F ans await Board’s decision

Friends of Rice Athletics protest possible move from I-A

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McKinsey report released

Board-commissioned study of Rice athletics addresses social, academic, economic costs of NCAA participation

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After receiving the report commissioned from the management consulting firm McKinsey & Company, the Board of Trustees is considering the future of Rice athletics at meetings this month. The McKinsey Report on Intercollegiate Athletics was released to the public in March. The report includes data on the economic, academic and social impact of athletics at the university and lists possible courses of action for the board.

The four options described in the report include remaining in Division I, dropping football and moving to Division III, moving to Division I-A, and dropping football and moving to Division I-AA, a football-only program.

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In considering the report, McKinsey staff members gathered data from institutional, research, and opinion sources; reviewed data from previous studies; and conducted nine focus groups of students, faculty, and staff members.

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The report begins with a review of Rice's current athletic program. Although Rice is a member of the Big East Conference, it is a member of the Atlantic Coast Conference (ACC) in eight sports during the past six years and won the ACC baseball championship in 2003. The report also comments on Rice athletics for maintaining high standards.

"Rice is a model of how intercollegiate athletics should be done right," said George Foreman, who is a former heavyweight boxing champion and was a member of the Rice faculty. "Rice has done a great job of making sure that the athletes get a good education and that the team is successful on and off the field."
Summer reading list

Talk around campus this May has inevitably centered around the McNair College and Preparatory Academic Sciences (Gees, Page 1) and the late-May decision by the Board of Trustees regarding the future of athletics at Rice.

The report does a noteworthy job of summarizing the current situation and available options for the future, and we applaud the board’s decision to publicize the report and solicit feedback from the community.

There is a lot of misinformation circulating, but we suggest that everyone in the Rice community read the report — it is the best vehicle toward productive conversations about the place of athletics at Rice.

That said, the decision is in the board’s hands. In the Rice of the future, with or without football, we feel there are several changes suggested by the McKinsey report that would benefit the entire Rice community and bridge the acknowledged gap between the Athletic Department and the rest of the university.

Admissions

Student-athletes should complete the same application for admission as the rest of the student body. We need to eliminate the perception that student-athletes do not belong at Rice because they are admitted under a different set of standards. Currently, student-athlete applicants do not have to write the longer essay or fill out the type of students willing to take on the challenges presented by Rice.

Academic Advising

The administration should eliminate the Academic Department of Academic Advising and have student-athletes in the campus-wide advising program. Having a separate department for student-athlete academic advising is neither productive nor efficient. Student-athletes are more capable of taking on the same level of responsibility for their own academics as the rest of the student body does. Separate advising isolates and decreases the perception that they are academically different from non-athletes.

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Religious Right does not own Christianity

It's hard not to get angry at the Religious Right these days. From 9-11, Jerry Falwell, a guest on Pat Robertson's 700 Club, blamed the terrorist attacks on "the pagans" and the abortionISTS, and the feminists, and the pagans, and the abortionists, and the pagans — or any group of people — are inherently stupid or godless. Some of them have gone so far as to claim that all religious beliefs are nothing more than a stupid superstition. Deifying a culture is not for the faint of heart. Anyone who does not let his or her religion inform their politics does not take their religion seriously.

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**Next Century Campaign reaches goal a year late**

By Alisa Newell

Rice's first major fund-raising campaign has reached its $500 million goal a year after its original deadline.

President Malcolm Gillis said he began thinking about the Next Century Campaign in 1995 and started it July 1, 1996 without an official announcement. In September 2000, Gillis and his wife Elizabeth held an event to celebrate the public start of the campaign. The original date set for completion of the campaign was June 30, 2002, but Gillis said he was not bothered by the late culmination.

“Deadlines are always extremely elastic; no campaign ever has a hard and fast completion date,” Gillis said.

The campaign experienced setbacks due to the flooding from Tropical Storm Allison in July 2001, Gillis said. “The flood during the summer of 2001 was a tremendous blow, not because of damage to us, but because local foundations and philanthropists that we depend on—rightly so—that their largest goal was to help the Texas Medical Center and our reconstruction in the flood,” Gillis said. “They didn’t include Rice because there was not much damage done to the university.”

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Despite the various setbacks and the later-than-anticipated completion date, Gillis said he is very satisfied with the campaign.

“It was our first comprehensive campaign ever, we were one of the last major universities to ever mount a campaign, so we had to make it up as we went along,” Gillis said. “It went astonishingly well given that and the state of the economy.”

Gillis predicts the Next Century Campaign will surpass its goal by the end of June.

He said the future of Rice fundraising is in the hands of President-Elect David Leebron, who will take office July 1, 2004. “We’ll need to create another strategic plan and, with the administration and faculty, will have to decide what the new priorities are,” Gillis said.

Despite all the work that goes into a new campaign, Gillis said he is proud to have paved the way for future efforts.

“I’m very happy to leave an infrastructure for fundraising that wasn’t present before,” he said. “I will be sad to make it from scratch.”

The campaign money will be used in several different areas of concern at Rice and will primarily be used to fulfill the campaign’s four original goals. The first—to enhance undergraduate and student life—was allocated $175 million and included improvements to student life, such as the construction of Mal- bel College as the ninth residential college, as well as athletic scholarship programs and funding for programs such as Leadership Rice.

The second area of focus—the strengthening of faculty and graduate programs—was allocated $270 million. This goal included funding for graduate fellowships, as well as the construction of the Humanities Building and the new Jesse H. Jones School of Management and the renovations to Keck Hall. It also provided for endowed chairs in various departments.

According to the Next Century Campaign Website, the main function of endowed chairs is to provide recognition to existing Rice faculty, attract new faculty and provide continuing funding to the academic departments.

Twenty-five million dollars was allotted in the third goal, expanding and strengthening outreach programs, such as Continuing Studies, the Baker Institute and K-12 education.

The final area of concern for the Next Century Campaign was increasing the annual fund and unrestricted gifts, which was allocated $30 million and included funding for financial aid, library improvements, scholarships and various other campus improvements.

Gillis said that many of the goals were set—some were even surpassed.

“We expanded the faculty base more than we thought we would,” Gillis said. “Additionally, we added new features to Brown, Jones and Martel Colleges. We hit all the targets.”

**Fondren renovations to include coffee shop**

by Ian Everhart

Spending time in the library may soon be more relaxing, with the eventual addition of a coffee shop and informal lounges for undergraduate and graduate students. Assistant University Librarian Sara Lowman said pending approval from the Board of Trustees, new coffee shop designs will be drawn up over the summer and fall; renovations may begin as early as 2005.

The library's renovations would include physically remodeling many parts of the building, as April 8 article in Rice News stated.

Current goals for the campaign are creating a "main street" through the first floor of the library, the walkway would continue to the current western door of the library facing the Academic Quad through to a new door on the eastern side of the building and would be intended to eliminate some of the more confusing design features of the current layout.

The plans also include the addition of a coffee shop on the second floor of the library to create a more relaxed reading area for individual work and group collaboration. The sixth floor may be converted into an informal reading room with open and closed study areas. The sixth floor will also have a lounge designed for graduate students.

The plans also include the addition of books and wireless technologies, Lowman said. She said it will provide "an informal study space throughout the building with the goal of supporting learning and use of technology.

"Library renovations to the library are overdue, especially since library-use needs have changed in recent years," — Sara Lowman, Assistant university librarian

Some space for the renovations was freed up by the opening of the new office of Library Information Technology earlier this year and the relocation of the English department to Herff Hall, Lowman said. Library-wide volumes currently stored in Houston, Lowman said, "they didn't include Rice because there was not much damage done to the university."
American. Last year's incoming class had 86 Hispanic students and 92 are Hispanic and 48 are African American. Rice receives has also steadily increased to last year's 51.

"It's just that a higher percentage of female students will comprise the majority of the people." Wright said Rice has admitted 18,000 students from the wait list, the Admissions Office has worked hard in the out-of-state areas, particularly on the East Coast, and on the West Coast as well." Wright said "It didn't hurt to win the 2008 NCAA football championship. Rice has been in the news in general a lot more. And, of course, we continue to do well in the rankings."

The increasing number of applications has resulted in a lower admit rate. Wright said in addition, many students applied under the early decision plan this year. "One of the reasons that we have a fairly low admit rate this year is because we had such a big early-decision class," Wright said. "I think we are going to have a higher percentage of students from Texas this year because we are just one of the schools that selected it," Hutchinson said. "I think I also can communicate more effectively with my students, just because I am better able to understand their perspective."

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**Alumni pick Hutch as teaching award winner**

By Lindsay Gilbert

For a second year, Chemistry Professor John Hutchinson was named the recipient of the George R. Brown Prize for Excellence in Teaching. Hutchinson also received the award in 1997. Hutchinson has taught CHEM 122: General Chemistry at Rice for the past 10 years.

The winner of the excellence prize, along with the winners of other George R. Brown teaching awards, is chosen each year by the alumni who graduated two years and five years prior. Alumni respond to survey questions and choose their favorite or most memorable professor.

"It is gratifying that it is students that selected it," Hutchinson said. "It is even more gratifying that it is alumni, because they've had the opportunity to put their education in the context of their careers."

Hutchinson said he has enjoyed teaching every since he returned home in high school and knew from an early age that he wanted to be a professor.

"It's a family legacy," he said. "My grandfather was a professor."

As Brown College master, former Rice College master and assistant vice president for Student Affairs, Hutchinson often interacts with students outside the classroom.

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A member of the women’s water polo team scrubs a wheel cover at the car wash the team held April 23 to help fund its trip to the national club water polo tournament.

Wagoner winners will study abroad

by Lindsey Gilbert
THE RICE EDITORIAL STAFF

Two undergraduates and one graduate student will study abroad next year as recipients of the Wagoner Foreign Studies scholarship. The Rice-only scholarship program awards several grants each year to applicants with an interest in taking courses or conducting research overseas.

Following an itinerary that will take him to Africa, Australia and Peru, Jones College senior Rob Shafer will investigate agricultural sustainability in different parts of the developing world. Shafer said his research is relevant to his degree in political science.

"A lot of what is going on [in agricultural sustainability] is very political, especially in terms of water use," he said.

Brown College sophomore James Jirtle, a music major, will take courses in divinity and theology at the University of St. Andrews in Scotland. Because he is primarily interested in church music, Jirtle hopes to increase his religious knowledge.

Jirtle said he has never been to Scotland, although many of his ancestors and relatives are Scottish.

"I've always been interested in going there for family history reasons," Jirtle said.

Some of the winners identified previous study-abroad experiences as important factors in their decisions to apply for the Wagoner.

Matthew Chen, a Wiess College senior, said he decided to study abroad again after spending his junior year in England. Chen will travel to Canberra, Australia, where he will enroll in a one-year master of international affairs program at the Australian National University. His research will focus on forced global migrations.

Sid Richardson College senior Shirin Hakimzadeh has taught English in Turkey, spent a year abroad in Chile and traveled to Mexico with the sociology department's Health and Migration Project. Building on her undergraduate degrees in anthropology and Spanish, Hakimzadeh will enroll in a one-year social and cultural anthropology masters program at Oxford University. She chose Oxford because it is a groundbreaking center that opened there in October specializing in migration policy.

Two other Wagoner winners will also study at Oxford. Hamon College junior Tony Kellems will conduct research in computational and applied mathematics and history graduate student Marty Wauck will begin work on his doctoral thesis in AAM major, with a focus forward to experiencing a different approach to the field.

"There is a groundbreaking think tank overseas which helps me so much when I come back to the United States," Kellems said. "Overseas, they have very intensive proof courses," Wauck's thesis will investigate the relationships among the science, religion and politics of Britain's Victorian Age. Wauck said in England he will have access to primary documents such as diaries, letters and lecture notes that he would not have elsewhere.

The Wagoner Foreign Studies Scholarship program was established in 1997 at the bequest of James Wagoner ('29), an alumnus interested in travel and international affairs. This year, about 20 students applied for the scholarship.

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Rice scientists win grant for dental engineering

by Alana Newell
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The National Institutes of Health has awarded researchers in Rice’s biomedical engineering laboratory a $1.4 million grant to create a material that will help patients regenerate bone tissue after dental surgery.

Rice’s Center for Excellence in Tissue Engineering will share the five-year grant with the University of Texas-Houston Medical School Health Science Center. The researchers will attempt to create new biomaterials that will stimulate the growth of bone tissue, principal investigator Antonios Mikos said.

“The grant is for the investigation of the development of new therapies to help patients that have had tooth extractions or defects in bone tissues,” Mikos said.

Many patients have problems following tooth extractions due to extensive damage to the jawbone where bone material is removed during surgery. This damage can make it difficult to attach dental implants after tooth extractions and other dental procedures without additional surgery. Additionally, the body is less able to regenerate the bone on its own because of the soft tissue surrounding the bone. In severe cases of bone loss, “critical-size defects” are created in a jawbone too large for the body to heal on its own.

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In these cases, a bone transplant can help bridge the gap, but because there is always the risk of tissue rejection or disease transfer from donors and because harvesting the bone from elsewhere on the body necessitates additional surgery, the Rice and UH-HSC researchers hope to manufacture a material that will induce bone growth without the excess risk.

Mikos and the other researchers are attempting to produce a biodegradable implant that will release particular “healing factors” and stabilize the defect in the bone. The implant will eventually break down, leaving in its place the body’s own regenerated bone.

Mikos’ lab has already conducted some experiments on rabbits, in which the researchers were able to isolate the growth factors that allow the bones to regenerate.

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Both undergraduates and graduate students will be assisting in the lab with the project, Mikos said.

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Gillis will return to Duke for one year

by Rita Gorden

Oklahoma, Malcolm Gillis will relinquish his position as president of Rice University. Gillis will go to Duke University for a year, to wind down his public policy studies before returning to focus on athletics and academics at Rice University. "He's been an amazing mentor for me and has helped me in so many ways," said a student ambassador at Duke. "He's always been there for me, even when I needed him the most." Gillis said he is looking forward to spending time with his family and friends during his year at Duke. "I'm excited to have some free time and to explore all that Duke has to offer," he said. Gillis's career at Rice began in 1993, when he was named the university's 11th president. During his tenure, Gillis oversaw a variety of initiatives, including the expansion of the university's doctoral programs, the establishment of the A. Baker III Institute for Public Policy, and the creation of the Rice University School of Law. He also worked to strengthen the university's international ties, particularly with universities in Europe. "I'm proud of what we've accomplished during my time here," he said. "Rice is a truly exceptional institution, and I'm confident that it will continue to thrive under the leadership of our next president." Gillis was succeeded by John D. Forbes, who will serve as interim president until a new president is chosen. Forbes has served as Rice's provost for the past six years and is a former dean of the School of Engineering. "It's an honor to be named interim president," he said. "I look forward to working with the Rice community to ensure a smooth transition to a new president." Gillis said he plans to stay involved with Rice University in some capacity, but he is looking forward to taking some time for himself and his family. "I've had a wonderful run at Rice University," he said. "I'm looking forward to the next chapter in my life."
Student Center names new asst. director

by Alona Newell

There will be a new face around the Student Center when classes reconvene for the fall. Assistant Director of the Student Center Pamela Klepal-Sherman will be replacing Pamelyn Klepal-Shefman, who was chosen for the position.

"When I interviewed, I really enjoyed the student body and campus," Klepal-Sherman said. "I was very impressed at the Student Center and the students working there, because they're really doing some amazing things, and I wanted to be part of that." Klepal-Sherman will be replacing Paul Sutera, the former assistant director who was promoted to the newly created assistant director of Development-Student Affairs position in January. Following Sutera's promotion, a committee of students, faculty and staff began the search for a new assistant director of the Student Center. 

The position has many responsibilities, including working with student building managers, information desk assistants, and Willy's Pub and Coffeehouse staff members, as well as advising to ADVANCE and assisting with the overall operation of the Student Center.

Klepal-Sherman said although she plans to gather student opinion on ways to improve the Student Center, she already has some ideas as to what she would like to see happen. "I'd like to see the creation of spaces the students can have more access to," Klepal-Sherman said. "I know there are current plans for a Coffeehouse expansion, but I'd also like to see more space for students to be outside of the colleges — places to hang out, study and have impromptu meetings."

Klepal-Sherman attended Carnegie-Mellon University as an undergraduate and received her MBA from Duquesne University. She has seven years of experience in student affairs. Beckwith said Klepal-Sherman will be a good addition to the Rice community, and said the search will offer her a chance to become more familiar with the university before classes start.

"It's great that she's coming in the summer to get acclimated," Beckwith said. "She was able to attend a student-employee appreciation event and meet some students, and her email correspondence with them will be easier because she's met them already. She'll then begin the ground running in the fall."

NSF awards grants to three Rice graduates

by Lindsey Gilbert

For three graduates continuing their education next year at schools around the country, a prestigious three-year grant has made life a little easier.

Jones College seniors George Wells and Evan Bullock and Will Rice College senior Katherine Garcia were named among the recipients of this year's National Science Foundation Graduate Fellowship. The NSF awards about 1,000 scholarships each year to students with a proven interest in scientific research. The scholarships cover full tuition for three years of graduate work and come with a yearly stipend of $30,000.

Wells, who has been working as an intern at BP Chemicals Ltd. since his graduation in December, will enter the environmental engineering doctoral program at Stanford University. Wells, who majored in environmental and chemical engineering, said he plans to focus his graduate research in environmental biotechnology and has considered topics such as wastewater treatment and remediation of subsurface soil. The NSF fellowship will also allow him greater freedom in choosing his own course of research, he said.

"The main benefit of the NSF fellowship is that it lets you focus on money that has been allocated for a specific research project," he said. "I think Bullock could not be reached for comment.

Garcia, who will study astronomy at Boston University, said she will continue to research the magnetic field of the Earth during her NSF fellowship. "I will be working on observations of the Earth's aurora from satellite images and comparing those to model outputs of the earth's magnetic field," she said.

Almost 6,000 students applied for the fellowships this year nationwide.
Rice to split Nanotech grant

by Alan Newell

A multi-million dollar grant from the Department of Defense will keep the nanotechnology labs at Rice equipped with the latest technology and research equipment, the DOD announced April 28. Rice will share the $30 million grant with other institutions that are part of the Strategic Partnership for Research in Nanotechnology, or SPRING, consortium.

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Rice will get a fifth of the money — about $1.93 million — as will the University of Texas at Austin, UT-Arlington, UT-Dallas and the United States Air Force Academy. Small amounts of the grant will go to UT-Pan American and UT-Brownsville.

The grant is an add-on to the federal defense budget and was advocated by Senator Kay Bailey Hutchinson (R-Texas). It will be used primarily for equipment to keep Rice’s and other SPRING members’ laboratories up to date.

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Rice received a similar $1.5 million grant last fiscal year. Adams said it was used various types of equipment, and toward the creation of a new clean room — an environmentally controlled, dust-free assembly or repair facility — in Averehemore Engineering Laboratory.

The most recent grant will also be used for its most important research, specifically to purchase two new transmission electron microscopes.

The new technologies will help the CNST in all its various forms of nanoresearch.

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Take me for a spin

Students gather around a Jaguar at the Engineering Hall on April 24, held at Momentum Jaguar/Porsche/Voivo Dealership. Attendees could take test rides in some of the showroom cars. Engineering students decided to reserve the E-bay — last held in the 1990s — this year and invited other students as well as professors.

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A well oiled machine?

Rice University Police Department officers Greg Beaves (front) and Andrew Collins check under the hood of a student's car April 24. RUPD sponsored a car clinic where students could bring their cars for a basic tune-up before driving home for the summer.

**Envision grants worth $2,030**

by Aaron Heckelman

The winner of this year's James Award, along with the final round of 2003-'04 Envision Grant recipients, was announced by the Leadership Rice office in late April.

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Phil was the project most geared towards studying all sides of an issue rather than saying, "Here's the problem, let's fix it." Ksiezyk said. Levine will present his project in a video documentary at the end of the summer.

The three Envision Grant winners were selected from a pool of five applications — an average number of submissions, Ksiezyk said. Leadership Rice awards Envision Grants three times a year to help sponsor projects that will benefit Rice or the larger community. The awards range from $200 to $2,500.

The team of Wiess junior Davis Niendorff and Wiess sophomore Morgan Munter was awarded $500 for the construction of six birdhouses around the Rice campus. Niendorff is majoring in architecture and Munter in civil engineering and history. Niendorff said hats are already present in the Rice area and attracting more will help to keep the mosquito population on campus in check.

"Generally, if you build a house, bats will come and make a home in it," Niendorff said.

The house, which will measure about 3 by 2 feet, should be in place by mid-February. One of them will be fitted with a camera that will provide a live feed to a Web site available to students.

Bioengineering graduate student Amaraunde Vemu was awarded $3,000 to create a human exhibit about the five senses and the technologies biologists have created for regaining them when they malfunction. The exhibit may be displayed at local high schools and the Museum of Health and Medical Science. Students in van de Ven's BIOE 492 Sensory Neuroengineering class will design and build the exhibit as their fall term project.

"I tried to come up with something really fun for the students," van de Ven said. "I was involved with the class last year... and this year I want the final project to be something really interactive that they can get into with their hands."

Marital senior Hubert Gorniak was awarded $400 to help sponsor a video documentary on contemporary poetry in Poland. Gorniak will travel to Poland this summer, where he will investigate the relationship between poetry and the current political climate in Poland.

Applications for next year's first round of Envision Grants are due Oct. 14. Applications for the 2005 James Award will be due next spring.

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**PHILOSOPHY 104**

**INTRODUCTION TO PHILOSOPHY OF SCIENCE THE SCIENTIST AS DETECTIVE**

We assume that science is trustworthy every time we ingest a prescription drug or ride in an airplane. The State assumes that established science is trustworthy every time DNA evidence is used to convict or exonerate a criminal defendant. What makes science trustworthy? Traditional answers to this question focus on the idea that science has a distinctive method of investigation and reasoning. Some recent authors insist instead that what science serves up as 'truth' depends on the brute fact of social agreement. We study the main philosophical contributions to the topic of what makes science trustworthy as they pertain to induction, falsifiability, crucial experiment, novel prediction, repeatability, surprising evidence, ad hoc hypotheses and thought experiments. We illustrate methodological points with stories of the first 'scientific' detective in English literature, Sherlock Holmes, and with examples from science itself. We ask, in the end, whether the view of science as based on social agreement can make sense of our convictions about DNA in the courtroom.
McKinsey details future options for Rice athletics

**McKinsey from Page 1**

**Story:** The report goes on to outline the history of Rice athletics, beginning with the formation of the football program in 1925 and the founding of the Southwest Conference in 1914. Rice sports became prominent in the Houston community, which included professional sports, and both Rice Stadium and Rice Arena were built in 1925 to accommodate the large fan turnout.

In the 1980s, however, the American Football League, which began to draw fans away from the football team, and Rice struggled to compete athletically with the University of Texas at Austin and Texas A&M University, both of which had begun to rapidly increase their enrollments and improve their facilities.

During the 1980s, six of the nine SWC schools at some point placed on NCAA probation for football. However, this was not the case for Rice, as it was not placed on such probation, which helped it avoid the negative publicity and concern that faced the other schools.

The conference disbanded in 1996, effective after the 1995-96 academic year, and Rice immediately moved to the Western Athletic Conference, competing with schools in that area and in other locations, including the University of Texas at El Paso.

In October 2003, Rice announced its departure from the SWC and move to Conference USA for the 2005-06 academic year. This move will compete against more local rivals such as Tulsa University and the University of Houston rather than faraway schools such as Hawai'i and Rice. This change was announced.

**4** The report notes that student-athletes who are accepted into Rice's athletic program have a higher GPA than those who are accepted into Rice's academic program. These reports will allow students to choose the program that is right for them.

**Admissions**

The report discusses the separate admissions processes for student-athletes and non-athletes at Rice. Student-athletes are admitted to Rice and compared with other students on academic standards, while non-athletes are admitted to Rice and compared with other students on athletic standards.

**Academics**

The report examines the range of academic majors selected by student-athletes and non-athletes. Student-athletes gravitate toward majors that have similar interests, such as engineering and the natural sciences. In contrast, student-athletes in 1997 graduated with majors in engineering, communications, and economics.

**Perceptions**

The report states that athletics programs have had a significant impact on student retention rates. Student-athletes have a higher GPA than non-athletes, and this is thought to be due to a better support system in place for student-athletes at Rice.

**Benefits**

The report concludes that athletics programs have a variety of benefits, including a sense of community, teamwork, and leadership. However, the report also notes that the benefits of athletics programs must be balanced with the costs of maintaining the programs.
Athletes and student life

The report examines NCAA Code violations from the past 13 years. Between 1991 and 2003, there were 202 cases in which the Honor Council found students in violation of the NCAA Code. Of those cases, 97 involved student-athletes, 45 percent — and 110 involved non-athletes, 51 percent.

Considering that student-athletes constitute 18 percent of the student body, the report suggests that the NCAA Code violations would appear higher if not for the fact that those involved in the Honor Council do not make Legal studies... The report reveals that Rice's participation in athletic programs with that of other schools is not a member of a BCS conference, the report states. Conversely, while some faculty and many outside the University deserve credit for the integrity and success of Rice's athletic programs, the school suffers in some sports in the reputation of being an inferior, particularly in football.

The report rules out moving to Division III and retaining a Division I football team, since this is not allowed by NCAA rules. It also rules out moving to Division II or the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics, since those options would place Rice in a peer group analogous to Rice in almost every regard. Finally, the report rules out dropping formal intercollegiate athletics in favor of club sports.

Division I-A

A detailed option outlined in the report examining Division I-A while working to improve Rice's athletic programs is for a non-law school athletic programs that are willing to affiliate with Rice in Division I-A and to incur a more significant expenditure for scholarships.

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"The Division III philosophy is that intercollegiate athletics are purely supplemental to college education," the report states. "Moving the Rice athletic program to Division III (with or without football) would be based on the decision that the competition demands a lower level of play, and is incompatible with Division I's academic mission.

Moving to Division III would save Rice about $4.2 million annually, even after accounting for any anticipated loss in ticket revenue and a large decrease in donations to the athletic program, the report states.

As a move to Division I-I would be too disruptive of other student-athletes that are more academically qualified.

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ATHLETICS: A VIEW FROM TULANE, VANDERBILT

By Jonathan Vardy

The Rice football program would not negatively impact the Rice baseball program or the rest of the university, according to new Rice Athletic Director Dave Williams.

"I'm concerned about the possibility of a conflict," said Williams. "While the long-term results have been good for Rice athletics, there have been other issues, too. If I were to manage the football program, I would have to think about the other sports programs and how they might be affected.

"I believe it can be managed, but I don't think it would be easy," said Williams. "I don't think it would be easy to manage the football program and the rest of the university's academic programs, but it might be possible."

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More than 1,500 register on facebook

by Lindsey Gilbert

In April, Howard University "officially" launched its college campus website, thefacebook.com, to its students.

"It was definitely a time suck," said a University sophomore Mark Zuckerberg.

During the spring semester of 2002, the Facebook, as it was then known, was used by students at Harvard University. The site was created by a Harvard student and quickly gained popularity. The website was launched on April 21, 2003, and has since become a popular social networking platform.

The site allows users to create profiles, add friends, and share content. It is designed to be used primarily for communication and socialization.

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Top: The 91st Commencement, as seen from the top of Lovett Hall

Left: The ROTC color guard prepares for the ceremonies.

Below left: Wiess College graduate Mandy Mularz is enthusiastic after receiving her diploma.

Below right: Apparently the third time's a charm for Wiess College graduate and former SA co-President Michael Leggett.

Right: Baker College graduate Sasha Cooke sings during the ceremony.
Top left: President Malcolm Gillis speaks during his final commencement as Rice president.
Above: Brown College graduate Matt Davis, track shoes dangling on his shoulder, enjoys his walk on stage.
Far left: Lovett College graduate Jan Kemnade can hardly hide his excitement.
Left: A Martel College graduate captures the moment on video.
Below left: A tale of two beach balls: Top, a Will Rice College graduate blows up a beach ball to toss during ceremonies. Below, Wiess College RA Doward Hudlow (Wiess ‘01) takes pleasure in a deflated beach ball.
Below: Economics professor Mahmoud El-Gamal delivers the benediction near the close of the ceremonies.
Above: Will Rice College graduate Shay Har-Noy looks for a laugh — and maybe some pity — during the ceremonies.

Above right: Families look on as graduates make the long walk in.

Far right: Sid Richardson College graduate Lucas Stolte preens for a phone booth to show off his super powers.

Right: Jones Business School graduate celebrates the good news.

Below right: Will Rice graduate Liz Davenport Pollock wishes her mother a happy birthday on her way off the podium.

Below: Families, friends and graduates mingle after the ceremonies.

Bottom corner: Hanszen College graduate Habib Irshad gets a hug after receiving his diploma.
If only knew
Gonzales reflects on Rice, family

White House Counsel Alberto Gonzales (Lovev?79) describes his experiences as a boy growing up in Houston, as a student at Rice and in his current role in the executive branch to graduate at Rice's 85th Commencement May 8.

White House counsel Alberto Gonzales (Lovev?79) gives the commencement speech at the 85th Commencement ceremony.

"Dear Alumni, it's my pleasant privilege to indulge you in your application for admission to Rice University that you made .... We're here today to meet the people of the future.... I had an Air Force Academy. Since my graduation, I had an Air Force Academy. But I understood even then, as a student at Rice, that the best way to get into Rice, securing a nomination for the 91st Commencement, would be to do whatever was required. I feel as a parent today whenever I have a son or daughter who has to make a choice, as I do. I feel the same way as a parent. If I only knew as a boy the joy of a Rice education, I would have tried harder to achieve that joy. But I only knew, after I had graduated, as a father, all the obstacles and opportunities that lay ahead.

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Four accept Fulbright scholarship

by Lindsey Gilbert

Four Rice seniors will teach or study abroad next year as Fulbright Scholars. The Fulbright scholarship, a federal program funded by the U.S. government, finances one year of international study or research.

Music graduate student Steve Parker, who earned his degree in trombone performance from the Shepherd School of Music, said his Fulbright proposal reflects his interest in contemporary classical music. Parker will travel to Trossingen, Germany, where he will experiment with new techniques and creative performance.

Classical music in countries like Germany is currently much more dynamic and exciting than it is in the United States, Parker said. "Attendance is down for classical music concerts across the United States," he said. "But the opposite is true in Germany — classical music is flourishing."

Parker said he has lived abroad before. He spent a summer traveling to various cities in Ireland, where he performed as a street musician with an informal jazz ensemble.

Two of the Fulbright winners will return to countries where they studied abroad as undergraduates.

Lovett College senior Mariel Davenport Pollock received a Fulbright Teaching Fellowship, which will allow her to return to France. Davenport Pollock, an English and economics major, studied in Paris for a semester during her junior year.

Davenport Pollock will teach English language classes to high school students in Versailles. Davenport Pollock said she hopes to continue traveling and learning about foreign cultures throughout her life. After completing the Fulbright, she may attend graduate school or law school.

"I definitely want to be an internationalist and have a job that reflects my interests in international affairs and foreign cultures," she said.

Jones College senior Sirish Kishore will return to Spain, where he spent his junior year doing research at a medical institute.

"I loved it there, so I wanted to go back really badly," he said.

Kishore will investigate the effect of tobacco use combined with genetic background among bladder cancer patients.

A biochemistry and Spanish major, Kishore deferred his medical school admission to accept the Fulbright.

Will Rice College senior Tanvir Hussain also deferred medical school admission and will spend a year in England at University College London. Hussain said he will enter a revolutionary program in UCL's Department of Epidemiology and Public Health. Hussain will be the first American and one of the first 15 people in the world to earn a masters of science in social epidemiology, a relatively new field involving disease patterns and the social factors that influence them.

"Coming back to the United States with this degree will allow me to do a lot of new things in medicine and community health," he said.

Wiess senior Martha Jeong was also named a Fulbright Scholar but chose to pursue other plans.

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- "Don’t Dress for Dinner" (Brown)
- "Nine" (Players)

**winner**
- "Red Scare on Sunset" (Rice Players)

"Red Scare has the priceless combination of an engaging script and fantastic, complex, three-dimensional characters, which allows the talented actors to triumph and entertain."

**best student-written play**
- "The Man Who Would Be King" (Scott Banks)

"Banks’ script is dynamic, and the characters are well-developed."

- "Swallowing for Two" (Stephen Fall)

"Fall’s characters are strong and their relationship is well-developed."

**best one-act play**
- "A Father’s Secret" (Martiel Take Ten)

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**best actor**
- Nick Collins, "Sea Nova" (Players)

"Collins delivers a powerful performance in his role as John Wilkes Booth."

- "The Vagina Monologues" (Lovelace)

"Cathy Clack’s enthusiastic and blunt attitude make her the most memorable character in the play."

- "Othello" (Baker)

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Bon voyage is a World War II film set on the eve of the German occupation of France. The film follows Frederic (the lovely Gregorl Derangere of The Landlady), an aspiring writer who is hopelessly devoted to the glamorous and calculating Viviane Denvers (Isabelle Adjani). When a man-flower summons the beautiful people, and still manages to be watchable. But the real treat of the movie is (Derangere), who is absolutely captivating as Frederic. In many ways, the struggling writer is the straight man in the film, contrasted against Viviane's histrionics and the murky hijinks of his friend Stan (although Yvan Attal's impeccable comedic timing almost steals the show).

As a whole, Bon voyage is an entertaining, fulfilling film. The cinematography is well-executed and up to the original World War II film standards. The movie pays homage to its predecessors and manages to be watchable. Scenes tend to be rich in color, particularly those that take place in the lavish Hotel Splendide. Nothing is as plausible as shots of the beautiful people, particularly when we are seeing the beautiful people behave very badly.

Similarly, costumes are like a great day of window-shopping, as Viviane changes wardrobes approximately every five minutes, shifting from elegant evening gowns to smart Chanel-inspired suits with fabulous hats. Also to its credit, the film does not rely on the historical setting, and still manages to be watchable. It is not very hard-hitting and, although well executed, has little more depth to it than a really fabulous piece of cake. It's the kind of entertainment meant to be consumed and enjoyed, but it certainly will not keep you up at nights thinking. This is a great movie for a night when you just want to see a movie that revels in quality and entertainment for its own sake.

There is nothing overtly light-hearted about Bon voyage, unlike the subtitles. And those have to be forgiven.

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Women win fourth title in five years

by Dylan Hedrick

The women's track and field team won its fourth Western Athletic Conference outdoor track and field championship in five years last weekend at the Rice Track/Soccer Stadium. Now that the Owls have achieved one season goal—the conference championship—they next compete at the NCAA regional meet May 28-29 in College Station.

"Now it's the best of the best," sophomore Funmi Jimoh said. "The competition is harder, so we have to really focus and put our minds to what we're doing. We're all in good shape—we posted awesome times in the beginning of each of our events. We're really all ready and excited and all confident."

The Owls will send 14 athletes to the regional meet, and head coach Vic Forrest said he hopes that Rice's fine-tuning over the next week will allow five more to all

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"That's the moment of your life," Hulett said. "You know it's coming in, and you're trying to get as many outs as you can. You're trying to keep the runs down. You're trying to keep the game close. And you're doing the best you can." Hulett said the return of Niemann will help Rice's postseason chances. Losing two of three games to Stanford's pitching is suspect. Probably Rice's best four pitchers in the country."

"With an eighth consecutive West Coast Conference regular-season championship in hand, the third-ranked Rice baseball team is in the midst of earning a top-eight national seed for the third straight year. Rice is also set to host a super regional for the third consecutive season.

The Owls have never lost a postseason tournament at Fred Corrill Park, now in its fifth season. Rice has won three consecutive regional championships and placed-back-back in NCAA regional play. Head coach Wayne Graham, however, pointed to the 1997 and 1999 postseasons, when Rice reached the College World Series without hosting a regional, the Owls finished off the 1989 regional at the Astrodome.

"Hosting an event is an advantage, obviously, but we've prepared if we have to go to the park, because a national seed is not a sure thing because of the NCAA," Graham said.
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Tennis wins NCAA regional tournament

by Amber Obermeier

NCAA MEN'S TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Neither a four-hour rain delay nor an injury to Steve Coleman (Page 28) could derail the Owls tennis team's run toward its first ever national championship.

Despite being ranked 14th nationally during the NCAA tournament, Rice did not receive one of the 32 national seeds. As a result, the Owls had to travel to Baton Rouge, La. for the regional. After defeating the University of South Alabama in the first round, Rice faced the top team from each of the other two regionals, but it was enough to move on.

"It was a great win," said Rice's Steve Moore. "We were nervous earlier, but once we got into the swing of things, we played well. We're happy to be here.

The Owls' first round win over Alabama was a 4-1 victory, with the doubles team of Richard Barker and Tony Haerle winning the opener, 6-1. Haerle and Rajevac then won the first three points against Rice's second doubles team to give Rajevac the chance to serve, and he did so, winning the point.

"I was pretty confident that we were going to win at four, and I was confident that we were going to win the doubles point," said Barker.

"We knew the twins were going to win, but it was tough for them the way they went," said Moore.

Against South Alabama, the Owls were locked in a tight match on the other end of the court, with the Owls' singles players playing well. William Barker and Richard Barker took advantage of some early second-set breaks to complete a 6-1, 6-3 victory.

"I played pretty well — it was a pretty hard first set, and then I played a very good set, but I think I kind of lost in the second set," said Barker.

The Owls advanced to the quarterfinals of the NCAA Men's Tennis Championships with a 6-1, 6-3 victory over Rice. The Owls will face the winner of the Baylor-Vanderbilt match on Saturday.
Men win first WAC championship

by Amber Oberguier

Incredibly, everything was set for the men’s tennis team. After a weekend filled with thunderstorms, deluges, and rescheduled matches, the then-No. 38 Southern Methodist University was aglow in anticipation as they tightened the screws on their first-ever Western Athletic Conference championship title May 2.

Rice defeated SMU 4-3 in a tight match in Dallas April 18, which was highlighted by a sweep of the doubles point, but all three doubles matches saw early breaks in the final. Sophomore Tony Harrel and senior Vuk Rajcev scored an early lead, but seniors Richard and William Barker and the team of sophomore Rob Searle and freshman Vuk Harknett fell behind.

The Barkers — the best returners of serve in college tennis — didn’t know how much of an overall point in their opponent’s first four service games. “We were 5-0 down, so we had to break them eventually,” William Barker said. “They were serving with ease, but we weren’t returning well, so we just needed to fight a little harder.”

Leading 5-4 after the Barkers held serve at the fifth position, Richard Barker said he played “the best tennis of my life” to come back and hold the serve of junior Evan Hovanes and Hovanes, a deuce to win. The strategy paid off, as Richard Barker ripped a backhand return down the line for an emotional service break.

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The Owls are ready to handle that and fight back. “They’ve been playing well with the two biggest tournaments of the year,” Ladarri said. “We’re ready to handle that and fight back in the NCAA.”

The Owls were 5-3 down, so we had to break them eventually. “No matter where he was going — if he was going to my forehand or my backhand, he was going — I was going to hit the line,” Richard Barker said. “The [point] before we had, I was pushing it, and he was holding it, but I was driving the line down the line and he stays, we’re still going to get a point, so it’s good because it was determined. I was able to stop my momentum, and I’m going down the line.”

Center for the Study of Languages

http://langcenter.rice.edu/

The Center for the Study of Languages is responsible for the teaching of 12 languages. Courses taught in the Center are first through third year language acquisition courses as well as third-year business, medical, scientific, and translation language courses.

Language Placement Tests

http://www.rice.edu/~lrp/placement.html

Rice University does not have a language requirement, but if you have some knowledge of a foreign language and are interested in studying it further at Rice, you must take a language placement test to determine the appropriate course for you. Instructors will consider all course attendance without previous placement test results.

Students with a 4 or 5 on the AP or 6 or 7 on the IB exam do not need to take the Rice language placement test. They can select any course at the 300 level that does not have specific prerequisites.

Beginning August 1, 2004

Online Testing available:

Chinese, French, German, Japanese, Portuguese, Spanish

To help ensure that you receive the best possible results, we strongly urge you to take the test before arriving at Rice. See placement test website above.
**MEN'S TENNIS**

**RICE 4 LSU 0**

April 23 - May 18, 2004

**NUMBERS**

- RICE 4 LSU 0
- W. Barker (RU) d. Hazley (LSU) 6-4, 6-0
- Ross/Rutka (LSU) d. Haerle/Rajevac (RU) 8-5

- Baton Rouge, La.
- 5. Rajevac (RU) vs. Richman (LSU), DNF

- 1. Searle (RU) d. Skupski (LSU) 6-1, 6-3
- 2. W. Barker (RU) d. Jacobs (USA) 6-4, 7-5

**WAC CHAMPIONSHIPS — Final**

- 1. Searle (RU) vs. Babej (USA), DNF
- 6. Harknett (RU) vs. Oredsson (SMU), DNF
- 1. Searle (RU) vs. Brunstrom (SMU), DNF

- 2. Haerle/Rajevac (RU) d. Chingoka/McNaughton 8-3

- **SINGLES**
  - 6. Harknett (RU) d. Camacho (TU) 6-1, 4-6, 6-3
  - 3. R. Barker (RU) d. Murray (TU) 6-4, 6-1
  - 2. W. Barker (RU) d. Tejerina (TU) 6-1, 6-0
  - 1. Taylor (TU) d. Searle (RU) 6-2, 6-3

- **DOUBLES**
  - 1. Hayward/Polowski (BSU) d. Archer/DiSesa (RU) 8-2
  - 2. Tallo (FSU) d. Archer (RU) 6-1, 6-3

- May 1, 2004 — Jewish Community Center
- April 30, 2004 — Jake Hess Tennis Stadium

- BOISE STATE 1 RICE 4
- Not Played

- 6. Goodrich (RU) d. Coll (BSU) 6-2, 6-3
- 2. Polowski (BSU) d. Archer (RU) 6-3, 6-1
- 5. Pongratz (BSU) vs. Fisher (RU), DNF

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  - 1. Hayward/Polowski (BSU) d. Archer/DiSesa (RU) 8-2

- **WAC CHAMPIONSHIP**

- 1. Hayward/Polowski (BSU) d. Archer/DiSesa (RU) 8-2

- **Men's Team Standings (total of 7 teams)**

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- May 18, 2004 — Baylor Ballpark, Waco

- RICE 6 BAYLOR 4

- Baylor 0-0-1 Oil 0-0-1 — 4-6-0

**BASEBALL**

**RICE 6 BAYLOR 4**

May 17-18, 2004 — Minute Maid Park, Houston

- **WAC CHAMPIONSHIP**

1. Hayward/Rodriguez (RU) d. Archer/DiSesa (RU) 8-2

- **Men's Team Standings (total of 9 teams)**

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| **TRACK & FIELD**

**WAC CHAMPIONSHIP**

May 13-15, 2004 — Oak Park, Austin, Texas

**SOUTH ALABAMA 1 RICE 4**

May 16, 2004 — South Alabama Tennis Center, Mobile

- **SINGLES**
  - 1. Searle (RU) vs. Winterhalter (FSU) 6-3, 6-3
  - 3. R. Barker (RU) d. Tallo (FSU) 6-1, 6-3
  - 2. W. Barker (RU) d. Tallo (FSU) 6-1, 6-0

- **DOUBLES**
  - 1. Searle/Bruce (RU) d. Winterhalter/Tallo (FSU) 8-7 (10-8)

- **SMU 1 RICE 4**

- May 1, 2004 — WAC Championship — Rice

- **TULSA 1 RICE 4**

- May 1, 2004 — WAC Championship — Rice

- **ROSE STATE 1 RICE 4**

- May 10-11, 2004 — WAC Championship — Rice

- **GOLF**

**WAC CHAMPIONSHIP**

May 13, 2004 — Oak Park, Austin, Texas

**MEN'S TENNIS**

- 1. Searle (RU) vs. Winterhalter (FSU) 6-3, 6-3

- **FRIDAY, MAY 21, 2004**

**HOU TONIGHT**

- **SPORTS**

- Houston Chronicle

**NEVADA 1 RICE 11**

May 13, 2004 — Merritt Field

- **NEVADA 2 RICE 9**

- May 14, 2004 — Knights Field

- **NEVADA 3 RICE 24**

- May 16, 2004 — Texas Field

- **NEVADA 4 RICE 34**

- May 18, 2004 — Texas Field

- **NEVADA 5 RICE 34**

- May 19, 2004 — Texas Field

- **NEVADA 6 RICE 44**

- May 20, 2004 — Texas Field

- **NEVADA 7 RICE 54**

- May 21, 2004 — Texas Field

- **NEVADA 8 RICE 54**

- May 22, 2004 — Texas Field

- **NEVADA 9 RICE 54**

- May 23, 2004 — Texas Field

- **NEVADA 10 RICE 54**

- May 24, 2004 — Texas Field

- **NEVADA 11 RICE 54**

- May 25, 2004 — Texas Field

- **HOU TONIGHT**

- **SPORTS**

- Houston Chronicle

**RICE 13 HAWAII 1**

May 9, 2004 — Les Nadal Tennis Stadium, Honolulu, Hawaii

- **RICE 5 HAWAII 6**

- May 10, 2004 — Les Nadal Tennis Stadium, Honolulu, Hawaii

- **RICE 5 HAWAII 7**

- May 11, 2004 — Les Nadal Tennis Stadium, Honolulu, Hawaii

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In Memoriam

Artist’s rendition of former Rice President Malcolm Gills spanning with George Foreman right before Gills’ anticipated death.

Malcolm Gills

The Rice community will be saddened by the death of former Rice University President Malcolm Gills, who will be mourned as a true leader and example of a Rice graduate who has given so much to the university.

Gills, 63, stunned the academia world with his plans to light the former two-time heavyweight boxing champion. Who needs a [University President Larry] Summers when one didn’t see that one coming?” Gills said.

Shorty before his impending death, Gills will say that old people can do anything. “Old people can do anything, even box,” he will say. “I’m in the best health ever.”

Gills will be proceeded in death by his wife, Judy, and cognitive thinking abilities.

Back also thanks the death of the following Rice traditions: Old Wiess, Hanszen Commons, HUMA Cranes, construction, free parking, 80s Country Club, Jones Parking Lot, only 8 colleges, Mardi Gras, Peabody Hotel, and is going to do great things, like consulting, engineering, or graduate school. If you’re an academic, you’re looking for a job. But that’s okay. Plenty of people before you have found jobs without any real qualifications: and , for example.

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