220 students reserve seats for Giuliani event

by April Goldman

More than two weeks after the three-year anniversary of the event that brought him to international prominence, former New York City Mayor Rudolph Giuliani will speak about leadership in difficult times during his visit to Rice Sept. 29. Giuliani was mayor of New York from 1993-2001.

About 220 tickets available to students were reserved within 24 hours of e-mail invitations being sent to all university departments, and about 100 students are on the waiting list, according to the Baker Institute's Clarence Yung. Harrell Hancock (Baker'68), assistant director for management at the James A. Baker III Institute for Public Policy, said over 100 students were made available for the event.

Hancock said many students were disappointed when they were not able to get a seat. Hancock said, "Available seating will then be given on a first-come, first-served basis, so students without tickets who come may get a seat." Hancock said.

The Baker Institute originally invited Giuliani to speak at its conference on counterterrorism Dec. 1-4. However, Giuliani was unable to attend the conference because of scheduling conflicts and offered instead to come Sept. 29. Baker Institute Director Edward Djerejian declined to comment on the exact amount of the fee.

Djerejian said Giuliani will receive compensation for the speech, but he declined to comment.

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McPherson addressed broad issues of leadership and decision making and the more specific topics of sexual violence, alcohol and drug use.

The Wheeler Department invited the former Syracuse University and Philadelphia Eagles football player to speak on campus partly because a recommendation made in June by the Western Athletic Conference Student Athlete Advisory Committee. The committee recommended that each university appoint at least two educational leaders for student-athletes during the year to talk with student-athletes. Assistant Athletic Director for Academic Services Julie Griswold said.

Griswold said the event will be strictly nonpolitical.

"No matter what your major is, when you leave Rice, you enter into a public policy context," Djerejian said.

"We are completing the studies of Rice students with public policy issues," Djerejian said.

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the Rice Thresher

Master decisions should remain students’

We reacted with mixed emotions to President David Leebron’s announcement he will be more directly involved in the search process for college masters than previous presidents have been (See story, page 1). While we are glad Leebron intends to be involved with and support the college system, we worry students are losing the power to make a decision that substantially affects their colleges.

Under the new system, master search committees will submit two candidates to the Office of the President, along with comments about each candidate, and Leebron will choose which candidate to appoint. Under the old system, the vice president for Student Affairs was the administrator most directly involved with the process, and the President’s Office merely rubber-stamped the committees’ selections.

One of the most unique and important parts of Rice’s college system is the extent to which each college is student-run. The search committees for masters and resident associates are almost entirely made up of students because those positions most directly affect students. Master search committees work to pick faculty members who are genuinely interested in being in a position that fits with that specific college.

Leebron’s oversight of the search committees takes final say on this decision out of student hands — the most informed and the most directly concerned — and makes it an administrative decision. We hope Leebron will listen to the committees’ comments about each candidate and respect student wishes when selecting a new master. After all, masters play a major role in setting the tone for the environment of the entire college, and students will react more positively to a master selected by fellow students.

On the other hand, it is a good sign that Leebron wants to be involved in decisions that affect undergraduates. Adding presidential oversight to the master search process could increase the university-wide visibility of a position important to students.

We also hope the change is a sign that Leebron will interact frequently with the masters, keeping him better informed of undergraduate concerns. Leebron has expressed his intention to meet with the committees early in their searches, which could indicate a willingness to listen to students.

Finally, the new process may eliminate confusion during simultaneous search processes, like the upcoming Martel College and Sid Richardson College master searches. When two colleges search for new masters at the same time, their candidate lists often overlap. In these cases, a single decision-maker — one who hears from both the colleges and the candidates — would be able to arrive at the decision best for all concerned.

We can only wait and see if the new master search process will be a good one. Leebron’s involvement in the final stage could potentially benefit the process. However, we hope Leebron will follow the students’ agenda in choosing masters, not his own.

Right topic for student-athlete speaker

We were glad to hear the Athletic Department chose former NFL quarterback Don McPherson to speak to student-athletes last weekend. (See story, page 1). Such educational opportunities are mandated by both the Western Athletic Conference and the NCAA, but the topic is subject to the university’s discretion, and McPherson’s message about stopping sexual violence is relevant not only on a national scale, but to the Rice community as well.

McPherson’s speech was a step in the right direction, and we hope the Athletic Department will continue to provide educational programs with relevant topics.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Thanks, Leebron, for talking with students

To the editor:

I would like to thank President Leebron for taking a substantial amount of time out of his undoubtedly busy schedule to meet and to converse with students this weekend. He showed, both through a small gathering at his home and with a larger forum held as part of the Student Association Speaker Series, that he is ready and willing to listen to student concerns and to respond to them. In fact, he even offered, without prompting, I might add — to hold further such forums throughout the year and into the future. Overall, he demonstrated a boundless ability to truly listen to students and to actually hear what we have to say.

I would like to encourage the student body as a whole to take advantage of our new president’s most important trait, and to engage him in conversation whenever the chance arises. He will be coming to dinner at each of the colleges over the next few months and intends to be present and listen.

He will be the first president to be of his knowledge, to hold office hours. Use this opportunity wisely to thank him for his interest in our affairs, and petition him for his continued support of issues that matter the most to us. Come are the days when we could complain our voices were being ignored by the administration. Take note — this president is on our side.

Jack Hardcastle
SA Director of Technology

Come support Fair Trade coffee growers

To the editor:

Though we’d never know it while sipping our morning lattes at Rice University, there’s a crisis crippling the coffee industry right now — collapsing coffee prices. The amount earned by 25 million coffee growers has dropped by 70 percent in just five years. Around the world, coffee-growing families in 96 countries are forced to take their children out of school, to forgo medication and health care, and to live in hunger. What can we do?

Humanitarian agency Oxfam released a detailed report on the coffee crisis and its devastating effects worldwide. We need to ensure not only that our morning cup of coffee tastes good, but that it does good, too. By drinking Fair Trade Certified coffee, we ensure that farmers get a fair deal for their hard work, a stable guarantee of quality coffee that we expect. Rice University’s organization Leaders for CHANGE is making a commitment to drink Fair Trade coffee. From Sept. 27 to Oct. 8, Leaders for CHANGE will be host- ing coffee sampling and education tables at different colleges and other areas at Rice. We hope to raise awareness about Fair Trade coffee and to get active participation in the movement.


Lindsey Pham
Vice President
Leaders for CHANGE

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Left and Right: Guiding the United States against terror

By Rhobi Padmanabhan

You cannot fight terror by playing nice

The battle against terrorism cannot be fought defensively.

If I had a million dollars, I would buy myself a U.S. politician

If you don't like the terror, just shoot the messenger.

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Campaniles arrive

by Stephanie Jennings

With the arrival of 2,100 yearbooks today, students will have something to read besides their textbooks.

The traditional yearbooks will take place Monday and Tuesday. Sophomores, juniors and seniors can pick up their yearbooks from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day in the Grand Hall lobby in the Student Center. Students pay a $24 yearbook fee for part of their student activities fee each year.

"The common perception with students when we're passing out books is kind of funny," Student Media Advisor Jen Cooper (Will Rice '90) said. "People say, 'I didn't pay for it.' Well, you already did — or your parents did."

This year's yearbooks will be a different size than the past several years. In the past, yearbooks have been 8-1/2 by 11-inch square covers each year, "This is the sixth consecutive year the Campanile has delivered on time," Cooper said. Last year, the Campaniles arrived in late-October.

Students who did not pick up their yearbooks from previous years may do so at the yearbook distribution or from the Campanile office on the second floor of the Student Center.

[This year's cover] will be a reflection of 2004. It will be more contemporary than in past years. — Heidi Sherman 2003-'04 Campanile co-editor in chief

POLICE BLOTTER

The following items were reported to the Rice University Police Department for the period Sept. 15-20.

Residential Colleges

West Lot

Sept. 17 Officer approached three students on a golf cart. All three ran, and two were apprehended. The students were referred to University Court.

Other Buildings

Facilities and Engineering

Packing Lots

West Lot


South Colleges Lot

Sept. 20 Officer found previously ticketed, unregistered vehicle with hangtag issued to another vehicle. Vehicle relocated to lot behind RUPD station and "booted" to determine owner of vehicle.

Cell phone stolen.

Other Areas

Rice Stadium

Sept. 18 Student removed from football game for public intoxication and released to a responsible party.

CIC asst. director to leave Rice

by Monica Huang

Details of the temporary position are still being decided, but students will be involved in the selection process. For the full Community Involvement Center liaison, Griswold said: The committee that hired Sharon included representatives from several student service organizations and three staff members.

After eight months at Rice, Assistant Director of the Full Community Involvement Center Lulu Sharon announced last week she is leaving her position to lead a volunteer organization in Atlanta. Ga. Sharon's last day at Rice will be Sept. 30.

The CIC will need to find a new assistant director or a temporary replacement before the spring semester, which is particularly busy time for service projects. CIC Director Mac Griswold said:

"I think she brought something to the office," Griswold added. "She is the co-author of The Color of Opportunity: Pathways to Volunteerism." Benford, who worked with Sharon to organize the International Service Project, said she will miss Sharon's "willingness to help.

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She also commented on the lingering problem of unequal educational opportunities for racial minorities, focusing on Texas' growing Hispanic population. According to her research, 20 percent of Hispanic students in Texas do not begin to think about going to college until they are in high school. "We have to put college on Hispanic students' radar screens," Tienda said. "We will see that a demographic bonus will be realized if we invest in education."

"Rather than using high school graduation rates as a measure of success, Tienda suggested, raising expectations by placing more emphasis on the number of seniors going to college."

Hampton College senior Patrician Kianman, who attended the lecture, said she agrees with Tienda that college entry should be the goal for high school students. "I think she's right that we set a high standard for youth, they'll rise to the occasion," Kianman said.

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The students identified themselves and were released after explaining their reasons. RUPD turned the cases over to Student Judicial Programs for disciplinary action, and the two students not affiliated with Rice are subject to arrest if they return to campus.

Taylor said RUPD did not contact the students' parents because the trespassing did not constitute a major offense and the students were not brought to the police station or handcuffed.

Taylor said he is concerned that students could have been injured during the game.

"The administrative and academic buildings on the campus, of which the library is one, aren't intended for playing games," he said. "Laser tag's a fun thing to do, but that's not what the facilities are for. When people run around in there and are doing things like this, things could get damaged and broken, people could get hurt."

Twof the students involved, who wish to remain anonymous, said the game was unattended and library property was damaged during the game.

Ostdiek said students will be disciplined for not complying with the directions of law enforcement officers, both considered Class I offenses under the Code of Student Conduct. Assistant Dean for Student Judicial Programs Don Orchard said disciplinary actions for Class I offenses range from a written reprimand or community service to suspension or expulsion. Ostdiek has not decided whether he will handle the cases himself or turn them over to University Court.

Ostdiek said instances of students refusing to comply with RUPD officers are becoming more common on campus.

"Not stopping when asked to do so by RUPD is becoming a problem on campus, and we need to stop it," he said. "Laser tag's a fun thing to do, but that's not what the facilities are for."

Ostdiek said "It places the officer in an uncertain situation, so they have to consider authorizing or inappropriate actions." "We don't use the disciplinary cases to set examples... They'll get appropriate disciplinary action, no matter what," Ostdiek said. "If we need to change the behavior, we do that through a broader process."

He also hasn't set a date by which the case will be resolved, although he said it probably will take less than a month.

Staple Mater is one of a number of cases that have gone undetected, according to Ostdiek. The next meeting will be Monday in Farnsworth Pavilion in the Student Center.
GIULIANI
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Giuliani is coming to campus. "It's a Republican and a supporter of Bush," Hastings said, "looking toward his future." The Rice community tends to be more liberal than the whole state and the whole country. Giuliani shows a more moderate side of the Republican Party, which I think is a good thing." Rice Young Democrats President Sam Patel, a Jones College senior, said he also looks forward to Giuliani's visit. "Any time we have a leader visit Rice, regardless of what party they are affiliated with, it offers Rice students a unique opportunity," Patel said.

The president has always been responsible for appointing masters, but Leebron will take a larger role in the search process, Hastings said. The role of the new dean of undergraduate education - and the search for masters - has yet to be established, but will likely be similar to the role the vice president for Student Affairs played previously, Hastings said. "I assume that the dean will be involved in that process in much the same way that the vice president was involved," Hastings said.

"The president is closely involved this year. I imagine that he will continue to be so in the future, but of course, that's up to him." St. John Richardson College Master Search Committee Chair Joan Few said she does not foresee any difficulties with the modified process.

"No matter what you do, you're still going to get it down to two or three people at the bottom," Bla, a junior, said. "So, in that sense, we're just going to keep it to the best two, instead of the best four." St. John Richardson College Master Search Committee Chair Scott Martel said the two search committees will have a similar process to work through the candidates.

"In the past, the students make the decision, and invariably somebody's feelings get hurt and they blame it on the masters," Hersey said. "So this way it really is the president's decision. We made our recommenda-
tions to the president on a master or because of this, this, and this, and so on because of this, that, and the third." Hastings has made candidates' committee to submit their names to the search committee, and the search committee will select two masters for each college to begin their terms in the fall.

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With their masters' five-year terms ending in the spring, both Martel and St. John Richardson Colleges have formed master search committees. The new masters will be named by the end of the semester and will begin their terms in the fall. Because of a recent procedural change, the student search committees will each choose two master candidates rather than one, and President David Leebron will select one master for each college (See story, page 1).

The Martel master search committee will receive extra support from the group of college masters, Katherine Donato, a Weiss College master and the master liaison to the search committees, said. "Given that Martel College doesn't have a history of recruiting and searching for masters, we actually have to give the committee one over every four weeks or next," Hastings said. "The entire committee will come over and talk to us [and] ask questions, and we'll tell them what we do as masters and talk about the search, how it works with us, to give them perhaps a little more hands-on advice." Jones Few said working with the college's founding committee is her favorite memory as a master.

"It's a unique situation, and we had such a wonderful group of people that were on the founding committee," Joan Few said. "It was two students from each of the eight colleges, and they were all so terrific and so dynamic. They are the only players who really developed the college." Arthur Few, a professor of physics and astronomy, said the Few's hardest time as masters came in fall 2001, when the college's transfer-class started school but Martel's building had not been completed.

"We didn't have a meeting place on campus, the masters' house wasn't finished, the college wasn't finished," Arthur Few said. "So we would have meetings in the Sallyport (and) anywhere, in the Student Center. We had so many people off campus that it was hard to have all the meetings on campus-which is so fatalistic!"

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The Fews also served as masters at Baker College from 1994-99, meaning they have spent 10 of their 36 years as Rice masters. Martel Master Search Committee co-chair Tania Marotz said she appreciates the Few's involvement in the college and will look for similarly committed people when evaluating potential masters.

"They've gone to many Powderpuff games, they go to our soccer games, and of course the varsity athletic games," Arondia, a junior, said. "They're very visible in terms of giving support to their students and are not afraid of Martel athletics when we face other colleges."

Steve and Laura Cox said the end of their tenure as Sid masters will mark a new beginning in their lives. Their younger son, Simon, will graduate in the spring from the High School for Performing Visual Arts. Their older son, Colin, is a junior at Rice.

"Colin is finishing up at Rice, and Simon is ready to begin his college career, and we're not really ready to leave the Sid community," Steve Cox, a computational and applied mathematician, said. "We just bought a small condo, so we feel like we're 29 again. It's just going to be the two of us."

Steve Cox said he will miss the sense of community at Sid. "It's bittersweet," Steve Cox added. "In some sense, we're looking forward to having more privacy with each other, our small family. It was great to have someone looking forward to being involved in this amazing community."

Laura Cox will miss living with students.

"For me, it's not the day-to-day contact with the students, but the stories, the unique stories, the people who talk about broken hearts, boyfriends, girfriends, and laughing," Laura Cox said.

Steve Cox said his favorite memory of this time at Sid is the powderpuff championship game.

"Remember — it was our second or third year — about 400 Sid kids coming out for a big round Powderpuff final under the lights against Weiss in December," Steve Cox said. "It was a big one. The numbers were incredible. Literally, a very high fraction of the college and the orchestra and the band for the same reason — just kind of hanging together and supporting the college."

Both the Coxes said they would consider being masters again.

Sid Master Search Committee Chair Scott Martel said the Coxes have taken a unique approach to mastership.

"One reason that the Coxes have been excellent masters is because on one hand, they've been kind of hands-off as far as authority figures, but they've also been very hands-on as far as social things and getting to know the students," Hersey said. "I'm hoping that the committee hopes to find new masters who will fit Sid's personality."
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"What’s important here is that the messages that he delivered were good to hear, and I think they were and will be helpful to everyone that heard them," May said.

Head Women’s Tennis Coach Roger White said he thinks the issues McPherson addressed are pertinent to all students.

"I think that the administrative part of the Athletic Department feels strongly enough to take a proactive approach to it's subgroup on campus," he said. "I think it would be a good thing to address as a university."

Head Football Coach Ken Hatfield also said he thinks students could benefit from the discussion.

"It would be an excellent talk or discussion for all the freshmen at orientation every year," he said. "I really think that's a good place to have it."

McPherson said men and women should address the cause of the problems rather than focusing solely on preventative measures potential victims can take, White said.

McPherson also spoke about the transition from high school to college, where students are placed in an unfamiliar and more diverse environment.

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In his talk to male student-athletes, McPherson addressed society's expectation that men hide their emotions and the consequences of this attitude.

"He spent time talking about responsibility," baseball player Cole St. Clair, a Sid Richardson College freshman, said. "He was talking about how ridiculous it is that society says not to do things but doesn't offer feasible alternatives."

When McPherson spoke with the female athletes, he said it is important to address the root of sexual violence.

"I think his main point is that we [as women] have been taught how to live in this culture," swimmer Brittany Massengale, a Sid freshman, said. "Instead of trying to help our men and fix the problem, we're teaching women how to protect themselves, how to adapt. And his main point is that we need to change that."

Football player William Moss, a Sid freshman, said McPherson emphasized that women should not feel so threatened in the social environment that they need to use extreme measures to protect themselves.

Massengale said she thinks the event would have been useful for all students, not just student-athletes.
Like most installation art, *Sam Ran over Sand or Sand Ran over Sam* calls upon the viewer to form a relationship with the entire space. Stockholder uses straightforward world-building principles, such as color, texture and light, to evoke characters invisible to express an abstract narrative.

One is more interested in how the gallery space has been transformed than by the narrative intended by the **ARTIST**.

**LOOK IN THE ARTS...**

**Sky Captain and the World of Tomorrow**


Erica Acheson and Ajay Kalia

*DIESEL WOOD* STAFF

Sky Captain and the World of Tomorrow is a genre-bending experience that bursts with imagination. Unfortunately, novice writer-director Kerry Conran cannot seem to decide between making a tongue-in-cheek action adventure and an anachronistic jumble. A screening of the movie embraces the corny, "gee-whiz" style of its source material. It opens with the Hindenberg III docking in New York City, and immediately the audience finds itself in an airship "hangar" surrounded by cardboard sets of the 1940s and '50s. The result is a film that does neither, ultimately failing flat due to unsympathetic characters and story.

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A recently completed her site-specific justification for classifying graffiti. This is large-scale work that can be found in Philadelphia, the Eastern seaboard — where it was documented as highly innovative by such notable publications as New York's Village Voice and Western Europe from the late 1980s to the 1990s. Unlike tag graffiti, there are no explicit expressions found in Graeve's painting. However, I could not help but draw my own distinctive parallels between Graeve's legitimate and the uncommissioned work in the CAMH basement and the illegal commonplace graffiti found on any Houston freeway off ramp.

Graeve explored the idea of the temporary nature of graffiti and the anonymity of those who create it. While we know that Graeve is responsible for the installation, the fact that she has left "her mark" on a public space, with no indication of what her motivation is, makes it possible for the viewer to decide for himself what the inspiration for this work might be. She has made an impression of something both deep and meaningful, and the finite product, but we have no concept of how and why she may conceive of a progression of color beginning with deep yellows and moving to a semicircular pattern of double layers of green, purple, and reds.

"Space is made by an artist or an architect," Graeve said in the CAMH exhibition catalog. "It is not found and packaged. It is made by thought."

In this respect then, Graeve's exhibition adds class to this particular space but has allowed the viewer to conceive of a deeper meaning. I find this a compliment to the artist — allowing the viewer to step upon her work freely.

In the same way that we walk amongst a work of the same urban landscape, we are allowed to enter the conceptual space. Because visitors are allowed to walk on the space painted on concrete floors and amidst the scattered, tangible objects, they are given access to an area of the city that, as indicated by the diminution on the walls, is property of Graeve. In the same way that we walk past spray-painted brick walls displaying ambiguous expressions and imagery throughout our urban landscape, we are allowed to walk amongst a work of the same media within a museum. And in the same way that common graffiti will be scrubbed from freeway off ramps, Graeve's work will eventually be scrubbed from the walls and floor of the CAMH. But that still leaves us wondering if it's a distinction can be made between a 17-year-old hoodlum's spray-painted art and Graeve's commission of work.

### Soundtracks provide the music of our lives

Walking back to my car after seeing Scorsese's new film, I found myself humming to a different tune — literally. The film, which examines Brando's amorous middle-class malaise, didn't have me rehashing the only music I have endured a bit of during a time of considerable被捕 for the probe of the dark, frightening depths of my playlist.

Sure, the film has plenty of great, original moments, as well as a lovingly goofy performance by Natalie Portman, but perhaps its most noteworthy aspect is its soundtrack.

With a winning mix of The Shins, Nick Drake and Bonnie Somerville, Brando's film was a musical collaboration with meaningful ensembles. It is a deeply felt collection that resonates with viewers long after the credits roll. Graeve's Garden State's impressionistic roster has become popular with more people than just me — it is currently the top-selling album on iTunes.

Sometimes, as in this case, an eclectic, seductive combination of songs and artists can elevate otherwise mediocre material. In different instances, soundtracks become crucial to the storytelling at hand. There is the use of Simon and Garfunkel in The Graduate, more recently, Paul Thomas Anderson's employment of Aimee Mann in Magnolia. Both Nichols and Anderson use these artists' work to draw the audience into the characters' lives and emotional stories.

**It is a DEEPLY felt collection that resonates with the viewer long after the credits roll.** A great soundtrack can also diversify your playlist. I owe a great deal to writer/director Burr Steers for pulling together a great mix of artists for the Grits Down soundtrack, which introduced me to The Black Listed, Coldplay and The Dirty Nil.

Accustomed Garden State uses the same Coldplay song, "Don't Panic," that Steers first used in Grits Down. This brings up an important issue of soundtrack etiquette. Attention filmmakers: If a song has been used memorably once, it is best not to use it again. I don't care if it is a good song or not, originally, should always prevail. Sorry Mr. Brando, but I'm going to have to fault you on that one.

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Game, set, match: 'Wimbledon' faults on flimsy romance

Amber Ostermeyer/Monitor Staff

Lacking the excitement and grandeur of the actual Wimbledon tennis tournament, the new romantic comedy Wimbledon is a disappointing failure.

The film centers on a romance between Peter Colt (A Beautiful Mind's Paul Bettany), an aging British tennis player, and Lizzie Bradbury (Spider-Man's Kirsten Dunst), a young American expected to contend for the Wimbledon title.

Physically, Dunst cannot pass for a recreational weekend tennis player, much less one of the world's best, and she seems out of place on the court. Her struggles with the dialogue, which is heavy with sports references and lingo, is apparent. While Bettany makes the most of his flatly conceived protagonist, his expert portrayal cannot compensate for Dunst's inexperience and the film's poorly constructed script.

Colt and Bradbury's romance begins when their hotel mistakenly gives him a key to her hotel room. The movie features the archetypes of the tennis world: the overprotective father of the female phenom (Spinal Tap's Sam Neill as Dennis Bradbury), the cocky American youngster (The Day After Tomorrow's Austin Nichols as Jake Hammonty), the overhearing and heartless agent (Singer Joe Feuer as Red Roth) and the aging veteran making one last run for the championship he coveted most (Bettany as Colt). But none of these characters has any development beyond the stereotypes.

Wimbledon's dialogue, while predictable, does accurately portray the role of sport in Great Britain. Colt uses common British euphemisms like "wanker" and "bollocks" and, more importantly, highlights the eternal pessimism and apathy for success so common in the British sporting world. The writers could not resist, however, the urge to make a bad pun on the tennis terms "love," "meaning zero points."

In an argument with Colt, Bradbury yells, "Love means nothing in tennis, zero. It only means one love." Of course, a completely unbelievable aspect of Wimbledon's, the film has a completely unbelievable aspect. For example, Colt and Bradbury's seminal match are played simultaneously and on the same court. In reality, the respective matches would both be on Centre Court, one day apart. Also completely out of place is the chanting and clapping in unison from the crowd, something that happens quite unexpectedly at the U.S. Open, but never at Wimbledon.

Beyond these superficial inaccuracies, though, is the unbelievable nature of the romance between Colt and Bradbury. Although she initially sports a movie/romantic comedy genre, it is markedly inferior to Bull Durham and Jerry Maguire.

I am willing to accept that these are actors and not tennis players and suspend disbelief accordingly, but Wimbledon goes away when it alternates between being realistic and utterly ridiculous. The movie was filmed at the actual All England Lawn Tennis Club. Features the tournament's all-too-common rain delays and even includes the quintessential Wimbledon snack of strawberries and cream.

But for every one of Colt's stunningly real internal monologues, during his matches, the film has a completely unbelievable aspect. For example, Colt and Bradbury's seminal match are played simultaneously and on the same court. In reality, the respective matches would both be on Centre Court, one day apart. Also completely out of place is the chanting and clapping in unison from the crowd, something that happens quite unexpectedly at the U.S. Open, but never at Wimbledon.

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As you enter Kenny and Ziggy's, the noise and decorations provide a true sense of New York City. The walls are adorned with playbills, pictures of movie stars and film posters. These adornments provide a lot to look at and are modeled after Ziggy's intention to provide traditional New York delis. While the pickles were over to seat us. Almost immediately, the noise and the decorations provide a true sense of New York City. The walls are almost entirely covered by playbills, pictures of movie stars and film posters. The extensive menu demonstrates a lot of fish. The corned beef sandwich serves the ultimate in comfort foods, the best thing I have ever had since I arrived in Houston two years ago. The corned beef is not nearly as good as you may want to order an extra bagel, since the plate includes a list of fish. The corned beef sandwich is also huge, with two pieces of rye bread trying to contain a great pile of tender corned beef. The hot pastrami is simply amazing. The melted cheddar cheese, every sandwich comes with a smile and positive attitude. You know what? He was right. Once you've had one, you'll come back for more. The staff at Kahn's Delicatessen is very friendly, even during Friday lunch rushes. Every sandwich comes with a smile and positive attitude. You know what? He was right. Once you've had one, you'll come back for more. The staff at Kahn's Delicatessen is very friendly, even during Friday lunch rushes. Every sandwich comes with a smile and positive attitude. You know what? He was right. Once you've had one, you'll come back for more. The staff at Kahn's Delicatessen is very friendly, even during Friday lunch rushes. Every sandwich comes with a smile and positive attitude. You know what? He was right. Once you've had one, you'll come back for more.
Volleyball takes top-ranked Minnesota to brink

Owls upset 21st-ranked Loyola Marymount, open conference play at home this weekend

by Scott Seliger

After a stellar early-season campaign, the volleyball team enters conference play with fewer losses than ever before, and the Owls of finally begin their quest for their first-ever conference championship this weekend. Rice opened its Western Athletic Conference season last night against Fresno State University and continues its three-game home stand tomorrow against the University of Nevada.

"They just had this fire in their eyes and this look about them that I'd been waiting to see all year."

-Genny Volpe
Head volleyball coach

The Owls beat the University of Nevada 33-31, 30-20 tonight in their first weekend of conference play. The Owls are now 5-0 in conference play and continue its three-game home stand tomorrow against the University of Nevada.

"We believe that as long as we play together as a team on defense, we can play against anybody. This week is show-time."

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Football at No. 5 UT tomorrow

by Adam Tolman

The football team faces its toughest challenge of the season in Austin tomorrow against fifth-ranked University of Texas.

The teams enter the contest with perfect 4-0 records. Rice has not won in Austin since 1985, but the Owls are confident they can pull off an upset.

"Pretty much you go to Rice, and you beat them to that game," senior tight end Ed Bulley said. "That's the stuff legends are made out of, and that's why they play college football."

For Rice fans, this weekend marks the first time the Owls have been ranked in Division I-A rushing defense, with just 7.5 yards allowed per game. Rice's first two opponents, Houston and Hawaii, run predominantly passing offenses.

"Houston and Hawaii are a lot different than Texas," sophomore defensive back Chad Price said. "It's going to be a different challenge."

The Owls defense has been successful in recent games against the run, but they face their biggest challenge yet against Texas. The Longhorns average 184.5 yards per game on the ground, setting up a match-up of the nation's best rushing offense and its best rushing defense.

"Like the Owls, who average a national low 77 rushing yards per game, lowest in the country, the Longhorns' passing attack is not as good as their running game," Price said. "The current UT receivers do not compare to the 2003 Longhorns unit that featured current NFL receivers Roy Williams, Shawn Thomas and B.J. Johnson and averaged more than 200 yards per game.

"If we stop their rushing attack, their passing attack is nonexistent," Price said. "They're not that type of offense. We've faced two great passing attacks and we've done well against them, so I think if we can stop them from panning up the field, they're going to have a tough time."

Seventh-year Rice defensive end Cedric Benson, who rushed for 1,300 yards last season, said, "It's going to be a different challenge."

"They're number one, because they really kept their composure and their confidence."

-The epic match saw Rice's junior outside hitter Lindsey Carter and senior right side hitter Olivia Price all notch double-doubles, with the Owls accounting for 31 of Rice's 168 total.

Women's cross country fourth at A&M meet

by Melissa Dominguez

The women's cross country team finished second among the Owls and overall ranked in 18th after last weekend's season-opening invitational. The cross country team has expectations of finishing in the top 25 at the NCAA regional meet.

"It was Texas — it was hot and they're not going to be in trouble," junior cross country Jim Bevan said. "The heat index was 100 degrees plus for race time."

The Owls finished fourth overall behind Texas A&M, which defended its title, and Texas Christian University and Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, which edged the Owls by five points for third place.

Kaye Gerri, the team's top runner, did not compete due to a slight foot injury. In her absence, freshman Mariana Mariani filled in for the first time this season, crossing the finish line in second place.

"The course itself was not anything worse than what we were used to," Gerri said. "The weather was nice, and the field was good."
Women's tennis hosts Rice Classic this weekend

by Amber Obermeyer

After a host with a smashdown, the women's tennis team enters its annual fall tournament, the Hilton Houston Plaza Rice Classic, with optimism. The Rice Classic takes place this weekend at Jake Hess Tennis Stadium and includes participants from Northwestern University, Southern Methodist University, the University of Texas-San Antonio, Texas Christian University, Baylor University, and Lee Junior College.

There will only two returnees, senior Tracie Chong, who advanced to the Blue Flight championship match last year, and junior Blair DiSesa, who won in the doubles flight in singles at this weekend's event.

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'I'm very much looking forward to it,' Head women's tennis coach Roger White said. 'Since it's not the first tournament of the year, the pressure has diminished a lot. I'm just looking forward to playing and having fun and doing the best we can.

In doubles, the partnership of DiSesa and Patenaude will remain intact from last weekend because scheduling conflicts prevented them from playing their consolation championship match. Other team members will play doubles with different partners this weekend.

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Rice opened its season last weekend at the USTFCCAA Championships, where tournament organizers had to redistribute brackets after Tulane University cancelled its doubles class due to Hurricane Ida and thus could not field a team. On Friday, fifth-seeded DiSesa advanced to the round of 16 in singles after a first round bye and an 64, 62 win over Stephanie Balzer of Arkansas.

DiSesa partnered with Patenaude in doubles, and the pair advanced to the round of 16, where they fell to the fifth-seeded DiSesa and senior Carolin Walter and Daniela Covello.

'Playing with Blair was great.' — Patenaude said. 'As an upperclassman, she really has had experience in college match situations, and she really helped me a lot. She is really the leader of the team — she's great playing with her.'

Freshman Christine Dao, Chong, and both advanced to the Gold Back draw quarterfinals with straight sets victories in Saturday's round of 32 matches.

On Saturday, DiSesa and Patenaude rebounded to advance to the finals of the consolation bracket with an 63 over Diana Nanaoko and Mona Fredigel of the University of Texas-Arlington.

'Their last match against UTA was very dominant,' White said. 'It was very exciting to watch them control a very good team which has a lot of experience. That was the first time these two have been together, and we really have their next to nothing as far as doubles work in practice.'

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Abloom Saturday, freshmen Donna Ustundag (Baker '99) and sophomore Christine Dao played in Rice's second flight in the Gold Back draw. Dao defeated Miss California 6-4, 6-2, 6-3, 6-2, Greenberg put away Kenton Evstievich of St. Edward's University 6-4, 6-1.

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In singles, each first round competitor lost his opening match in the round of 32, but came back in the consolation bracket to dominate his next opponent as straight sets Gabriela Vann, USTFCCAA Champion at UT-Dallas, won 6-0, 6-0.

'If the guys don't get along, as far as singles and doubles, but also getting that camaraderie on our team. If the guys don't get along, then they can't do well.'

Dominique was sick, and in two matches, she won the first set 6-1 but ended up losing the matches because of the physical beating that her body was taking.' — White said. 'Even though the last, she played as hard as she could, and now well she performed up until that wall was very impressive.'

Dao won her first-round match in the Gold Back draw 64, 6-4, despite her being ready to go by regionals, a loss that included Arkansas and Texas A&M, who along with Rice advanced to the NCAA's tournament semifinal.

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Junior Robert Scoble, the Owl's top returnee, has begun hitting balls again after having undergone knee surgery late this summer.

'My main goal is to have him [Scoble] ready to go by regionals, which is at the end of October.'

'Any time before that will be a bonus.'

The women will continue their fall season this weekend at the 120th annual Hurricane Invitational in Tulsa, Okla., against a field that includes Arkansas and

Greenberg impresses in first collegiate tournament

by Matt McCabe

Amid the cold conditions, Friday and Saturday at the Pomona-Allison Tennis Center in Austin, the men's tennis team played its roundness with an impressive performance at the Texas Fall Invitational. Because of NCAAs, the Rice team was composed of just three players: freshman Jon Greenberg, freshman Hunter Shin and junior Rodrigo Gabriel.

'According to the collegegues, I can only have 25 competitors;' assistant coach Ed Winnicki '99, who traveled to Austin with the team, said. 'We have scheduled 25 dual matches over the course of the spring semester, and this was every player can compete in four tournaments or less, this is for every match on any matches in the spring.'

The performance of Greenberg and Shin got the Rice Owls of the tournament Friday with a strong performance, winning in the third set 8-6 over a hybrid team of the University of Texas-A&M, Corpus Christi. As though they went on to lose their next match, the team really performed well.

'We had chemistry on the court,' Greenberg said. 'I was really nervous, and I think gained confidence when I won.'

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Greenberg said his first collegiate tournament was an all around success.

'I started off kind of shaky, but our team, because the weather was pretty rough and I was really nervous going out there,' Greenberg said. 'I had an easier match in my first-round consolation; I didn't play a very good player, but it gave me some confidence when I won.'

After his quarterfinal opponents in the 1/8 draw, Greenberg defeated the Rice's second seed, in a third set victory 6-4, 7-5, 6-3.

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FOOTBALL

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vecting offensively in their 41-29 win over Hawaii last weekend, but the Rainbow Warriors rank 106th among 117 Division I-A teams in total defense. Bailey, who rushed for 234 yards in the game, said Rice must block effectively in the backfield.

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Soccer ready for WAC season with regional opponents

by Jonathan Vauley

Although the soccer team recorded five shutouts in eight games Sept. 17 against Texas State University, the big news was goal-scoring, as Rice earned its first multi-goal win of the season against a competitive opponent. Blaming the Bobcats 3-0 was the first time that we had more than a five-goal win," senior midfielder Jackie Rellas said. "We worked on that the whole season last year, and now it just fell together. We're capable of it. Hopefully we come out stronger and carry that into Sunday.

With the exception of a 3-0 blowout of Texas Southern Sept. 6, it was the largest margin of victory for the Owls this season. Rellas said those two goals should help Rice (1-2-2) in its games against St. Louis University and Southern at home against the University of North Texas.

"Now that we know we can score goals, I think that gives us a lot more confidence," Rellas said. "We've never played St. Louis before, and they're ranked higher than us, so I think going into this game, we know what we're capable of. Hopefully we come out strong [and] and carry that into Sunday.

Being a substitute is a different position for me, but I enjoy it, because I get to watch the game — the dynamic and the flow — and come in and know what to expect."

Jackie Rellas
Senior midfielder

St. Louis (4-2-1) is currently ranked 10th by Soccer Buzz magazine among the 64 teams at the Central Region, while Rice is ranked 12th. Western Athletic Conference rivals SMU (No. 3) and UT-P (No. 3) are also ranked. The national coaches poll only ranks 10 teams in each region, and St. Louis is among that poll. Rice and North Texas are listed as also receiving votes.

"If you go back and look at the games, really big, and they're better than they were last year," head coach Chris Huston said. "We can pull off some good goals, we can break down the back line."

In order to have that success, St. Louis is built because they are well-organized, so we need to come out and beat them first — Rice beat the United States Military Academy (4-1) Friday but lost to the Black Knights (2-0), the Rice Army 2-1 in overtime Sept. 10.

As for Sunday's match, the Owls just hope to play the game — twice in the last three years, Rice has won a game against North Texas, but it has been canceled. Rice lost 1-0 on the road last year in the only meeting between the two teams. The Mean Green beat the Owls 2-1 in the regular season in 2002 and 3-0 in the tournament.

"St. Louis and North Texas are both good teams but beatable teams," senior defender Becky MacAllister said. "They're games that could be bigger later in the season as far as getting an at-large bid to the NCAA tournament."

The Owls will look for a first half similar to last Friday's, when senior forward Sarah Yoder scored her second goal of the season in just the eighth minute. Huston said the early lead helped Rice withstand Texas State pressure.

"Statistics would tell you that the game should have gone to Texas State," Huston said. "They hit the crossbar three times, but I never actually felt that at all that the game was in question."

After Yoder's goal, Rellas essentially put the game away when she scored in the 38th minute. The last time the Owls allowed more than two goals was 20 games and almost two years ago, so Rellas' tally just after the half was a sign of what's to come.

"I don’t know how I scored; it happened really quickly," Rellas said. "I lost two-marked men and went for it and headed it. Their whole defense just stopped, and I heard them screaming."

"No. 2, 0-0."

Rellas has struggled through three years of injuries and a now-crowded midfield to earn playing time but has five goals in 38 matches at Rice, 28 of those as a substitute.

"I definitely try to bring that touch on the field in as a substitute," Huston said of the senior on the bench. "I used to, I know there's a different position for me, but I enjoy it, because I get to watch the game — the dynamics and the flow — and come in and know what to expect."

Senior forward Cory Martin has become the Owls' primary offensive force, and the Owls earned their only loss Sept. 3 against Jacksonville State. Rice has since rebounded with a five-game unbeaten streak.

"We had a reality check after that Jacksonville State game, and we're working together more now," Rellas said. "We're finally realizing that in order to pull this off, we need to work for each other."

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Kracowiak, Rowe pace golf to sixth place

by Saidi Desai

Kracowiak said a change in the team's practice schedule helped improve his putting from his first collegiate tournament.

"Because the greens were very different at Waco, we tried to practice more on the greens before we played," Kracowiak said. "This helped us a lot, and as a result we putted a lot better." By familiarizing himself with the greens, Kracowiak went on to shoot a steady 73-72-74.

"I think as the year progresses, I will become a better golfer and hopefully get to the top and win my first collegiate tournament," Kracowiak said. "From this tournament, I believe that I have gained valuable experience that will help me mature as a golfer."

Senior Frank Buttacavoli had a final-round, one-over 73 for 220. Senior Frank Buttacavoli, who tied for 14th place, had a 76-75-74 and an eight-stroke worse than his personal best second-place finish at the season-opening Radrick Farms Intercollegiate Sept. 11-12. All the Owl golfers except Kracowiak shot their highest score in the tournament's second round, when the team shot 304 overall. The Owls' inconsistency has prevented them from contending for tournament championships this season.

"They've had one bad round and two good rounds," Buttacavoli said. "I think the main thing is to play three rounds that are consistently good. If we get three rounds, we can start winning tournaments."

Fourth-quarter drive seals Lovett win

by Stephen Whitfield

"Everyone knows what they are doing wrong, and everyone is doing what they can to solve these problems," Buttacavoli said. "A one-point loss — we weren't going to let it go to waste," Hatfield added another rush and tackling crisply.

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VOLLEYBALL
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Life had just gotten easier...at least for the Owls and their coach, Ricardo Volpe. "I was very anxious. I was looking forward to the weekend's tournament, but White said, "I was really impressed with his team's performance. They were very competitive, but they didn't have enough quality to beat us." White added that he was pleased with his team's performance in the first set, but in the second, "it was clear early on that it was going to be a battle and that Minnesota was going to have to dig to win the WAC." Cockrum said that the Owls had prepared well for the match, and that they were looking forward to the next one.

Performances were solid for the Owls, with four players hitting over .250 and scoring at least 10 points. Rice's offense was led by sophomore middle blocker Tessa Kroehnke, who had 14 kills and committed only one error. Senior middle blocker Vania Kainz was also named to the all-tournament team.

Rice sealed its perfect Saturday with a sweep, "It was a great win," said White. "We finally had everyone on the court, all 11 of us, playing well and working together because we knew we had to go out there and show what we're all about." Rebecca Pano said. "We're on in three minutes," she told the team and in the process, she was defeating 20th-ranked Loyola Marymount of Arizona.

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are used to, but the weather was definitely a big factor," sophomore Jessica Cox said. "It's tough to stay focused in the heat."

"I thought running against so many teams, especially so many good teams, was a great opportunity for us to see how good we really are," junior Lauren Murphy said. "We came in fourth without our top runner."
**MONDAY**

A priest advised Voltaire on his death bed to renounce the devil. Voltaire said, "This is no time to make new enemies."

**TUESDAY**

"Conflict and Violence in Animals." No, this isn't about the 'Real World.'

**WEDNESDAY**

Yoko momma's so ugly, she looked out the window and got arrested for mourning.

**FRIDAY**

Insults 101: "The only differ-
ence between your face and a
bag of crap is the bag."

**SATURDAY**

Lois of New York City, presents an address this evening entitled "Leadership in diffi-
cult Times." The talk begins at 5 p.m. in the Student Concert Hall of the School of Music. It will be followed by a question and answer session. If attending, the Baker Institute asks that you please dress ap-
propriately.

**THURSDAY**

Babes and grease. Who said car
repair couldn't be hot?

**SUNDAY**

Yo mamma's so ugly, she looked out the window and got arrest-
ed for mourning.

The Rice volleyball team chal-
enges the University of Nevada at 1 p.m. in the Rice Track/Soccer
Stadium.

Weird: One third of all Ameri-
cans flush the toilet while
sitting.

The Rice soccer team faces the
University of North Texas at 1 p.m. in the Rice Track/Soccer
Stadium.

Weird: Cat urine gloves under
a blacklight. Interesting: One out
of every four Americans has ap-
peared on television.

Frances Ferguson, a George M. Pullman Professor from the University of Chicago, presents a lecture at 11 a.m. in room 117 of the Humanities Building. The lecture is entitled, "Dickens's 'A Tale of Two Cities': When Morality Confronts Terror." This talk uses Dickens's work to discuss how terrorism presents a challenge to tradi-
tional accounts of moral action. For more information, contact the English department at englite@rice.edu.

**LONGHORN BASHING PARTY**

Come celebrate the success of the Rice Owls football team at 3:45 p.m. in the Farnsworth Pa-
illon dining hall. The first 250 people to arrive receive free tickets. The game starts at 6 p.m., so come early!
Cocky Whorns

Texas head coach Brown counting on 'strategy' to ground high-flying Owls

With several hundred students headed to Austin for tomorrow's UT-Rice showdown, the Backpage sends its most intrepid reporter into hostile territory to get the lowdown on the Longhorn game plan.

AUSTIN - The Battle of the Unbeatens, the Rice vs. UT game, should make the oddsmakers think twice before getting cozy with that 30-point spread. I approached both teams about the game and dug up the inside information necessary to predict this upset in the making.

At TCC — check that, UT — players seemed unconcerned about the Rice option attack. When I asked Texas defensive end Ivan Abrain his strategy to stop the Owl offense, he grunted, "Stop run, me?" he said.

"I then moved all the way up the ladder, asking head coach Mack Brown (www.mackbrown-texasfootball.com) for his thoughts on the game. He answered, "My strategy for this gigantic game is to exterminatize the option and just let Vincent do his thing." I proceeded to ask him about his expectations for the UT game, but our interview was cut short by 10 minutes of loud coughing and choking.

The Rice team, on the other hand, was taking a different approach to the game. At practice, I watched the Owls introduce several new plays, such as the double-reverse-triple-option-halfback-pass-backpack & ladder (look for it). Rice also made NCAA football history this week by hiring the first ever Option Coach. At his signing, he said, "Just call me the God of the Option. That double-reverse-triple-option-halfback-pass-backpack & ladder was all me!" Rice's defensive coordinator said UT will be the new UT after this weekend.

"Our defense is as volatile and spread as Britney Spears," he added.

The fleshbone option at its finest. The receiver even gets to run a mes-
sage to his mom!

Mack Brown showing his OU face.

Witty signs like these are sure to get a rise out of UT fans.

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