KTRU back on the air

by Olivia Allison

Student programming returned to KTRU at 4 p.m. today after KTRU DJs, the SA Senate and President Malcolm Gillis reached an agreement on a new operating policy for the station.

The first song to be played on 91.7 FM in over a week was by jazz group Miles Davis — the song interrupted by static when the station was shut down Nov. 20.

The operating policy, which includes KTRU as a "student-run radio station," is the result of three days of negotiations between Student Association President Lindsay Bristor, KTRU DJ Directors Ben Homero and Sarah Pierce, KTRU DJ Alvesel Angelides and Camacho, Home, Pierce and Angelides presented nearly draft of the proposal to Monday's SA meeting.

The station will be elected by the student body, and it "serves Rice University and the Houston community as part of the local radio network."

The policy also states that "DJ's must be responsible for their on air conduct and accountable to student station management."

The station manager will be elected by the student body, and if the general manager, an employee of Student Affairs, disagrees with the station manager, he or she can appeal to the SA Senate. The internal structure of KTRU will be determined by the KTRU Committee, which has yet to be written, and its DJs.

Assignments will be decided upon policy and the draft presented at Monday's SA meeting is the making of the committee to oversee the station. The original policy called for a KTRU Committee composed of one student from each college.

The KTRU Friendly Committee in the current column, "Registrar and President," was a parody of the column. See KTRU, Page 9

Freshman hospitalized after private party

by Rachel Rustin

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After a private party at Jones College Friday night, one sophomore went to the hospital with alcohol poisoning, and President Malcolm Gillis paid a morning call on the student.

According to Jones President Avinash Pinto, the college will not be put on a kind of alcohol probation, and the college cabinet is dealing with the problem. The student went to Memorial Hermann Hospital and was released the same day.

Gillis said that from his house early Saturday morning, he saw an ambulance and police cars pull up outside of Jones South.

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An unfair example

We are upset, but not surprised, that former Sid Secretaries Patrick Murphy and Vinny Kini were suspended for a semester due to the Oct. 24 brawl with former Charlie Cameron minutes.

The minutes — a parody of a Thresher opinion column written by a Sid sophomore who included generally insulting statements and innuendo that I could have written with each other — were quoted in the campus paper. However, Kini and Murphy were under a lot of pressure from the college to fire the controller's secretary, who was also a Sid member of the college, and the administration showed the secretaries what the minutes might be like — raunchy and generally disparaging. At issue was what they were expected to do.

What follows is an environment almost impossible to excuse: "We were just following orders" is a very chilling notion — but we also have to take into consideration what the college performance, in that case, was just following orders because the clearly a parody, were somewhat meaningful, and were read and then thrown away by the student of the college. Nobody thought they were true; most people thought they went somewhat too far.

That's it.

Let's look at what's going to happen to Murphy and Kini. Murphy will likely have to enlist in the Navy after he graduates because he is going and Murphy's lives. And can their suspension do anything to help the medical school are seriously jeopardized.

Nobody thought they were just following orders. Nobody thought they were even following orders. Nobody thought they were going to become major executors, and everybody's learned that there are consequences to actions. We've learned about appropriate responses, as opposed to overkill.

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The dependence on the term "free speech" is misleading. For there to be a protected speech which is found to be lewd and lascivious, based on the community does nothing to add to the free debate of issues on campus.

I refuse to profit from an administration that chooses unilateral action. I don't want to be janitor. Further, he projects insinuating Baker "blatantly partisan." But Reichle suggests the tremendous bias in the Rice community. We find a benefactor who is "cooler than Bush" and "British and trustworthy." Reichle attacks Baker's "bias" in favor of his "untold associates with which he's familiar." But should we be proud to be associated with Baker? The administration has been copping and unabashed, and the enemy, the Rice student, is being rewarded.

Pondering legal implications of cheers

Thresher 2000:

It is turn -- the world is going to be OK. Sort of.

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Poster girl with no poster

Life’s choices and learning to drive

I grew up with a strong conviction about public transportation. Even in my younger years, I had never been singular enough to fancy myself a taxi rider. But my parents, being true Texans, were not to be deterred.

This is not to say I never used public transportation. In fact, I have used it extensively throughout my life. But I do not believe it is an integral part of my identity. I have survived four years of college without ever owning a car. This is not to say that I do not own a car now, but I have always driven a car. I have always been able to drive a car.

Recently, there has been some confusion about the issue of organ donation. Many people are under the impression that if one does not donate their organs, they cannot have an organ transplant. This is not true. Organ donation is voluntary.

The staff editorial section, which is located on the left side of Page 2, seems to be the most confusing part of the editorial section. While the opinions do not always have to be based on fact, they are not meant to be misleading. The opinions are meant to be a reflection of the students’ views.

The staff editorial section is where newspapers report the top 35 to 45 single show is different because it is made by students.

KTRU staff editor’s diversity. On college stations across the country, as evidenced by other station’s top 45 as published in CMJ (CMJ is a national college radio station’s reports every week).

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As an editor, I have never felt the need to justify my opinions. Sometimes, I have disagreed with my editors, but the final decision is always made by the editorial staff. All other editorial elements are for editorial use only. The ways in which we differ from other college stations are strengths rather than weaknesses.

This semester, I have only do- neced two allograft kidneys donated by SDS in their last transplant.

While some may find KTRU uncomfortable, I would like to reiterate the importance of musical diversity. KTRU is a student-run radio station, meaning that we determine what kind of music we want to play. To guide our selection of music appropriate to KTRU, I read trade journals and try to remain informed of new musical trends. This might be surprising, but KTRU’s playlist is very much in line with college stations across the country, as evidenced by other station’s top 45 as published in CMJ (CMJ is a national college radio station’s reports every week).

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Rice students and staff, community respond to KTRU incident

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an isolated incident of protest has been absolutely unconscionable. Shuttling down the station without even one independent and isolated incident of protest has been absolutely unconscionable.

It is clear that the university is willing to sacrifice the truth and students' rights in an effort to effect its will, and that it views the radio station as a point of weakness, in some way evincing little to no regard for the amounts of time and money that have been put into KTRU over the years. Maybe I'm naive, but I don't blame Canvasser and his ilk for their behavior. In the Thresher's recent interview with Gillis, Gillis comments on KTRU situation, "Definitely there is a tremendous amount of student involvement."

Sometimes administrators and others need to be problem presenters rather than problem solvers.

KTRU staff: Present the data you have available. Do DJs still have to be trained and hold a license from the FCC? What kind of training do they receive? That's accountability.

What are the ratings for music shows during prime-time competition hours? We're not even in ratings since we've been on the air, so show us the Arbitron report, but those ratings are available.

What is the history behind the student DJs? What do they consider to be the boundaries of station education? Should you know your station's history? What are the roles that the station management assigned you and that you've taken with the station on board?

Among the most formative experiences of my Rice education was the experience of leadership. Years of programmings of Harvard Law School and have been a practicing attorney in Houston for several years. In the past, I have been impressed with the university's role in the legal writing.

I urge everyone involved in the KTRU situation to remember that the university views the radio station as an important part of its heritage and its role in the community. I can no longer support an institution with whose aims I cannot agree.

Robert Danube
Jones College '90

To the editor:

The Rice Thresher's handling of the KTRU controversy is twofold. First, they closed KTRU because the station was believed to be uncooperative. Second, they closed KTRU because the station was believed to be a threat to the administration's image.

Perhaps we should ask the question: Who are the KTRU students who really care? Who are the KTRU students who are really concerned about the station's fate? Who are the KTRU students who really want to see the station continue to operate?

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Gillis' comments show disrespect for students.

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The Martel College Founding Faculty is comprised of 13 faculty, university and community associates. Walter Isle, former Jones master, and former dean of students; Valerie Karp, associate of psychology and former dean of students; Gary Morris, physics instructor; Walter Isle, former Jones master; associate provost and English professor; and Bill Lemann, geochemistry professor and former Lovett master.

The university associates are: Sarah Fass, assistant to the president; former Lovett master and Lemann's wife; David Sodd (Lovett '78), project manager for Lovett and Rice Colleges; Mark Schmid (Baker 87), assistant to the president, director of International Programs and former assistant vice president for Student Affairs; and Richard Studer, special assistant to the vice president for Public Affairs and former dean of admissions.

The executive officers of the Martel Foundation are executive committee associates: Ralph S. O'Connor, chair and president of the foundation; George Lipp, Columbia University president, former Rice president and foundation vice president; Karen George, vice president and treasurer; Harry Jamall, vice president and assistant secretary; and Karen Matthews, secretary.

Not a community associate is Patrick Sanders' (Jones '80).

The deadline for applications was Dec. 1, and transfer students who have been admitted to Martel will be informed of their admission status in the next few days.

The building is scheduled for completion in December 2001 so students can move in by 2002.
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- Brown College President Tim Werner formally announced his resignation.
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  - Rice Broadcast Television announced that the following will be broadcast on a continuous loop until further notice: the Nov. 30 KTRU Forum with Vice President for Student Affairs Zavala Camacho, the SA-sponsored forum about KTRU in the Grand Hall of the Student Center Sunday, the SA meeting Monday, KTRU radio and protests on Monday and Friday. RBT will also broadcast readings of letters from Campus Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs John Hutchison and President Malcolm Gillis. Send comments about coverage to rbt@rice.edu.
  - Brian Stoler, editor in chief of Thresher, was approved. The first meeting of the club was yesterday in the Will Rice Commons. For more information, send an e-mail to Will Rice sophomore Mona Lita Aftatari (aalattar@rice.edu).
  - SA Internal Affairs Vice President Drina Mack presented students’ opinions from a meeting Sunday night to the council of the SA-sponsored forum about KTRU in the Grand Hall of the Student Center. The forum was well attended and the students were able to hear from each other. The forum is scheduled to be broadcast on a continuous loop until further notice.
  - A moment of silence was held in memory of Jones College student Patrick Hearon, who died Nov. 18.

The next meeting is Jan. 22 at 10 p.m. in the Farnsworth Pavilion in the Student Center due to a layout error.

In the Dec. 8 edition of the Thresher, Heather Colvin’s column said that the newly elected KTRU station manager was on probation. She was station manager 1997-98. In the same issue, the last three lines from Dr. Caufield, a sophomore, expressed interest in being the SA’s contact for the second floor of Jones South. He would be graduating in December and asked if anyone had objections to his retaining his role as contact for the second floor of Jones South.

Students really need to be re-educated about the alcohol policy, the effects of alcohol on people and that sort of thing.

— Avinash Pinto, Jones College president

Gillis visits intoxicated student’s room

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Beginning to feel a lot like Christmas

Baker College freshman Jeremiah Ramer helps move the college’s very tall annual Christmas tree from the truck, which was used to bring the tree onto campus, into the Baker Commons.
Employee resigns after KTRU shutdown

by Lora Danan

Many students saw Rosa Guerrero, a staff assistant in the Admission Office, as a "beyond the hedges" and "world-class university." Guerrero, who listens to KTRU regularly, said she feels she is a Houstonian first and foremost.

"KTRU is such a huge part of Houston," Guerrero said. "I don’t know if the station body or the faculty really understand what radio means when they shut it down.

Guerrero said she lobbied the station in the future to "large walk to my college, but at the same time the students, “You guys are being had.” Guerrero said the shutdown came because the administration has always seemed to support student creativity.

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and as someone who works here, I understand very well the meaning of 'beyond the hedges' and 'world-class university.' That is not being democratized here. I’m quite ashamed to see the level of conversation you are having with these students."

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Rosa Guerrero, staff assistant in the Admission Office, announced her intention to resign yesterday morning. Guerrero defended KTRU Nov. 30 at the station’s public meeting in Sewall 301.

Convenience store installs ATM

by Matt Cuddihy

The convenience store just got more convenient.

A cash machine was installed in the convenience store Tuesday and went into operation yesterday.

The new ATM, like the one in Fondren Library, is run by Chase Manhattan Bank because the bank has an exclusive contract with Rice Student Center Director Lloyd Beckworth. The ATM is free to those with Chase accounts and will charge others a $1.50 fee per transaction.

Beckworth said he wanted an ATM in the Student Center since he became its director five years ago. He said with Sammy’s, Willy’s Pub, the Coffeehouse, the convenience store and the Campus Store, there is ample opportunity to spend money in the building. And, he said, since the Campus Store is the only place in the center that accepts credit cards, many people will find the ATM useful.

Beckworth also said many visitors and alumni were often dismayed that there was no ATM to be found in the Student Center.

"They have to assume the Student Center hasn’t an ATM," Beckworth said. "They ask me, ‘Where is it?’"

Chase initially resisted adding a second ATM to the Student Center, Beckworth said. Chase had previously considered moving the machine from Fondren Library to the Student Center, but student opinion was divided about the move.

The Chase finally agreed to a second machine.

"They saw how much activity the Student Center gets," Beckworth said.

Students generally praised the added cash machine.

"It’s much more convenient than the Fondren ATM," Bailer College senior Maria Bono said. "This is where I spend money, so it’s nice to have a machine here.”

Others said they still use a cash machine for the Fondren machine.

"Well, I don’t know if it’s more convenient," Hanszen College senior Ellen Was said. "Fondren’s a closer walk to my college, but at the same time the on-campus ATM can come here, I think it’ll help because this is the central social scene."

Several years ago there was an ATM in the Student Center, but it was not owned by any bank, and the administrative attitude toward the station was "determined beyond the Board of Governors’ action dated June 12, 1970 delegating to the President the authority to determine station policies and operation. This operating policy will be incorporated into all relevant station policy.

The KTRU operating policy agreement

This final draft of the new KTRU operating policy was tentatively passed by the Student Association Senate by a 14-2 vote Thursday. The version was written between Monday and Thursday by Wiess College senior and KTRU DJ Director Sarah Pitre, Wiess College senior and KTRU DJ/Board President Lindsay Botsford, Lovett College senior and KTRU DJ Arti Angelides, Student Association President Lindsay Botsford and Vice President for Student Affairs Lovett College senior and KTRU DJ/Student President Roberta Parisi. It has also been approved by the necessary members of the administration.

Section A

KTRU must be free from all student or staff control. The President of the University for violations of FCC regulations and the Rice University Student Code of Conduct.

Section C

KTRU must have a General Manager who is a member of the Rice staff and reports to the Vice President for Student Affairs. The General Manager is responsible for ensuring compliance with applicable FCC rules and regulations and advising and supervising student station management regarding operations, by an appeal to the administration.

Section D

The undergraduate student body of Rice University must elect a Station Manager of KTRU through the SA general elections. The nominees for Station Manager are required to meet qualifications set forth in the KTRU Constitution, which is approved by the SA. The remaining internal student station management consists of any office to be announced by the SA Senate to the President of the University. The management team consists of the following voting members: the Station Manager, the KTRU DJ Director, the Student Association President, the SA President, the General Manager, and the Station Manager. If the President of the Student Association Association President.

Section E

The operational programming is to be determined by the station station management within the policies.

Additional programming policies by the Board of Governors and the Rice University Student Code of Conduct.

Section F

If students and/or faculty/staff have programming clear or concerning, they may contact a member of the KFC, which consists of the following voting members: the Station Manager, one undergraduate student appointed by the SA; three faculty members (appointed by the Faculty Committee on Committees and appointed by the President); one alumni required to have previous KTRU DJ experience (nominated by the President of the Alumni Association and appointed by the President of the University); one staff (appointed by the President); and the following non-voting members: the SGA President, the SA President, the General Manager, and the KTRU Faculty Advisor (as Chair of the KFC). The KFC must meet at least once a semester.

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Discussion.

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Post-shutdown 91.7 broadcast news, sports

by Mark Berenson

91.7 FM has been an international newsmaker’s paradise for the last week.

Since KTRU was taken off the air, Nov. 30, 91.7 FM, KTRU’s frequency, has been broadcasting the World Series, NFL football, and more, usually connecting listeners to the WGN network.

The only break in WRN broadcasting was during a women’s basketball game last Saturday. The game was against Texas A&M, and it was the championship game in the National Basketball Association.

Assistant Athletics Director for Media Relations Mike Benston said Friday’s women’s basketball home game against Boston University was planned to broadcast based on a tentative agreement formalized with KTRU in October, was cancelled because of the KTRU shutdown.

Pitre said the decision to carry that game was made by Vice President for Student Affairs Zerando Camacho in conjunction with the Athletics Department.

Women’s basketball games have been scheduled to air on KTRU throughout the month. Benston said the Athletics Department is waiting to hear from Camacho about what will happen in January and beyond.

WRN broadcasts newscasts in English from 25 public and international broadcasters, including Voice of Russia, Israel, BBC Radio, and ABC Radio Australia.

According to KTRU General Manager Paul Robedee, the only time when 91.7 FM is not playing WRN is the hour-long time when the broadcast continues commercial.

The station is dead air during 7 a.m., 4 p.m., and 11 p.m. mid-night because KTRU’s operating agreement does not allow commercials to be broadcast.

Robedee said that during its normal operation, KTRU occasionally broadcast its own programming.

"It was set up to try to keep the station operating 24-7. So during school breaks or finals, if UIU could not make a shift, they could find a way to get themselves on the air," he said.

The amount of time WRN was broadcast fluctuates during the school year. In October, WRN was broadcast for six full hours. However, in September, when the DJs were in school, WRN was broadcast for 7 hours.

Benston said that until WRN is free, WRN will broadcast women’s basketball on Dec. 21, when the team takes on West Texas A&M University.

Have fun over the break.
Be merry. Be safe.
“About Alice N. White.” The article described criteria for the “Hunter Top Ten List” and included the phrase “Sloppy Seconds.”

The effects on Kimi and Murphy

Murphy said he and Kimi have been “very depressed” since they were notified of the complaint. Murphy said that they planned to appeal the decision. “Whatever Rice does to us will never have the same effect on us as the punishment we’ve put ourselves through in the past four weeks,” Murphy said.

Murphy and Kimi also worry about how their suspension will affect their futures. “I’m a member of [Navy ROTC]. If this punishment is allowed to stand, I stand to lose not only a scholarship but also any hope of becoming an aviator,” Murphy said. “Vinay is going through the exact same thing.”

The history of the Sid minutes

Rao and Beard were found guilty of sexual harassment and dispersion of sex discrimination on the basis of sex (violation of Title IX), violation of a university policy, the sexual harassment policy (violation 10), and discrimination on the basis of sex (violation 11).

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AN OPEN LETTER TO
MALCOLM GILLIS, PRESIDENT
RICE UNIVERSITY
HOUSTON, TEXAS

FROM RICE UNIVERSITY ALUMNI,
FACULTY, STAFF
AND
FRIENDS OF KTRU

December 8, 2000

Dear President Gillis:

More than three decades ago, a handful of Rice University students cobbled together a two-watt radio station in the basement of Hanszen College. One of its first broadcasts was an interview with a Girl Scout selling cookies in the college commons. Since then, thousands of unpaid students, alumni and Houston community members have devoted their time and passion to growing a nationally recognized outlet for pioneering music and free opinion, the student-run KTRU-Houston.

One of Rice’s more venerable and most unique student organizations, KTRU enriches the Rice experience and engages students with the world beyond the hedges. It promotes the University as an incubator of diverse ideas and publicizes unique qualities of the Rice student body that simply cannot be portrayed by brochures or magazine ranking lists. Perhaps most importantly, the station elegantly complements Rice’s academic instruction by enabling students to develop skills and enjoy experiences they would never acquire in the classroom, nor in a university-controlled publication.

Dr. Zenaido Camacho, Vice President of Student Affairs, could well have been describing KTRU when he articulated his vision for the Rice student body:

"I see that when Rice students leave Rice a part of me is going with them. Students learn by example, and I want them to be more than scholars. I want them to be compassionate and do good things for society and be leaders and be visionary. I love them and want them to do great things." (Rice News, October 24, 1996)

For over thirty years, the students of KTRU have done great things. Starting from modest beginnings, KTRU students have created, nurtured and governed one of the most successful and admired outlets of student expression in the nation. Given the increasing competition among universities for the finest young minds, one would assume that your administration would champion the station. It is a unique asset that demonstrates the vision and accomplishments of the student body and thereby distinguishes Rice from its peers. Yet Dr. Camacho, ostensibly acting with your approval, silenced this important institution on Thursday, November 30.

Students do learn by example. But what is the example Dr. Camacho hopes to set? When he encourages students to take a "part of [him] with them," is it the part that exemplifies leadership, compassion and vision? Or is it the part that usurps student self governance and squelches free expression? If today you allow our University—presumably home to challenging ideas, vigorous debate and creative achievement—to confiscate from students control of the station that they themselves created, we cannot help but wonder what other student associations, activities, or academic departments may find you knocking tomorrow.

These questions will be answered in the coming days as you decide the fate of KTRU and the volunteers whose efforts have built it. Inevitably, this same decision will color how we look upon Rice, and how we portray the University to friends, associates and prospective students for years to come.

Respectfully,

(SEE FACING PAGE FOR SIGNATORIES)

cc: Dr. Zenaido Camacho, Vice President of Student Affairs

(Sponsored by the KTRU Alumni Association. See www.savektru.org for more information.)
The KTRU Alumni Association wishes to thank the additional 369 Rice students and 1,245 supporters around the world who also signed this letter. Space constraints precluded the listing of every name. See www.savektru.org for more information.
Will Rice Senior Excels In a League of Her Own

by Ben Weston

Mud coats every inch of their bodies, dripping from their hair and from their clothes.

Their feet scrabble on the wet ground as they desperately search for some kind of leverage, some kind of advantage. Finally, an opening. He’s off-balance for only a second, but she dives in, pulling his legs out from under him and dropping him flat on his back. As onlookers applaud wildly, she sits square on his chest and lets out her best King Kong impression.

That’s Liz Jackson.

Everyone at Will Rice College has some vivid mental picture of the fifth-year senior, whether it’s mud-wrestling classmate Erik Germaine, or singing a duet with her sister at the farewell dinner for former college secretary Babs Willis last spring, or leaping up on a patio table to fire a cannon on her junior year for service to the college.

“Liz is just outstanding in so many ways,” Will Rice President and senior Ellen King said. “She has this way of making every single person she encounters feel like a special person. She has done amazing things for the college, both on an official level and through her spirit.”

And now she’s a professional football player.

Since Sept. 26, she has been a center for the Houston Energy, a team in the new Women’s Professional Football League. At the same time, she is finishing up her kinesiology major by taking her final 12 hours this fall. She served as vice president of the Will Rice Diet last year and was awarded the James Prize her junior year for service to the college. “She’s been doing a great job. She’s a short lady, but she’s got a great heart.”

— Pat Coleman

Houston Energy offensive coordinator

Jackson is now one of only 45 women who can say they made it in on the ground floor of women’s professional football in Houston.

Support for her achievement has come not only from her coaches and teammates, but also the Rice community. About 40 members of Will Rice went to the Energy’s 50-20 home win over Austin Oct. 21, armed with homemade “Lizard” signs.

Energy owner Rob Hoggatt told Jackson that the Rice students at the home opener were the loudest and the best fans she had ever seen.

The road ahead

Unknown to most, women’s professional football has been around since NFL franchises first hired women’s teams to put on halftime exhibitions in 1926, and the WPFL is the third major league to come along since 1965. Only a year ago, the fledgling league had only two teams on a barnstorming tour to test support for women’s professional football. Football has been around since NFL franchises first hired women’s teams to put on halftime exhibitions in 1926, and the WPFL is the third major league to come along since 1965. Only a year ago, the fledgling league had only two teams on a barnstorming tour to test support for women’s professional football. The national tour was a big success, and the WPFL now has 11 franchises competing for a berth in the January Super Bowl in Miami.

With an ever-increasing fan base, enthusiastic owners and profiles in media from The New York Times Magazine to ABCNews.com, the WPFL is looking to stay for the long haul.

“Hopefully it’s something that will pick up and continue for a long time,” Jackson said, “I’m hoping to be physically able to play for five, 10 years.”

She’s had one heck of a run so far.

How it all began

Jackson first heard about Energy tryouts from Hansen College seniors Lindsay Germaine and Alcade Luna. Germaine said she and de Luna decided to try out after seeing a feature story on the evening news, and they told Jackson about it the next day when they saw her lifting weights at Autry Court.

“She works her butt off,” Germaine said. “As soon as we told her about the tryouts, she was dead-set that this was something that she wanted to do.”

“She puts 110 percent into whatever she’s doing, and football is something that she really loves, and you can see that when she’s out on the field.”

Getting into it

Jackson went to each of the Energy’s three open tryout sessions over the summer, then was called back for training camp, where the Energy held another month of weed-out sessions. After each series of cuts, Jackson said, they kept calling her so she kept showing up.

“They were like ‘100 women out there trying out,” Jackson said. “I didn’t know what the coaches were looking for at that point, so I just tried to be real upbeat and hyperactive and do the best I could at everything they had us do."

“She’s surprised the coaches,” Energy offensive coordinator Pat Coleman said. “She’s been doing a great job. She’s a short lady, but she’s got a great heart.”

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Energy football coordinator Travis Johnson echoed Coleman’s sentiments.

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Who let the CATS out?
Wiess House shrubbery becomes home to strays

Around the start of the semester, a couple of stray cats moved into the bushes surrounding Wiess House. By mid-semester, the number of cats had grown astonishingly. Discussions between student leaders, the masters and Facilities & Engineering prompted the cats to be taken to the Humane Society where they were neutered or spayed, respectively. While no one has yet adopted the kittens, plans are in the works to look into placing the creatures in good homes. "But for now, they should be all right living in the shrubbery," Wiess College President Josh Katz said.

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Ang Lee's 'Crouching Tiger' a fierce surprise

Robert Reichele

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Ang Lee, director of Sense and Sensibility, might seem an unlikely choice for the upcoming mystical Chinese film-and-sword epic Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon. What does the director of a tale of love, emotion and societal duty think he's doing directing Hong Kong action stars Chow Yun-Fat and Michelle Yeoh in a movie about stolid jade swords and martial arts masters who skip across the canopies of bamboo forests?

Whatever Lee's reasons for undertaking this project, the results are amazing. In Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon, he's created a magical world of wuxia martial arts masters whose characters ring true not because of their awesome fighting sequences but because of their emotional depth and scope.

Chow plays Li Mu Bai, a noble knight who yearns to be the master of the supernatural martial arts. He and his long-time friend Yu Shu Lien (Yeoh), also skilled in various modes of fighting, have submitted 10 years to the social rules that prevent them from voicing their obvious love for each other.

As the story begins, Mu Bai enters a temple in the presence of the emperor and asks Shu Lien to bring his jade sword, the powerful Green Destiny, to Beijing to investigate a theft.

Upon arrival, Shu Lien meets and befriends Jen (Zhang Ziyi), the rebellious young daughter of a powerful governor who wants to halt his son from his upcoming arrangement marriage and live the gypsy-knight martial arts life.

One night in the governor's compound, a mysterious masked thief makes off with the sword with Shu Lien in pursuit. And then it happens — the audience (quite willingly) suspends its disbelief for the combatants float weightlessly through the air, loop effortlessly across rooftops and pull off impossible fighting moves. All of the fight scenes, choreographed by Yuen Wo-Ping of The Matrix fame, are works of brutal, elegant poetry.

Mu Bai suspects that Jenie Fox (Cheng Pei-Pei), the evil criminal who murdered his namesake years prior, is behind the theft, and goes to Beijing to investigate. The audience is also given a look at Jenie's secret past through an extraordinary long flashback sequence, in which we meet 10 (Chang Cheh), Jenie's former lover who has vanished off the radar.

While some might grumble, wouldn't his character be the lead? Not so — the plot really revolves around a series of choices Jenie makes and how they affect her relationship with Shu Lien and her student-teacher relationship with Mu Bai. Shu Lien has much more screen time than Mu Bai, and therefore their characters, which are both more developed as a result. The usual male-dominated action films

Chow (Anna and the King, The Replacement Killers) and Yeoh (Tomorrow Never Dies) are good enough actors that it's never an issue, and Zhang is enchanting as Jenie — let's hope American audiences are as forgiving of this newer one as is this newcomer.

Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon is an epic involving serious lances ranging from festive bamboo forests to ancient Beijing to the empty Gobi desert. In addition to the wonderfully settings and colorful extras, the extra fight sequences provide even more eye candy, especially for a typical American who hasn't been exposed to the visual style of Hong Kong action films.

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Crouching Tiger is an adaptation of the fourth book of a series written at the turn of the century. Although to earlier events lead to a "you and I fought in the Clone Wars" reunion and fight off the history of the characters.

The film's central theme involves a woman and a man's heart and turn him into a glee-ful philanthropist by Christmas Day. James Cagney plays an appropriately crusty old scoundrel, but the energy he's had in other roles so far, and the plot doesn't do much for either character, but is definitely the coolest film of this year. Its story is about the fairy tale quality of

The Princess Bride, the epic fantasy adventure of Star Wars, the fighting effects of The Matrix and the less-than-stark struggles of Lee's Sense and Sensibility. It's a film for absolutely everyone, and it's definitely the coolest film of the year.
Finals survival guide

corey e. devine

**Finals are, most unfortunately, just around the corner. Brace yourself for studying, studying and more studying along with a healthy dose of test taking. There’s no need to be as stressing as it all sounds. Below are a few simple tips to make finals a bit less hectic.**

**TECHNIQUE 1: PULLING AN ALL-NIGHTER**

So you’ve got a final at 9 and you’ve got 300 pages of reading to do. The answer: Pull an all-nighter. The key to the all-nighter is to plan to take short, scheduled breaks.

First and most importantly, don’t fall asleep sitting at your desk all night with your nose in a book.

Let’s face it, it’s impossible to read a biology textbook for more than 30 minutes at a time without wanting to sleep. The key to the all-nighter is to plan to take short, scheduled breaks.

Fill the breaks with some activity that breaks the monotony — whether it’s cleaning your room, taking a walk, breaking your studies up with short, 15-minute breaks, will help you remember more and keep you alert throughout the long night.

Once you’ve decided how long you’re going to study, you should give some thought to exactly what you’re going to study. If you have several hours of reading to do, it’s unlikely that you’ll remember what you’ve just read.

Instead of tackling the information from a straight-through angle, try picking out bits and pieces that seem most important. Many professors emphasize topics that will be on the exam. Several of my friends simply sit in absolute silence for about 15 minutes before making more sense. Reading the textbook in the conventional way isn’t a good idea, however, to wake up three minutes before your exam starts only to find that you’ve forgotten what you’re taking into the testing room.

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**TECHNIQUE 2: GETTING IN THE MOOD**

I often find that it’s hard to get to class after a long all-nighter. Here’s a few things you can do to make test-taking a bit more bearable.

- **Music**: Usually, before taking a final, I listen to classical music for about 30 minutes. It’s not a good idea, however, to wake up three minutes before your exam starts only to find that you’ve forgotten what you’re taking into the testing room. It’s not a good idea, however, to wake up three minutes before your exam starts only to find that you’ve forgotten what you’re taking into the testing room. To remain alert during the night, you’re going to need to do something.

- **Breaks**: You’ve just taken your final, and you’re probably thinking about what you’re going to do next. You shouldn’t do anything that you’re not interested in ordering delivery.

- **Food**: For lunch or dinner with big groups, Collina’s is perfect. It’s got a fun atmosphere and good food. Avoid it at lunch — it’s a great place to go if you’re feeling bad about your studies.

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**TECHNIQUE 3: FINDING SHELTER**

Oddly enough, the most horrible place to take a take-home test is home. It’s boring, and if you have a roommate, you’re probably going to be interrupted. Several of my friends sit in absolute silence for about 15 minutes before making more sense. Reading the textbook in the conventional way isn’t a good idea, however, to wake up three minutes before your exam starts only to find that you’ve forgotten what you’re taking into the testing room. To remain alert during the night, you’re going to need to do something.

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- **Books**: It’s not often that college students get a chance to wear couture clothing, but this winter you’ll finally get a shot. Recently, high-end stores in Houston (Neiman Marcus and Saks Fifth Avenue) began receiving shipments of items from the Spanish designer Custo. Based in Barcelona, Custo’s designs offer whimsical patterns and unique, often copyrighted patterns that are popping up everywhere. Julia Roberts wears an unassuming take-home test and any pending demands. Unfortunately, shopping requires money, and most of us don’t have enough. Seeing a movie can be a perfect alternative.

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**TECHNIQUE 4: STRESS MANAGEMENT**

There’s nothing worse than finishing a final with nothing planned but more studying. Personally, I recommend taking a break from studying after you’ve finished a three-hour test. Your brain, by that point, is a bit tired.

If you’re feeling bad about your performance, you need something to occupy your thoughts. You, my friend, need to go shopping. Buying yourself something, no matter how small, will get your mind off of your test and any pending demands. Unfortunately, shopping requires money, and most of us don’t have enough. Seeing a movie can be a perfect alternative.

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where is the future of high tech?
**Don't blame athletics for KTRU shutdown**

I have very strong opinions about the whole KTRU situation. I have seen too many people have already shared theirs, I won't waste your time with mine. Instead, I want to talk about an aspect of the situation that most people seem to believe, and it's not entirely true: athletics is not trying and in fact never has tried to force anything on KTRU.

One of the most absurd things I've read was a quote from KTRU's General Manager, John Simmons in a story by the Associated Press. "The Athletics Department here is enormously powerful." What a load of crap. If the Athletics Department was so "immensely powerful," it wouldn't have to raise its own money (as one of just three departments at Rice considered "cost centers"), it wouldn't have to worry about strict admissions standards for its student producers, and it wouldn't have to take its basketball and volleyball games in a dump like Autry Court.

Also, it was so "immensely powerful," the Athletics Department would have simply said, "We want to air all our sports, all the time, on KTRU," and the station and taking advantage of it would have conceded the request. Instead, athletics went through the proper channels - the KTRU advisory committee - in requesting an increase to the broadcast fees. When KTRU disagreed with the specifics of the request, athletics would have said, "We want to air our sports, all the time, on KTRU," and the administration would have conceded the request.

As a result, athletics and KTRU never had a fair opportunity to resolve an issue. The Athletics Department here is enormously powerful.
Rice aims to bounce back tomorrow against BYU

BASKETBALL, from Page 23

BYU forward Mekeli Wesley leads the Cougars with an average of 15.3 points per game and will be a tough test for the Rice frontcourt. An area the Owls will likely need to improve on is defense, particularly against Wesley and middle Tennessee State, the guard trio of Wilks, Tyndell and Manz were just 8-33 from the field.

Following tomorrow’s game, the Owls will take a break for finals. The season resumes Dec. 20, when they host Portland State University.

Sophomore Mandy Mularz enters the pool during practice Oct. 28. Practice was moved to the University of Texas Swim team proves it belongs in elite field, defeats two top-20 teams

by John C. Chao

IN FOCUS: SWIMMING

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10 NCAA cuts, setting school records for,” Ciffolilli said. “It’s not a surprise that people made cuts. It shows the amount of hard work the girls have put into it.”

Every year, the team goes on a winter trip to bond and to train hard for the spring season. This year, the team is going to San Diego for two and a half weeks. The coaching staff typically expects a lot of growth from the swimmers over the course of the trip. Nevertheless, they also feel the building blocks of becoming a great team. "We’re moving the ball real well out there," Ciffolilli said. "It’s not like anybody is going to be shocked that we have to work so hard.”

During the trip, the team will compete at the University of San Diego Invitational Jan. 6.

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Tournament, from Page 23

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Men's lacrosse wins A&M tournament

The men's club lacrosse team overcame cold, wet conditions last weekend to win the Texas A&M University Fall Classic.

Defense was the key for the Owls, as they held their opponents to under seven goals in all three games. Led by three goals from junior midfielder Chris Glass, the Owls opened the tournament with an easy 13-2 win over Sam Houston State University.

The second game of the day again saw Rice get out to an early lead, this time against Southwest Texas State University. The Rice offense could not put the game away despite numerous opportunities, but the Owl defense held the Bobcat attack at bay to secure an 8-6 victory.

In Sunday's championship game, Rice took on Trinity University. Senior attackman Brian Nash scored two goals to give Rice a 5-1 halftime lead, and the Owl defense held on for a 5-3 win.

Glass, who scored six goals and had six assists, was named the tournament's most valuable offensive player.

The Owls will open the spring season by screening Stephen F. Austin State University Jan. 27.

Rice Stadium named potential Games venue

Rice Stadium has been named one of four soccer venues for Houston's 2012 Olympic bid, which will be delivered to the United States Olympic Committee Dec. 13.

The other venues include Kyle Field in College Station, Royal Memorial Stadium in Austin and the Alamodome in San Antonio. Eight other U.S. cities are expected to meet the proposal bid deadline. The USOC will name four finalists, and then in 2002 will select one city to present as its candidate to the International Olympic Committee.

Recruits commit to golf, football, tennis

Three high school athletes have said they will continue their careers next year as Owls.

The golf team signed Matt Tookey of Fair Oaks Ranch, third-team all-state pick last year.

"It's a long hitter with a good short game, and he makes a lot of birdies," Rice head coach Clay Homan said. "He's a ideal tournament, he made eight birdies and two eagles."

The Chronicle also reported Monday that quarterback Kevin Ford from Madisonville, Texas, verbally committed to the football team this week. Ford, who racked up 1,500 yards of total offense this season, is District 25-3A's most valuable player.

The Chronicle also reported that the women's tennis team signed Erika Villalobos of San Jose, Costa Rica. Villalobos is currently the top-ranked player in Central America in the 16-18 age bracket.
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Friday  DEC 8

Happy holidays — today is the LAST DAY OF CLASSES! And, for first-year students, it's also the deadline to drop classes if you haven't already done so. Forms must be turned in to the Registrar's Office by 5 p.m.

The Shepherd School SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA performs the works of Copland and Dvorak at 8 p.m. in Stude Concert Hall in Alice Pratt Brown Hall.

WIESS COLLEGE NIGHT corresponds to this glorious last day of classes. All Wiessmen are invited.

KTRU thanks the student body for its continued support with the KTRU THANK YOU TG from 4 to 6 p.m. in the Ray Courtyard outside the Rice Memorial Center. Free food, beer and fat beats will be provided.

Harvard University Professor Susan Carey delivers a lecture entitled "WHERE DO CONCEPTS COME FROM?" from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. in the Humanities Building, Room 117. This event centers on the origins and nature of human concepts. Admission is free. Contact Richard Grady at (713) 348-2720 for more information.

Columbia University's Earth Systems Science and Astronomy programs are offered at the Arizona campus. Undergraduate students can earn 16 or more Columbia University course credits.

THE UNDERGROUNDS for the semester at 10 p.m. Performers, in order of appearance, are Annie Lie, Joel Stein (Baker '95), Brian Barker, and Pete and Repeat.

In celebration of the end of classes, Lovett College brings you the LOVETT END OF YEAR PARTY from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. in the Lovett Commons.

Monday  DEC 11

Scott Mainwaring, Director of the Kellogg Institute for International Studies and government professor at the University of Notre Dame, lectures today on "The Great Transformation From AUTHORITARIANISM TO DEMOCRACY in Latin America." This lecture, sponsored by the James A. Baker III Institute Energy Forum, runs from 5 to 6 p.m. in Baker Hall. Send email to bipolice.edu for more information.

Tuesday  DEC 12

LADY OWLS BASKETBALL hosts tonight's exhibition game against the Houston Flight 7 p.m. at Autry Court. If you're here over the break, the Lady Owls play Texas Tech University on Dec. 26, same time, same place.

Wednesday  DEC 13

Schedules: FINALS BEGIN TODAY! One small step for your self-esteem ... one giant leap toward winter break. Keep that in mind while you're chained to a desk in Fondren.

Tonight's NETWORKING MIXER is sponsored by the Rice Alliance for Technology & Entrepreneurship from 6 to 9 p.m. in Baker Hall. This free event features addresses by President Malcolm Gillis and Kevin Harvey (Sid '87), who has founded several companies in the technology industry. Register online at http://www.alliance. rice.edu/rsvp/Mixers.
KTRU protests Rage Against the
Machine benefit concert for KTRU

Popular, politically-minded rock band Rage Against the Machine contacted KTRU management late last night offering to stage a benefit concert that would call attention to the station's plight. "What better place than here? What better time than now?" asked lead singer Zack de la Rocha. However, KTRU staff declined the offer, saying Rage Against the Machine was too commercial and overexposed to be associated with the educational mission of the station. Instead, the station has accepted an offer from Spoiled Milk/Dead Cat, an eclectic group unknown for their first single "Hey Baby It's the Vegetable Man!" According to Scumbaggees employee Phil, the band's pre-bankruptcy album "A Musical Tribute to the ugly Fiad Classic: Not Without My Daughter" just went aluminum, selling more than 15 copies.

Apathy: 1968-2000

The Rice community bided farewell to one of its most prominent and venerable members last week with the sudden demise of Apathy. "When I heard the news, I was like, whoa, man, that sucks,"Will Rice College senior and slack-extraordinary Zack Allison said. "Apathy was just the perfect prototype of what you know? Real-chill, real laid-back, didn't let much bother him."

Other students were similarly devastated by the departure of their dear friend. "The hardest part of this loss was how unexpected it was," Sid Richardson College senior Fernando Acosta said. "I saw Apathy a few weeks ago and he was never bothered to take a picture. doing so well. I mean, the biggest cockhead f*cking ever was poised to assume control of our entire nation, and Apathy was just being so low-key. He conducted itself was nothing to worry about."

University administrators were apparently also surprised to learn of Apathy's death. "When students responded so violently to the KTRU shutdown, I immediately knew something was wrong. Sure enough, I learned soon afterward that Apathy was dead," President Malcolm Gills said. "At first I was skeptical about admitting him. He wasn't very involved in high school activities. He wasn't even a National Merit Scholar. But he turned out to be exactly the type of student I like to see at Rice."

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