tennis - Alice Vodika (German/Russian); Track - Robyn Byun (Management/ Economics).

The other men's sports honorees include: Baseball - Ben Mathews (Mech/E); Basketball - Richard Holmes (Mech/E); Cross Country - William Barrett (Physical Education); Football - John Isaac (Human Physiology/Med); Golf - Michael Gilchrist (pre-med); Tennis - Rodney Burton (Economics/Management); Track - Ronald Karp (Civil); and trainer Nancy Jenkins, a sports medicine major, was also honored as an outstanding Scholar-Athlete.
Crazed stick-wielders fight through epic weekend

by Patrick Clark

It was the kind of weekend that makes a man want to pack all his belongings into a car with a case of scotch and drive south across the border to watch bullfights. The skies were blue, the air heady with spring, battle and the smell of sweat. It was a time for a man to exhale heavily, to puff the dank miasma of academia and darkness with an aftertaste of gloom; on Sunday, however, they took long slugs of the sweetest nectar, that of victory, sunbeams and a devilish sort of omnipotence. It was the kind of weekend that imparts fortitude and indominitableness to even the uninitiated. The death and birth of spirit were observed; men strove as a group of ordinary men, moderately muscular and plain of face, stood exultant in the sunshine of a new day, only old in hours yet fresh of spirit. Vows were made, praises sung, but above all... "TEAM LAZARUS"

"We know they were Philistines," Bert Rothenbach ripped up a faceoff to bring a moment of desperation and truth. Threats were screamed and men collided with the force of small male cattle and in the middle of the dust and the cloying breath of fear and hate, Lavelle ruffled in an outside shot to tie the game.

Whooing whoops and giving vent to the sighs of the weary and the purposeful, The Owls surged together to find strength for the sudden death. Chris Cannon voiced the team feeling.

"I have been a pilgrim lost in the tel-washed corridors of the night, the tel-washed corridors of the night, the tel-washed corridors of the night. And  so it came to pass that a group of ordinary men, moderately muscular and plain of face, stood exultant in the sunshine of a new day, only old in hours yet fresh of spirit. Vows were made, praises sung, but above all... "TEAM LAZARUS"
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