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**Sexism Forum?**

For those who do not know, students, faculty and staff attended a forum on Monday to address an important concern: sexism at Rice. Advertised as a forum concerning the “Uniquely Climate for Women,” Monday’s discussion in Farworth Pavilion was intended as a means to bring to the forefront concerns about sexism on campus. Unfortunately, the forum was an excellent opportunity to bring up concerns regarding sexual harassment among faculty and staff, as well as concern over student concerns at date rape. Also, why was nothing said about Night of Decadence, strip- pings at Hansen College’s Mardi Gras party, college minutes, Play- boy magazine founder Hugh Hefner’s role in the 1962 Campus-wide Beauty Contest in the fact that Rice originally banned women from campus after dark? These types of issues were not discussed despite our want to understand why some consider the atmosphere here unfavorable to women.

Although there was more capacity with students and faculty (including several college masters and RA’s), even more would have shown up if more publicity had been given to this event. Other than the letter to the editor, the Thresher, and e-mail messages sent to certain students, little was done to publicize the event. We had expected that the organizers of this event would have wanted everyone at Rice to show up. The best way to accomplish this would have been to post fliers everywhere. Yet this was not done.

An open forum to discuss sexism and the climate for women at this university is an excellent idea. And when members of the Rice community decide to hold one, the Thresher will be among the first to applaud it.

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To the editor:  

As a member of Club 13, I enjoy the spirit of cooperation that exists between runners and developers. However, I have noticed in fact I welcome — large buckets of water, snow, beer, water balloons and any measure of defense meant to strip us of our "clothing." We try to cover your body with hot pants, you try to stop us and everybody has fun. There are several groups of people, however, who aren't satisfied with water as a means of defense. For at least the second year in a row, we were greeted at Hansen College this Halloween by students guying us up, guys. I'm sure I don't need to tell people this is not something that we can get hit by an egg going 60 mph when you're naked.

And I definitely don't need to remind the males out there that there are certain types of people, objects, and that getting hit between the legs by an egg can be at the least painful, and at the most, disgusting. — All I have to say is that I can't understand the hatred some people have for this event. If you don't particularly enjoy it, understand the behind the Campus Police, nobody asks you to. If you don't want to watch, if you are offended by nudity or if you are ruined by the pushed bodies of Rice students, nobody requires you to look. It's not as if we can demand everyone to show up every year. Some people have a hard time finding a place to do it. I don't think I'm exaggerating so much when I say that you can't honestly kill someone that way, or at least seriously injure or maim them. I've been told that thin people somehow feel justified because we talked about all the things we do to each other with the fire alarm.

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Bush's letter, though, in stating that pro-choice people actually believe that their children's lives are not really important, does not serve its intended purpose since we do serve our inherent rights overlooks an additional problem; that is, pro-choice people are pro-choice--people who are pro choice not so much out of conviction, but out of apathy, like myself. I am an agnostic who is dating a devoted Christian. (This does happen.) This summer my girlfriend challenged me to question what has previously been simply a reflexive embrace of the pro-choice position merely because I tend to sympathize with liberal causes.

I would contend that many people in this society would discover that their own feelings on this topic are quite irrational and consider, I discovered, to my dismay, that my own feelings I was unaware of that lead me to believe that a fetus constitutes a life.

But after much reflection and soul-searching, I have come to the conclusion that it's not because I'm certain, it's because I believe in the inequality to know why human life exists. I mean, the meaning of life, etc., and I believe that the mystery of the existence of the universe and another one of those unknowable truths that we cannot understand but develop an opinion one way or another, but in the end, what does it really matter?

Given that our lawmakers and judges are not gods, for them to legislate as if they could know the answer to this profound mystery is inappropriate, arrogant and dangerous.

It leads me to conclude that the inability to know where life begins demands that the issue be solved individually.

This, incidentally, is the same logic that led to the Roe vs. Wade decision. The Supreme Court never defined the fetus as not being life; it particularly and objectively embraced the inability to know where life begins.

Where? Rationally considered, this is a reasonable position. Of course, many, very many, have actually real Read Roe vs. Wade.

My purpose is writing is two-fold: to point out a rationale for being pro-choice that Bush's letter overlooks, and to show that it is possible to come to a conclusion on the topic based on sound reasoning and on religious dogma or strongly held, but reflective, convictions.

I'd like to encourage people to contemplate what really motivates people to support any one of these "pro-life" causes. Since this issue means nothing to me, they may be surprised at what I found.

Robert Gross Graduate student Shepherd School of Music

Backpage was not just a harmless joke

To the editor:

We, the members of Rice University's Advocacy  and Assisting Career Exploration, published our collective outrage at the Nov. 8 Backpage in the Rice Thresher.

We find this particular "article" both offensive and disturbing, especially in light of recent campus incidents of sexual harassment and intimidation, such as the one printed on the Backpage, contribute to an atmosphere that condones and/or encourages harassment of women on campus. Therefore, we feel you owe the respect and to be widely entertained. Therefore, we feel you owe the respect and to be widely entertained. Therefore, we feel you owe the respect and to be widely entertained. Therefore, we feel you owe the respect and to be widely entertained.

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Free speech is no less interesting.

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Associate Dean of Academic Affairs Don Johnston said he understands the sentiments of the students. "A lot of words get lost when dealing with memos. It's a very formal way of dealing with something. The students and faculty getting together will help this situation," he said.

The reaction among the students as a whole has been mixed, according to Chemical Engineering graduate student Dean Kassmann. "In some cases, uninformed students, it raises eyebrows," Kassmann said. "It's simply a matter of communication. While the tone and language of the faculty's memo was unfortunate, it is not something that is insurmountable just another stepping stone."

A joint meeting of faculty and staff to clarify the issues is planned for the end of the week. According to Johnston, close attention will be given to the problems addressed by the students.

Kassmann remains optimistic that problems will be solved quickly. "I have realized the beliefs of the faculty and students on many core points are not that far from one another. It's simply a matter of communication. While the tone and language of the faculty's memo was unfortunate, it is not something that is insurmountable just another stepping stone."
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Voswinkel did not feel that this was indicative of any trend involving an increase in serious or violent criminal activity on the Rice campus. She said the crime was one of "opportunity," in which Glassman just happened to be there.

**Diwali**

Ceylon. Rama amassed an army to regain his wife. He fought and killed the demon-lord Ravana and regained his wife. After his triumph, he returned to Ayodhya, and the night of his return was Diwali. In love and devotion to him, Rama's people lit lamps and candles. In addition to musical and dance acts, SAA members performed their own lively, and, by the audience's reaction, amusing adaptation of the play Shaktiswar by ancient Indian playwright Kaldina. According to Kaldina, Kaldina is considered to be the Indian counterpart to Shakespeare, and Shaktiswar is similar to Othello.

SAA members presented two group dances, one of the two featured candles in keeping with the theme of the "Festival of Lights." According to the program, the "light" symbolized the "burning devotion of the people for Lord Makan Chakherla, the dance's choreographer, said that the choreographing itself took about a week, although coordinating the dance took longer because it was about symmetry and the overall effect. It was hard to make the dance gel as a whole. It took us a total of about two or three weeks.

The other dance was an energetic, spirited dance choreographed to a song from a movie's soundtrack.

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The Ras is tied in with Diwali, because it represents the 10 days in which Rama fought the demon to regain his wife.

The response to Diwali Night from both participants and attendees was extremely favorable. "It was really well done," everyone really pulled together, and it was nice to have a big turnout," I think it helps to express your culture and show others," Will Rice College sophomore Shon Agrawal said. Agrawal participated both this year and last year.

Shah said that there were two levels at which the event could be appreciated.

One is that it was good music, good dance and good food, but we wanted to relay the deeper meaning of the culture and educate the audience about the symbolism and the meaning of the events, too," he said.

SAA's goal as a club is to promote awareness of South Asian culture. Although most of its 120 members are Indian, the organization boasts members of Pakistani, Sri Lankan and Bangladeshi heritage as well.

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**Construction of campus granite walk underway**

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"We have put a lot of money into it to get it up to date," Director of User Services for Owlnet Andrea Martin said. "We can't hold just once, it's a continual process.

According to Martin, Owlnet began as a UNIX only network for high-end science and engineering research that has slowly developed into the general-purpose student network it is today.

"We try to perform major upgrades over breaks such as Christmas break or fall break if it's urgent," Dean said. "We try to have all repairs done in a timely manner.

As students come to entrust a larger and larger portion of their professional and personal lives to Owlnet, many have begun to worry about the consequences of major or bread and butter to a team of student and non-student problems and maintenance, there is a significant number of students who are responsible for answering as quickly as possible, Martin said.

"If students call the Owlnet hotline, they get a student staff member. All e-mail, however, is handled by paid adult staff during the day," Martin said.

Owlnet uses an automated problem tracking system to speed up the handling and resolution of problems. Problems sent by e-mail to the problem@owlnet.rice.edu are logged automatically, whereas at the desk, calls are logged manually by a student on duty. This system allows the student staff to track problems so that as few as possible slips through the cracks.

Martin said that she is always looking for ways to improve the relationship between Owlnet and students. One innovation that has been discussed in placing television monitors in each of the labs that would inform students of the status of the network in the event of system failure.

"One problem we've been having is when the computers are down, students obviously can't report that because they would have to use the computers," Dean said. The television monitors would serve as a news update to keep students informed and reduce frustration.

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"Owlnet was created for undergraduate students to use in a learning environment," Dean said. "It is the backbone of campus computing. The lab is a resource that is available to students whenever they need it." The lab is continually expanding, Dean said. "If we had another floor of buildings for Owlnet, we would use it," she said.

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Rape Aggression Defense at Rice

by Samantha Ittner, Rice Aquila Staff Writer

When I applied to Rice University, the one thing I was most excited about was the opportunity to study abroad. I had heard so many wonderful stories about the people and culture I would encounter. But little did I know that my experience abroad would be far more memorable than I ever could have imagined.

On my first day in [city], I was greeted with open arms by the locals. They welcomed me with delicious cuisine and engaging conversations. I quickly made friends and felt like part of the community. My experiences abroad were truly a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity.

However, it wasn't all sunshine and rainbows. There were challenges and obstacles to overcome. Language barriers, cultural differences, and logistical issues were just a few of the hurdles I faced. But through perseverance and determination, I was able to overcome these challenges and emerge stronger as a result.

Looking back on my time abroad, I feel grateful for the experiences I had. It taught me valuable life skills and gave me a newfound appreciation for the world around us. I plan to travel more and explore different cultures in the future.

In summary, my experience abroad was truly unforgettable. It was a time of growth and discovery, and I am forever grateful for the opportunity to have had it.
CINEMA

‘First Contact’: new trek in film production

David Gassaney
The Rice Thresher

The newest edition in the famed saga of Star Trek films and television series, “First Contact,” opens in theaters today with innovation.

The film features the “Next Generation” crew on a new ship protecting Earth from their most horrific enemies, the Borg, a race of cybernetic beings who plan to assimilate all civilizations into their own race. Captain Picard defies Starfleet orders about this in order to aid in the defense of planet Earth. During the battle, both the Borg and the Enterprise-E travel back in time to April 26, 2063 — the day before a drunkard tests the first warp drive spacecraft and makes the “first contact” with extra-terrestrial beings, changing the course of history.

Social Distortion debuts new CD, plays the Abyss

Eric Muñoz
Midtown Messenger

OK, no cliches. This article will not wax poetic on the greatness of Social Distortion’s new album. It will simply tell you straightforwardly “Social Distortion is a good band playing good music.”

“White Heat White Trash White Light,” Social Distortion’s sixth release, is an intense and poetic album that age does not lead to stagnation.

The intensity with which Ness moves, Social Distortion has been rallying around an alternative teen anthem. "We’re just anxious to play right now," vocalist Mike Ness said. "We’ve been locked in the studio for a year. Now we wanna get out and show everybody what we’re about. And understanding what Social Distortion is about is important for understanding their music.

Since the early days of the punk music movement, Social Distortion has been playing around on an alternative teen anthem. "You won’t see these kids in Heaven/Colored hair and funny clothes/They’re the answer to any question/They’ve got blue hair and They’ve got instant plans," Ness said. "You know what, you scum? Youwanted till it was safe to do it.

The album is about “sin and redemption, temptation vs. what is right,” Ness said. "It is a mediation.

Choice will be performing Nov. 22 at Fitzgerald’s. The band is currently touring with Alanis Morrisette and has performed with acts such as Bryan Adams, the Band, Indigo Girls, the Proclaimers and the Houston Symphony under guest conductor Michael Stern. Also featured on the program will be Hector Berlioz’s “Love Scene” and the symphonic dances of Sergei Rachmaninoff.

The Symphony will perform at 8 p.m. Nov. 23 and 24 and 7:30 p.m. Nov. 25 at the Houston Symphony Center. Ticket prices range from $13 to $59 and can be purchased at the Houston Symphony Center in Jones Hall by calling 800-282-ARTS. Students tickets are sold, subject to availability, for $5 at the Jones Hall ticket window 75 minutes prior to the performances. Open rehearsal at Jones Hall on Nov. 23 at 10 a.m. will feature the entire program.

$4 admission for Open rehearsals and seating is general admission. Tickets may be purchased at the door by calling Jones Hall.
"Match Made in Heaven" humorous

The play has a unique Rice-oriented sense of humor.

Although he plays a relatively minor part, Lundin portrays the audience with a strong voice which he uses to date other characters to Hell several times.

If you enjoy humor applied to the afterlife with a typical Rice perspective, I recommend seeing "A Match Made in Heaven" this weekend.

Erratum

Last week, the Thresher inadvertently ran a photo of Little Shop of Horrors in place of one that should have been of the Rice Players' production of "Lord of the Flies." This week features Mr. McLeavy (Martin Holt) and his nurse Fay (Kelli Cousins).

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Trek
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What is most surprising about the film is the way it was produced— it almost did not seem much like a "Star Trek" film at all. The producers have chosen to abandon the classic "Star Trek" feel (which has almost become cliché after seven films) and introduced a new way of presenting "Star Trek." (Perhaps this is result of Jonathan Frakes directing.) And, to be honest, I loved it.

It is definitely "Star Trek," only new and different. The producers chose the best qualities of other successful sci-fi films and combined them into a single movie. The cinematography and combat scenes resemble Alien, the space scenes have the action of War of the Worlds and Independence Day, and the prevalent themes have all of the emotional weight and value of Apollo 13.

Perhaps the most interesting change is in the acting. Some scenes are overdone and unrealistic, but this is done on purpose. That is the humor of it—it is done in a way you would not expect from "Star Trek." Distances such as Trek's distant scenes and a sensual clip involving Data and the Borg exemplify these differences.

The film does rely on past episodes, but the dis-harmony Trekkies will note a few places where the writers skimped a little.

After a shaky start, First Contact develops into the stuff of quality movie that fans have come to expect from "Star Trek." Women have thought that this will be the last "Star Trek" film produced if ticket sales are weak.

If you have kept up with the "Star Trek" series and appreciate a break from the mundane presentation, you will get a lot out of this movie, but even if you do not know anything about the saga, you will still enjoy it.

As they say, "Resistance is futile."
This Thanksgiving, let’s remember that our lives are a gift from the loving, holy and powerful God who created us, and in this world of pain, problems and evil, sin has been paid for by the Son of God, Jesus Christ, who offers hope and purpose for our daily journey through life.

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Women end exhibition season 2-0

David Gordon
Assistant Coach

Expectations were high for the women’s basketball team going into the season. Coming off one of its best seasons in years, the Owls recruiting class of four top recruits may push the team to the proverbial "next level."

After two pre-season exhibition games, the expectations will not be lowered, but raised.

The Owls dominated both the Satilla Basketball Club (a Swedish team) and Houston Flight ABA — an amateur team composed of former college players.

Monday night the Owls faced the ABA club and rolled to a 96-66 win. Four Owls reached double digits and all 12 players scored.

The freshman showed that they will have an immediate impact on this team. Limited playing time — only one player on the team had over 20 minutes of time — they were impressive.

Forward Mark Bramfield scored 12 points and grabbed seven rebounds.

Sarah Schwegel was one assist short of a double-double. She dished out nine assists along with 10 points. She was three for three from beyond the three-point line.

Bramfield was the team’s second leading scorer, dropping in 12 points on five-for-11 shooting.

 taped a bit cold, shooting three-for-10 from the field in 12 minutes of playing time.

Head Coach Cristy McKimney praised the play of her new players.

"The freshmen made some mistakes, but they also made some good things happen. You have to expect that," she said.

The Owls dominated the boards, out-rebounding the Flight by a 57-29 margin.

Those numbers included 20 of the Owls’ 17 offensive boards, many of which were easy put-backs for sophomore forward Angela Smith and senior center Deb Williams. Williams led the team with 15 points.

In the first half, the Owls’ precise interior passing fed six of their six in the paint. When Smith or sophomore center Jenni Hatfield were double-teamed from the outset, she said.

Sophomore forward/center Suzanne Koy came off the bench to drop in nine points in only 11 minutes on the floor.

Late in the half, Bramfield stole a Flight pass and drove down the floor. A crossover dribble faked out the defender, and Bramfield bled in the basket while drawing a foul.

When the offense seemed to stall late in the half, Ludwig hit two straight three-point shots.

To open the second half, the Owls’ 2-3 offense gave the Owls players high and three-low — was ineffective. Unable to get any good looks at the basket for the first three minutes, they scored only one.

Sophomore guard Marisa Wilson seemed to be all over the court, hustling to prevent fast breaks and bringing the ball up the court.

Running the offense from the tip of the key, Wilson took the opportunity to put up the three when the Flight left her open.

She dropped in two from long range on two consecutive possession. She was the first three-point goal of her career.

"They fed me to take the shot if I was open, so I did. You have to do that to get them to respect you out there," Wilson said.

Senior guard Jessica Garcia hit another three on the next possession for a nine-point run, and the Owls began to extend their lead to the 32-point margin of victory.

"I can’t say I’m displeased," a smiling McKimney said. "We’re deep, and that’s something we didn’t have last season. The key is for us to keep working hard in practice."

The Owls opened up their exhibition schedule with a 95-52 win over Satilla last Wednesday. Hamilton and Williams combined for 29 points at the center spot.

Wilson and junior guard Gina Cifaglia added 26, mostly from the outside. The Owls again dominated the boards, pulling down 53 boards to Satilla’s 30.

The Owls open up their season Friday night when they travel to Peoria, Ill., to face Bradley University.

The then make the short hop to Ann Arbor, Mich., on Saturday to face the University of Michigan Wolverines.

The Owls do not have a home game until Dec. 3 when they host the 18th-ranked University of Arkansas Razorbacks.

Football

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Football returns to the field for its first bowl since the 1961 Bluebonnet Bowl are slim, but still existent.

"The only thing I told our team about was that the first year we went to Air Force, it took the play of 100 years to get us in to a bowl. [California’s multi-lateral last-play kickoff return to beat Stanford in 1962]," Hatfield said. "All we can do right now is try to be a good 7-4 team and let the other things take care of themselves.

If the bowls are all tied up with commitments, then that’s what we can do about it. But if they don’t, then they start looking around for somebody who’s qualified and who’s a darn good team. So who knows what’s going to happen this year.

Sports

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Team anxious for season to start

George Dehni

The men's basketball team won in convincing fashion, 84-58, Sunday afternoon over Athletes in Action. It was the Owls' final preseason tune-up before the regular season, which begins today. Rice entered their exhibition season 2-0 with the other win coming against the Mexican National Team.

Despite continued swelling in his knee that has bothered doctors, Shaun Lee was the star of the game, turning in a Charles Barkley-like 14-point, 18-rebound performance against a very physical Athletes in Action squad.

The Owls dominated the paint for the entire game. In addition to Lee's performance, Jarvis Sumni posted an aggressive 10 points and 4 rebounds, and Jody Lumpkin contributed 8 points and 4 rebounds.

Coach Willis Wilson said of his inside players, "We're going to have that type of consistency from our big guys in particular if we are going to be in the race for the Western Athletic Conference championship.

In a post-game interview, Wilson said of the 6-9, 235-pound Lumpkin, "Jody was involved as anyone. He's the rock. He's solid."

For the second game in a row, sophomore guard/forward Robert Johnson hit a spark for the Owls. Johnson led all scorers with 17 points, including three three-pointers. Also from the perimeter, senior guard J.J. Polk scored 10 points, and forward Jesse Silver also competed in the second flight, both winning their first matches and falling in the second round.

After losing to Oliver Marion of Northeast Louisiana 75-62, Silver went on to win the second round consolation bracket, beating Roberto Coronado of UTA 74-66, 63-63 in the final.

Freshman Kevin Hargrove played well in the third flight, winning his first three matches before being beaten by Matt Pack of Texas Christian University 64-63 in the semifinals.

Freshman Alex Rain, after losing his first match, went on to win the first round consolation bracket by default.

Another Rice player, senior Ben Pritchett, was the second round consolation winner in the third flight 64-3-6-2 and TCU player Zach Friendman after losing to Blake Myrow, from Southern Methodist University in the championship bracket.

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It is this type of inside-outside balance that is crucial for the Owls to compete for the WAC title and an NCAA tournament berth this season. Rice kicks off the 1996-97 season this Friday at 7:30 p.m. against Houston Baptist University. Fans should be sure to get to the game early to take part in "The Jungle Gym Jam," where free T-shirts will be given away. Other incentives to come out and support the Owls include a $10,000 halftime shot and a pizza party after the game.

Tennis

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his first match 62-84 before falling to fifth seed Christian Jaeger from the University of Texas-Arlington 6-3, 3-6, and Tony Prudent from Northeast Louisiana University in the second round consolation bracket.

In the second flight, freshman Robert Collins made it to the finals before retiring to Alex Astar of Tyler Junior College.

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In conjunction with the Anniversary activities, fourteen Outstanding Rice Women will be profiled. One student from each residential college, three graduate students, one alumna, one faculty member, and one staff member will be selected who meet the following qualifications:

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- Demonstrate service to the campus and the community.
- Demonstrate involvement and participation in student life/activities at Rice University and/or beyond.
- Serve as public relations officer to raise awareness of issues affecting the community.
- Serve as a role model in the empowerment of women.

We need your help in our search for these outstanding Rice women. Nominations are now being accepted by the Women's Resource Center. It only takes a few minutes of your time to nominate those women who unselfishly serve others, participate in varied activities, and are positive role models for women.

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3. Stop Working So Hard

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