OC escort taxi starts

by Elizabeth Decker

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Flat-rate meal plan debuts in fall

by John Koch

Housing and Dining Director Cherokee Nunnally announced a new flat-rate meal plan effective for the fall semester.

The new meal plan eliminates the “key-to-the-kitchen” plan previously used, replaced with a new system that offers continuous kitchen access between meals.

The new plan will replace the current 19- and 15-meal plans and will be more flexible, with options for students to eat dinner on campus either, and is $1,490.

Students will be allowed continuous access to the kitchen between meals, where continental breakfast items such as bagels, muffins, cereal, fruit and drinks will be available. Currently, Brown College is the only college on campus to offer continuous kitchen access between meals.

Some freshmen considering switching to a smaller meal plan for their sophomore year are less optimistic about the key-to-the-kitchen plan.

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Former dean, NEA chair dies

by Mark Berman

Former Dean of the Shepherd School of Music Michael Hammond died Tuesday in Washington, D.C. He was 69.

Hammond resigned as dean in December to become the eighth chairman of the National Endowment for the Arts. He was unanimously confirmed for this position by the U.S. Senate on Dec. 20 and started work Jan. 22.

Those who knew Hammond both at Rice and in Washington said his death was a loss for the nation.

“He had such great ideas for the [NEA] and he would have been great in that position,” Chair of Musicology Walter Bailey said. “It is really tragic that he died when he did.”

President George W. Bush echoed those sentiments in a written statement Tuesday.

“He was an outstanding individual in his profession and a most extraordinary person,” Bush said.

President Donald Trump also paid tribute to Hammond, a classical music composer who was known for his work in contemporary music and film.

Trump said Hammond was a “true American hero” and praised his work as a composer, musician and teacher.

Hammond was a key figure in the development of the Shepherd School of Music, which was founded in 1921.

He received the National Medal of Arts in 2000 and was inducted into the American Academy of Arts and Sciences in 2004.

Hammond had a significant role in making Shephard a nationally renowned school.

In the current U.S. News and World Report ranking of graduate schools for music, the Shepherd School is ranked 28th.

The Shepherd School would not have the reputation, funding and faculty that it has if it were not for Dean Hammond, said President Malcolm Gillis. Hammond's effect at the Shepherd School was beyond the quantifiable.

The swimmers said numerous individual and group meetings had already been scheduled to discuss their careers, particularly during this season, in which Boyd's decision came as a shock.

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Senior swimmers cut

by Chris Larson

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Telling us more...

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Off-campus escort needed for safety

To the editor: Rice University Police Department discontinued the off-campus escort service because "people use it as a taxi service." However, the off-campus escort service was needed for safety.

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If she had come to another class and looked at the readings more carefully, she would have realized that there are numerous branches of feminism — some even arguing with ideas she presented in her article. The class is not about my personal crusade, but about ideas and the many theories behind it.

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Study of gender complex, yet necessary

As Alessandra Goncalves said in her Jan. 25 column ("Gender studies and the rise of feminism: a very complex topic"), "What is freedom of speech worth if it is used to incite violence against women?" For that reason, I fully support the expression of your negative opinion as a way to give all women a voice in society. We must be aware of the teachings of this department in order to proceed unabated. The student who did not feel free to express her opinion failed. The majority of people lived in the United States during World War II. The verdict was, as Strong suggested, a positive one.

Chris Ibarra, Asst. Editor

Support the dominant paradigm

Democrats chained to a "racial legacy"

On April 11, 1921, Father James Cotylee sat plottch on the porch of the Cotylee household in Birmingham, Ala. Unbeknownst to him, Edwin Stephenson, an organizer of the Ku Klux Klansman, had raised a firearm, aiming at Cotylee's head. He discharged his firearm, killing Father Cotylee in a single shot.

The tide would be deplorable enough if it would end there, yet on Oct. 17 of the same year, the commencement of the hearings of Senate's trial for the murder would prove even more appalling. The accused was defended by a Klans lawyer, Hugo Black. The judge, William Fortt, was a Klan member, as was a majority of the jury.

Black's defense tactics, perforce devised by the Klan itself, shocked the nation, and was easily disregarded. The cross of Black's defense hinged upon the notion that the Klan's organized activities were illegally insane due to the strain in his intellectual capacity. It is a white, middle-class agenda that has firmly taken a stranglehold on the mainstream. It would be more accurate to describe it as a "black" argument, as the main point of the case was not the injustice of the Klan but the injustice in the way the Klan was represented. For that reason, it is necessary for me to clarify some terms used in this article.

A "feminist" theory is one that advocates for the equality of men and women. This is not to say that such a term is used in a gender and women's studies classroom. That has never been the case, nor is it relevant to the point. I find it disparaging to even attempt to define what a "feminist" means in this context.

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Owen Cowper

The Rice Thresher
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Nudity need not be inherently offensive To the editor:

While I read Matthew Butler’s letter complaining about the Jan. 18 Backpage, I couldn’t help but wonder what problems he has with the human body. Could the form that is shared in general by every other human on this planet be so horrifying that the human body would make such a girl feel inadequate? It is only when we see and use our bodies in ways that others consider powerful and dominate in the first place, that we become aware of our bodies against one another’s. We should like to remind Butler that rape and sexual aggression are crimes of power, not about sex or the representation of the body.

While I am the first to be a social critic among fine student's, and annoyed by the shaving cream smeared all over buildings after a Clinton win. I completely support their right to do so. In so many words, what is the human body? I have found that the smaller questions about society is, and then is not the correct answer about wrong or the human body.

To teach children to fear and shy away from the human form can only create shame and doubt about their own body images, we could understand Butler’s views, but this is not what has to be done to us. We have to allow ourselves to forget that the preconceived images of the human body.

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AIDS weak societal have To the editor:

I am infinitely more disturbed by Matthew Butler’s letter last week than any amount of scratching on campus, however juvenile. Butler’s suggestion that the students were trying to impose themselves sexually on children is completely inappropriate, especially for those who have been in situations in which the sexual nature of power and domination is real. Yes, we were raised and exposed to child pornography, and that parents need explain to their kids the world that is sometimes about the human body. If we are fed with the dreadful image of the human body that saturates society. Heaven forbid children see our community suggest otherwise, but the human body is a work of art.

Given the abundance of comforting places to relax in the Student Center, the big TVs, the multiple eateries and the friendly and helpful staff, I don’t understand why it is claimed that the RMC is in a “sad state.” If anything, the RMC facilities, though smaller, are superior to those of the Memorial Student Center at Texas A&M University. In fact, the lines at the bookstore might be long during peak weeks, but when it went to RMC I could have protected your supplies from the bookstores at the MMC, long before the semester started. Good luck with that, and I hope you change your mind.

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In addition, the kitchen staffForecasts suggestions and follow-ups on it, and it allows students to carry out food, from 4:30 to 9:30 on weekdays and 11:30 to 9:00 on Saturday.

As far as athletic facilities are concerned, we can’t speak for varsity athletes, but the average student lifter and pager is adequately provided for. It is easy to find a vacant treadmill or certain weight machine if you come to Avery Court during the first 15 to 20 hours of the day. May I suggest mornings?

Merideth Hanson Brown sophomore

Student streaking not about sex To the editor:

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Martel move-in successful; construction continues

by Lindsey Gilbert

After nearly two years of construction, Martel College finally has a home. One hundred and sixty-four residents moved into the newly finished Marian and North Colleges beginning Monday.

"It all went very smoothly," Martel president Alice Hill said. "We really didn't have any unforeseen problems.

Move-in day began with the executive officers of the SA to determine efficient off-campus transportation plan.

"Especially because we boot

The service run by the SA ended in 1996, and the transportation department continued running the night escort service. The night escort service is available from 10:30 p.m.-3:30 a.m. Monday through Thursday nights and can be requested by calling the RUPD dispatcher. Off-campus escort services are provided by RUPD on Friday and Saturday nights.

As the demand for the service has increased, the SA has seen an increase in 911 calls at night. In order to provide adequate services, the SA has added four more officers to the night escort service.

Taylor said the escort service is originally intended to be an on-campus service, but has gradually expanded to include off-campus destinations. Taylor added that the escort service would drop students off at their destinations, and provide rides to various areas around campus.

The escort service has also been expanded to include the University Police, who have also been helping to provide escort service. The University Police have provided assistance to the escort service in order to provide additional coverage for the students.

The escort service is operational seven days a week, and is available for students who need assistance getting home, or to any other location on campus.

The escort service is available to any student who needs assistance, and is designed to provide a safe and secure means of transportation for students. The service is available to all students, regardless of their location on campus, and is provided by experienced officers.

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Student affairs administrator to retire

by Stephanie Donischneider

Barbara Eudey, who has been working at Rice University for almost 31 years, will be retiring in June. The Student Affairs division administrator works directly under Vice President for Student Affairs Zenaida Camacho.

Eudey was honored in 1995 for her achievements when she received the Distinguished Service Award from Human Resources.

"What I will miss most about her is that she is an integral part of rice's institutional memory," Camacho said.

When Camacho began as VPSA in 1994, Eudey taught him about his job. "I would not have made it without her," Camacho said.

Before coming to Rice, Camacho was the senior associate dean at the Baylor College of Medicine and was also a professor in the college's pathology department. Thus Camacho was new to many of the responsibilities that other administrators had known for years.

"I taught her everything, except for how to get along with students," Eudey said.

Camacho remembers how Eudey soon became so important to him. "I will rely on her every day," he said.

Before Camacho came to Student Affairs, Eudey worked with his predecessors Catherine Brown and Ronald Seabrooks, both of whom had stayed for 10 years. From 1971 to 1973, she was a secretary to a science professor. Eudey said she never thought about leaving Rice.

"Who would not want to work here? It is a beautiful place and it looks like a garden," Eudey said.

Apart from the new buildings on campus, she has seen internal changes in her office. When Eudey came to 1973, there were less than 20 people working in the Student Affairs division; today there are over 100.

Eudey said the part of her job she has enjoyed most is the interaction with students. "I will still be visiting this office," Eudey said. "My husband and I also enjoy watching the women's basketball games and we go to concerts at the Jones Center for Music." Eudey said she feels it is time to leave Rice. Her husband will also be retiring, and they want to spend time with their 8-year-old granddaughter.

"Of course I am nostalgic and sad, but I have been working for my whole life and it is time to go," Eudey said.

Enron rescinds donation

by Mark Berenson

Enron has notified Rice that it will not be able to fulfill its full obligation of a $5 million donation to the company announced in June 2000. However, former Enron CEO Ken Lay has notified Rice that he and his wife intend to donate the full $5 million they pledged at that time.

Vice President for Public Affairs Terry Shepard said donations of this size are typically made in installments, and on Jan. 3 Rice received a letter from Enron stating that because of the company's bankruptcy situation it would not be paying any more installments.

Shepard declined to comment on how much of the $5 million Rice had received, as this is a personal thing.

"The $5 million donation was made to fund new chairs in the Jesse H. Jones Graduate School of Management, one in e-commerce and the other in risk management. In addition, Shepard said that part of the donation Rice had received from Enron was not enough to cover either of the chairs and that the money would have to be used in another way.

"Because it was not enough to fund the chair, there are discussions going on with Enron about the use of the money," Shepard said. "One possibility is that it will go to the new [Jones School building]."

According to the Jones School Web site, endowed professorships must be funded by a commitment of at least $2 million.

Shepard said the Lay family donation was scheduled to be made in three annual installments. The university had already received two installments, with the third due by midyear.

"They have every intention of making the payment," Shepard said.

The Lay family donation will go to create the Enie Lay Center for the Study of Markets in Transition, a joint undertaking between the Jones School and the economics department.

Rice is not the only nonprofit organization affected by Enron's bankruptcy. Enron has notified Rice that it will not be able to fulfill all the donations it received, as did a spokesperson for the Lay family.

"Due to our current status in bankruptcy we are unable to fulfill all those donations," Shepard said.

Shepard said he was unaware of the extent of the Lay family's bankruptcy or how it has had on Rice University's endowment or faculty fundraising efforts.

A memo from the Committee on Examinations and Standing (EX&S) to undergraduates:

Greetings. Starting this semester, you can view your official course enrollment on line via http://sisweb.rice.edu/

Therefore, it is now much simpler to spot courses for which you are unintentionally enrolled as well as courses that are unintentionally missing. Adding and dropping courses is easily accomplished in the Registrar's office prior to the respective add/drop deadlines. If you miss these deadlines, EX&S will not be disposed to grant late adds or drops.

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Enron rescinds donation

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They also said none of them wanted to quit. Armstrong said she met individually with Boyd Monday in an attempt to be reinstated, but Boyd declined.

The decision leaves Rice with no active senior swimmers. Senior Katie Scholl remains on the roster but is unable to swim due to her heart condition. This year's seniors are the last class recruited under former coach Joseph Garcia (Paraguay 1997-1999) and Williams will graduate in December. The three seniors' athletic scholarships will be honored. Armstrong said they will next meet with Athletic Director for Women's Sports May said that the Lay family donation will go to the new [Jones School building].

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Students, officer work at Olympics

by Rachel Rustin

Six students and one Rice University Police Department officer will represent Rice in the upcoming Olympics, but not as athletes.

The students are interning for SchlumbergerSema, the company providing information technology support at the 2002 Olympic Winter Games.

SchlumbergerSema's responsibilities range from security checks to providing real-time statistics and results from the events.

The students are: Byung (Loweet '02), Dan CST '02, Michael Kooy '03, Brown College senior Alan Jan, Lovett College senior Andrew Liu, computer science g; student Denise Lu and Kevin Ross (Lovett '02).

The six are among the 20 or so interns SchlumbergerSema hired for the Games.

The students went to Salt Lake City the second week of January and will be there until Feb. 25. The students work from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. on weekdays and will have Saturday hours until the Games start, there will be medal ceremonies each night.

"It's going to be a lot of fun, but it's not going to be a lot of work, too." - Ken Nipe, SchlumbergerSema officer

Nipe said his job includes receiving results from athletic venues and sending them to the media.

Jan said she has wanted to go to the Olympics since she found out they were going to be held in the United States, last year she didn't think she would be able to get there, but she learned about the internship and applied.

Rammage said he has had a chance to visit the Olympic venues, and that once the Games start, there will be medal ceremonies every night. He said it's an exciting time in Salt Lake City at the Olympic Medals Plaza, where the nightly conversions to gold will have converts to groups including the Starrett-Led- international team. "My overall thought is that the

Dean recalled fondly

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"I am committed and his death leaves a whole in the lives of the people on the campus and in the heart of the campus, and it's a hole that will persist," Protest Eugene Levy said.

"He knew things in topics that experts in those fields didn't know about." - Larry Rackoff, Shepherd School professor

Hammond has battled cancer several times in the past, including during the construction of Alice Pratt Brown Hall, a building he helped design.

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Plan includes kitchen access between meals

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Bernardina Cardin said she thinks the plan will be particularly beneficial to busy students who often miss meals.

"Sometimes people have things to do at odd hours and they're not able to come into the college cafeteria for lunch, so I think it makes sense," Cardin said.

The five-meal plan offered to off-campus students is being reviewed, but will probably still exist if students show substantial interest in keeping it. H&D has proposed that trera points take the place of the five-meal plan, off-campus students and college associates can use trera points to date at their colleges.

"Parents are sometimes a little more reluctant to give a student trera points than to purchase a student a full-funded meal plan, even if it only covers two meals," Ditman said. "The five-meal plan is still being considered. H&D will continue to make improvements that will complement the new meal plan, whatever its final form.

Over the last few years, H&D has implemented a number of changes leading up to the key-to-the-kitchen plan. Beginning last semester, chefs were placed in all but one of the college kitchens. Other changes have included the addition of the Wire/Hansam Survey, a shift to a self-service and the elimination of the training table for athletes.

Housing and Dining to monitor cable theft

In the wake of discoveries in December that most residential college rooms were receiving premium cable channels illegally, Housing and Dining officials reiterated that cable theft will not be tolerated.

H&D Director Mark Ditman said the university has the responsibility of making a reasonable effort to discourage cable theft, or else Rice risks incurring fines.

"We don't condone in any way the theft of cable signal," Ditman said.

Ditman said he expects to receive a statement from Phonoscope Cable Inc. outlining the consequences of cable theft, which will be distributed to students. Also, stickers or hang tags describing the consequences of theft will be placed on the cable equipment.

Under federal law, cable theft is punishable by a fine of up to $1,000 and six months in prison. "It's my understanding that this could grow to the magnitude of a felony," Ditman said. "It's one thing to try to manage a misdemeanor as part of your personal record, but a felony can be a horrific handicap if a student were to be convicted.

While H&D would not be monitoring cable usage, Ditman said Phonoscope employees could come on campus at any time to inspect equipment. "Phonoscope representatives could not be reached for comment."

Ditman said H&D's role will be to address the issue of students entering restricted areas to access cable junction boxes.

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H&D Business Director Frank Rodriguez agreed.

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Benzes identifying buildings coming soon

The names of 10 buildings on campus will soon be identifiable in a new way. Limestone and granite benches similar to those in the academic quad will be put in front of the buildings. The seats of the benches will be engraved with information about the buildings.

Director of Project Management Barbara White said the benches are part of a test for a new building signage system.

The sites are being prepared now, with work currently being done to prepare each area for putting a concrete base for the bench. Additional work to be done includes painting the trees near where the benches will be located by pruning the tree.

Locations of the benches include Herring Hall along the Inner Loop, Baker Hall along Alumni Drive, and Sewall Hall near the Inner Loop entrance to Houston House.

White said the project is scheduled to be completed within the next few weeks.

-Mark Berenson
Citations issued to campus trespassers

by Leslie Liu

Rice University Police Department officers arrested two men this week after both were seen engaging in suspicious activities.

A man with a previous criminal trespass warning from April 1999 was arrested Tuesday night at Fondren Library.

Rice University Police Sgt. Steve Reiter said a female complainant told library staff she was in the Brown Fine Arts Library on the third floor of Fondren when a man made her feel uncomfortable. She said the man moved away only to have him follow her.

A week after both were seen engaging in suspicious activities, he did not understand the concept of a criminal trespass warning from April 1999 and was arrested Tuesday night at Fondren Library.

At about 9 p.m., library staff called RUPD, but the complainant left before police got to the library.

The incident occurred about half an hour before RUPD was notified.

Reiter said the complainant was right in reporting the incident. "Any time anybody feels uncomfortable, you should call in," Reiter said.

Reiter said police found a 57-year-old man on the first floor that matched the complainant's description of a black male about 5 feet 7 inches tall with gray hair.

Reiter said the man looked older than most students, and turned out to be part of a temporary day labor work crew that was supposed to meet to be part of a temporary day labor work crew that was supposed to meet that morning to do work on the Martel basement.

The man was issued a written criminal trespass warning. Reiter said they revised the man's CTW and reiterated talking to officers at Rice about three years ago, he did not understand the protocol associated with letting people have their space. "I don't think he's meaning to be offensive," Reiter said.

Reiter said the man was cooperative and assured officers that he would not come back to campus.

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RUPD

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Wednesday at about 5:45 a.m., RUPD officers arrested a suspicious white male who was wandering around the North Colleges. Sgt. Les Hulsey said Officer Sandra Veliz was on patrol when she noticed an older man looking around the bike racks at Brown College, then walking by Jones College and ending up near Martel College.

Hulsey said the man looked older than most students, and turned out to be part of a temporary day labor work crew that was supposed to meet that morning to do work on the Martel basement.

The man was issued a written criminal trespass warning and will not be allowed back on campus.

Hulsey said the man had a past criminal record in four other states.

"We felt we didn't want him to ever come back whether he had a job here or not," Hulsey said.

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Hanszen College was disqualified from the first Beer-Bike in 1957 for taking illegal shortcuts, it became clear that the college was home to competitive thinkers.

That innovative thinking has helped Hanszenites transform inconveniences into sources of college spirit and inspiration for annual traditions.

When students were forced to evacuate the Hanszen "new section" last February because of a crane working "at the wrong speed", Hanszen faculty member Caroline Goding said, "Then everyone had the great idea to order a long at 11 in the morning. We were out in the quad for the entire afternoon, all day was devoted to good food and great company."

"Craze Day," as the new tradition is called, wasn't the first time Hanszenites have been forced to find alternative solutions when unexpectedly ousted from a building.

In summer 1975, the university played host to Houston's "old section," and mattressless students were moved to a more comfortable location at the university's request. The mattress-tossing tradition would be repeated in 1978, and a more recent variation saw studentsa "blanket toss," when mattresses were thrown from the windows of the old Hanszen Commons.

When the commons was being rebuilt, Hanszenites took refuge in the Student Center and ate together in the Grand Hall. They proudly adopted the name "the uncola." Some of these original Hanszen creations first few decades are still alive today.

CRAZE DAY - W

Hanszen Commons burned down in 1975. Hanszen College student Paul Goundry sits among the rubble after the Hanszen Commons burned down in 1975.

The Hanszenettes perform at a 1979 powderpuff game.

Another tradition that began after the Commons burned was the Mardi Gras party, first held in 1975 and livened up with a stripping contest in 1976. The event was held annually until 1978 and resumed again in 1991. The Hanszen-Wesley rivalry also dates back to the 1970s, when the neighboring college's surged food and water balloon wars against each other.

"One tradition, during the '70s, was a "Sausage party," a big celebration made up of sausage and some form of delight, such as plastic sardines, or a spun rodent," said Caroline Goding, a Hanszen tradition. "Frequently, colleges would hold banquets such as yogurt or fruit. The rest of the college would bring whatever would smell but not eaten."

"As the prank war escalated, one Hanszen student whose family owned a welding shop created a unique mascot: the Guardian, to protect the things that were no longer there," said Goding. "What used to happen is that every Orientation Week our swing would get wrecked." Hanszen senior Eric Lubo, who now works for the Guardian, and the Guardian started getting all the pranksters, which fulfilled its" role. So then a couple of years ago, people started joking it more and more, so we buried it in 16 feet of concrete."

Some members of the Hanszen community have been connected to the college for so long that they themselves have become Hanszen institutions. Glynda Cumby, the college's coordinator since 1986, remembers being a local kid and having attended the college for years, in addition to 16 years of students, masters, bachelors and parties.

"Glynda Cumby is the most important person at Hanszen," said English Professor Dennis Huston, also a Hanszen fixture. "She is there so much, she cares so much about the students, she knows the students so well, and she's been there for so long. She's the thing in the college that stays the same."

Huston himself was master with his wife Jane Huston from 1979 to 1982 and with her second wife, Lisa Bryan, from 1992 to 1998.

Hansen's many traditions make the college both inclusive and dynamic, Vanderlip said. "At Hanszen, we're very open to evaluating our traditions and what we feel don't always work. We feel that it's important to maintain our traditions while also pushing them forward."

"What we feel is that it's important to keep our traditions, while also pushing them forward. Hanszen is a very unique college. We have our own traditions, but everyone at Hanszen really strives to make everybody feel welcome. It's a family college."
Doubts might say this decrepit residential structure could never become a beloved home for a collection of rowdy college kids. But maybe it could — when pigs fly.

But over the years, Wiess College has somehow accumulated a rich history with parties, team spirit and even a monolithic War Pig.

In 1949, North Hall was built to house the index of students entering the Rice Institute after World War II. Renamed Wiess Hall in 1950 in honor of Rice board member and oil tycoon Harry Carothers Wiess, who died in 1948, the building became the most requested place in law because it had some unique features — for example, the college’s rows of rooms were vacated at a time when no residential buildings were all conditioned.

When the new complex began in 1997, the building became Wiess College.

The rooms at Wiess were still unique because housing and residence allowed build-up — wooden structures made from bunk beds, dorm room space and improve living areas.

Build-ups with rooms have been passed down to the first floor, which asked the previous room residents for the rooms and made a small charge. The idea was that H&D saw the build-ups as a form of damage to the room, and would want to reside, but the charge was passed down to the next "owner." However, one alumnus remembers that it used to work another way.

"Once build-ups were established and those who built them left, there was an immediate struggle by the other college members to move into those rooms," Les Biffle (Wiess 72) said. "We did all kinds of things to win those build-ups because they were so expensive to build!"

Wiess is the only building where build-ups are permitted, as the tradition may disappear after a student moves into the new Wiess building in the fall.

While students at most other colleges mock Wiess’ motel-like structure; Wiess perseveres as the heart of their room open to outside balcony. The building’s design encloses two grassy areas, known as the Acabod and the Backyard, according to Wire College 1957-1990 by Collins Patrick Delaney (Wiess 91). The Acabod received its name because only people who had free time to relax there were non-science or engineering majors, known as "academ." It is said that no Wiessman can be found studying for too long, since Wiess is also known for its parties.

The infamous Wiess party — the Night of Decadence — begun in spring 1973. NOD started as an all-male party in which the War Pig (Wiess 84) recited the historic of the War Pig. "I must take you back to late 1981, when the War Pig wasn't even a pig," Zwing said. "During the Golden Age of Wiess College — when you didn't have to be 21 to drink — I was consumed with a vision. The War Pig had finally revealed itself to me in its true and glorious form. From that day onward, I had the privilege and the duty of addressing Wiesswomen as War Pigs."

Actually drawn in the form of a grapefruit from the quad, a coarse gargoyle with a number of eyes and teeth, the War Pig has a long history. The pig was fired for the first time in 1984. The first attempt to fire the pig was during a formal event, and the second attempt was during a family gathering.

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Penn, Pfeiffer can't redeem sappiness of 'Sam'

Natalia Alvarad
TREASURED EDITORIAL STAFF.

I am Sam attempts to tell you everything your mother once tried to teach you about life: Stand up for what you believe in, love will conquer all and money can't buy happiness. But one less ring crosses the others — money can buy good actors, who can then take a convoluted script and make it into a fairly enjoyable experience so you can make more money.

I am Sam
Rating: **
(out of five) in theaters.

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Kidman can be more than just a 'Birthday Girl'

Paul Emery
TIMELINESS TUESDAY

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Reprise Records
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Soundtracks are always big sell-
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itself or even a world-long widespread addi-

tion. It seems the Osama soundtracks are inconsistent and
irrepetitive because they ride the gap
between the mainstream and the emo-

group. This is the case, though, on some soundtracks can serve as
an introduction for mainstream,

a value to some very talented ar-

ists. At worst, they're corporate and

promotions, milking the most out of

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MON FEB 18

COMPUTATIONAL CHEMISTRY LECTURE:
DR. SCHAFFER
DELL BUTCHER ROOM 180
4PM

BRIEF DRAMA

SECOND LECTURE W/ Q&A:
THE BIG RANG
STEPHEN HAWKING,
AND GOD
DR. SCHAFFER
GRAND HALL 7-9PM

ARTISTS RECEPTION
JAMIE ASSAD
BRIAN BOWERS
GRAND HALL 9-10PM

THE LATE MOVIE
(FILMMAKERS RECEPTION)
FRED CARPENTER
FARNSWORTH
GRAND HALL 9-10PM

WED FEB 20

THIRD LECTURE W/ Q&A:
FAITH AND THE PROBLEM OF EVIL
DR. STUMP
GRAND HALL
7-9PM

MINI-CONCERT:
AARON SENSEMAN
DR. EMERSON
GRAND HALL
9:15-10:15PM

THU FEB 21

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ATHEISM, THEISM,
AND THE MEANING OF LIFE
DR. MORLAND
GRAND HALL
7-9PM

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DR. SIDER
GRAND HALL
7-9PM

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SAT FEB 23

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JAZZ BRUNCH:
HEAVEN IN A NIGHTCLUB
DR. EDGAR FARNSWORTH
10AM-12PM

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Fresno State University says the biggest loss is not having the seniors to win more than four events, but Lee said, "We didn't swim as well as we could have."

The swim team started off its biggest meet of the season fighting not only its opponents, but also itself.

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Beckford, Brand, Davis, Teteris victorious at competitive LSU meet

dylin Hedrick

It's beginning to not matter where the men's and women's track and field teams are, as long as they are on a track under their feet and a way to get to the race, you have several athletes providing outstanding performances.

The teams traveled to the Louisiana State University Purple Tiger Invitational at the LSU Track Complex in Baton Rouge last weekend. The men and women both posted personal NCAA provisional qualifying marks while racing against some of the best teams in the nation.

"It was a good meet," women's head coach Vicet Lopez said. "We are right on schedule.

The women, ranked 12th nationally, received standout performances from sprinters, long distance runners and hurdlers alike. Senior Anise Teteris won the 800-meter run in 2 minutes, 10.59 seconds, while sophomore Erin Brand topped her season-best time in the 3,000-meter run with a time of 9:32.00.

Junior Allison Beckford, last year's NCAA outdoor champion in the 400-meter dash, won the event in 54.56 seconds, an NCAA provisional qualifying mark, and freshman Yvonne Uthn won the open section of the 400.

"I was satisfied with my race," Beckford said. "I did better than last year, I think. I'm running faster earlier in the season."

Beckford, who also helped Rice win the 4x100-meter relay, was named the Western Athletic Conference Indoor track and field athlete of the week for his three place finishes in the 400-meter dash and 1,500-meter relay.

"They are enjoying the competition, showing character and having very good discipline."

— Victor Lopez

Women's track and field coach

The 1,000-meter relay crew of Beckford, Teteris, Uthn and senior Keitha Moseley captured first place with an NCAA provisional qualifying mark of 3:42.52. The foursome currently ranks first in the Western Athletic Conference and eighth in the nation.

In the jumping events, junior Alice Fidalpe leaped 19 feet, 11.24 inches to a second-place finish in the long jump, while sophomore Beth Bothin also took second as the team finished fourth overall.

"The whole team is in good physical condition," Lopez said. "There are no injuries, everyone is getting ready and having fun."

On the men's side, sophomore Adam Davis won the 800-meter run, finishing in a conference-best 1:53.41. Freshman Scott Lewis finished second in the mile in 4:14.46 and added a second place in the 3,000-meter run with a time of 8:19.90.

Sophomore Ben Wiggins led the sprinting crew by placing sixth in the 400-meter run, posting a time of 46.22. "Scott won the mile, then placed second in the 4,000 meters less than two-and-half hours later," men's head coach Jon Warren said. "Ben had a huge preem and destroyed his personal best time. We had some pleasant surprises in the field events as well.

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The men's team finished seventh place overall in the coed championship. Women, ranked fifth, were pleased with their overall performance, with seven quarterback sacks. "It was a good meet," women's head coach Michelle Stevenson 20 minutes into the game. Rice countered with a 60-second breakaway run and the Bear saw their halftime deficit turned into a 7-5 lead.

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Despite last weekend's injury and defeat, the Owls look for revenge against the Bearcats this weekend in an effort to hope to rebound tomorrow in a game against Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge, La.

Women's rugby scores TRU win over Baylor

It was a total team effort as the Owls defeated the Bearcats 25-22 last Saturday in Waco in its first Texas Rugby Union cup match of the season.

Three different Owls scored tries, the first by wing Michelle Stevenson 20 minutes into the game. Baylor countered with a 60-second breakaway run and the Bear saw their halftime deficit turned into a 7-5 lead.

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The women's tennis team suffered losses in its two weekend matches, falling 6-1 to No. 29 Baylor University and 6-1 to Middle Tennessee State University at the Baylor Tennis Center in Waco. The losses drop Rice to 14-2 for the season.

"This weekend was really disappointing for us," assistant coach Karen Chao said. "We know that we can do it—it just comes down to a matter of execution."

The start of the spring season has brought rough conditions for the Owls, who have now faced three top-25 teams as well as a highly ranked unranked team in Middle Tennessee State University.

The highlight of the weekend was sophomore Judie Hagerman, who posted victories against both teams, playing at the No. 4 spot against Baylor, and at No. 9 against Middle Tennessee State. "I didn't play to my expectations during the fall season," Hagerman said. "And after losing to Vanderbilt and South Alabama, I was hungry for a win—I needed to win. This entire weekend was really big moment for me."

In the Lady Owls' 88-42 win against the Mustangs, Hagerman shot a lot better as the Lady Owls capitalized on them. "[Louisiana Tech] was disappointing for me, but we came out for the way we did against SMU. But SMU did not capitalize on our mistakes like Louisiana Tech did. SMU is a top 25 team, while Louisiana Tech is a close No. 17. The Lady Owls captured a doubles victory against both Baylor and Middle Tennessee State University. Hagerman enjoys getting stronger and becoming more comfortable with their partners with each match.

The women captured a doubles victory against both Baylor and Middle Tennessee State University. Hagerman and senior Natalie Barraud were the No. 3 doubles 8-4 against Middle Tennessee State University. "It was really big moment for both of us," Barraud said. "We played well together, but we usually start off slow and pick it up as the match goes on. This match was really focused and came out stronger from the beginning."

In their first time playing at the No. 3 spot, sophomore Karen Chao and freshman Erika Villalobos earned a win against Baylor at the Western Athletic Conference Tournament, the Lady Owls stand in second place at 13-5 WAC.

Lady Owls stumble at Louisiana Tech

by Jason Gershman

It wasn't pretty, but in the end the Lady Owls took care of business Jan. 24, beating Southern Methodist University 66-59 to pick up their seventh win in a row.

Two days later, against seventh-ranked Louisiana Tech, it was even uglier. The Lady Owls, now 13-5 on the year, got out slow and started in Dallas against the Mustangs, shooting just 25 percent from the floor and trailing 32-21 at halftime. Rice fought back in the second half to claim its first win in five seasons at SMU against the Lady Techsters. Rice again struggled from the floor early on, falling behind 39-17 at halftime. The second half was more of the same, as Louisiana Tech broke the Lady Owls' seven-game winning streak with an 86-71 triumph. The win was the Lady Techsters' 12th consecutive victory, and 11 of those were by at least 20 points.

The Lady Techsters (14-3, 6-0 WAC) have been almost impossible to top this season and are the most difficult to beat in Ruston, La., where they averaged a 13-3 home record in their eight home games.

Also, Louisiana Tech had care of motivation heading into the game as Louisiana Tech head coach Lou Barmore publicly blasted his team.

Junior attackerage Casey McQuinn (white, No. 14) shoots Saturday in Rice's 14-12 win over the University of North Texas.

The men's lacrosse team returned to winning form last weekend as it edged the University of North Texas 14-12 Saturday at the Rice Lacrosse Field. The Owls jumped ahead early and built a 9-2 lead by the end of the first quarter. Senior attacker Charlie Glass scored the Owls' first goal and scored a goal in the second half.

The Owls kept their lead constant for most of the second half as the Owls shot 2-for-2 in the final quarter. However, UNT made a few late shots in an attempt to make up the Owls' lead. "We never really slowed down defensively and scored enough goals to win," junior midfielder Brian Kelly said. "It was a great game and the Owls played well, as usual. We've earned our place in the tournament."
Owls seek revenge vs. Fresno St.

Tulsa's the kind of team that can make you look really bad," head coach Willis Wilson said. "It's a big-time of a basketball atmosphere as you can find anywhere in the country.

The loss extended two streaks for Rice. The loss would mark their 15th straight on the road and marked the sixth straight year Rice has lost at Tulsa.

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"It's about time we start meshing with other things to think about.'

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Friday, February 1

**Professor Michael Kubovy of the University of Virginia will speak at 3:30 p.m. in the Alice Pratt Brown Hall.**

Weekly "Grouping in space and in space-time: an exercise in phenomenological PSYCHOGRAPHIC"

The Shepherd School Opera presents "Wortham Opera Theatre in Alice Pratt Brown Hall." The performances are in the Northside Opera Theatre in Alice Pratt Brown Hall and feature scenes from "OPERA and musical THEATER"

Saturday, February 2

**The Rice LINUX Users Group holds its free "INSTALLFEST" from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Duncan Hall. Room 3092. Bring your computer and the group will install Linux and set it up for use in the colleges, in offices or for dialing in from off campus.**

Loewitt College junior Megan Keith performs her FLUTE recital at 2:30 p.m. in Duncan Recital Hall in Alice Pratt Brown Hall.

The men’s BASKETBALL team takes the court against Fresno State at 7:05 p.m. in Autry Court.

Hey Rain Man! Come to Lovett College for "PICTURE YOURSELF — RELIGIOUS Conservatives and Conservatives Over Schooling" from 7 to 9 p.m. in Rayzor Hall, Room 123. Contact Gregory Kaplan at gkaplan@rice.edu or (713) 348-2776 with any questions.

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**Monday, February 4**

**Faculty member and ORGANIST Clyde Holloway performs at 8 p.m. in the Edythe Bates Old Grand Organ and Recital Hall in Alice Pratt Brown Hall. Tickets are available at (713) 348-4000 for $8 for students and senior citizens and $10 for general seating.**

**Tuesday, February 5**

**Daniel Lakier, professor of Jewish Values at Ben-Gurion University in Israel, will lecture on "JEWISH LAW AND BIOETHICS" at 4:30 p.m. in Rapier Hall, Room 123. Contact Gregory Kaplan at gkaplan@rice.edu or (713) 348-2776 with any questions.**

The Baker Institute features Rice Sociology Professor Bill Martin and guests Bruce Biddle, Susan Rose and David Sikkink in a panel discussion titled "Latvia and the Euro-Atlantic Partnership" at the Baker Institute at 10 a.m. in Baker Hall. Reserve a ticket for $8 for students and senior citizens and $10 for general seating. Call (713) 348-5238.

**Wednesday, February 6**

**Edythe Bates Old Grand Organ and Recital Faculty member and ORGANIST Clyde Holloway performs at 10 a.m. in Baker Hall. Reserve a ticket for "Wortham Opera Theatre in Alice Pratt Brown Hall.**

**Thursday, February 7**

**The women's BASKETBALL team faces the University of Texas at El Paso in Autry Court at 7 p.m.**

**Friday, February 8**

**The women's TENNIS team takes on Southwest Texas State University at 11 a.m. and Lamar University at 3 p.m. at the Lake Hess Tennis Stadium.**

**Saturday, February 9**

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Martel possessed by Satan, move-in date postponed

Well, looks like Martelians got the screwjob once again. The Martel College move-in date has been pushed back indefinitely after it was discovered that the ninth college has been possessed by Satan. After more than half the new residents had begun moving into their rooms, problems and complaints started to snowball.

"I must go to my room and crash into my drawer for like five minutes from across the room," said another such Daniel Allison. But Martel, "When I finally went over to straighten them out, there was nothing in there."

After further inspection, it was discovered that there was absolutely nothing in there; no undies, no wife-beaters, not even a bottom to the drawer. It was just a black hole of seemingly infinite depth. To test this theory, Housing and Dining kept throwing Allison's clothes into the void.

"Let's face it, Houston's always been like a second home to me."

— Lucifer

Prince of Darkness and possessor of all that is evil in this world

"Yeah, I'm still not too sure why they let them do that," Allison, suntering around quite naked, said.

Other complaints that drew attention included a large cockroach on the second floor, millions of flesheating scarabs, and a dead door and a bathroom that was physically impassable.

"From the perspective of a future architect, I was fascinated by the fact that room No. 212 had been farther away with every step I took toward a female Jason Muligan said. "However, as a student who likes to shower, it really pissed me off."

By mid-afternoon, Martelians got the official word that they would have to try the whole "moving in" thing to a rather surly Daniel Allison, a freshman minutes from across the room," said. "They even threw Allison's clothes into the void.

"Listen, we've been really busy getting our rings and finding our classes..."

— President Allison

"But I figured they were probably going to screw with those guys. I really don't feel too bad about incarcerating all the Martelians because when they turned their backs on their original colleges, I just assumed they were trying to get on my good side."

While the arrival of Alman at the Rice campus has had a direct effect on Martel, repercussions have been felt through some student organizations. Mind Over Madness, the atheistic student society, has apparently been put on hiatus due to overwhelming evidence against their beliefs. The Rice Pre-Medical Society is desperately trying to stop pre-med students from selling their souls for better MCAT scores. In one case, President Malcolm Gillis took disciplinary action against the recent incantation of evil.

"The Campus Crusade for Christ has no excuse for not stopping it and stepping up. We're taking away their leaders until further notice because there's no point in having a bunch of crossing Christians running around upstairs to protect our campus."

In the end, nobody knows what will happen to all the Martelians and the demon inhabited college. Many students are suggesting that it would be easier to just buy Holly Hall. However, Gillis seems to have other plans.

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Gillis then broke into manic laughter before walking toward Martel for a "fundraising meeting."

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