The party parctal returns
Build a must see how Martel's Texas Party did on this week's ranking and if wearing jeans was worth it.

BY ELLEN LUI
THRESHER EDITORIAL STAFF

Around 2,000 students donned their cow boy hats and plaid shirts for Martel College's "Don't Mess with Texas" party last Friday. As the first party of the year, this event is usually well attended, but this year's numbers were much higher than in previous years, Dean of Undergraduates John Hutchinson said. The party attendees filled the Martel sun deck making space very limited, according to Martel Social Committee Co-chair and sophomore Alex Suarez. However, he said it was great to see the people lining up along the hall ways and dancing outside of the public party.

The biggest problem the party planners faced was the time constraint, according to Laos. She said they only had five days to prep are for the party, which included submitting a form to Student Judicial Programs, borrowing music stacks, finding a DJ, hiring security, general planning and shopping and training alcohol servers. They also had to training caregivers - a new requirement for parties this year.

"SP was really nice to us and got everything and everyone approved in time," Laos said. "We were also able to borrow our stacks from Duncan College and get DJ Rockwell to play at the event, so it ended up working just fine." Suarez said that DJ Rockwell was the party's biggest improvement.

"The schedule in the years past have done a tremendous job, so finding a way to improve was hard, but Red Ball came in and helped us get [that] phenomenal DJ," Suarez noted. "I heard a multitude of people come up to me and say how great [Rockwell] was. He really took the party to a new level."

The number of EMS calls during the party would not be disclosed by Hutchinson or directors of Rice EMS Lisa Bagsall. Neither would specify the number of calls made at the party because they didn't think EMS calls should be used to measure students' behavior with alcohol at an on-campus party. A lower number of calls could simply indicate students' reluctance to call EMS for fear of getting in trouble, Bagsall said. Rice EMS did not want to reinforce the misinterpretation that calling EMS for any reason would result in something negative, she said.

"If someone interferes with EMS members who are taking care of students, we will deal with that student in a disciplinary issue," Hutchinson said. Hutchinson cited non-Rice visitors who don't follow Rice's culture of care as an influence colleges need to monitor and control and said event size would become a increasingly important issue going forward.

In the past, large college parties had 500 or 1,000 people, but the numbers are very different now," Hutchinson said. "It's critical that Rice students cooperate even more with student leadership to form a aware and responsible community. Colleges should plan ahead to improve the safety of future parties, make sure there are plenty of snacks and non-alcoholic drinks, Bagsall said.

Junior College sophomore Yoonjin Min attended the Martel party for the first time this year and said she enjoyed it.

"I was sort of apathetic going into it and didn't really dress up," Min said. "But there was a really good turnout!"

She added that although the party was crowded, she didn't have too much trouble getting through the crowd. However, she said she disliked the party's outdoor location.

"I underestimated that Martel has an awesome sun deck, and I've gone out to it a couple times in the afternoon with friends from Martel," Min said. "However, with that many people all dancing and sweating, the lack of air conditioning definitely became a problem."

Min noted that finding water was especially a challenge and recommended having coolers throughout the area, particularly near stair wells and hallways.

OP-ED

BY BROOKE BULLOCK
THRESHER EDITORIAL STAFF

With the city of Houston in drought with lack of rainfall and experiencing record breaking heat, Rice Facilities Planning and Engineering has a wide variety of water conservation projects and tips students can use to help save water on campus.

There has been a 65 percent spike in how much water has been used on campus between March and June 2011 compared to the same time period last year because of the drought. Knezevich noted.

"That 12 to 14 million gallons will be about five to six percent of Rice's yearly water consumption," Johnson said.

One thing students can do to help save water and energy on campus is keep their air conditioning between 74 and 78 degrees Fahrenheit, Housing Operations Manager Mark Johnson said.

After an air conditioning, irrigation accounts for one third of the yearly water consumption campus, Johnson said.

"We are prioritizing watering certain areas," Johnson said. "Especially the historic live oaks that line the campus where it is then transported to back to the science buildings and others. Facilities Project Manager Erik Knezevich said. This process saves energy by using the already cool water in the air conditioners.

"Once the DMC is fully established, we are estimating 12 to 14 million gallons will be saved per year," Knezevich noted.

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The number of gallons in millions to see water is 65 percent increase in water usage at Rice over last summer due to drought. 60 percent more efficient new shower heads are over existing ones. 16% is in the process of installing them.

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BY HALLIE JORDAN
THRESHER EDITORIAL STAFF

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O-Week author defines honor

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Do anything but homework!

School's out — for a day. Next Monday, Sept. 17 Labor Day and Rice is not holding classes which means a three day weekend. Time to break out the sunblock, pajamas or anything else that says relaxation because when there is a break from school — take it!

Leebron's doors are open

President David Leebron will have office hours noon Thursday, Sept. 8 from 3 p.m. - 4 p.m. Whether you have an important proposal to make or you think Leebron is just one cool dude, head over to the Allen Center while his doors are open.

Please REPLY AFTER READING
the Rice Thresher

Houston drought requires Rice's cooperation

The city of Houston is in a level two drought, and the situation is much more dire than what most at Rice believe (see story, pg. 1). The harsh shortages are affecting the Houston community, while the Rice community remains largely shielded from the issue within the campus. However, as per our university's mission statement and essence, we play an integral role in our local community, and that dictates that we become a part of the water shortage solution rather than continue contributing to the problem.

Rice, on the administrative level, has made several motions to limit campus water usage. Rice is retrofitting shower heads and establishing a system to recycle water from air conditioning. However, one can't help but wonder why it takes a major environmental catastrophe to establish a system to recycle water from air conditioning. It is much more dire than what most at Rice believe (see story, pg. 1).

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Common reading interest dwindling

Rice hosted the author of its common reading book, "The Honor of the Cape," last week. For it is imperatively the number one source of water on campus; thus it is imperative that unbridled air conditioning use no longer go unchecked. College commons, lecture halls (see Herezine), and individual dorm rooms are too frequently over-using air conditioning. A little initiative from each student and each college could go a long way in helping Rice and helping Houston grapple with its current water shortage.

Silence on EMS stats an improved policy

Texan pride abounded last Friday on the Martel Rotunda where the annual Texas Party was hosted (see story, pg. 1). The party boasted huge attendance numbers and gave incoming students a boost to high numbers encourage students to be your voice on campus. But without having a voice of your own, you will never be heard.

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Actors are famous for their movies and television shows (and their occasional sports stars are valued in our culture only as far as they can win in their sport. A manager is the vice president of something for some nameless corporation. Would we even care about who is A-Rod if he wasn't as good at hitting a baseball or Aaron Rodgers if he wasn't as good of a quarterback? Would we even care about our business cards will say is who we are, not perceive other people by what their movies, athletes get paid to win important games. In a certain extent, what our business cards say is who we are, but it is not even close to the defining feature of our person. We should not perceive other people by what their titles or major or their job, and we must also take care not to let what we do define who we perceive ourselves to be. To a certain extent, we should define ourselves, not as a career, of who we are.

Even here at school, we are guilty of this microaggression. We know fellow students as the president of a college or someone on the varsity volleyball team. Frequently, the first questions to come up when meeting a new person is, "What's your major?" I am perfectly happy telling people I am a philosophy major, but the fact that it is in no way that define or even express who I am as a person. I am not Cody, the one from from Fort Worth. I am Cody. Who I am obviously encompasses both of those facts, but neither of them can come close to describing who I am as a person.

So let's first make someone's acquaintance, it's natural to remember one of the facts about the person we met the first time. We can't remember more than that from a first encounter; and to be honest, I wouldn't be comfortable trying to explain who I am to a person to someone (but) I met a few minutes ago. All too often we don't make explicit the reason why we only remember a few bits and pieces about someone we know. Instead, it becomes a sort of intellectual crush which, if we don't do anything to prevent it, isolates and keeps us from truly recognizing the worth of every person we meet in anything more than "memory" bytes. In our society of constantly valorizing the vast quantities of trivia means that we can say "Yeah, I know Mallory." Of course, we can use small little pieces to form a judgment of who they are, we are doing nothing more than defining them by those little pieces. The worst one of the heads of that particular group of people. But it is important that we realize that this job because he's a philosophy major or has no life because they're a pre-med. The idea that they do or what they study or who they date. So let's think about who we are to ourselves, try to remember that he is the one who's going to be our best, but not him, the one that we.

Shamsa Mangalji

Take Anthony Weiner. He was accused in May of sending a lewd picture of himself to a 21-year-old college student. Following this, he admitted the claim, stating that his account had been hacked. In June, when the story gained momentum and online, Weiner officially confessed to sending messages and photos "of an explicit nature" to at least 14 people. To make things even more disturbing, Weiner had a pregnant wife while indigence in his personal photo shoots. He was publicly humiliated, and ended up resigning from his Congressional post because of his actions. Many people supported the Congress man, though, in spite of his lapses in judgment. He has been widely criticized for their eyebrow-raising actions, but why didn't Weiner do the right thing. The Party Patrol believes that paying for these guys' joyrides? You know it. Where did the money come from to pay for these guys' joyrides? You know it. Where did the money come from to pay for these guys' joyrides? You know it. Where did the money come from to pay for these guys' joyrides? You know it. Where did the money come from to pay for these guys' joyrides? You know it. Where did the money come from to pay for these guys' joyrides? You know it. Where did the money come from to pay for these guys' joyrides? You know it. Where did the money come from to pay for these guys' joyrides? You know it. Where did the money come from to pay for these guys' joyrides? You know it. Where did the money come from to pay for these guys' joyrides? You know it. Where did the money come from to pay for these guys' joyrides? You know it. Where did the money come from to pay for these guys' joyrides? You know it. Where did the money come from to pay for these guys' joyrides? You know it. Where did the money come from to pay for these guys' joyrides? You know it. Where did the money come from to pay for these guys' joyrides? You know it. Where did the money come from to pay for these guys' joyrides? You know it. Where did the money come from to pay for these guys' joyrides? You know it. Where did the money come from to pay for these guys' joyrides? You know it. Where did the money come from to pay for these guys' joyrides? You know it. Where did the money come from to pay for these guys' joyrides? You know it. Where did the money come from to pay for these guys' joyrides? You know it. Where did the money come from to pay for these guys' joyrides? You know it. Where did the money come from to pay for these guys' joyrides? You know it. Where did the money come from to pay for these guys' joyrides? You know it. Where did the money come from to pay for these guys' joyrides? You know it. Where did the money come from to pay for these guys' joyrides? You know it. Where did the money come from to pay for these guys' joyrides? You know it. Where did the money come from to pay for these guys' joyrides? You know it. Where did the money come from to pay for these guys' joyrides? You know it. Where did the money come from to pay for these guys' joyrides? You know it. Where did the money come from to pay for these guys' joyrides? You know it. Where did the money come from to pay for these guys' joyrides? You know it. Where did the money come from to pay for these guys' joyrides? You know it. Where did the money come from to pay for these guys' joyrides? You know it. Where did the money come from to pay for these guys' joyrides? You know it. Where did the money come from to pay for these guys' joyrides? You know it. Where did the money come from to pay for these guys' joyrides? You know it. Where did the money come from to pay for these guys' joyrides? You know it. Where did the money come from to pay for these guys' joyrides? You know it. Where did the money come from to pay for these guys' joyrides? You know it. Where did the money come from to pay for these guys' joyrides? You know it. Where did the money come from to pay for these guys' joyrides? You know it. Where did the money come from to pay for these guys' joyrides? You know it. Where did the money come from to pay for these guys' joyrides? You know it. Where did the money come from to pay for these guy
BEER 

Saint Arnold devotes beer to Rice's Centennial Celebration

BY JENNIFER SHEN

Saint Arnold Brewing Co. will be treating to Rice's Centennial Celebration with Centenni-Ale two beers specifically brewed in honor of the university's centennial.

The Centenni-Ale will be offered in both dark and blonde brews and available in kegs and 22-ounce bottles at Vallata's, Willy's Pub, and Apero's Downtown. The first opportunity to taste the Centenni-Ale is on Sept. 10, starting at 12:30 p.m., at the High Order of Owls Tailgate Society tent for the Rice football game against Purdue, the first home game of the year.

The two beers which will be released are currently called Weedwhacker, the blonde, and in 22 ounce bottles, known as "Owlers." There will not be 12 ounce bottles.

Director of University Relations Greg Marshall came up with the idea of the Centenni-Ale while he was at Rice. The proceeds are planned to go toward scholarships for children of Rice employees, Marshall said.

"I went to Rice and I'm still very involved at Rice," Wagner said. "[The Centenni-Ale] should be fun and I think Willy would be proud."

The release date for the blonde brew is Sept. 23, the death date of William Marsh Rice, and the dark brew will be released on Oct. 12, the inauguration date of the first Rice president, Edgar Odell Lovett. The Centenni-Ale will continue to be available in the Houston market through October 2012.

RUPD POLICE BLOTTER

The following items were reported to the Rice University Police Department for the period Aug. 24-27.

RESIDENTIAL COLLEGES

Brown College
Brown College
Martel College
Martel College
Will Rice College

ACADEMIC BUILDINGS

Mechanical Engineering

Failure to identify
Alcohol violations
Theft
Theft

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The process of adding classes changes
Waitlists replace Special Registration

BY MOLLY CHIU
THE RICE THESPIAN

The days of constantly checking for open
space in a class may soon be over.

This year, the registrar is starting a system
which will allow students to sign up on a wait-
list for a class that is already full. The system is
currently being tried in several courses, includ-
ing ENG 201: Critical Reading and Writing and
PSYC 101: Introduction to Psychology. University Registrar David Tenney said.

Students may get on a waitlist by visiting
the registration page on ESTHER. When a stu-
dent tries to register for a course that is full, the
waitlist option will appear if it is available for
that course. Waitlists have a capacity limit so
students may end up waiting to get on a waitlist for popular classes.

Once on the waitlist, students will be placed in
classes on a first come, first served basis. The student at the top of the waitlist will be notified by email when someone drops the course and a space becomes available. The student will then have 24 hours to register for the course. If they don't register within those 24 hours, they will be removed from the waitlist, and the next person in line will receive a chance to register. Students can check their status on the waitlist on ESTHER.

The waitlist feature became available this
year, and after discussing the system with the University of Oregon and Purdue University, both of whom already use the system, the registrar's office decided to begin limited testing this fall. Tenney said that he is excited about the pos-
sibilities of the waitlist system.

"I like the fact that it brings more equity to
the process," Tenney said. "It will make it easier for students to assess how likely it will be that they can join a fin-
ished enrollment class, by knowing how many
other students are ahead of them in line for the
class." Tenney said. "And it will help fac-
culty know how many students would like to join
their class and provide a means to regulate the
size of their class."

English class ENG 102: Early Shakespeare
was chosen for the trial time period using the
waitlist.

"I actually noticed very little difference this
semester," English Professor Joseph Campagna
said. "The cap on my class went up after the ini-
tial wave of registration and probably absorbed
anyone waiting. Some courses might need to be
exempted from the system, like creative courses
or some advanced seminars in my department."

Tenney said that his office will be setting
up a faculty focus group and working with the Student Association to set up a student focus
group to gather opinions and concerns about
the waitlists.

So far Tenney has heard positive feedback.

"I've been very pleased with how it's work-
ing," Tenney said. "Many faculty members have approached me and want to participate in
the spring.

Registration for the fall semester ends at mid-
night tonight but the waitlists will return in No-

mber for spring registration.

We are looking into waitlists as a way to
improve, especially now that we have more stu-
dents on campus and more demand for cours-
es," Tenney said.

Brown College sophomore and Peer Academ-
ic Advisor Elizabeth Pogue said that she thinks
the waitlists will be a comfort to students and
will make registering for classes easier.

"With the freshmen class being so big, wait-
lists at least offer some hope for getting into
courses," Pogue said. "It's especially comforting when you think of how many students aren't getting into a class freshman year is."

For more information on how to get on a wait-
list and the complete list of courses that current-
lly have waitlists, visit http://registrar.rice.edu

How does free tuition to Rice and a
guaranteed job after graduation sound?

The Rice NROTC Unit is actively recruiting qualified students with less than 120 college hours to apply for the NROTC National Four Year Scholarship.

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- Monthly stipend that increases every year of the program.
- Guaranteed job upon graduation as an Officer in the United States Navy or United States Marine Corps.

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In addition to these trees, the most visible areas of lawn, according to Johnson, will be maintained, as well as the IM fields.

Other lawn areas have been chosen to be let go because they can be easily repurposed, he said. "You can replace lawn in a weekend," Johnson said. "It would take a century to replace a live oak (tree)."

Watering these lawns and trees has brought about some new water conservation efforts. Because of Houston's high water table, buildings with basements like Sewall Hall, McNeck Parking Garage at the Knox School of business, the CRU and the stadium all have to pump water out to keep the basements from flooding, Johnson said. This water normally goes straight to the streets and sewage drains, but FE&P has found a way to redirect it with hoses and use the water to irrigate the academic quad and some plants. "Hoes arrive" is working on projects to make this process more permanent," Johnson said.

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In the same vein as focusing irrigation, Johnson said no new landscaping will be done since bringing in new plants requires even more water than maintaining the current landscaping.

"Saving water is also being pursued at a more minor level with all shower heads on campus being replaced with more water-efficient ones, Chaszar said.

The new shower heads use less water but, due to an air intake valve on the head, have higher pressure than the old shower heads, he said. The new shower heads were tested out at Hanned last semester and Chaszar said he got nothing but good feedback. So far, only Lovett College and Hanham College have been re-outfitted, though the rest will soon receive them, Chaszar said.

If students see any signs of a water line breakage or water wasting on campus, send an email to overpower@rice.edu or go to the FE&P web-site http://sustainability.rice.edu. Students can also submit ideas about how to conserve energy or water to the FE&P website.

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By Chen Chan
For The Thresher

There is hardly a student that graduates from Rice without having heard of Professor James Brown’s name. As an esteemed economics professor, Brown is recognized for his insightful and challenging core economics courses like ECON 201 and 302, winning consistent accolades from the student masses.

Born in the 1950s, Brown grew up in Redlands, a small college town 60 miles east of Los Angeles where he remembers spending much more time outdoors than in Houston.

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This length is the minimum required for construction of a prosthetic hair piece, but those donating shorter hair can receive a discounted cut and style if the hair is from 6 to 10 inches long.

Since the shorter hair cannot be used in hair pieces, they will be sold to help cover costs for making the pieces, said Webb; thus a spoils system will be in place to encourage fundraising.

People can sponsor a friend to donate hair by pledging money for every inch of hair donated.

This ambitious project is in its first year and might not receive expected levels of donor participation, but Webb insists there is no precedent to use to predict the drive’s success. Webb voiced her uncertainty regarding this project.

“This is our first year for Locks of Love, hopefully the first of many to come,” she explained. “I’m doing it, I have 10 inches of hair, I’ll try to lead by example.”

This project, led by Rice CAC, was mainly organized by the CAC officers, according to McMurtry junior Yiwu Lo, the vice-president of Rice CAC.

There will be opportunities for students to lend help to this worthy cause. Lo stated that CAC is thinking about having people sign up to man the booths where the donors will be signing up for the drive.

For those interested in donating hair but who do not have 10 inches of hair, they will have to sign up in advance, since as aforementioned those with 10 inches or more are of greater priority.

The deadline for the sign up will be September 14. Contact rice.cac@gmail.com for more information on donating hair and on signing up to volunteer.

"Project Spotlight" is a weekly feature that looks at student projects that are making a difference in the Rice community.

Styling Tips of the Week

- Like Michael Kors once said, wearing white next to one's face makes one look instantly younger. It is a universally flattering color on nearly all skin types. Pull on a white shirt — it instantly brightens your look.

- Pei kept her outfit neutral, with olive shorts against her top. But to keep her outfit interesting, she chose sparkly silver Toms that stand out. An eye-catching accessory is all you need to complete an outfit.

- The weather gets chillier, so you need your favorite Summer white dress into the Fall season by adding a chic brown bomber jacket or patterned cardigan.
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Kahn's local sandwiches win

ANTHONY LAURIELLO
THRESHER EDITORIAL STAFF

The first time I went to Kahn's Deli this summer, I knew I had made a good choice. Not only did the fresh deli ingredients, showcased on the counter, look delicious, but the owners, James Burke and Lenny Pakula, talked with me for a good half-hour about the history of the sandwich shop and the joys of pastrami.

Conveniently located in Rice Village, Kahn's Deli came under new management less than a year ago when business partners Burke and Pakula decided to take over the deli, which was established in 1948. While I have never been to the original, the Rice Village restaurant offers an array of delicious sandwiches, all priced around $5.

And what sandwiches they are. Named after regulars and local sports teams, including the Rice Owls' Root, a combination of turkey, ham, salami and provolone, the flashy offerings aren't exactly innovative but they are deli classics done right.

A friendly staff will gladly help you customize your sandwich. The meat to cut in perfection is and so—of the best local fish I have had in Houston. The vegetables are delectably fresh and are combined with the perfect amount of mayonnaise to make a sandwich symphony that will not just please your stomach but your very soul.

The Montrose area Kahn's Deli feels like a cheap Subway sandwich shop in comparison. My personal favorite of their offerings is Al fresco's PLT, which is exactly like a BLT with bacon instead of bacon. However, I recommend adding bacon for an unholy creation that is as delicious as it is artery clogging. However you really can't go wrong with the menu and all the other sandwiches. The Reuben and the Bagel and Lox were also superb. The serving size of the sandwich is perfect for lunch especially combined with chips and a drink, which come customarily with all menu items. Kahn's also sells breakfast for extreme early birds, before 10 a.m., including pancakes and croissants with bacon, egg and cheese. While the restaurant does not currently open late enough for dinner, the owners hinted that their hours could change very soon.

The decor of the recently renovated restaurant is pleasant enough, albeit a bit sparse. The hand-drawn chalkboard with interesting and illustrativeypeface reminds you how local this restaurant really is. A new bar-type waiting arrangement gives a good view of the ever-increasing selection of drinks, including alcoholic. The owners have also decided to showcase Houston Area street and graffiti artists on one of the restaurant's large brick walls.

The best thing about the restaurant is how it's renewing its historic relationship to Rice. Long before Kahn's came under new management, the sandwich shop sold box lunches to those attending football games. While this is no longer an option, you can now buy a limited selection of sandwiches at Coffeetown in its new location. The sandwiches are smaller in size than those sold in the proper restaurant, making them a good option for snacking. Unfortunately the sandwich lack of real dough and the lack of the complexities of those in the restaurant, so the wanting the full experience will have to make a trek to the Village.

Another drawback is the logo, which depicts the Empire State Building and other skyscrapers. The New York skyline might denote deli greats, but Kahn's is purely local affair, something we as Rice students should be proud of having on campus.

**Kahn’s Deli**

**3250 Rice Boulevard**

**713-529-2821**

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 12, 2006**

**Sonia Pothraj**

**Opera is one of the most under-recognized art forms in the young adult world. Where- as Lady Gaga and Kanye West have become common names in every college student’s musical lexicon, operas like “Carmen” and “Phèdre” of French are significantly less well-known.**

**With this lack of understanding comes a great deal of misconceptions about the art form. Marie Chatfield, a Wiess College freshman, said, “I was surprised by the beginning of vocal training and the variety of the music — an all around great musician,”**

Johnson believes that her abilities in opera will flourish at Rice, particularly because of the university’s environment and educational mission. At the Shepherd School of Music, Geoffrey Scott.

**Johnson has improved her performance in other arts as an 18-year-old is very special, particularly**

**Sonia Pothraj is a Hanszen College freshman. Limelight is a column that features student artists and their current projects.**

**THE WEEKLY SCENE**

**Emily's picks for events outside the hedges, both on and off campus, in the Houston area, for this week.**

**DIPOLO**

**Wesley Pentz is also known as Diplo, Wex Gully and half of Major Lazer, but is most famous as the producer behind Diplo. Catch him tonight at 8 p.m. The first 150 tickets are $15. The rest will be sold for $25.**

**FITZGERALD’S**

**2706 WHITE OAK**

**TWITTER.COM/DIPOLO**

**BEER**

**Brewtopia, a free festival at the Brewmasters International Al Beer Festival, has events be- ginning at 4 p.m. on Sunday at 4 p.m. Go check out bands like The Lip Limp and B.R.U.M.**

**MOODY GARDENS**

**10560 East Bay Drive**

**WWW.BREWTOPIAFEST.COM**

**ROCKY**

**Great Scott! Sid Rich is producing the Rocky Horror Pic- ture Show, and they want auditions Thursday on Wednesday from 7-11 p.m. in the Sid Por. Get ready to do the time warp!**

**SARICHARDSON COLLEGE**

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**MOVES**

**“Mosaic Movez,” the new exhibition curated by John Corbett, features German painter Albert Oehlen and American painter Christopher Wool, who both had active musical lives. The show opens Thursday at 5 p.m.**

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Texas! spurs pride in Lone Star State

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2011

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The exhibit guides visitors through a walking exhibit, highlighting chronologically ordered events in Texas history. While the introductory movie dwelled in adjectives and lacked substance, the exhibition is packed with content. "Texas!" begins with an interesting history of nomadic tribes like the Karankawa, our Houstonian predecessors, who rubbed alligator grease on their bodies to repel insects. The show, on the other hand, focuses on the multifaceted history of slavery. By 1860, slaves comprised nearly one-third of the Texas population, and the majority migrated to the new State. Accordingly, the exhibition's introductory panelsnote the slave labor that fueled Texas' lucrative cotton industry.

A mix of documents and artifacts represent Texas' Colonial heritage, Castle Kingdom and the famed Texas Rangers. The token feminist intersection of the exhibition is perfunctory at best. This feminist artifact is a saddle, salvaged in some semblance to the first female Texas Ranger, Alfie Towles. The spotlight on Mrs. Towles' saddle is dimmed by the overwhelming emphasis on her Texas Ranger husband, Evett Towles, who founded Big Bend National Park.

To finish an exhibition with horrendous orange and lime green rodeo suits is an ill-fated attempt to portray modern-day Texas. However, after spending two hours in the exhibition, my curiosity panned the exhibition's haphazardly matched and rather uninspiring final display of the history of oil, hurricane disasters and rhinestone-studded rodeo apparel.

Although the exhibit often fails in stylistic innovation, its moments of brilliance arise in the subtitles of presentation. The introduction of Davy Crockett's deerstalker, violin and pipe in a single display case is a holistic representation of the multifaceted back history behind the larger-than-life legend. Highlighting the simple history of longhorns as early sitio against the Texas and English imported cattle appropriately embodies Texas culture-a product of cultural convergence from its "six flags" history.

Texas! pride in their state runs deep as their oil rich reserves, and the history recounted in "Texas!" The Exhibition" validates this time-honored sensibility. Whether you're a born and bred Texan, or a "y'alP"-embraceing Texas transplant, a stroll through "Texas!" this time-honored sensibility. Whether you're a born and bred Texan, or a "y'alP"-embraceing Texan, the exhibition's haphazardly matched and rather uninspiring final display of the history of oil, hurricane disasters and rhinestone-studded rodeo apparel.

Miss Saigon

Miss Saigon Gala is a small establishment, conveniently located in the heart of Rice Village. While the proximity to school and the promise of warm Vietnamese food made for an appealing combination for those who are sick of the daily's feeble options, the shoddy atmosphere and overpriced menu are quick to eliminate it from further consideration. The food, while not bad, is decidedly not special.

As a seasoned and savvy consumer to all that the Village offers, I was frankly surprised to find a restaurant that I had never visited nor heard of from any of my fellow classmates. Miss Saigon is located at 5503 Kelvin Dr., one of the Village's narrower side-streets that are mostly empty rooms as if to suggest that we sit elsewhere. Not to be missed while in your stay at the hall or the bookstore is the charming tenancy of the prices.

The decor can best be described as kitsch. Though they claim to have been in business for only 12 years, there is a pervasive sense of old. The color scheme is dominated by peach and walnut. The walls are unappealing when combined and date the place to the middle-to-late 80s. A mostly humorous mural that might actually be worth the trip dominates the biggest wall and is flanked by sexy, grey, architectural accents.

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SPORTS

Volleyball spiked out of opening home matches

Owls bring Delaware to brink of defeat, but Stanford sweeps them in straight sets

by Dan Edledge

Going into the first weekend of play, the Owls knew that no win would come easily as they were facing the preseason pick to win the Colonial Athletic Association, the University of Delaware (2-0), and the number one ranked team in the country, Stanford University (2-0). Even with the thundering noise from the home crowd behind them, Rice failed to play consistently and ended up losing both matches to start the season with a 0-2 record.

In the Delaware match, the Owls came out roaring as they took the first set 25-22. The Blue Hens fought back as they tied the match at 1 with a 25-20 win in the second set. Rice answered with a 25-21 win in the third set before Delaware broke their spirits with a 25-22 win in the fourth set and a 15-11 deciding win in the fifth set to take the 3-2 victory. Freshman middle blocker Jillian Humphrey led the team in kills with 16 in her collegiate debut. Sophomore setter Megan Murphy led the team with 54 assists and senior defensive specialist Megan White led the team with 28 digs.

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Friday, Sept. 2
Volleyball vs. Houston Baptist
11 a.m. — Tudor Fieldhouse
Volleyball vs. UT-San Antonio
7 p.m. — Tudor Fieldhouse
Women’s Cross Country at Johnny Morris Invitational
6:45 p.m. — University of Houston

Soccer vs. LSU
7 p.m. — Rice Track and Soccer Stadium
Saturday, Sept. 3
Football vs. Texas
7 p.m. — Auda
Volleyball vs. Georgia Tech
7 p.m. — Tudor Fieldhouse

Sunday, Sept. 4
Soccer vs. Sam Houston State
7 p.m. — Rice Track and Soccer Stadium
Thursday, Sept. 8
Women’s Soccer at Utah State
5 p.m. — Logan, Utah
Volleyball at Hawaii
7 p.m. — HSST — Honolulu, Hawaii
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The Rice Thrasher
Friday, September 2, 2011

RICE FOOTBALL 10
With just six wins in the last two seasons, a level of consistency is expected to form this year in Bailiff’s fifth year

by Teddy Grodek

Earlier this month, ESPn.com put Head Coach David Bailiff on a list of head coaches in risk of losing their jobs, claiming that his job performance over the last two years, despite the first Rice bowl victory in decades three years ago, puts his future in jeopardy. Sure, Bailiff is feeling this pressure and knows that this is the year in which he and his team must perform, or the last few years of rebuilding will be for naught.

Anything less than a bowl game will be upsetting for a team that returns so much of its talent from the previous campaign. All the big name position players are back, leaving the Owls with the possibility of being a really fun team to watch this year. They have the raw explosive talent to turn any play from scrimmage into a big one, but they have to work hard on eliminating the mental lapses and little mistakes that so often set this team back last year. Bailiff knows that his future is tied directly to the state of the success of his returning players this year.

“It’s an exciting year,” Bailiff said. “We built some momentum with wins in our last two games last year. We have to start back on defense and special teams defense as well as our two specialists. That gives you a sense of optimism. We have a large group of seniors who have been in this program their entire careers. We have set our goals high. We have set our standards high. Our seniors are doing a great job to make sure everyone achieves everyday.”

The Schedule

Despite far has the most difficult non-conference schedule of any team inside CUSA, playing four teams from the automatic Bowl Championship Series, the Owls will have to prove that they are capable of contributing to the Rice running game. Junior More Jeremy Eddington, back after a surprise knee injury last year, is expected to return to the field in case of any after effects of McGuffie’s lingering injuries. It would be surprising to see McGuffie being removed from the field for any other reason except for injury, as Bailiff has indicated that McGuffie is his man. Cook has been moved from the quarterback position and is now competing for time at wide receiver.

Stable of Running backs

The Owls are probably deepest on their roster for the running back positions, with a wide variety of options to hand the ball off to. Of course, there is junior standout Sam McGuffie, the most nationally well-known of the Owls and one of the most exciting players inside college football today.

Every time McGuffie touches the ball, there is a chance of a game changing play. He had difficulties last season with trying to do too much on every possession, a fumbling draft coach staff hopes he can cure. The Owls’ success this season will depend a lot on McGuffie’s ability to score touchdowns. They will also look to his best playmaker all season long. McGuffie is excited about the possibilities of McGuffie.

“Sam is a guy who can change a game in a heartbeat. I think in watching him last year he had a lot of weight on his shoulders and tried to do a little too much,” McGuffie said. “With a year under his belt, he understands what we are trying to do and understands how he helps the team. We are looking for him to have a big year.”

Other threats at running back include sophomores Jeremy Edington, back after a surprise break and freshman season. He was a large part of Rice’s two victories at the end of the year. He is looking forward to continue to create break-out plays for the offense.

Senior Tyler Smith, who was third on the team in total yardage last year, will also be challenged to contribute to the Rice running game. Junior Turner Pearson is expected to return to time in the Wild Owl formation, as well as in goal line situations.

Rice Football 11

Texas, Thursday, 7 p.m.
Weeks Kuehn

History

The last time the Owls left the field with a victory against the Longhorns was 1994, who are ranked from a 5-7 season in 2010, their worst winning percentage since 1988. Texas will feature a young squad led by quarterback Garrett Gilbert.

Their Conference USA schedule will offer some relief and provide an opportunity for the Owls to build some momentum against the teams that are part of the Owls’ Conference USA schedule.

This year’s football team will feature a young squad led by quarterback Garrett Gilbert. Gilbert is an experienced quarterback who has played in every game since 2009. He is known for his strong arm and his ability to make quick decisions.

McHargue, who started out the season last year, is an injury to the named starter, and a position switch, the coaching staff has finally settled upon a starter at the quarterback position, naming sophomore Taylor McHargue as the everyday quarterback, moving past the experience of senior Nick Fanuzzi and the raw athletic talent of junior Taylor Cook.

McHargue, who started out the season last year against Texas, suffered an injury midseason and sat out half the season before coming back and finishing the last few games of the year strong – including a big end of the year win against East Carolina University. He had the highest passing efficiency on the team and showed he was able to avoid trouble by moving outside the pocket. Coach Bailiff is excited about McHargue’s upside.

[With] him being back there, you have a sense of optimism about what he is able to do with the football in his hands,” Bailiff said. “And he has a pretty good supporting cast in which he has to just do a good job of managing the game, keep the chains moving and that leads us to parents. He has been able to do that in this camp, he makes great decisions. He takes care of the ball. That is why he is there right now.”

Fanuzzi, among the leaders on the Owls for experience of starts, will be his capable backup, ready to return to the field in case of any after effects of McGuffie’s lingering injuries. It would be surprising to see McGuffie being removed from the field for any other reason except for injury, as Bailiff has indicated that McGuffie is his man. Cook has been moved from the quarterback position and is now competing for time at wide receiver.

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How does a football player become an entrepreneur? Ask Tolui Akinwumi (McMurtry, ‘13), a linebacker and special team player on Rice’s team and founder of a start-up company, The Think Tank.

Tolu uses the same principles from the gridiron to lead his business team to develop innovative solutions for organizations.

His studies in environmental engineering and management provide a solid intellectual foundation for his business endeavors.

Having lived in four countries, Tolu understands how to channel diverse perspectives toward a compelling vision. He launched The Think Tank to bring together peers from different backgrounds and disciplines to hatch ideas that aim to change the world. One of The Think Tank’s current initiatives focuses on lowering Rice students’ energy consumption by displaying real-time energy usage on LCD screens in college commons.

Whether a team member on the field or an entrepreneur executing a vision, Tolu finds ways to bring out the best in others towards a common goal.

“Working at leadership is when you try to be somebody you’re not.” —Larry Kissinger, Rice Board of Trustees
SIZE AND SPEED OUT WIDE

Last year wide receivers were a complete unknown heading out of camp into the first game. For the 2011 season however, clear leaders of the position have emerged, with junior tight end turned slot receiver Vance McDonald leading the way. He's the tallest with 6'5", 215 pounds making him a good target for the Owl's receivers in the passing game across the middle.

The Men in the Trenches

On the offensive line, Rice finally has the experience they have been dreaming about, starting four seniors and one injury-hardened junior, all of whom are regular starters in 2010 and have 108 starts under their belt. The trio of seniors is going to prove that was a fluke and we are going to continue to prove that. Those young men on that team are going to happen under Bailiff. He has a dedicated group of seniors and a group of playmakers who are going to be a bowl contender.

At the defensive end is veteran leader Scott Sol-
mon, who's back after missing 2010 because of a foot injury. Also starting is junior Jared Williams, who, at 6'7" and 290 pounds, is much quicker than his frame would indicate.

Last Lines of Defense

The Owls have the most unknown on the defensive so far for the Owls. This is perhaps the youngest portion of the team, with a true sophomore starting in the linebacker position. Cameron Newton, who made an impact last year on special teams despite an injury shortened season, is looking to make an impact at strong side linebacker. Senior lead blocker, to his second year as an Owl after transferring from Idaho, is looking to follow up his strong 2010 season and provide some needed leadership. Junior Trey Briggs will potentially resume his starting position against Purdue, but will not play tomorrow against Texas due to complications suffered from an offshore surgery.

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"We don't have a new offense this year, it is just something we are building on, and that gives you the opportunity to take advantage of studying defenses instead of worrying about where your guys are going to be," McClung said.

UT Weekend

Bailiff is most likely looking to use every trick in the book in attempting to compete with the Longhorns in the sold out game in Austin.

"That is one of the premier programs in the country year in and year out. It is a good measuring stick of the progress we are making," Bailiff said. "I'm sure they are highly motivated because of last season. Those young men on that team are out to prove that was a fluke and we are going to see the real Longhorns."

This is the year for the Owls to succeed if it is going to happen under Bailiff. He has a dedicated group of seniors and a group of playmakers who are going to be a bowl contender. If that happens, this will make many of those decisions, McClung thinks this will make the team better out of the gate this year.

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Visiting the Rice Media Center will host a new exhibition, curated by John Corbett, called Musical Moves. This collection brings together the art of German painter Albert Oehlen and the American painter Christopher Wool. The artists have been involved in various musical activities. Oehlen, as a former member of the pioneering rock band Red Krayola and Wool as a collaborator with singer Richard Hell. There will be an opening reception in the Rice Media Center on Thursday at 7 p.m. The exhibition will be on display until October 14.

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Rice administration grants first on-campus fraternity

In an unprecedented move, the Rice University's Board of Trustees voted this week to grant the national fraternity Bro Kappa Bro permission to establish a chapter at Rice, marking the first foothold of Greek life on campus in the university's history. The landmark decision's shock waves have already begun to reverberate around campus.

President David Leeborg had been urging the frat's creation due to worries about Rice's performance in the Princeton Review.

"Too long has this school suffered terrible marks in the Greek Life category. As president, it is my job to ensure that Rice achieves the highest recognition possible from the Princeton Review, an organization which validates the entire experience of higher education," Leeborg said.

While Bro Kappa Bro, or BK8, is new to Rice, that doesn't mean the frat lacks traditions or resources. "We've got plenty of traditions from the national chapter," BK8 Director of Chapter Development Matt Black said. "We formed an advisory board from the beginning and hired our own professional staff.

"We are excited about the new possibilities this brings to Rice," said BK8 President, Peter Lockwood.

Further, he said about Rice's new frat house, and BK8's new chapter house, "We have been able to create a space that extends the traditions and culture of Rice, while also being able to bring our own unique styles into the mix."

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