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You don’t know me but, right now, I am deeply affecting your future.

I am the CEO of a Fortune 250 company, NRG Energy, which generates enough electricity to keep the lights on for roughly 40 million Americans. That’s a lot and that’s a good thing. Indeed, all of us at NRG are very proud that what we do enables the interconnected lifestyles that define the human experience in the 21st century.

But we at NRG are concerned that the predominant fuels we and the other companies in our industry are using - and have used since the time of Thomas Edison - to keep you energized are ultimately exhaustible and, of even greater and more immediate concern, are having a damaging and potentially irrevocable impact on the world that you are in the process of inheriting from us and ultimately will bequeath to your own children.

How immediate?

A remarkable consensus of the world’s leading scientists and academic experts, some of which come from your own university, tell us that we need to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 80 percent (from present levels) by 2050 in order to avoid potentially catastrophic harm to the earth’s environment. In a growing world, that size reduction is breathtakingly difficult to accomplish. You can be assured that it won’t “just happen.”

Now I am pretty sure that you don’t spend much of your day worrying about the state of the environment 36 years from now and that is a good thing. If life has taught me one thing so far, it is that you should try to “live in the moment” to the fullest extent possible.

But spare one of those moments now to think about where you will be in 2050.

You will be in your mid-50s, which happens to be the age I am right now. While it may seem to you, at your age, like I am, at my age, ‘near dead,’ I naturally see my situation differently. Indeed, I feel like I am in the prime of my life with much to look forward to. You will feel the same in 2050. And I am pretty sure that the earth you hope to inhabit then looks much like the remarkable, magical place it is now.

The irony is that an old guy like me thinks about 2050 every day. Perhaps even more worth considering is that every day decisions are being made by me and people like me that will deeply impact you in 2050. Decisions are being made to build multi-billion dollar power generation facilities and related infrastructure - some clean, some not so clean - that will still be fulfilling your energy needs in 2050 and, while you will certainly enjoy the fruits of our labor, you also will have to live with any negative side effects. We can invest now to mitigate against the future systemic risk of climate change or we can keep doing what we are doing and kick the can down the road to you.

See that’s the thing.

Whether it be carbon capture, distributed solar, smart thermostats or electric vehicles, the technology exists now to bring about a clean energy economy and a sustainable society. But it is always easier in an established society to perpetuate the status quo than it is to effect change. What we need is for you to demand control over your own energy choices so that you can make the choices that are right for you and your generation.

It should be clear to you by now that the political leaders of my generation will not act to protect your future interest, so you must. You are not powerless. You are trend setters, thought leaders, and, importantly for the purpose of this matter, end-use energy consumers. Our capitalist system, which will respond to the consumer demands of any significant portion of the public, is particularly responsive to the demands of your generation. You will be here, consuming, for a long time.

Your peers in other countries have used the tools and extraordinary interconnectivity of your generation to liberate entire nations from despotic governments, to bring to light corruption and injustice, to launch popular movements. And that is what we need now; a popular movement that is not destructive or nihilistic but constructive and highly focused on overcoming the transcendent challenge of climate change.

What has made America great has been that every generation of American leadership has risen to the defining challenge of its era. You are the next generation of American leadership. Climate change is your defining challenge. In the natural order of things, it would not yet be your time to lead. But the clock is ticking on climate and the world just can’t wait any longer. So you must act.

The time to begin is now.

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Software failure crashes network

BY SUSAN WEIN
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The three major Rice University wireless networks, Rice Vitesse, Rice Owls and Eduroam, crashed due to software failure, according to Director of Rice Networking, Telecom and Data Center William Deigaard.

“It went down in a strange way,” Deigaard said. “The three majorSSID that we offered (were) all completely down, which is incred-ibly rare.”

According to Deigaard, Rice uses thin-client centralized control architecture, which means two pairs of controllers serve as the brains of more than 1,500 wireless access points on campus.

“There is some large, powerful equip-ment that lives at the [center of the network],” Deigaard said. “All the access points around the campus are connected to [the controller and] if that crashes, it can take down a very large number of access points.”

Normally, the crash of a controller can be remedied by moving access points from the crashed controller to the other controller in the same pair, but in this crash, a software bug paralyzed both controllers. Deigaard said network engineers worked through the night of Sept. 4 to upgrade the wireless controller to a newer version.

“We patched it to the newer version the next morning,” Deigaard said. “It took longer than we hoped, [but] we have been stable since [Sept. 4].”

Rachel Gray, a Lovett College junior, said she thinks the performance of the wireless network is not as satisfying as last semester.

“The Wi-Fi has been more unstable than my ex-boyfriend,” Gray said. “Jokes aside, I’ve had more problems with it this semester than previous semesters, I haven’t personally noticed a decrease in speed, but the commun-i-cation will drop suddenly.”

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Printing costs increase $.01

The cost for printing a standard black-and-white page has increased to $.01 after remain-ing at $.00 for a decade, Manager of Information Technologies Technical Communications Carlyn Charlaf said in a campuswide email on Sept. 9.

“Three years ago, we began evaluating op-tions to offset the lab printing cost, but thus far, the projected expense to the students is higher,” Ribbeck said.

Story by Sports Designer Sarah Nyquist

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according to Taylor. SIP’s sanctioning philo-sophies can currently be found in the Code of Stu-dent Conduct, but the wording will be modified to suit the FAQ section.

The policy currently references the Houston Area Women’s Resource Center, with which Rice has had a relationship for the past two years as an off-campus point of contact.

“HAWC is fully equipped to serve a male sur-vivor, but I think the concern is given that they have women in the name of the organization, it might be a deterrent to a male who could use their services,” Huschinson said.

According to Taylor, the working group is considering how best to promote HAWC as a good resource for both genders.

Huschinson said he is also concerned that students may assume that responsible employ-ees do not keep information confidential because they do not fit the role of a confidential, non-disclosing employee.

“Students need to be comfortable that their information is still private and used only with those who are in a need-to-know position,” Huschinson said. “It can sound like anything told to the responsible employee is public infor-mation — that’s not at all true.”

Rice graduate student Eliza Williamson spoke at the Senate meeting and said she would like the administration to share more informa-tion regarding their plans to create a campus environment free of sexual assault.

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I did not take a private, Wi-Fi-equipped shuttle to work for my engineering internship this summer. Instead, I walked daily, squinting into the sunlight as I passed numerous fruit and vegetable stands on the dusty road that led to Queen Elizabeth Central Hospital in Blantyre, Malawi. I was far from Silicon Valley as I could be; the Internet, which was painfully slow, and I worked in a hospital so strapped for cash that it couldn’t afford to buy space parts for the dozens of broken oxygen concentrators that were desperately needed to keep babies alive. That’s the sort of “disruptive innovation” that fills the air in tech circles and universities these days was nowhere to be heard. (And there was no Snapchat, either.) But even without all these things that characterize modern-day engineers, I was in Malawi to learn how to be a better engineer.

My eight-week internship was made possible through Rice Beyond Traditional Borders, an institute focused on designing health technologies for low-resource settings. The internship, along with the Global Health Technologies minor, aims to improve students’ understandings of challenges to health in resource-poor communities in hopes that the students will design better-informed health technologies in the future. During my stay in Malawi, I had the opportunity to work on the implementation of the bubble CPAP, a low-cost device designed by Rice engineers that helps neonates with hypoxic problems breathe by using mild air pressure to keep their airways open. I had an incredible experience, and I came back with not only a better understanding of the constraints facing global health technologies in Malawi, but also with a deeper appreciation for what it takes for any technology to succeed anywhere. Surprisingly few engineers pursue these types of international experiences. The BTB program is one of the only international internships offered to Rice engineering students, although it has historically catered to social science and humanities majors who have more flexible schedules. According to the study abroad office, humanities majors at Rice study abroad at a rate of engineers. For students studying a discipline that emphasizes change and innovation, it is surprising—scary—how many are content to stay within their bubble.

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Engineers should embrace unconventionalnew Sexual Misconduct Policy. We all need to invest the time to read it and to know it. Most importantly, we can all play an active role in preventing sexual misconduct and learn the resources to help us if we're in a tough place to start is to visit http://safe.rice.edu. I am certain that several candid conversations about sex and sexual misconduct will occur across campus in the following months. However, they need not happen for- mally. Don’t be afraid to begin now, if sim- ply among your own group of friends. If a friend’s attitude, behavior or words makes you cringe, like I experienced at the soccer game, please say something. It’s what friends do, and if you ask me, it is especially important for the young men of Rice to take the lead, because the majority of sex offend- ers are male.

To the Center of Care at Rice matters. Stand up. Speak up. Do your part.

Sincerely,

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Engineers should embrace unconventional
The editors’ picks for this week’s best events. Time to explore...can I join? To join, contact Yu-Jiun Lin at csjiunn@rice.edu to sign some forms and get started.

**Fast Warp**

*What is it?* Despite its somewhat intimidating name, Fast Warp is really just a laid-back club in which members get together and play cards and board games. Fast Warp is also responsible for organizing “OwnCom” in February, a large-scale board game convention with a broad draw of attendees.

*What do you do?* Students who meet up at Sammy’s at 2 p.m. and play some games together while eating free pizza provided by the officers. The leadership stresses that you don’t need to know how to play any of the games prior to joining the club—they’ll teach you everything you need to know.

*How can I join?!* Hit up a regular meeting Sundays at 2 p.m. at Sammy’s or email Brandon Wilson at baw@rice.edu to get on the listserve.

**Rice Badminton**

*What is it?* Rice Badminton attempts to promote and celebrate the beautiful sport of badminton on campus. In fact, it is actually the only badminton club in West University Place, so members from other clubs occasionally join in on team practices. They compete in tournaments throughout the year.

*What do you do?* Essentially, members get to play a lot of badminton. There are weekly singles and doubles practice matches, as well as training sessions with professional coaches. Since the vice president of the club is the co-founder of Texas Intercollegiate Badminton Association (TIBA), members also get to play TIBA games against other college badminton clubs every month.

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**Cube Club**

*What is it?* The name says it all. Cube Club is literally a club where students come together to learn how to solve Rubik’s Cubes and other similar puzzles. These are not your average puzzles, though—*the Cube Club* is perhaps best known for creating a massive portrait of Nelson Mandela last year comprised solely of 600 Rubik’s Cubes.

*What do they do?* Cube Club is very chill—members meet up on Thursdays between 6 - 6:30 p.m. at Willy’s Pub or Vallahalla and just talk and solve together. On occasion, they also organize events; this October, they will host a major competition that will feature “speedcubers” from around the world. Cube Club members also participate in Houston’s annual competition, featuring categories like 2x2, 3x3, 4x4, one-handed and blind solving. These are not for the faint of heart, however—average 3x3 winners solve their cube in less than 10 seconds.

*How can I join?!* All the contact and member information can be found at: [http://busi nesses.rice.edu/CubeClub/](http://buisinesses.rice.edu/cubeclass/). You can also find out more about the October competition at: [http://www.cubingusa.com/RiceUniversity2014/index.php](http://www.cubingusa.com/RiceUniversity2014/index.php)

**Real Food Revolution**

*What is it?* Have you ever been just hanging out, eating a Fruit Roll-Up or some Cheetos, and then realized, “Hey, I understand what is that I’m eating?” Real Food Revolu tion is a club that encourages members to think about this kind of question, as well as others regarding health, food policies, sustainability, animal welfare and more. The club strives to bring more local food to campus and the surrounding community, believing the world can be improved by what and how we eat.

*What do they do?!* As expected, RFRE’s meetings revolve around food and eating. Meetings are Thursdays at Baker College over dinner, and members simply dine and discuss upcoming events, plans or just life in general. The group also goes on weekend trips to various community farms, farmer’s markets and restaurants. The leadership stresses that you certainly do not need to be a “granola person” to enjoy being a part of the group; you just have to love and care about food (real food, not Oroco and playing...)

*How can I join?!* Attend a meeting at Baker, 5:30 p.m. on Thursdays. Like the Facebook page (Real Food Revolu tion) or join the Facebook group (Real Food People).

**Rice Ballroom**

*What is it?* Learn how to dance. And no, not the kind you’d find at Sid’s or Architectonics. Rice Ballroom is a group devoted to teaching students how to dance classically and show their moves off at social events and competitions. Club leaders claim Ballroom is a “team sport” that is highly conducive to meeting other people.

*What do you do?!* On Tuesdays at 8 p.m., club members meet to learn two dances with two to three moves and then reconvene Thursdays at 8:30 p.m. to refine their new skills. Members also go to classy competitions at the University of Houston and the University of Texas, where they try to impress judges in their respective divisions and take home some ribbons. Finally, the team bonds by attending dinners and other social events together.

*How can I join?!* Contact the president, Peter Lambert, at pml6@rice.edu to get added to the listserve. Also check out the “Rice Ballroom Dance Team” Facebook page.

**Coolest clubs you’ve never heard of by Kaylen Strench Arts & Entertainment Editor**

Sometimes it may seem as if all Rice University students have time to do is go to class, study and party a bit on the weekends. Certainly these activities alone can make for a packed schedule. However, hundreds of Owls cram their schedules even further with participation in weird/unique/innovative recreational clubs. Some you probably know well, and others, well, may blow your mind a bit. So, just for you, the Thresher has scoured the student activities list to find some of the coolest clubs on campus that help make Rice the “un-conventional” place that it is.

**Why you should watch Boyhood, even if you missed it in theaters by Giancarlo Latta For the Thresher**

Even in a time when new movies are produced faster than the public can devour them, it would be impossible to for a film like Boyhood to pass by unnoticed. In 2012, director Richard Linklater audaciously began a project that would last the next 12 years, filming over the same cast and crew for a few weeks each summer. Linklater chose 6-year-old Ellar Coltrane to play his main character, Mason, with only a loose idea of his evolution in the film and no concept of how he would develop. The story is set in Texas, in the 1980s, and the film is a lens through which we can view our own complex lives.

In a cinematic world of elaborates, intricate plots and exaggerated quirky characters, Boyhood is an outlier—truleing away on a traditional plot arc, it is one continuous narrative where all the scenes feel equally relevant (or unin- portant). The intrigue is the narrative’s univer- sality; the characters are notable for their natu- ralness and genuine emotions rather than contrived kitsch/cynicism. This rarity is largely what makes Boyhood great.

Throughout the film, Mason grows from an imaginative, sensitive kid—his teacher tells Olivia that he is good at “telling stories”—to being an out- side the window all day”—into an introverted, thoughtful and introspective teen who is often skeptical of the world around him. Over the years, we see him play video games with his stepfather, watch porn for the first time, and navigate his way through brushes and rela- tionships. We see Mason turn away, embar- rassed, from his mom’s attempt to kiss him goodbye at school. As his hair changes style and his voice changes timbre, he feels his way through adolescence and begins to explore his artistic interests, simulations and figuring out how to find footing in both his own world and society.

It’s not just Mason who grows up. Olivia goes from a struggling single parent to a successful, if not entirely satisfied, college profess- or. And then comes Ellar Coltrane’s character, who seems to be present in his children’s lives, is strong evidence that the film is attempting “It’s abstract”—he agrees to let the conversation flow more naturally. Ultimately, he sets down with a new wife and baby; he also uses a source that is a new role as Mason and the cast and crew go about their business behind the scenes, filming. As the film stretches on for 12 years, the film’s success rests on its ability to show how the world is changing, even if you missed it in theaters.

**The weekly scene**

The editors’ picks for this week’s best events. Time to explore the wonderful world of Houston.

**FINE ARTS**

The Houston Fine Arts Fair is truly a Houston art event of the year. Featuring contemporary art from over 80 renowned galleries and 14 countries, HFAF is an international affair. The event runs Thursday, Sept. 18 through Sunday, Sept. 21. Regular tickets are $25 but snag a VIP Pass for $75.

**PIANO PRODIGY**

Now in its 15th year, the annual Piano Prodigy competition features some of the most talented young musicians from around the world. The competition is open to pianists aged 13 and under, and the winners receive valuable prizes and opportunities to perform on stage. For more information, visit [pianoprodigy.net](http://pianoprodigy.net).

**JONES HALL FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS**

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HoustonSymphony.org/JSAGES

**LADY OF THE FLIES**

You may have read Lord of the Flies in high school, but have you ever performed with an all-female cast? Bayou City Theatrics lends new perspective to this classic dystopian story. The show runs Sept. 19-20 and Sept 22 at 8 p.m. Tickets are $15 for students.

**THE KALEIDOSCOPE**

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Mobilizing Student Dialogue: What happened in Ferguson? Could it happen here?

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This Week in Entertainment by Louis Lesser

The Maze Runner
IN THEATERS

Following in the footsteps of popular young adult adaptations such as The Hunger Games and Divergent comes this production of James Dashner’s best-selling 2009 novel of the same name. When a teenager (Dylan O’Brien, Teen Wolf) wakes up trapped in a giant maze of which he has no prior memory, he must work together with his newfound acquaintances to solve the mystery that lies behind their predicament and plan their escape. PG-13, 113 minutes.

BOYHOOD

By Walden Pemantle
For the Thresher

The average customer could feel a bit overwhelmed entering the new Savory Spice shop on Times Blvd, in Rice Village. Looking for sea salt? Will that be regular or smoked? If you’re looking for smoked, would you like it smoked with hickory, alder wood or cherry? And don’t ask about oak barrels! Questions like these could plague the casual shopper, but for discerning gourmets looking for unique spices to enliven their dishes, the Savory Spice shop will seem a remarkable addition to the shops at Rice Village.

During this weekend’s grand opening, owner Michelle Halbert outlined some main goals of the shop, including offering ingredients that “99.9 percent of the time won’t be found in grocery stores,” hosting events like book signings and cooking demonstrations and staying true to local Texan ingredients. While Savory is a franchise, it offers an impressive selection of 14 Texan-grown teas, ranging in flavor from chamomile to a dirty chai blend with fresh ground espresso beans. The rest of the stock is produced in Denver, Colo., where small-batch blending allows the proprietor to create a number of unique combinations. Black onyx cocoa powder alkalized to the extreme to reduce bitter flavors, powdered honey and ras el hanout (the Moroccan “King of Spices”) are all blended in the Denver headquarters and bottled on site in Rice Village.

Some of the more rare items can be prohibitively expensive. The Tahitian vanilla is incredibly floral and nuanced but costs $5.90 per bean. Likewise, their acclaimed truffle salt costs $9.00 per ounce. However, prices like these can be expected when dealing with hard-to-find ingredients. The rest of the inventory is quite reasonable. Standbys like cinnamon, vanilla extract and fleur de sel are competitively priced, and many items are available in bulk.

Free recipes are available throughout the shop on cards perched by their key ingredients. Recipes for Chinese five-scion carrot cupcakes and chia tequila shortbread both typify the adventurous style of cooking that founder Mike Johnson champions. Bimonthly cooking demonstrations also aim to educate and inspire the local community of food enthusiasts. During the grand opening, Chef Soren Pederson of The Eastside Farmer’s Market prepared a mushroom cream sauce and spinach pasta before the crowd, incorporating many of the shop’s spices and explaining how to enhance the dish without over-seasoning.

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Savory Spice adds nuanced flavor to Rice Village

Neighbors
DVD & BLU-RAY

One of the highest-grossing comedies of the year pits Zac Efron (Again) against Seth Rogen (This Is the End) in a fraternity versus family prank war that goes too far. The film was extremely profitable for Universal Studios, grossing over $266 million on an $18 million budget. Bonus features include an alternate opening, deleted scenes, a gag reel and behind-the-scenes documentaries.

The Big Revival – Kenny Chesney
ALBUM

The 12th studio album from the country music superstar features his hit single “American Kids,” as well as a collaboration with folk-rock singer Grace Potter. The collection features 15 modern country tracks, including four co-written by Chesney himself, and evokes a more nostalgic vibe than some of Chesney’s previous efforts.

The Hunger Games
This Week in Entertainment

By Louis Lesser

The Hunger Games – Katniss Everdeen is back in the latest installment in the series that has captured the heart of readers around the world. This time, Katniss finds herself in the middle of a new arena, where she must confront her past and face the challenges that lie ahead. With the help of her trusted allies, Katniss must navigate the treacherous terrain of the arena and come out on top.

This Is Where I Leave You
IN THEATERS

By Louis Lesser

The story of a family who must come together after the death of their father, their mother grounds them for one week to remain at home and re-evaluate their lives to honor their father’s last request. R. 103 minutes.

The Truth About Cats & Dogs
IN THEATERS

By Louis Lesser

Teri Polo and Jennifer Love Hewitt star in this romantic comedy about a woman who must decide between her past and her future. With the help of her friends and family, she learns that sometimes the most unexpected twists in life can lead to the greatest love.

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the middle school bathroom for looking in the mirror to arrange his hair. Most of these scenes wouldn’t be particularly striking if they were viewed individually. But as the film progresses, the moments layer themselves, connecting in subtle and unexpected ways, and we begin to see Mason as the sum of these parts.

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Despite out-gaining their opponent in yards 481 to 477, the Rice University football team (0-2) could not overcome the Associated Press No. 7 Texas A&M University Aggies (3-0), losing 38-10.

In front of 103,867 fans Saturday night, the Owls demonstrated a solid offensive effort through the air and on the ground, although the offense struggled to score points. Halfway through the first quarter, the Owls had an opportunity to go up 3-0 on the seventh-ranked team in the nation, only to have a 22-yard field goal missed wide right by senior kicker James Hairston. The Aggies, led by sophomore quarterback Kenny Hill, scored the only points of the first quarter on a 14-yard touchdown pass from Hill to freshman receiver Speedy Noil to go up 7-0 heading into the second quarter.

The Owls continued to hang in the game through the first half, finishing with 30 rushes for 151 yards and adding 118 yards through the air. With 12 minutes to go in the second quarter, redshirt junior quarterback Driphus Jackson found redshirt senior receiver Mario Hull on a 35-yard strike for Rice's first points of the evening. The Owls finished the half with the advantage in offensive yards 269 to 215, although A&M held the advantage on the scoreboard, 21-7.

The second half held similar results for the Owls, who were outscored 17-3 in the final half. A&M quarterback Kenny Hill finished the game 20-31 for 300 yards with four touchdown passes while also adding 38 yards on the ground. Even though the team only scored 10 points, the Owls' offense showed the ability to both move and control the ball, highlighted by the play of sophomore running backs Jowan Davis and Darik Dillard, as well as Jackson. Davis and Dillard combined for 34 carries for 136 yards, while Jackson completed 21 of 32 passes, good for 212 yards and the one touchdown to Hull. Jackson also added 13 carries for 84 yards rushing on the night, a career-best rushing day for the quarterback.

Head Coach David Bailiff said he was thrilled with Jackson's performance and is excited for him to lead the team the rest of the season.

"[Jackson] is a true student of the game and the true leader of this football team," Bailiff said. "I thought he was magnificent in how he led the team the rest of the season."

"I was really pleased with our running game in this one," Bailiff said. "I thought our offensive line did an incredible job opening holes. I thought our running backs ran extremely hard."

Davis also said he was proud of the team's ability to run the ball. According to Davis, the play of the offensive line was the biggest factor to the running game's success.

"Throughout the season, I feel like our offense has come a long way," Davis said. "I feel that our offensive line has gotten a lot better. I give them a lot of the credit for our performance on Saturday, and we've come together a lot. Going into the Old Dominion game, we're going to be explosive."
Rice soccer draws against Arkansas

**Michael Kidd**  
Thursday Sept. 10

The Rice University soccer team traveled this past weekend to Fayetteville, Ark., to face the University of Arkansas Razorbacks. This matchup marked the final road game for the Owls before the start of Conference USA play. The Owls and Razorbacks played 90 scoreless minutes of soccer. This same result held in the two ensuing overtime periods, and the game finished in a 0-0 tie after 110 minutes of play.

Junior Holly Hargreaves led the Owls with five shots, three of which were on goal. The Owls are now 3-2-0 on the season.

For the third time this season, the Owls competed against a Southeastern Conference opponent. In all three matches, Rice remained undefeated by winning two games and tying one. As of last week, the Arkansas Razorbacks were No. 18 in the nation in the National Soccer Coaches Association of America poll. The Owls took 15 shots throughout the course of the game, six of which were on goal. After the first half of play, the Owls held a corner kick advantage of 10-9. The final corner kick tally finished 11-6 in favor of Rice.

Goalkeeper Amy Czyz finished the game with seven saves and secured her third shutout of the season thus far. Czyz was named the Conference USA Defender of the Week for the performance she gave, marking the third time in her career she has received the award. Just last week, Czyz broke the school record for career shutouts with her twentieth and has since added one more tally to that mark.

Head Coach Nicky Adams said she was proud of the grit and determination the team showed in battling a top soccer program in Arkansas.

**“We gritted it out the entire time,” Adams said.**  
“I’m so proud of the effort we gave, to come [to] Arkansas, and fight as hard as we possibly could. That was a lot of pressure for the majority of the game, and we did a marvelous job of handling it.”

According to Adams, the team has been creating opportunities lately. She said they must now work on capitalizing on those opportunities as they prepare for C-USA play.

“We are creating [a lot] of chances but now we have to work on finishing them off,” Adams said.  
“To go undefeated against three tough SEC teams shows how proud I am of this team, and proud of what we have achieved this non-conference season.”

The Owls will return home to Holloway Field to face the Air Force Academy soccer team this weekend, the final non-conference game of the season. The match is scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 20 at 7 p.m.
Men’s tennis team plays first tournament, falls short of expectations

Juan Saldana

As the rain poured down at the Midlants Racquet Club, the Rice University men’s tennis team played in their first tournament of the fall season, which did not count toward the team’s overall record. Team play will begin in the spring semester.

Despite inclement weather conditions that shortened the tournament, Head Coach Efe Ustundag said he was pleased with the team’s performance this weekend.

"Unfortunately, weather had a lot to do with the tournament," Ustundag said. "A lot of the matches were shortened or cancelled, but, being our first tournament, we started off on the right foot."

Sophomore Max Andrews and junior Adam Gustafsson finished the highest individually in the tournament, with Andrews losing in the semifinals and Gustafsson losing in the quarterfinals.

While Andrews and Gustafsson performed well in Midlands, Ustundag said he is still seeking improvement from other players.

"Zach [Yablon], Henrik [Munch] and Gustafsson all got some match play, but they didn’t necessarily play at their best level," Ustundag said.

The team is now looking forward to the rest of their season, beginning with the Rice Fall Invitational this weekend, in which every player, aside from injured sophomore Tommy Bennett, will participate. Ustundag said he is anticipating hosting the tournament.

“We have a pretty big tournament going on this weekend at Rice,” Ustundag said. “Several schools from around Texas and the rest of the country will be here. It is going to be a nice home tournament for us.”

The tournament this weekend will also feature the debut of part of the newly built George R. Brown Tennis Center. The construction of the center was delayed over the summer due to weather but will be ready in time.

Ustundag, in his third year as head coach, said he is excited about the possibilities the new courts bring for his team.

“It is going to change the face of our program,” he said. “We’re excited to come watch this home opener.”

Hall for the returning conference champion.

“We need the city of Houston to come out here and watch the Old Dominion game,” Bailiff said. “The players play hard—they’re true student-athletes. Let’s get the city of Houston excited to come watch this home opener.”

The game against Old Dominion will kick off on Saturday, Sept. 20 at 11 a.m. in Rice Stadium.

Rice football prepares for conference opener

After consecutive losses to currently top-10 ranked teams, the Rice University football team (0-2) returns home this weekend to face off against new conference foe Old Dominion University. After facing the University of Notre Dame’s fourth-ranked scoring defense and Texas A&M University’s fourth-ranked scoring offense, the Owls look to earn their first win of the season against a Monarchs team that is playing its first fall season in the Football Bowl Subdivision (FBS), the highest division of collegiate football.

Rice has already faced two of the more prolific quarterbacks in the nation in Notre Dame’s Everett Golson and A&M’s Kenny Hill. Rice will continue to struggle against ODU’s senior quarterback Taylor Heinicke, who has thrown for over 12,000 yards and 107 touchdowns in his career. Additionally, Heinicke has rushed for over 1,200 yards and 20 touchdowns in his career.

According to Rice Head Coach David Bailiff, the Owls defense is adjusting to playing some of the top quarterbacks in the country.

“You sure hope Golson and Hill prepared us for this game,” Bailiff said. “Heinicke is very good, he’s right up there with them. It’s [Old Dominion’s] first year in the FBS, but you look at their numbers, the total yardage; you look at his touchdowns. I think last year he threw for over 4,000 yards and 33 touchdowns, that’s pretty good. There’s a reason he’s on the O’Brien Award Watch List. He’s just the next great quarterback we’re going to face.”

Heinicke, who won the 2012 Walter Payton Award, given annually to the Division I-AA’s top player, will look to put up numbers against an Owls defense that is No. 123 in the nation in scoring defense.

Redshirt sophomore linebacker Alex Lyons, however, said the defensive unit is prepared to pose an intimidating threat to opposing defenses.

“We’re looking forward to the challenge, we’re going to face it head on,” Lyons said. “We’re going to try to go get this Conference USA championship.”

Additionally, Rice will return several key players who missed playing time this season due to injury.

According to Bailiff, senior all-conference wide receiver Jordan Taylor, starting sophomore tight end Connor Cella, junior defensive tackle Ross Winship and junior all-conference defensive lineman Christian Covington are all poised to return in the home opener.

According to sophomore running back Jowan Davis, the return of Taylor will pose an intimidating threat to opposing defenses.

“We’re getting Jordan Taylor back, he’s a tremendous receiver and a big playmaker,” Davis said. “So, now with him back, I feel that the defense is never going to know what we’re going to do. It’s going to be hard to [strategize] against us, because we can do so many different things.”

Despite playing in some of the most impressive college football venues in the country, Davis said he is looking forward to returning to playing in Rice Stadium.

“It’s always fun to play in front of 103,000 people, that’s a dream come true, but there’s nothing like playing at home in your home stadium in front of your home fans,” Davis said. “I just hope that everyone comes out for our home opener. It’s going to be a good one.”

According to Bailiff, it’s critical that Rice students and Houstonians come to the game and support the returning conference champions.

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I’ve felt it man. I mean like ever since D-Week. This school used to have something. It was raw. But we’re in decline. Sid Bos was like so much less awesome than Martel.

But this is taking away from other improvements in rankings. Let’s not forget that we are now WorldStartHigh’s Number One School to Feature At Least Two Fat Tony Concerts a Year, and we are now among the top three schools with future plans for a new opera house, in a lesser-known ranking published in the Guardian UK.

Rankings are so blase. I like Rice more now that it’s not cool. Rankings don’t even take into consideration that rankings make people ranking rankings more. It’s all so heteronormative.

I guess I’m just feeling about 1/3 as happy as I was last year, and 1/6 as happy as I was two years ago. I’m also about 5.5 percent less ‘me’ than usual, not in any specific way, but more generally, by a strange and unintelligible metric.

Dante “The Sack” Zakhidov
LOCAL DAD, HANSZEN SENIOR

I know in the past we considered Rice’s No. 1 happiness rating to be a point of pride for the university. My research, however, has indicated this is, perhaps, a misguided end. Because one synonym for happiness is euphoria, and one synonym for euphoria is rapture, and one synonym for capture is distemper and one synonym for distemper is disease. And I do not think that we want Rice University to be a diseased campus. Take your swine flu over to Vanderbilt. Go Owls!

John Hutchinson
DEAN OF UNDERGRADUATES

The Backpage is satire and written by Reed Thornburg, and this week Dennis Budde and Andrew Stout collaborated. Happy Birthday I-Quest! For comments or questions, please email testmasters@rice.edu.

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