New freshmen and advisors cheer as they enter the Rice stadium for the annual O-Week Rally. This year the number of freshmen entering Rice reached an all time high, at 1,956 students. There are also 2 percent more students from outside Texas than in last year’s class, bringing the total percent of out of state students to 30.

New class size exceeds expectations
Campus struggles to find enough beds to accommodate everyone

BY ELLEN LEE
Thresher Staff Writer

The number of incoming Rice undergraduates is 169 more than anticipated, marking a rise in the university’s student body. But also leading to challenges in housing for the new Owls.

According to Dean of Undergraduates John Hutchinson, the university had originally targeted 2,600 new students for this fall, but the number as of June was about 2,750. Though 96 of those students didn’t want to live on campus, 1,209 were still left in line for the 956 beds. Hutchinson said about half of the extra students were given rooms that had been vacated by upperclassmen who didn’t return this fall, but 55 remain in need of housing.

Hutchinson said the administration responded to the issue in a variety of ways. They turned some upperclassmen double rooms into triples and gave those who moved into those new rooms a reduction in housing costs for a semester. He added that they also encouraged existing on-campus students to switch into the Rice Graduate Apartments by offering a significantly reduced rate and discounted meal plan to those who did. In addition, according to Hutchinson, some new living spaces were created in certain colleges. For instance, the visiting faculty apartment on the fifth floor of Brown College was turned into a student room.

Transfer students were also affected by this increased influx of new students, Hutchinson said. According to him, out of the 1,000 applicants admitted this year, around 220 of them were given on-campus housing, though he was unsure how many had requested it. Hutchinson also said that the university had to take the gender of the transfer students into account when matching them to rooms because of the lack of space.

“We had quite a few more freshman than anticipated because Rice is competing very well for the best students,” Hutchinson stated. “Still, as far as I know, every freshman who requested a room has a room.”

Vice President of Enrollment Chris Munoz commented on the changes the university had seen this year in the number of students accepting their admission into Rice. He said last year, Rice had admitted 2,600 students, and 20 percent of them enrolled. However, this year, though only 2,000 applicants were admitted, 35 percent decided to come to Rice. This higher yield rate led to the incoming class size of more than 1,000 people.

Munoz also discussed the national and international composition of the new students. He said the actual number of foreign nationals was fairly proportional to last year’s, despite the significant increase in the total number of new students. He added that the proportion of the students from Texas is smaller than it was a year ago.

“The concert isn’t intended as an alternative to any of the events that generally occur on the Saturday after O-Week,” RPC President Libby Ulman. “We hope that students will both spend time in their colleges and at our event.”

In an effort to address past issues, RPC has tried to increase the incentive for student attendance by offering free T-shirts to the first 1,000 students to arrive at the concert site and floor tickets to the first 400.

“We are hoping to maximize student attendance, while also feel that the timing of the concert is great since students will not have schoolwork on this day,” Con certs Chair Saline College sophomore Kendra Eriske said. “We feel Tu dor is an excellent indie resource for our community and RPC is able to accommodate our student population.”

Eriske said that RPC would.

For his Vision for the 2nd Century, President Leeborn set goal for 950 freshmen students, this year 1,169 matriculated. The graph shows freshman class sizes have been gradually rising for the past 18 years.

ENROLLMENT UNDER FORMER PRESIDENT MALCOM GULLIS
ENROLLMENT UNDER CURRENT PRESIDENT DAVID LEEBORN

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Free Ice Cream
Come to Hamman Hall on Wednesday at 4 p.m. the Rice Players will be hosting an ice cream social in the lobby, just baking, but they will probably talk about their upcoming fall show Dead Man’s Off-Phone and any plans they have for the spring.

If you make it past the weekend
You might want to go to class on Monday. It’s the first day of class, so don’t skip out on learning about the class rules and the chance to grab a seat at the front of the room, next to your new best friend who will share their notes with you should you ever miss class (which will never happen).
New RMC dining offers diverse dining options

This summer marked a number of changes in the RMC, many of which were long overdue (see story, page 9). Thanks in part to the efforts of Kevin Kirby, Boyd Beckwith and RMC renovation funds (not to mention years of student polling), Coffeehouse now sits in a larger location that will enable the student-run business to flourish, without having to sacrifice the study spaces in the Kelley Lounge. While not a part of the RMC, the dedication of a space in Hanszen College for Hoot South is another prime example of the administration working with student entrepreneurship for positive outcomes. The installation of Droubi’s in Sammy’s will invite a different flavor to campus along with a lot of potential that we hope the Mediterranean cuisine will bring.

However, RechargeU and Little Willy's may not live up to their full potential. Although the variety of snacks offered by the Barnes & Noble offshoot is laudable, the store lacks some of the essential elements suggested by students in last year’s survey, notably the no. 1 reason students cited going to 13th Street: fresh sandwiches. Other top requests, such as fresh fruit, smoothies and baked goods, remain absent. Meanwhile, oddly specific snacks such as PEZ dispensers line the aisles, giving RechargeU a feel more akin to a gas station than a 13th Street replacement. The decision to include yet another coffee station not so meters from Coffeehouse makes us question how much student input was actually valued by the new store. While we certainly won’t go hungry with the new convenience store, we also hope that RechargeU will sincerely consider future student input in their weekly evaluations.

Finally, it was refreshing to hear a hot food station would be occupied by Coffeehouse’s former location, and the idea of expanding Willy’s, another student-run business, is also commendable. However, why not offer an additional late-night food option to the Hoots instead? Already have to buy into the meal plan, makes little sense to us. Why not offer an additional late-night food option to the Hoots instead? Or at least stay open in the evening for an after dinner snack.

Recent string of RPC events strongly contributing to student life on campus

Coming off of the success of its recent Harry Potter movie screenings, RPC has once again found a way to live up to its name by organizing Three’s Mafia and The Wild Moccasins for a back-to-school concert (see story, page 1). Not only has RPC managed to snag an Academy Award winning group and tackle the problem of publicizing the event during the summer, but the concert will certainly make a positive impression of what student organizations are capable of to incoming students and returning students alike. The use of ALFA funds to create a concerts endowment have proven that at least some of the funds have been used successfully. We can't wait to see what else RPC has in store for future events.
Mental health a concern for even the happiest students at Rice

Welcome to Rice — the university with the “happiest students” and the “best quality of life.” For three years in a row, Rice has been ranked #1, by the Princeton Review for “Best Quality of Life,” and for three years in a row, I’ve been fortunate enough to experience firsthand the beautiful campus, endless opportunities and light-hearted consu-me that make Rice an oasis. For good reason, the majority of students here are mentally, deeply, wildly, ecstatically happy. In love with life.

Allen Liao

But not everyone feels that way. Not everyone has that same giddy, head-over-heels experience of true love. Perhaps you, like myself and many other friends before you, felt a little underwhelmed on Day 1. Why? — what was supposed to be the “best week of your life.” And instead of feeling comfortably settled in and ready to tackle the school year, perhaps you’re feeling slightly apprehensive, anxious, or just plain unsettled. Well, you’re not alone. Yes, it might seem like everyone around you is all happy and hunky-dory, but you’re not alone.

We need to prove that we’re not just-as-common clinical depression but as a small cough or headache might develop into something a lot more serious, these small changes can develop into more serious and debilitating mental disorders. Some, it's easy to brush off such problems: “Oh, I'm just tired, but stressed. Not feeling well. A lot on my mind.” Of course, it’s perfectly normal to be feeling this way at times, but when it develops into a disabling, persistent problem, it might be a sign of depression. The fact is depression and other mental illnesses are real medical conditions. They are not limited to people in need of an antidepressant, but applicable to any physical illnesses. You’d be surprised at how many of our brightest, most successful peers are affected by depression, anxiety disorders, eating disorders, or other related conditions. According to the National Institute of Mental Health, an estimated 20 percent of our 18,000 students — each group’s 20 percent — suffer from a diagnosable mental disorder. But over two-thirds don’t seek help.

So what can you do? Recognize the symptoms, both in yourself and in others. Get help when you need it. Talk it out, the good and the bad. Listen and look out for your friends. Don't perpetuate this culture of false pride at Rice, this peer pres-sure to be happy. Don't hide behind a fake smile. Be honest to yourself and to others. I'm not saying that you should pour out all your problems to every-one you meet. I'm saying that everyone encounters problems with mental health and if we all stopped hiding and were more honest and open with our ahes and with others, we can create a campus free from stigma, where no one is left behind.

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MINOR IN POVERTY, JUSTICE, AND HUMAN CAPABILITIES (PJHC)

The Program in Poverty, Justice, and Human Capabilities (PJHC), which is housed in the Center for the Study of Women, Gender, and Sexuality, provides students with a multifaceted understanding of human well-being, both in the US and internationally. The interdisciplinary PJHC minor emphasizes a "capabilities approach," which considers what people are able to do and be—for example, live to old age and engage in economic and political activities—rather than exactly what they have or do not have.

The PJHC minor combines high-caliber undergraduate courses with internship experiences for students to work in the summer or as part of a study abroad program with agencies that help disadvantaged communities and people. Through academic and experiential learning opportunities, students explore a deeper understanding of the structural factors underlying poverty, human well-being, and potential policy solutions.

Students must meet the following requirements to complete the minor in PJHC:

- Students must complete six courses (18 credit hours)
- Students must take HUMA SOCI 280, an approved gender course, and an approved capstone course.
- Students must choose three electives, including one course from the PJHC non-Western elective list, one course from the Race and Ethnicity elective list, and a third course from a broader list that also includes courses from the other lists. A complete list of approved required and elective courses may be found at www.rice.edu/pjhc.
- As part of the minor, students must participate in an approved PJHC direct service learning experience. They do not receive academic credit for this experience. Students who have declared the minor are eligible to participate in the direct service learning experience after successfully completing HUMA 280/SOCI 280, SWGS 322, or SWGS 422 and at least one approved elective. Students who wish to participate in an alternative service learning experience should consult with the PJHC director for other programs explicitly approved for the minor and other options, such as study abroad.

More detailed information and a complete list of the approved elective courses may be found at www.rice.edu/pjhc.

ELECTIVES OFFERED FALL 2011

NON-WESTERN COURSES

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<td>A course that primarily surveys fiction, poetry, drama, and film (in English) from postcolonial contexts, especially those of Africa, the Caribbean, and the Indian subcontinent. Authors discussed may include Rushdie, Nair, Roy, Wolcott, Ngugi, Coetze, and Achebe.</td>
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ENGL 387: Gendered Disaster Narratives and the Rhetoric of Mitigation Plans, Driskill

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<td>A variable topics course that may focus on one or more theorists, on a genre, or in theme, or on debates within the field of cultural studies. Recent topics have included film, mass culture, Marx, and contemporary ethnic studies. Not limited in period, scope, or geography.</td>
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ENGL 397: Literature and Human Rights, Rickel

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<td>This course analyzes how the discourse of human rights operates in contemporary literature concerning Africa, the Caribbean, and India. It studies how some literary narratives frame occurrences such as genocide, civil war, and apartheid in terms of human rights and how others problematicate humanitarian conceptions of socioeconomic and political violence.</td>
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RACE AND ETHNICITY COURSES

HIST 335: Caribbean History to 1838, Emerson

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<td>Study of Caribbean history from the arrival of the Europeans to the abolition of slavery in the British West Indies in 1838, with emphasis on the social and economic history of the region. Includes the question of why slavery and the plantation system both emerged and fell.</td>
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SOCI 301: Social Inequality, Driskill

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<td>This course investigates the causes and consequences of social inequality in the US, focusing on inequality by class, race, and gender. We will discuss different measures of inequality, the extent of inequality, as well as classical and modern theories for why it has been increasing since the 1970s. In addition, we will discuss how much inequality is justifiable and which redistributive programs work.</td>
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OTHER ELECTIVES

ECON 481: Health Economics, Ho

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<td>Study of determinants of health, including behavioral, economic and social factors and access to health care. Analyzes of the medical care industry, production, cost, demand and supply factors, effects of regulation and methods of payment.</td>
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DEAL 406: Disparities in Health in America: Working Toward Social Justice, Perkinson

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HIST 241: U.S. Women's History I: Colonial Beginnings to the Civil War

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<td>Survey of American women's history, examines the lives of elite, working, black, Indian, and white women, and traces changes in women's legal, political, and economic status from the mid-17th century through the Civil War. Topics include slavery, suffrage, sexuality, and feminism.</td>
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PHIL 307: Social and Political Philosophy

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<td>What makes a society just? On what grounds may the liberty of individuals be legitimately limited? What social ends may a state legitimately pursue?</td>
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POLI 437: Education Policy, Marshall

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<td>Examines educational politics and policy from micro and macro perspectives. We will focus on school governance, structure, and finance at the federal, state, and local levels and examine the design, implementation and effects of various school reform initiatives in U.S., and in a more limited extent in other countries.</td>
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SWGS 101: Issues in Women and Gender, Emerson

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<td>An introductory survey of issues in the study of gender, such as women's social, political, and legal status in the US and globally; feminist perspectives on sexuality, race, the body, globalization, labor, culture; and the implications of these perspectives for social and critical theory. The course also introduces the concept of engaged research and the public service components of feminist activity.</td>
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From cookies to carbon
Lab makes cheap graphene

BY ELLEN LU
THURSDAY EDITORIAL STAFF

T. T. and W. F. Chao Professor of Chemistry James Tour and chemistry graduate students Geding Ruan, Zhengming Sun, and Zhiwei Peng have found a way to grow a form of carbon called graphene from a variety of sources, including Girl Scout cookies. This April, the team demonstrated that a box of Girl Scout shortbread cookies could generate as much as $3 billion worth of graphene.

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**National**

Bachmann wins Iowa straw poll

Ms. Bachmann won victory in the straw poll. A quick poll put her at the top of the list. And we learn who will be a Reagan and who a Dixie.

Doing poorly Pawlenty dropped out. But Texas goes on to win the first place. But will any of them be able to challenge Obama? Because counting in Romney makes three.

He likes to pray and is popular with those who party with tea. But don’t forget about the Republican John Kerry. Because counting in Romney makes three.

As more countries look at risk of defaulting just so as the debt-to-income ratio. However, the public dissatisfaction with austerity programs, young people. Many theories abound including And Scotland Yard has not been helpful. But it could be that lower government spending has stung. And the Euro's woes continued as fears that the economic purchase of bonds, but fears that the economic powerhouse of Germany and France, under economic pressure of their own, will not be able to rescue their fellow countries on the continent contributed to declines on exact stock exchanges.

In dealing with the riots on the streets, the cause of widespread riots this month that have spanned concerned Europe. The problem with the Euro is that it's a common currency. And the debt-to-degrees-awarded ratio of students that have come in.

For good food and the occasional art masterpiece. The_BODY Project- Want to change your dieting and start eating the mindful way. You need jobs. And it’s pushing for the event. And they have expressed his frustration. However, England continues searching and debating the cause of widespread riots this month that have spanned concerned Europe. The problem with the Euro is that it's a common currency. And the debt-to-degrees-awarded ratio of students that have come in.

Rice in 2011 and 2012, is increasing interest in a more national audience. "The fact that we wound up with more students is something to celebrate," he said. "Rice is increasing interest in a more national audience.

**International**

Worries about European debt crisis drive down stocks

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particularly like to thank athletes and Boyd Beckworth for helping them with attendance.

An initial dilemma RPC faced was how to make the event appeal to the returning students. And it could be that lower government spending has stung. Three victims of the economy who already need jobs.

Rice will continue to extend its policy of supporting 100 percent of every Rice student's need. Wadler said. A family’s ability to pay will never have any bearing on our admissions process as we are committed to need-blind admissions policy.

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According to a new study the Education Sector published in August, each student who had earned a degree from Rice graduated with a debt totaling between $25,000 and $35,000 on average.

This study brings to light Rice's financial aid program. Director of Financial Aid Anne Williams said that numerous donors and others support need and merit awards so as to help students receive the aid they need.

**Freshmen from page 1**

and enrolled was 30 percent, a rate up 2 percent from last year's 28 percent yield.

Buchholtz noted that the increased stress of extra incoming students was only a temporary inconvenience that had already been accommodated.

"The fact that we wound up with more students is something to celebrate," he said. "Rice is increasing interest in a more national and even international audience.

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THE RICE THRESHER NEWS
RICE RANKS FIRST
QUALITY OF LIFE, STUDENT HAPPINESS
BY RUBY GEE
THRESHER EDITORIAL STAFF
For the third year in a row, Rice has been ranked number one by the Princeton Review for having the best quality of life. According to the 2012 edition of the Princeton Review’s annual guide, “The Best 376 Colleges,” Rice also rose from eighth to first in the category for happiest students.

Rankings by the Princeton Review are based upon the opinions of approximately 122,000 students at 376 colleges, who were surveyed in the 2010-11 school year. Factors that were taken into consideration for the ranking include campus beauty, satisfaction with school administration, dorm comfort and food.

President David Leebron said that he was pleased with both rankings and cited a general attitude on campus of how we can all contribute to making life better.

“You know, there are a lot of great facilities, new facilities, Houston’s a great place to be ... a lot of the rankings have to do with how people feel about living in the city,” Leebron said. “But I think that the backbone of all of which this is based is how our students treat each other.”

Hanszen College senior Felix Chang said that Rice’s best quality of life rating is deserved.

“The one thing I like about Rice is its prime location in Houston that provides easy access to many resources that the city has to offer, ranging from diverse volunteering opportunities to some top-notch museums and theaters in the country,” said Chang.

Will Rice College senior Valerie Li echoed similar opinions.

“The one thing I like about Rice is its prime location in Houston that provides easy access to many resources that the city has to offer, ranging from diverse volunteering opportunities to some top-notch museums and theaters in the country,” Li said. “That makes my college experience unique, and bear a sense of social responsibility.”

In regards to other categories, Rice rose from no. 19 to no. 13 for “Great Financial Aid,” and rose from no. 11 to number six for “Lots of Race/Class Interaction.”

RUPD POLICE BLOTTER
The following items were reported to the Rice University Police Department for the period Aug. 4-17.

ACADEMIC BUILDINGS
Herzstein Hall
Hermann Brown Hall
BRC

PARKING LOTS
North Colleges Lot
West Lot

OTHER LOCATIONS
Off campus

Aug. 4
Criminal mischief
Theft

Aug. 6
Criminal mischief

Aug. 11
Theft

Aug. 12
Theft

Aug. 17
Criminal mischief

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West U Baptist Church invites you to worship, the study of God’s Word and fellowship. Join us for our contemporary Sunday worship service, Encounter @ 9:30 AM as well as a college-level Bible study class at 11 AM that is attended by many Rice University students and taught by Dr. Jim Tour.
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We can help with your IT questions!
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The new layout of the Rice Memorial Center

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Sammy’s swaps food

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2011 O-Week new students celebration.
frate with annual cheer battle

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6. DEAN HUTCHINSON JOINS THE DANCE PARTY AT PRESIDENT LEEBRON'S BBQ.
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8. MEGAN SHEPARD (WILL RICE COLLEGE '14) CHEERS ON FELLOW VOLLEYBALL PLAYERS AT MATRICULATION.
9. FRESHMEN CHEER DURING SA PRESIDENT GEORGIA LAGOUDAS' MATRICULATION SPEECH.
10. O-WEEK ADVISORS WELCOME FRESHEN AS THEY ARRIVE TO CAMPUS.
A s anyone with extra-sensory organs can tell you, lately, it has been very hot in Houston. With temperatures inching into the triple digits, how do Rice students still manage to look presentable when meeting classmates and professors? (Although ladies, if the heat gets too much to bear, remember that it is not illegal to be toplees in Texas.) Barringers going around half-nude, this week’s Trends on Campus column will show you an easy-breezy effortless heat-buster.

Aside from a shower or a cool air-conditioned environment, a cute pair of wedges or flip-flops, and you are ready for your day. To the right are some tips that can help you achieve this effortless heat-buster.

The versatility and simplicity of her outfit is the fact that it looks put together, but doesn’t require any thinking or rushing in the morning. And with new classes and new people, it’s best to save your energy for the exciting weeks ahead.

**Styling Tips of the Week:**
- Experiment with color: go monochromatic like Megan, with white, or contrast different colors. A black sheer top would look very unique with a red tank.
- With such a statement-making top, it’s not necessary to pile on the accessories. Go simple like Megan did, something in one color.
- Reverse the trend! Wear a sheer top without any detailing or patterns, and let a zebra-striped tank peek out from under it.

**Project Spotlight:** Rice Centennial House

As Rice approaches its Centennial Celebration, several students are finding their opportunity to display Rice’s dedication to its community by helping diverse groups of students together in a united effort. The Rice Habitat for Humanity chapter has had the support of the School of Architecture, whose students have designed a home that is sustainable and affordable for a low-income family.

Several key Rice students to note in this common effort were McMurtry College senior Tawfik Jarjour, Chair of the Rice Habitat chapter; Yoni Pressman, who helped design the house along with fellow graduate students in the School of Architecture; and Huston College senior Tawfik Jarjour, Chair of this common effort.

Yoni Pressman, who helped design the house along with fellow student Courtney Newsom, stated that the house’s design will allow it to weather Houston’s hot and humid conditions.

“We are also reducing the amount of energy that the house will require by improving the insulation to make a very air-tight house, and insulating the attic in the AC zone with more efficiently,” Pressman detailed, explaining that the house should prove environmentally-friendly and efficient in energy usage.

“Most of the sustainable design choices we make in the Rice Centennial House will be adopted by Huston Habitat for the rest of its homes.”

As Rice Habitat has already built three homes in the past to 2000, and 2001, this home serves to spread knowledge about poverty housing, while helping a family overcome it. It also celebrates Rice’s 100th year anniversary and shows Rice’s commitment to its communities.

According to the Rice Habitat chapter’s website, Habitat for Humanity currently has over 1,500 affiliates in 1,000 countries, and has erected over 150,000 homes for families struggling with poverty. Taylor Hall emphasizes that this global effort consists of individuals coming together for a common goal.

She states that the whole Rice community is involved, that this housing project is indeed a common effort. Everyone has brought something to the table, and Hall is no exception, as he has tried to acquire corporate sponsorships.

While all parties involved should benefit through active volunteering, the ultimate beneficiary of this project would be the family who will live in the house and gain substantial opportunity living in a clean, dry, and friendly community, Jarjour said.

Those that are interested, there’s a Student Activity Fair on August 28, where you can find out more about the Rice Centennial House Project.
Welcome to the A&E section

Emily Nichol

Congratulations, new students. You have proven yourself to be among the most intelligent of this campus' population; no, not for the many essays you've written or your impeccable SAT scores, but for picking up the very first issue of this year's Rice Thresher and turning to the very best section in it! The A&E section, generally located in the very heart of the paper around page 10, is loaded every week with reviews of the latest movies, college performances, and even interviews with the popular artists who aren't close to campus. Also, every week this section includes a handy list of the newest events in the Houston area, and guarantee that you never sit alone in your room on a Saturday night just because you don't know what else to do.

This week's section about the A&E section, though, is that it is really easy to contribute to all this cultural documentation. We always need new students to write articles and reviews for A&E, and the best way to get started is to shoot an email to the A&E editor. Whether or not you have any experience is required. Not only will your name, or even your picture, get in the Thresher, but your work will be read by over 20,000 people on campus, and those are all potential readers. Even better, we pay you (real money in the bank, and funds normally fit in other sections, like fashion or live art). Instead of only dealing with events at Rice like the News or Sports sections, A&E will keep you connected to the Houston area, and guarantee that you never sit alone in your room on a Saturday night just because you don't know what else to do.

Emily Nichol is a Weiss College junior and Thresher A&E editor.
Summer movie recaps: Sci-Fi movies out now that guarantee to distract you from academic woes

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As the summer of 2011 reaches an end, our minds naturally turn to the idea of escape. The economy is more volatile and unpredictable than freshmen dating patterns and soon we must mercilessly defend our GPAs. Fortunately, three science fiction summer blockbusters in theaters now offer the chance to leave our studied world for a little while so we can retain some sanity as Rice begins to take all of us.

Captain America: The First Avenger takes us back to a more simple time when bravery, steroids and tights solved all of mankind's problems. Like the original comic book source material, the movie follows scrappy Brooklyn kid Steve Rogers (Chris Evans, The Fantastic Four) who is continually denied from joining the army due to his many medical conditions and weak physique. However, this all changes when Dr. Abraham Erskine (Stanley Tucci, The Matrix) gives Rogers the experimental procedure that turns him into the super soldier Captain America. Initially forced into doing propaganda work to sell war bonds, Rogers soon gets to fulfill his dream of fighting for his country as he earns the command to lead an anachronistically multiracial squad of soldiers against the Nazi research division, Hydra, led by the nefarious Red Skull (Hugo Weaving, The Matrix).

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The Avengers, played by Chris Evans, is finally able to fight for his beloved country after undergoing an experimental procedure. One of the most enjoyable blockbuster films currently in theaters, this movie is a great prequel to the upcoming Avengers film.

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Going back even further in fictional American history is another comic book movie, Cowboys & Aliens. The genre mash-up tells the story of a cattle-riding cowboy Jake Lonergan (Daniel Craig, Casino Royale) and gruff rancher Woodrow Dority (Harrison Ford, Air Force One) mustang the forces of the Wild West to combat alien invaders.

Despite one of the biggest blockbuster premises in recent memory, the film fails to fill the large cowboy boots in the way audiences expect. Instead of making a western with mysterious extraterrestrials, Director Jon Favreau (Iron Man) opts for a modern film chock full of groan cliches, more akin to Transformers than Stagecoach. Good westerns explore shades of morality, with larcenous heroes who must do evil in order to achieve their sometimes laudable goals. Despite great acting from the two leads, this film never develops dimensional, or even interesting, characters.

A film with even more boring men and women in Rise of the Planet of the Apes. Luckily the film does have memorable voice players not by actors, but by computer-generated imitators. Set in a very near future and thousands of years before the Charles-ton Heston classic Planet of the Apes, the movie centers around an ape called Caesar (Andy Serkis, Lord of the Rings) who develops amazing intellectual skills after medical researcher Will Rodman (James Franco, 127 Hours) tests his cure for Alzheimer's disease on chimps. Caesar begins as a son figure to Rodman, but soon learns the discriminatory nature of our species-centric society and organizes a revolution. The film entertains, but it misses the whole point of The Planet of the Apes: that humans became so good at destroying themselves that evolution favored monkeys. Furthermore, Rodman becomes unnecessary in the third act of the film, but for some reason remains awkwardly present.

Rise of the Planet of the Apes might be the second best in the franchise, but that doesn't mean it's close to the first.

I enjoyed seeing all three of these movies, but sadly none of them show any of the staying power or relevance as Inception or other recent hits like the Expendables. As we move away from the summer and into the more pretentious period of Oscar contenders, I can only hope that 2012 delivers the truly spectacular movie 2011 never did. Speaking of which, did you see the new Dark Knight Rises trailer?
College bros dig ponies

Anthony Lauriello

While many people and columnists point to Capitol Hill and Wall Street for some of the financial problems in Western civilization’s end, I suggest looking further. In poresville, the setting for the new hit television show, “My Little Pony: Friendship is Magic—

Despite what you may think, the majority of this show’s devotees don’t come to watch the trains pull in, but to watch the Internet memes that have come full circle... "Perhaps it’s an expression of our Facebook-generation’s sublimated femininity, but more likely it’s due to the current obsession with irony and nostalgia. Internet memes have come full circle..."

On-screen, the word “pony” comes from the natural mixture of “pom-pom” and “buy.” According to “On the Internet,” the website on which this show is based, the word was first used in the 1980s to refer to an Internet game. The idea of a “pony” in this context is the childhood’s imagination.

Those who saw the article watched the show to see if the article had justification and turned up in the first place to watch. With “My Little Pony” references, the world is a better place, but to watch it now and be able to watch the show ourselves is more important.

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Owls fall in regional, lose very few to MLB draft

by Ryan Glassman

After splitting a late season run to clinch the Conference USA regular season title and a 43-20 win over rival University of Houston in the conference tournament championship, the baseball team was rewarded with the final national seed on Selection Monday. The Owls would host the University of California-Berkeley, Baylor University and Alcorn State University in a regional at Reckling Park as Abe Gonzales (Sid '11) was taken sixth overall by the Washington Nationals.

Renfrow was taken with the 14th overall pick by the Seattle Mariners and is expected to go among the first few picks. Renfrow was also named the O� the Year, the only player in program history to win the award.

The class size is relatively small compared to that of other universities, but there’s no cap on the number of students or any special registration forms to have signed; in fact, the class is free with your paid tuition. The professors are lenient and will even let you show up to class in a less than sober state. Supplies needed for the class include your student ID card, and for select classes meetings may be extended to include your favorite grilled cheeses and non-alcoholic or alcoholic beverages. Class participation is expected; those that skimp will receive little to no benefit from the course material. Overall, the workload is non-existent and the class is in session.

Sporting events provide an easy A in the game of life

by Jonathan Myers

Sports is on Twitter. Get the scoop at twitter.com/ThresherSports

Friday, Aug. 19

Soccer at Texas Tech
7 p.m. - Lubbock, Texas

Saturday, Aug. 27

Soccer vs. McNeese St.
7 p.m. - Rice Park/Soccer Stadium

COMMEENTARY

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With the advent of classes on Monday, several new students may be interested in this issue of the Thresher. May is the time to go out and meet new people. However, it's also a time to focus on your work, especially in a country where the sports section is the second most frequently read section of a newspaper. For the course title, sporting events are generally one of the top office usher topics at the water cooler (often general world events and the latest antics of Lady Gaga of course), so attending sporting events during your time as an undergraduate can only help relations with your co-workers and subsequently help your professional career. I'm not saying the academic accomplishments of Rice aren't important, but most people you'll encounter probably will care a little more about how the Rice baseball team did last year than what grants the biology department was awarded. Sports are a great conversation starter for any settings in the general world, but sports events are generally one of the top office usher topics at the water cooler. Attending sporting events is generally one of the top office usher topics at the water cooler.

For those of you that understand what I've been moaning about, for the past few paragraphs, graphs, composites, you've passed the first test. For those still in the dark, I'm talking about supporting your Rice Owls with the same fervor and passion that you approach your school work. Come on, we new Rice, section 13, row 14, seat 380. Let's see what that means in a more lucid on the ride, rather than celebrating the fact that we compete at the highest level in collegiate athletics (something which only approximately 10 percent of American colleges and universities can claim, and only 3 percent of schools can claim in regards to football). The fact that Rice is home to athletes that are not only champions on the playing field, but will also be champions in the professional world some day is definitely a fact to marvel at. I'm not trying to say athletics are more important than academics at Rice, but it is vital to recognize the excitement that can be generated from a memorable sports season. (See the sections in your textbook concerning the 2003 baseball team, 2001 football team, and the 2009 volleyball team, as well as the 2011 Lady Owls basketball team and 2011 men's swimming team or any number of men's and women's track teams from the past decade.)

The college experience is not about being held up in the library every day of the week. It's about participating in clubs, free arts productions, college governments, intramural sports and cheering your school on in the last two minutes of a tight football game. Some of the fondest memories I have from Rice so far have involved sporting events, from students heckling Naval Academy football players in 2009 by giving them names like "Merrick," "Goose" and "Jenius," to watching senior cornerback Chris Janmar return an interception for a touchdown to win the football game against the University of Memphis in 2008.

Some of you may be wondering about the reasoning behind the course title, or why it's classified as an LPAP. Put simply, school pride should always be considered a legitimate physical activity, and building a sense of Owls' pride was taken with the 14th overall pick by the Seattle Mariners and is expected to go among the first few picks. Renfrow was also named the O� the Year, the only player in program history to win the award. professional. I'm not saying the academic accomplishments of Rice aren't important, but most people you'll encounter probably will care a little more about how the Rice baseball team did last year than what grants the biology department was awarded. Sports are a great conversation starter for any settings in the general world, but sports events are generally one of the top office usher topics at the water cooler. Attending sporting events is generally one of the top office usher topics at the water cooler.
RICE SOCCER 2011
Star players return and Nicky Adams looks to continue her winning ways in first full season as head coach

by Jonathan Myers
THRESHER EDITORIAL STAFF

In mid-September 2008, the soccer team, like every other team on campus, saw its season disrupted by the destruction resulting from Hurricane Ike, as its game against Princeton University was canceled. Flash forward two years later, as the soccer team is hit with another blow when long-time head coach Chris Houston abruptly left the program on September 15. At this point, the Owls were 2-2 across campus about how to get involved in undergraduate research.

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Women's Soccer Schedule

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Want led the way for the Owls on the opposite of the pitch, with three goals and seven assists on the season along with 21 shots on goal. She will joined up front by senior Anna Kabsa, who had two goals in nine starts last year as well as junior forward Alex Burton, who had two goals in last Friday's 3-0 win in an exhibition match against Houston Baptist University. Sophomore midfielders/forward Jessica Howard started 11 games for Rice last year and tallied three goals on her way to a spot on the C-USA All-Freshman team, while junior Julia Barrow, sophomore Britton Cartwright and freshman Quynh Nhu Truong will shore up the midfield.

The schedule will include the usual slate of conference foes, along with matches on the road against Texas Tech University in the first half. Korey Taylor (Sid Right Robertson) who had two goals in nine starts last year as well as junior forward Alex Burton, who had two goals in last Friday's 3-0 win in an exhibition match against Houston Baptist University.

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Owls counting days until showdown in Austin
Bradshaw lost for the season, Owls look to solidify offensive line and secondary defense

BY JONATHAN MYERS
The Rice Thresher, Texas

Senior Travis Bradshaw lunges for a tackle against Texas on September 4. Bradshaw’s football career is finished due to an undisclosed injury suffered on August 13.

While Rice’s depth at tight end will allow them to feature packages with three tight ends, it is cause for some concern that the Owls’ defensive backs have had very little practice time and could find themselves on the gridiron in one position or another.

The offense also unveiled old formations from last year during their most recent scrimmage last Saturday, with junior running back Turner Petersen taking some snaps from the Wild Owl formation, while sophomore running back Jerome Entering taking the majority of the snaps. Saturday’s scrimmage also saw a solid overall performance from the defense, with both safety 6-5s and pressure on the middle causing problems for McHargue.

As expected, he will be featured on defensive backs, with sophomore end Matt Schieffer returning, after being sidelined in 2010 with a foot injury, senior John Giuffre at nose tackle, senior Michael Smith at defensive tackle, and junior Jared Williams lining up at the other defensive end.

The unit has been focusing on different rush techniques to maximize pressure on the quarterback and take pressure off the much-maligned secondary, which was among the worst in college football last year.

The linebackers will feature senior Justin Allen and sophomore Cameron Carroll along with juniors Adam Watts and Tyler Parish and senior Mario Hull along with junior Vance McDonnell at the slot receiver position.

The secondary features senior Chris Tiller at corner, junior Jared Williams returning after being sidelined last year during their most recent scrimmage, while sophomore Paul Frampton and Drexel will play at strong safety and CAT, respectively.

Treadwell has been in the mix for some time but has never been a factor. He will have to earn more playing time and could find himself on the gridiron in one position or another.

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Hear ye, hear ye

The first Student Association meeting of the year is Monday at 9 p.m. in the Farnsworth Pavilion of the RMC. Come for the free food and stay for the banter. It's still the beginning of the year, so we all still have the naive ideas that we can make a difference.

WEDNESDAY 24

Lightly chewed pencils

Donate all of your unwanted office supplies to the office supply swap by placing goods in a box labeled "FREE-cycling" in the outgoing campus mail until today. Then come to the RMC Grand Hall on Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. to find your new favorite color of post-it notes. If you see a pad of paper with penises scribbled all over the margins, it probably came from the Thresher office.

Drama, extra whipped cream and a cherry on top

The Rice Players will be hosting an ice cream social Wednesday at 4 p.m. in the lobby of Hamman Hall. Topics for discussion include the plight of the homeless, the role of the artist in society, and the question of whether we should try to solve the world's problems with fantasy and imagination or by directly intervening in the real world. The ice cream social will be prepared in an avant-garde minimalist style, so the lighting in the lobby will only imply the presence of ice cream, while the actual dessert must be imagined by the audience.

Across
1. _be a cold day in hell_...
2. _Seventh Inning Stretch_...
3. Footballers' action
4. Rocketeers' state
5. Void
6. Immunoglobulin heavy constant epsilon gene
7. Animated tree branches?
8. Shenanigan
9. Bone inflammation
10. This Rice dept. studies ecology and evolution
11. A Federer high ball
12. Angry man starts up high
13. Go-getter
14. Spanish diminutive
15. Frankenstein's creature
16. Second-highest voice part
17. Plot again
18. Long-suffering wife in the Good Earth
19. "Remember the _!
20. _Marta"
21. Monster's home
22. CA city's criminal justice system
23. Org. operating w/o government reps
24. Formerly named
25. Something to be taken care of
26. Where animus moves towards
27. Contemporary man with kids
28. "Believe" singer and partner of Sunny
29. Harry Potter's bum!
30. Vintage motorcycle brand
31. M.I.T. group
32. Catches
33. Down
2. Play
3. "F" word
4. 1990 French film
5. 1990 song
6. "No!" or "Yes!
7. Smith's role in "Star Trek"
8. Sound of amazement
9. "It's a _!
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This crossword was created and designed by Rebecca Jean.

The solution will be posted on the Calendar's Twitter feed. Find it at twitter.com/threshercal.

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Monday, September 19 – 4:00pm
Tuesday, September 20 – 12:00pm - Focus on international students.
Tuesday, September 20 – 4:00pm

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3. When you have all 11 colleges, yell "Bingo!" to win.
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5. As always: no jail, no hospital.

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- Leebrown, the Lawyer

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