 headline in the Rice Thresher Monday. As of Tuesday, six applications had been received. Jones College has begun its third RA search this year, the applicant pool should be "of great interest to the committee," said Patricia Mahoney, who was created Sunday. Students can currently only access data from the numerical portion of course evaluations in the Registrar’s Web site. Written course evaluations not online for registration

### Jones begins RA search

by Stephanie Jennings

After recently completing its search for a college coordinator and with its master search ongoing, Jones College has begun its third RA search in two years.

Jones Resident Associate Scott Way, an assistant director of aquatics and outdoor recreation programs, announced he will leave Rice at the end of the semester. Lisa Bryan, a former Hansen College master and a former assistant director of admissions, started work as Jones new college coordinator Monday. Jones selected two new RAs in Spring 2004 and chose current masters Robin Forman and Amy Owens in Spring 2005. Jackie White, who was college coordinator for 32 years, retired March 25.

Jones President Beck Garrett said he does not think the turnover at the college will cause any serious problems. This past fall we anticipate things going, but I think it’ll be fine and things will work out,” Garrett, majored, said. “It’s said, but it’s also kind of exciting to have new people come in.

Way accepted a tenure-track faculty position at Meredith College in Raleigh, N.C. in the sports, exercise and health services department. See Jones, page 3

### Written course evaluations not online for registration

by Monica Huang

A year-old plan to make the written portion of course evaluations available to students online, proposed by the 2003-'04 SA president, has stalled due to changes in faculty governance and university leadership. Former President Richard D. Leebron became president July 1, and then-Registrar Jerry Montgomery resigned in July.

The proposal to make written course evaluations public came to a standstill at the end of Spring 2004. "I wouldn’t say that it’s dead, but the discussion has not been revived," Wright said. "It was very active last year." Although Debink and Leggett were very interested, [but] there didn’t seem to be anyone pushing for it this year."

Debink and Leggett received support for the plan from Levy and then-President Malcolm Gillis. David Leebron became president July 1, and then-Registrar Jerry Montgomery resigned in July. Levy said the faculty has a primary role in deciding the matter. He said the faculty has been prospected with changes in its governance system this year, but the newly-formed Faculty Senate may consider the change in the fall.

"The new governance system will have much more effective way of handling these issues," Levy said. "It’s conceivable to have course evaluations online by spring 2006."

Wright said he would support abandoning paper evaluations in favor of an entirely online system.

Wright, who has researched course evaluation systems at other universities, said: See COURSE, page 2

### Martin College installed a concrete sign in the Jones College quad Monday night as part of a series of sign at the colleges. Tuesday night, Jones retaliated by invading Martel, throwing eggs and spreading Vaseline on Martel doorknobs. The sign was installed in the hall of Martel College last spring, according to the registrar's office.

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The parade begins at 11 a.m. Saturday. The alumni race is at 1 p.m., followed by the women’s race at 2 p.m. and the men’s race at 3 p.m. Spring Recess

Spring recess is from Thursday, April 6 to Friday, April 7, and the Thresher will take the week off too. The next issue will come out April 15.

Spring Forward

Daylight-saving time begins April 3. Remember to turn your clocks ahead one hour.
Shuttle service increase helpful to students

It may have been the “loser cruiser” in high school, but the bus is now a tremendous convenience to students with and without cars. So we were pleased to learn that Friday and Saturday shuttle service to the Rice Village is being expanded to run from 5:30 p.m.-12:30 a.m. This expansion will allow students to enjoy a late meal — or even nighttime — in the Village without having to rush off campus to the 25 p.m. bus or make the dark trek back to campus on foot. A viable shuttle system is essential to counterbalance an eventual parking squeeze, as well as to keep students without cars engaged in off-campus life. So we hope students will make use of these expanded shuttle hours, and we hope the transportation department will continue to assess and respond to students’ needs this well.

RUPD: Just wait to close the gates

It’s happened to many of us. You live off-campus, but you come to Rice for an evening problem set or group project in a faculty lot. You finish your homework, check the clock and rush out to your car to make it out of Entrance 1, 2, 3 or 10 before the gates close at midnight. Only after you’ve made the fateful turn toward the closest exit do you realize that it’s 11:50, and the gates have been closed.

We realize all the gates cannot be closed simultaneously. And it’s not that there’s anything sacred about the midnight closing time. But the fact is: The Rice University Police Department claims the gates are open until midnight, and students plan their exit routes accordingly. If RUPD wants to start closing the gates at 11:45, then it should publicize 11:45 as the closing time. But given that the midnight closing time is already ingrained in students’ minds, this year, RUPD should wait until midnight to begin closing the gates.

Sure, redesigning a route home isn’t a big deal, but it’s an inconvenience we think could be easily avoided.

Thresher poorly reports critical news

To the editor:

Perhaps the Thresher might want to reveal what it gives priority to reporting. One would think that a “non-Rice visitor [being] arrested for capital murder” in the south college parking area would prove slightly more newsworthy than the arrest of a student who received in last week’s police blather.

Undergraduate students drinking in Wylie’s Pub may not be the biggest story (“Rice Newport中文版-U. Court for underage drinking at Pub,” March 20), and as far as I know the Post is not the first line of defense in this kind of problem. But why do we have to make a trip to the police blotter just to find out there is some obligation to the overall safety of the community — and perhaps this obligation falls upon Rice University Police Department as well — to provide this community with more information about the circumstances surrounding what was described in the police blotter last week.

Ding Kerckhoffs
Baker senior

Worthy research alive and well on campus

To the editor:

The state of undergraduate research at Rice was gruesomely mischaracterized in last week’s guest column (“Senior thesis could create student unity,” March 25). Millan mentions that less than 1 percent of undergraduates participate in research specifically through the Rice Undergraduate Scholarship Program. But this is meaningless as an indication of student and faculty involvement in research.

Just about everyone I know who has had a project that has found funding through a lab or received research credit through his department. I cannot think of a single person in my biochemistry class who has not contributed something to research at Rice — that is more than 1 percent of the Rice population right there.

Rice happens to be extraordinarily proficient at undergraduate research. On three separate occasions, all I had to do was simply send an e-mail to a professor, and I subsequently worked in that lab anywhere from two weeks to 12 months.

In addition, I personally feel as though I’ve had plenty of “collective experience,” at least with my fellow classmate in biochemistry. As with many other majors, we are working together on a senior project, just as we have changed through many other required projects and labs over these four years.

In terms of a senior thesis, many undergraduates have already elected to do one optionally for the sake of exploring an idea. To do one for the purpose of “commemorating” with other students somehow gives the impression that busy work will bring us together — and that is not what research is about.

Audrey Nath
Will Rice senior

Rice writing culture needs overhaul

To the editor:

I read Searcy Milan’s guest column with a lot of interest. The only experience all Rice undergraduates have in common is being in a college — that is, together in different colleges. A senior thesis could be both a common intellectual experience and a capstone for each individual.

But by the time that thesis is due, everyone will have been through a writing course at Rice. There are no writing courses that the university requires. There is no writing culture at Rice. There is no common intellectual experience at the introductory level, while many of our peer institutions require writing seminars spread across the disciplines. Taking English 100 and learning to analyze a sonnet is not going to be much help three years later when your class is in, oh, biochemistry or economics and you’re writing policy nothing in those disciplines.

Good writing has three elec-

s, sentences, paragraphs and an effective pre- sentation of the evidence. We can all agree on the first two. But what constitutes effective presentation is irrelevant in biochemistry. The nature of evidence is determined by the discipline, and each of Rice’s disciplines has not only different protocols but even different epistemologies. You have to write each one, so you have to understand each one, by different rules. And this always takes time.

You do not just create a senior thesis requirement. You have to build into the university’s whole curricular the preparation that would make a senior thesis possible, valuable, desirable. Rice does not seem to have the will or the imagination for this undertaking right now. And this is more than a shame.

A lack of our writing requirement appears everybody but us.

Terrence Ditty
Professor of English

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

You know, there’s probably something they’re not telling you.

We've lost our masters, our coordinator and five RAs in the last year alone!

We're all well on campus — and well on campus — to do one optionally for the sake of...
American public opposed Congress' are telling us why Schiavo should to assert its values next time. It has been fighting to have the feeding open season has been declared on to live this way. Her parents believe nately, whichever side wins this battle been fighting to have the feeding Schiavo's death opens up a quandary of religious, medical, ethical, personal and emotional issues that discontinuous vegetative state for She can breathe and move her eyes, She is in a coma. She is not aware of the world around her. Most religious groups in Congress and in the media will tell us why it is not just acceptable but morally right to let this woman die. Yet many attempts to save her life only really delay the inevitable. Schiavo will just spend years slowly, David Axel is a Brown College student. Arguing to let Schiavo go is ... an emotional endeavor, one that cannot be adequately expressed in one-liners or in talks or in letters to the editor. Over spring break, a man stoned over an essay on nutritional values in a culinary class. The versatile, inventive, omnivorous diet — the world "rice" in a culinary sense — the non-purist response is that vegetarian protein supplements and beans in the midst of a more heavily animal-based, liberal era for People of the on the fictional adventures of a man who has to constantly repress his memories from my childhood, brought back a flood of deeply personal and emotional memories. Additionally, there is no question that we should be able to choose a career. When one is old enough to be a parent and adequately care for their own children, one is old enough to care for their own memories. It is a win-win situation to be able to preserve my memory. I have no doubt that I could preserve my health by carefully monitoring my food and supplements, and my garden salad, fresh from the garden, will be a nutritious, tasty and healthful meal. Nothing makes you feel more like you have trained the Sisyphean struggle of lifting down a vicious wild boar than opening the Wild Boar roast beef package you just paid $20 for. But is this really the only way to live? If I had simply been admitted to the University of Chicago instead of being rejected from Harvard, I would never have been involved in the process of college admissions committees. But college admissions committees should be working to make the application process easier rather than more difficult. The first year I applied to college, I was a Kansas City high school senior. I filled out 19 pages of application forms by undergraduates in Ohio and Illinois. My rice application disappeared. After several calls to the Admissions Office and the U.S. Postal Service, I realized that I had made an error: I had submitted my entire application process on one page. But I only had two pages left and I couldn't do the math. 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Rice joins in videoconference with Sri Lankan Distance Learning Center

The conference began with short statements from representatives at the six participating universities — Australian National University, Rice, San Francisco State University, St. Mary’s University in San Antonio, Stanford University and the University of California-Berkeley.

Panelists at the Sri Lanka Distance Learning Center in Colombo then gave presentations on relief and rebuilding efforts. Sri Lanka has listed 30,900 dead and 10,000 missing from the tsunami — the largest death toll after Indonesia, which has listed 133,000 dead. Lionel Fernandes, chair of the Disaster Relief Monitoring Unit of the Human Rights Commission of Sri Lanka, said.

A doctor working with relief programs discussed Sri Lanka’s progress since the initial disaster. Immediate food, medical and housing needs have been met, he said. With 400,000 people in refugee camps, Sri Lanka is now beginning to reconnect and rebuild, he said.

"We will need more manpower and more human resources in order to regain the country and regenerate the resources that we have," he said.

Following the Distance Learning Center panelists’ statements, viewers from the different universities took turns asking questions.

Many viewers inquired about the relocation of displaced people, which proved to be a contentious issue for the panelists. One panelist said clean-up efforts in the "coastal slums" are necessary and would enhance re-settlement. Another panelist argued population removal could destabilize communities.

"It’s not just about building houses — it’s more about building homes," he said. "When we rebuild a village, we want new houses, but we also want a new way of organizing power politics in the village." Several questions addressed the internal conflict that has persisted in Sri Lanka after the tsunami. The militant group Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam has been fighting for the Tamil state’s independence since the 1980s. Non-governmental organizations and the Sri Lankan government have exhibited no bias in aiding the victims, a panelist said.

Dilanka Senanayake was the first audience member at Rice to participate. Senanayake, who is not affiliated with Rice, was traveling in his native Sri Lanka when the tsunami hit. Since returning to the United States, Senanayake has raised funds for victims, spoken at churches and attended local events about the rebuilding process.

"Senanayake said the speakers were accurate and informative. He said the most pressing concern in Sri Lanka today is the distribution of relief funds. "It’s billion dollars comes in, that’s a great way to develop the country," he said. "But there is a huge bias. Sri Lanka needs help in Sri Lanka’s neighbor countries. There is no one person directing the country. Senanayake said the government’s rebuilding will probably be slow but meticulous." "We need to destroy, we will be one of the world leaders," he said. "We need to change the people, but they have to change their minds."

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Wray said the classes he will teach at Meredith are similar to those he has taught at Rice. Wray said leaving Jones was one of the hardest parts of his decision.

"I'll miss the students and being involved at Jones," Wray said. "It's been a big part of my life the past year that I've been an RA. I have a lot of close relationships with a lot of the students.

Wray said the college has been supportive and understanding of his decision to leave.

"They've said to see me go, but they recognize that career opportunity for this don't come along often," he said.

Garrett said he will miss Wray's enthusiasm for Jones.

"She came in and immediately had a whole lot of Jones spirit," Garrett said. "She just went out to a lot of events and got to know most of the people. She's a cool guy to be with, and you could count on him to be around."

Wray also put handmade birthday and holiday cards in students' mailboxes, Garrett said.

Bryan named Jones coordinator Bernadette Turegano and Emily Forman and Owens headed the search committee that selected Bryan. Forman and Owens headed the search committee that selected Bryan. Brown College Coordinator Nancy Beary, Jones sophomores Bernadette Turegano and Emily Forman, Jones junior Liz Fritts, Garrett and Wray also served on the committee. Forman and Owens narrowed the pool of 40 applicants to four finalists, whom the committee considered.

"What set Lisa apart from the other three finalists was her deep knowledge of the college system and her experience in the colleges," Forman said. "She has a deep love and enthusiasm for the residential college system and for undergraduates, and brings with her a joy for the position we just thought would make her the perfect fit for Jones College.

Forman said she was impressed with Bryan's enthusiasm.

"I think she's going to add a lot to Jones," Forman said. "She had been here a while, and I think (Bryan) will be a new face to bring new ideas to Jones."

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Forman and Owens plan to hold a reception in the Jones Masters' Home to formally introduce Bryan to the college.

The The concept for the Coffeehouse's renovations, which are slated to begin this summer.

Coffeehouse renovation designs almost complete

"The thing I loved about being master was being with the students," Bryan said. "I was (in the Admission Office) until last Monday. The thing I missed was the direct contact with the students."

Garrett said Bryan has met many students in a short time.

"The coffeehouse is a place that people can hang out and have a good time," Garrett said. "The idea of a coffeehouse is a great concept, and what I think the college is thinking about it is a great idea."

"I still think the coffeehouse is one of the best things we have on campus," Garrett said. "I think it's a great place for students to hang out and have a good time."

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RICE UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARS PROGRAM (RUSP) (HONS470/471)

Applications are now being taken for the Rice Undergraduate Scholars Program (RUSP) for the 2005-2006 academic year.

For further information and an application form, please consult the RUSP web page: http://www.owlnet.rice.edu/~hons470/

RUSP is designed for juniors or seniors from any department who are considering graduate school and/or academic careers. Each student accepted into the program undertakes an independent research project mentored by a faculty member chosen by the student. Research grants in the range of $250-$1,700 per year are awarded to help pay the costs of RUSP projects. Many students attend a professional conference and present a paper.

During the first semester (3 credits), each student writes a funding proposal, prepares oral and written progress reports and begins work on the research project. Weekly class meetings deal with a variety of topics related to research and scholarship. In the second semester, variable credit, usually 3-6 credits, students focus on research/writing and present their results orally and in the form of a scholarly paper.

The RUSP faculty coordinators for 2005-2006 are:

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Michael Watkins Psychology (watkins@rice.edu) x3416

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Rao elected SA treasurer, eight Honor Council positions filled

by Risa Gordon

Lovelace College freshman Sai Rao was elected Student Association treasurer in the lone contested race in the SA Spring Elections, held March 25-30.

Rao received an absolute majority of first-place votes, defeating two official candidates and a write-in candidate currently studying abroad.

The SA held the Spring Elections because 12 positions were not filled during the February General Elections.

Only 154 students voted in the Spring Elections, compared to 256 in last year's Spring Elections. In the General Elections, 1,184 students cast votes.

The high turnout for the General Elections tempered interest in the Spring Elections. SA Elections Chair Julia Tucker-Huth said, "It's harder to publicize the elections because it's just coming off of a strong turnout for the General Elections." Tucker-Huth, a Jones College sophomore, said Rao received 56.7 percent of the 150 votes cast in the SA treasurer election.

Brown College freshman John Stallcup received 28.4 percent of the vote, and Marcel College freshman Andrew Bowen received 6 percent of the vote.

Write-in candidate Ian MacCormack, who finished third in the election for SA president as a write-in candidate, received 4.7 percent. MacCormack, a Jones junior, is studying abroad in northern India.

Rao said he wanted to be part of the SA Executive Committee so he could help encourage more students to become involved in the SA.

"I think it's a really good opportunity to serve students," Rao said.

Rao said he hopes to increase student awareness of the SA by broadcasting the SA meetings on Rice Broadcast Television.

Fewer students voted in the elections for other positions. Jones freshman Teddy Bucher and Weiss College freshman Zihui Sun were elected Campus Jubilee coordinators in chief in an unopposed election in which 100 votes were cast.

Eight Honor Council representatives were elected, with no candidate receiving more than 61 votes.

Nine Honor Council at-large representative positions were open, and the newly-elected Honor Council officers will hold another election to fill the remaining opening within 20 class days of March 30.

Weiss junior Nathan Shaw was elected University Court writer representative, and Will Rice College freshman Chaudhuri Ignatius was elected University Council representative.

POLICE BLOTTER

The following items were reported to the Rice University Police Department for the period March 23-28.

SA SPRING ELECTIONS

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Honor Council at-large representatives

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Amaad Dial
Rebecca Gilkey
Charles Lawrie
Brandon Mack
Teresa Menjouren
Payal Patel
Jacob Stilinstein

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None of Browne's four students will travel alone. She will travel to Sri Lanka, India, and Chile to study autistic children and indigenous sector treatment methods, she said. "I want to look at the differences between how the formal humanitarian sector and the indigenous sector treat [traumatized] children," Browne said.

"I want to see other people's ideas and what [they mean] to these kids," Matuzek said. "I want to see what the advantages and disadvantages are of having a system like that [versus in America where the whole system is built around mainstreaming kids]."

Matuzek said she hopes ideas from Denmark, India and Chile can be applied in the United States. "America can try to take a page from what other countries are doing because [autistic] kids are the same everywhere — it's just a matter of how we're approaching it," Matuzek said. "There are a lot of different systems — people go to oracles, they will talk about their problems and people from the rest of the community will listen and contribute, and they have things like exorcisms and shamanism." Browne said.

Matuzek's project idea also came out of interactions with children. She will travel to Denmark, India and Chile to study autistic children and their environments.

"I will be studying the experience of being autistic in the three countries," Matuzek said. "I want to see how families view autism, what assistance the government gives, how schooling is available and what the attitudes toward autism are."

Matuzek said she became interested in the disorder after working with an autistic child.

"I started working as a therapist part-time for a girl who is autistic about two years ago, and I started working for a second family last summer," Matuzek said. "It's been a job, but it's been something I've gotten really interested in." Matuzek said she chose Denmark because it is similar to the United States in that autism is diagnosed often, but different in that it has a nationalized medicine system.

"Denmark is doing very similar things as the United States as far as the theory is concerned, but they have all this money to back it up," Matuzek said.

India and Chile deal with autistic children differently than do the United States and Denmark, Matuzek said. "In India, autism was recognized as a disability in the late '90s — so families can now receive funding, but non-governmental organizations are picking up a lot of the slack because the government doesn't know how to deal with it," Matuzek said. "In Chile, they have separate facilities for special education kids."

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The Watson Fellowship is awarded to 50 graduating seniors nationwide and carries a $22,000 grant for independent research abroad. Rice nominated four students for the Watson Fellowship. Assistant Dean of Students Patty Bass nominated four students for the Watson Fellowship.

"I will be studying the experiences of being autistic in the three countries," Matuzek said. "I'm anxious to see other people's ideas and what [they mean] to these kids." Matuzek and Browne each said most of their fellowship money would be spent on travel and accommodations. A total of 188 students were nominated for the Watson by the 50 participating colleges and universities.

"I want to look at the differences between how the formal humanitarian sector and the indigenous sector treat [traumatized] children," Browne said.

"The mental health approach which uses Western counseling ... has gotten a lot of [criticisms] in the past for not being culturally appropriate ... and perhaps [causing] more harm than good," Browne said.

"I found a lot of different systems — people go to oracles, they will talk about their problems and people from the rest of the community will listen and contribute, and they have things like exorcisms and shamanism," Browne said.

Matuzek said "I'm anxious to see other people's ideas and what [they mean] to these kids." Matuzek and Browne each said most of their fellowship money would be spent on travel and accommodations.
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of Rice’s peer universities, such as Columbia and Yale, use online evaluations effectively.

Debbink and Leggett originally advocated making written evaluations available online in Fall 2003. They formulated a proposal after consulting with Gillis, Montag, the University Standing Committee on Teaching and the General Counsel’s Office.

Under the proposal, the handwritten portion of the evaluations would be scanned and posted on password-protected ESTHER and could only be accessed by Rice students and faculty members. Students would be able to specify whether they wanted their comments posted online, and professors would have the opportunity to review the evaluations before they were posted online.

Teaching Committee Chair Michael Gustin said the committee had a few concerns but generally favored the proposal.

“The Teaching Committee... felt it would be a good thing,” Gustin, a biology professor, said in March 2004. “Our vote was in favor. We were just concerned about some aspects of student control about whether or not their comments would go online ... and whether or not it would be available outside the Rice community.”

Leggett presented the proposal to Faculty Council in March 2004, but the general faculty never discussed the plan.

SA President James Lloyd said he will likely look into the matter next year.

“Course evaluations have an important role in allowing students to give feedback and hear from other students,” Lloyd, a Brown College junior, said. “The method of doing that needs to be evaluated more closely.”

The Registrar’s Office currently provides an electronic summary of course evaluations for faculty members through the online faculty information system. Evaluations are scanned and are available online but can only be accessed by faculty members.

Happy birthday to you

Hanszen College junior Matt Rigney plays the guitar in the academic quad at Willy’s Birthday Picnic Wednesday. All college serveries were closed for the campus-wide picnic.
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2005
Bike's in the pit...

BAKER COORDINATORS Liz Kim - Stephanie Nusbaum - Max Schleicher - Eric Sundstrom - Natalie Wolfson

Tour de Franzia: Drinkstronk


CHUG Sacha Abinader - Jon Carrasco - Geoff Chou - Greg Dachs - Paul Hammond - Justin Hidalgo - Sean McCudden - Vishal Panchmatia - Patrick Reed - Max Schleicher - Steve Turner

THANASSIS VAMARA

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CHUG Megan Abade - Elizabeth Bayer - Caroline Citos - Liz Kim - Michelle Mejia - Julia Pike - Margaret Schwartz - Karen Spitzfleisch - Lindsay Wilson - Daniela Zapico

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CHUG Jordy Ager - Jason Arts - Jacob Barton - David Berken - Evan Davies - Carl Hammarsten - Dan Harmon - Jaron Lukasiewicz - Jason MacFarlane - Sean Rainey - Jeff Silverman - Chris Vauhe


PIT CREW David Berken - Phil Gorman - John Heydemann - Phillip Hodge - Trey Macaluso - David Vaucer

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MEN'S BIKE Josh Falkner - Hollis Gobriel - Mike Hardt - Todd Jaszewski - Mike Kocevski - Oliver Lin - William Manzel - Guthrie Partridge - Laurent Tran - Oleg Vydrov

CHUG Justin Ork - Darren Roblyer - Jason Yong


CHUG No names submitted


HANSZEN COORDINATORS Craig Fratrik - Erin Jenkins - Yan-Xin Li

Leggo My Keggo: Part of a Complete Breakfast


Stephanie Rokee - Alex Sigeda - Luis Vega

CHUG Nick Alexander - Brenton Cheesman - Jeremy Evans - Craig Fratrik - David Gutierrez - Ryan Kelley - Brad McDonald - Eric McGuire - Luis Vega

WOMEN'S BIKE Hannah Bassham - Cindy Berring - Lizzy Clark - Jessica Hawthorne - Erin Jenkins - Rachel Kuppers - Yan Xi Li - Leah McKay - Teresa Monkkonen - Kao Tangut - Katherine Wu

CHUG Emily Beer - Cindy Berring - Diana Cox - Nicola Lugoisch - Emily Polbman - Roxanne Ringle - Sarah Rutka - Brittany Sparner - Stephanie Taylor - Lauren Vanderlip - Katherine Zedrow


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Rolling Jones

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CHUG Danny Blanco - Christopher Bacher - Christopher Butscheck - Matt Osher - Steve Patty - Josh Perkins - Mark Pond - Felipe Serrano - Ben Shields - Scott Wybar

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Justin Yang

CHUG
Lanny Bose - Fede Cavaos - Ian Clark - Peter Darrell
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Robert McArthur - Seb Schmidt - Adam Tuttle

WOMEN'S BIKE
Monica Agrawal - Julia Bursten - Kai Chu
Caliee Danheim - Margot Herman - Jackie Kirby
Maiella Leano - Laura Nally - Ariel Travis
Natalie Vasco

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Adam Parsons - Robert Reick

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Win a Beer with Matt Hamilton

MEN'S BIKE
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Pat Hastings - Philip Hernandez - Chris Martinez - Robbie Pinnick
Zach Thomas - Stephen Wallace - Ryder Stock
CHUG
George DeMontric - Sauce Gomez - Courtney Gordon - Charlie Niles
Kyle Reesing - Aaron Sankin - Tommy Coyne - Will Wood - Scott Zeglin

WOMEN'S BIKE
Kyle Barry - Sarah Burkart - Katherine Crenshaw
Hannah Eamer - Marissa Galvan - Emma Johns - Erica Rangel
Anna Whitmire - Geraldine Young

CHUG
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Emma Johns - Sarah Morrison - Katie Olson
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Scott Mcbeath - Justin Routman

SID RICH

COORDINATORS
Julia Follick - Jessica Kubik - Will Miller - Bryan Steenfield

Taaka Cabana

MEN'S BIKE
Jon Allison - Evan Colton - Kevin Dudney
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Appouna Shah - Ashar Shirkani - Stephen Sinclair

CHUG
Jordan Allen - Steve Bryant - Main Goodfellow - Jake Grabcenski

WOMEN'S BIKE
Lindsay Balthrop - Andrea Dineen - Jenny Gillenwater - Helen Ho
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CHUG
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WEISS

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No Theme

MEN'S BIKE
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CHUG
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WOMEN'S BIKE
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CHUG
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Teenage Mutant Binging Turtles

MEN'S BIKE
Mike Burns - Elliott DeRemer - Tyson Heller - Nick Henderson
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John Passiak - Roger Sharpe - Gary Sharpe - Carr Taylor

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Scott Selinger - Clark Smithson - Nathan Woodward

WOMEN'S BIKE
Angela Aker - Alizo Jorg - Aubrey Ferguson - Liz Greeson - Della Hoffman
Melissa Kidonakis - Tiffany Lin - Amy McClintok - Glenda Cowan
Lesse Moore - Emily Reagan

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...ready, set, chug!
**Fines**

**Beer-Bike 2005**

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**Editors' picks**

**Sunday**

**FREE MUSIC**

The 14th annual KTRU outdoor show is Sunday.

Alas a great time, this year the lineup is stellar and includes Anna O'Gorman, Freevea, James Kockalka Superstar, Hokum Guff and more.

Sunday from noon to 7 p.m.

Ray Courtright.

**this weekend**

**THE WILD WORLD OF TERRY GILLIAM**

Director Terry Gilliam's whimsical cult favs Brazil is this weekend's midnight movie, tonight and tomorrow at midnight, The River Oaks, 2009 West Gray.

Please call (713) 866-8881 for more information.

**wednesday**

**STUDENT FILM**

Snacks, a short film by Wexo College seniors Courtney Olow and Louise Midkiff, premieres as part of the Max C. Fleiss Award Exhibition.

Other student work will also be on display.

A question-and-answer session with the filmmakers will precede the screening.

Wednesday from 4:30-6:30 p.m.

The Rice Media Center, 2101 Agnes St.

**AWKWARD LOVE SCENE 101**

Elizabeth Mims

**THE ROYAL family**

Is My Country constructs a fictional personal account and forbidden love around the South African history of post-apartheid South Africa, all while preaching forgiveness. But despite the plot's lofty goals, the result is a convoluted storyline and a forced chemistry between characters.

**in my country**

Director John Boorman (The Tailor of Panama) parallels the testimonies of human rights abuses during South Africa's Truth and Reconciliation hearings—conducted from 1996 to 1999—and the romantic trysts between investigative reporters Anna Malan (The English Patient's Juliette Binoche) and Langston Whittlefield (Pulp Fiction's Samuel L. Jackson). Though well intentioned, Boorman's film veers on becoming a soap opera. The testimonies from families of apartheid victims only color the landscape of Anna and Langston's poorly portrayed internally dramatic romance.

Screening with Ann Presson, the television movie A New Life (1986), which Boorman adapted South African poet Antjie Krog's non-fiction account of the gaanbeweging's hearings and in cludes excerpts of real testimonies. Tales of rape, horror, torture and electrocution are retold in front of the perpetrators of apartheid, as they were in the actual hearings. The verdict of each case rests upon the "bhuts," meaning, under which the accused are absolved of any crime if they tell the truth about murders committed and prove they were publicly motivated.

The idea of reconciliation through fact and forgiveness is seemingly a step toward healing South Africa's tortured past. Anna is a South African but is rich and white. At the start of the film, she leaves her family and their traditional opinions of the new South Africa, becoming an investigative journalist in South Africa to radio and on the United States National Public Radio.

Langan's career comes from the Washington Post, eager to focus on the African American rights movement to the victims of South African apartheid. He plays devil's advocate while Anna is naively optimistic. He is unable to comprehend the country's easy forgiveness policy, especially when the guilty evade the white superman's wrath by incorporating into society to the extent that he, the white superman, is able to expose.

Each character becomes a portrait of one view of how race relations should be reconciled. The film quite deliberately hopes for the best in relation to the two will encourage the forgiveness and understanding with the former American black and white Presson, but that both Anna and Langan are marred with children. They are merely plot devices—white and black sketches—so the actors have no chance to commit to their performances.

The film attempts to convey a national burden of guilt—we are all to blame for our country's failings—but it fails to present this maxim in a way the country's educational system is often portrayed. The film's attempt to portray the complex nature of race relations is a step in the right direction but fails to reach a satisfying conclusion.

This legendary publication was surely coming from his former career as a film critic for the French magazine Cahiers du Cinema. His latest film, Clean, was released stateside this fall, is no exception. It stars Assayas' ex-wife Maggie Cheung, who won the Best Actress prize at Cannes, as a drug-addicted rock star.

Assayas' early films are the subject of a retrospective series at the Rice Media Center. The series provides a rare glimpse at Assayas' films that were released in strictly limited engagements or not at all in the U.S. In fact, these screenings are all of the films Texas premiere. The retrospective culminates with a screening of Clean.

Loretta College senior Daniel Stuyck said he has been planning this series since the beginning of his semester.

"Assayas really is a throwback to the New Wave movement in the 1960s, a frequent contributor, writing about various topics within the sprawling blanket of international cinema. His writing on Hong Kong cinema was perhaps his most notable work, at least in part because he began to focus on the genre before it caught the eye of reality cinephiles.

His first film, Disorder (shown yesterday and again tonight) about a tight-knit group of musicians creates a wake in a serious crime, came out in 1986 and won the International Critics' Prize at the Venice Film Festival. It has gone on to achieve cult-film status in France. Kent Jones, the editor-in-chief of Film Comment magazine and the Associate Director of Programming at the Film Society of Lincoln Center in New York City will be on-hand Sunday to introduce Assayas' sophomore feature, Winter's Child, which Jones considered the foremost American scholar on Assayas' work, heras, said, "Assayas may be the only filmmaker who gives us the poetry of the digital age in all its me perfection.

The two other films in the series, Paris Audences and A New Life, are two starkly divergent family dramas. Like Winter's Child, these films were never distributed in the U.S. and are next to impossible to find, even in bootleg form.

"But the rarity of these films isn't that important," Stuyck said. "It sounds nice and everything, but what makes these particular films significant is that they make up the early period of one of today's greatest living filmmakers.

While the retrospective features Assayas' work from the mid-80s through the mid-90s, he did not receive international acclaim until Irma Vep came out in 1996. Of the film, The New York Times' Janet Maslin wrote, "Irma Vep offers Assayas' work as a way of seeing the world.

**Sudsy romance thraws politics in 'Country'**

Anna (Jellette Binoche) and Langston (Samuel L. Jackson) uncover the horrors of apartheid and fall in love in director John Boorman's in My Country.

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**See ASSAYAS, page 13**
Girls' guide a flimsy attempt at self-help

Julia Bursten

THRESHERS EDITORIAL STAFF

I missed the hypocritical, pink-flowered, J. Lo strutted off, leaving desperate and degrading. For example, that as it takes to see big stars. Normally, my nemesis on mornings like this is the sun, but this morning, it was a much more formidable opponent. From the other room, I heard the arrogant, unsuccessful: It reads "Build your career! Be strong and independent! Get married! Have babies! Be fit and feminine!"

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The 10 Women You'll Be Before You're 35 page after page of sage wisdoms is not "boy crazy." For example, James writes an entire chapter devoted to "The Diva," a woman who shifts her personality to match the man at her current boyfriend. I read page after page of sage windows such as, "The desire to have a date going even if the guy is a loser," but I noticed no room for the girls who do not mind going to parties or stage or who are not interested in men in the first place. Given the ever-increasing non-heterosexual population in American society—and perhaps an even larger population of heterosexual women that is not "boy crazy"—women should have considered the number of readers she excludes and alternates with these overviews.

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All Students Registration Information

- Registration will take place during the week of April 4 - 12, 2005. All students should register for classes between April 3 at 9 PM and April 12, 2005. Failure to register by April 12, 2005 will result in a $55 "Failure to Register" fee automatically assessed to your account.

Undergraduate Students – Advising and Priority Information

- Undergraduates: please see your academic advisor prior to Fall 2005 registration. (Note that registration begins on April 3, 2005 at 9 PM).
- After discussing your fall course selections, your advisor will provide you with a form to take to your college coordinator.
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Priority Registration Timeline

April 4 (April 3 at 9 PM) – Grad students, seniors, and all other student who have completed 90 credits or more*.

April 5 (April 4 at 9 PM) – Grad students, seniors, juniors and all other students who have completed 60 credits or more*.

April 6 (April 5 at 9 PM) – Grad students, seniors, juniors, sophomores and all other students who have completed 30 credits or more*.

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Freshman left-hander Joe Savery finishes in Rice's 7-5 loss to Nevada Sunday. The Owls won two out of three games in their series against the Wolf Pack and ended an eight-game road trip Tuesday with a 6-2 win at UNR.

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**by Amber Olsensky**

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**Men's softball playoff teams set**

**by Matt McCabe**

The men's softball playoff bracket became complete Tuesday night, as Jones (3-4) wrapped up a playoff berth as the No. 3 seed in the Pine Tar Division with a 6-4 win over contender Sid Richardson (2-3), whose postseason hopes hinged on a game between GSAs (3-4) and Will Rice (3-5). The Smithsonville playoff spots were shattered when Will Rice, the only team to defeat Jones, out-slugged GSA 23-16 to win. With the win, Will Rice moved to 3-5 in second place, but defending champion Hanszen will advance to the playoffs because of its wins against Sid and Will Rice.

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**individual performances**

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Most of the Rice athletes present will compete in their normal events, but junior Aaron Redman, who normally runs the 800 meters, will run in the 1,500 meters and the 400 meters instead.

"It's going to be tough, because I've never run in those events before," Redman said. "But it was on my back the whole season. I expect more, and I think we'll see bigger things in upcoming weeks."

"Personally, it pretty much went the way I hoped," Redman said. "It's kind of a relief for me, this early in the season, I couldn't expect a really fast time. The goal was to just go out and win it. I got out in a decent pace, kept myself in the race, and really ran the whole time and finished strong. I think that's enough for sixth place. Junior David Axel finished 1,500 meters in 4:00.01, good enough for sixth place. Junior Luke Stadel qualified for the NCAA Regional meet at UH, finishing a distant fifth place behind Texas A&M, which qualified for the NCAA Regional meet at UH, finishing a distant fifth place behind Texas A&M, which had the top five finishers.

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BASEBALL

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Junior right fielder/right-hand-
er Lance Pendleton said Rice's improved hitting intensity should help the Owls this weekend.

"We're going up there fighting as hard as we can to get a good pitch and hit it, and it's coming around for us," Pendleton said.

Pendleton has gone 8-for-18 in the last five games for an average to .391. In a power surge Saturday, Pendleton hit one of seven Rice home runs, the most in Rock Pitch history and most since a school record 10 home runs in 1986.

Saturday's game began as a pitcher's duel, with junior right-hander Eddie DeGeronimi battling Nevada's Ryan Rodriguez. Rice broke the deadlock in the sixth on a three-run homer from sophomore left fielder Adam Hale, who leads the team in RBIs (22) and ranks second in slugging percentage (.630) in past 34 at bats.

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I was surprised all year that we weren't hitting more home runs," Graham said. "I've said it's outstanding power and Pendleton's getting outstanding power, and neither was hitting [home runs]. They're starting hitting them.

The ninth inning turned ugly, however, as junior right-hander Ryne Tacker issued two walks and surrendered a three-run home run in the 10th inning to turn it into a 10-9 loss. Tacker earned his second loss in three innings against Graham's sixth career no-hitter.

Freshman right-hander Bobby Bell (2-0) was perhaps the most impressive, pitching eight innings and allowing just two runs on six hits with one walk. Bell had struggled in the bullpen — like many other Owls — Sunday, walking the only two batters he faced.

"There's really not an excuse [for Sunday]," Bell said. "I've done well out of the bullpen before. We talk about between Sunday and Tuesday about challenging batters and really going after them... and that's just what I tried to do. And there's a big difference.

Bell, who stands 6-foot-4 and throws a low-90s fastball with a sharp curveball and an effective changeup, said his off-speed pitches are most effective.

"My change-up has been the most consistent [pitch]," Bell said. "In most starts, I haven't had my curveball in the first two innings, but I've found it. When I have a feel for it, I'd probably say that's my best pitch.

A familiar, fast-hitting Bell, as Halle turned in another crucial hit, hit an opposite field single to left field in the sixth inning to break open a 1-0 game. Graham said he was relieved the Owls clinched the best-of-five series against ULH just in time, as they did in both 2002 and 2003.

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Sophomore second baseman and WAC Player of the Week Josh Rodriguez had his 1-iron hitting streak snapped Tuesday.

Rodriguez, named National Hitter of the Week by the National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association, hit .256 in four consecutive games March 26-28 and dropped 687 and hit .482 (19-for-40) with six doubles, 5 home runs and 18 RBIs in March.

Junior third baseman Greg Michael extended his hitting streak to 14 games Tuesday, hitting .500 with an RBI, while senior catcher and outfielder Gary Patenaude continues to lead the team with a .309 on-base percentage and a .384 batting average.

After this weekend's series against Southern Miss at/grantinir, Rice will travel to Metairie, La., just outside New Orleans, for an April 10-11 game against LSU at Zephyr Field, home of the class-AAA New Orleans Zephyrs. The Owls will then travel to Boston, to face WAC for Louisiana Tech in a three-game series April 8-10.
Robinson sets record

The women's track and field team continued its quest for a Western Athletic Conference outdoor title Saturday, taking third place in a field of six teams at the Tom Tellez Invitational at the University of Houston. The Owls host the 23rd Annual Rice Bayous Classic today and tomorrow at the Rice Track/Scissor Stadium.

Rice finished Saturday's meet with 105 points. UH won the meet with 131 points, followed closely by Texas A&M with 140 points.

"We had a lot of people out on injury," Junior Faison Johnson said. "It wasn't our best performance because we weren't at 100 percent."

But Senior Verse Uhuru said she was encouraged by the Owls' individual performances at UH.

"The meet was a testament to how hard we worked in the past," Uhuru said. "It's pretty much setting the tone for the rest of the season.

Junior Krystal Robinson led the Owls, breaking the 19-year-old school discus record. Robinson's throw of 177 feet, 1 inch surpassed the mark of Regina Coumang (WVU) '97 to break a record that had been shattered by the congressional body by 33 feet. Robinson took gold in the event by throwing almost 25 feet farther than second-place finisher Jamie Ross from Texas A&M. Robinson also set personal bests in the hammer throw and shot put, taking third and fifth, respectively. In those events, she was named the WAC outdoor track and field Athlete of the Week.

Freshman Urbina Hinton scored in four field events, taking sixth in the javelin, sixth in the shot put, seventh in the discus and eighth in the hammer throw. Sophomore Sharde Caesar finished second in the triple jump and freshman Rachel Greff was second among colleagues in the pole vault. Junior Jinnow won the long jump, qualifying for the NCAA regional meet — to be held in Norman, Okla. May 27-28 — with a leap of 19-10.25.

Smith also qualified for regionals on the track, placing second in the 100-meter hurdles in 13.85 seconds. And Uhuru earned a spot in the regional meet as well, finishing second in the 200 meters with a time of 23.85 seconds. Uhuru also took third in the 100 meters. In the 1.500 meters, Junior Megan Santillan, freshman Marissa Daniels and freshman Susie Saucedo finished first, third and fifth, respectively.

The Rice Bayou Classic this week is still in the works, and we'll probably do it again next year. It's a Martel tradition, and you don't want to stop it, " said a sophomore who asked to remain anonymous.

Tensions continued to rise within the college, however, and by Monday the situation erupted into violence. Students crowded into the Martel quad, carrying signs that should never get in the way of tradition," said a sophomore who asked to remain anonymous.

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"An election like this just shows no respect for Martel tradition. As a colony of Will Rice, we deserve to be governed by the Will Ricer of our choice. Phil [Brown] should have respected that right," said one protester.

Phil Brown, the last of three consecutive presidents formerly from Will Rice College. As a native Martelarian, Arandia was the first president elected at Martel not originally from Will Rice.

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"It's what we do in case of a potential conflict: we riot. We did it last year, we did it this year, and we'll probably do it again next year. It's a Martel tradition, and you should never get in the way of tradition," said a sophomore who asked to remain anonymous.

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When asked to comment, Nag said only, "Will Rice sweats Beer Bike, but I don't see why it shouldn't sweep the college elections as well. Maybe next year we will take a real college."
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Lacrosse Field
No use for it anymore

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Current bid: US $594,564

Time left: 2 days, 4 hours

Start time: Mar-05 08:00:00 CST

History: 58 bids (US $1.00 starting bid)

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Item location: Houston, TX

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Description:
Lacrosse field in excellent condition due to generous donations of teams’ alumni. Field is of no use to university after lacrosse teams disbanded for zoning. Field hockey, soccer and rugby teams have shown interest in using the field, but lacrosse players were such an embarrassment to the university that we’re getting rid of everything — the house where the party took place, the teams, the captains, the field — associated with them. Friends, professors and acquaintances of the lacrosse players are lucky they haven’t been suspended from Rice themselves. Height of any building on property can’t exceed height of Rice’s never-to-actually-be-built Research Tower. If field is used as parking lot, owner must charge users commensurate with Rice’s existing parking fee structure.

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