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The Rice Thresher
**Student loan relief just pandering politics**

To the editor—

Last week in Congress I voted against both the College Relief Act, H.R. 2697, and the College Affordability Act, H.R. 562. For a few reasons, I did not vote for these bills as they are written.

First, I believe the College Relief Act is a bad idea. This bill would take money out of the pockets of students who need it the most. In addition, it would create a new entitlement program that would be hard to justify in the future.

Second, I believe the College Affordability Act is a bad idea. This bill would increase government spending and put the burden on future generations. In addition, it would be difficult to implement and would create a new bureaucracy.

I am concerned about the soaring cost of college tuition and the burden it places on students. However, I believe the solution is not to increase government spending, but to increase transparency and accountability in higher education. I will continue to work on these issues and support policies that put students first.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]
Guest column: Anti-Semitism rears its head on campus

"This computer is in Jewish territory," its previous owner wrote, "and it is a good idea to leave a share in the covenant between Jesus and his people." Did anyone else call it Boston? Was this one of the chosen processes? And no, even one of Rice's gold-plated connectors was not the real thing. Rather, some freshman was hitting the computer bonds while it was working. Apparently, "Jewish" is a convenient label to some people on the Rice campus.

Maybe this sort of discrimination seems like a distant memory. Yet already this year, Rice has had to deal with the "White Power" and "Free Rice" theme and a racially charged petition for a general education requirement that was atheism-ambiguous — although failed and resulting in apologies. But what I heard last week in the Haasman computer lab fell off some. It was nothing more serious than sheer anti-Semitism. No one else showed up to say cheers, but the freshman had made a similar racial remark, that would not have been the last. The vitriol is as consistently addressed on campus as any other grievance. During O-Week, all incoming freshmen are required to take training to ensure they have an awareness of demographic minorities on our campuses. Unfortunately, anti-Semitism is completely ignored. This is because Rice has not had to deal with anti-Semitism throughout its history — at a founding — at one time. If the position. Rather, the League was practicing anti-Semitism. Had the Me- mbership of the Rice's first student organizations. That's the story right there. In a world where the name is quite apt, with the industry. The Persian Gulf. It will join four other offensive armadas, the USS Boxer, a group of minesweepers, submarines and 80 Persian Gulf. It will join four other offensive armadas, the USS Boxer, a group of minesweepers, submarines and 80

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Guest column: Cheney ch�ies "down for more war"

Already mired in a falling resource war in Iraq, the regime has no choices but to continue its crusade and to ignore the so-called "Global War on Terror." It seems that the only propaganda the regime has, is the only propaganda it will accept. The Pentagon loyalists surrounding Vice President Dick Cheney are calling the current situation "a double-dummy strategy." The name is quite apt, with the top military leaders believing in the concept of "overkill". The phrase is commonly used to mean that a strategy is so brilliant that it literally destroys its objective, and that it is impossible to determine if the strategy is effective or not. It is a classic example of how the administration is using its own rhetoric to justify its actions. The phrase "a double-dummy strategy" is the perfect example of how the administration is using its own rhetoric to justify its actions. The phrase is commonly used to mean that a strategy is so brilliant that it literally destroys its objective, and that it is impossible to determine if the strategy is effective or not. It is a classic example of how the administration is using its own rhetoric to justify its actions.

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Rice Voices: A computer geek in freshman music theory: only at Rice

One flute, three sopranos, one clarinet, three tenors, three violins, two trumpets, an electric guitar and a middle-aged, bespectacled, besuited and bespeckled composer named Richard Louden was wondering what strange, new universe he had entered where he was expected to give an overview of his musical history.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Prof misses value of varsity sports

To the editor:

Chair History Martin Wiener makes a great point about Rice's athletic program in his letter that should serve as a wake-up call about the undertak- ing of athletics in general and ignorance concerning Rice athletics ("Curious Case of the Rice Fan," Jan. 19). Let's get one thing straight, we are fighting not for Rice athletics but for Rice football. We have great human students here at Rice, and they should go without mentioning that Rice's baseball team is consti- tutes one of the best in the nation. Wiener's claim that we are trying to win against teams is an insult to all athletics.

We cannot buy the talent that comes to Rice. It is a product of those students' hard work and dedic- ation. Thus, if we want to win against the football of a team that is not as strong as our own, we should focus on supporting our students. Within that segment, we should focus on finding ways to make Rice a more attractive destination for students. One way to do this is by focusing on athletics.

Jacki Craig
Lovett senior

Academic needs to do athletics research

To the editor:

I have a research assignment for Dr. Martin Wiener:

Understand what our student- athletes need and want that will lead to the last Saltydog and read about the little league coaches who are so passionate about little league and the players proudly wear their Rice hats because the players think that Rice is a good school. Start by just by looking at the sign on the corner and write a few short paragraphs. This is the traditional Rice narrative that has been repeated countless times by journalists over the years. It is a narrative that is repeated so frequently that it has become a cliché. However, it is an important one because it helps us to understand the role of athletics in the Rice community.

I appreciate Julia Buersten’s article on Rice’s baseball to light AIDS in Africa ("Cause Red campaign has already booked and fungible — he raised, and eloquently supported, the comment, if the money is going to either athletics or academics at Rice, the dynamic between athletics and academics at Rice is quite strong. It set the tone for what turned out to be a very pleasant surprise for me because the national reputation of Rice athletics is quite high. The University of Houston, with a strong history of football success, is one of the schools that really impresses them.

Rabbi Forgem
Dean of Undergraduates

Division I benefits university, Houston

To the editor:

Welcoming Division I status can have on Rice’s academic mission, medical students, and athletics coexist on the student- level and build community, but it is not easy to characterize them.

The Rice community is one of the most diverse in the nation, and it is important to understand the role of athletics in this diversity. Athletics can be a source of cohesion and identity for students, and it can be a source of pride for alumni.

When I look around the campus, I see a community that is united by the love of Rice. The students, the faculty, and the staff are all passionate about Rice. They are committed to building a strong community, and they are doing so through athletics.

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Professor column

Athletic renaissance puts Rice in the vanguard

How much respect does Rice command nationally? It’s a question that I never gave much thought to, but it has been a pleasant surprise for me because I know that the national reputation of Rice athletics is quite high. The University of Houston, with a strong history of football success, is one of the schools that really impresses them.

A strong argument could be made right now that Rice is the flagship for student athletes nationally.

This being my final year of school, I spent several weeks meeting with various agents and managers around the country. One of the things I noticed was that people with no ties to Rice already know it is a good school for athletics and academics. This is an important piece of the puzzle for a successful athletic program.

Repeatedly, I found myself discussing with fellow students about what we want from Rice athletics and academics. What is the role of athletics in the Rice community? How can we improve our athletic programs? What are the expectations for Rice athletics?

One of the things I noticed was that people with no ties to Rice already know it is a good school academically, but it is the addition of a successful athletic program that really impresses them.

Even the recent departure of Todd Graham as head football coach puts Rice in a positive light. Athletic Director Chris Del Conte and President David Le- chton responded appropriately by retaining the current coaching staff and emphasizing the importance of athletics to the Rice community.

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COACH

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Head football coach David Bailiff

"Rice University as a whole is a global university, but Rice football is Texas," Del Conte said. "You look, and over 95 percent of our student-athletes in the football program are from Texas, so we wanted to make sure he has recruiting ties, loyalty to the state, understands the culture of Texas and appreciates what we're all about." Bailiff was born in the Dallas area and played high school football in San Antonio before playing collegiate football at Texas State.

Following the success of the 2006 season, Del Conte said the committee was looking for a coach who could be held to an expectation of continued improvement.

"Expectations are great, and that's the beautiful thing about Todd [Graham]," Del Conte said. "He taught us to expect to win, and that's the expectation now that you've won.

Although Bailiff comes with a longer and more impressive resume than Graham, his arrival at Rice back in the fall was much quieter. But quarterback Chase Clement said the players are already beginning to trust Bailiff.

"There's really been a lot of speculation about whether or not we can trust another coach again, after what happened," Clement, a Jones College red-shirt sophomore, said. "But (Bailiff) came in here, and I really think they got a guy that we can trust and has a lot of fire behind him.

While a few coaches from Graham's staff decided to stay at Rice, Bailiff has brought in new coaches to fill most of the positions. In his introductory press conference, Bailiff said he is bringing in Tom Herman, Blake Miller and Craig Naivar from Texas State. Herman will be offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach — duties similar to those he held at Texas State. Herman, a 1997 graduate of California Lutheran University, will continue the trend of young offensive coordinators set by Major Applewhite. Herman's Texas State offense led the Southland Conference in total offense for the past two seasons, and he employed a spread passing system similar to the one employed by Applewhite.

Miller will coach the offensive line, and Naivar will be defensive coordinator and safeties coach.

The Athletic Department announced several more hires Wednesday. Chuck Driesbach was named assistant defensive coordinator and co-defensive coordinator. Darin Eliot was named defensive line coach and Jason Washington will coach cornerbacks.

The most notable of those coachings is Driesbach, who comes to Rice after spending the past two seasons as the special assistant coach at Michigan State University. Driesbach has coached defensive line for 25 years at the collegiate level and has been a defensive coordinator in six different conferences for 15 seasons.

Returning from last year's staff are wide receivers coach Blake Miller and running backs coach Michael Smith.

Del Conte also announced Wednesday that director of strength and conditioning Yusuf Alli, who previously worked at Michigan State under head coach Darryl Graham, will return next season.

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Abusive behavior

Clinical psychologist George Parks, the Associate Director of the Addictive Behaviors Research Center at the University of Washington, is facilitating a three-day workshop on alcohol abuse ending today. The workshop, hosted by the Wellness Center, focused on training faculty, students and staff.

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STUDENT ASSOCIATION

The Student Association met Monday. The following were discussed:

- Student Association President Atmaa Tupper, a Hanzen College senior, announced the timeline for this year’s elections. All petitions are due by 1 p.m. Feb. 9 in the SA Office, and campaigning will begin at 8 a.m. Feb. 12. All dates and forms are available on the SA website, sa.rice.edu.

- SA Internal Vice President Laura Kelley, a Brown College junior, announced new student representatives’ project for the year will be putting up student artwork around campus. Kelley said they hope to complete the project by Willy Week.

- SA Senator Matt Youn, a Brown College sophomore, discussed his desire to for the SA to pass resolutions. Students with comments or questions should send an e-mail to matt.youn@rice.edu.

- The SA unanimously approved the following clubs: the Rice Hindu Students Council, the Rice Film Club and the Rice Tri Club.

The next SA meeting will be Monday at 10 p.m. in Farnsworth Pavilion.
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at the event to usher guests and handle refreshments.

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Rice debate team ranked third in nation after win in Denver

by Gary Johnson
The Rice Thresher

In the national Mile High Swing invitational tournament, the Rice Speech and Debate Team beat out 31 other colleges and universities to win first place. Prevailing at the tournament, held in Denver Jan. 11-15, placed the team third in the nation, as ranked by the National Parliamentary Debate Association. Rice debaters trounced only students from Point Loma Nazarene University and Western Kentucky University in the national rankings.

The team qualified to participate in the NPDA national championships, which will be held in Colorado Springs March 22-23. Members of the team won 6 individual awards and a total of 37 separate debates.

The competition included teams from the United States Air Force Academy, the University of California Berkeley, Pepperdine University, Texas Tech University, the University of Oregon and Baida University.

Debater Hrishi Hari, a Jones College junior, and the tournament competition in Denver was much tougher than usual.

"Immediately, you think about these schools, and you might dismiss them because they are not as academically as strong as Rice, but other times there are a lot of people who debate for years in high school," Hari said.

At the Mile High Swing, the tandem of Hari and Sid Richardson College junior Kirti Dadi were advanced to the semi-finals of Varsity Parliamentary debate. Advancing to elimination rounds in Varsity parliamentary debate were the team of Martel College senior Priti Prichard and Jones junior Robert Crider and the team of Honors College sophomore Holly Naylor and Will Rice College junior Ted Tonnes.

Naylor said the team did well despite facing some of the best teams in the country.

Going into the second weekend of January, Parrett and Crider were ranked third in the nation out of 713 teams. The teams of Naylor/Torres and Hari/Dada are also ranked among the top 50 teams in the nation.

Hari said the team has attended 6 tournaments this year where they competed in both parliamentary debate and 11 different individual events. They have taken first place awards at all six.

Director of Forensics David Worth said the team is as close to the national number-one ranking as it has ever been.

Assistant Director of Forensics Jeremy Grace said he is looking forward to the national championships.

"Every individual on the team is talented and multifaceted in not only debate, but also in individual events," Grace said.

Worth said the team has been strengthened by the performances of many freshmen. The team of Jones freshman Aguva Bhaduri and Cathy Yang won first place in novice parliamentary debate at the team's last tournament, held in November in Stockton, Calif.

"We are a very young team with a lot of sophomores and freshmen, but we have come a lot better this year," Parrett said.

Last year, the Rice team was ranked 14th in the nation by the National Parliamentary Debate Association (NPDA).

Worth said it is a challenge for Rice to compete against schools with much larger teams and those that offer scholarships for debate.

The Rice team is significantly smaller than the two teams currently ranked higher in the national standings. However, Worth said the team's chance of winning the national tournament is the best it has ever been.

"It is going to take a lot of work," he said. "We're one of two or three squads that can say that our students compete in individual events and debate with the most overlap. Most squads tend to concentrate on individual events or debate."
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Spring 2007 Events and Workshops

- January 23 - Resume Writing Workshop, 4PM*
- January 24-25 - RESUMANIA, 3-5PM in the foyer of the RMC
- January 29 - Finding a Summer Job, 4PM*
- January 30 - Rice Collegiate Job Fair (2-5PM) & Summer Opportunities Fair (7-9PM) in the RMC
- January 31 - Interviewing for a Summer Job, 4PM*
- February 6 or 7 - What Seniors Wish They Knew As Freshmen, 7-9PM in Kelley Lounge
- February 27 - Making the Most of Your Summer, 4PM*
- March 13 - Making Connections for a Summer Job, 4PM*
- March 15 - Chili Cook-off, 4-6PM at Ray Courtyard
- March 27 - Texas Job Fair, 10AM-4PM at UH-Main Campus. Sponsored by the Houston Area Consortium of Career Centers
- April 10 - Transitioning to the Workplace, 4PM
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**ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT**

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**Eastwood's Iwo Jima wins over audiences**

by Bryce Gray

**Theatre editors' recommendations for arts and entertainment around Houston through Thursday, February 2, 2007.**

**CULTURE**

**Hungarian State Folk Ensemble**

Gypsy music and folk dances straight from Hungary debut in a whirl of color at Jones Hall.

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**ARTS**

**... all of the above** by Judy Pfaff

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**CONCERT**

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The metal band that gave us The Fall of Idols plays at the Meridian tonight. The show starts at 8 p.m. and tickets cost $13.50 at www.ticketmaster.com.

**Letters from Iwo Jima**

Reno, Nevada... to produce a particular feel in Wednesday.

**SCENE**

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To reform him, his mother decides to send him to Truth University in Atlanta, placing him under the tutelage of Wayne Jones (Wayne Jones). Almost from the moment he arrives, DJ creates conflict. He fights with a girl in the registration line, has a run-in with a fraternity president and receives threats from a girl's jealous boyfriend. DJ argues that a unique talent dancing. Attempting to impress a girl, he wins a dance-off at a nightclub. Once his talent is discovered, a fraternity top step team invites him to join. DJ joins the team, adds his own moves and represents the spirit and technique of the step team.

This stale and tired plotline is similar to what was used in other movie and dance-oriented movies such as Step Up, Bring It On and last year's Step Up. While the story is overused, the soundtrack and superb dancing talent of the actors save Stomp the Yard from being entirely boring. The successful combinations of rhythm, coordination and precision are a credit to the skills of choreographer Dave Scott (Macy Gray) and countless hours of practice.

The music reflects the mood of the dancing and remains upbeat throughout, adding zest to the well-worn story. Featuring artists such as Jay-Z, The Pack 3 and The Roots, the soundtrack keeps up with the spirited rhythm of the step team.

And, while the overall storyline is rather superficial, Stomp the Yard allows for moments of serious reflection to make clear social assertions about the college fraternity system. The film depicts fraternities as cultish and barbaric institutions, a perspective emphasized by one of the team's step costumes — complete with wolf headdresses and glowing green eyes.

Stomp the Yard's obvious men's club imagery is yet another drawback to the movie. DJ's love interest, April (Ron Brown's Meagan Good) constantly wears seductive and dim-flaunting outfits. She acts more as a device than as a character. Her father (The Few Commandments: The Musical's Alan Louis. DJ and her ex-boyfriend Grant (Roll Bounce's Meagan Good) are constantly used as pawns in their plots for revenge or seduction.

Filmed on location in Atlanta, Stomp the Yard's plot lacks realism. The scenes on the campus of the fictional Truth University were filmed at Clark Atlanta University, Morehouse College and Morris Brown College, all of which are historically black colleges in Atlanta.

The dancing and talented actors make Stomp the Yard a bearable viewing experience. But ultimately, the stale plot overrides the actors' dancing and makes the movie undesirable of a second viewing.

Ken Watanabe (The Last Samurai) wags a war of honor in Letters from Iwo Jima.

**Stomp the Yard**

Sports fancy footwork, predictable plot

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Filmed on location in Atlanta, Stomp the Yard's plot lacks realism. The scenes on the campus of the fictional Truth University were filmed at Clark Atlanta University, Morehouse College and Morris Brown College, all of which are historically black colleges in Atlanta.

The dancing and talented actors make Stomp the Yard a bearable viewing experience. But ultimately, the stale plot overrides the actors' dancing and makes the movie undesirable of a second viewing.

Ken Watanabe (The Last Samurai) wags a war of honor in Letters from Iwo Jima.
Hollywood hotshots: Leave viewers heads in the clouds

After recent experiences, I think that fate leads me to terrible films. The latest, I fell in the wake of two terrible horror movies in the last few weeks. The mother of a friend I visited over the winter holidays happened to have a Lady in the Water playing as I walked in their house. 

A mistake in planning forced my little sister and me watch the most kid-friendly movie in theaters, Happily N'Ever After. After writing these two movies, I definitely am not happy. Director M. Night Shyamalan hit his artistic stride with the incomparable plot of Lady in the Water, making me wince in reference to our normal lives, just one of the many ways the Passport to Houston is enjoyable to behold. Even less wellknown additions like rapper Buddy "Aces" Israel are due to its ensemble cast; on-screen interactions among actors like Piven, Affleck (Goodwill Hunters), Ray Liotta (Identity) and Andy Garcia (Ocean's Twelve) are enjoyable to behold. Even less wellknown additions like rapper Buddy "Aces" Israel are due to its ensemble cast; on-screen interactions among actors like Piven, Affleck (Goodwill Hunters), Ray Liotta (Identity) and Andy Garcia (Ocean's Twelve) are enjoyable to behold.

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Smokin' Aces goes down in flames

by Tasha Chemplavi

Sitting through Smokin' Aces was not unlike watching Tuesday's State of the Union address. It started out dynamic and entertaining but quickly descended into chaotic confusion. Critics of the president's oratory should be left to political pundits, but a closer look at Aces reveals problems with two of the most basic features of moviemaking — character development and plot continuity.

Buddy "Aces" Israel (Keeping Up with the Scream Joyce Fourm) is a Las Vegas magician who has incurred the wrath of mafia head Primo Sparranza (The Scorpion King's Joseph Rankin) by becoming a federal witness against Sparranza's extensive crime syndicate. Sparranza wants Israel's heart on a platter. Literally.

The mafia king offers $1 million to anyone who can deliver his order: hiring mercenaries, bounty hunters, contract killers and his men to reap the reward. Meanwhile, the FBI learns about Sparranza's plan to eliminate Israel and must do what it can to keep the magician alive.

The bulk of the film depicts the various murderous team's efforts to infiltrate the penthouse of a Lake Tahoe hotel where Israel is under police protection. Meanwhile, Israel falls into a drugged-induced stupor.

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EUGENE IONESCO'S RHINOCEROS

Directed by Lovett College sophomore Kate Flanagan with the assistance of Brown College freshman Timothy Darjinger Faust

An absurdly cultural commentary that has often been associated with World War II European anti-militarism. Rhinoceros is the story of a guy who just cannot adjust to the society around him. Berenger drinks too much, does too little work, and his friends and coworkers seem to know exactly how to deal with him. Berenger, then, rhinoceros's start to wreak havoc in the town. As townpeople disappear and society is torn apart, Berenger struggles to find his own place in the herd.


CLUE: THE MUSICAL MARTEL COLLEGE

Directed by Marten senior Meghan Leeman with musical director Marky-sophomore Bailey Anderson

March 22, 24, 29, 31 and April 3, 4

The Musical: A社区电部 of mystery and suspense. Every night the suspect weapons and room change, so the solver can play along as the clues and suspects manipulate each other in their efforts to get revenge on Mr. Boddy.


Problems start to arise when entirely unknown actors in COMPLETELY SUPERFLUOUS roles crowd the screen.

The big surprise is going to funny

Reynolds, who proves he can handle serious roles. His be

Baker FRIL agent character displays

Flanagan's surprising eye for talent, fun

However, Piven is undermined in his role as the stewie magician. He does have a promising appearance at the film's beginning, big. But, as the descends further and further into his cocaine

Common and singer Alicia Keys

are a few bright spots. The absurd
give viewers a laugh, even if only out of boredom. Jason Bateman's
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Owls to face Tulsa in C-USA final rematch

by Justin Hudson

In front of their largest home crowd all season and a national television audience, the women's basketball team beat the University of Houston 70-56 Sunday afternoon at Autry Court. The win helped Rice (19-3, 3rd C-USA) average an overtime loss to the Cougars Jan. 2.

THIS WEEKEND

Rice (10-9, 3-3) vs. Tulsa (7-11, 2-4)
Where: Autry Court
History: The Owls lead the overall series 13-5. Tulsa beat Rice 55-52 in this CUSA title game on Mar. 5, 2006.

Sunday's game was the first of five straight conference home games for the Owls, who hope to use the homestand to gain some ground from the pack in a tight C-USA race. Currently, the Owls are tied for seventh place, but attrition, UH, also hurt by injuries and eligibility issues, suited only 7 players, and both substitutes were post players.

Unlike in their earlier meeting, Tulsa was able to dictate the game's pace in the early minutes. After taking an early 8-4 advantage, Rice struggled against Tulsa's pressure defense and soon found themselves down 11-10. However, the Owls battled back with an 11-0 run, the highlights of a first half in which Tulsa missed the UH game with a foot injury, the severity of which has not been determined. As a result, the Owls went off the right players on Sunday. But in a true battle of attrition, UH also hurt by injuries and eligibility issues, suited only 7 players, and both substitutes were post players.

Senior guard Morris Almond has averaged 22.4 points and 8.2 rebounds in four consecutive conference games in which Almond struggled against UH's pressure defense and won four of five starters after losing four of five starters to graduation. However, they still have the preseason conference player of the year in forward Valeriya Berezhynska (11-8, 5-1). Last night the Owls faced Southern Methodist University (11-7, 3-3) in a crucial game at Autry Court.

Monday, January 29

Men's basketball wins third straight at home

Almond scores 29 and grabs 10 rebounds to lead Owls past rival UTEP

by Chris Pasich

The men's basketball team returned home Wednesday night to defeat Conference USA rival University of Texas-El Paso in a close match, 73-67. The victory moved Rice (18-14, 4-1 C-USA) into sole possession of second place in the conference standings, a mere one game behind the 14th-ranked University of Memphis.

The Owls continue with their C-USA slate with back-to-back games away from Autry Court. On Saturday, Rice travels to Tulane, a team the Owls earlier defeated by five points at home in first C-USA opener. Rice will travel across town to face the University of Houston Cougars at Hofheinz Pavilion Wednesday. The game is a rematch of the Owls thrilling victory over rivals at Autry Court on Jan. 1. When the Owls rallied from 24 points behind in the second half to pull off a 76-74 victory.

Senior guard Morris Almond broke out of a shooting slump to lead the Owls with 29 points on 11-18 shooting from the field. The Owls' shooting performance was much different from previous conference games in which Almond struggled, forcing up too many off-balanced shots.

"He really made an effort to screen and get some guys open," head coach Willis Wilson (Will Rice '85) said. "And he just got his head up early — things that he's been doing all year long, just focusing a little bit harder on work before the shot. I thought his movement was a little more fluid. He let the ball come to him a little bit more.

The Owls were down by five points with six minutes remaining in the second half before sophomore guard Cory Pflieger hit three pointers on consecutive possessions. Senior point guard Lorenz Williams followed with a three-pointer on the following possession, tying the score.

"I think it's a motivation-type thing," Pflieger said. "You hit one, and you get more confidence, and as a team you get a stretch — it's like a chain reaction. If one guy hits a shot, you just continue to hit shots, and that's what happened."

Pflieger was one of four Owls in double figures. He had 13 points on 5-of-8 shooting for the night. Junior Patrick Beatty and Williams both had 10 points to help round out the Owls' scoring for the night. In addition to being the game's leading scorer, Almond also led both teams with 10 rebounds on the night, and the Owls out-rebounded the Miners 38-30.

The majority of the contest was sloppy — the teams combined for 37 turnovers and 41 fouls over the course of the game. The Owls had 16 team fouls in the second half, and both center Greg Killings and forward Patrick Beatty fouled out.

Almond put the Owls in the lead for good at 60-55 after hitting a jumper with 2:30 remaining in the game. UTEP guard Steven Jackson sank a free throw to bring the Miners back to within 15 of the Owls 65-40.

Saturday, January 27

Women's tennis vs. Sam Houston State
9:00 a.m. — Jake Hess Tennis Stadium

Women's tennis vs. Texas A&M-Commerce
2:00 p.m. — Jake Hess Tennis Stadium

Sunday, January 28

Men's tennis vs. Michigan State
1:00 p.m. — The Met, Houston

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TBA — Match follows the Rice-Michigan State match

Women's tennis vs. Texas State
2:00 p.m. — Jake Hess Tennis Stadium

Wednesday, January 24

Men's basketball vs. UH
7:05 p.m. — Hofheinz Pavilion

Thursday, January 25

Women's basketball vs. UTEP
7:05 p.m. — Autry Court

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The Owls second at the Houston Indoor Invitational Feb. 5, also led UF’s Yvonne Fieldhouse. Along with the host Cougars, Texas will probably participate again, and last year’s field included Baylor University, the University of Texas-Austin and Conference USA America University of Southern Mississippi. UI’s Eunice Floyd, the reigning CUSA 200-meter champion, will run after having been at the last week’s meet.

Coach Jim Bevan said Rice will face higher-caliber teams than those at the Leonard Hilton Memorial, but he believes the Owls need the challenge in order to get in the right race and in the right way. “There’s definitely a chance I could break the four-minute mile. Everything depends on whether I’m in the right race and in the right position. I’m just trying to run as fast as I can... It’s just more about how I’m feeling that day.”

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Swimming defeats Miami to win final home meet of season

by Taylor Johnson

The Owls compete again today and tomorrow at Rice/Olden, Lewisville, the Louisiana State University Natatorium against crossroads rival University of Houston and SouthEastern Conference power LSU. Houston has won four of its last five duals, while LSU has dropped three of its last four.

This meet will be the swim team's last competition before the C-USA Championships in mid-February, and the swimmers recognize how tough this contest will be. "The LSU meet is more competitive," Massengale said. "LSU swims well, and it will come down to the last event." 

LSU has beaten the Owls the past two years (105-59, 196-51), and Houston came out just ahead of the Owls (176-174) in the team's last meeting at the Phiull Handel Duals Weekend Nov. 34.

BY THE NUMBERS: SWIMMING RESULTS

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Bailiff brings new defensive scheme
First-year coach to implement 4-2-5 alignment for 2007 season

by Nathan Birdhoe

The look on the sideline won't be the only things changing with the football team next year. In addition to his new staff, head coach David Bailiff brings a new defensive philosophy, the 4-2-5 scheme he ran effectively in his previous stops at Texas State University and as the defensive coordinator at Texas Christian University.

The Owls defensive philosophy will not change drastically.

"Offensively, we're going to stay with the spread offense," Bailiff said. "If you look at [sophomore] quarterback Chase Clement and what they've done here, that's what we've done at Texas State [and] that's what we're going to do here."

New offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach Tom Herman will call plays for the Owls. Herman follows former offensive coordinator Major Applewhite, who left to become the quarterbacks coach at the University of Alabama Jan. 13. Herman was a graduate assistant at Texas during Applewhite's sophomore and junior seasons—1999 and 2000. While the offense will spend most of the time in one-back shotgun looks, Cain will be able to take snaps under-center as well.

"He's very, very talented, and the players have to be under center," Bailiff said. "When it's third-and-one and you have to pick up a yard, you have to have an offensive line that knows how to come off the football. You have to have a running back that knows how to do his job.

The biggest schematic changes for the Owls come with Bailiff's preferred 4-2-5 defense.

"The 4-2-5 is a high-pressure package," Bailiff said. "Every alignment looks like a blitz alignment based on your five safety, and you also have good leverage against the run."

The defensive set puts one more down lineman on the field than Rice played with last year but still utilizes two strong sides.

More traditions teams often switch to a version of the 4-2-5 for their 'nickel' situations, when an extra defensive back is brought in to help defend the pass. The base 4-2-5 scheme is designed to always present the threat of a blitz. The added down lineman makes the set stronger against the run and allows the defensive backs to get into good pass-coverage alignments independent of the front six. The new set is very similar to the 4-4 defense popular at the high school level—which are sometimes known as the "split" defense.

The return of strength and conditioning coach Yancy McKnight is just as important to the Owls as the new game-day coaches. McKnight returned to Rice Wednesday at the request of Athletics Director Chris Del Conte after initially following former head coach Todd Graham to the University of Tulsa. McKnight oversees not only the football team but every other varsity sport on campus.

Any coach entering a situation like Rice's must work feverishly to salvage a quality recruiting class, and Bailiff has been doing just that. The new coach has been on the road visiting recruits since taking the job. He said he asked players to be patient with him as he spends his first weeks away from campus trying to put together a full-sized recruiting class.

Bailiff is widely regarded as a top-quality recruiter, but he employs a style much different than his predecessor's. While Graham used his highenergy and his salesman persona, Bailiff finds relationships with high school coaches to be more important — he is known to have strong relationships with many high school coaches in the state of Texas, and this should serve him well when recruiting. He will also look to recruit in the talent-rich Houston area more than Graham did in his short time at Rice.

"Look at the commitment list, and I don't see enough young men from Houston on it," Bailiff said. "I want to make Houston a priority."

Rice holds all its scholarships to higher admission standards than most universities, so recruiting presents a unique set of challenges. However, those higher standards also require Rice to recruit players more likely to graduate, which Bailiff said provides its own sort of advantage.

"You win championships with seniors — graduation rates and championships work hand in hand," he said.

Linebackers are always top priorities in recruiting; but they are especially important to this year's class. The switch from a three-man line to a four-man line paired with the imminent graduation of defensive tackles DeJama Cooper and William Wood and the deactivation of end Courtney Gordon will leave the Owls dangerously thin on the defensive front.

2007 RICE FOOTBALL COACHING STAFF

DAVID BAILIFF COACHING FILE

2004-2006
Texas State head coach

2002-2003
TCU defensive coordinator

2001
TCU defensive line coach

1997-2000
Texas State defensive coordinator

1992-1997
New Mexico defensive line coach

1989-1992
Texas State defensive line coach

1984-1982
New Braunfels High defensive line coach

NOTE: Some positions on the coaching staff remain unfilled.

2007 RICE FOOTBALL COACHING STAFF

OFFENSE

Tom Herman
Offensive Coordinator
Quarterbacks

Michael Smith*
Assistant Head Coach
Running Backs

Blake Miller
Running Game Coordinator
Offensive Line

David Beatty*
Wide Receivers

David Bailiff
Head Coach

Defensive Line

Chuck Driesbach
Assistant Head Coach
Co-Defensive Coordinator
Linebackers

Craig Naivar
Co-Defensive Coordinator
Safeties

Darin Elliot
Defensive Line

Jason Washington
Co-Defensive Coordinator
Offense

Yancy McKnight*
Strength and Conditioning

* returning member of staff

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Senior guard Lorenzo Williams scored 10 points and led Rice with 8 assists in the Owls’ 73-67 win over UTEP Wednesday.

RICE VS. UH

The win over UTEP came on the heels of the Owls’ first loss in conference, a 72-67 loss to the University of Central Florida Saturday. The Owls had a chance to tie the game with less than 10 seconds remaining, but Almond’s shot didn’t go in, and UCF secured the rebound and the win.

"We put it up to him, — either he’s going to make it or he’s going to miss," Chris Hagan said. "That’s all you really can do — get it in your best player’s hands and give him a chance to win the game for you — and unfortunately he missed."

Almond again led the Owls with 20 points on the night. However, most of those came from the free throw line. He went 16-for-18 shooting from the field, but led the Owls in rebounding, grabbing eight boards on the night.

Although Almond still leads the Owls in scoring, the style of defense he has faced has become much more physical, and, except for the UTEP contest, he has had problems from the field. "I’m getting fouled a lot more, it’s really paying dividends for the UTEP contest, he has had problems from the field."

IN FOCUS: MEN’S BASKETBALL

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FRIDAY

Hugglemania

Ordinarily, I'd attempt some sort of witty title for this event myself, but the folks with Spontaneous Combustion just couldn't be topped. "Hugglemania" is a show by SpoCo, Rice's premier improvisational comedy troupe. The event runs from 9 - 10 p.m. at Lyle's in the Lovett College basement. For more information on this and other Rice happenings, visit the Rice Program Council calendar, located on their Web site, www.riceprogramcouncil.com.

SATURDAY

Prices and availability are subject to change without notice. 1/23/07

THURSDAY

Axe the Miners

It's witty because a Miner actually uses an axe. The women's basketball team takes on the University of Texas-Pan American or other western-inspired garb. However, please don't bring your own rotgut, because everyone knows you can't take alcohol into our end of a public party. Silly, please, please do not dress as Jim West, Desperado. At any rate, don't party too hard, because you'll need your full stamina to handle Lovett College's "Casino Royale 907: Casino Royale" tomorrow night.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 26, 2007

The Owls whipped Houston last weekend with a bunch of fan support, and look for the same against UTEP.

99+1

Equals 100 Days, that is. 100 Days, the annual event the Senior Committee throws at a local night club to celebrate only 100 days remaining until graduation. This year, the event is at Shadow Bar, located at 2371 Milan St. downtown. 100 Days runs 10 p.m. - 2 a.m., so the METRORail can get you there. Just take the Preston exit. Return transportation is not provided in shuttles but the bar has a parking lot students may use. Cover is only $10, so put on your best, and join the seniors in celebration.

FRIDAY

More from the Allen Center

Announcements from the Registrar's Office now occur seemingly weekly, but these are fairly important. Today is the final day of late registration, and in a sense, the last day to drop a class without a fee or to designate a course as audit or designate a course for credit that you had been planning to take as an audit course. Freshmen and new students, remember that today is also your deadline for dropping classes — the last day of classes deadline only applies during your first semester at Rice, not your first year.

Will Smith is not invited

But you are. You Rice student you. Tonight is Jones College's "Wild West," 10 p.m. - 2 a.m. in the Jones Commons. Come in your favorite cowboy, Native American or other western-inspired garb. However, please don't bring your own rotgut, because everyone knows you can't take alcohol into our end of a public party. Silly, please, please do not dress as Jim West, Desperado. At any rate, don't party too hard, because you'll need your full stamina to handle Lovett College's "Casino Royale 907: Casino Royale" tomorrow night.

PERRY HOMES

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Political conspiracy threatens coup of President's Office

This past election season, former President Malcolm Gillis donated $1,000 to Rice's U.S. Representative, Republican John Culberson. But is there something more to this donation? Notice that Gillis listed his job as the President of Rice University. But Gillis has not been president for three years. Perhaps rather than looking at just facts, we could mix facts with non-facts to come to some made-up version of truth that we wish to believe.

Gillis is a current member of the board of directors at Electronic Data Systems. EDS currently provides the U.S. Navy and Marine Corps with a multi-billion dollar intranet system, which makes up for 30% of EDS's profit. Could Gillis's donation to a man in a non-competitive election be to sway him to continue support of the War in Iraq and thus necessitate this massive government project? Or perhaps it was to convince Culberson to vote against lowering interest rates on student loans, encouraging students to look to other options to pay for college — such as the military. This government repressed military force would just give EDS more business to expand the their military intranet. Hmm ... but this would still not explain why Gillis would declare himself Rice President in 2006.

Perhaps rather than looking at just facts, we could mix facts with non-facts to come to some made-up version of truth that we prefer. So first let's take a look at one of the 12 bills that Culberson sponsored in the 109th Congress.

On the surface, Culberson's H.R. 456 may seem to be a feeble attempt at overthrowing the federal system via block grants and the Commerce Clause. Or is it actually a favor to Gillis to help him with a coup of the President's Office, thus explaining why Gillis would list his job as Rice president? By removing the ability of the federal government to regulate environmental laws in Texas, Rice Nanotech lab would finally be able to create dangerous technology — like Nanotubes, but bigger (and deadlier) by a factor of 10**3.2.

With this newfound weapon, Gillis would only have to bide his time until a moment of weakness in the President's Office. Behold, this week, like Richard the Lionheart on his crusade, our good President David Rice is testing the will of the newly appointed President of the U.S. Nothing is more dangerous than a President who does not know his job.

Does Gillis have presidential ambitions? He did extend his original tenure as president by several years. Perhaps he has a lust for power. If this conclusion is correct, then we must wonder why he would donate $1,000 to Culberson. Perhaps rather than looking at just facts, we could mix facts with non-facts to come to some made-up version of truth that we wish to believe.

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H. R. 456

To authorize a bill.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
January 26, 2006

Mr. Culberson (for himself and those from the State of Texas) presented the following bill:

A BILL

To authorize a bill.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Streamlining of State Reimbursement Act of 2006." (there is no Senate draft)

SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.

The terms used herein have the meanings given them in section 3.