Brown put on probation for alcohol violations

Judicial Affairs office levies $400 fine, warns Brown that one more infraction will result in loss of alcohol privilege

by Mary Babishan

If one more complaint regarding a Brown College alcohol policy violation reaches Assistant Dean of Judicial Affairs Patricia Bass, Brown will go yellow.

Monday afternoon, Brown College president Kevin Graham received this news in a memo from Bass stating that Brown has been placed on an indefinite probation and given a $400 fine. According to the memo, Brown has not fulfilled its responsibility as a residential college to prevent violations of the university’s alcohol policy.

This punitive action comes after a series of complaints from both inside and outside Brown about alcohol violations at the college. "Brown’s students included multiple violations of the Alcohol Policy, particularly with regard to underage drinking," the memo stated.

While many issues prevented students from participating in the activities, including a fire alarm that was thrown on the seventh floor, the main event was the culmination of these violations. Because of its size, the unregistered party was the climax of these violations, causing a huge amount of damage.

Many say this dangerous environment may have induced a lack of safety resulting in the alcohol problem at Brown.

"We found out that there weren’t any anonymous counseling services," Gefter said. "If people’s problems—we're just looking at the bottom line of what we can do for people’s problems—we're just looking at the bottom line of what people’s problems and always be responsive to the students and the faculty."

The Peer Health Information and Hotline volunteer and Jones College senior Frances Louie said everyone in the group has been an active participant in the planning phase of the house.

"We're really glad to be working on such a project and having it for someone who really needs it," third-year graduate student Tim Gordon said. "Project Row Houses is an important asset to the Houston community."

For more on the project, see BROWN, Page 7

Rice architecture class builds low-cost house for 3rd Ward

The architecture department has been working on a project to build a low-cost house for the 3rd Ward. The house is based on six 10'-5" box houses that are not intended to become permanent residences, but they are meant to provide shelter for the families living there.

The house is designed to be a temporary solution for the residents of the 3rd Ward. The design includes a kitchen, a dining room, two bathrooms, a laundry, and a study and screened porch. The house also follows a sustainable model, with features such as solar panels and rainwater harvesting systems.

Despite the necessity for simplicity, the architecture of the house displays the architectural training of the designers. Each item includes a wall of glass to allow for natural light to enter the house, along with its simple yet elegant design.

The building of the house required months of work. The students were responsible for all aspects of the construction, from the planning and design to the actual building process.

This year's student-designed low-cost house project is the result of a collaboration between the architecture department and Project Row Houses, a non-profit organization that specializes in designing and building affordable housing for low-income families.

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'SPHIS hotline, how can we help you?'

The Women's Resource Center created a hotline to provide Rice students with confidential, anonymous counseling on a variety of sexual health issues.

The Peer Health Information and Support service began Oct. 27. SPHIS is a student-run crisis intervention service that provides information and support in four main areas:

sexual health issues, which include information about sexually transmitted diseases, contraception and crisis pregnancy options.

sexual violence and sexual harassment, and issues such as rape, preventing a perpetrator of sexual assault and dealing with evidence.

eating disorders and disruptions, including bulimia and anorexia.

sexual orientation issues. A Women's Resource Center survey of over 400 resulted in the creation of the hotline, said student coordinator and Haverford College junior Lana Gefter. The survey indicated that Rice students want an anonymous counseling service to supplement the College Assistance Peer Program and the Rice Counseling Center.

"We found out that there weren't any anonymous counseling services," Gefter said. "Nobody knows what you look like, what you're doing—we don't ask any of these things.

Nineteen student volunteers staff the hotline, which is available at (713) 506-9000 Monday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from noon to 4 p.m. Although hotline volunteers are not certified counselors, each volunteer participated in approximately 20 hours of training sessions. "We're not professional counselors, we're not trained in intervention workers and resource providers," Gefter said.

Professional counselors from the Harris County department conducted the training sessions, which covered a variety of topics related to sex and gender issues, including rape, sexual assault, depression and crisis counseling. Volunteers also practiced fielding crisis phone calls.

Hotline volunteer and College senior Frances Louie said empathizing with callers' problems is crucial when dealing with crisis situations. "We're not looking to solve people's problems—we're just looking to give them a way to talk through this tough situation in a position where they can get help for themselves later on," Louie said.

The hotline is staffed six days a week and is available at (713) 506-9000.

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With Rice students finding their way abroad via increasingly disparate means, New faculty appointments to specialists in underrepresented parts of the world, the activities (both high and lower profile, like yesterday’s visit by Brown freshman student at Massac Basin Institute of Technology earlier this year) should be welcomed. For most overworked Rice students, the arguments based on probability and the results which they yield. Creationists as-is would have to choose between taking his roommate to the hospital and the county jail this year. For its part, Brown needs to do more than simply hold a meeting in which this is discussed. As an experiment associates and hetters on behalf of college leaders call for greater responsibility. Given the pull cast by Brown’s negligent non-enforcement, the Brown cabinet should draw up a more comprehensive list of requirements for foreign study and to make Rice a more worldly place.

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Experience in Israel gives new perspective

On Sept. 26, my birthday, there was a tall image of the moon that everyone in America missed, because it was only visible from the side of the planet. It was very beautiful and impressive to be able to see it on my birthday, here in the holy city of Jerusalem. However, I found out later that this eclipse may not have been so beneficial. A good friend of mine who lives in the Old City told me that the ancient Jewish rabbis interpreted this as a very bad omen, foretelling an unlucky year for the Jewish people. This kind of news made me months ago a very jolly mood.

Living through the events of these past two turbulent months has been quite a cultural experience. I was very chal-
ing to come to my Hebrew class and learn the words for terrorism, hatred, and death. I have been interested, how-
er, in the Israeli resolve to fight back, with sophisticated weapons and technology, which has consistently been different in others. The American reaction would be:

"Things like this are obviously very sad and painful to the Israeli, but, at the same time, they don't bring life to a halt. For them, life must go on. Abnormal is not abnormal as the mass outrages of grief and sorrow, although everyone feels these emotions. We will have Classes and tests at school, businesses remain open, and life continues as normal. This week, I think, points to the heart of the issue. "Normal" here is quite different from the rest of the world. Terrorism, war and senseless death have sadly become a part of everyday life. Whereas America comes in to a standstill in the wake of such events, the majority in Israel barely turns a page in their books. While we, weekly, a tragedy is almost forgotten, so each day has its own new problems to face. I have often won- dered if this is a healthy way to live with such solutions. Are the Israe-
ils better at handling these things, or are they too soft and sweet?

Many civilians and soldiers. The so-
called peace process is failing fast as it makes its way toward joining the casualty list. Everywhere one looks, it appears that the owners of those ancient wise men may be more than superstitious.

In some cases, they are even...
DOONESBURY
BY G.B. TRUDEAU

YOU'RE BUYING IT? YOUR REAL- LIFE BEDROOM MALL?

APPARENTLY HE FINALLY OVERWHELMED THE PLACE.

I CAN'T BELIEVE THIS! I MEAN, I LOVE MAUBU, BUT IT'S ALWAYS BEEN MY DREAM TO RETURN TO THE PLACE WHERE IT ALL BEGAN FOR ME!

WHAT A HARD DECISION ABOUT MY DREAM HOME! HAVING A SURPRISE GUEST WHO CAN RUN AWAY WHAT?

YOU CAN'T HEAR ME. I'M TELLING YOU WHAT I KNEW ONE DAY I'M NOT SURE.

AS YOU KNOW, IT'S QUITE A SPECIAL HOUSE. COME ON IN AND GET RE-AQUAINTED?

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AND THIS ROOM HAS BEEN USED AS A CHAPEL. MY OLD SLEEP- ROOM IS A CHARITY STORE FITTING.

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Debate team defeats A&M UT at state championship

by Susan Egelant
time staff writer

The George R. Brown Forensics team won the state championship for the second year in a row at the Texas Intercollegiate Forensics Association Championship Tournament held at Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos, Oct. 31-Nov. 2.

The TIFA tournament hosted over 30 competing teams, some of which came from large schools including Texas A&M University, the University of Texas and Texas Tech University. Rice differs from large schools because the Forensics members compete in both speech and debate events, team captain and Will Rice College junior Amir Brown said, "the students here have to work harder on a lot more," he said. Additionally, while many larger schools have separate debate or speech departments, Rice has the Director of Forensics and Humanities to organize and run the program. "We said that because the team has grown in five years from eight students competing in one or two events to as high as 20 students competing in a total of five events, an additional coach or融重 ing to improve," he said. "Most teams we saw have between two and three faculty coaches in addition to the three or four graduate students. If we could add one more coach I think that our team would be unstoppable," he said. "I could easily become the dominant force in both speech and debate in the United States." Team members are thankful for the sponsorship provided by Dean Robert McNally, Provost Lister, Dick Eddies and the Social Science department for entry in the state tournament, Brown said, "the reason we would travel and enter the tournament was because of this sponsorship. We really appreciate the help and the support we get from the university," he said.

The team has finished in the top three in every tournament they have competed in this semester. Brown said, "this success has buoyed the Rice Forensics teams that I have seen. Not only do we have a lot of returning members, but we have some of the most dedicated and hard-working students, me included," he said.

Last year's team captain and Rice College senior Lauren McGarity said, "we went to the TIFA tournament last year and we had a good chance of winning the tournament, we won the debate section. So I expected Rice to win the state tournament last year, and to win the team, though younger than last year's, is one of the most phenomenally talented teams Rice has ever had." At the tournament, Brown was successful in parliamentary debate both individually and with his partner Will Rice freshman Catty Peterson. Brown won the individual state championship in debate speaking and also reached for the semifinals with Peterson. McGarity and Brown sophomore Scott Nillson also reached the semifinal round for parliametary debate. Peterson, McGarity, Nillson and Lundin all placed in the top 10 individually for debate speaking, and Brown junior and Lovett College sophomore won Top Novice for individual debate speaking.

In individual events, Rice carried several state championship victories as well as other state rankings. McGarity won the overall state championship in individual events, with state championship wins in impromptu speaking and extemporaneous speaking. Other state champions in individual events were Rice sophomore David Sinner for Novice Informative Speaking, Rice College senior Ayad Krishna for Informative Speaking, Lovett College freshman Catty Tho Do for Dramatic Interpretation, Lovett College freshman Lauren Dougherty for Novice Persuasive Speaking and Rice College freshman Kelly Robin for Programmed Oral Interpretation.

Gillis sets limit for size of 1998 freshman class

President Malcolm Gillis set a limit of floors and locations this year's freshman class. Director of Admission Julie Bowers and Wednesday, Brown announced to the Admissions Office received a record number of applications this year. This year's freshmen decision applicants dwars last year's number of 345.

"We have set Rice to be especially competitive this year because the number of freshmen we had is decreased," Brown said. Gillis decision to limit the class of 625 freshmen comes on the heels of the arrivals this year's oversize freshman class.

"This year's class of 704 was much larger than the Admissions Office had anticipated, because approximately 42 more students accepted Rice's offer of admission than the Admission Office's probability model had predicted. Those "extra" freshmen forced the university to make emergency housing arrangements. Gillis made his decision after consulting with the Admission Office, the Budget Office, the Registrar, Financial Aid, Student Athletics, and the masters. "We feel we are handling the situation fairly," he said.

Banners on Fondren must follow new rules

The Inter Club Council created new guidelines for organizations hanging banners on Fondren. These new restrictions, which include limits on banner size and rules concerning hanging and removing the banners, will be awarded for the first time this year, giving the winners the opportunity to receive full honor the following year (1998-99) in a foreign country. 15,000 scholarships will be awarded by the Student Association to the club that donates the most new toys. The drive, anyone can participate.

1992 graduate funds new study abroad prize

Under the request and guidance of the late James T. Wagner, a 1929 graduate, Rice has instituted a new scholarship for overseas study. The Board of Trustees will be awarded for the first time this year, giving the winners the opportunity to receive full honor the following year (1998-99) in a foreign country. 15,000 scholarships will be awarded by the Student Association to the club that donates the most new toys. The drive, anyone can participate.

The scholarships are open to all undergraduate students, from the arts and sciences to business and engineering. The application comprises a professional resume, an academic transcript and two letters of recommendation from professors who know the student. The applications, which are being administered by the Office of International Education, are due Jan. 18, 1998.

SFC proposes gallery

Sid Robertson College is forming an art gallery to display its resident art. "I came up with the idea for the art gallery of the Student Retreat while we were discussing ways to improve the appearance of our public areas," Sid sophomore Khoa Nguyen said. "We thought it would be a good way to improve the general aesthetics of Sid as well as a way to showcase the talent of our resident artists." "We know that there are tremendous amounts of art displayed in a wonderful way for them to express themselves," Sid vice President Bennett said.

Nguyen and Sid Vice President Robinson Vu are accepting submissions from Sid residents. With funds from the auspices money that Rice gives each college, they will frame or mount art created from all kinds of media, including photographs, paintings, and drawings and collages. The art will decorate the walls of each student's room and any student will be able to donate their art on a permanent or temporary basis.

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Wages for 1998

Leisure retreat

January 16 - 18, 1998

DAR LEADERSHIP RETREAT IS FOR ANY STUDENT INVOLVED IN OR ASPIRING TO BECOME INVOLVED IN ANY ASPECT OF LEADERSHIP AT RICE.

This retreat will take place at Camp Chuluah. The group will leave Friday evening and arrive at camp on Saturday morning. The retreat will be a fun filled weekend. As the leadership retreat is for all who have a number of interest in student leadership, including serving available resources, working with administration, and developing leadership skills. Of course, we plan on having plenty of fun, too.

Pick up applications from the Office of Student Activities in the RSA. Conditional get your applications in by Wednesday, November 26. The number of participants will be limited to 30 so it is advisable to sign up as soon as possible. Applications will be due by Wednesday, December 5. If you have questions, contact Sarah Nelson Crawford at 689-2857 or E-mail: Sarah_Nelson@rice.edu.

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RICE-HOBBY SHUTTLE

If you're flying away for Thanksgiving from Hobby Airport, then catch a FREE lift on the passenger shuttle!

On Wednesday, November 26th, meet the shuttle in the circular driveway of the SRC to go to Hobby Airport.

Buses leave at the following times:
9 a.m., 10:30 a.m., Noon, 12:30 p.m., 3 p.m., 5:30 p.m.
To get from Hobby back to campus on Sunday, November 30th, meet the bus at the baggage claim area of Hobby Airport.

Buses leave at the following times:
1 p.m., 3:30 p.m., 4 p.m., 5:30 p.m., 7 p.m., 8:30 p.m.

Questions? Contact Eugene Radaulec at 285-5223 or eugen@rice.edu.

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Brown fined for violations

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Cabinet called an all-college meeting Monday evening during which "students worked together to arrive at a solution. Instead of looking at the court and cabinet to be the ones to enforce the policy, now all the students at Brown will take that responsibility," RA Lisa Jansen said.

The meeting also served as a wake-up call for students about their responsibility under the alcohol policy.

Duran said that the Cabinet told college members to be on the lookout and to encourage self-policing.

"People now know that old-fashioned style will not work and they could be over," he said.

Brown students feel that Biss's memo singled them out among the eight colleges.

"From what I've heard, other colleges have been having similar problems," Duran said.

"The Brown cabinet has not made this happen," he said.

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The Rice Student Volunteer Program met Monday. The following were discussed:

- Contact your SA senator or RSVP representative if you are interested in donating money from your meal card to the Meal-A-Month program, which supports local charity organizations.
- Medical bridges need people to help collect, sort and package medical supplies to be sent to developing nations. Please contact volunteer Thi Nguyen at thi@rice.edu.
- If you would like to become a mentor for children at Franklin Elementary School, contact Elizabeth Gabriel at gabriel@rice.edu.
- Support the hunger and homelessness awareness movement this week, and participate in a letter writing campaign Friday outside Fondren Library starting at 9 a.m. until 3 p.m.

Next meeting: Monday at 9 p.m. in Miner Lounge in the Student Center.

Midnight peace talks face boycott

The Palestine Authority decided to boycott the annual Middle East and North Africa economic conference in Qatar to protest Israeli exclusion of important Palestinian participants.

The conference intends to integrate Israeli into Arab economies and foster regional growth.

However, the continued expansion of Jewish settlements and the exports to the peace process under Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu anger Arab states.

Most countries in the Arab league and many Palestinian businessmen have announced that they will not attend, and Israel has also downgraded its representation to the conference. DHU.

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Jane's Addiction proves a relapse isn't always bad

On that night, no one left unimpressed by the band's performance. The crowd was electric, and the music was a sweet reminder of the original Los Angeles quartet's phenomenon. The energy was palpable, and the audience was on the edge of their seats, ready to experience something special.

Monday night, at the newly christened Aerial Theater at Bayou Place, I found out exactly how true this was. Standing in the completely sold-out arena, a palpable electricity raced through the quiescent. We all knew we were about to witness something special, a beautiful spectacle.

After the opening act, the crowd exploded. Farrell's charismatic presence and the band's well-oiled machine erupted into a mesmerizing display of musical prowess. The audience was captivated by the band's seamless transition from high-energy rock to acoustic-driven numbers, each transition flawless.

The final song, "Time of Your Life," elicited a rapturous response from the crowd. The combination of Farrell's powerful vocals and the band's tight instrumentation created a moment that will be remembered for years to come. The crowd cheered, and the band looked elated, knowing that they had delivered a performance that lived up to the standards set by their previous tours.

In many ways, the relapse of Jane's Addiction proved that sometimes, it's these unexpected moments that remind us of what truly matters in life. The music, the passion, the energy—it all combined to create a night that will be remembered for generations to come. As the lights faded to black, the audience was left with a sense of satisfaction, knowing that they had been part of something truly special.

Don't miss your chance to witness the relapse of Jane's Addiction. Tickets are available now, and you won't want to miss out on this incredible experience. Join the band and the audience as they continue to prove that relapses don't always have to be bad. Get your tickets today and be a part of the story!
The Aussies are coming!

‘Kiss’ a foray in Australian cinema

Hannah Pask

Australian film is once again reaping the quicksilver benefits of being an island nation. This little island country, so far removed from the USA, has developed a cinematic industry that is unique and distinctly Australian. The success of the movie ‘Kiss’ is a testament to this.

‘Kiss’ is the story of two Australians, Nick ( văn shawn stevens) and Al (van dien), who are on the run from both the law and the FBI. In aÚthed and suspenseful story, they are forced to improvise dialogue and situations in order to survive.

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The film is well-acted and directed, with a strong sense of tension and suspense. The dialogue is sharp and witty, adding to the overall enjoyment of the film.

Overall, ‘Kiss’ or Kill is a well-made and entertaining film, with a strong Australian identity. It is a must-see for fans of the genre and those who appreciate a good thriller. The film has a unique and refreshing take on the art-house genre, and is definitely worth a watch.
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**The cruel hand of fate**

How the mighty have fallen and history held true; after winning so many, they have won very few. The big game is not always, like Moulin from chains; when the forecast is sunny, somehow it rains. Though the Owls were valiant, determined and brave, in the end it was the season that they couldn't save.

Not all will be calling; no trip to afar; by plane or bus or even by car. There will be no beaches to play on, nor celebrities to meet; it was none of the pretties that made the post-season crew.

Because losing a few victories can't cure the Owls have a sickness that proves to endure. For 36 years now, they've been hands-dield by fate; their destiny predetermined, but the potential still great.

Let's analyze their failures, from the first to the last, with that which still remains to be. Certainly it will be painful, upon reaching this end, like the girl who you love who's in love with your friend. But it is from such adversity that champions will grow, as surely as winter brings forth the snow.

It was the first week of September as disaster approached, for one of the Owls had been absent on Saturday. It was 31-14 upsets that made their leader disappear so early in the season and already at rest.

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The offense was suspect; the defense was weak, the defense was suspect; the offense was weak. The laboratory died softly as Rice seemed to say. The Rice defense was porous and "Little Earl" had some fun.

It must have been a Saturday, no, a Friday, I think, but it is from such adversity that champions will grow, because losing is a virus a few victories can't hack from the dead like a phoenix from ash.

The loss made it possible for the vicious cycle to persist, as surely as winter brings forth the snow. The Falcons were powerful and flew much too high, but two wins in a row might give them a chance.

They had been victimized by a system morally untrue. Their destiny pre determined, but the potential still great.

It's all of things unholy and all things not nice! Of all things unholy and all things not nice! Of all things unholy and all things not nice!

**Women's basketball sets records versus TSU**

by Brian Hill

The women's basketball team opened its season with a bang Friday night. Using a combination of outstanding three-point shooting and a tenacious defense, the Owls led Texas Southern University 66-10 at halftime and went on to win 115-35.

The Owls set records in most points in a game, most points in a first half, most points made from behind the 3-point line, and most turnovers by an opponent (42) against TSU.

Senior forward Amy Richardson, who had 13 points, and junior guard Charmaine Wilson, who added 12, led the way for the Owls. Other big contributions came from junior center Jennifer Hamilton, who placed in 14 points and 12 rebounds, and senior forward Linda Wall, who added 10.

Eight players broke into double digits for Rice, compared to only two for TSU. The defense also did a good job in collecting rebounds (31), holding Rice to 36% shooting. Rice's defense did not go well, however, and they were outrebounded by a 2-to-1 margin. Rice's second game did not go so well. Traveling to Baton Rouge to take on Louisiana State University, the Owls knew they would have a tough game in store for them. LSU currently holds the No. 5 spot in the AP poll.

Coach Crissy McKinney did not underestimate the importance of the game.

**Slate dash Owls' WAC title dreams**

by Jose Luis Cubria

All season long, Rice Head Coach Ken Hatfield said that the outcome of every game has more or less been decided by one play, one break, or one bounce of the ball. Unfortunately for the Owls last Saturday, he was right once again.

The University of Utah returns this weekend, and the Owls' defense has been suspect, but excitement and winning don't always agree.

The Owls proved once more that their dream wasn't dead. After winning so many, 7-4, and still holding a shot at the WAC championship, the Owls know they would then hold the necessary breaks to advance.

"There's still a chance," Clifton said. "We just need to keep fighting and take care of UTEP."

"A lot of things had to happen in 94 for us to tie for the South Conference Championship," and they did, Hatfield said. "Nothing's guaranteed, and we're coming off a win against the Owls.

By the time Rice takes the field Saturday, they will already know if they are still alive, because SMU plays tonight. Regardless of the outcome, the Owls know that the game against the University of Texas at El Paso will be a big one.

The Owls have won three of their last five games after winning the season at 1-4. Their defense has shown the most improvement and in its past four games has given up an average of only 11 points. Hatfield feels that they really are playing better. They have a lot of confidence, and they've never driven so hard.

This is one of the biggest games of the season, because we are playing against a ranked opponent on their home court," Clifton said. The Owls came out with the intensity they needed to start the game and held a commanding 42-27 lead at halftime. In the second half, "they lost some confidence, and they may not have been as tough in the second half." Rice is on a roll and the Owls would love to put a stop to it.

Offensively, the Owls produced in every category in the second half. Rice managed just seven field goals and one three-pointer. LSU put up twice as many field goals (14) and three-pointers (2) as the Owls.

Chris Basinkis is a Staff sportswriter.
FSU, Kansas have their way with Rice

by George Deitchler

An 88-42 loss to rice  isn't what you want to see when you're 3-0. But Florida State, the third-ranked team in the nation, didn't have much of a choice. The Owls were without their top players and had to rely on their younger players to keep up.

The Owls were without their stars, Raef LaFrentz and Paul Pierce, Crawford and junior guard Chad Michael, both currently injured. The Kansas team, featuring forwards Ben Latrells and Paul Pierce, easily outclassed the Owls, whose starting lineup consisted of two freshmen and a sophomore. The Jayhawks won the game by the score of 88-42. Rice senior forward Jarvis Kelley-Smart, who paced the Owls with 25 points and 11 rebounds, summed up the game in a simple manner. "Kansas looked really, really good," he said. Based on Kansas' performance, there is no reason to dispute Sanni's assessment. Latrells was 10 for 15 shooting while tallying 20 points and five rebounds, and Pierce contributed 16 points and 10 rebounds. Kansas jumped out early and buried the Owls by halftime. The Owls were finding it hard to handle the pressure of the game, but they did have some older guys, and we had some younger guys in the post," Kelley-Smart said after the game.

Coach Willis Wilson cited turnovers and lack of experience as key factors in the Owls' loss. "We're working hard and improving," he said. Last Friday night's season-opener with Florida State University had many of the same overtones. The Seminoles, behind their front court bench, were down 66-53. The Florida State front line, consisting of senior Cory Loda, junior Randall Jackson and 7'2" freshman forward Charles, The men's 4 took 10th in the end and beat their star player, "Jean." "Jean was really awesome," said coach Hollier. "She was definitely at a disadvantage in the scrums."

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Women's rugby falls 13-5 to A&M

Experience caused the women's rugby team to defeat Saturday in College Station. Texas A&M University took advantage of the rugged lack of preparation in beating Rice 13-5. Although Rice lost, individual players showed unexpected efficiency. The last time these two teams met, Rice soundly defeated the Aggies by shutting them out 34-0. This time, however, the Aggies fielded a very experienced side that dominated the Owls. Rice fielded 13, two short of a full side, and was forced to play without two nose forwards. "Considering how unprepared we were in the pack, the forwards really didn't do too badly," junior hooker Julie Hollier said. Only two players in the tight five, Hollier and junior prop Janna Beck, played in their regular positions. Sophomore Jean Healey filled in at prop, and freshman Lauren Crochet and senior Arleen Bos both moved to lock. As the sole loose forward, sophomore Kerri Cos played both tightside and flanker switching positions between scrums.

"We were definitely at a disadvantage in the scrums," Hollier said. "With only one loose forward, we couldn't cover both sides of the scrums, and the Aggies were winning almost every scrum."

Although the team scrambled to field a side, its desperate measures brought out their hidden talents. Moving from her usual position at center to prop, Healey demonstrated her fluidity by scoring Rice's sole try. "Jean was really awesome," Hollier said. "She was definitely at a disadvantage in the scrums, and the Aggies were winning almost every scrum."

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The Owls' youth movement is in full swing and rice is receiving valuable experience at a early juncture in their collegiate careers. Freshman forward Derek Michael was and freshman forward guard Mike Wilks logged 35 and 32 minutes, respectively, against Florida State. Wilks played the entire game against Kansas, and freshman guard Matthew 5dall had considerable playing time in both games as well. Rice travels to Philadelphia, Penn. Saturday to play the University of Pennsylvania before returning home Tuesday to take on the University of Minnesota at Rolla. It is likely that guard Bobby Crawford will miss Saturday's game against Penn, but he could see his first action of the season at home on Tuesday night.

Rice Fencing takes epee title at A&M

Last Saturday, Rice Fencing won first place at the South West Intercollegiate Fencing Association. The three-person epee squad consisted of graduate student Tom Miller, sophomore Jarrett Ng and senior Andrew Eisenberg. The University of Texas A&M, the University of Houston and Austin College squads all missed A&M Saturday humiliated by Rice's victory.

Miller won 10 of 12 bouts. Ng was rated 12 and Eisenberg won seven of 12. Ng surprised himself with his performance. "My first tournament was great. I scored better than I ever thought I could," he said. Miller, who is a senior, said it was a struggle the whole way. A&M came close to defeating Rice, but Miller pulled through in the end and beat their star player, "Jean." "Jean was really awesome," said coach Hollier. "She was definitely at a disadvantage in the scrums, and the Aggies were winning almost every scrum."

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Women runners miss Nationals

by Andrea Ryerson

The women’s cross-country team capped a successful weekend last weekend with a solid fifth-place finish out of 14 teams at the Southern District VI race in Denton, Texas. Though the team did not qualify for next weekend’s national cross country race, the women made an improvement from last season for their strength in the conference and district. The team had a remarkable performance this season in winning three meets, including earning an all-time best team finish at the Rice Invitational and finishing third in the Western Athletic Conference championship.

The NCAA awarded three Rice runners, junior Shaquanda Robinson, junior Karen Vigeral and freshman Erin Brand, all district honors for finishing in the top 25 in the race.

Coach Jim Bevan was proud of the team. “We were meet, the all-time (top five) positions, but we didn’t run poorly,” he said. “We’ve had a real good season on the whole.”

Roberson, who finished in 22nd place with a time of 18 minutes, 20 seconds, led the team. Her time was second-fastest for a Rice runner qualifying as an individual for the national championships. Roberson led the Owls at every race this season. Vigeralfared well, completing the 5,000 meter course in 18:33 for 22nd place, while Brand continued to improve with a 25th place finish and 18:39 time.

“We’re the only team we thought was going to the national chase,” she added.

The next Rice runners to cross the finish line were senior Michelle Truesdale (43rd, 20:11) and Malia Mason (129:28, 60th) and junior Alexis Smith (130:19, 61st) who finished in 19:41.

The University of Arkansas (60 points) placed fourth with invitations to the national meet along with Baylor University (60), which placed second, and Texas Tech (100) was third, and the University of Texas at Austin (100) was fourth, both surpassing Rice (177).

“It was a good solid race,” Truesdale said. “We’ve had a really consistent season. The highlights was the WAC race, and overall we did much better than we expected.”

With the cross country season complete, the team can now focus on the track and field season.

“Crosstown has been a good preparation,” Bevan said. “Cross country is a great developmental phase for track. Everyone is a lot fitter and physically tough for track, and it’s now more team cohesion,” he said.

The first meet of the track and field season will be on Feb. 31 at the University of Houston.

Teague, Stingad lead swimmers in Utah

by Justinia Godzowska

The women’s swimming team traveled to Austin Saturday to face its toughest competition of the season, the University of Texas. The men’s team does not compete again until January.

Women go 1-1 in Utah

Last weekend, the women’s team suffered a very close loss to Western Athletic Conference rival Brigham Young University but defeated the University of Arizona. As a result, the overall record was 2-2-1 and 3-1-2 in the WAC.

Friday, BYU defeated Rice 122 to 91. Hatfield had not been disqualified in the first race of the day, but the Owls would have won the meet had they not cost one point.

The early qualification in the 100-yard medley relay got the Owls off to a strong start, and they quickly got back into the meet by placing high in the next few events. Senior co-captain Cory Teague and sophomore Liz Covington were especially impressive in winning two events each.

Teague won the 50 and 100-yard freestyle while Covington won the 200 and 500-yard freestyle.

Senior Meghan Draper and freshman Susan Shepard also came out strong to win the 200-yard back and 200-yard breast, respectively. Subsburrow Stacy Caldwell in the 1,000-yard freestyle, senior co-captain Julie Burch in the 200-yard IM and freshman Jennifer Lasho in the 200-yard fly all did strong in second or third place finishes. The 400-yard freestyle relay team took second place as well.

Even though the Owls lost, they were pleased with their performance. “Everyone put their hearts into it,” Draper said.

Against Utah, the women got off to a quick start by winning the first event, the 200-yard medley relay. Rice’s senior women then dominated the meet by winning four individual events.

Junior Carrie Covington, Birch Teague and Draper were the top three in the 200-yard freestyle, 200-yard IM, 100-yard fly and the 100-yard back, respectively.

Once again, Covington contributed a strong performance by winning the 200-yard IM and 200-yard breast, while junior Dave Henry in the 500-yard freestyle also won the 200-yard breast.

Junior Patrick Quale in the 1000-yard freestyle and senior Adrian Wong in the 200-yard back took first place.

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The Owls finished the meet with a win in the 200-yard freestyle relay to clinch a 122.5 to 110.50 victory.

Men still struggle

The men suffered two losses on the road last weekend, leaving them with a disappointing record of 0-4. The men went 1-3 against BYU and ended up losing 137-49. However, they swam much better against Utah.

In the BYU meet, the men were able to equal their season bests in the 400-yard relay medley. No one took first in any of the individual races.

Patrick Quale in the 100-yard freestyle, junior Dave Stigand in the 200-yard back, junior Dave Henry in the 500-yard freestyle, and sophomore Jason Ahuero in the 200-yard breaststroke added to Rice’s victory.

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Volleyball ends season on a high note

by Kathleen Corr

The Rice volleyball team finished up a bridesmaid season with a win over Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos Tuesday to bolster their record to 7-25 overall.

The Owls finished their season sitting at seventh place in the Western Athletic Conference in division and fourteenth in the WAC overall.

The Owls, though, would not go quietly, facing SWT with a one-game advantage in the final statistics. The Owls handiheaded SWT in four games, dropping them 15-10, 15-12, 15-5.

"Rice played well after dropping one game," Head Coach John Morales said. "We've had problems dropping a third game. They showed a lot of character after being eliminated from the conference tournament."

Rice's dominance was apparent throughout the game. The Owls' attack was powerful, with 30.1 led by junior middle blocker Tiffany Carrell's percentage of 50.5. STU was 22.5 and STU had a mere 16 kills to contribute 64 of the Owls' 69 sets, while STU had a mere 67 sets.

The non-conference win snapped a four-game losing streak for the Owls. On Saturday the Owls held the University of Hawaii to 1-1.

Rice was mismatched, as could be seen in the final statistics. The Owls' attack was negligible, but the Rainbows managed a respectable 26.5. Rice had 17.3 team blocks while Rice recorded only seven on the evening.

Morales, however, felt that the Owls played as well as they could under the circumstances.

"We played them very well," Morales said. "When they're calling time-outs, you know you're making the play."

After disappointing loss to LSU, women plan to rebound vs. Lamar

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The compliant Owls, Rice, has expressed concern over the team's ability to keep its momentum going from the beginning of the season.

"Keeping up the intensity will be a key for this season," she said.

Despite the loss to the Tigers, the Owls had several good individual performances.

Highlights included junior forward Summer Key with 14 points, sophomore guard Maria Bramfield with nine and Calbetti with eight. The loss to LSU will bode Rice's record at 1-1.

The Owls will take on Lamar University Friday night and Montana State University Monday at Autry Court.

Both games should be winnable contests for the Owls as long as they play consistently.

McKinney hopes that, with the team's increased competitiveness, support will also increase. She considers an enthusiastic crowd a valuable asset for the team.

With the Owls uptempo style of play, it is well worth coming out to watch these games, she said.

Men's cross country finishes tenth at district championships

by Andrea Byerson

The men's cross country team ended its season with a satisfying finish this weekend in the District VI Championships at the University of North Texas in Denton. The Owls took a hard-fought 10th place out of a field of 13 teams.

Coach Jon Warren thought the race was mainly a success: "It wasn't stellar, but it wasn't bad either," he said. "This was one of those races that shows we have promise for the future."

Freshman Tyson Hendricksen, who completed the 10,000-meter course in 36:18 with a time of 32 minutes, 53 seconds, led Rice. The finish was remarkable considering the injury and subsequent training he has had to overcome this season.

"It was nice to see Tyson finally come around," Warren said. Freshman Kylasie McArthur was the next Owl to finish, placing 50th with a time of 36:18

Sophomore Scott Palmer (51st, 33:15) and freshman John Judge (59th, 33:23) followed soon after, and the final scoring Owls was sophomore Mike Nalepa (76th, 34:13).

The race went pretty well," Nalepa said. "For the team, it was a good stepping stone for the future."

Senior Jackie de Malhy finished 84th with a time of 34:18 in his last cross country race as an Owl. Sophomore Jeff Piper (101st, 38:13) also ran for Rice.

The University of Arkansas (29 points) was the race by taking the top three places. The University of Texas (100) was third, Texas A&M University (148) seventh and the University of Houston (252) ninth. Piper (258) was close behind in tenth.

The season as a whole has been very positive in terms of looking toward next year. The team had only one senior, so races have primarily helped to build experience and work on training, Warren said.

Hendricksen said the work this year will pay off next fall.

"The experience we have gone through and all the good things we accomplished this year, we will try to build on for next year," he said. "We definitely want to improve this year, but finishing 10th at districts is respectable."

Committee for Open Debate on the Holocaust (CODOH) offers $50,000 to the one individual instrumental in arranging a 90-minute presentation on National Network Television, in prime time, of "The Video of the Century," a documentary on Auschwitz.

David Cole Interviews Dr. Franciszek Piper

This authentic documentary, not a Hollywood movie, written and directed by the Jewish scholar David Cole, takes you inside the disputed Auschwitz "gas chamber." The showing of the documentary is to be introduced and followed with a presentation by Bradley R. Smith, director of CODOH.

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

RICE 76 LOUISIANA STATE 78

Attendance: 1,007

Three point goals - Rice: 3 (Wilson 2, Catagna 1), Louisiana State: 2 (Smee 2), Total: 5

Texas Tech - Rice: 3 (Wilson 2, Catagna 1), Louisiana State: 2 (Smee 2), Total: 5

RICE 42 LOUISIANA STATE 78

Attendance: 3,000

Three point goals - Rice: 3 (Wilson 2, Catagna 1), Louisiana State: 2 (Smee 2), Total: 5

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THIS HOLIDAY SEASON ASK FOR EZTrac PRE-PAID WIRELESS — IT'S ONE LESS MONTHLY BILL TO WORRY ABOUT.

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The WOMEN'S BASKETBALL team that won last weekend by quite a spread) takes on the mighty women of Lamar in Autry Court at 7 p.m.

The Shepherd School Center presents THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING EARNEST at 8 p.m. in the Wees Commons. Tickets are $4.

Have you had enough of O.J.? If not, you may want to jet on over to Brazos Bookstore and meet Dominick Dunne as he signs his new novel, Another City, Not a Rice student want? The Rice Players present TOWARDS ZERO at 8 p.m. in Hamman Hall. Tickets are $4.

The Shepherd School Opera presents The Merry Wives of Windsor by Otto Nicolai, with guest directors Richard Rose and Carol Anderson: The performance begins at 7:30 p.m. in the Wortham Opera Theatre at Alice Pratt Brown Hall. Tickets are $7. For more information, call (713) 527-4933.

DON'T YOU WANT YOU COULD PLAY THE DRUMS? Percussionist Lucas Scanlon presents an advanced recital featuring the works of Bach, Lisette Larsen, Bruce Hamilton and William Calhoun at 4 p.m. in Wees Concert Hall. Admission is free.

The HUMANISTS OF HOUSTON sponsor a lecture by Sara Simon entitled 'A Non-Academic Look at Sponzo: Heretic or God Intoxicated?' The lecture begins at 2:30 p.m. in the Moooiise Library meeting room. Free.

The Women's BASKETBALL team challenges the men of Missouri at Rolla in Autry Court at 7:30 p.m.

The Shepherd School Opera presents one final night of THE MERRY WIVES OF WINDSOR. The performance begins at 7:30 p.m. in the Wortham Opera Theatre at Alice Pratt Brown Hall. Tickets are $7. For more information, call (713) 527-4933.

Jump into the ocean and check out the premiere of THE NEW IMAX FILM, which the Houston Museum of Natural Sciences presents this impressive and memorable whale encounter beginning today. Call (713) 639-IMAX for showtimes and ticket info.
Dear Lord, no more Jones misclass, please.

There’s a higher probability that you will be closer to your room than your mother. But occasionally, when you’re at home, she may go by your room and, uh, look under the mattresses.

— Dr. Hutchinson, CHEM 101, talks about your mom, Part I

I’m just suggesting these may be something under your mattresses, or maybe under your mattress.

— Dr. Hutchinson, CHEM 101, talks about your mom, Part II

“I don’t want to see this in print. Guess, now I’ll be on the backpage of the Themis again. So please, just forget all about this harmful analogue.”

— Dr. Hutchinson, CHEM 101, talks about your mom, Part III

“Actually, it has been a good day, but not just because I’ve been feeling...”

— Jones junior.

“But they call it a boner.”

— WRC-3899.

“No, it’s Trench, it’s ban-ay. As in Lisa-""

— Dr. Soligo, ECON 438, on Thursday at 3:00pm.

— Betty Sue, Will Rice.

“Uh, we didn’t drink much in middle school. Just occasionally.”

— Will Rice freshman.

“My mind is blank. Theory of Relative Glimpse.”

— Dr. Soligo, ECON 438, on Einstein.

“We couldn’t dance because we couldn’t get away from the other couple. They were like little dancing sharks, circling closer and closer.”

— Same Will Rice freshman.

— Man, I’m sputtering like, uh, a mad eelitch, etc. Timing hell, battery, mil mounts, sensors, seals. I’m the second owner $2395.00 (713) 002-2387 pager Anna, etc. Call to arrange to look around your school schedule. Mail or fax your references please. Call (713) 839-1057 ask for Sarah Mohamed.

“This is what becomes of those kids who aren’t good...”

— Dr. Soligo, ECON 438, on Theory of Relative Glimpse.


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— Jones junior.

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2. The Thresher is not really a newspaper.

3. Angels, angels, angels.

4. Carrie Covington... there, you got your name on the Backpack again.

5. Roommate’s parents got you drunk at Tortuga.

6. New “South Park” this week.

7. The Pub was calling — beer specials four nights a week — all the loving Stew Schmella has to give.

8. You call that Misclass?

9. We couldn’t make the headline font big enough to fit the whole page.

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