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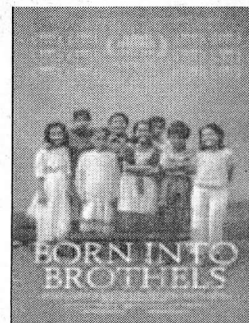


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Dr. David Richards delivers lecture on human rights and government

By Elyssa Rubertino

On March 18, 2005 the International Studies Department sponsored Dr. David Richards' lecture entitled "Which Human Rights do Governments Choose to Respect and Why: The Destabilization Theory of Government Respect for Human Rights." Here, Dr. Richards discussed the relationship between the Government and the National concern for Human Rights. In particular, the lecture focused on the Human Rights Data Project and the statistical analysis used to help determine which human rights the government chooses to respect, and why.

Dr. Richards is currently a professor of political science at the College of New Jersey and is also employed with ETS (Educational Testing Service) as a primary Political Scientist in Comparative Politics. He has published work in the *International Studies Quarterly*, *Social Science Quarterly*, and the *Journal of Peace Research*.

In addition, Dr. Richards is the co-Director of the CIRI Human Rights Data Project, which has received federal funding from both the National Science Foundation and the World Bank.

The lecture began with definitions and assumptions, which were then used as the basis for Richards' hypothesis. These assumptions focused mainly on the economic relationship between the elite class and ordinary citizens. Richards' stated that the elite class dominates society and therefore has significant weight over which human rights are respected and which are not. The elite class was defined as political leaders, government officials, and other prominent figures.

Once these assumptions were stated Richards went on to explain the "balancing act" that the government faces. This refers to the fact that often the Government is faced with the possibility of either potentially violating human rights, or citizen rebellion and the draining of state resources. As a result, it becomes so that the government must decide which human rights to respect.

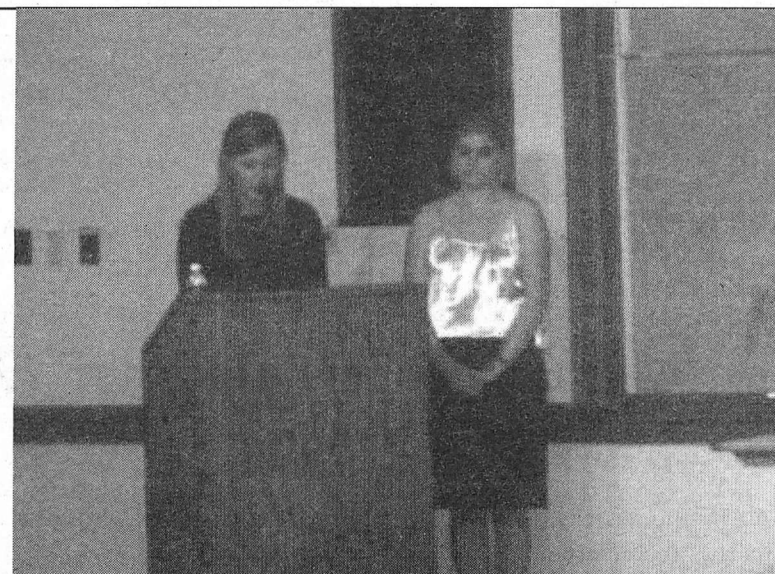
In order to establish which human rights are most important, it becomes necessary to categorize and group them according to their level of threat to the government. Richards referred to four distinct categories: subsistence

rights, physical integrity rights, empowerment rights, and membership rights.

Subsistence rights broadly include the right to a minimal standard of living. These rights are considered most threatening because the more citizens exercise their human rights, the more the government is being restricted. Physical integrity rights include rights not to be tortured, extrajudicially killed, or politically imprisoned. Empowerment rights include the right of education, free opinion, and basically all other rights which allow for the empowerment of the citizens. Finally, membership rights include freedom of religion, freedom from deprivation of a nationality, as well as other rights which are not considered threatening to the government's power.

The categories, as Richards describes them, lead into his hypothesis that the government will choose to respect human rights based on their level of threat to the government, so the more the right restricts the government, the less it would be respected. In this way, Richards suggests a negative aspect to governmental practice involving human rights.

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RHODES HOSTS GREEK AWARDS

Director of Greek Life, Elizabeth Berry presents the Greek awards honoring Greek commitment to service, scholarship, and activities. Awards were presented by Pan President Sara Ash ('06) and IFC President Billy Wilson ('06).

Photo by Ginnie Arnold

Rhodes celebrates 2nd annual Greek Week

By Ashley George

Last week, from Monday, March 28 through Friday April 1, the Greek community at Rhodes celebrated its second annual Greek Week Carnival. The week of events was sponsored by representatives of the National Panhellenic Council, the Interfraternity Council, and the National Pan Hellenic Council, under the direction of Greek Life Director, Elizabeth Berry.

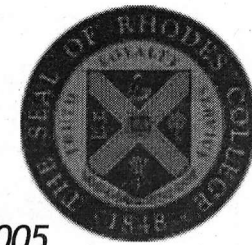
The National Panhellenic Council (or Pan) is run by four Pan Executive officers, each representing one of the four houses, Alpha Omicron Pi, Kappa Delta, Chi Omega, and Delta Delta Delta. This year's Pan President is Sara Ash (Delta Delta Delta). The National Pan Hellenic Council (or

NPHC) consists of officers from Sigma Gamma Rho, and Alpha Kappa Alpha. Similarly, the Interfraternity Council (or IFC) consists of officers from each of the five fraternities, Alpha Tau Omega, Kappa Alpha Order, Kappa Sigma, Phi Kappa Alpha, and Sigma Nu. This year's IFC President is Billy Wilson (Sigma Nu).

Greek Week is an opportunity for the different Greek organizations on campus to celebrate united spirit from within the individual chapters. This is an especially important concept considering the predominately Greek campus here at Rhodes.

The week began with a kick-off party on Monday in the BCLC that included a poker tournament as well as salsa lessons, dancing,

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The meaning of a refuge

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The debate over drilling in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge has once again resurfaced in the US Senate. The Senate recently voted on whether or not to include drilling in the refuge in the next budget. An amendment was introduced by Senators Cantwell and Kerry to remove the drilling language from the proposal. This time around, however, the Senate decided to reverse all of its previous precedents and voted against the amendment 49-51, thus allowing the government to open the refuge to oil extraction.

It is imperative that voters continue to fight and help save this precious environment. ANWR, as it is often called, is one of the most unique and fragile areas on planet Earth. It is the only protected area in the world that encompasses arctic, sub-arctic, and boreal ecosystems. Countless precious forms of life make the refuge their home, including polar, grizzly, and black bears, as well as caribou and wolves. Needless to say, a drilling project would absolutely devastate this beautiful habitat.

The affect of such an undertaking would extend far

beyond the drilling and removal of oil. Hundreds of roads will be cut through the landscape to allow access to drilling sites. The fuel-burning engines of drilling and transport equipment will severely pollute the pristine atmosphere that now exists. Runoff from the construction will poison the ground water not just surrounding the work zone but much farther than humans will reach. In fact, at the nearest drilling site in Alaska (Prudhoe Bay) there are over 400 spills of

crude oil a year. Perhaps worst of all, the piercing and distinctly foreign sound of the unnatural development would completely disrupt the nature of this landmark for many miles.

Irreplaceable wildlife would be permanently affected by the human invasion of their territory. And for what?

Estimates show that the drilling would yield only a six month supply of oil for the United States, a country which, while containing only

three percent of the world's oil reserves, consumes 25 percent of the world's oil production. Is this the correct way to reduce our dependence on foreign oil? In truth, facts show that if the US Government were to raise the Corporate Average Fuel Economy (CAFE), which regulates car manufacturers' overall standard, by one mile per gallon, the change would save more oil in one year than would ever be removed from ANWR. Obviously, in subsequent years an even greater total of oil saved would amass. Likewise, a larger national recycling program would amount to more reused plastic, a resource made from foreign petroleum.

Does it not seem more productive to reduce dependence on foreign oil by reducing dependence on oil altogether? This would solve both short term and long term objectives. Instead, Americans continue their over-consumptive lifestyles, as the number of SUVs on the road continues to rise. Americans do not seem to realize that crude oil is a limited resource and that gas prices are directly affected by the rate of consumption versus the amount

of oil remaining. As long as the rate of consumption rises, so will the price of the commodity. Doesn't it seem obvious? Tell that to the countless people (and Rhodes students) who see no problem with owning an inefficient vehicle. Without the high demand for oil there would be no need to rip apart America's most precious reserve.

I encourage all of you to re-examine you own lives and determine whether you are living up to your responsibilities as a conscious citizen of the country and as a member of the World community. Most immediately, however, students must get in touch with their Senators and either praise or denounce their respective vote on the Cantwell-Kerry amendment. To find your Senators' contact information, visit: <http://www.senate.gov>. You might also call your Representative and implore them to do what the Senate could not and remove ANWR drilling from the budget. Do not let America take an irreversible course of action and permanently affect its most precious wildlife area. We must do all that we can to fight this decision and put the true meaning back into the term "refuge."

Searching for miracles

PROFESSOR DAVID SICK

As students in high school calculus, my friends and I, my "posse," if you will, had a favorite joke. It was a simple sentence: "And then a miracle happened." We did not invent this joke, but we did abuse it to a point that our six-foot six-inch, hawk-nosed teacher, Mr. Geiger, banned it from the classroom. I'm sure you know the joke. Math books commonly have answers in the back. We were permitted to consult these answers while solving problems, but we had to show our work. If we could not

devise a proper calculation or proof, we would add the line, "And then a miracle happened," and conclude with the given answer. I was prone to using this method when asked to rotate crap around an axis. I really hated rotating crap.

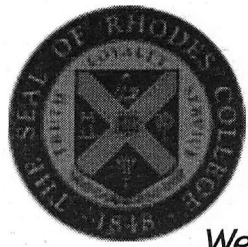
In the vengeance of Geiger, that line occasionally makes an appearance in my Search classes. It's usage is not as direct or light-hearted, but I similarly ban that approach to the material. My prohibition may seem unfair, as the Bible makes

up a large portion of the Search syllabus, but I am making no argument as to whether or not miracles occur only that their historicity cannot be debated in a diverse academic community where rationality sets the dominant paradigm. Compare a hypothetical situation in Search to that which I described in calculus. Let's say there's a question on a Search exam, "Did Jesus Christ rise from the dead?" Such a question would be overly-simplistic for Search, but we'll use it to simplify our comparison. In

the back of the Search Study Guide, where, in fact, all answers can be found by the careful reader, you find the answer "Yes," but you must still show your work or write your proof. How will you compose a proof that does not include the words, "And then a miracle happened," or some relative equivalent? I can't accept a proof with those words because I have no means by which to evaluate it in an academic context. In short, if it's not good enough for Prof. Gottlieb, it's not good enough for me.

It may come as a surprise, but life seems to recapitulate Search in this regard. To the ex

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tent that human societies are organized by rational means by a diverse set of individuals, the organs of those societies cannot accept or expect miracles. My own meditation on the Schiavo case has brought me to this conclusion. Ms. Schiavo's parents were expecting or hoping for a miracle, and the official bodies could not accept that argument. I'm aware that they claimed that their daughter was conscious and reacted to them in predictable, rational ways, but the question for me was whether they

could have lived satisfied if there never had been any change in her physical condition, if a miracle never occurred. I cannot answer that question definitively, but the fact that they were willing to allege that their daughter had suddenly spoken after fifteen years of silence, led me to the conclusion that miracles were on their minds.

My comments may seem somewhat cold and anti-religious, but, again, I am making no claim about the possibility of miracles only that we cannot organize our lives in expectation of them. At this point, it may help to define our terms a bit. Latin, the key to all knowledge, shows us that something curious has happened in the development of the word 'miracle'. It derives from Latin 'miraculum' which is used to translate several Greek terms from

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the New Testament. I posit that the -culum affix here is used to designate a diminutive, and thus the term means 'a small marvel'. It would furthermore imply that the gods and God are capable of larger marvels. Our Search readings can further help us in this definition. Perhaps no one has

done more to promote miracles in the West than Jesus. Yet the New Testament authors are not consistent in their interpretation of Jesus' "signs and wonders." His interventions into human suffering usually involve those with physical problems, such as the blind or those with ambulatory difficulties, although, on a few occasions, he does perform miraculous deeds of other types. He feeds the hungry with never-ending loaves and fishes, and he salvages a big, fat Cananite wedding when the wine runs out. The trickier questions are about Jesus' goals and methods in performing such acts.

Why did Jesus choose this form of ministry? Was it to help those in distress or to prove his divine status or some combination of those objectives?

I cannot discuss all of the relevant passages here, but I'll point to one problem. In a reading from the ninth chapter of John recently in the lectionary, Jesus states that a blind man's condition in no way results from either his sins or those of his parents. Conversely, in a well-known tale, a woman with a hemorrhage is healed by

only touching the hem of Jesus' garment. Jesus says to her, "Your faith has made you well" (Matt. 9.22). The morals of the two narratives seem at odds, for the latter implies that human moral agency is important. If one believes hard enough, God may intervene. That premise would result in happiness for a few, but I could not defend it before the vast majority for whom miracles do not arrive.

There is no group more harassed by miracles than the handicapped, and within that group, those with brain, spinal, and neural injuries have been singled out for special harassment. Because we have gained the ability to stabilize nerve injuries but not correct them, those with such injuries, e.g. Ms. Schiavo, can continue in a similar condition for decades. The paralyzed are an object of fascination for so much of our media. A quadriplegic was a main character in two Academy Award winning films—"Million Dollar Baby" and "Mar Adentro." Joan Giardi's brother on the CBS show "Joan of Arcadia" is paralyzed from the waist down as a result of a car accident. Soon after this event Joan herself began to receive messages from God godself. If you still dispute my allegation of harassment, compare the attitude toward another type of miracle of Jesus. Are there still prayers for enough alcohol at parties? Would a litany for more beer at Rites of Spring seem appropriate?

In the end, I might be preaching to the choir. The American public, for the most part, does not expect miracles. Most of the polls indicated that a majority agreed with the decision to remove Ms. Schiavo's feeding tube, and the resolution of both award-winning films comes not in a miraculous cure but in a self-sought

death. The excessive use of the word 'miracle' by sportscasters also argues for triviality. I'm assuming when we make a statement such as, "Eben Cathey miraculously went yard against Southwest-ern," we are

not really implying extraordinary divine involvement. Perhaps these doubts provide another reason for the fascination with those in permanent but unusual physical situations. We are very close to re-

solving nearly all these situations—at least from the majority perspective. With greater access to buildings, more ingenious methods of locomotion, and constant advances in medicine, fewer and fewer individuals are excluded from the daily activities of our society. Notice how carefully the conditions for the death of the main character in "Million Dollar Baby" have been circumscribed. She cannot move any part of her

body below her neck, and the audience is asked to compare this paralysis to her former physical vitality as a boxer.

In "Rory O'Shea was Here," another film about

the handicapped which came recently to Memphis, the main character was able to move only one finger, and that ability changed the whole tenor of film. Rory O'Shea,

with his one finger, struggled to participate in society rather than to end his life. We need less and less the phrase, "And then a miracle happened," to facilitate the full participation of the paralyzed in society, but please don't take my optimism as an excuse for complacency. It would still take a real miracle to get the Rhodes community to stop parking in the handicapped spots.

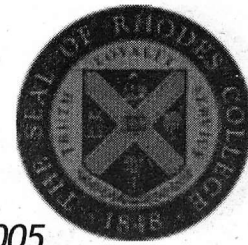
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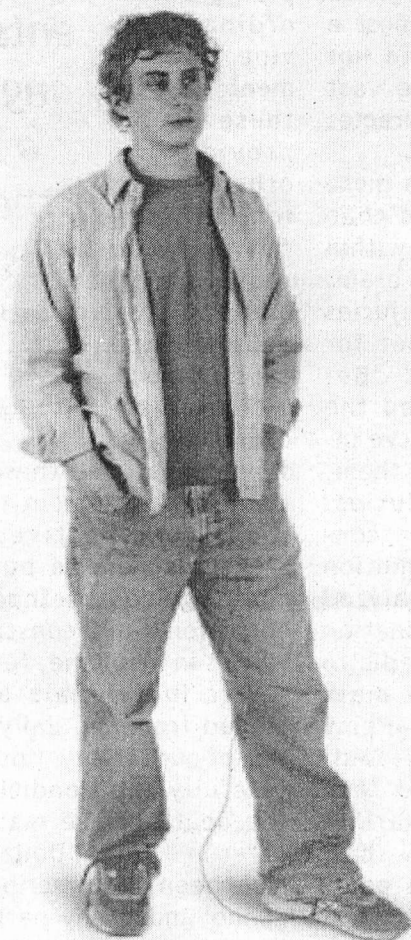
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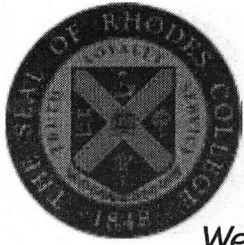
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Campus Safety

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03/15	8:21 a.m.	Call from Tri Delta sorority requesting Campus Safety inspect their attic. The sorority sisters stated that they suspected someone, or something not of this world, was in their attic. Area checked by Campus Safety; no persons or entities found.
03/16	6:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m.	Fifty spaces blocked out in McCoy lot to accommodate parking for the career fair participants. Two reports of theft filed with Campus Safety and MPD. Property: a DVD/VCR taken from Palmer and Orgill.
03/17	1:49 a.m. 11:02 a.m. 11:21 p.m.	Mobile officer reported someone in the Mallory parking lot by the fraternity houses shooting off bottle rockets. Bus escorted through north end of Thomas Lane for Chaplain's office. Two white males and one Asian male, all three 16 years of age, gained entry to campus through northeast bus entrance. Escorted off campus and advised not to return and also advised that all three were violating city curfew.
03/18	10:28 p.m.	Call from Lynx Lair, RAB representatives requesting an officer to speak to three students playing beer pong on the ping pong table. All three student were 21 years of age (all seniors), but seemed confused about the alcohol policy and where the proper sanctioned drinking areas were.
03/19	10:25 p.m. 3:51 a.m. 4:22 a.m.	Wallet reported from weight room. Report filed. Parkway House security called Campus Safety to inform them that two individuals behind Evergreen Church were looking in church vehicles. Parkway officer gave description of two young white males and one older white male driver. When approached by Campus Safety, both younger suspects jumped into the vehicle with the older white male and fled the area. Request for an officer by an RA to help remove an intoxicated male student from a room in Blount. Subject had entered the wrong room and had fallen asleep. Individual taken to his rightful bed. AV issued.
03/21	2:00 p.m. 7:40 p.m. 9:00 p.m.	Three spaces blocked out in front of Buckman for Tuesday's event. Report of a suspicious person in Bellingrath. Campus Safety dispatched to investigate. Student called Campus Safety reporting that someone had entered her room and taken her computer, keys, backpack. Report taken, also MPD on campus to file a city theft/burglary report.
03/22	11:55 p.m.	Tow truck on campus delivering student's disabled car. Parked behind tennis courts.
03/23	9:45 a.m. 11:20 a.m. 11:40 a.m. 12:47 p.m. 2:05 p.m.	Officer dispatched to the refectory to escort a discharged Aramark employee. Call from a student in Glassell reporting an injured student. Infirmary nurse and ambulance notified. Injured student transported. Accident in front of Evergreen Church. MPD called. Report of a student stuck in the Hassell elevator. Maintenance called.
03/24	3:41 p.m.	Noise complaint coming from room in Neely Hall. Problem: alarm clock, Campus Safety disabled.
03/25	1:40 a.m.	Report of a suspicious person, 3rd floor Voorhies. Caller unable to give a description. Officer dispatched. Suspicious person not located.
03/26	4:50 p.m. 10:49 p.m.	Six black males located on campus without authorization attempting to use the gym. Escorted off campus. Duty RA found a beige jacket: 1st floor Glassell. Jacket contained a set of keys and a small baggie containing marijuana.

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In order to test his hypothesis Richards used the Mokken Scaling Results of Humana Human Rights Variables. This assigns scores to the amount of respect a certain right received on a four point scale. The study was conducted in 1982, 1985, and 1991. In 1982 the rights which received a "high" score (more respect from the government) were rights categorized as membership rights. For example, the freedom to publish and educate in ethnic language received a 2.71 on the scale, while the freedom of peaceful political opposition received a 1.36.

The correlation between the right and the respect level only continued to get stronger. In 1991, as more rights were added to the list, the level of respect compared to the category of the right became more evident. Freedom from torture or coercion by state only received a 1.24 while freedom from deprivation of nationality received a 2.77, demonstrating its high level of respect among governments.

While the results of the study did provide support for Richards' hypothesis, many Rhodes professors were not satisfied with the way in which the study was conducted. Questions regarding the type of government, democratic versus communist, were raised as well as other concerns which could have affected the results of the study.

Richards presented an interesting lecture which raised many thoughts and concerns regarding human rights, and particularly the way in which the government responds to the concerns of its citizens. While Richards' study suggests that the government will only respect those human rights that if violated would prove a threat to the government, there is some concern over the validity of this study. As a result, it seems hasty to assume that the government has little respect for human rights.

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and music. Alpha Tau Omega won the Poker Tournament. This was followed on Tuesday by a Grizzlies Greek Day, which allowed members of the Greek Houses to attend a Memphis Grizzlies game. Tickets were \$15 and included food, a drink, free entry to Jillians, and a free game card. Houses with more than 20 members attending had their names displayed on the jumbotron.

Thursday saw the cook off where all of the sorority houses competed in a Mexican dish competition and the fraternities competed in a barbeque contest. Finally, to conclude the events of Greek Week, field games were held on Friday afternoon. These events included a kickball tournament, frozen t-shirt contest, and tug of war. In addition, to show the importance of philanthropic work, Tuesday through Thursday a blood drive was held by LifeBlood to support the blood banks of various local hospitals.

Greek Week was officially called to a halt on Monday, April 4, with the first annual Greek Awards Banquet. Here, IFC, Pan, and NPHC honored Greek Organizations for their outstanding commitment to academics, activity, and philanthropy. The award for Highest G.P.A. among NPHC sororities went to Sigma Gamma Rho. There was a three way tie among Pan sororities between Alpha Omicron Pi, Chi Omega, and Kappa Delta. For IFC, the award went to Alpha Tau Omega. The award for Outstanding Philanthropic Involvement went to Kappa Delta, for their commitment with All Sing. In addition, Alpha Omicron Pi (second place) and Chi Omega (third place) picked up awards for Outstanding Chapter Involvement. Greek Woman of the Year went to Johanna Young (Kappa Delta), and Greek Man of the Year went to Brandon Coulliard (Alpha Tau Omega). Alpha Tau Omega also won the best overall in the Greek Week events.



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Student provides a preview of this year's Rites of Spring

By Kelly Forehand

Rites of Spring is a time for Rhodes students to help out area kids at Rites to Play, attack the extreme activities at Rites to Play Harder, or for the lucky few of us with the appropriate wristband, to "drink responsibly" out on the EV patio.

With all this happening, many may forget about another minor part of Rites: CONCERTS! If you are like me, you may know about one or two of the bands, but have never heard of others. Never fear! I have spent countless hours (which I should have spent on my senior paper) researching each band.

The expertise I have gained has been compiled in the following list to ensure that you won't miss out on any of the talent coming to Rhodes (hopefully to the Amphitheatre) on April 15-16. For your convenience I've included popular music references, websites, and a few songs I liked.

FRIDAY'S SHOWS (Gates open at 6 p.m., for those who like the sound check.)

Band: THE LITTLE WILFIE BAND

Playing at: 7:00 p.m.

Student band: Harrison Hibbert-guitar, vocals, harmonica ('06); Brett Yancey-guitar ('06); Gaines Fricke-keyboard ('06); Dan Calvert-bass ('05); Nate Smith-drums ('08).

Harrison says: We play rock and roll, with a heavy influence from the blues.

Band: FLOREZ

Playing at: 8:30 p.m.

Sounds like: Maroon 5 meets Josh Kelley. Think chill, Latin-style acoustic guitar riffs with a touch of jam band feel.

Website: www.florezmusic.com

Listen to: "Dreaming"; "Come Down Angel"



TALIB KWELI
This rap artist headlines at Rites of Spring Friday night, April 15, following Florez and The Little Wilfie Band.

Band: TALIB KWELI

Playing at: 10:30 p.m.

Sounds like: At first listen, Fugees-style, minus Lauryn Hill plus a strong, soulful male lead, or Common Sense. Rap, with R&B influences apparent in backup vocals and style.

Website: www.talibkweli.com

Listen to: "I Try" feat. Mary J. Blige. (Access other tracks by registering for the newsletter.)

SATURDAY'S ACTS (Gates open at 4 p.m.)

Band: Darryl Strawberry's New Drug

Playing at: 5:00 p.m.

Student Band: Bazile Lanneau III-guitar, keyboard, banjo, vocals ('05); Jake Nemer-drums ('05); Ben Tanner-bass, lead vocals ('05); Cleve Wiese-guitar, vocals ('05).

Cleve says: Darryl Strawberry's New Drug utilizes elements of 80's techno-pop and contemporary acid-house in a progressive jazz format...think Kraftwerk and Paul Oakenfold teaming up to do a Miles Davis tribute album.

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MARC BROUSSARD

Band: Virginia Coalition (VACO to real fans)

Playing at: 6:15 p.m.

Sounds like: Think the style of John Mayer and the tone of Johnny Lang. Widespread Panic influences. Mostly mellow, with a little edge.

Website: www.virginiacoalition.com

Listen to: Listen window is in the top right corner of the homepage. "Mason Dixon"; "Last Goodbye"; "Voyager 2"

Band: Marc Broussard

Playing at: 8:15 p.m.

Sounds like: Gavin Degraw or Will Hoge. Funk undertones with a strong blues feel. Eclectic R&B influences, high energy, fun.

Website: www.islandrecords.com/marcbroussard

Listen to: "Home"; "Come Around"; "Saturday"

Band: The Zambonis

Playing at: 9:45 p.m.

Sounds like: OK, so every song is about ice hockey. They really don't sound like anyone, but combine the creative lyrics of a Tenacious D-type band plus the early punk sound of the Ramones or a more recent parallel to The Strokes. Fun, but I'm really stretching here.

Website: www.thezambonis.com

Listen to: "Hockey Monkey"; "Avalanche"; "Interior Cruciate Ligament"

Band: Guster

Playing at: 10:30 p.m.

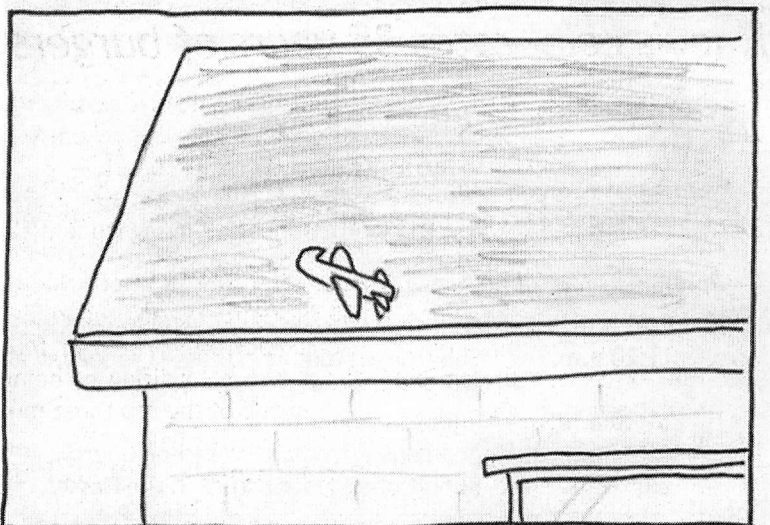
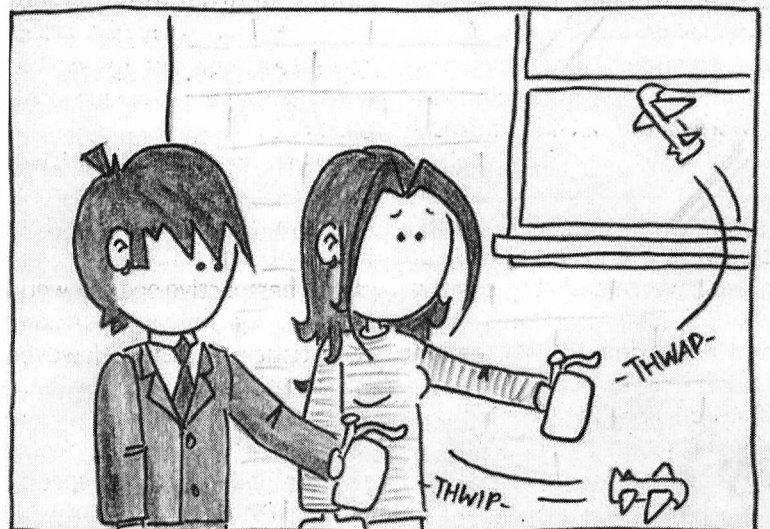
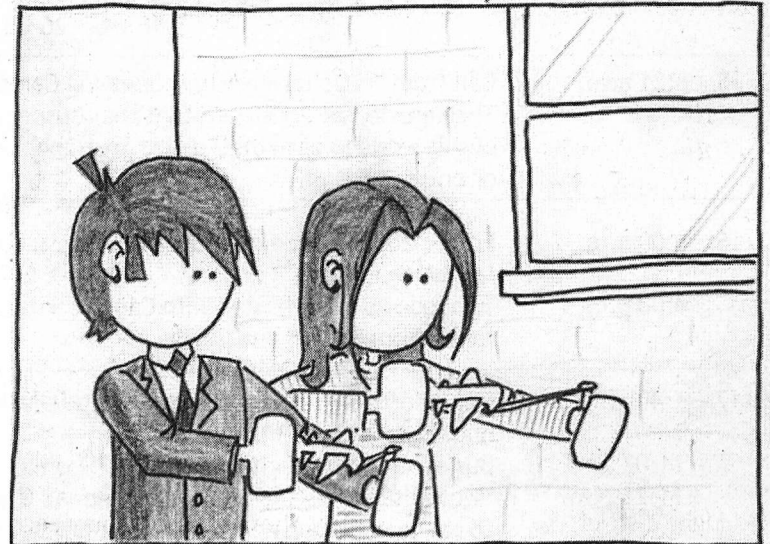
Sounds like: Ben Folds (not Five), Dispatch, Keller Williams. Their sound is college-ish, with strong keyboards, solid sound, and soothing vocals.

Website: www.guster.com

Listen to: "Backyard"; "What You Wish For"; "Barrel of a Gun"; "Airport Song"

THIS WEEKEND

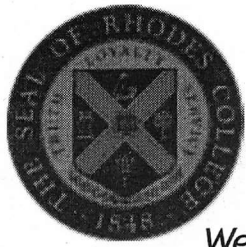
by LOGAN WHEELER.



That's it! Now that you know how great the bands at Rites this year are going to be, check out their websites for yourself, and I'll see you in the Amphitheatre (insert crossed fingers here).

A few details: Wristbands (everybody's gotta have one!) will be available Tuesday

through Thursday, April 12-14, in the Lair from 3-5 p.m. You can have two guests, and if you volunteer to be an alcohol monitor, your guests don't have to pay the \$30 registration fee. The concessions for the weekend will be from Pig and Whistle Bar-B-Que, so be on the lookout for that.



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Dinner & a Movie

This week, Erin Kitchell reviews popular college study spot Cafe Francisco, and Molly Chapman reviews the Oscar-winning documentary Born into Brothels.

Photographer helps children to "shoot" their way out

By Molly Chapman

Winner of the Oscar for best documentary film, *Born into Brothels: Calcutta's Red Light Kids*, is a moving account of one female photographer's project with children raised in India's Red Light district.

This woman, Zana Briski, provides basic cameras to children of prostitutes housed in brothels in order to direct them towards a life outside of prostitution, or as the children call it, the "line." These children, mostly female, are constantly cursed at and harassed, though most have remarkably positive attitudes about their self-worth and aspirations. Briski leads a class for fewer than ten of these children in which she teaches about composition and technical methods, allowing the children creative freedom and trusting

them with the responsibility of their own camera.

The film, clearly documentary style with hand-held shakiness, is divided into personal segments documenting each child. Besides supplying a short biography, these scenes display each child's photography, which, when coupled with the girl or boy's testimony of his or her work, becomes a moving composition.

While *Born into Brothels* can at times be heartbreaking, it is not because of the children's abhorrent living conditions. Every child's perspective on their world is bright and full of opportunity for artistic expression. However, it becomes tremendously difficult for Briski to keep the children engaged in their photographic endeavors and specifically, to get one boy to

Amsterdam to represent the group of Indian children at a photo editing conference.

It is tiring and impressive how hard this selfless woman works to help her students succeed by simply leaving their homes for boarding schools so that they can depend on an education for their doubtful future.

In the end, some of the children are not "saved" by Briski's plan, and remain in "line" for a life of self-destruction. But others are in some way forever changed by the attention given by their friend and teacher. Nevertheless, the giggling youngsters add a sweetly innocent comedy to the overwhelming circumstances at hand.

Born into Brothels is a tender and magical discovery of a hidden group of children full of potential, yet stifled by tradition.

Francisco does Italian downtown

By Erin Kitchell

The façade of this little building on North Main St always reminds me a little bit of a Parisian café. Inside you'll find much of the style with none of the hostile service attitudes of those pesky Parisians. A cluster of tables outside with a view of the trolleys adds to the charm. The building is long, narrow, and dark with couches and booths in the front and semi-private tables in the back.

It's almost never crowded and service is quick. The real influence here is Italian. In fact, the original Café Francisco is located in San Francisco's North Beach Italian district.

True to the delights of Italy, Café Francisco has spectacular coffee. The only place in Memphis that actually fire-roasts their coffee beans in the back of the store, it's a great place to grab a cup of joe and curl up with that anthro/soc book you've been putting off reading. And let's face it—coffee intake at this time of year is skyrocketing so it might as well be quality stuff.

The food is certainly nothing to scoff at either. I pay homage to this café as having the best tuna melt I've ever eaten (those who know me understand how seriously I take tuna salad). Served open-faced on two big slices of wheat bread, tuna is covered with capers, black olives, tomatoes, and a pile of Swiss cheese. My second favorite thing on the menu is the pesto chicken sandwich. A chicken breast comes on delicious herbed focaccia bread with sun-

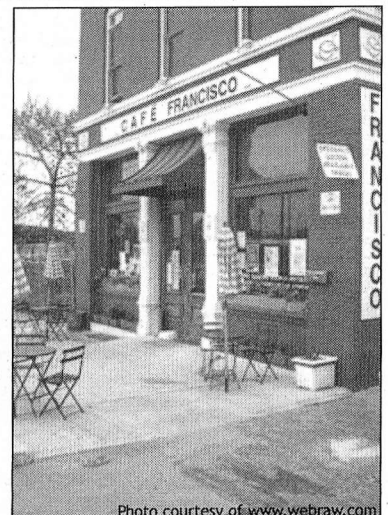


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Cafe Francisco serves great food in a unique atmosphere, combining technology and antiquity.

dried tomatoes, provolone cheese, and mouth-wateringly large amounts of basil pesto. Most of the dishes are simple combinations of well-chosen ingredients that taste better than the descriptions sound.

On top of the great coffee, tasty food, and laidback atmosphere, Café Francisco has a great beer selection and—one of my small fetishes—Coke in glass bottles. Try the Singha beer; this Thai beer is one of my favorites, but needless to say, it is rarely found on local restaurants beer lists.

Café Francisco closes early (9 p.m.) but it's also a good place to pick up a breakfast treat before heading to the river on Saturday morning.

Genre: Cafe, Deli
Location: 400 North Main
Hours: 7a.m.-9p.m. M-F; 8a.m.-10p.m. Sat., 8a.m.-6p.m. Sun.
Phone: 578-8002
Cafe Francisco is also Wi-Fi accessible.

Huey's celebrates 35 years of burgers, music, and success

By Leah Kaye

If you haven't eaten at Huey's yet, and you are a Rhodes student, then you probably are not eating enough, and I am worried about your health. Every student knows the value of unforgettable guacamole on the west coast burger, pineapple and steak on a stick, and soggy nachos, thanks to the long-standing late-night tradition of Huey's.

But isn't it about time that Huey's paid us back the thousands of dollars that we have poured into the pitchers of Bass, midnight to-go orders, and toothpick count-guessing contests?

After 35 years of serving Memphis and the Mid-South, Huey's is showing its customer appreciation with musical festivities. Sunday, April 10, 2 p.m.

Photo courtesy of Huey's



at the Madison location, Huey's will be featuring afternoon and evening performances from four bands in the tradition of being named one of the top three music places to visit.

The line-up will include Uprisin' featuring Anthony Corder, The Radio Kings playing blues out of Boston, The Bel Airs of international acclaim, and a Texas "roadhouse" blues band Anson & the Rockets with Sam Myers.

Even if you have never heard of any of these bands or do not really even like blues music, you have undoubtedly heard about the cheese fries,

providing more than enough reason to attend the 35th anniversary celebration.

Huey's has won many local awards and has been featured on the Travel Channel and *The Best Of* on the Food Network. They have also been the concert venue for a number of groups prior to finding fame.

You probably don't need to hear that Huey's has been voted "Best Burger" by Memphis Magazine every years since 1984 to be convinced to go. The way Rhodes students love them some Huey's, chances are you are probably already in your car on your way there.

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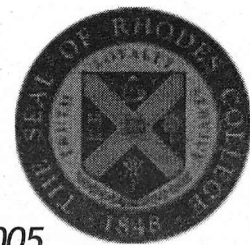
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Rhodes Rowing: A Personal Account

By Cori Anderson

Why do you do it? That's the question that rowers are often confronted with in regards to the Rhodes Crew Team. We are technically a club sport, which means that we get physical education credit for our involvement.

However, we practice at the level of a varsity team. This involves regular water practices, some of which start at 5:30 a.m., as well as team runs and erg practices in the BCLC. Being a member of the crew team requires a large commitment. So, why do we do it? Simply put, we do it because the rewards greatly outweigh the sacrifices. Such rewards are found each time the crew team puts its hard work to the test at a regatta. A regatta is a rowing competition where teams from all over the country gather together in order to combine all of their efforts into one adrenaline-filled race.

Such a race recently took place on April 2, in Murray, Kentucky. On the afternoon of Friday, April 1, the team caravanned to the Racer Regatta in Murray. Joining us was the host team, Murray State, along with the University of Missouri, and Northwestern State University. Three of our own boats raced - the men's varsity, women's varsity, and men's novice.

The racecourse was a straight shot of just under 2000 meters that was composed of strong wind and some rough, choppy water. The



Photo by Emily Deichmann

men's varsity boat was overtaken by the Murray boat as they rowed through the windy midsection of the race, but our boat powered through it and managed to pass the Murray boat, pushing them to third place and earning second place for the Rhodes boat. The women's varsity rowed a steady race, finishing at a close second. The men's novice fought hard the entire race, moving up from

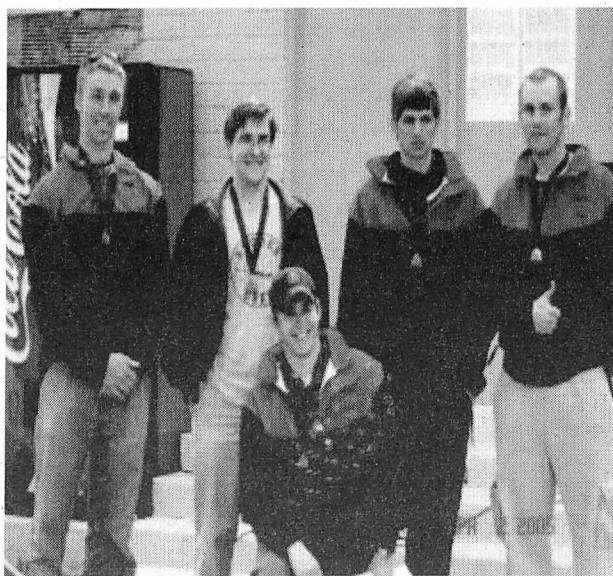


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the back, maintaining power, and crossing the finish line in second place. Each of the Rhodes boats finished the race in less than eight minutes. In the end, Rhodes Crew walked away with

three silver medals to their name.

The members of the men's varsity boat that participated in the Racer Regatta were Mills Ramsay ('05), Brice Blanton ('06), Paul Sinclair ('07), and Andrew Romeo ('06), coxed by James Die ('07). Emily Baldwin ('07), Tess Waechter ('07), Jayne Jackson ('08), and Laura Beth Minnich ('07), with Cori Anderson ('07) as coxswain, rowed the women's varsity boat. In the men's novice boat was Stephen H o w d e n ('07), David Six ('08), Ross D a w k i n s ('07), and E r r i c Schumacher ('08), coxed by Julie Pasch ('08).

April will prove to be a busy month for the crew team. Murray's Racer Regatta was the first of three in a row. On Saturday, April 9, we will head to Tuscaloosa, AL, and on Saturday and Sunday, April 16-17, we will compete in our biggest regatta, SIRA, in Oak Ridge, TN.

Lynx win inaugural golf tourney

By Harris Golden

The Lady Lynx got their first victory of the Spring Season with a win in Memphis at their own tournament. The women played solid golf and beat out golf rival Oglethorpe by a commanding 22 strokes. Rhodes shot a 371-379-750 to hold off Sewanee and Millsaps who finished third and fourth respectively. The tournament which took place on the Sunday and Monday following spring break was a complete success for the women's team and Coach Cochran who put the tournament together. Jen Hudson ('06) led the team to victory, taking first place individually. She got strong support from Kathryn Beale ('07), who finished third overall and Rachel Stuart ('07), who finished fourth. Mallory Pusch of Oglethorpe captured individual runner-up honors.

Coach Cochran was very pleased with how the tournament turned out and how well the women performed. He commented about the match: "It's always nice to get a win. I was proud of our team because they really hung-in-there in very cold and windy conditions, and the very firm and lightening fast greens at Windyke. I was also very please for Jen! She won her first individual collegiate golf victory. Now that she has that first win, I think there will be several more for her before she graduates." The women's golf program is off to a strong start and will be playing their next match on April 9 at Arkansas Tech.

Running Lynx compete at Wash-U

By Dan Schofer

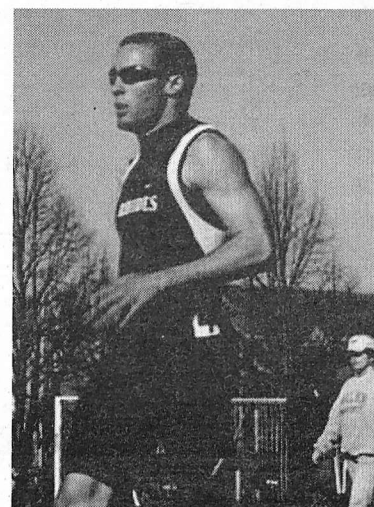


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The Rhodes men competed at the Washington University Invitational in St. Louis on Saturday. Co-captain Nick Campbell ('06) had the team's highest place finish at the meet, taking 7th in the 400 meter intermediate hurdles in 57.39. Campbell also placed 14th in the 110 meter high hurdles in 16.72 and teamed up with Jeff Freyder ('07), Leonard Hobson ('06), and Casey Conley ('06) to run 3:32.11 in the 4x400 meter relay, the squad's best time of the season. Conley ran his best time of the season in the 800, placing 21st in 2:01.58. John Harrison ('06) and Will Sheftall ('07) set lifetime bests in the 5,000 meter run, running 15:50.20 and 16:11.83 to place 19th and 29th, respectively. Will Pitts ('08) led the throwers by placing 16th in the javelin with a distance of 141' 9". Cody Haslett ('08) placed 34th in the hammer (115' 9") and 35th in the shot (39' 8"), while Jack Andrews ('08) placed 36th in the shot (39' 6").

The Lynx next compete April 9 when they host a 6-way meet in Memphis.