Jones School, Economics propose business minor

by David Brown

A joint proposal by the Economics Department and the Jones School calls for the creation of an undergraduate minor or certificate in business that would be administered at the Jones School. The University’s Steering Committee on the Undergraduate Curriculum discussed the proposal at its meeting Wednesday.

The proposal, submitted by former economics department chair Peter Hartley and Associate Jones Graduate School of Management Dean George Kanatas, suggests the business minor would replace Managerial Studies, an interdisciplinary second major comprised primarily of economics and psychology classes.

The program would consist of six mandatory classes: Financial Accounting, Corporate Finance, Marketing, Organizational Behavior, Business Strategy and Communications. All courses except for Communications would be taught by Jones School faculty. Communications would be very similar to the current MANA 404 Management Communications and would continue to be taught by an instructor outside the Jones School. The curriculum committee did not vote on the proposal. Instead, committee chair Bill Wilson asked Jones School Dean William Glick for more information.

Wilson, an electrical and computer engineering professor, said he would provide more details to be provided in a future meeting.

“We asked [Glick] and others to think about it some more and then get back to us,” Wilson said.

Glick said student demand for a business program, Jones School capacity for the program and whether the handling of excess demand could be determined.

The written proposal suggests students apply for the minor program, but Glick said undergraduate business programs at other universities use different criteria, including GPA-based and lottery systems.

Additionally, the committee will seek to determine if the proposal is consistent with Rice’s traditions and academic standards. One issue is that Rice is currently offering only one minor, in Naval ROTC. Glick said.

Doesen Undergraduate Robin Forman said the committee will discuss the role of minors in the curriculum in general at a future meeting. If the business minor is approved, he said, other departments may consider submitting proposals for minors as well.

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by Ian Fievet

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"As it ended up, the e-mail system did illustrate the need for alternative means of communication with students," Khan said. "Rice's emergency Web page was successful and could be used in such a scenario. The students who were on campus at the time were able to get the emergency information via the e-mail system. Those at Tulane and Lamar universities were not able to do that.

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Offer business classes, scrap minor proposal

We oppose an undergraduate business minor. (See story, page 1.) We do, however, support business classes to undergraduates.

Given the number of students currently enrolled in business-related classes and the number of graduates pursuing careers in business, we think the expansion of a minor is hazardous. Masters trying to communicate with students in Jones School — with resources, office space and affiliated faculty last weekend showed that in the future, IT should have more staff we need Owlnet e-mail to be operational, not dysfunctional as it was last weekend. (See story, page 1.)

As proposed, undergraduate businesses should be housed in the Jones School — with resources, office space and affiliated faculty to create ownership of the courses. But as far as what goes on under graduates' should stand alone and should not be incorporated into a degree program.

IT: Keep more staff on campus during crises

For better or worse, e-mail is the primary communication medium at Rice. So during an emergency, when communication is crucial, we need Direct e-mail to be operational, not dysfunctional as it was last weekend. (See story, page 1.)

The insidious replication of emails was annoying, but the enormous times — which resulted in emails being delivered days late were hazardous. Masters trying to communicate with students whose e-mail accounts were delayed, were so frustrated that they had rosters to instead posting signs and pounding on doors.

Thankfully, the number of problems that we think last weekend showed that in the future, IT should have more staff on campus during crisis situations, and Rice should provide food and housing for these employees.

Basically, IT should be considered an essential department — in the same category as Facilities, Engineering and Planning, Housing and Dining and the Rice University Police Department. It has a staff of 125, so some could certainly have evacuated, just as some H&J and F&F staff members left campus last week. But the Crisis Management Team should establish an emergency protocol that does not compromise students' safety.

Rice did well with Rita

Rice was the safest place to be during Hurricane Rita — not just because of its buildings and location, but also because of the decision of the Crisis Management Team, college masters, staff and students. We thank everyone who pitched in to help us prepare for the worst. (See story, page 1.)

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Columns liken religiosity to stupidity

To the editor:

I want to state for the record that I am a moderate. In fact, now I have it verified by the Political Science motif. I am also a devout Catholic. I am also a Rice student.

My first impression of the campus was that it was open-mindedness and diversity was that even if you disagreed with my first two titles, as a fellow student at this exclusive college and year in Morgan University, you would at least not assume that I was senseless for adhering to their doctrines.

However, when I read two columns attacking Rice students, and even more readable, Rice professors for their beliefs about evolution and intelligent design, I was essentially disillusioned with the claims of mutual respect in the scientific community. (‘Protest must protect Rice’s intelligent design,’ Sept. 2 and ‘Unbelieving students hurt, embarrass Rice,’ Sept. 5.) At least the representatives of the people accused us of merely being troublemakers, but the students, the faculty and the administration.

Besides the death of the mythical respect, I found out other things disturbing about the assertions at these articles. The writers implied that these students and professors who challenged the status quo were embarrassing Rice. Personally, I would be far more embarrassed on behalf of Rice if we garnered the reputation that we never questioned the accepted scientific principles at the discussion ever, in spite of having an original idea lost out of fear of being misguided.

We will never be respected in the scientific community if we do not respect each other. For my personal safety, I have decided to make our religious population less stupid.

Katye Maltby
Baker freshman

Alum’s ‘irrational’ attacks damage Rice

To the editor:

During the highly publicized hacking controversy of 2002, some of my graduating classmates took to ambassador of the character of our university. However, Thomas Blaylock neither has denigrated the Rice community, nor has done little, anything, to offer any positive suggestions we can garnish to the disaster that has befell New Orleans.

Blaylock’s initial letter (‘Hickory Dickory Doc’), responded on the second week of Sept. 9th, and it conveyed the effects being made at Rice or of which he was even acknowledged. He passed judgment on the entire Rice community for failing to do more. This letter truly amazed me, since it painted the picture of the time Rice has seen the students, faculty and staff of the university dedicated to responding to Hurricane Katrina. I believe that David Lebron, student body responded to this disrespectful letter (‘Apologies of a utility unintelligent, unsanctioned,’ Sept. 9th). In response, Mr. Blaylock attacked Lebron’s character for defending the very real contributions we have all made to this past few weeks (‘Lebron should learn social skills, emulating,’ Sept. 16). I did not read Lebron’s letter was intended to silence the concerns of alumni. Instead, I read it as a call to action and an angry response to undeserved scorn.

I am nothing in Blacklock’s letters but undeserved and irrational attacks to character. He has attacked the integrity of the Rice community at large and of Rice at a particular.

I am urely sorry that the matter, Mr. Blacklock calls home has been diminished and that the thrust of his beliefs and family have been so significantly played. However, I do believe that his loss entitles him to attack gorgeous interests in the significant actions we have taken.

It is time for Mr. Blaylock to remove the rather large chip on his shoulder and lead by example.

Roy Rice
L’02

College is the time for open-mindedness

To the editor:

Once upon a time, when I was a freshman at Rice, I wrote an impromptu letter to the editor of the Rice Thresher and the status quo and the accepted scientific principles at the discussion ever, in spite of having an original idea lost out of fear of being misguided.

I wanted to tell you in the story that you will take the time now, while your life is still ahead of you, to challenge your own assumptions about things, how it’s scary — and the world is scarier now than it ever was — but you will find it immeasurably rewarding.

As a student at Rice, you are living practically at the top of the curve. Therefore, there is a tendency to be a little bit intellectually and socially safe. You will still be, before you sell your soul for a luxurious lifestyle and before you atrophy to a hard shell of righteousness, open your heart and mind and see what happens.

Patrick Theodore
Brown ’70
Guest column

Scientific dogma hides diversity of thought

I have noticed a disturbing trend among Rice students discussing the origins of life. They believe evolution is the only scientific theory without any problems, even though it is not. If a person believes a scientific theory, they should be able to explain why they believe it is correct. The scientific theory they believe in should evolve along with evidence and new research. This unexplained view of disingenuous opinions falsely portrays arguments of macro-genetic mechanisms, which is not intelligent design. I believe there are other related scientific theories such as speculation, macro-evolution. This undiscerned view of dismissing opinions falsely portrays arguments of macro-genetic mechanisms as non-existent, as if they were to accept the proven and readily apparent macro-evolution of a bacteria strain to medication.

Rice's evolutionary dissenters are a tribe to Rice's genuine tolerance, in opposition to a blind, unchallenged conformity to mainstream indoctrination.

Any reasonable individual should realize that a person who believes in intelligent design can diagnose a disease as adequately as someone who believes in an evolutionary development theory. In their respective school districts, I was disheartened that students were taught to believe any opinion presented in the show, the TV personalities simply refused to accept the ignorance and sarcastic comments about the ignorance of intelligent design. I am treated with the same attitude whenever I discuss the topic with my friends. They can't imagine how any thinking individual could disagree with "facts". I find it ironic when these evolutionists could disprove Webster's dictionary historical interference with scientific discovery, citing theέ¥ology of Calypso and the Catholic Church. Doing so ignores scientists such as Johannes Kepler and Isaac Newton, who exerted a directed and unorthodox conceit to the revolution in science and, ultimately, changed development. I believe the most important for science is that it inhibits scientific inquiry. And so, it is in opposition to these beliefs, we also realize that it inhibits scientific inquiry. The solution to this is to establish a logical, philosophical system to which we may all contribute to science.

In light of all the respectable scientists with reservations about evolutionary theory, perhaps 20 percent of Rice's evolutionary dissenters are not an embarrassment but rather a tribute to Rice's genuine tolerance, in opposition to a blind, unchallenged conformity to mainstream indoctrination. Instead of crying every logical theory, every person, Rice students should promote an atmosphere of tolerance for questioning and challenging scientific convention.

Only after we gather our diversity and then thoughtfully address these issues will we break from the stifling influence of rigid minds and reach a consensus, a platform of truth, integrity, and science. And, who knows, many prospective student will choose Rice over the other institution because it's Roosevelt.

Jared Blakely is a Rice student.

Rice Voices

Scientific rebellion needs meaningful aspirations

I am worried about our fellow Rice students. I have always thought college was supposed to be a time of intellectual growth. I have heard of students accumulating legal and financial backing, and I must also believe that this should be questioned. If I are otherwise, or if I believe that I am right, I will question the way they are thinking about the basic principles of the life we live. We are now grown up, and our primary goal is to prepare for shaping the world. It's time to prepare the conversation, to hear every day at lunch and dinner club to the place to be seen in the discussions about the problems our economic policies and plan social for society. Instead, I hear nothing but noise about last night's beer brawl, and even the event is that people are going to get drunk during the weekend. I'd rather be speaking and discussing the conversations.

Rice students think they are rebels. They think they are rebels, leading a private party with alcohol and the beer-bottle and when they complain about a certain administration, they are stating the interest of "college life." Day after day I hear accusations about administration for its apparently "hostile," although I don't believe the students, and I am curious about what the consequences of these complaints are.

I see no correlation between the complaints and the authorities. These complaints are a weak and helpless sister of true collegiate rebellion.

We are weak. Our rebellion against people and things that are actually important in your lives. Our needs for bringing in the knowledge and the connection with a "member of the preferred sex" should not be crucial.

I see we want to see more disputes and protests about things that matter in our world. I commend for Rice student's attitude to volunteer to help the New Orleans refugees, and I have thought about those people and we are speaking. But I also think we should be demanding truthfully and fairly competing against the deficiencies of the bureaucracy that failed to respond to Hurricane Katrina. Each of us can be questioning every action of our government and of governments and agencies across the world. It is not enough for only a small minority of Rice to do this.

Even though our voices may not be heard directly by the people to whom we direct our protests, our voices will help us mold our opinions about the world. In turn, these opinions will make further decisions about campus issues and events as interesting and as well.

We seem to forget that the same university on the top of our discipline is important not just because of its "Rowdy Owls" and Rice-like traditions, but also because of the intellectual capabilities required to be accepted into this fine institution. And this very Rice is the beginning of the next steps. We must cultivate the minds to make the best truly worldwide.

I see no solution, I see no correlation and regurgitation. Students only choose to stretch their brains when a grade depends on it. I believe that the focus of the classes with the easy A's because all they care about when a grade depends on it. They look for the classes with the easiest A's and the easiest A's. As students, we have a duty to do our best against tough odds.

As students, we have a duty to do our best against tough odds. I am thankful for the assistance of my friends, in which the Rice still have a like-minded attitude. And becoming a Rice student is just like a college we all face. It is not only the students, Rice students are facing the same challenges as other institutions as well.

Julia Rursten is a junior.

Football players stretch schedules, Rice's reputation

I thought this would be about 4 a.m. on a Sunday as I sat on the field of Rice University's football field. I was exhausted and looking for the 7 a.m. arrival at Rice — and I didn't even play in the game. The trip was a memorable one, from watching my school's team play in the Rose Bowl to seeing more than 300 alumni at tailgates festivities at the game. However, I was more away from the trip than an alumni coordinator and memories of last night's football game. I took pride deeper respect for the hardwork, discipline and commitment that goes into playing the Rice football team.

We break [the] mold every time we travel to California to face a mammoth university in athletic competition or compete for Nobel Prizes against institutions with research budgets that dwarf ours.

To travel as a member of the team is not what one might expect. It is grueling and lacks much of the perceived glamour of collegiate athletics. For this trip, the team left on Friday morning only to spend the entire day traveling by plane and bus. That night, they also watched Food in a conference room and watched a movie on a projection screen. They may have been in Los Angeles, but there was no light on the town. The next day consisted of morning meetings, long up for the game and three hours of fierce competition. The grand finale was a 12:00 return flight arriving as the sun came up.

"Tough" is the best word to describe this regime. The players go to practice every day for 20 hours per week and play four games a week. They miss the sun of campus and lose time of campus and lose time of campus and lose time of campus and lose time studying, all while still facing the same challenges of Rice college we all face.

Each player's own reasons for enrolling, but one reason is common amongst them. Each participant takes pride in competing for Rice.

Regardless of the opponents, football team and all athletes who do their best against tough odds. We all know that we can do our best against tough odds. We all know that we can do our best against tough odds. We all know that we can do our best against tough odds.

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James Lloyd is a Brown College senior and Student Association president.
Mom vs. the hurricane: adventures of a Families Weekend cancelled

There I was, arriving in Houston just as all of the city was "fixin' to get out of Dodge. Workers and residents were heading for higher ground as Hurricane Rita, a Category 5 storm, caused barreling out of the Gulf of Mexico straight for them.

I have always considered myself a Category 5 woman, blowing into every situation with boisterous confidence, bold exuberance and self-generated hoopla. On this day, I was storming into a situation with the same zeal. I was armed with a few days of hard-won vacation, a non-refundable airline ticket and the insatiable desire to squeeze the stuffing out of my boy, usually 1.00 miles from all of us.

Wednesday, September 21: I sit in traffic and long gas lines as the airport shuttle driver attacks the steering wheel repeatedly, applying the age-old theory of "if I push the elevator buttons with staccato jabs, it will work. This must need for immediate rescue and appear with all due speed." Lines of commuters, three deep, wait at bus stops. The radio advises us that Rita will be the lone storm to hit Houston since the Ice Age. I feel quietly and calmly as my fellow passengers make frantic phone calls to relatives and friends. "I don't know when I'll get there, y'all. We've stuck in traffic and the van has one more stop before it can bring me home to you." Mine is that last stop and I am now hated far more than Rita. Round one: Rita.

Thursday, September 22: I'm happily ensconced at the Marriott Residence Inn. Rita gains strength overnight. After a slab of Texas beef and a good night's sleep, no. 1 friends and family call and advise me to catch the next flight out of hell. As local television news brings my pictures of people running out of gas in a Texas-sized traffic jam, I sit at the window of my roomers' room, munch on complimentary candy and agree to call the airline as soon as I hang up.

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One morning, my phone rings andaxon nonstop. The idea of leaving is not in my lexicon, at least not now. Through hoarse voice, I tell a newfound family member that I am not scared and cannot be scared. I feel as lost as he does to see me. I am sure, as his son says, "if you can't beat 'em, join 'em" and formally invites me to his college's "Bow Down Rita" party, complete with all the cheap beer I can drink. As tempting as this is, I decide to crash in the Student Center, blanket, box of Keebler saltines and no Internet access included. Round three: Rita.

Saturday, September 24: I wake to find that Rita shanked out, as they say in golf, and turned way right. The people in my corner of the room — a Ph.D. candidate/mother of a toddler, the children of a Rice employee and a miniature schmoozer named Cricket — hug me with relief and practical wishes. I find my son and see that he survived the long weekend with all the beer he can drink, Internet access included. Round four, and in a stunning last-ditch effort to save the world, I march on complimentary candy and agree to call the airline as soon as I hang up.

My son enlists in the "if you can't beat 'em, join 'em" camp and formally invites me to his college's "Bow Down Rita" party, complete with all the cheap beer I can drink.

Sunday, September 25: I head home, right after I hug the stuffing out of my baby, the man. I missed the Houston Zoo, the Galleria and the Downtown Cafe, all scheduled for Families Weekend. But I also invited a people and a school community come together in crisis, and it was a force of nature greater than any weather event.

Marcianne Waters is the mother of a Sid Richardson College freshman.
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Campus, although many people were on campus this afternoon, said Diane Ditman, assistant director for public relations. "It really wasn't so much a risk of running out of food, it was more a quick reflexion of options," Ditman said.

Ditman said the lack of staffing in the kitchens was a more pressing need than running out of food. About 12 staff members were present at the height of the storms, although more were on campus before and after the hurricane, Ditman said. Volunteers such as Paul San, Lebron's wife, and Jones College Master Nancy Guerra helped with food preparation.

At Baker College, Faculty Club Manager Ann Swans zoomed meals for students.

"School said Rice was fortunate to escape a serious hurricane, but was prepared for one if it had happened. "I'm glad we were prepared, and I believe we would have been able to do a much more serious one just as well as this one, I'm glad we didn't have to find out how." 

Preparations

Thursday evening, the Crisis Management Team had canceled Families Weekend -- which would not be rescheduled -- and home and away varsity athletic events, as well as Thursday and Friday classes.

Lebron said the team made the decision to reschedule classes on Tuesday at about 11 a.m. Friday based on the low likelihood of damage to campus and the anticipated difficulty recovering it before returning to Houston.

"Because we are a largely residential campus and because at that point we didn't see that [there would be] huge damage, we thought we would be in a position to start again on Tuesday," Lebron said.

Many students, who all stayed on campus, met with Forman and were given general instructions, but made many decisions about college operations before the hurricane. Masters also were in contact with FE&P staff, Baker Master Krista Hartley said.

Lebron said the colleges provided an effective way of organizing and coordinating preparation efforts on campus.

"One thing that worked extraordinarily well was the campus college," Lebron said. "The leadership of the deans laid their responsibility for the students in their colleges really was an excellent way to use very limited resources.

FE&P staff began preparing for the hurricane Wednesday, inspecting the campuses to make sure there were clear roofs, inspecting meat and using down objects that could fly away in heavy winds. Price said these preparations were completed by Friday morning.

Price said FE&P staff stocked up several areas, including kitchens at Fondren Library, McNair Hall, the Grand Hall and some colleges. Students at the colleges also prepared for the impending hurricane by boarding up windows, sandbagging areas that could flood and securing patio furniture.

Prior to the hurricane, FE&P determined that the temporary buildings on campus -- the Rice Media Center and the Continuing Studies Building -- are unsafe during a hurricane. Price said that, however, all other campus buildings remained open, although areas far from windows were safer.

Price said FE&P staff began preparing for a natural disaster several months ago by inspecting with back-up systems that would have allowed food service to continue in the event of a major disaster on campus.

Additionally, FE&P stocked 3,000 Meals Ready to Eat and 800 cases of bottled water, Ditman said.

Lessons Learned

Hassay College Master Wes Martin said the preparations for Hurricane Rita were more than adequate. However, problems could still be improved in case of a future hurricane, Martin, an English professor, said.

"We probably need to have a better sense of how to organize people, particularly people off campus coming on campus -- making plans available for them to stay and making sure enough food and drink are there for them for a longer period of time," Morris said.

"We were really stressed by this storm a great deal," he said.

"Some people were very concerned that Rice was going to be empty," Lebron said.

"I think we're going to take a look at something like that sometimes in the future -- either getting a special kind of glass or buying storm covers," he said.

Ditman said FE&P has doubled the number of MREs it stocks on campus -- to 6,000 -- because of the larger number of people who took shelter on campus for the hurricane. Each MRE costs about $7.50. College Food Service Manager Angela Riggs said.

Ditman college estimates -- where many students stayed during the storm -- may be made more accurate for the next hurricane.

"One of the problems with not having procedures is for any campus that it really changes the backup," Ditman said.

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Scheid said the Crisis Management Team will maintain its policy of not recommending whether students should abandon campus or remain at Rice. However, Scheid said classes were cancelled on Thursday and Friday and in some subjects students would feel more comfortable evacuating if they wanted to do so.

Scheid said Rice would order a mandatory evacuation unless the Houston mayor or a county judge ordered it, because Rice buildings can safely withstand a hurricane.

Dean of Undergraduates Robin Forman said the preparation was valuable in itself.

"These experiences are always learning opportunities -- you can see what works and what doesn't work, what preparation or a little more communication," Forman said.

"In some cases we had a really good experience in that we got to put together a very good drill on emergency preparation -- without having to go through an actual disaster.

Bob Bender contributed to this report.

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**Depth of the program**

Within the Rice University, other economics faculty members think business is not an easy major because students should have a more academic and theoretical foundation than restrictive business classes at the undergraduate level.

"We have an active undergraduate student body. They are better served by having and retaining the expertise thatgenerate broader and deeper background," Hartley said. "Success to be basic material and get an understanding of that before you go into more applied work like business studies." Glick also said he thinks a business major would distract too much from the traditional undergraduate education, but that a minor in business would be a good complement to the curriculum.

"If it hadn't happened: we probably would have had to do this some day, but maybe we would have done a better job if we weren't so combination and Rita, Khan said. "Since so many people benefited from a few students' accounts being kept open, otherwise we would have cancelled all the email accounts exceeding their quota or run the risk of running out of quota accounts. Previously, email accounts were closed off on Saturday if the receiving account holder's bandwidth was over its quota. Riceboid said the number of students who were new to campus that week was not big enough to warrant a large spending on the system.

In addition, accounts for individuals no longer at Rice, such as 2005 graduates, took up about 20 percent of the server's space, Riceboid said. Dormant accounts are usually deleted in October, Khan said.

Wrongly configured accounts were reset, dormant accounts were removed and the queuing time was changed to Monday morning as an attempt to make riceflow to dorm accounts through Monday evening, Broid said no messages were lost.

The future

As part of an ongoing $125 million renovation of the Rice Media Center and the Cyrus mall server, which Riceboid is building, the system will have new servers and new features. And a new e-mail management system will be installed to manage e-mail more efficiently, it was announced.

"It would be a great honor to work on such a server," Hartley said. "It's an honor to develop a server that is going to be used in the future." Hartley said that the servers will be used to handle e-mail traffic, which is about 20 hours per week.

"We're very concerned that next mean students would end up doing these business-related courses and not doing more basic material or broader material," Hartley said.

**STUDENT ASSOCIATION**

The Student Association met Sept. 19. The following were discussed.

• SA President James Lloyd said University Standing Committee meetings are going well for undergraduate Students interested in these committees should e-mail a statement of interest to presidente@rice.edu.

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The next SA meeting will be scheduled for Monday at 10 p.m. in Farmersville Pavilion.
Commencement speaker could be named soon

The Class of 2006 may soon know who will deliver its final lecture at Rice.

Adviser to the President Maryana Iskander (Wrens ’97) said the Commencement Speaker Committee hopes to announce its choice for commencement speaker in about three weeks. Student Association President James Lloyd, one of two undergraduates on the committee, said the committee has invited its top candidate and is now waiting for an official response.

Unlike recent years, Iskander said the committee will not disclose a list of ranked preferences for the commencement speaker, in order to conceal the committee’s experiences for certain speakers over others.

“We don’t want our third choice finding out he or she was our third choice instead of our first,” Iskander said.

Lloyd, a Brown College senior, said he agrees with the decision not to announce a ranked list of possible speakers.

“Why produce a list of people who, for some reason, don’t work or don’t respond?” Lloyd said. “It’s better to firmly stand behind the one person we know, rather than naming a bunch of candidates and having to say, This happens to be the one who got it.”

Wiess College Master Katharine Tupper was named the co-chair of the Dean’s Committee on Social Culture Wednesday, Student Associated President James Lloyd said, his committee, his co-chair Dale Sawyer, an earth science professor, and Wellness Center Director Emily Deter-Cape, who was a member of the ad hoc predecessor committee which met during the summer, reviewed the three finalists last week before selecting Tupper.

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Tupper said the committee’s initial task will be to compile information and opinions.

Their next major priority is to look at social culture on the Rice campus and see what’s going on,” Tupper said. “We’re not making any suggestions or executive decisions—we’re just gathering information.”

Applications to be a student commencement speaker are due Oct. 15, said a member of the committee who will also include faculty and student staff members, are due Oct. 7, Lloyd said.

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Cheaper off-campus meal plan added

An option for breakfast and lunch only is now available to off-campus students. Called OC 6, allows students to eat a five breakfast or lunch meal per week in the residential colleges for $500 per semester — about the cost of buying five dinners per week — and 109 students had purchased OC 6. About 700 students live off campus each year, Ditman said. The participation in off-campus meal plans is about the same as in past years, Arredia said.

Also added to the meal plan is the new meal plan halfway through the semester. Students can go on vacation as many times as they want, Ditman said. Meals purchased with extra points allow only one pass through the servery, Ditman said.

Jeremy Jin, a 2005 off-campus student, said he plans to use some extra points to buy his own food.

“Buying a meal plan is pointless,” Jin said. “It doesn’t really save you any extra points.”

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Network outage lasts longer than scheduled

A scheduled network outage Sept. 17 lasted about six hours longer than expected. The outage began at 2 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 16 and was scheduled to end about 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 17. However, systems dependent on the Mudd Data Center were not fully restored until about 4 p.m. Saturday. Director of Networking, Telecommunication and Operations William Deigaard (Wiess ’93) said.

During the outage, electricity and Mudd Data Center staff replaced an outdated Uninterruptible Power Supply unit that had been destroyed by lightning at the Aug. 16, installed three new Daisy Distribution Units and restored a fourth PDU.

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“The installation of the PDUs took longer than expected, Deigaard said. "Initially we thought the electricity would be finished rewiring by 4 a.m., and they didn’t finish until about noon or 1 p.m.,” Deigaard said.

UPS units provide continuous power to the computers and network servers in the Mudd Data Center, Deigaard said. The PDUs monitor data flow and carry power from the UPS units to the 1,000 computers in the Mudd Data Center, Deigaard said.

During the outage, generators provided power for the telephone service on campus and kept the Rice Web site online, Deigaard said.

The outage was the second of two planned outages to replace the Muddle’s UPS units. Deigaard said no more outages are planned and that network services should not be interrupted in the future.

Self-Help Colledge freshman Michael Cuccia said he planned for the scheduled outage but expected to be able to begin work earlier Saturday.

“[The outage] didn’t go as long as I thought it would,” Cuccia said. “I just went online and made sure all my data was safe.”

However, Brown College freshman Emily Dexter-Page, an off-campus student, said she planned to use some extra points to buy his own food.

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The following items were reported to the Rice University Police Department for the period Sept. 14-28.

**Residential Colleges**
- **Will Rice College**
  - Sept. 15: Two students arrested for possession of a controlled substance and remanded to Harris County Jail. (See page 5.)
- **Brown College**
  - Sept. 16: Bicycle stolen.
- **Sid Richardson College**
  - Sept. 17: Rice student served himself alcohol at party. Students referred to Student Conduct Programs.
  - Sept. 19: Student with overstayed visa arrested for fraud.
- **Lowell College**
  - Sept. 17: Two novi-techicke students arrested for public intoxication and remanded to Harris County Jail.
- **Will Rice College**
  - Sept. 20: Pedestrian.
- **Sid Rich College**
  - Sept. 23: Students escorted from roof and area secured.
- **Baker College**
  - Sept. 27: Disabilities golf cart stolen.
- **Will Rice College**
  - Sept. 27: Bicycle stolen.
- **Lowell College**

**Academic Buildings**
- **Michie Hall**
  - Sept. 15: Offensive phone messages reported.
- **Dell Butcher Hall**
  - Sept. 17: Motorcyle operator speeding on grass. Rider involved in accident and transported to Memorial Hermann Hospital Emergency Room.
- **Academy Wharf**
  - Sept. 17: Laptop and power supply stolen.
- **Duncan Hall**
  - Sept. 28: Laptop and seven wireless cards stolen.
  - Sept. 21: Laptop, case and wireless card stolen.
- **Parking Lots**
  - West Lot
    - Sept. 14: Purse stolen from vehicle trunk.
  - Abercombie Lot
    - Sept. 16: Vehicle struck by crane.
- **South Stadium Lot**
  - Sept. 26: Non-Rice subject walking with two backpacks issued criminal trespass warning.

**Other Areas**
- **Rice Stadium**
  - Sept. 18: Three intoxicated subjects caused problems at Entrance 1. Two subjects arrested for public intoxication and remanded to Harris County Jail.
- **College Way**
  - Sept. 21: Vehicle driving wrong way on one-way road. Driver arrested for DUI and remanded to Harris County Jail.
- **College Way**
  - Sept. 22: Officer saw beer-wielding student walking with a shop sign. Students referred to Student Conduct Programs.
- **Central Campus Garage**
  - Sept. 26: Golf cart damaged.

**POLICE BLOTTER**

**Taylor said Marcus' departure for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences**

**Anthropology professor James Faubion**

**Former Anthropology department chair George Marcus has decided to leave Rice to become a Chancellor's professor in the School of Social Sciences at the University of California-Irvine.**

Marcus spent last year on sabatical leave from Rice as a visiting fellow at Stanford University's Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences. Anthropology professor Julie Taylor said Marcus' departure will be an important change for Rice's anthropology department, which has thrived since he became chair of the department in the late 1970s. Taylor said Marcus shifted the field's focus toward large-scale societies during his 25-year tenure as chair.

Anthropology professor James Faubion, the current chair of the anthropology department, said Marcus attracted attention as a celebrity anthropologist. "He's one of the best-known living anthropologists today and is probably the best-known American anthropologist in Europe," Faubion said. However, Taylor said Marcus remained accessible.

"It's something very special that he was so generous with his time," Taylor said. "He was eminent worldwide, and he might have thought he'd just shut his door and stay in there and be eminent, but he didn't."

Faubion said he would think the department's focus will change significantly with Marcus' departure. "It's not a rupture," he said. "It's something of a change, because I think, realistically, the department was dominated by Dr. Marcus' interests."

Marcus said he will have an ongoing relationship with the department for several years, especially with the graduate program. "Faubion said Marcus was integral in establishing the department."

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Two students arrested for possession of marijuana

by Kirti Dutta and Anchor Goenka

Two Will Rice College seniors were arrested for marijuana possession on Sept. 15, and sent to Harris County Jail. Students, who declined to comment, posted bail and were released the next day. At about noon Sept. 15, Rice University Police Department received a complaint about the smell of marijuana and the possibility of an alteration on the second ﬂoor of the old wing at Will Rice. Ofﬁcer Volmain Jackson, Ofﬁcer Ruth Maxwell, and Sergeant John Adams responded to the call. RUPD Unanimous Phil Hassell said. 

"The ofﬁcers arrived and entered the dorm room," Hassell said. "They knocked on the door, but no one answered. That brought music and scufﬂing going on inside." Hassell said the ofﬁcers entered the room to ensure the students were safe.

"After they knocked and yelled "Police," the locker-room door opened and the pitcher and had the dispatcher call the room, but the students didn’t answer," Hassell said. "Then the ofﬁcers called the Rice Police and requested permission to make entries into the room. There was no one to talk to, so the ofﬁcers entered the room." 

Upon receiving permission and entry, the ofﬁcers found the two students and some marijuana in a plastic bag. The ofﬁcers issued more marijuana after a brief search, Hassell said.

"The police didn’t do a huge search," Hassell said. "They knew the place where it could be, and there was plenty of evidence that it was there." 

The ofﬁcers also found small, empty plastic bags in the room, Hassell said.

"The students were referred to the Houston Police Department because of the amount of marijuana they had and the number of baggies that were there," Hassell said. "It was quite a bit of marijuana for personal use, and having several baggies made it appear that there was the possibility that dealing was going on." Hassell said RUPD conﬁscated slightly less than four ounces of marijuana from the room. Both students were charged with possession of two ounces of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor. Assistant District Attorney Spencer Graham said the punishment for Class B Misdemeanors vary depending on defendants’ criminal records and whether or not they are eligible for probation.

"For a Class B Misdemeanor, you can get up to a $2,000 ﬁne and up to 180 days in Harris County Jail," Graham said.

Both students were scheduled to be arraigned Sept. 18 and the ﬂow of the students’ ﬁle complaint was as a result of a lawsuit brought by the students against the university. The students’ arraignments are now set for Thursday and Friday. The students against the university would be much read.

RUPD Chief Bill Taylor said the students were in RUPD custody for about two hours before being taken to Harris County Jail and having charges ﬁled against them.

While at the police station, the students were charged with the ofﬁcers and their parents, Hassell said.

Will Rice College Masters Joel and Traci Wolfe declined to comment.

Gomes speaks at the opening lecture of the Boniuk Center's first conference.

Harvard minister Gomes: Tolerance not enough

by Nathan Black

In an increasingly religious and interconnected world, people must understand others’ passions, not just tolerate them, Harvard Divinity School Professor Peter Gomes said at the opening lecture of the Boniuk Center’s ﬁrst conference, “Tolerance and Its Limits.”

(Tolerance implies objectivity and indifference,” Gomes, the min-
ister at Harvard’s Memorial Church, said. “When I tell you that will include the widest passions of the religiously convic ted. . . . At the risk of being tolerated, I will usually say something outrageous, to prove that I am more than something to be tolerated — I am to be taken seri-
ously. You have to seek to understand me, and ultimately you must reckon with me.”

Gomes drew laughter and app-
sal several times during his speech, titled “Christianity and re-
ligious tolerance,” and delivered to about 350 people in the Grand Hall of the Main Building.

“Tolerance is not enough,” he said. “Christians have beneﬁted from the religious experiences of the other.”

Although he said his Harvard experiences do not apply to most of the world, which does not have a string of religious policies, Gomes said people can improve understanding between religions by focusing on three principles: modesty, charity, and art.

"Modesty in religious affairs — a healthy respect of the degree to which our claims are direct and incomplete — it’s a very rare commodity,” he said. “(If) we spent more time on the modesty of our claims and aspirations, rather than on the security and certainty of our knowledge, we would go a long way toward opening up this conversation.”

Secondly, people must attempt to understand other points of view, Gomes said. “Don’t respond to rumor,” he said. “Try to clarify and simplify our understanding of their beliefs.”

And when debating religious issues such as abortion and homosexuality, people should be compassionate, he said.

“Much of our religious energy is driven by fear and hatred,” he said. “Fear and hatred are the opposites of love and charity.”

Will Rice College sophomore Roger Sharpe said he liked Gomes’ message, particularly his emphasis on modesty. He also said more students should have attended.

Prathil Kulkarni (‘05) said he was somewhat disappointed with the speech. “It was a pretty good speech, but I think he was a bit too idealistic and general,” he said.

Kulkarni said he disagrees with Gomes’ suggestion that tolerance alone is insufﬁcient.

“Tolerance,” he said, “tends to be at the center of our public discourse.”

“Religion is an even more potent commodity,” he said. “If we spent more time on the modesty of our public discourse.”

Gomes said he realized while speaking at Harvard’s Divinity School that he no longer believed in the boundaries of his public discourse.

“He said the speaker at his Harvard Divinity School con-
center’s ﬁrst conference, ‘Tolerance and Its Limits,” he said. “I am more than something to be tolerated — I am to be taken seri-
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Gomes also said the questioner’s examples leaned more on conﬂict between Christians. Today, there are signiﬁcant tensions between multiple religions, so tolerance is more necessary now, he said.

The same audience member also criticized Gomes for being too ab-
stractive, and Gomes responded to his weekend with his response.

"Of course my talk was abstract," he said. "What do you expect from a Harvard professor?"
RICE DODGES HURRICANE RITA

Top left: Graduate students take shelter in Shell Auditorium at McNair Hall Friday. Top right: A sign at Baker College announces changes of plans for "Baker Comes First Week." Bottom right: Facilities, Engineering and Planning workers board up Jones College Thursday in preparation for the hurricane. Bottom left: Jones students ready for the hurricane in a hallway Friday night. Middle left: A family prepares to take shelter from the hurricane in the Grand Hall Friday.
Top left: Willy's Statue prepares for Hurricane Rita. Top right: Despite fears that they would collapse into the Lovett College commons, the cranes across Main Street from campus stood up and straight during the hurricane.

Middle right: President David Leebron eats at the Sid Richardson College commons Thursday.

Lower right: Water bottles and other rations are stored in the Wiess College commons. Bottom: A downed tree limb rests near Wiess House Saturday. Middle left: Will Rice College Master Joel Wolfe tells students the plans for the storm Thursday.
Disjointed exhibit creates bizarre, umbrella-clad world

Julia Buersten
THE RICE THRESHER
EDITORS' PICKS

Diane Landry’s new exhibit at the Rice Art Gallery, Flying School and Mandate Above, hews to the limits of the Surrealist genre. Landry’s eccentric penchant for manipulating homemade gadgetry and found objects shows promise, but her pieces lack unity and loose audiences disoriented and disenchanted.

For the rest of the film, she plays a new tenant, architect David Abbot who really has a right to the apartment, only to find it occupied by his former fiancé. The two try to work out who owns the apartment, to no avail. Since he can’t convince Katrina to save her sister’s body, David decides to steal Elizabeth’s body from the hospital. Waters successfully set up this romantic comedy’s gimmick — the invisibility of one of the film’s main characters — to put an entertaining spin on an absurd love story. Because of her coma, Elizabeth is forced to pass as her sister’s body. David tries to re-establish Elizabeth’s identity in the hospital but loses sight of the real Elizabeth.

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David Auburn, 
and John Madden exhibit

left-brain focus can create
right-brain masterpiece

Proof

Ira yates

"When all is said and done, let's go out this weekend to see Proof." The new film, adapted from David Auburn's 2001 Tony-winning play and Pulitzer-winning script of the same name has already handedly grabbed a double

filmed fully minute year of mainstream
drama circles. In addition to proving 2005 holds some promise for moviemakers, director John Madden (Shakespeare in Love) and Auburn teamed up to show that math and science have a place to claim in the entertainment industry.

The cast of Proof struggles with
teny, repressed, human emotions as it
tries to fit them into the highly

concrete boundaries of their math-

tematically ordered, logical lives.

The story does not require that its

characters possess mathematical
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strongly as his
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Catherine

Cutlip

At Auburn's house to read the 103 note-

After Robert's death, one of his

written by Auburn, takes a vast

majority of the play

verbatim. This rare technique works both for and against

Auburn, because the audience comes to love the

math and music

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in shallow teen dramas. So a play

Even fewer moviegoers claim to

by creating new connections between the play and

the aesthetic for the rest of the play.

As Auburn strings along his characters by

meaning as he adapts

Proof from stage to screen

Auburn maintains art,

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Proof from stage to screen

Not every moviemaker chooses to

make such an obvious a
costume. Conversely, the challenge of making the

mathematical proof as the centrepiece of this love story is what makes the

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Catherine and Hal, and Gyllenhaal

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to convey the reality.
second piece, Mandala Naya. This installation occupies an entire second room of the gallery and focuses primarily on changing the movement of light in the space. Mandala Naya is, in its best form, a latticed, plastic bucket covered in empty water bottles. But Landry’s distinctive knack for converting this system into a kaleidoscopic light show through a low-budget simple mechanics converts this system into a kaleidoscopic light show through a low-budget simple mechanics.

Mandala Naya successfully contrasts simple and complex elements from found and recycled materials, and the hypnotizing cadence of its movement speaks to audiences in a similar manner to the black-and-white films’ time warp scenes. A disco ball through a low-budget system into a kaleidoscopic light show through a low-budget simple mechanics converts this system into a kaleidoscopic light show through a low-budget simple mechanics.

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Soccer resumes season, hosts East Carolina tonight

Close losses at UT; North Texas push losing streak to three

by Stephen Whitfield

After an unexpected weekend off from competition, the soccer team resumes its season this weekend in its first two league games as a member of Conference USA. Rice will host East Carolina University (4-4-2) tonight at 7 p.m. and Marshall University (0-7) Sunday at 1 p.m. Both games are at the Rice Track/Soccer Stadium and mark the first time the Owls have played either opponent.

"I'm not thinking in terms of a losing streak. We've seen some good things in all the games we've played, [but] we've just been a bit unlucky." — Chris Huston
Head soccer coach

"The exciting part about this new conference is there are a lot of unknowns," head coach Chris Huston said. "We have no pre-conceived notions, ... so the girls understand that in each game, they've got to go out and play their best ... in order to have a chance to win."

Rice (1-0) has not played a game in 112 days, the longest such stretch since two games were cancelled after the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks. Last weekend's games against Southern Methodist University were postponed due to Hurricane Rita. The TCU game will be made up later this season while the Idaho State game has been cancelled. The Owls are scheduled to play the Vandals at home next year.

"Anytime where we can have a situation where the girls have a few days off is great for injuries [and] to get people feeling 100 percent," Huston said. "We would have loved to have played last weekend, but ... it's not the worst thing that's ever happened."

East Carolina comes into tonight's game having won three of its last four games, all at home. But two of those wins came against Campbell, which plays in the weak Atlantic Sun Conference and Division II Francis Marion. The Pirates return five starters from a team that finished fourth in C-USA in 2004. Marshall has played five straight games on the road so far as well as seven out of last eight.

East Carolina and Marshall were picked to finish 7th and 11th, respectively, in the C-USA preseason coaches' poll, while the Owls were picked 4th. Junior midfielder Mari Fadool said the weekend's games against weaker competition will set the stage for the rest of the conference season.

"These two games are very important," Fadool said. "We need to go out there and prove to the conference that we can dominate these teams, so that when we play the teams ranked above us in conference, we can be ready for them as well."

Two weeks ago, the Owls lost two games against two strong opponents.

Syptak said, "[The week off] gave us some time to recuperate, after being out since a combined 11 days in games against the University of California Los Angeles, Virginia Tech and the University of Texas. UAB (2-1) also did not play last week and will also be opening its conference season."

"Those first two games were brutal," senior defender and John Syptak said. "We need to just put those behind us and move on. You can't lose that type of competition week in and week out."

With Monday's practice canceled and Friday reserved for travel to Birmingham, Ala., the Owls only had three days to prepare for the Bbies this week. Head Coach Ken Hatfield said the team was ready to practice everything most Wednesday and Thursday in Houston last weekend.

"I was impressed and pleased with practice," Hatfield said. "They worked hard and concentrated. There's nothing like getting your mind on something you've got control over like practice."

Rice's pre-conference schedule had three non-conference games, eight conference games and the Navy game, which was rescheduled for Oct. 22, when both teams had an open date.

Rice will now play nine consecutive Saturdays — the remainder of the season. Syptak said he's looking forward to having a week off."

"We had some sticks and bruises from UCLA and Texas," Syptak said. "[The week off] gave us some time to relax and catch up on other things — steady time with our families. It will help us in the long run."

Hatfield said games against top-25 teams prepare Rice for the conference games that matter more.

"We said before the season that we had three weeks at pre-season and then that we ought to be hitting at our best," Hatfield said. "[We would] like to have had another game under our belts, naturally. That didn't happen, but we didn't get anybody hurt Saturday. While there was pain and a memory to everything, it's time for us to play good conference games and to take it easy on everything as good as we can in our conference right now."

UAB does not have the speed or size that UT and UCLA do, but the Blazers were picked to finish second in the Western Division of Conference USA. The Owls open Conference USA play this weekend against UAB.

"They're very confident," Huston said. "We feel good going into conference [The team is] really motivated. They're really confident."

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Volleyball to face Green Wave in College Station

Second-year head volleyball coach Genny Volpe returns to her alma mater, Texas A&M University, today for the first time since coming to Rice. Volpe was an assistant coach at A&M for three seasons before accepting the Rice position in February 2001. Volpe, a four-year standout for the Aggies, will get her first glimpse of the visiting locker-room sensation the Owls take on thegetProperty of Tulane University, which has adopted A&M as its temporary home for volleyball.

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Although the Owls have no film of Tulane, Volpe said she thinks the team can be successful against any C-USA opponent by keeping on its own play.

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The first half saw the teams locked in a defensive struggle. Hanszen (0-1) ran with the ball on its first two possessions, but both of its first downs came on the final possession of the half. Almost all of (Lovett's) 129 offensive yards came on a Play-Action that lasted only 10 of the second quarter. On that drive, Lovett advanced to Hanszen's 57-yard line before junior halfback Tessa Bar- nor was stopped for a one-yard loss and sophomore quarterback Tommie três threw an interception.

Two drives later, Hanszen had its first chance to score in the half when senior quarterback Loren Darrington completed a 13-yard pass to rookie halfback Lauren Schaefer to put the ball on Lovett's 48-yard line with less than 30 seconds remaining. After three consecutive incomplete passes, Darrington ran for 26 yards to end the half with both teams scoreless.

After the intermission, Hanszen took advantage of a screen pass from senior quarterback Eric McGuire to junior Rachel Green. The play went 79 yards, but Hanszen ran out the clock to keep the scoreless tie. On its subsequent drive, Lovett advanced to Hanszen's 34-yard line before running back Ra- chel Greff put Hanszen near midfield with a 20-yard run early in the fourth quarter, starting its eventual drive that gave Lovett first-and-10 from the 23. But Hanszen senior defensive back Jane Rochmes intercepted Elmore's pass in the end zone.

"We had a pretty good game [in the first two quarters of the season]" Paetl, a senior, said. "It was just uncanny of them to drop passes like they did [against Hanszen]."

Elmore, who became the starter at quarterback after junior Rachel Green broke her foot the season before, completed 7 of 22 passes for 99 yards. Sophomore receiver Claudia Schuler, one of Lovett's top playmakers, was limited to one catch.

Hanszen, likewise, could not maintain a consistent offensive attack, relying more on big plays from both the offense and the defense to win the game. Darrington went just 12 of 23 passing for 113 yards, and Darrington and sophomore quarterback Tommie três threw an interception.

"(Lovett's) team speed and big play capability will be helpful during the rest of the season."

"Half the plays we got lots of yard- age off of plays that didn't work out, where either our quarterback or running back didn't do it up field," McGuire, a senior, said. "It'll be important, but it's nothing we're really practicing. We have girls with high football speed, and that just brings that to full back."}

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Blazers have been maddeningly inconsistent this season, though, coming one erratic pass from tak-
ing then-third-ranked Tennessee to overtime but struggling to beat Divi-sion IAA opponent Jackson-
ville State 35-28.
Junior running back Quinton
Smith said UAB's inconsistency is ir-
relevant.
"We just have to go out there and
play them," Smith said. "Tennessee's a
good team, and even though (UAAR)
lost, it was still a close game. We're just
looking at them, seeing what they do
and seeing how to defeat them.
Preseason C-USA defensive
player of the year Syptak, who has
scored in nine of the Owls' first two games of the season while
being limited to seven tackles and half
a sack, said he is looking forward to
the conference season.
"Every team schemes against
certain players, and I just need to
fight," Syptak said. "I look to my other
teammates to make plays as well. It's a
team game.
Junior nose guard William Wood
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tackles in his first two starts since
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progression of the defensive line is
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"We're all pretty solid up front,"
Syptak said. "We take coaching very
seriously. We're getting better every
day — that's all you can ask for."

FOOTBALL
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For the second consecutive week, the football team was routed by a top-25
team, losing to second-ranked Univer-
sity of Texas 50-10 Sept. 17 in Austin.
Texas (3-0) took control early and
led 40-0 at half-time after freshman run-
ning back Jamaal Charles rushed for
(17) yards and three touchdowns.
Junior running back Quinton
Smith led the Rice (0-2) rushing at-
tack, gaining 76 yards on 11 carries,
including 42 yards on the first Owl
drive. Smith, a native of nearby Cedar
Park, said a fast start was important in
beating his home-state team.
"I had friends and family at the
game, so I felt that I had to come
out there and try to do something," Smith
said.
Also in the first half, redshirt-fresh-
man cornerback J.Coryn Shepard
recorded his first career interception, off
Heisman-hopeful quarterback
Vincent Young.
"I gave up a touchdown on the first
play of the game against Texas," Shep-
hard said. "That couldn't happen
[at U.T]. I decided to man up and just
try to make a play.
Rice outscored UT 10-9 in the sec-
ond half, as senior Brendan Landry
kicked a field goal and redshirt
freshman Chase Clement scored on a
twoudyard touchdown plunge.
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ourselves and know that if we play
good, solid volleyball and we’re
consistent, we’ll do well against our
conference opponents," Volpe said. "We also know that all of our
conference opponents are good
enough to beat us."
After the Tulsa match, Rice will
travel to the University of Texas El-
Paso (10-4, 6-2 C-USA) to face the
Miners Saturday. UTEP took the
Owls to four games in El Paso last
year. The Owls were 20-2 in their non-conference
schedule, includ-
ing a win over Baylor.
"UTEP has had a great pre-
sessional," Volpe said. "We’ve
heard from many other coaches
that UTEP has played well. Last
year we had a tough time at UTEP
on the road. They’re going to be
a quality team that plays good
defense, and they’re going to be
ready to play.
Volpe said defense is important
for the Owls as they move into
conference play.
"We are a team that plays really
well and wins when we play good
defense," Volpe said. "I put a lot of
emphasis on playing good, solid
defense and blocking strong. Those
are the two things that I think are
going to be imperative for us to be
successful.
Rice should be primed for
conference play after a strong
showing at its final non-confer-
ence tournament, the State Farm
Blair Classic. The Owls defeated
both their opponents, including a
3-0 championship match win over
tournament host Illinois, which
received votes in the most recent
national poll. Senior Olivia Parks
received tournament MVP honors as
well as her second C-USA player of
the week award in three weeks for
her play in the tournament.
"We set up the tournament in
Illinois for a purpose: to play a
tournament level of the week
tournament," Volpe said. "We talked
about how this (tournament) was
our final chance to prove ourselves
outside of conference, and it proved
to be a real confidence build-
ing experience for the team."
Will Rice senior Gary Sharpe leads a pack of runners around a turn in the college cross country race Sept. 17 on and around the Rice Track-Soccer Stadium. This year's race featured a new scoring system in which each college's top three male and female runners counted toward team standings.

BY THE NUMBERS
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FOOTBALL

RICE vs. TEXAS S1
Sat., 9/9 — Darrell K. Royal Memorial Stadium
Austin, Texas

Texas  14  28  9  0  51
Rice  0  0  3  7  10

Final Stats

UT  RU
Rushing (net) 130 223
Receiving 2 5 89 52
Return yards 16 0
Punts avg. 34.3 23.2

Individual Stats

Kicking

Rice — Landry 37 field goal
UT — Pino 40 field goal

Rushing

UT — Taylor 10 run (kick failed)
RU — Campbell 28'

Receiving

Rice — Clement 2-8-057, Armstrong 2-7-042

Saves

UT — Okam 0 fumble recovery (Pino kick)
RU — Huff 21 fumble recovery (Pino kick)

SOCCER

TEXAS vs. RICE
Mon., 9/12 — South Campus Stadium
Austin, Texas

Texas  2-5-1
Rice  3-1-0

Individual Stats

Shots

Texas  16 17 11
Rice  5 8 8

Attempts

Texas  13 17 21
Rice  8 12 13

Shots on goal

Texas  8 11 10
Rice  6 6 7

Saves

Texas  2 2 0
Rice  0 1 2

Corner kicks

Texas  5 4 0
Rice  4 4 0

Assists

Texas:  none
Rice:  none

ILLOIS-CHICAGO 1 vs. RICE 3
Sat., 9/10 — Huff Hall, Champaign, Illinois

Illinois-Chicago  26 30 29 22
Rice  30 23 31 30

Final Stats

Illinois-Chicago  UIC
Rice  Rice

Rushing

Illinois-Chicago  —  Obermeier  36
Rice —  Hoban  39

Receiving

Illinois-Chicago  —  Vrdsky  15
Rice —  Pazo 17, Kuykendall  11

Shots on goal

Illinois-Chicago  —  Kozak  53
Rice —  Hoban  47

Time of possession

Illinois-Chicago  —  52%
Rice  —  47%

HITTING

Illinois-Chicago  —  Brown  10, Turner 10
Rice —  Pazo 23, Holderness  12, Kuykendall  10

Errors

Illinois-Chicago  —  Nedeljkovic  24, McCarthy  17
Rice —  Pazo 6, Holderness  12, Kuykendall  10

Assists

Illinois-Chicago  —  McCarthy  17
Rice —  Pazo 23, Holderness  12, Kuykendall  10

CROSS COUNTRY

ILLOIS vs. RICE
Sat., 9/17 — Memorial Stadium, Austin, Texas

Illinois  26 23 30 32
Rice  30 30 32 32

Final Stats

Illinois  UIC
Rice  Rice

Rushing

Illinois —  Rich  11
Rice —  Aranda 2-29

Shots

Illinois —  Swilley, Watts, Hutyra
Rice —  Jabbar, Lucas, Swilley, Johnson, Saleh

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#B3 Medium Cheese Pizza and 5 Buffalo Wings

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FRIDAY

Must... not... make joke about
cigars and blue dresses

Bachelor College hosts Baker Blues from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m., for real this time, barring further postponement due to weather named after slang for alcohol.

Finally, decent music... I mean, I love hearing the same 12 club mix songs every week.

Hot dogs and soccer balls...prior to the best joke submitted by next week's deadline

Women's soccer takes on East Carolina at 7 p.m. at the Rice Soccer/Track and Field Stadium. Come early for free T-shirts and come hungry for 25-cent hot dogs throughout the game. Or spend those two hours writing a joke, because I'm not kidding about the prize.

You say play, I say ejecución

The Hispanic studies department sponsors El Dia Que Me Quieras, a play by Jose Ignacio Cabrías, presented in Spanish. Curtain rises at 7:30 p.m. tonight and tomorrow and at 7:30 p.m. Sunday at Hamman Hall. Student tickets cost $5; general admission is $5.

"I've one thing to say and it's: Dammnit, Janet, let's go to River Oaks."

Landmark Theater River Oaks screens The Rocky Horror Picture Show at midnight tonight and tomorrow. Join acting troupe "The Beautiful Creatures" will accompany the feature in Rocky cult tradition. It's the end of the month as we know it

Tomorrow marks the beginning of October, and with it come the cool breezes and graceful falling leaves of autumn... until we remember we live in Houston. We do have more milder temperatures, deadlines, fall break, Esperanza and NOD to look forward to, though, so keep an eye on the calendar for events updates.

SUNDAY

Pick your penalty

The Honor Council holds its annual Consensus Penalty Structure public forum from 1 to 2 p.m. at Duncan Hall in room 1044. All students and faculty are encouraged to attend and share their opinions on penalties for academic misconduct.

Marshall up some friends and cheer on the Owls

Women's soccer takes the field against Marshall at 1 p.m. at the Rice Track/Soccer Stadium. Fun fact: Marshall's mascot is the Thundering Herd. Thunder, like hurricanes. Like the "hurricane" we had last week... and Rice beat that one, too.

Existentialism and swords? Sign me up!

The medieval studies department screens Lancelot Du Lac, an existential look at post-Holy Grail Lancelot — and no, Terry Gilliam didn't direct this one. The film is free and starts at 3 p.m. at the Rice Media Center.

MONDAY

How to be the next Dubya

Career Services hosts "Opportunities in government: making your way through the red, white and blue tape" at 4 p.m. at the Career Services Center in the Rice Memorial Center. So many liberal slurs against civil servants, so little time.

In case beer doesn't do the job

Learn to manage stress (without the substance) and other "Secrets of academic success" at Wellness Center study breaks. Events begin at 7:30 p.m. tonight at Brown College and continue tomorrow at Baker College and Wednesday at St. Richard's College.

THURSDAY

Visit people who want to tell you how not to make money

Arthur Andersen comes to speak at Rice. Getcha! Instead, Career Services sponsors the Good Works Volunteer Fair for students interested in volunteering with nonprofit agencies from 12 to 4 p.m. in the Rice Memorial Center's Grand Hall.

Get away with murder

Nice Self Defense Club meets to beat each other up at 8 p.m. in the West Gym at Autry Court. Learn how to thwart the potential rapist or plain old bad date.

Sex and the citywide awareness

The Women's Resource Center commemorates Breast Cancer Awareness Week with a special episode of Sex and the City to spark discussion of breast cancer awareness. Event begins at 8:30 p.m. in Meyer Lounge at the Rice Memorial Center.
NOAA director to Houston: You just got Hurricane'u

Hurricane Rita warnings revealed to be giant Ashton Kutcher-esque practical joke

While relieved Houstonians may have been surprised to see Hurricane Rita miss Houston entirely, the even greater surprise was in finding Rear Admiral Richard R. Behn, director of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, revealing that the hurricane's predicted path was a practical joke.

Apparantly, a high pressure system in Mexico combined with the inevitable blasted out of Hurricane Rita invisibly drove the hurricane east. This information was well known around NOAA offices but kept from the public.

"Dude, you totally just got Hurricane'u" Behn said in a press conference while jumping down and doing an ersatz manner, wearing a trucker hat. "It was hilarious. You were all like, "Oh no, we're all going to die." But it's all drive away. I need to buy more water than is actually going to fall on Houston," Behn said.

However, this was the first time a government official has used like warnings as a practical joke. Behn admitted he was influenced by Department of Homeland Security Director Tom Ridge and his "I'm under attack" prank. During the fall of 2004, Ridge would randomly raise the terror alert level. It seems like a good reason besides a practical joke.

"I saw how much fun Tom was having and how much people were freaking out over what was really nothing, and I wanted to have fun," too Belh said.

While some Houstonians were aghast at realizing all their worries were just a big joke, others had been persuaded from the start and were much more in favor of the joke.

"After all the destruction, destruction and political manipulations, Hurricane Katrina, it's nice to see the NOAA still has a sense of humor to help cheer us all up," Brown College junior Alan Grant said. "Sure, we missed Families Week, Baker Blues, three days of classes and the Dixie Land but that's what makes it so funny."

Behn has hinted that his "practical joke went out of hand," other weather agencies are planning on copying it, with the National Weather Service's "TVWlOOM'd" and the World Weather's "declare-Florian" and "Arnovol Par'e."

You can reach Rear Admiral Richard R. Behn's office on the Weather Channel's new hit show "Hurricane'u.

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