Hatfield shares controversial views on gays

by Rachel Rustin

Football head coach Ken Hatfield was quoted in today's issue of The Chronicle of Higher Education regarding his religious beliefs and his opinion of hiring homosexual players on his team. The article, which appeared online Monday, focuses on how gay athletes, especially at the university varsity level, hide their sexual orientation. Hatfield, who is noted to be a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, makes statements about his religious beliefs, his beliefs on "sexual purity" and his feelings on homosexuality in football.

In the article, Hatfield said he believes in the Bible, and homosexuality conflicts with his religious beliefs. Hatfield said that during his 36 years as a collegiate coach, a player has never come out to him, and if one did, he would be concerned about the effect on the team. Hatfield said people make choices about sexuality, and if a player came out to him, he would ask them about what happened and what changed since he recruited them.

"We says he that he would not necessarily kick a player off the team for being gay, he probably would think hard about it," Vice President for Public Affairs Terry Shepard said one of his friends at another college told him about the article Monday morning, at which point he brought the article to President Malcolm Gillis' attention.

Gillies met with Hatfield, and said he spoke with Hatfield fairly openly except for one aspect.

"As his letter stated, he feels he made it clear that for the person the comments about his personal views should be kept separate from the content of his position as a university employee, in other words, he must thoroughly carry out university policy, including its prohibition on discrimination based on sexual orientation," Gillis said.

Scott Jaschik, editor of The Chronicle of Higher Education told the Houston Chronicle Wednesday, "We stand behind the story 100 percent."

After Gillies met with Hatfield, each wrote a letter to the Chronicle of Higher Education, which were posted on their Web site Tuesday afternoon.

"...The president thought it was important to the Chronicle of Higher Education," By Rachel Rustin

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2002 music requirements uncertain

by Lindsey Gilbert

Disputed changes to the 2002-2003 General Announcements will send the faculty voting Tuesday. Pending a second vote at the next faculty meeting Jan. 20, majors graduating and matriculating this year can take fewer general distribution classes than in past years.

listed in the General Announcements as "a special note for music majors," the clause establishes new general distribution requirements for Shepherd School of Music undergraduates -- 24 course hours of distribution, six in each of the student's group and six in groups of the student's choice. Undergraduates in other departments are required to take 12 course hours in each group, for a total of 36 hours. However, 12 of these hours typically fall within requirements for their majors.

The change was made in the General Announcements following discussion last year among the Dean's Council and Provost Eugene Levy about the need to address distribution inequities for Shepherd School undergraduates, who have very few class options that fulfill both distribution and major requirements.

Speaker of the Faculty John Zammito said the faculty stated their opinions without any vagueness.

"It is clear that the church overstepped what we considered to be appropriate," Zammito, a History professor, said. "Chemistry Professor Jim Tour, who was not at the faculty meeting, said he agrees with the non-discrimination policy and does not think it impacts having religion influence your job."

"My religion is something that I'm pretty private about, and of course I don't think it disagrees with me doing my task," Tour, who was responding to Page 7.

Lucid named commencement speaker

by Mark Brevson

President Malcolm Gillies announced Wednesday that astronaut Shannon Lucid will give the commencement address this spring. Gillies said they considered having a faculty member give the commencement address.

"I feel pretty pleased," Gillis said. "I am pleased to have the senior woman astronaut, and she is a senior, senior officer in NASA."

Lucid holds the non-Russian and female record for most flight hours in orbit, which was set by spending more than 188 days and traveling more than 75 million miles aboard the Russian Space Station Mir in 1996.

Lucid is currently NASA's chief scientist, a position which, according to NASA's Web site, means she develops and communicates the agency's science and research objectives to the outside world. Because Lucid is a government official, she cannot accept a speaking fee.

2003 Commencement Speaker Committee Chair Katharine Danuto said she was happy with the selection.

"She is an accomplished woman," Danuto, a Sociology assistant professor, said. "I don't know what she will say, but I am looking forward to having someone from outside."

Student Association President Matt Haynie, who served on the committee, agreed.

"Her qualifications are pretty remarkable, and she is also an academic person, not just a famous person, and I think that is really good," Haynie said. "It is nice that you know you want to be the first one on your college with one.

Drop deadline

Today is the deadline to drop Organic Chemistry (CHEM 211), Fundamentals of Electrical Engineering (ELEC 241) or any other class that is the bane of your existence.

You must take your signed drop form to the Registrar's Office by 5 p.m. today. First semester students may drop classes until Dec. 6.

Vote early and often

Tuesday's election day, Alumni are registered to vote in Washington County, you can vote at the Student Center between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. Additionally, today, you will be able to pick up full collection of stickers and campaign material for the primaries when you stop by.

Prox-free opening

The Campus Store is now selling Swatch watches that can be programmed to act as proximity cards to open the parking gates.

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Chancing the ways

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I am not a designer in Baker. The worst of it is that unlike the majority of students in Baker, we are not given options to make our living conditions more comfortable. We have to put up with what we get. Theo Kocurek entirely misses the point of public and smoking laws. In her opinion article from Oct. 25, "Health and Justice Amongst Superb Athletes (free living)."

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Breaking university policy, corrective action must be taken. That homophobia is a common problem in many varsity athletic teams is undeniable. Such steps could include the encouragement of programs like Ally training, which can make a significant impact if properly implemented.

Furthermore, as a community, Rice needs to turn a critical eye on the Athletics Department. The Athletics Department has not served to help foster Rice's goal of recruiting and supporting athletic superstars who were also gay. Hallie Seidman, our athletic director, would not necessarily think hard about it goes so far as to secondhand smoke. I'm sure that there are people who smoke, but if you're talking about deadly fumes, then those people should be led to believe that the people who smoke are not going to be able to work with you that if they were still able to eat, drink, speak or breathe independently, cancer patients would never express joy that they smoked their livess away.

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Not at Rice. OK, I admit it happens at Rice, but it's not as bad as it is at some other schools. Every year I struggle with the decision of whether or not to come out. I have dealt with the decision on and off for the last several years, but this year I just decided to come out. I have faced a lot of challenges and have had to overcome a lot of fears.

The decision to come out was not easy, but I knew I had to do it for myself. I couldn't continue to live in the closet any longer. I needed to be true to who I am.

I have faced discrimination and harassment from peers and faculty members. Some people have not been supportive, but others have been understanding and accepting.

It is important to come out and be true to oneself. I encourage everyone to come out and live their lives as they see fit. It is the only way to be truly happy.

Andrea Johnston

Demonstrate your desire to impact the future of Houston


On Nov. 5 we have the opportunity to make change, both to our lives and to our country.

Whatever issue is on your mind, you must make a decision by knowing your opinion by voting. Make the politicians listen to you, get out there and vote. Your vote matters, and it can change the face of the nation.

We learned in the 2000 elections that every vote counts. College students can make the difference in the important midterm elections taking place Nov. 5. Young people don't vote, their issues don't get addressed, which further discourages their incentive to participate in the process and keeps the downward spiral of young voters going.

The power of the vote is in your hands. Just by taking part in the voting process, you can help shape the future of our country.

All eyes in the nation are watching the exciting political contests going on in our backyard.

Shawn Leventhal

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Support the dominant paradigm

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The picture of Jabir Algarni, local authorities arrived to inspect the situation. As the camera flashed, the picture was framed, and the story was told.

Algarni had embarrassed the most brutal torture at the hands of the government. He was beaten, beaten, beaten, and beaten, a lesson for the young, to never again fight little with the all-powerful Iraqi dictator.

Owen Courrèges

It is our turn to show those involved in the political process: It is our duty to vote. We have the power to make a difference.

The first step we must take is to get involved in the political process. We must learn about the candidates and their positions on the issues that matter most to us. We must also learn about the process of voting and what our role is in society.

Shawn Leventhal

U.S. desire to solve Iraqi problem must be clear

Iraq has never made any such offer. Hussein has continually balked at allowing inspectors anywhere near military installations, including his eight presidential palaces, even though an estimated 1,000 buildings.

This is not possible to clean Hussein’s presidency. His actions have doubled his efforts. All the while he has been responsible for the tortuous thousand Iraqis deal with daily, ever day — having been penned, and then penned, against the dictates of a rogue

Wherever wages war may bring carnage, it is possible to appeal to the whose status quo.

No one knows better than Jabir’s older brother, who was executed by government troops in 1997. Torture, we would seem, is the least of Saddam’s methods.

It is a great simplification to call American pro-empire. The exception that Iraq can be an ally, and we will not assault the United States militarily.

Saddam still poses a threat to his own people, other nations in the region and the very survival of the United Nations. How long can the United Nations and the international community ignore the actions of a Middle Eastern military dictator with designs for regional domination and a history of involvement in the region?

It is for ourselves or for the United Nations, we must challenge the Iraqi government for the simple reason that it is illegitimate and inhumane.

After Sept. 11, we should have recognized the danger of allowing such a regime in power.

The Taliban gave all the talibans who we ignored them, preferring to stave off a sustained conflict in the region. We didn’t want to be accused of being the kind of people who would sacrifice the benefit of the Afghan people.

Owen Courrèges is a Will Rice College sophomore.
The upcoming war with Iraq is both necessary and wisdom, former U.N. ambassador Richard Holbrooke said Tuesday at Baker Hall in his presentation "America and the World Today."

"There's only one thing worth talking about today at the Baker Institute, and that's if we're going to war soon," Holbrooke said at the beginning of his speech. Holbrooke spoke on what he calls the upcoming war with Iraq, especially because Congress and the Bush Administration have passed resolutions in support of this move. "I can tell you that Bush will probably send troops into combat even without a formal declaration of war, as former presidents have done before he gets more powerful weapons. He said that the United States should strike Iraq because we want to, but because we have to," he said.

Holbrooke said the United States doesn't necessarily need military allies, because no nation has had a military as dominant as the U.S. Army today since the Roman and British empires. He said he is also very upset by Pentagon commentators who are calling the upcoming war a "cakewalk" and said they do not know the reality of war because they were never in Vietnam.

"If we go to war, it has to be not because we want to, but because we have to." - Richard Holbrooke, Former U.S. ambassador to the United Nations

Holbrooke said the United States should attack Iraq, because President Saddam Hussein is a dangerous enemy. He said that the United States should have removed Hussein at the end of the Gulf War in 1991 and that U.S. leaders of state would have done so had they known what was to follow. Holbrooke said he does not believe Hussein can be deterred, and the United States should strike Iraq before he gets more powerful weapons. He compared the situation in Germany in 1939 and said that the Allies would have had a much easier time defeating Adolf Hitler then instead of in 1945.

Although he said he supports the war, Holbrooke said he is very concerned that the administration will not responsibly rebuild Iraq after military success. "A war is only as good as what follows," he said. "In 1945, the U.S. began its most glorious chapter in foreign policy, in rebuilding Japan and Europe."

Holbrooke said rebuilding South Korea in 1953 is another example of U.S. success in "nation-building," and that one common element of both efforts was that U.S. peacekeeping soldiers remained in all of the countries until today, demonstrating the American commitment to sovereignty and stability in other countries.

He contrasted these cases with the recent American operation in Afghanistan, in which he said the administration made a bad mistake by refusing to maintain a strong peacekeeping force. He said this mistake is benefiting the Afghan warlords and drug lords and harming the civilian population. Holbrooke concluded his speech by warning students that their generation will soon be going into dangerous combat and then took questions from the audience.

Baker College freshman Michelle Ahmadjian asked Holbrooke what he thought about the large amount of public opinion in opposition to attacking Iraq. He replied by saying that one third of American citizens supported the war even in a unilateral action, one third of Americans oppose the war in all cases and the final third lies somewhere between these two extremes. Holbrooke said that the "swing" voters are the most important to the administration and that Bush should have paid more attention to them before.

Former U.N. ambassador Richard Holbrooke spoke on Tuesday about a possible war with Iraq.

"I thought it was really well put together," Will Rice College senior Brendan Gervin said. "I think he had a lot of interesting things to say, and it was especially interesting to hear his points on Iraq in a very studied view." Brown College freshman Brian Dieter agreed.

"I thought it was a great presentation on foreign policy and how to deal with the United Nations and things like that," he said. "It didn't seem bogged down or uninteresting — I thought it was a good balance actually."

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Second vote required to finalize ruling

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Zammito said he thinks the faculty should have taken a stand against disrespect for university policy by removing the unauthorized language from the General Announcements.

"The amendment took the real punitive force of the resolution away and left it as a kind of gentle rap on the wrist as Provost Levy wished," Zammito said.

Zammito said no member of the faculty wished to see unconscionable students, and affected students will have recourse if the language is removed from the General Announcements. Students could suggest minor changes to the general distribution requirements if the change in policy fell short of credits at the university and Provost Malcolm Gillis said the general faculty would strongly encourage all such petitions be approved.

Anne Schneuwele, interim dean of the Shepherd School, said the resolution independent faculty members proposing changes does little to curb the worries of senior music majors because it is not final yet.

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— Jack Zammito
Speaker of the Faculty

Lovy said he acknowledges that he and the deans violated university policy by revising the distribution requirements without faculty approval and that this occurred, while the Dean's Council was attempting to remedy a problem for students.

Lovy said he would like to see distribution requirements that fall equally on all students and submit an annual report to the CUC.

"We look at previous offenses, whether they were leading large groups of students down there," Lovett College sophomore Jeb Britt and Hanszen College senior Nathan Spencer help two girls with an art project at Project Pumpkin last Saturday. Project Pumpkin was sponsored by the Rice Volunteer Service Program.

Steam tunneling sanctions set

University Court has set standard sanctions for students caught steam tunneling at 25 hours of community service. U. Court Chair Daniel Brickman said. Brickman, a Brown College senior, said punishments are subject to change depending on the specifics of a given case.

"We look at previous offenses, whether they were leading large groups of students down there," Brickman said. Earlier this year, charges were made and later dropped against two O-Week advisors who were caught steam tunneling with their freshmen during O-Week. Another case occurred in the first week of October when a different group of students was caught in the tunnels. That case is still pending.

Water, water everywhere

Since Monday, Oct. 22, 8.7 inches of rain has fallen on the Rice campus, leading everything to be wet, including the walkway at Herzstein Hall. No rain is expected over the weekend.

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Gillis, Hatfield respond quickly with letters of clarification

Campus community debates possible punishments for coach, presence of homophobic atmosphere at university

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that we not let any time pass before making clear that this does not represent the university and will not be the way the university operates," Shepard said.

Both of the letters emphasize that the university's policy and stance do not represent the views of Rice and that Hatfield neither spoke nor acted in any way intolerant or disrespectful of anyone who is gay or lesbian, bisexual or transgender. Green, who is a student-athlete from a transgender group, and the Thresher also noted.

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The article also stated that coming out as a sexual athlete was harder for males than females. However, Ben Ans (Will Rice '09) said the environment is not only the coaches' fault. Ans is a walk-on to the football team who played his first two years before deciding to play la-crosse. Ans said he would not have come out on the football team, but that is more indicative of the environment than of Hatfield. Ans said there was not an overt anti-homosexual role on the team, but that football teams are "macho" places in general.

"I would have been extremely uncomfortable coming out in that environment," Ans said. "I definitely think that I would not have played for more two years if it would have shown the process (of coming out) down." However, Ans said he did not think there would have been any serious repercussions from the coach or the team if he had come out. He said he is confident coming out would not be due to fears about being rejected or harassed. While he said this is something that anyone who is coming out worries about also, football teams are places where this type of negative behavior is more likely to happen, even if it is not necessarily likely to deal with.

"I thought about the people who I actually knew that were out already and have anything, it's going to bring us everyone involved in the soccer team created a supportive environment for her to play in,"—John Zammito

Supporter of the Faculty

"I thought about the people who would be reading this and thinking about Rice University as a discriminatory place and not being comfortable with their beliefs and what we think is wrong and right," Green said.

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"I think that my comments are not necessarily reflecting the opinions of the university, and that needs to be understood as long as there is no discrimination at all," Shepard said. "I don't see any action that needs to be taken against Hatfield personally."

"Most people are well-aware of the non-discrimination policy, and I trust that most of the support it and carry it out," Shepard said.

Director of Athletics Bobby May expressed deep support of Hatfield but would not comment further. "Ben is a fine person as you could ever want to meet and I'm honored to have him serve as football coach at Rice," May said.

Hatfield and Assistant Athletic Director of Media Relations Bill Cousins also declined to comment.

"I can only think that it can only make those bonds stronger. On the other hand, people like Hatfield and Cousins and the other coaches make it come out — it's like things that need to be brought up to the players and the entire team's belief set," Shepard added.

Gillis and Hatfield both sent information about Rice University as a discriminatory environment. They said they felt Hatfield is being treated less severely because he is a gay coach. "I don't think that Hatfield is being treated less severely because he is a gay coach," Green said. "I think we can let this go and move on."
SA to rediscuss resolution on Monday

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It's affiliated with various Christian groups on campus, said.

Director of Police Studies Don Ostlick said he was glad the faculty issued a resolution that does not focus on Hatfield's beliefs, but rather how his actions concerning beliefs effect students.

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"I think discrimination by Rice on any basis including sexual orientation is, besides being against policy, morally wrong, and Rice needs to take a strong stand against that," Ostlick said. "To me that includes every arm of university, including athletics, and the other NATO members put together.

In light of the new threats posed by terrorism and weapons of mass destruction, NATO is looking into creating a NATO Rapid Response Force that would allow the alliance to act quickly, rather than wait for member states to supply troops.

Jones said that in this new force, each country would specialize in a few capacities instead of maintaining several dozen capacities at a considerable cost. Jones cited the Czech Republic military unit that is trained specifically to deal with nuclear, biological and chemical weapons decontamination and the Slovenian military's focus on the de-mining of land.

In a question and answer session after her presentation, Jones compared the United Nations to NATO, saying the primary reason that "To be able to work so well while the United Nations seems inefficient is organizational structure. NATO plans everything centrally with input from all member states and exerts some pressure collectively, whereas the United Nations acts more broadly and, in most instances, the member states work independently."

Haynie said she was impressed by Jones. "Jones was one of the most fantastic speakers we've had," Kent said. "She dealt with all of the questions and all the very controversial issues with a lot of poise."

Students also debated whether the point of the resolution was to punish Hatfield or to address the environment created on campus for homosexuals.

Several students brought up concerns about what the student body knew about Hatfield's comments and whether the college presidents and senators had had enough time to gauge opinions of their peers.

"It is clear that the coach overstepped what we considered to be appropriate." — John Zammito
Speaker of the Faculty

While Wednesday's meeting did not produce a resolution, Haynie said it was productive.

Some colleges had held specific meetings devoted to the resolution and some had addressed it at their cabinet meetings, but some colleges had not yet met as of Wednesday night.

Discussion of this topic increased throughout the meeting until the resolution was talked about 1 a.m. As of press time, Haynie did not know what the location of the unofficial senate meeting would be, and said the time depended on whether Hatfield would accept his invitation to attend.

"It is the primary reason that the resolution was made and the process by which the SA was making decisions."

Many students said they wanted to be able to read a full transcript of Hatfield's interview, so it could be determined whether his words were taken out of context.

A variety of concerns were raised at the meeting concerning both the resolution being presented and the process by which the SA was making decisions.

Many students also spoke in support of Hatfield, citing him as a man of integrity.
The Student Association met Monday. The following were discussed:

- Culture Quest, a group scavenger hunt sponsored by Advance, is tomorrow. To sign up go to http://www.nf.rice.edu/advance/.
- The Office of Student Activities is accepting nominations for students to appear in the 2003-04 Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges. Anyone may nominate a junior, senior or graduate student. Nominations can be made at http://www.nf.rice.edu/stact/.
- The senate approved the Rice Triathlon Club. The club will provide a network for training for a triathlon and opportunities to compete in triathlons. Anyone interested in training for or learning about triathlons should contact Wren's College senior Laura Fagundes at lhfagund@rice.edu.
- Monday’s SA meeting was not aired on Rice Broadcast Television, as had been discussed in a previous meeting, because the camera in Farnsworth Pavilion that would broadcast the meetings is not yet operational. As soon as the camera is operational, SA meetings will run on RBT for a trial period.
- Homecoming election petitions are due today at noon. Election voting will be Nov. 8 – 13.
- SA President Matt Haynie told the senate about his planned remarks for one year to receive the $400. He also read letters that Gillis and Hatfield sent to the editor of The Chronicle of Higher Education about the scheduling of spring recess for the Spring 2004 academic year. Malcom Gillis and Vice President for Student Affairs Ken Hatfield, comments on his views of homosexuals and the future EMTs. The senate gave the money to Rice Emergency Medical Services and stipulated that students are required to serve in REMS for one year to receive the $400.
- The senate discussed how to distribute the $8,000 that was received from President Malcolm Gillis and Vice President for Student Affairs Zenaldo Camacho earlier this month. The money will go to making the basic Emergency Medical Technician course offered at Rice free for future EMTs. The senate gave the money to Rice Emergency Medical Services and stipulated that students are required to serve in REMS for one year to receive the $400.
- Haynie read to the senate a section of an article that appeared in today’s edition of The Chronicle of Higher Education in which football Head Coach John Kowalski comments on his views of honor counseors on the football team. Haynie also read letters that Gillis and Hatfield sent to the editor of The Chronicle of Higher Education. Haynie encouraged students to discuss the issue with their college president or senator. (See Story, Page 1.)

The next meeting will be held on Monday at a time and place to be determined.

The new intramural lacrosse field is expected to open in January. The new field, located between the field in front of Dell Butcher Hall and the rugby pitch, was designed to accommodate the men’s and women’s lacrosse teams, even though it will also accommodate other sports, Project Manager Tina Hicks said.

Hicks said the project cost about $290,000, and the funds came from a budget request submitted a few years ago. Lacrosse has not had a regulation-sized field since construction began on new Wren’s College, when their field was abbreviated, Assistant Director for Intramural and Club Sports Tina Villard said.

Villard said she expects the lacrosse games to take place on the new field.

Mardel College senior Andrew Dawson, a member of the Rice Lacrosse team, said the lacrosse team has also encountered problems with their field being damaged by cleats by the time their season started in the spring.

“We’ve had problems with fields being torn up by a lot of cleats,” he said. “Usually, during our season, there are big mud pits everywhere, and that doesn’t work very well, but we still had to play on it. Hopefully the field will be much better for the games in January.”

The field includes a drainage system that consists of perforated PVC pipes that lead to underground drains, which is intended to provide drainage both over the ground and into the ground during the rain, Hicks said.

“We wanted to create at least one field that we could ensure quick playability after a rain event,” Hicks said.

The field also includes an automatic irrigation system that incorporates special sprinkler heads that can spray water 50 feet. These should reduce injuries by decreasing the number of sprinkler heads on the field, Hicks said.

“Since we are buying 80,000 square feet of a special sport-type grass to grow in the sand, we wanted to make sure we had automatic watering for it,” Hicks said.

Construction on the field began in April and was scheduled to be completed by Sept. 30, but construction was delayed by a substantial number of rain days, Hicks said.

Villard said the field provides much needed space.

“It’s a great addition,” she said. “We always need field space, and we’re always running out of field space, so this should really help.”

Other lacrosse players are also excited about the new field.

“It would be great if we wouldn’t have to share the field, but I think it will be wonderful for our team and the sport,” Martel sophomore Rob Martel said.

The contractor for the project is American Civil Constructors, and Limb and Barger Consulting Engineers are overseeing the project.

Lacrosse field to open in January

by Daniel McDonald

The Rice Thresher

The new intramural lacrosse field will be the first regulation field the lacrosse team has had since 1999.
FEMA approves flood projects, road

by Ian Everhart

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Residential Colleges

Wick's College

Oct. 26
A Rice student provided an undegogged report of a Decadence party last weekend. The guest was taken from NOH and issued a written remorse / trespass warning and the student was referred to University Court. (See Story, Page 10.)

Will Rice College

Oct. 27
Aggravated assault of one student by another, victim refused to file charges. (See Story above.)

Other Buildings

Audi Court

Oct. 23
Vending machine burglarized.

RUPD Station

Oct. 23
Minor accident reported.

Facilities and Engineering

Oct. 24
Ceamic pots stolen.

Rice Stadium

Oct. 26
Rally club member detained for bringing alcohol into the stadium and for public intoxication. Subject was transported to the police station. While waiting to be picked up, the subject was caught in the RUPD station interview room. Subject was referred to Harris County Jail for public intoxication.

Parking Lots

West Lot

Oct. 23
Parked vehicle was damaged and no information was left.

West Lot

Oct. 26
Officer stopped a vehicle that disobeyed traffic commands. Driver failed to produce his concealed handgun license with his driver's license, as required by law. Officer determined that the subject had a concealed handgun license on the driver's license check and issued the subject a municipal citation.

Flaming Everclear injures student

by Mark Berenson

A Will Rice College freshman suffered first- and second-degree burns on his hand, arm and face after being accidentally hit with flaming Everclear early Sunday morning.

At 2:30 a.m. Sunday, Allen Greer was outside his room talking with friends. "I was standing in the hall, and the next thing I remember, I was falling down," Greer said.

Rice University Police Department Sgt. Gary Spears said Will Rice senior Jason Rodriguez took a police officer. "The EMT immediately called a police officer."

Spears said the EMTs thought Greer was badly burnt, and Greer went to the hospital. Before going, he identified Rodriguez as the one who had hit him.

We met the guy who burnt him, and he admitted it," Spears said. "We took him to the station; he eventually wrote out a statement, and another officer went to the hospital with the victim and talked to him."

Greer said he had mostly second-degree burns covering his face, arm and hand, and these areas were mostly blistered over.

"My ear's got a bunch of blisters on it, and my face is pretty messed up;" Greer said.

"We noted that the student did not want to press charges of assault; however, we will let judicial affairs look at it to see if other violations of the Student Code of Conduct occurred," - Gary Spears

Rice University Police Department sergeant

Spears said no charges were filed in the incident.

"[Greer] didn't want to press charges," Spears said. "It would have been aggravated assault, because what he did was using fire as a weapon."

Greer said he didn't press charges for several reasons, including that the incident was an accident. "When you live right across the hall from somebody, it's a difficult issue when they are your friend." Greer said. "Besides, he's getting more punishment with people giving him dirty looks as he walks by."

Spears said a report was written.

We still wrote up an incident report because something had taken place, and they got hurt, and we sent it to judicial affairs," Spears said. "We noted that the student did not want to press charges of assault, however, we will let judicial affairs look at it to see if other violations of the Student Code of Conduct occurred."

Rodriguez said he has not been contacted by judicial affairs or University Court, but he has been told that they will be looking into the case.

Assistant Dean for Student Judicial Programs, Pati Rass could not be reached for comment.

Greer said he hoped the matter was dropped due to its accidental nature.

I signed a statement that nothing should be pursued in U. Court," Greer said. "I hope that no disciplinary action is taken."
Martel loop open to students on trial basis
by Aaron Heckelman

Representatives from Jones and Martel Colleges will meet with university officials Tuesday to discuss the outcome of this week's parking experiment, which has allowed students partial access to the loop next to Martel.

Associate Vice President for Finance and Administration Neil Binford said the experiment is a compromise between administration and students, who implemented parking gates to help regulate parking on campus, and Jones and Martel students, who want access to the loop.

Beginning Monday, Martel and Jones students registered in park and drive on campus have been allowed to park on the Martel Loop between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. weekdays. Student parking along the loop is limited to 15 minutes. Students registered to park on campus can park in the Abercrombie Lot at all other times and on weekends.

"It would be helpful if you needed to quickly drop something off or grab something out of your room," said Chad Chasteen, Jones College senior.

Upon approaching the Abercrombie Lot entrance, students should use the intercom to contact the parking garage office attendant and give their name and proximity card number to gain entry to the lot. Students are required to contact the attendant via intercom again when they leave the lot.

Martel Master Arthur Few said students have been requesting access to the Martel Loop since Rice's parking gates became operational earlier this semester. The system being tested in this week's experiment is based on the system that allows south college students to park on the loop in 15 minutes to quickly pick up or drop off things at their rooms.

"I don't have someone there to watch them all the time," Binford said.

Students found parked illegally in the Abercrombie Lot or found parked in the loop for more than 15 minutes will be issued parking tickets at the usual rate of $25 per offense.

Another major concern among students using the Martel Loop is the congestion it may cause, Binford said. Students are said to be only out of the loop, which he estimates will be used by approximately 15 cars per day. Few said he does not believe the new system will cause significant congestion.

"Right now, (students) have access to the lot and tubing 5:30 p.m. on weekends and after 10, and we've had no parking problems," he said.

Some students think this experiment should be implemented long-term because it allows students closer access to the colleges.

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Martel President Anna Friedberg said she also thought the access would be useful, but she said this parking procedure would only be a short-term solution to the problem of accessing the Martel Loop and that a long-term solution might require further construction.

Martel and Jones students will be notified of developments in the Martel Loop situation through their college representatives.

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by Mark Ikerenson

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Wiess College senior Mike Bader, who was in charge of NOD security, said Rice University Police Department Sgt. Tim Last agreed.

"We are providing security for three years now, and I saw calls being made a lot quicker than in past years," Bader said. "I think it made the party much safer.

"Melville said most of the REMS patients were released to a guest, however, one accident was severely intoxicated and taken to the hospital by an ambulance. Rice University Police Dept. Sgt. Steven Bader, who led RUPD's six officers at NOD, said a second ambulance call to NOD was for a police officer involved in an accident.

There were two incidents at NOD that RUPD has referred to University Court.

Reiter said in the first incident, a Rice student gave his Rice ID to an unauthorized guest who was trying to get into the party.

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Franklin has a strikingly immediate Moore, a life-
long political activist. As far as I'm
well. That's the way I see it.

Two scenes about Audrey's sadis-
ticism boyfriend Otto Scrivello, DDS,
make him increasingly willing to kill
people to feed the plant that has
made him famous.

The major shortcoming of the
production is its inability to present
the type of cartoon atmosphere
that Moore wants to achieve.

Michael Moore throws his
interspersed with the
films.

The documentary
is particularly
definitely possesses
some
bias and isn't
shy about them.

Moore creates his own
version of American history, re-creating
everything from the slave trade to
the killing of Native Americans in
hopes of American power. He
reminds us that Germany, a country whose
history contains more violent images than
Moore's, has very few hangman's
hanging. Properly, we watch too many violent
movies. Listen to music with violent
lyrics and play too many violent video
games! He shows us other coun-
tries in which people engage in the
same pastimes but suffer fewer
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Moore reasons that if we blame
Marvin Minson for Columbus,
perhaps we should also blame bow-
ing, since the killers played a few
games before instigating their mur-
ders. Maybe guns are just
too readily available in the Unit-
sed for Columbus. Moore shows us that it is
closer to get guns in Canada and
that gun murders there are
almost nonexistent. And so on.

Moore moves his documentary
along while convincingly finding
hates in these answers. In the end,
he argues that Americans are so divided
because our culture relies too much
on them.

The film does contain problems.
The holes in logic and bad science
parallel sometimes strikingly the
absurd and generate more ques-
tions than answers. The tone
also feels off at times because of
structure weaknesses. The film suffers
especially in the beginning as it
jumps around searching for an
answer. At one point we are
impressed in diving closely and then
the next looking at actual Colum-
bine-surveillance footage of the
Columbine shooting.

In one montage the spokesman
for Lockheed Martin, the largest
weapons manufacturer in the
world, proclaims that launchers are con-
structed strictly for American de-
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every invasion, assassination,
overthrow and war that the United
States has committed against foreign
countries in the last hundred years,
all to the tune of Louis Armstrong's
"What a Wonderful World." I think
most people in Bowling for Columbine,
its reflection of a sadistic dentist in Little Shop
of Horrors, Moore's film has a
powerful impact on the audience.

The strength of Bowling for Colu-
bmine rests in its power to stir up
the audience and have them leave
thinking and discussing.

The movie will spark an interesting
night of debate with whoever you
goes with it. An unfortunate prob-
lem for Moore is that too few people
will see the film, and the people
who will are most likely not the very
audience it attacks. Regardless,
you have to appreciate the effort.
Even if you're not much of a fan of
documentaries, give this one a shot.
You'll be glad you did.
Houston Grand Opera production proves Bohemia is alive and well

Caroline Shaw was based on the same story. with which any college student can easily identify. Think... 

La Boheme, a performance of Giacomo Puccini's and Marcello tug and slacken, in a underlying emotions.

The tale begins in a cold attic room the pair reunites, and the party skips around in their garret. Rodolfo and Mimi have been apart for several months now. The mood soon darkens when Masetta arrives at the door with a dying Mimi, who is happily reunited with Rodolfo.

Young German conductor Sebastian Lang-Lessing directs the HGO orchestra (which includes Lovett College junior Ben Jaber on horns) with the buoyancy needed to handle the scenery behind them darkens, what he wants for himself. Meg Whitmore is a Baker College student who is the producer who is the show's version of Meg's fairy godmother. American Dreams boasts this season's best new theme song, the radio-friendly "Generation" by Torn's Emerson Hart. It's a catchy little ditty, something that might sound even better as an AC hit than a chart topper.

American Dreams puts the "malt" in love stories of the era. In fact, the drama wrapped warmly around me like a parochial school cardigan. The idea of the pop stars of the 1960s, but people we love, things could be OK. The musical performances have the potential to be hilarious — I would like to see Eminem and Fred Durst do Chad and Jeremy, or Korn playing Hermann's Homest. You will do a double take when you realize that Joey, er, Joseph Lawrence playing the American Bandstand producer who is the show's version of Meg's fairy godmother.

American Dreams puts the "malt" in "American Dreams" — it's a delicious and nostalgic as a treat from the corner drugstore. Meg Whitmore is a Baker College senior.
Rice Media Center joins forces with SWAMP to commemorate founding father James Blue

The entire output of the late James Blue is too diverse and too extensive to be covered in one article, but let it suffice to say that each of his unique achievements demonstrates why he is remembered as the man who brought independent filmmaking to Houston and Houston independent filmmaking to the rest of the world.

James Blue

The story of James Blue begins at an undergraduate in the late 1940s. As a young international student, Blue was one of the first Americans to attend the highly competitive Institute of Higher Studies in Cinematography, one of Europe's top graduate film schools. He graduated from the institute in 1958 at the age of 31, Blue was catapulted into the world's spotlight by the reception to his film *The Olive Trees of Justice* (Les Oliviers de la justice) (1962), which was the only feature film made in Africa during the Algerian War. It won the Critic's Prize at the Cannes Film Festival in 1962 and became the first feature film by an American director ever shown at the New York Film Festival in September 1962.

Blue was based on the prize-winning autobiographical novel by Jean-Paul Sartre, who served as assistant director on the production and acted in the role of his own father in the film. Sartre's dedication to his art and his perseverance to capture truth on film, Blue shot the film while the revolution was taking place. Filming was interrupted four times by bombs.

The film was released in France in the summer of 1962. As a testimony to Blue's dedication to his art and his perseverance, a 3-day pass. For more information, go to www.swamp.org. The olive trees in the film have now been destroyed by a country at war. It uses non-actors, most of them Algerians, and was widely praised by critics who compared Blue's naturalistic approach to sociological narratives to that of Roberto Rossellini's Italian neorealist films. One of the first films to mix the new cinéma vérité style with that of the classical feature, *Olive Trees of Justice* announced the end of French colonialism and the emergence of a major new voice in film.

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SCHEDULE

tonight
6:30 p.m. SWAMP 25th anniversary celebration, by ticket only
9 p.m. public screening of *Kronos* and *The Marek*
tomorrow
1-3 p.m. Symposium: "James Blue: Community Activism and the Narrative Impulse"
7 p.m. *Olive Trees of Justice*, introduced by Gerald O'Grady and followed by an audience discussion and private reception.
sunday
9 p.m. James Blue: Houston Housing Issues and Community Forum
5:30 p.m. Q&A / Community Forum

The Symposium is free, but admission to screenings requires a ticket purchased at the door or a 3-day pass. For more information, go to www.swamp.org or call (713) 522-8592.

Although he is most remembered for his gritty documentaries on social injustice, Blue was more than a social activist; he was a pioneer of filmmaking. Born in Tulsa, Okla., in 1931, Blue attended Rice University as an undergraduate in the late 1940s.

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**WAC title meet on tap for Owl runners**

by Melissa Dominguez

Gorry may have finished first among Rice runners at three meets this season, but the race takes on special significance for seniors like Summer Bell.

"As a senior this is a very special race for me," Bell said. "Not only is this my last WAC championships race, but the second to last race of my collegiate running career, so I have to go out and push myself."

Like the runners, women's head coach Jim Bevan said it is excited to finally reach the climax of the season and believes his team is ready.

"I feel that as a team we have all worked so hard and that we need to take it easy now because it should all pay off," freshman Lauren Murphy said.

"Murphy is one of two freshmen running on the women's side, along with Gorry, and the team appears to be near full strength.

"We have had a few nagging injuries that have not allowed us to ever be at 100 percent," Bevan said. "We are getting very close right now to being at 100 percent," Bevan said. "We are excited about running in a close pack could make the difference against fierce competition."
Junior Richard Barker, seen here in practice Sept. 17, teamed with twin brother William Richard to take the Region VI doubles title Oct. 28 in Fort Worth.

"Coach Ladhanide made valuable comments to me about how our team is a national contender now."

— Shaheen Ladhanidhi Assistant men's tennis coach

'Some teams just roll with it," Searle said.

"We are all tired of mediocrity — it's time to make an impact."

— Adam Tabakin THRESHER STAFF

Rice's recent run of success in the Region VI tour- nament had been secured, but he will be fine for next week."

"Especially since his spot in the national (indoor championship) had been secured, we all are going to work hard on our game," Phillips said.

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Football jumps out to first-half lead, cruises to 27-15 win

by Jason Gershman

Senior defensive end Brandon Green probably has the support of the whole SMU coaching staff in his run of All-American honors after his performance Saturday.

Other teams have double-teamed and driven for a half to hold him in check, but this time against Rice, Green had his way with Rice quarterback Kyle Herm, still a redshirt freshman.

"I thought I was headed for the end zone, but it shocked me. Nobody wants to talk about the play, just the hit," Herm said.

Big mistake.

With SMU leading 3-0 and driving for more points, Rice sophomore Laurin McMillan and Barrett, knocking the half house, and ever-present Oklahoma State transfer Daniel Thomas batted the ball away from Green.

"Maybe [SMU] didn't think I was as good as everyone else has been saying, because they were running to my side and gave me a chance to get into the game," Green said. "It felt like running into a brick wall. It's funny because it didn't hurt, it just shocked me. Nobody wants to talk about the play, just the hit."

Green sacked SMU quarterback Rich Meyer on his first two drives and Rice will have to find a different way to get forward.

"Every game we have played, they have been driving and kicking away side away from Green," Green said. "Maybe [SMU] didn't think I was as good as everyone else has been saying, because they were running to my side and gave me a chance to get into the game. It was about as good as I have been trying to make plays and help our team win."

SMU outgained Rice 399-313 in total offense, but the Owls dominated with big plays on both defense and special teams.

SMU has now blocked or deflected three punts in the last two games. Senior safety Antwan Shell, shown here celebrating an interception at Reliant Stadium Oct. 5 against Louisiana Tech, returned a blocked punt for a touchdown Saturday against SMU in Rice's 27-15 victory at Rice Stadium. The Owls travel to Tulsa to face the Golden Hurricane tomorrow.

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Did you know?

Rice freshman linebacker Adam Herrin has more connections to SMU than his blocked punt Saturday. His father, Billy Herrin, was a first-year coaching assistant when he blocked a punt two years ago.

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Cross Country

The Owls are the defending Central Championships in Waco regional level at the NCAA South Central Championships, "freshman Marcel Hewamudalige is also pretty beat-up, seeing as he has had trouble finishing workouts. We are really hoping that he can put in a solid five miles on Saturday, so that we can finish our top five within the first 20 at the meet."

Senior Jeremy LaBoff (hamstring) and junior Tim Cheng (quad strain) are also below full strength, but the Owls remains optimistic about the race. "Despite injuries, if all goes well, Rice will place well, and then we'll prepare for [the NCAA South-Central Championships]," freshman David Axel said. "As a team, we're taking it one at a time."

Rice will count not only on its normal point-winners, but also on more up-and-coming runners, such as freshmen Matt Hamilton and Matt Davis. "We are looking forward to competing at [the WAC Championships], but we are also guarded in our outlook," Axel said. "We know that to win, everyone who is capable of running will have to run, and we might even need some extra help from runners like Hamilton and Davis, who are really going to have to step up."

The Owls are the defending champions in the men's race but will face stiff competition from favored SMU on its home course.

"In order for the team to do well, we must run well together as a unit with a very small spread from first to fifth place."

— Adam Davis

SMU Freshman cross-country runner

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Rice

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FOOTBALL

SMU 15 RICE 27

SMU — Stephanie 20 yard field goal
Rice — Larry 37 yard field goal
SMU — Joe 35 yard field goal (James 4) - 3-0
SMU — Joe 23 yard field goal
Rice — Cameron 12 yard field goal (Stephenson 1) - 6-3
SMU — Larry 45 yard field goal (from Bruins James 38 kick)

More stats and information can be found at www.smu.edu.

Soccer

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SMU — Rice 20 yard field goal
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Texas 711
Tulsa 717
Rice 759
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Texas-Pan A&M 774

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Men's Tennis

ITA Region VI Championships

More stats and information can be found at www.ita.org.
FRIDAY

The March

The Rice Media Center is presenting a screening of "James Dean: The March," at 9 p.m. Admission is $5 for students.

SATURDAY

What do you mean I can't? Who would have loved my old CENG 450 book?
The Friends of Vietnam

Library is holding its annual book drive from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Star Motor Cars at 7300 Kirby Road. The books will be used for the 3600 Book Sale, and donations of hardcover and paperback books will be gladly accepted. (Pet please, no textbooks.) For more information, contact vietlib@rice.edu.

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The Anthropology Professor Julie Taylor is holding tango lessons at the Harp Dance Studio in the Recreation Center from 1 to 3 p.m. Tickets are $5 for students, although you will receive a 15% discount if you bring a piece of winter clothing for donation to help impoverished Argentinians. To register, call x6599.

Speaking of broadening cultural horizons, did you know there's a Taco Cabana on Kirby and Main?

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The Women's Volleyball team takes on Tulsa University in a WAC game at Aubrey Court at 3 p.m.

Shephard School Symphony Orchestra

The Shephard School Symphony Orchestra is presenting a concert directed by Larry Rachleff. Selections include works by Bartok, Webern and Stravinsky. It begins at 8 p.m. in Stude Concert Hall.

Hey, maybe you'll find the ID you lost at NOD.

Wiese Sala Night takes place from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. in the Wies/Hamren Veranda. There will be free food and drinks provided, and lessons will be given at 9 p.m.

SUNDAY

Road Vetinarian Defense

ADVANCE, Houston Hillel and the Rice Muslim Student Association present a free screening of "Piazza," an Academy Award-nominated documentary focusing on children of Israel and Palestine, at 2 p.m. in the Grand Hall of the Rice Memorial Center.

MONDAY

You gotta support the team.
The men's basketball team will be taking on Ump實現Basketball in an exhibition game. Tipoff is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. at Atrium Court.

TUESDAY

Royal Ass-kicking Defense

The Rice University Police Department's Rape Aggression Defense program will be holding its first lesson tonight from 7 to 9 p.m. for girls. For location or more information, contact Mrs. Jeff Taylor at x2984. To register, go to http://rtp.rice.edu.

THURSDAY

Unfortunately, it was discovered that one of the Rice starters was actually a 24-year-old male living at Jones.

Rice hosts the WAC women's soccer tournament at the Rice Recreation Center, with games being played on Friday and Saturday.

FRIDAY

"Now is the time on Sprockets when you dance!"

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