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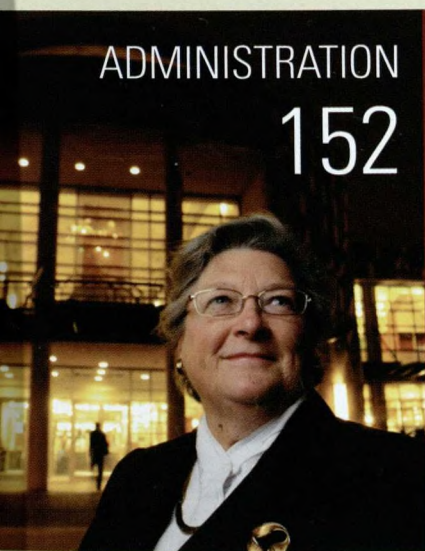
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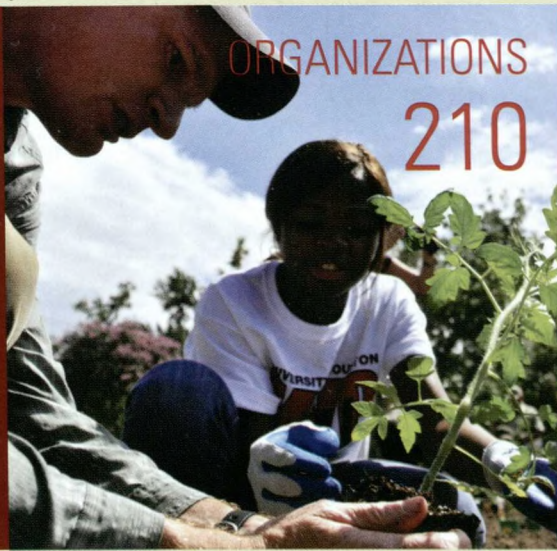
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By Darlene Campos

**T**HE UNIVERSITY'S PUSH FOR top-tier research status set the tone for UH President Renu Khator's fall and spring agenda.

Before a crowd of students, faculty, staff, regents, alumni and community members, Khator outlined UH's progress toward achieving its goal of flagship status during her fall address on Nov. 3 at Moores Opera House.

"Our goals are simple — education, innovation, and impact. In good times or in bad, we do not have the luxury of negotiating these goals," Khator, who took the helm as UH's 13th president and the System's eighth chancellor in January of 2009, said.

Khator recognized the passage of Proposition 4 as a major feat for higher education in Houston and an important step for UH's bid in becoming Texas' next flagship university along with University of

Texas in Austin, Texas A&M University in College Station and Rice University.

"That day was a defining moment for the city of Houston," she said. "That day was the day we began the most important stage on our journey toward tier one."

The amendment, which passed on Nov. 3, grants \$500 million to fund research at emerging public universities in Texas — a move Khator said would aid UH in its endeavor to compete on a national level.

While UH was one of only seven Texas universities eligible to receive Proposition 4 research funds, UH must still meet five out of the seven requirements before reaching flagship status. These criteria include the awarding of at least 200 doctorate degrees per academic year and garnering at least a \$400 million endowment. A university must meet these two priority requirements before receiving any sponsorship for research studies.

"Now that (Proposition 4) has passed we must start the hard work," she said.

"We must meet the criteria by the state Legislature to become a nationally competitive research university."

Along with increased research initiatives, UH will focus on ensuring students' academic success in the coming years. Although fall enrollment reached a record-breaking 37,000, Khator said a university's success depends heavily on the graduation rates of its students.

"On our quest to become tier one, we will be judged not just by how many students we enroll, but also by how many we graduate," she said.

To ensure the academic success of its students, the University will, in the coming years, work with high schools to ready students for four-year universities, secure private donations for student success and offer more efficient campus services.

Khator also stressed the scope of UH's innovative centers of learning and research. In its yearly Top American Research Universities report, the Center for Universi-



**"Our goals are simple — education, innovation, and impact. In good times or in bad, we do not have the luxury of negotiating these goals."**

— UH President Renu Khator

ty Performance recognized assistant professor of computer science Edgar Gabriel, assistant professor of chemistry Vassiliy Lubchenko, associate professor of chemistry Olafs Daugulis, associate professor of history Xiaoping Cong, and associate professor of communication Fred Schiff for outstanding research in their respective fields.

This fall, the UH System Board of Regents approved \$240 million in renovations and new construction projects that will expand centers for academic research and collaboration among the arts on campus. UH purchased 74 acres of land, creating the UH Energy Research Park and became an official member institution of the Texas Medical Center. With the help of UH's Phi Beta Kappa faculty, a proposal was submitted to establish a Phi Beta Kappa chapter in the Association of Research Libraries to allow UH to climb higher on the flagship ladder. ■

## UH TRADITIONS

Part of being a flagship institution means offering students a university in which its traditions are as rich as its education. Throughout the years UH has adopted many traditions including the singing of its Alma Mater and the Cougar Fight Song at football games. Here are the stories behind some of UH's oldest traditions.

### OFFICIAL COLORS

The official colors of UH are Scarlet and Albino White. The University adopted the colors in 1938 at the same time the UH seal was adopted. Scarlet symbolizes two things: the blood that is the life source of the soul and the actions of Sir Hugh, whose timely actions saved a royal bloodline — in other words, courage and perseverance. Albino White symbolizes the purity and perfections of a heart, mind and soul that is dedicated to faithful service; it also represents compassion and helping others.

### COUGAR MASCOT

The mascot of the University has been a cougar since 1927.

The mascot was selected by our then Professor John W. Bender. Coach Bender joined the faculty after having served as the Head Football Coach at Washington State University. During his tenure at Washington State, he became fond of the WSU mascot (a cougar). When he arrived here, the students were looking for a name for the student newspapers (the school's first extracurricular activity). He suggested that they call the newspaper the Cougar because of the grace, power and pride that the Cougar embodies. The name was unanimously agreed upon. From that time on, all University of Houston student groups and activities have been associated with Cougars. We may well be the only university in the U.S. to name its athletic teams after the student newspaper.



### UH SEAL

The Official Seal of arms of General Sam Houston, as handed down to him from noble ancestors. The simple escutcheon in the center of the seal consists of checkered chevrons denoting nobility, and three Martlets, gentle

Lowland birds symbolizing peace and deliverance. A winged hourglass is above the shield and surmounting this, the motto, "In Tempore" (In Time). Greyhounds were placed at the sides to indicate the speed in giving aid. The seal was adopted by UH in 1938 in conjunction with the construction of the campus. The first official version was placed on the floor of the Roy Cullen Building.

Source: [www.uh.edu](http://www.uh.edu)



# CLIMBING TO THE TOP

Record-setting quarterback Case Keenum leads 2009 UH football team to Associated Press Top 25

By Phillipe Craig

**W**HILE THE 2009 UH football team fell short of accomplishing its preseason goal of winning the Conference USA championship, it did succeed in reestablishing the Cougars' place on the national landscape and won over a new generation of fans along the way.

Led by second-year head coach Kevin Sumlin, record-setting junior quarterback Case Keenum and an array of potent weapons across the board, UH cracked the AP Top 25 for the first time since 1991 and spent the majority of the season there, climbing as high as No. 12.

Throughout their roller-coaster ride in 2009, the Cougars had one constant: a willingness to fight until the final whistle. That resolve would provide fans with several late-game heroics and memories to last a lifetime.

Coming off of their first bowl victory in 28 years, the Cougars entered 2009 looking to build on that success and test the limits of their high-powered offense. Week 1 gave fans an early glimpse of what was in store, as UH cruised to a 55-7 victory over Northwestern State behind 28 first-quarter points at Robertson Stadium. Keenum threw for 359 yards and four touchdowns, the first of several standout performances that elevated him into the Heisman Trophy discussion and the UH record books. Keenum would finish the season with a school-record 5,671 yards and 44 touchdowns.

The competition would get considerably stiffer the following week, as the Cougars traveled to Stillwater, Okla., to take on the then-No. 5 Oklahoma State Cowboys, who had throttled UH 56-37 the previous season. UH jumped out to an early lead,

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Heisman Trophy finalist Case Keenum looks to the crowd after UH's 50-43 victory over Southern Miss. | Justin Flores





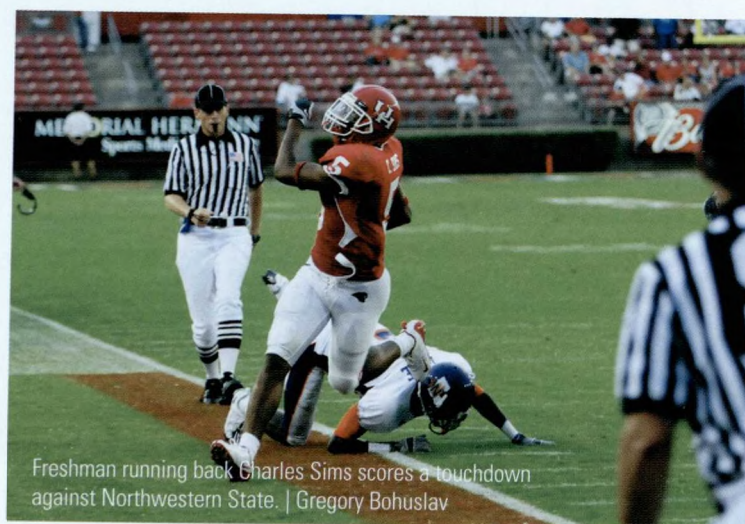
Junior quarterback Case Keenum throws a pass against Southern Miss. | Gregory Bohuslav

## COUGAR FOOTBALL 2009 SEASON IN REVIEW



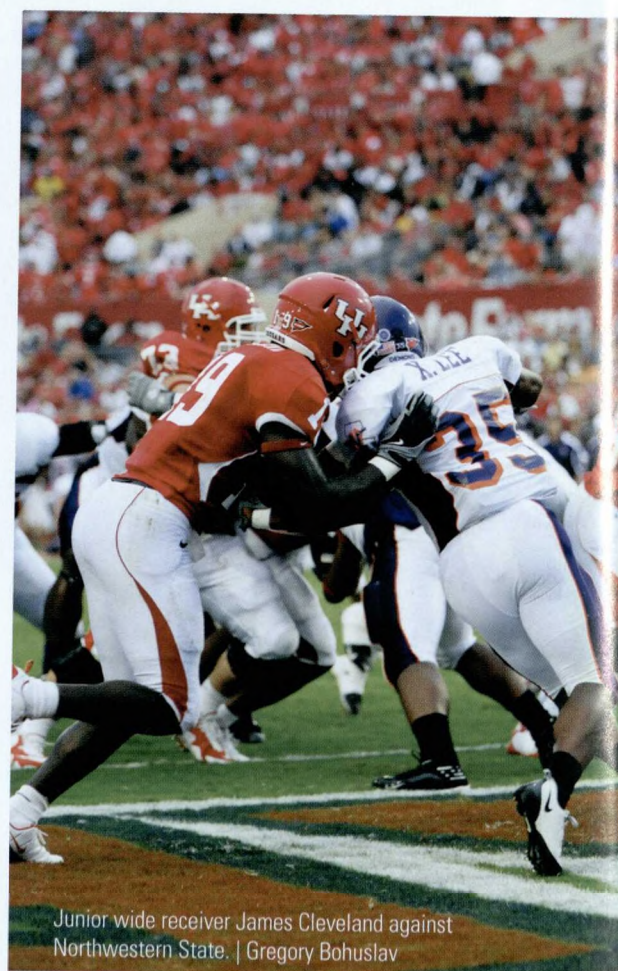
Freshman running back Charles Sims finds an opening during the Cougars' game against Southern Miss. | Gregory Bohuslav

**Wins 10 · Losses 4**  
**Upsets 1 · Plays 1,150**  
**Offensive yards gained by UH 7,887**  
**Offensive yards gained by opponents 6,318**  
**Interceptions 11**  
**Sacks 24**



Freshman running back Charles Sims scores a touchdown against Northwestern State. | Gregory Bohuslav

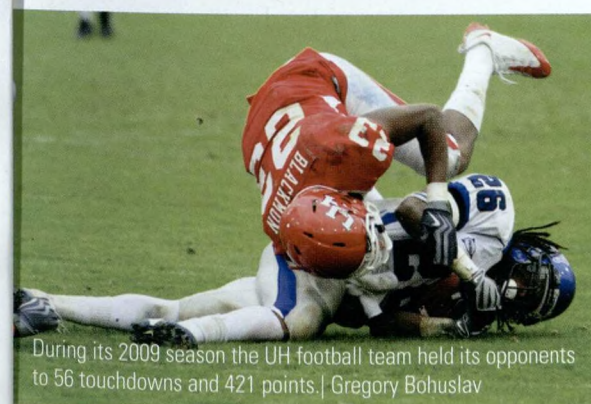
**Junior quarterback Case Keenum finishes the season with a school-record 5,671 yards and 44 touchdowns. The Cougars notch 77 touchdowns and 591 points for the season. UH holds its opponents to 56 touchdowns and 421 points.**



Junior wide receiver James Cleveland against Northwestern State. | Gregory Bohuslav



A Robertson Stadium record crowd of 32,114 turns out for the Cougars' 29-28 victory over Texas Tech. | Zuhair Siddiqui



During its 2009 season the UH football team held its opponents to 56 touchdowns and 421 points. | Gregory Bohuslav

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taking a 24-7 advantage in to the locker room at halftime, and this time made the most of it, shocking the Cowboys and the rest of the nation by escaping with a 45-35 win and their first national ranking in 18 years. The win was also the Cougars' first over a top-5 opponent since 1984, something not lost on Sumlin or his players.

"For us, as a program, this is a big win," Sumlin said. "It legitimizes our University. It legitimizes our program. That's more important to me than what's happened in the last hundred years."

The Cougars had to wait two weeks to defend their newfound No. 17 ranking, but the wait would be well worth it, as Keenum led a comeback for the ages against another Big 12 powerhouse, Texas Tech. Playing in front of a Robertson Stadium-record crowd of 32,114 and trailing the Red Raiders by five, Keenum drove the Cougars on an 16-play, 95-yard drive in the final minutes and capped the comeback by running for the game-winning touchdown from 4-yards out with 49 seconds remaining.

As fast as the Cougars' meteoric rise through the rankings was, their descent would be just a quick, as UH stumbled the following week at UTEP in its first C-USA game of the season. After UH jumped out to a 17-10 lead in the first half, UTEP responded with 14 unanswered points en route to outscoring the Cougars 48-24 the rest of the way to cap a 58-41 upset. The Cougars returned to Houston suddenly out of the Top-25 and looking to regroup from an early C-USA hole.

Sumlin did just that, refocusing his players and the Cougars responded, winning their next five contests, including a 31-24 win at Mississippi State the following week. The last two games of the streak involved more of the Cougars' late-game magic, with Keenum first hooking up with receiver Patrick Edwards for a 28-yard touchdown with 21 seconds remaining to top Southern Miss 50-43 and the following week leading a pair of scoring drives in the final 3:23 to top Tulsa on the road. The latter involved an onside kick with UH trailing the Golden Hurricane and only 20 seconds left in regulation. Keenum again saved his best for last, driving the Cougars to the Tulsa 34 with 3 seconds, setting up freshman kicker Matt Hogan's 51-yard field goal as time expired and a 46-45 win for UH.

The Cougars stumbled again the following week, falling 37-32 at Central Florida, but just as he did after their first hiccup, Sumlin rallied the Cougars to finish the regular season with blowout victories over Memphis and in-town rival Rice, claiming the C-USA West crown and setting up a matchup with East Carolina for the C-USA title and an invite to the Liberty Bowl.

Alas, it was not to be for UH, as their late-game theatrics went for naught and the Pirates used an interception in the end zone with 42 seconds remaining to preserve a 38-32 win and back-to-back C-USA titles. The Cougars' consolation prize was a rematch in the Armed Forces Bowl with 2008 opponent Air Force.


In a matchup of the nations' No. 1 passing offense and No. 1 passing defense, the Falcons prevailed behind a record six interceptions thrown by Keenum, and with the 47-20 defeat, the Cougars ended the season with their first set of consecutive losses all year.

Sumlin said after the game that he was still proud of his departing senior class and that he was looking forward to fulfilling the promise shown by underclassmen in 2010. ■

**“It legitimizes our university. It legitimizes our program. Anytime that you can go on the road and win and beat a top 10 team, it really helps your confidence as a program and it helps your pride as a university.”**

— UH head coach Kevin Sumlin





Theater senior Ciara Dockery and second-year MFA student Chris Egging take on the leading roles of Magenta and Riff-Raff in the UH School of Theatre and Dance's production of *The Rocky Horror Show*. | Photo courtesy of UH School of Theatre and Dance

# SEX, ALIENS & ROCK N' ROLL



(Right) Theater students storm the stage dressed in drag for production of UH's first full-scale musical in 20 years.

(Far right, top) Theater senior Hannah Alcron theater sophomore Greg Cote play Columbia an Eddie at Frank N. Furter's Castle.

| Photos courtesy of UH School of Theatre & Dance

## Theatre students make lasting impression with 'Rocky Horror' musical

by DARLENE CAMPOS

**W**HAT DO YOU GET WHEN YOU CROSS A transvestite with an alien? Ask anyone from UH's School of Theatre and Dance and they'll say a worldwide cult classic that can stand the test of time.

Richard O'Brien's 1974 theatrical production of *The Rocky Horror Picture Show* has remained a sensation among audiences for the span of nearly four decades. The School and Theatre and Dance's production of the musical, which ran from Oct. 23 through Nov. 1, was no exception.

The incandescence of red lipstick, black stiletto heels, vivacious movements and gripping fishnet stockings made opening night of the School of Theatre and Dance's *Rocky Horror Show* an unforgettable one.

The performance exuded absolute raunchiness, from punk rock music and dialogue drenched in sexual innuendo to a stage graced by men in drag and sultry females. Directed by Paul Hope, the production marks the school's first full-scale musical in 20 years.

Set in Transsexual, Transylvania, the play follows newly-engaged, all-American couple Brad (Kelly Burnett) and Janet (Jacklyn Collier) as they stumble upon the castle of transvestite and mad scientist Frank N. Furter (Bobby Labartino) and a slew of eccentric and overly erotic characters.

After one night with Frank N. Furter, the couple breaks from their repressed sexuality and absorb the antics of the castle's outlandish residents.

The performance remained true to its 1974 counterpart and invited an onslaught of audience participation. Audience members dressed in costume, yelled out comments and lines of dialogue and danced to the "Time Warp" along with the performers. 'Rocky Kits' that contained water guns, newspapers, noisemakers, party hats, bells, and playing cards — all props connected to certain scenes and songs during the show — were available to patrons of the UH Wortham Theatre.

Stated best in O'Brien's words, Rocky Horror is the most tantalizing way to 'give yourself over to absolute pleasure'. And the cast of UH School of Theatre and Dance's *Rocky Horror Show* definitely delivered. ■

(Right, middle) MFA student Bobby Labartino plays mad scientist and transvestite Frank N. Furter.

(Right, bottom) All-American couple Brad (Kelly Burnett) and Janet (Jacklyn Collier) find themselves transformed in Transsexual, Transylvania.

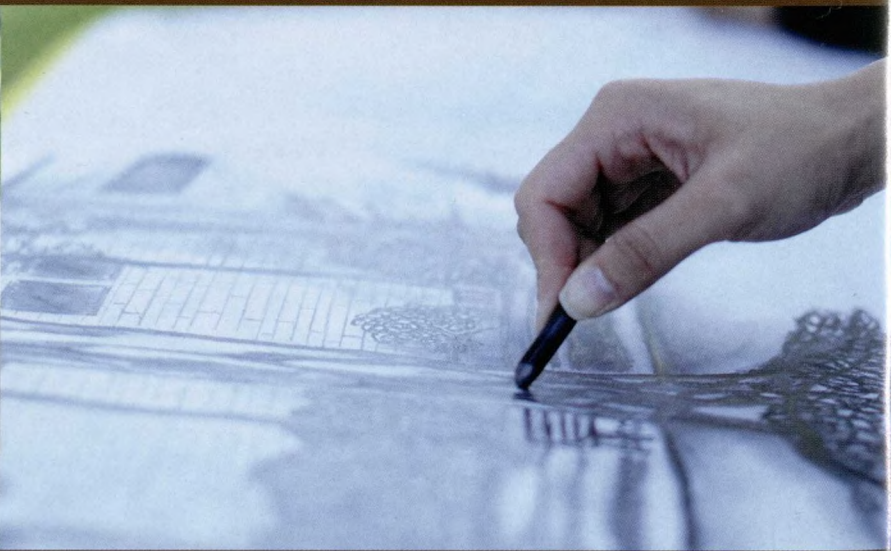
| Photos courtesy of UH School of Theatre & Dance

Never have I seen a busier, bustier, buttier, and better cast ensemble... UH has got a huge hit on its hands, considering the amazing student talent (as fine as any professional) that graces the Wortham Theatre's stage.

— BuzzBell, Arts Blogger for Houston Chronicle Commons



# FALL











The 10-story, 575,000 square-foot Calhoun Lofts, located at 4700 Calhoun Rd., houses an exercise room, a theater room and study lounges. | Daily Cougar file photo

## FIRST LOFTS OPEN AT UH

UH opens first graduate student housing facility, but fails to meet expected occupancy

The much-anticipated Calhoun Lofts opened on Aug. 5, with a reception that included speeches by UH President Renu Khator and Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee, D-Houston.

The original cost for the lofts was \$99 million but the final cost totaled \$107.8 million. Although the lofts were intended to house graduate and professional students, after facing major problems in marketing, the University opened the lofts to “mature students”— juniors and seniors.

Wes Good of Kirksey Architecture

said the design process for the 10-story, 575,000-square-foot building took nine months. Pepper-Lawson Construction began building Calhoun Lofts in Aug. 2007, and additional costs arose during the nearly two-year construction process.

Although the administrators and faculty expressed excitement about the new lofts, some students said they wished the administration had invested the money elsewhere.

“It’s probably an exceptional idea, but not at the right time,” political science sophomore Toni Howard said.



UH President Renu Khator joins Board of Regents Chairman Welcome Wilson, Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee, D-Houston, and former regent Lyndon Rose for the ceremonial ribbon cutting at Calhoun Lofts. | Yvette Davila





## NEVER IN SHORT SUPPLY

Volunteers gather in the Athletics/Alumni Center to organize items donated to Operation School Supplies from UH students, faculty and staff. In its 19th year, the program delivers items to more than 330 grade schools lacking adequate school supplies.  
| Voltaire Archelus





During the third week of August, roughly 4,000 new and returning student residents settle into the dormitories. | Photos by Andrew Evans

# RESIDENTS RUSH IN

Pillow? Check. Toothbrush? Check. Ramen? Check.  
Moving service? Oh well.







The Cougars refine their pre-game drill at the first scrimmage of training camp. | Voltaire Archelus



Football fans freeze for a photo at Fan Appreciation Day. | Voltaire Archelus

## FOR THE FANS

Cougars break from two-a-days to meet fans

UH football team head coach Kevin Sumlin and his players took time out from practice to meet their most ardent supporters at Fan Appreciation Day, held Aug. 17 at Robertson Stadium. After their 90-minute scrimmage, the players signed autographs and took pictures with the fans at the Tailgate Village pavilions, where the Cougar Dolls, the Spirit of Houston Marching Band, the UH Cheerleaders and Athletics Director Mack Rhoades greeted fans.



Offensive line Isaiah Thompson looks for a spot to put his John Hancock. | Voltaire Archelus





## STAFFERS LEND SENSE OF DIRECTION

WHEN THE FIRST days of fall roll around, one can bet that Cougar First Impressions volunteers will be ready to provide the best of directions to students new to the campus. Faculty and staff members turned out by the hundreds during the 11th annual event to distribute campus maps, pens, notebooks and refreshments to students at 19 campus locations.

Traversing the campus for the first time can be tricky. Luckily students new to the University can find that help is aplenty.  
| Newton Liu





Architecture freshman Alexander Kline gets straight to work in the studio. | Newton Liu

Music performance sophomore Moses Martinez finds a sweet spot outdoors to practice his tuba. | Yvette Davila



## OFF TO A GOOD START

STUDENTS FIND VARIOUS ways to pass the hours during their first days of classes. While some opt for an early start on class projects, others indulge in study breaks between lectures.

Painting sophomore Kimi Hernsberger and journalism sophomore Helen Tellegen enjoy time out of class with the help of a humorous mask. | Yvette Davila





# CAT'S BACK STIRS SPIRIT AT UC

IN AN EXPLOSION of raucous fanfare, The Cat's Back welcomed new and returning students into the academic year. The event offered students a mélange of diversions during the first week of classes, including the Cougars' first rally, sandcastle building and ice cream eating competitions, a student organization fair and free food.



(Top) The Spirit of Houston Cougar Marching Band leads students in Building the Pride, an event to foster to school spirit on campus. (Right) UH cheerleaders attempt to lift the crowd with a few cheers. (Far right) Cougar mascot Sasha shakes her tail to get the Cougar rally going.  
| Tony Nguyen



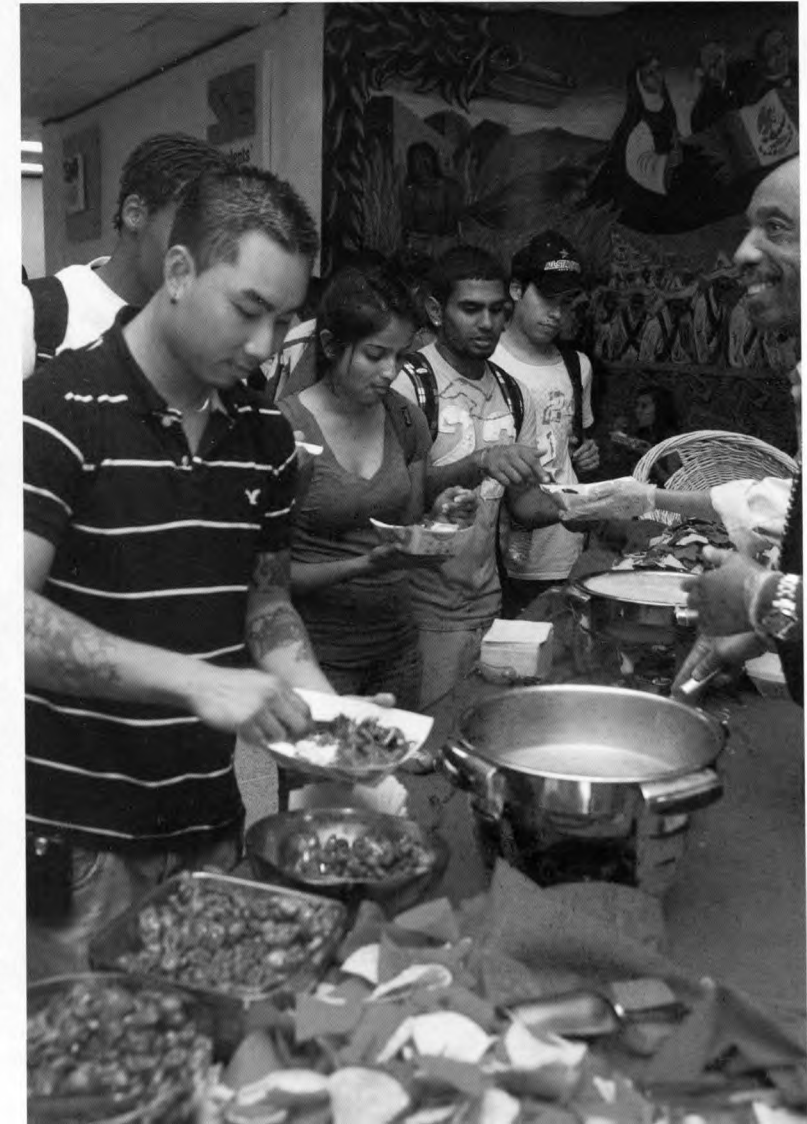


Sandcastle building was one of many competitions hosted at this year's Cat's Back event. Students vied against each other in other contests including Cougar Casino, radio controlled car driving and *Guitar Hero*. | Yvette Davila

# LET THE GAMES BEGIN

THE CAT'S BACK hosted a plethora of activities, from free bowling at the UC Games Room to an oxygen bar in the dining area. Local radio station, KRBE 104.1 FM played hits and comedians Steve Hoffstetter and Cleveland Jackson finished the night.

Mechanical engineering freshman Ian Doane tries his hand at football toss at the UC North Patio. | Yvette Davila



(Top) Students try to ring each other in a game of hula hoop ring toss at the UC Arbor. (Left) Students flood the Cougar Den for free nachos. | Tony Nguyen





(Left) Junior quarterback Case Keenum throws for 359 yards and four touchdowns during UH's win over the Northwestern State, ranking him fifth in the UH career books with 7,656 career passing yards. | Gregory Bohuslav



The Cougar's defense limits the Demons to 149 yards of offense during the first half their game at Robertson Stadium. | Gregory Bohuslav

**Coogs 55**  
**Demons 7**

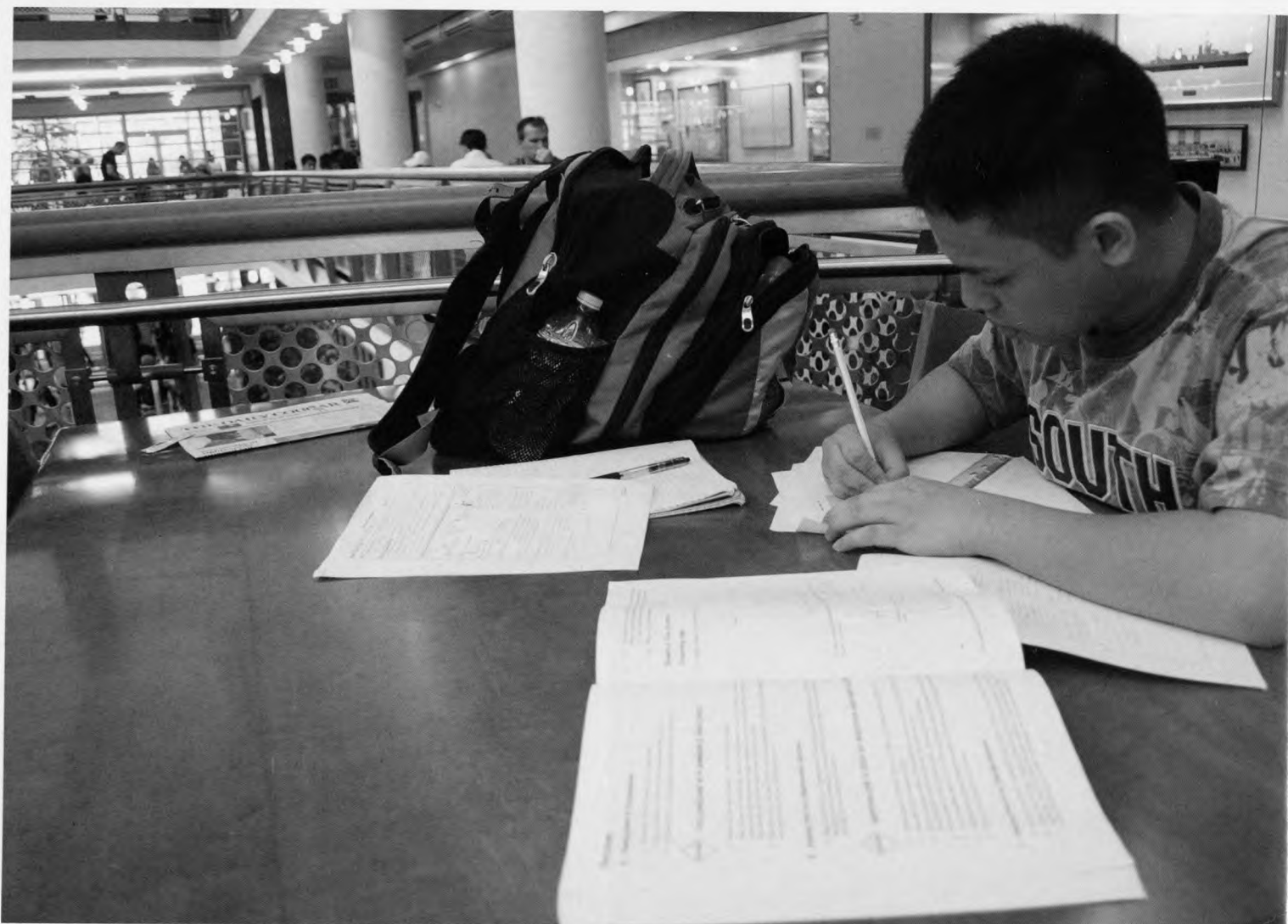


Freshman linebacker Jordan Mannisto records a new personal best of seven extra-point attempts during the Cougar's victory over Northwestern State. | Gregory Bohuslav



(Left) UH holds Northwestern State to a game total of 157 rushing yards and two touchdowns. | Gregory Bohuslav





Steven Oster

## BOOK LOAN RESTRICTION PUTS STUDENTS IN BIND

A change in the University's book loan policy left some students without required course texts well into their third week of classes. The new policy stipulated that University-issued book loan funds, issued to nearly 1,500 students this fall, would be available only at the campus Barnes & Noble.

Since the UH Bookstore failed to fill all required textbook orders by the start of the semester, some students had to wait up to three weeks for their books to be shipped.

When asked about UH's move to cut neighboring book vendor The

College Store out of the back-to-school book sales equation, UH Director of Financial Services Gene Gillis said the switch was more cost effective for the University.

"The cost benefits are just not there," he said.

Manager of The College Store Matthew Bublitz said the loan restriction cost the store between 400 and 500 of its student clientele. In an effort to alleviate the problem many students were facing because of Barnes & Noble's book shortage, The College Store proposed a 30-day deferred payment on its course texts.

### DISCUSSION ONLINE

**I'm sure Barnes & Noble offered something to sweeten the deal to the UH management for this monopoly contract, this policy is anti-democratic, bad public policy and making it harder on students to excel.**

-Taken from The Daily Cougar web comments from a Sept. 10 news article titled, "Some students still await books," user "Rob."



# OFFICIAL REPORTING DAY

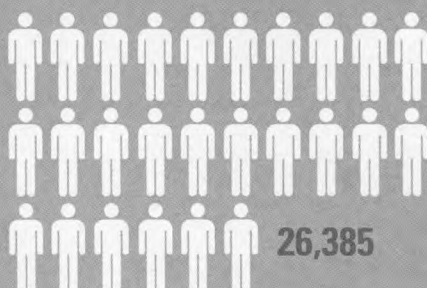
## UH enrolls record number of students

The UH-System enrolled a record-setting 61,000 students as of the Official Reporting Day, or 12th class day this fall. UH-Clear Lake, UH-Downtown and UH-Victoria posted enrollments of 7,663, 12,742 and 3,655, respectively. With 37,000 students, UH enrollment increased by 2.4 percent from last fall. This graph illustrates the break down of students by classification for fall 2008 and fall 2009.

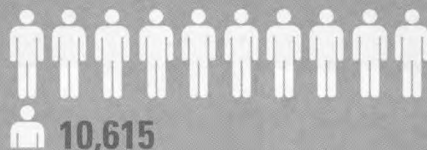
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**37,000 students**

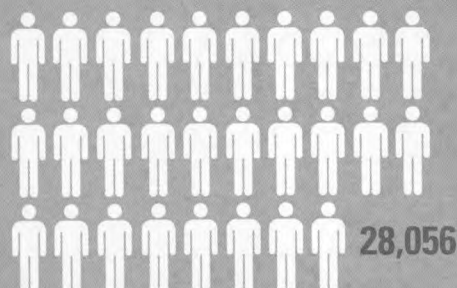
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Undergraduate



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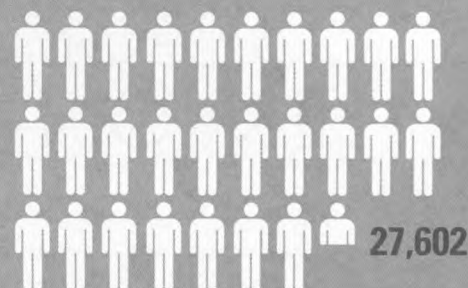
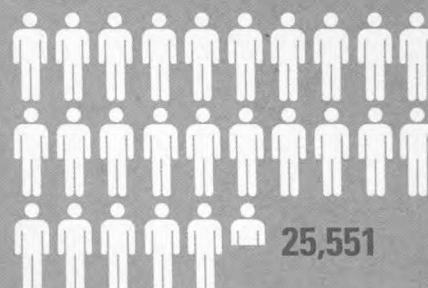


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### FALL 2008

**36,104 students**



Source: Office of Institutional Research

= 1,000 Students





The Moores School Symphony Orchestra performs an excerpt from *Don Juan* for the school's annual Collage. | Steven Oster

## COLLAGE 2009 STARTS YEAR ON HIGH NOTE

The Moores School of Music kicked off its concert season with the much-anticipated Collage 2009. The season opener featured ensemble performances from the UH Spirit of Houston Marching band, the UH Concert Chorale and Jazz Orchestra among others.

This year's medley showcased a rousing rendition of Phil Kelly's *The Refrigerator* performed by the MSM Jazz Orchestra. The piece was highly entertaining and was taken to new heights with a trumpet solo by Jazz Director Noe Marmolejo.

One of the main highlights of the evening was the world premiere of the mini-opera comedy *Review: A Satire, An Opera, A Party*. The mini-opera starred vocal performance alumni Steve Uliana and Andrew Papas, vocal performance graduate students Jennifer Noel and Jack Beetle and vocal performance senior Kristopher Herron. The mini-opera was filled with Seinfeld-style humor and included a reference to the popular television show *The Office* when Beetle's character exclaimed, "That's what she said."





Students looking to land that first out-of-college job swarm the Elizabeth D. Rockwell Pavilion. | Steven Oster



## ON THE PROWL

### Recession, job loss evokes job hunt frenzy

With Houston's economic recession and accompanying job loss looming over every soon-to-be graduate's head, students seize the opportunity to meet with recruiters from top corporations and Houston-area organizations. Every semester hundreds of students put their interviewing skills to the test in on-campus recruiting events and job fairs hosted by University Career Services.

Recent graduates and students come out of the woodwork to meet potential employers just around the corner.

| Steven Oster



# BRANDING UH

After 10 years, University adopts new image

By Darlene Campos

According to Khator's Fall Address in November 2009, UH is aiming to reach Tier One status. This goal has already presented some changes from our regular state of being. For example, UH must reach a higher graduation rate in order to become more prestigious. Another change coming along is the changing of the UH logo. Since we are a university to the city of Houston, the word 'Houston' will be highlighted in red to make the city name stand out. However, this does not mean that our traditional logo is going to disappear. The classic logo of U and H interlocking is going to be used solely for athletics since UH has already established a legacy in athletics.

Composition professor Will Donnelly says, "I like the logo we have now, but an updated one should help to show that the University of Houston is moving into the future as well. We have so many outstanding academic programs already. So, as long as we maintain them and continue to improve, we'll reach Tier One."

Undergraduate journalism major Patrick Levy says, "As UH continues to move closer to Tier One status, a new logo and brand will embrace and emphasize the core values and principals held dearly within the UH community. A strong alumni will only be further be strengthened by a renewed interest in how the school is perceived by others."

However, a change almost always brings negative and positive opinions. Raymundo Ruiz, an alum says that, "If

the logo is an evolution of the old one, then I'm fine with it. On the other hand, if it's a totally re-designed logo I totally disagree. As an alumni part of my connection to UH is the familiar logo. A different logo will result in a change of how I relate to the university."

UH is only making these changes to allow our university to become Tier One. The "Learning. Leading." Slogan is no longer needed. Since UH now has new ambitions, the old slogan will be updated to match these aims. The logo design was fashioned with help from the esteemed Fletcher Martin Communications Firm. The process took months of creative thinking, interviewing, and focus groups. Fletcher Martin suggested a logo image that calls attention to UH's strengths which is our massive diversity, our relationship with the city of Houston, our convenience, and entrepreneurialism. The slogan "You Are The Pride" is inspired by UH students. The accomplishments UH students make at or after UH provide the university with a sense of pride. Students create the ambience at UH while other universities in Texas have their uniqueness relying only on the university's success itself, not on the success of the students.

UH is slowly bringing out the new logo meaning that materials with the old logo can still be used among college and departments. New business cards and stationary are currently being printed and should be circulating by the end of fall 2010. Shasta, the cougar

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mascot will no longer be visible as often as before. Cougars might not appear in University Relations since UH is going to begin to center around students, faculty members, and alumni. There is also no rush to use the new logo. Little by little, the change will take place. Colleges and departments may choose to utilize the new logo when they are ready for it.

**“If the logo is an evolution of the old one, then I’m fine with it. On the other hand, if it’s a totally re-designed logo I totally disagree. As an alumni part of my connection to UH is the familiar logo. A different logo will result in a change of how I relate to the university.”**

-Raymundo Ruiz, UH alumnus

“Of course UH can reach Tier 1 status. We have the students, resources, and support from the city to make it happen. The question should be do we have to sacrifice our mission and core values to get there? If UH can stick to its mission while simultaneously Tier 1 status, we can be one of the premier universities in the country,” said Ruiz. “I know UH can reach Tier One status. With the need for specialized research growing every day, Cougars will prove to state officials and to themselves that they possess the skills and knowledge that is required with such an accomplishment. However, this calls for a revision in admission requirements,

which will likely raise standards of acceptance,” said Levy.

With such optimism from faculty, students, and alumni, UH can definitely reach Tier One status. The changes are for the better.

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# ONE BIG WIN

Cougars defeat AP No. 5 Oklahoma State

By Phillipe Craig

Entering the second week of the 2009 football season, the stage was set for the Cougars to accomplish something they had not done in nearly a quarter of a century — beat a top-5 opponent on the road. The last time they emerged from a top-5 opponent's stadium with a win was Nov. 10, 1984, when they knocked off then-No. 2 Texas.

Their opponent this time was Oklahoma State, another former member of the Southwest Conference, so the game would have added tie-ins. Most prognosticators believed it would be the only sure loss of the Cougars non-conference schedule and with good reason.

The Cowboys had all the perceived momentum heading into the game: home-field advantage, a convincing victory the previous week over then-No. 13 Georgia and a roster of heavily recruited athletes destined for NFL glory. What those experts failed to consider was the Cougars' focus and the resolve of their leaders, head coach Kevin Sumlin and junior quarterback Case Keenum, and the abilities of their often-underappreciated defense.

Much like the previous season's game against OSU, the Cougars built a halftime lead, taking a 24-7 advantage into the locker room. The Cowboys came back for the second-half with a vengeance, reeling off 21 consecutive points to take a 28-24 lead with 3:48 left in the third quarter.

But unlike their previous matchup, a 56-37 win by the Cowboys, the Cougars were unfazed by the sudden turnaround and stayed focused enough to pull off the stunning upset. Stunning, that is, to everyone except for those in the UH locker room.

After the teams exchanged touchdowns to put the score at 35-31 in the Cowboys' favor, Keenum found running back Bryce Beall for a 6-yard touchdown on the fourth down to give the Cougars a 38-35 lead with 6:42 remaining. Cornerback Jamal Robinson picked off a pass from OSU quarterback Zac Robinson and took it 26 yards to seal the final score and 45-35 victory for UH.

What ensued in the weeks after was a degree of excitement and optimism unseen on campus since before many members of the current roster were born. Fans were waiting for the team upon their return from Stillwater, Okla. and the campus was undulated in a sea of all things Cougar.

Along with beating a top-5 opponent on the road for the first time in 25 years, the Cougars found themselves somewhere they hadn't been since 1991 with an Associated Press ranking at No. 21. With the win coming so early in the season the tone of the season changed for many fans, but not the players and coaches.

"Being (ranked) is just another title," center Carl Barnett said. "We want to see where we are at the end of the year." ■

Junior quarterback Case Keenum rallies his team to turn a 28-24 shortcoming into a 45-35 win over No. 5 Oklahoma State. The Cougars' performance marked the first UH victory against a top-5 team on the road since 1984. | Daily Cougar file photo



# A DAY'S WORK

## ON SITE AT WHEELER HOUSING COMPLEX

Construction for the Wheeler housing facility is under way. Houstonian photographer Steven Oster is on site as workers move forward with the roofing phase of the structure. Contracted to Hardin Construction Company, the seven-story, 300,000-square-foot residence hall will be the first campus building intended to house exclusively freshmen since 1970.



Photos by Steven Oster















Photos by Steven Oster

## PROJECT SCHEDULE

Construction for the \$50 million freshmen housing project is slated to be complete by fall 2010.

Site paving and utility demolition	25 days
Site utilities	35 days
Pavement and curb	60 days
Site sidewalks	20 days
Backfill with topsoil	25 days
Landscape and irrigation	50 days
Utility tunnel	120 days
Structure foundations	65 days
Structure tunnel forms	108 days
Precast	62 days
Roofing	74 days
Windows and storefront	155 days
Elevators	175 days
Building interiors	216 days

Source: Plant Operations





The student ticket line for the UH vs. Texas Tech game began at the Athletics/Alumni Center and continued around the main façade of Garrison Gymnasium. | Steven Oster

A traffic sign on Cullen Boulevard announces news of the sold-out UH vs. Texas Tech match-up. Tickets to the game sold out in a less than three hours. | Justin Flores

# STUDENTS BANK ON GAME DAY TICKETS

Shortly after the Cougars' victory over a top-5 opponent, students found themselves paying up to \$200 a ticket for the Sept. 26 UH versus Texas Tech football match-up.

The Athletics Department released 1,500 student guest tickets on Sep. 21 for \$20 apiece and by 10 a.m. that morning the tickets were sold out. Some students seized the opportunity to make a profit and began selling the tickets for five times what they had paid at the box office.

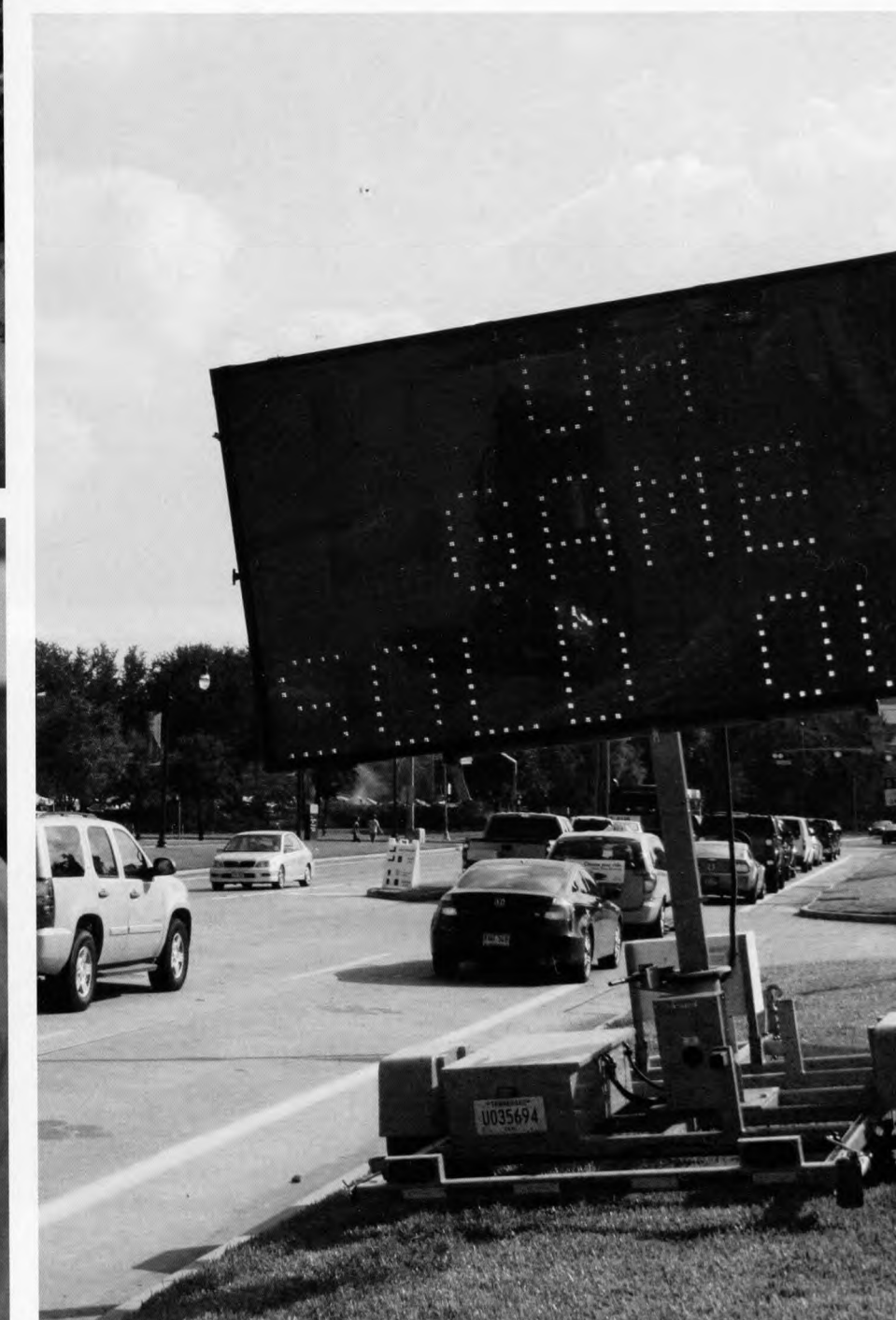
Kinesiology junior Ron Washington, sold two of his extra tickets for \$150 and said after

the grueling wait he did not feel bad for reselling his tickets at that price.

"The price may seem a little steep, but the way I see it they're just going to go up the longer they wait," Washington said. "They can either pay to see it in person or they can watch it on ESPN2. I stood in line for five hours. I've been going to UH for two years, paying for tuition and books, and if UH was in my shoes they would do the same thing."

The Cougars ended up beating the Red Raiders in front of a sold out crowd at Robertson Stadium by a score of 29-28.

Communication sophomore Alfredo Trevino, who arrived at the Athletics/Alumni Center at 4 a.m., waited just under four hours for his tickets. | Steven Oster







# UH TAKES WIN OVER TEXAS TECH

By Matthew Keever

When the Red Raiders came to town, Robertson Stadium was filled to the brim with 32,114 fans in the stands, a school attendance record. Entering the fourth quarter, UH trailed the Red Raiders 28-23. The Cougar defense successfully held Tech to a goal line stand, thwarting the Red Raiders from extending their lead. Eventually, Houston had the ball at its own 5 yard line with 5:47 remaining in the game. UH needed a touchdown for the lead but needed to be careful not to give the ball back to Tech with much time left on the clock.

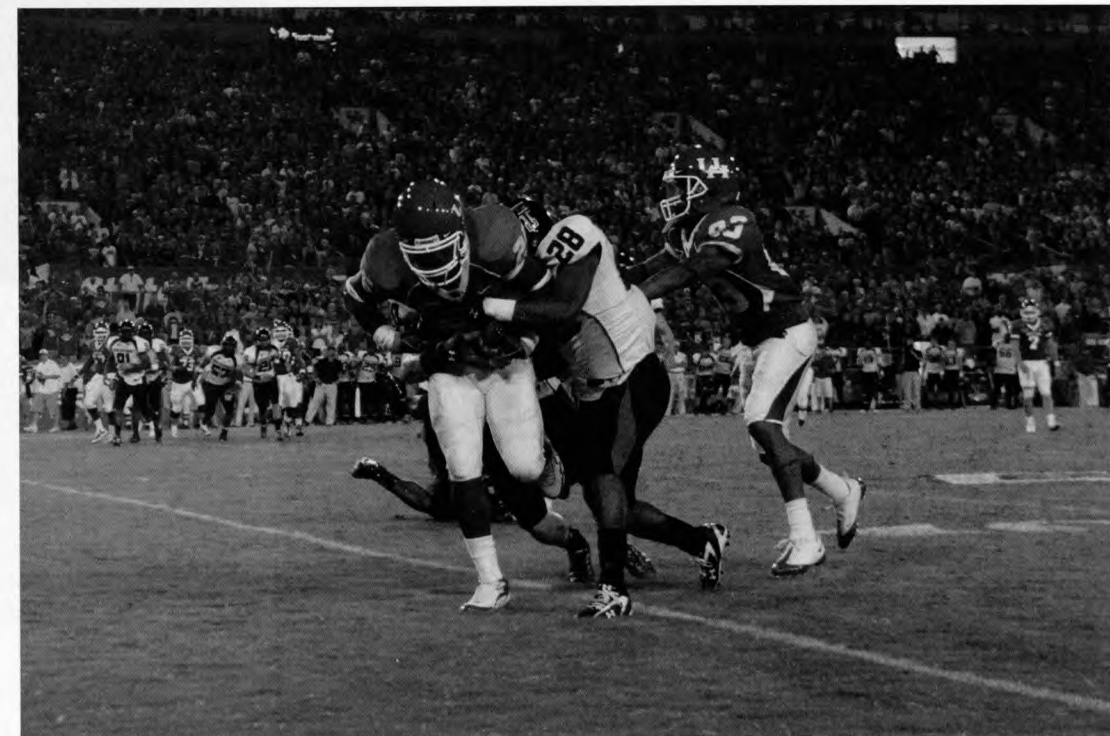
After a one-yard touchdown by Keenum, the Red Raiders got the ball back but failed to capitalize on the opportunity, giving UH a 29-28 victory.

As if the game wasn't exciting enough, afterwards Cougar fans rushed the field and, in the excitement and disarray of it all, three UH helmets went missing and, via his Twitter, Coach Kevin Sumlin requested them back: "Saturday night was fun, but it will be hard for three of our guys to play this week without their helmets. Please return, no questions asked."

The helmets were eventually returned to Sumlin.

In front of a Robertson Stadium record crowd of 32,114, UH rallies for a comeback against Big 12 powerhouse Texas Tech. | Justin Flores

Cougar mascot Sasha pleads with fans for a ticket to the sold-out game. | Justin Flores



Their win over Texas Tech propelled the then-No. 17 Cougars to 3-0 on the season. | Justin Flores



# THE FALLING IS THE RAIN

NOT EVEN HOURS of mid-October rain keeps UH students from attending classes.



To keep from getting drenched, students come to campus prepared. | Newton Liu



Some students take advantage of UH shuttles, which bus students from exterior parking lots to the campus thoroughfares. | Newton Liu



Pharmacy freshman Amanda Carranza (left) and biology freshman Jenny Villarreal (right) brave the downpour to get to class. | Steven Oster





Jay Giroux, an MFA student at the School of Art, makes illustrated silkscreen T-shirts at the first UH Arts Open House. | Voltaire Archelus

One of my goals as an artist is to share my vision with other people. My experience with the University of Houston graduate program provides a platform and support to help me realize this goal. The faculty and staff have and continue to make this an experience I will never forget.

-Jay Giroux, painting MFA student

## ARTISTS SET UP SHOP FOR OPEN HOUSE

WITH THE HELP OF A GRANT from the Cynthia Woods Mitchell Center for the Arts, painting MFA students Jay Giroux, Jeremy Deprez and Sebastian Forray were able to make and give away 50 graphic T-shirts in two hours at UH's first Arts Open House. On-site silkscreen printing was one of a variety of activities hosted Oct. 1 at the Arts Quadrangle. The School of Theatre & Dance engaged the community with a costume and stage prop "petting zoo" and art student David Graeve displayed works of inflatable sculptures.





## EMPTY SPACES STILL A RARITY

THE UNIVERSITY'S ENROLLMENT topped off at a record-setting 37,000 this fall and by October students have found that parking spaces are still hard to come by. Traffic congestion clogs up the campus' main entrances by the early morning hours and usually doesn't die down until late in the afternoon. The opening of the East End Parking Garage, slated for November, can't come soon enough. | Yvette Davila





## Former staff members recall glory days

We loved nothing more than causing great consternation for the chancellor, the president and the regents. In the early 1990s, a battle raged to eliminate the "system," and we at The Daily Cougar helped lead the charge. ... Things got so hairy back then that there accusations that someone had tapped into my university email while I was the editor. There are also veiled threats from administrators about what would happen if we didn't back off.

— Tanya Eiserer, Cougar news staff 1991-1994

My true passion for working for the Daily Cougar was evident my last semester at UH. That semester I took nine credit hours through distance education because I started a full-time job at a newspaper 160 miles away from Houston. I moved into a new city and worked Tuesday through Saturday. I would drive to Houston Sunday mornings and spend the entire day at the Daily Cougar on Mondays so I could at least get one story in per week.

— Miriam Garcia, Cougar news staff 1998-2001

I don't recall his name, but one morning during the spring of 1974 a doctoral student shot his professor, then turned the gun on himself. I was the only one on campus who got pictures of the victims..they were shown on the local TV, plus got picked up by the wire services.

— Ed Lawrence, Cougar news staff, 1974-1975

I loved working for Student Publications! One thing I remember specifically was when they changed someone's job title from "Managing Editor" to "Barely Managing Editor" .... Yikes!

— Angie Gross, Cougar production/composing staff, 1989-1992

So, it's 1967 and my first day at UH. I waltz into the Houstonian office, bold as brass and tell the editor, Linda Calloway, that I'd like her job someday. Why she hired such an arrogant little snit I'll never know, but for the next three years, yearbook deadlines were far dearer to me than boyfriends, booze and books.

— Judy Beust Harrington, Houstonian Editor, 1970

Painfully shy, I showed up for my tryout and a gruff news editor, Gloria Smith, handed me a flyer for the Tutorial Project, told me to go to the UC and get a story. I was petrified to approach the total strangers at the Tutorial Project table, but was more scared of Gloria, who looked like she could chew the ass off an elephant if you didn't deliver copy on time. I meekly introduced myself to the Tutorial boys and as soon as they heard "Daily Cougar" they were pulling out a chair in welcome. It was the last shy moment I ever had.

— Joan Duffy, Cougar news staff 1970-1973

I learned really quick that if you did not mind minimal pay, working long hours, a high turn over of staff, unexpected problems, critics, lack of sleep, living off of food from a vending machine and ever changing deadlines, then a career at a newspaper should be avoided. But more importantly, I got a true taste of what working at a free press is all about and what power a printed medium of newsprint has.

— Shane Schiermeier, Cougar news and production staffs, 1994-1997

## 75 years of student-run journalism



1938 Cougar staff



1946 Houstonian editor,  
June Williams



1955 Cougar staff



1965 Cougar editor,  
Oscar Gutierrez



# STUDENT PUBLICATIONS REACH 75-YEAR MILESTONE

Student newspaper and yearbook celebrate 75 years of publication for the University, bring alumni together

Fall 2009 Editor in Chief Ronnie Turner said the Cougar will continue to produce skilled journalists for a long time to come. | Gregory Bohuslav



More than 100 former and present Student Publication staffers filled the Elizabeth D. Rockwell Pavilion to commemorate the department on 75 years. | Gregory Bohuslav



Board of Regents Chairman Welcome Wilson was the keynote speaker for the night's festivities, recalling his days as ad manager for the yearbook and newspaper in the late 1940s. | Gregory Bohuslav

Current and former Daily Cougar and Houstonian staff members mingled and shared stories in the M.D. Anderson Library's Rockwell Pavilion on Oct. 15, 2009. The reception included presentations of awards, including proclamations from the City of Houston and the Texas Senate recognizing The Daily Cougar's history of service. Oct. 5, 2009 was declared "Daily Cougar Day" by Mayor Bill White.



1976 Houstonian staff



1983 Cougar staff



1992 Cougar staff



2007 Houstonian staff



At Paint the UC,  
student groups  
create their own  
renditions of  
Cougar mascot  
Shasta. | Gabriel  
Pastrano



## 'EYES ON THE PRIDE'

The Homecoming season awoke with the theme 'Eyes on the Pride' for 2009. Painting of the University Center, tailgating, ceremonies and theater performances were just a few of the vivacious activities that sparked a blaze of spirit on campus the week of homecoming.

Students find a sweet spot to camp out at the Robertson Stadium parking grounds. | Gabriel Pastrano



(top) Tailgaters enjoy a round of beer pong before the UH vs. SMU homecoming matchup. (left) Student groups play Picasso and paint the UC for homecoming. | Photos by Gabriel Pastrano





After a victory over Tulane, the Cougars charge John O'Quinn field to commence their homecoming game against SMU. | Gregory Bohuslav

UH football brushes past the Mustangs to move to 6-1 for the season. The win propelled the Cougars to their best season start since their 8-0 record in 1990. | Gregory Bohuslav



Coogs	38
Mustangs	15



Homecoming king and queen Luke Evans and Nichole Sopko pose mid-field with UH President Renu Khator and her husband Suresh during half-time. | Gregory Bohuslav



Captain America reveals he's not only a hero but also a muscular euphoniumist for the UH Spirit of Houston Marching Band. | Justin Flores

# HALLOWEEN AT HALF TIME

THE UH SPIRIT OF HOUSTON Marching used their UH vs. SMU Halloween day half time to make a statement on the field. Some band members chose to become action heroes or cartoon characters for a day while others opted to dress up as contemporary presidential figures to provide the musical backdrop for the Cougar Dolls' dance rendition of Michael Jackson's *Thriller*.



Trumpeters of the UH Spirit of Houston Marching Band sound off as former U.S. President George W. Bush and President Barack Obama. | Photos by Justin Flores





# IN TRANSITION

BEHIND THE SCENES OF 'ROCKY HORROR'







Houstonian photographer Steven Oster captures theatre senior Ciara Dockery (far left) and second-year theatre MFA student Chris Egging as they transform themselves into the characters of Magenta and Riff-Raff one last time. Hair, makeup and costume design played a heavy role in bringing their outlandish stage personas to fruition in UH School of Theatre & Dance Director Paul Hope's rendition of the 1975 cult classic *The Rocky Horror Picture Show*. The show, which ran from Oct. 23 through Nov. 1, marked the first fully staged musical to be included in the school's performance season in more than a decade.







# GREEN UH DAY

Campus community makes effort to go green

By Darlene Campos

On Nov. 5, the second annual Green UH Day was held at the University Center and the Lynn Eusan Park. The day was devoted to spreading awareness on how to recycle, improve air quality and help the environment. The event culminated in the launch of a weather balloon in front of the Ezekiel W. Cullen Building.

"We're trying to raise awareness about going green on the UH campus," Maria Honey, marketing manager for University Services, said. "The most interesting part of Green UH Day would probably be the weather balloon. What the weather balloon is going to do is measure the air quality. We're trying to see if our efforts in recycling and pollution reduction have made a

difference in our carbon footprint. We're gathering data today to see if in 2029 our air quality has improved."

The Environmental Club provided guests with flowers planted in biodegradable pots.

"You don't even have to take (the flowers) out of the pots. The pots will go right back into the earth," biology senior Scott Allen said.

"This year, (Green UH Day) has evolved into a much bigger event because we are celebrating the successes that were started last year," Assistant Vice President for University Services Emily Messa said. "Green UH Day began last year to kick off the University's conversation on being green. The event was launched and successful due to contributions by many at UH."

UH Information Technology Services shared ways on how to properly recycle and how to save on power usage.

"One of the easiest things you can do with your computer is changing your power option. Just look on your control panel, click on power options and see which option works best for you. And if you're not using your computer, simply shut it off," Steve Arnold, an Information Technology staff member, said. "If you have scrap electronics, please dispose of them properly. The City of Houston has three locations that accept electronic recycling such as VCRs, computers, monitors and cell phones. It is free of charge for Houston residents."

Simple changes to our lifestyles benefit the environment around us and most of all, the city we call home. ■

(top) A student participates in papier mâché bowling at Lynn Eusan Park for Green UH Day.  
| Yulia Kutsenkova



(right) Members of the Environmental Club at UH plant seeds in biodegradable containers.  
| Yulia Kutsenkova







Atmospheric Sciences students launch a weather balloon to test the percentage of pollution in the ozone. The balloon launch, sponsored by the UH Environmental Club and Engineers Without Borders, will help the department determine whether Houston's air quality will improve by 2029. | Photos by Steven Oster







The East Parking Garage is one of several parking garages slated to alleviate the parking shortage at UH. | Newton Liu

## WIDE OPEN SPACES

With enrollment on the rise the need for more parking spaces on campus is ever present. The Nov. 11 grand opening of the East Parking Garage marked a big step in UH's masterplan to relieve the parking shortage caused by major campus construction projects including the Bauer College of Business' Cemo Hall and residential projects such as the undergraduate housing facility and Calhoun Lofts.



The new garage provides 1,500 parking spaces at the east edge of campus, servicing the College of Business, the Law Center and Calhoun Lofts.  
| Newton Liu



# KHATOR SETS QUEST FOR 'TIER ONE'

The University's push for top-tier research status set the tone of UH President Renu Khator's State of the University Address. Students, faculty, staff, regents, alumni and community members filled Moores Opera House as Khator outlined UH's progress toward achieving its goal.

"Our goals are simple — education, innovation and impact. In good times or in bad, we do not have the luxury of negotiating these goals," said Khator, who took the helm as UH's 13th president and the System's eighth chancellor in January 2008.

Khator recognized the passage of Proposition 4 as a major feat for higher education in Houston and an important step for UH's bid in becoming Texas' next flagship university.

"That day was a defining moment for the city of Houston," she said. "That day was the day we began the most important stage on our journey toward Tier One."

The amendment, which passed on Nov. 3, grants \$500 million to fund research at emerging public universities in Texas — a move Khator said would aid UH in its endeavor to compete on a national level.

"Now that (Proposition 4) has passed we must start the hard work," she said. "We must meet the criteria by the state Legislature to become a nationally competitive research university."

Along with increased research initiatives, UH will focus on ensuring students' academic success in the coming years. Although fall's enrollment reached a record-breaking 37,000, Khator said a university's success relies most heavily on the graduation rates of its students.

"On our quest to become Tier One, we will be judged not just by how many students we enroll, but also by how many we graduate," she said.

To ensure the academic success of its students, the University will work in the coming years to prepare high school students for four-year universities, secure private donations for student success and offer more efficient campus services. ■

**"On our quest to become Tier One, we will be judged not just by how many students we enroll, but also by how many we graduate."**

-UH President Renu Khator

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UH President Renu Khator discusses her goals for the University during her fall address on Nov. 11 at the Moores Opera House. | Steven Oster





Members of the UH Student Feminist Organization say a ban on abortion is not the answer. | Newton Liu



Outside M.D. Anderson Library, Pro-Life Cougars set up an exhibition juxtaposing images of aborted fetuses with images genocide. | Steven Oster

## FREE SPEECH STRIKES DEBATE

ON NOV. 18 MEMBERS of the Pro-Life Cougars student organization posted an anti-abortion exhibition outside of the M.D. Anderson Library as an attempt to indoctrinate the UH community with their belief that abortion is the same genocide.

As part of the Genocide Awareness Project, the group displayed photos

of aborted fetuses next to images of Ku Klux Klan hangings, victims of the Holocaust, violence in African towns and animal testing.

The exhibition turned into a heated debate as passers-by reacted to the exhibition, making pro-choice signs and voicing their opinions that a woman has the right to choose.



(top) As part of *The Genocide Awareness Project*, the Pro-Life Cougars inform students of their belief that abortion mimics other forms of genocide. | Newton Liu



(left) Passers-by react to the anti-abortion protest with impromptu signs promoting a woman's right to choose. | Steven Oster



# FALL COMMENCEMENT





A congregation of UH administrators, professors and alumni gathers at Hofheinz Pavilion to bid the graduating class adieu. The commencement marked the first universitywide graduation ceremony in several years. Graduating classes included students from the C. T. Bauer College of Business, the Conrad N. Hilton College of Hotel and Restaurant Management, the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences, the Cullen College of Engineering, the College of Technology and the College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics.  
| Photos by Alan Garcia





# CAMPUS BEAT











## SILHOUETTES

Credits: (top) Steven Oster, (bottom) Newton Liu, (right) Yvette Davila





## WHEN THE DAY IS DONE

Credits: (top and bottom) Gabriel Pastrano, (right) Newton Liu





# SATURDAY NIGHT LIGHTS

Photos by Newton Liu

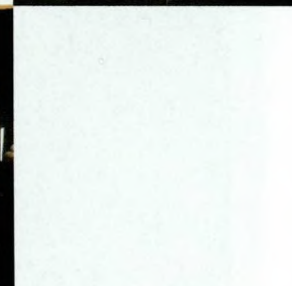
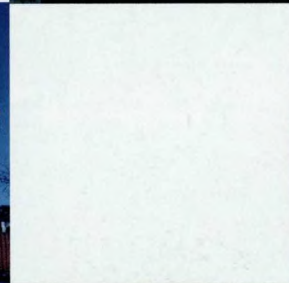
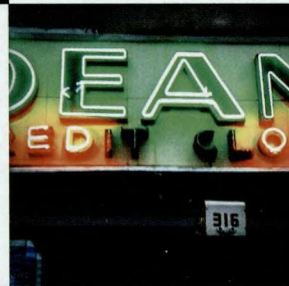


# STATIONARY

A LOOK  
AT THE CITY









# HOUSTON STREETSCAPES

The expansion of Metro's light rail will, in the coming years, reshape Houstonian's view of the city with mass transit corridors slated to run through Houston's Third Ward, East End and north-west neighborhoods. Here's a look at the city in 2010 through the lens of Houstonian photographer Newton Liu.

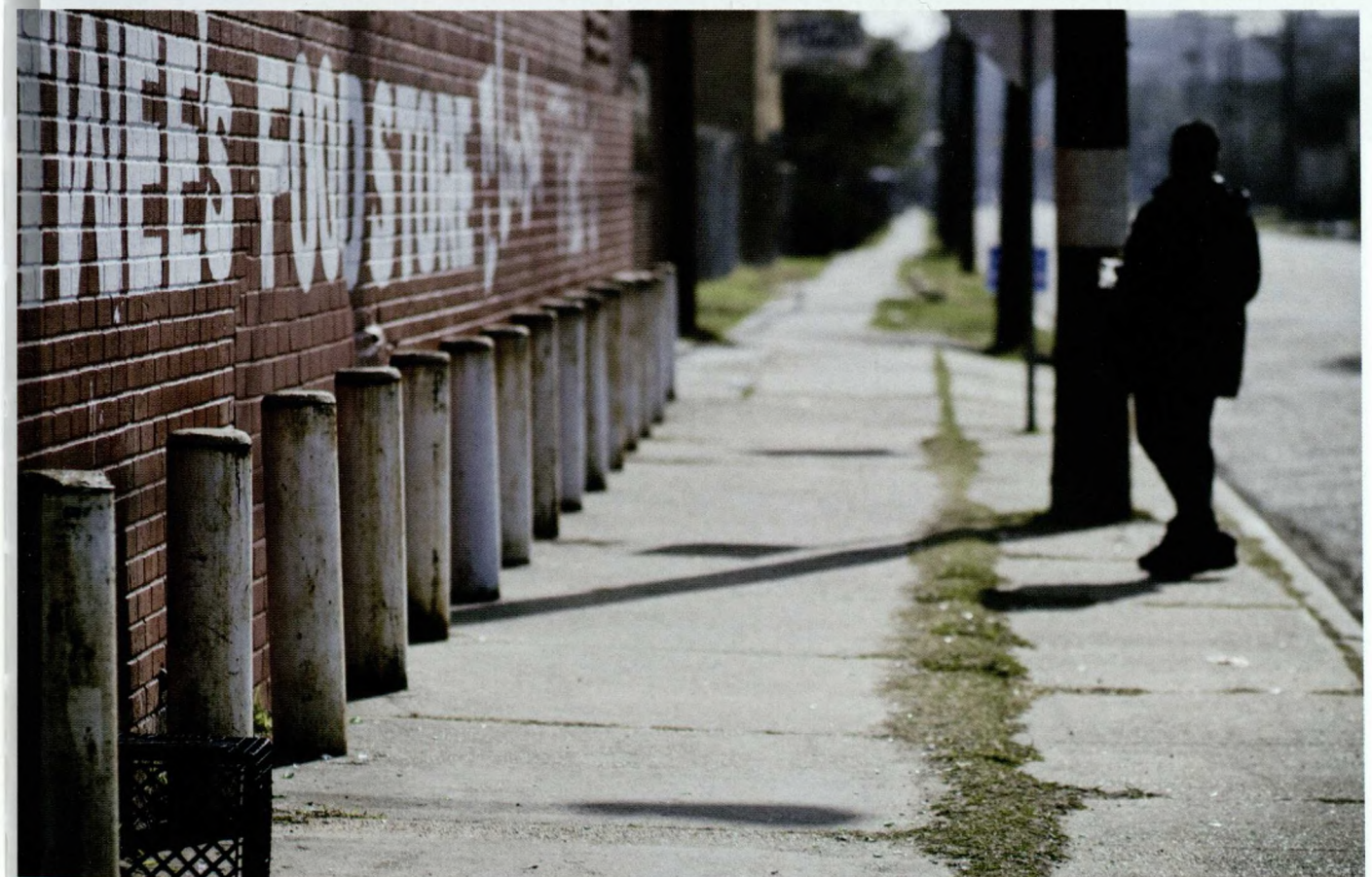


(top) Multicolored shotgun houses line the streets of Third Ward.

(left) Discovery Green park, 1500 McKinney Ave.

(right) Turned milk crate at Twee's Food Store, Holman and Sampson.

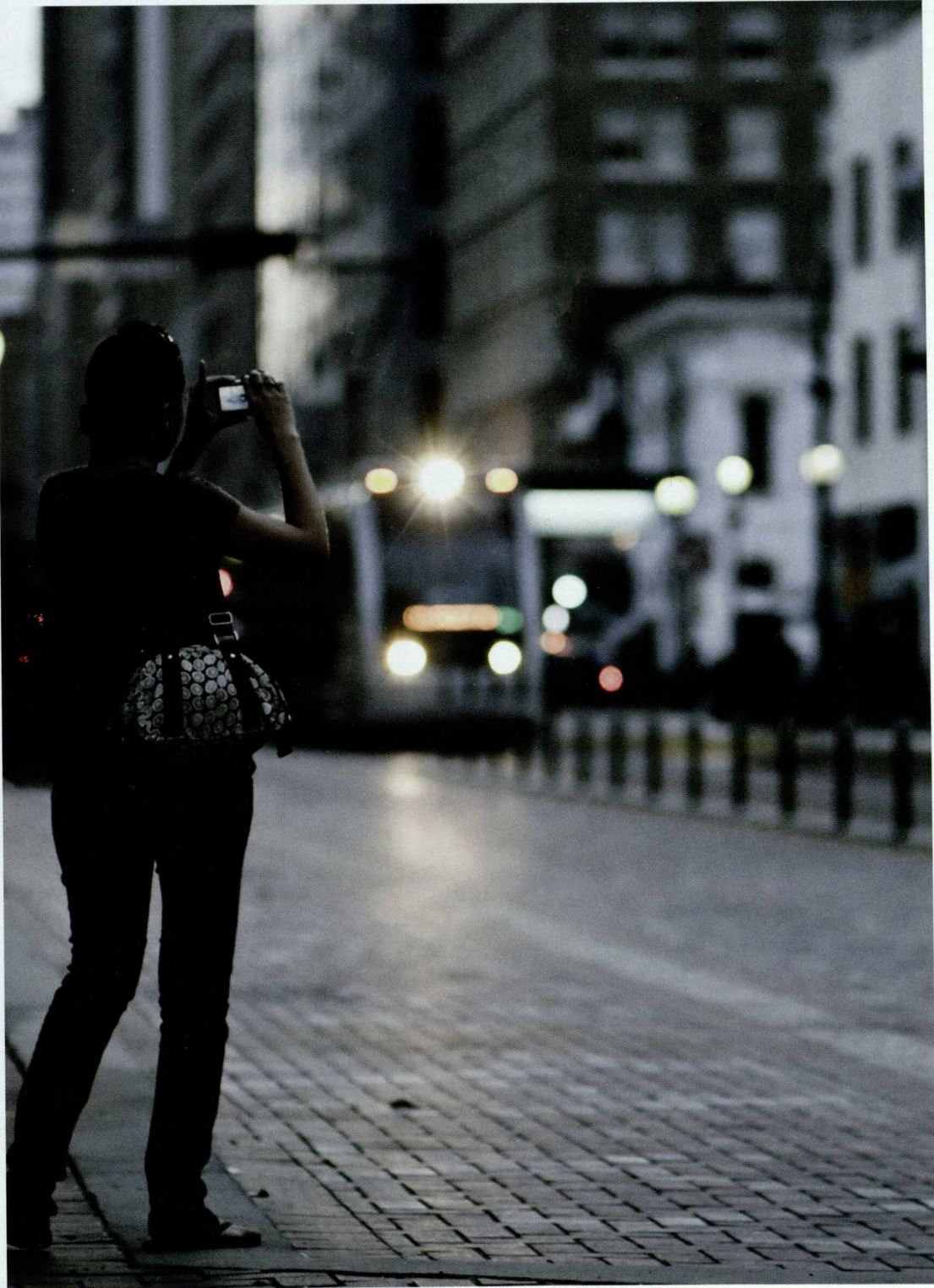
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(left) The Home of Easy Credit,  
downtown's Preston Station.  
(below) Metro red line heading  
toward the UH-Downtown station.  
| Photos by Newton Liu



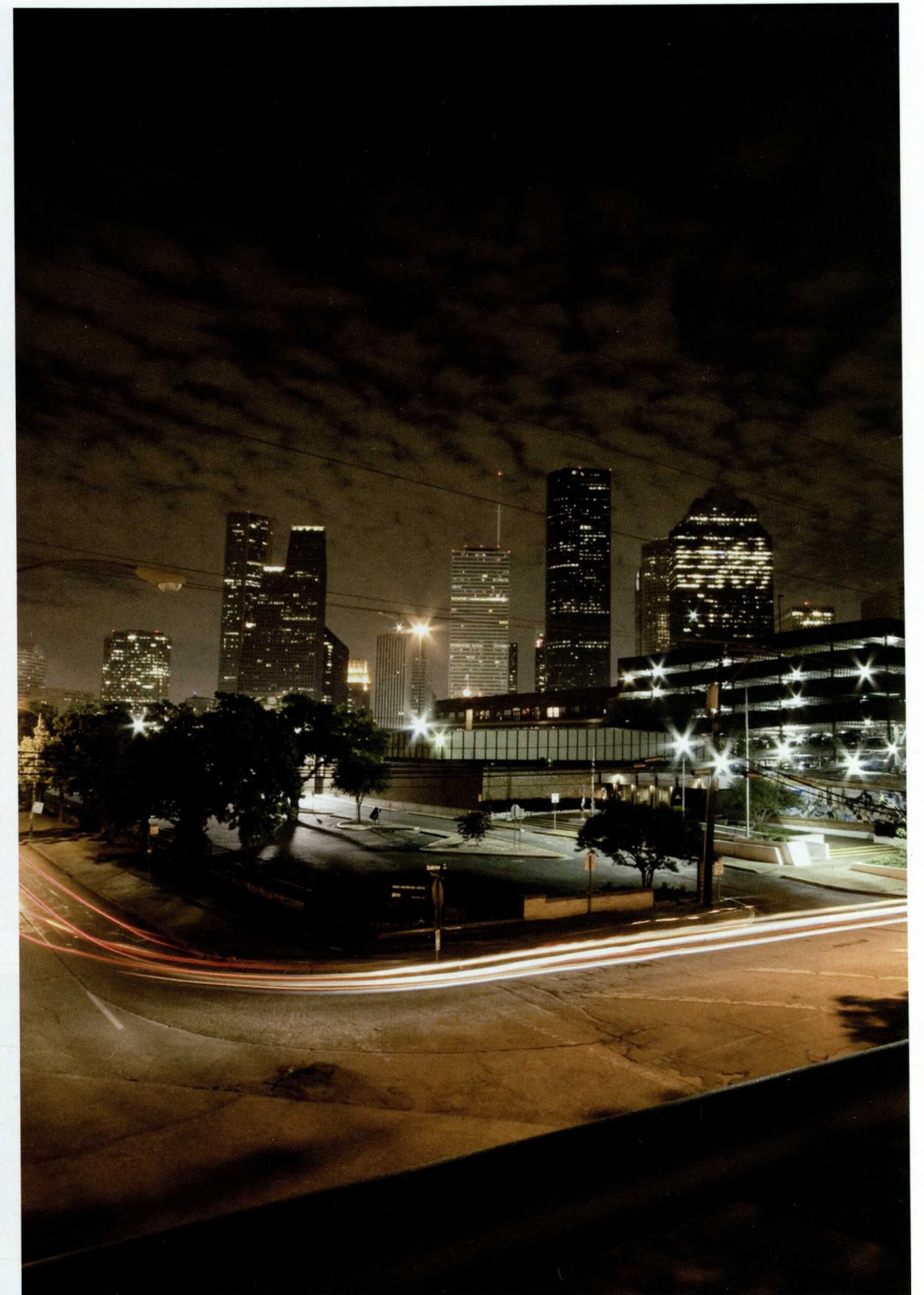
(right) Sunspots at the Bells &  
Whistles Cafe, Texas Avenue.  
| Newton Liu







(above) Festivalgoers crowd Fiesta City at the University of Houston's annual Frontier Fiesta. | Photos by Newton Liu



(above) View of Houston cityscape from Memorial Drive overpass. | Newton Liu





# THE UNSEEN ARTIST

2010 MASTERS THESIS EXHIBITION



A painting installation by MFA candidate Geoff Hippenstiel hangs salon-style on the main wall of Blaffer gallery as part of the 2010 Masters Thesis Exhibition. Hippenstiel's thoroughly processed paintings, which he admits rarely reach a finished state, border between the clearly defined, tangible image and the abstraction of the image. | Photo Courtesy of Blaffer gallery



(right) MFA candidate Nancy Douthey's thesis, featuring performances and video installations, centers on streams of dialog and images of her childhood icon. | Photo Courtesy of Blaffer gallery



(above) Born in the Middle East and raised in the West, MFA candidate Sura Khudairi says her installation piece 99 Names, showing the feminine derivative of the 99 ways to say God in Arabic, strives to humanize the individual behind the Muslim veil. | Photo Courtesy of Blaffer gallery



(below) An art installation by MFA candidate Richard Nix. | Photo Courtesy of Blaffer gallery



(left) An art installation by MFA candidate Tala Vahabzadeh. | Photo Courtesy of Blaffer gallery



(right) An art installation by MFA candidate Keijiro Suzuki. | Photo Courtesy of Blaffer gallery



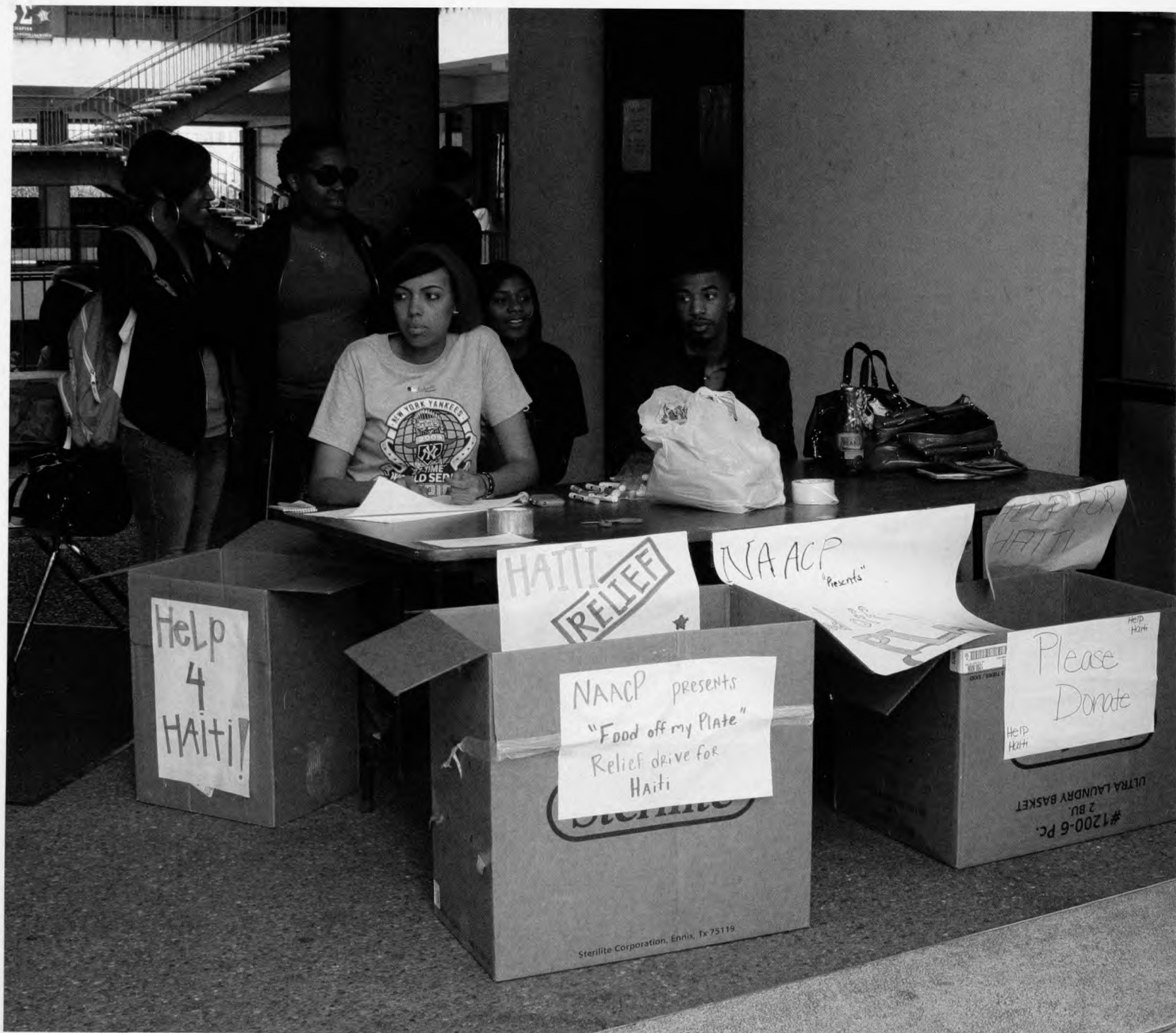
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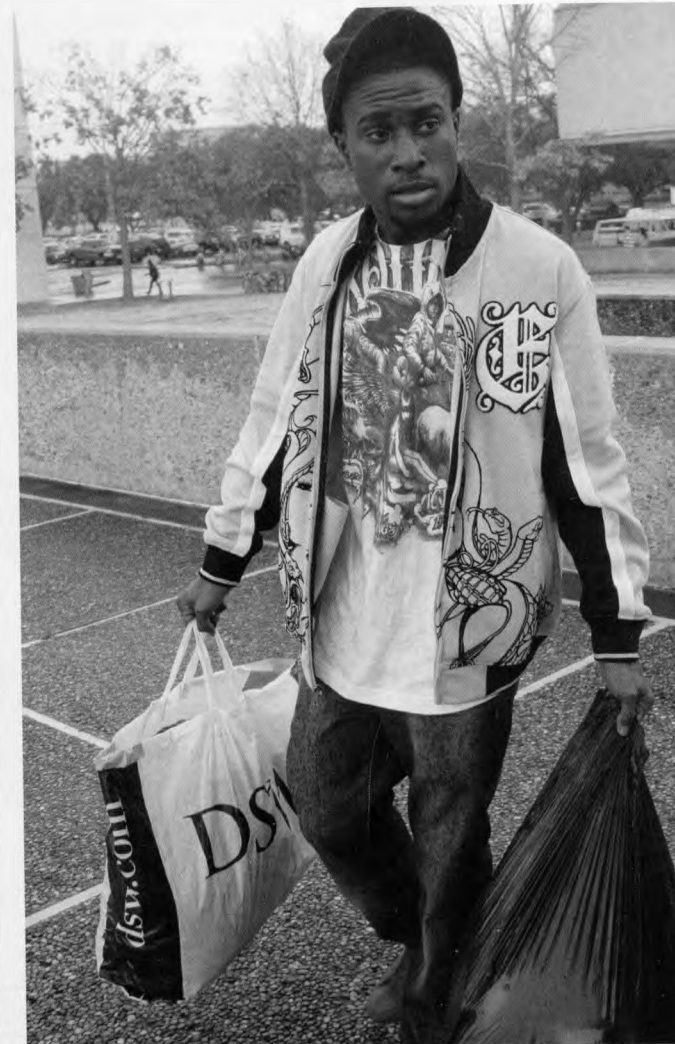


The UH Chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People hosts a food drive for Haitians effected by the earthquake Jan. 19 at the University Center. | Voltaire Archelus

## STUDENTS PROVIDE RELIEF IN WAKE OF NATURAL DISASTER

Earthquake in Haiti prompts food and clothing drive for survivors

DAYS AFTER THE JAN. 12 Haiti earthquake, UH student groups organized humanitarian relief efforts. The UH Chapter for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People gathered food and donations for Haitian residents affected by the disaster, and the brothers of Phi Beta Sigma organized a clothing drive. According to Haitian government officials, roughly 1,000,000 people lost their homes as a result of the 7.0 magnitude earthquake, which occurred approximately 16 miles west of the capital of Haiti. Over 230,000 lost their lives in the earthquake, making it the fourth deadliest earthquake in history.



Political science junior and Phi Beta Sigma brother Jason Holiday carries bags of donated clothes at the UC North Patio. | Voltaire Archelus



Fatima Yusuf, a biology freshman, makes a sign for her student group's "Food off my Plate" Haiti relief drive. | Voltaire Archelus



Executive Vice  
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| Justin Flores

# SEEING GREEN

Nationwide contest puts students into recycling binge

The University's masses got to work collecting paper, plastics and cans to kick off the first week of RecycleMania, a nationwide contest in which colleges and universities pit themselves against each other to see who can gather the largest amount of recyclable materials. In just the first week, UH was able to recycle 53.7

percent of its total collected materials.

Regarding the University's progress toward becoming a greener campus, Assistant Vice President of University Services Emily Messa said the commuter community has focused on fulfilling one environmental initiative at a time.

"We started with small steps, like recycling, reducing on-campus waste and learning how to be green commuters. We then tackled a carbon footprint for the entire UH campus and are working toward a greenhouse gas reduction plan for the University," Messa said

During the weeks of RecycleMania, which ran from Jan. 17 to March 27, UH also hosted a Green Commuter Fair, RecycleMania Olympics and an Art of Recycling contest to arouse student interest in green efforts around campus.

The amount of recyclable materials, measured in pounds, collected by the UH community during Week 1 of RecycleMania 2010.

Mixed Paper	49,620
Corrugated Containers	4,320
Plastic and Cans	509
Total Recycled	54,449
Landfill and Solid Waste	46,920
Percentage Recycled	53.7%
Organics	45
Bailing Scrap	5,320

Source: <http://www.uh.edu/af/recyclemania/stats.htm>



(far left) UH's mantra for going green. (left) Cougar mascot Sasha on-site at the UC Satellite passing out reusable plastic water bottles for the campus' RecycleMania kick off. | Photos by Justin Flores

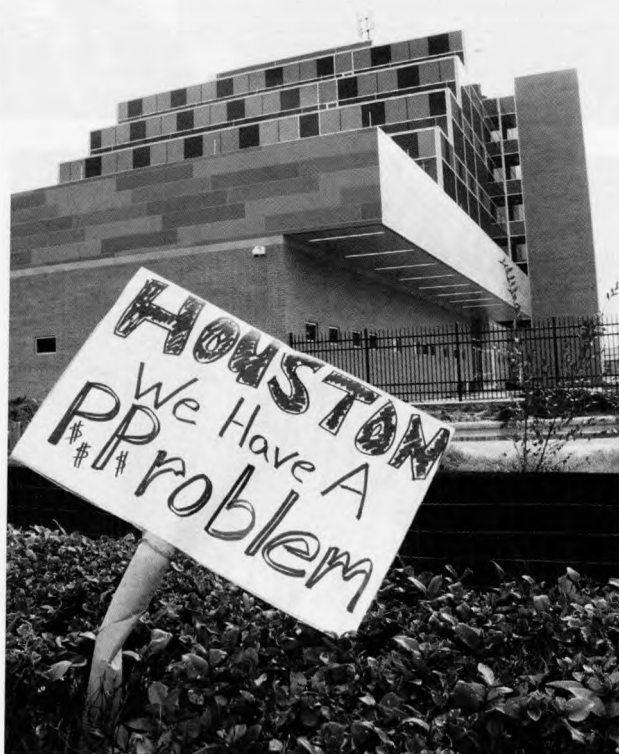




Thousands of anti-abortion protesters showed their opposition to the opening of the six-story Planned Parenthood in Houston's Third Ward, a stone's throw away from the University of Houston campus. | Photos by Justin Flores

## TEXAS-SIZED ABORTIONS

Several thousand abortion protesters led the fight against the opening of a six-story Planned Parenthood facility at Houston's Gulf Freeway on Jan. 18 in what was the largest anti-abortion protest held in Houston in years. Protesters said the "abortion super center," slated to open in March in Third Ward, was placed in a predominately Hispanic and black area so that Planned Parenthood could target minorities for abortion services.







Gradeschoolers pose with their model rover at the eighth annual Mars Rover Celebration held Jan. 30 at the UC, Houston Room. | Photos by Voltaire Archelus

## CHILDREN ARE FROM MARS

Houston-area kids turned out by the hundreds to design and build their own Mars rover prototypes at this year's Mars Rover Celebration, the UH educational program geared toward helping foster kids' interest in science and technology. Speakers at the event included NASA engineer Sy Liegbergot, the engineer in control room during the Apollo 13 mission, NASA engineering Kristen Painting, "Engines of our Ingenuity" host John Lienhard and UH President Renu Khator.







## STUFFED WITH LOVE

The UH Student Program Board made it easy for students to show their significant others some love this Valentine's Day. On Feb. 10 the student fees funded organization sponsored Stuff A Bear, a Valentine's event held at the University Center, Arbor in which students could make their own stuffed animals — free of charge. | Photos by Newton Liu



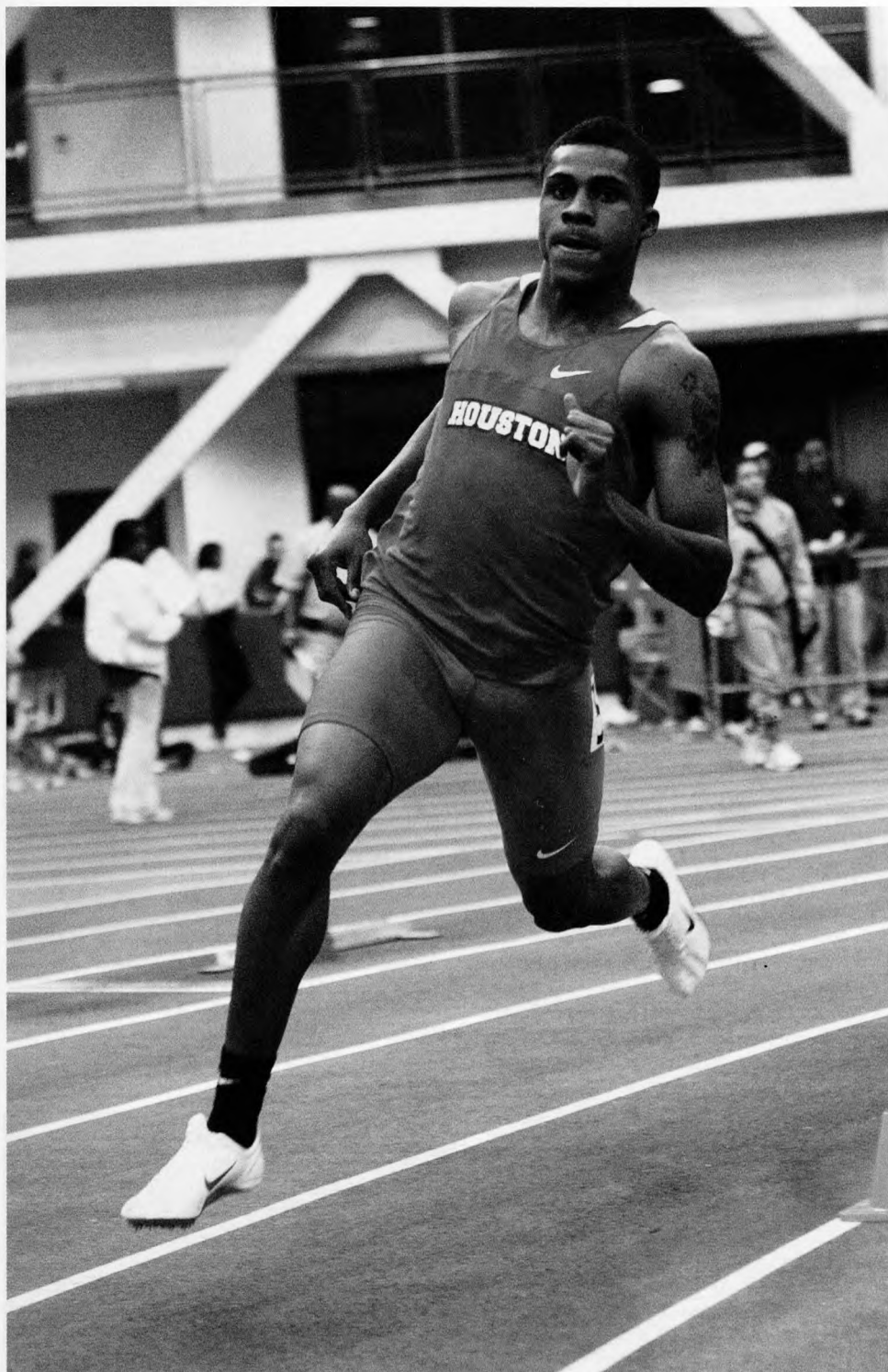


With the promise of a free snack and drink students find letting go of that precious pint of blood a little easier. | Gregory Bohuslav

## WILL WORK FOR FOOD

Always on the hunt for blood, the Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center has targeted the University of Houston campus as a place where they can count on retrieving those much-needed units of blood from college students. With the help of blood donation buses, Houston's blood centers have found a more convenient way to both acquire blood and inform the student population of the advantages of becoming a donor.





Freshman Errol Nolan is off to a good start at UH's C-USA Indoor Track and Field Championship victory. | Photo Courtesy of UH Athletics

## FOR THE WIN

The men's track team garnered its fourth consecutive title on March 1 as it hosted the Conference USA Indoor Track and Field Championship. UH entered its contest with a double-digit lead and beat second place Tulsa by 76.5 points.





The Language and Culture Center's Cultural Festival attracted lots of students with food, dancing and games. | Voltaire Archelus

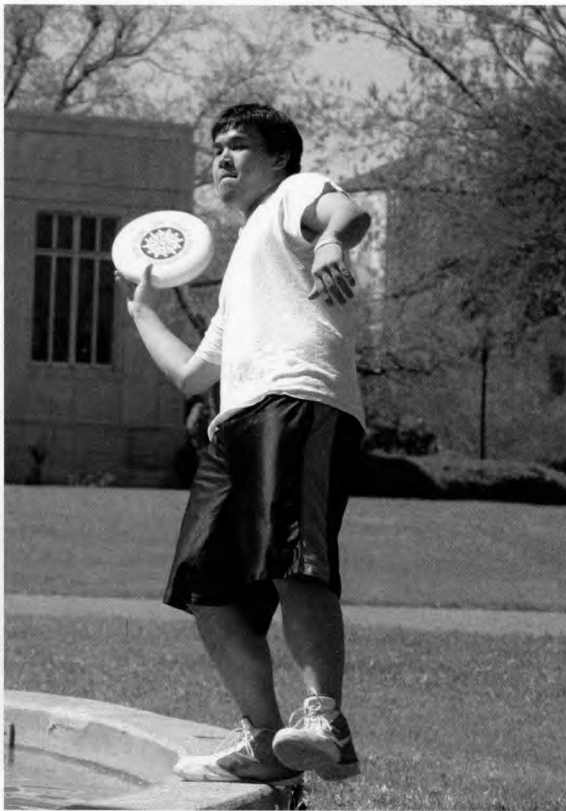
## GRAB A BUDDY

Ah, spring. Students leapt at the opportunity to grab some sun without so much humidity, whether it was to play games, study or just lay around. It was a good time to grab a buddy, enjoy the weather and hang on until finals.



Nilam Patel (foreground) and Saraya Keshmiri, both third-year optometry students, catch an opportunity to study up for their final exams by the Cullen Family Plaza. | Voltaire Archelus





James Wang, a computer engineering freshman, enjoys a campus pasttime, frisbee, with Alyssa Tang, biology freshman. | Voltaire Archelus

(below) Philippe Gelot, finance junior, plays a one-on-one soccer game with Nelson Rodrigues, also a finance junior (left) on Butler Plaza, taking a break from studies. | Voltaire Archelus





# UH GETS ITS 'APP FOR THAT'

Computer science class project puts UH parking, Twitter, photos and more on hip mobile device

Incoming students at UH who own an iPhone will have an easier time than their iPhone-less counterparts getting around campus, thanks in part to a computer science course project that began in August 2009.

The semester-long project resulted in the UHGuide iPhone application, which has been available for free download in the iPhone App Store since January 2010.

The application allows students to navigate the campus, whether walking or driving, find places to eat, learn first-hand of upcoming campus events and receive weather updates. Twitter feeds from UH President Renu Khator and various UH departments on Twitter are also available through the UHGuide.

"The development of this application is a wonderful example of innovative thinking and creativity that supports top-tier student success and achievement," Khator said in a news release. "I'm pleased, too, that this application will help us further engage members of the university community, while also providing a host of useful services."

The application has been updated to provide real-time parking updates, traffic updates and a link to UH's student information software, PeopleSoft.

Computer science undergraduates Hussain Abbasi, Kaleb Fulgham, Andre Navarro and Nick Prescott invented the application for their Ubiquitous Computing project. The 46th administration of the Student Government Association awarded the group with a Student Service award for their contribution to the UH community.

"We really want to continue developing this app ... and also make the necessary tools and documentation to pass it on to somebody at the University once we graduate, to ensure that the app doesn't go stale," Fulgham said in a Daily Cougar interview.







The team of students that developed the UH Guide App — Hussain Abbasi, Kaleb Fulgham, Andre Navarro and Nick Prescott — was recognized by the Student Government Association with a Student Service award. | Photo illustration



## WE ARE NINJA

The Student Program Board found a new way to combat student apathy. The only drawback to the campus' second-annual flash mob, however, is that it gave at least one student a reason to skip out on class. Armin Suni, a member of the flash mob's black ninja team, said he missed class to attend the event, held shortly after noon on March 3 at the Cullen Family Plaza, in which nearly 100 students competed on ninja teams in a 30-second dual. UH students were notified about the event via the social networking Web site Facebook.



To the surprise of many passers-by, the red and black ninja teams face off for UH's second-annual flash mob, an event sponsored by the Student Program Board to encourage student involvement in campus activities. | Kendra Berglund





# PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST

By way of wooden panels, paint, and a map of Israel, Students for a Democratic Society of UH showed their disapproval of the 1948 mass exodus of Palestinians from the region and the U.S. government's current funding to Israel. As part of the sixth annual Israeli Apartheid week, a global event held from March 1 through March 14, student protestors organized lectures, demonstrations and film screenings to lead the fight for the global Boycott, Divestment, and Sanctions movement.



Students seek to inform passersby of Israeli Apartheid and political unrest in the Middle East on March 9 in the free speech zone outside of the University's M.D. Anderson Library.





The Cougars eked out a 1-0 victory against the University of Texas on its road to a six-game winning streak. | Courtesy of UH Athletics

# COUGARS TOP OFF AT SIX WINS

It was a season of streaks for the Cougars baseball team, the most notable one going for six games.

Only two of the Cougars first seven games were wins, losing to Texas State, the University of Santa Clara and Rice.

The Cougars entered the Houston College Classic set to face off against Big 12 schools University of Missouri, University of Texas and Texas Tech University.

On the Astros home field the Cougars showed some grit and swept the tournament. First they played Missouri and won 3-0. The highlight of the winning streak was against Texas in the second game, the Cougars escaped with a 1-0 victory. In the

last game against Texas Tech, the Cougars had a large offensive output and won 15-8.

After the tournament the Cougars headed west to play against Cal Poly State University for a three game series.

In the first game the Cougars continued their production on offense winning 13-8. In game two, the team had a four-run victory, coming out on top 6-2. In the last game the Cougars emerged victorious with a 5-3 score.

The team was unable to keep the same consistency the rest of the season, but proved they were capable of beating high-caliber teams.





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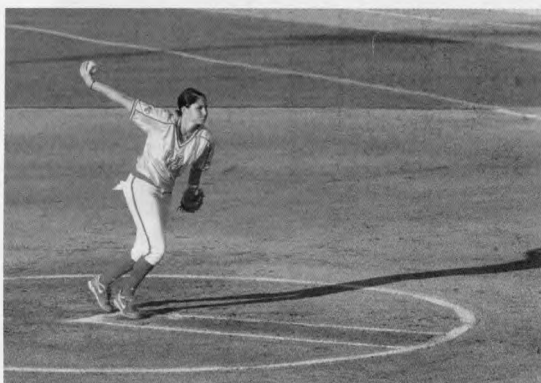
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In the last game of the Houston College Classic, the Cougars dominated Texas Tech offensively, putting 15 runs on the board to Tech's 8. | Courtesy of UH Athletics

In the last game of the Houston College Classic, the Cougars dominated Texas Tech offensively, putting 15 runs on the board to Tech's 8. | Michael McGrory



(right) During its March 11 doubleheader with Southern the UH softball team raised \$7,471 for breast cancer research. According to a study conducted by the American Cancer Society, about 192,370 American women will be diagnosed with breast cancer in 2009. | Photo courtesy of UH Athletics



(top) Freshman pitcher Bailey Watts earned a career high 11 strikeouts in five innings at the Cougar's fourth annual Striking Out Breast Cancer match-up. | Photo courtesy of UH Athletics



(above) Freshman infielder Holly Anderson, sophomore outfielder Kristin Lusby and sophomore infielder Mary Tyler Dobson sport red and pink at the March 11 benefit game for the Susan G. Komen for the Cure Foundation. | Photo courtesy of UH Athletics



## ONE FOR THE CURE

Cougars trade in school colors for a greater cause

The UH softball team hung up their Scarlet Red and Albino White jerseys to don pink at its fourth annual Striking Out Breast Cancer game, held March 11 at the Cougar Softball Stadium. At UH's doubleheader against Southern, fans pledged donations for every strikeout and home run, starting at \$1 and \$10 respectively. Cougar softball memorabilia, including post-game jerseys and helmets, were auctioned off, with 50 percent of the game's ticket sales and 100 percent of the silent auction proceeds benefiting the Susan G. Komen for the Cure Foundation. The Cougars rounded out the series with two victories, an 8-0 shut out in the first game and an 8-7 win in the second game, and raised \$7,471 toward research grants for a cure for breast cancer.





Construction workers put a fence back together after emergency crews responded to reports of a man who fell 14 feet into an open manhole. | Travis Hensley

## WORKER SURVIVES FALL

News helicopters circled overhead and the campus held its breath after a Hardin Construction worker fell down a manhole on March 11 at the construction site of the new undergraduate freshman dorms being built on Wheeler. He took a 14-foot dive into the utility tunnel, which is 8 feet wide by 8 feet tall, falling on his head. The worker was taken to Ben Taub Hospital to be treated for severe head injuries but was listed in stable condition at the time.





The men's basketball team basks in the limelight after a surprise showing at the C-USA tournament where they were clearly the underdog. | Courtesy of UH Athletics

## 'DEAD MEN' WINNING

Head coach Tom Penders had described his team as "dead men walking" with nothing to lose. Well, the dead walked all over the competition at the C-USA Tournament, making UH the second-lowest seed (No. 7) to win the crown. It also clinched a berth into the NCAA Tournament.

"Wow! These kids, what heart (they have)," Penders told *The Daily Cougar*. "What heart; heart and execution. ... It was a gritty, gutty win for our kids. They just refused to die."



Coach Tom Penders congratulates senior Aubrey Coleman and freshman Kendrick Washington after beating No. 25 UTEP 81-73, sealing the C-USA Tournament crown. | Courtesy of UH Athletics



# UH GETS 'BACK ON THE MAP'

First appearance at Big Dance  
in 18 years ends in first round

The NCAA Tournament is known for its dramatic upsets. The Cougars, making their first appearance since 1992, were the 13th seed, and drew the fourth-seeded Maryland University Terrapins. The Terps were not taking the Coogs lightly, and there was no doubt that UH was capable of advancing to the second round.

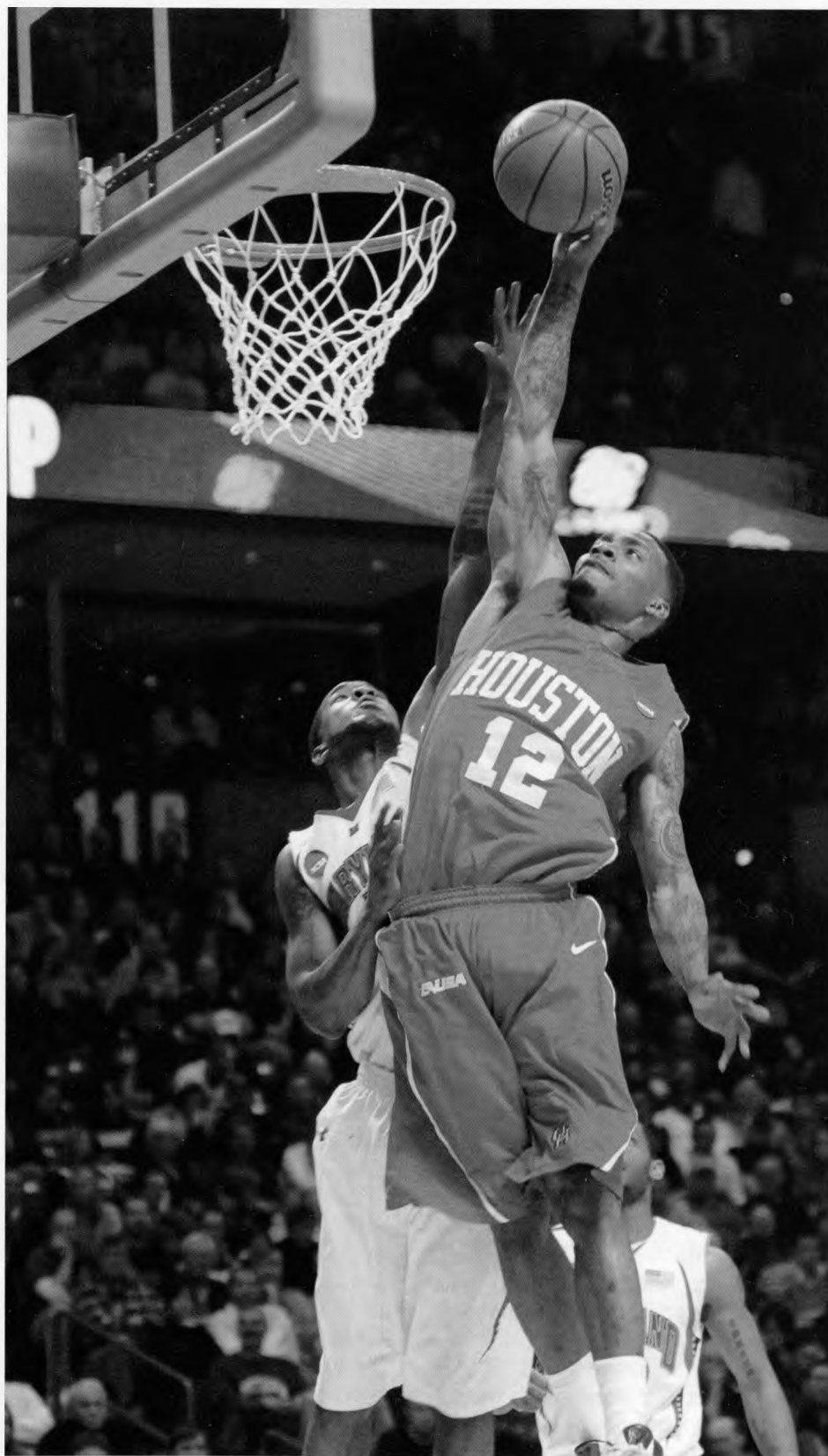
Coming off of a four-game win streak the Cougars were carrying momentum into the first round of the tournament. With the tandem of Aubrey Coleman and Kelvin Lewis the Cougars would be a tough obstacle for Maryland.

Maryland seemed to have the upper-hand throughout the first half, but as time was expiring Adam Brown hit a buzzer beating 3-pointer near half-court. The Cougars went into the locker room at halftime only down by two, with the score at 39-37.

The Cougars came out and tied the game at 39, but missed free throws went on to haunt the Cougars, going 20-of-32. Maryland reclaimed the lead and never faced a deficit the rest of the way out. The Terrapins eventually won 89-77.

Despite a loss the team had no reason to hang their heads. Coleman had 26 points, and Lewis added 22.

"We made history. We got the University of Houston back on the map," Coleman said.



Senior Aubrey Coleman posted 26 points in the Cougars' first NCAA matchup since 1992. | Photo courtesy of the Maryland Diamondback

## About the NCAA tournament

When Duke and Butler played each other in the tournament final, it was the first title game between private universities in 25 years. Duke won the final, 61-59.



## For the win: Veteran cooks fire up their grills



Houstonian editor Ruth Rodriguez gets a sneak peek of preparations for Day 2 of Frontier Fiesta and finds out that there's more to UH's oldest pastime than pearl snap shirts and live music. (left) The Cavalier Cookers hope to knock out the cook off competition with a garlic and onion brisket marinade. The group ended up winning the cook off's Bob Scharnberg award. (middle) Barbecue cooker Ed Rios fires up his grill by noon. This year marks Ed's 14th Frontier Fiesta cook off. (right) Participants start preparing their grills early on Day 2 and are usually the last to leave Fiesta City, as it takes about an hour to get their grills fired up and nearly three to extinguish the fire once the barbecue's done. | Ruth Rodriguez

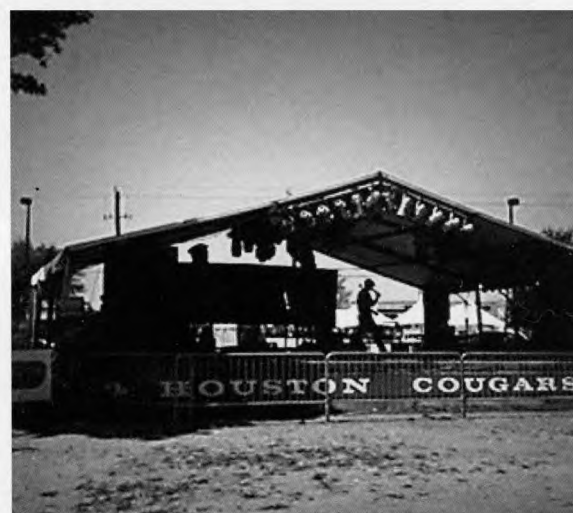
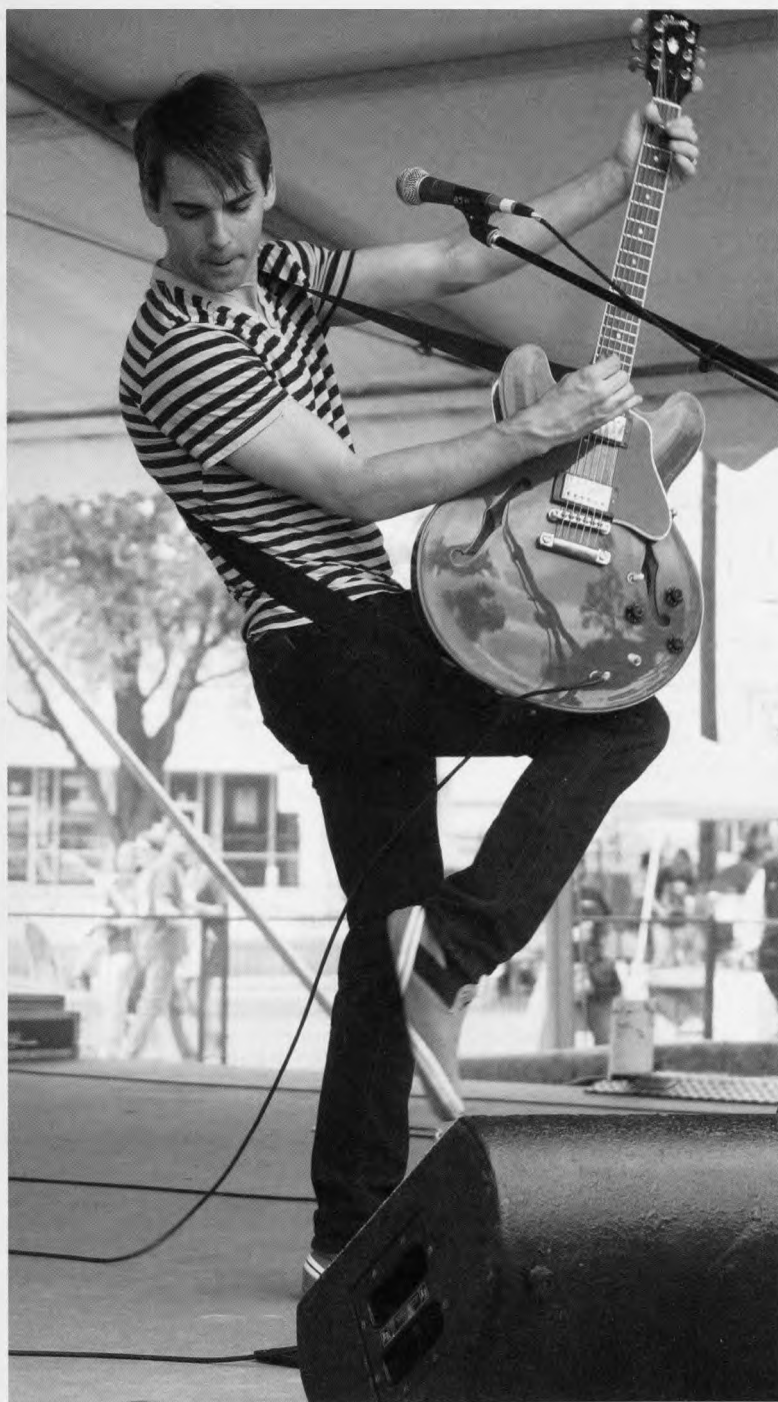
# NEW FRONTIERS, OLD TRADITIONS

Frontier Fiesta was born on the UH campus in 1940. The organization first gained recognition over 40 years ago when it was featured in *LIFE* magazine as 'The Greatest College Show on Earth'. From 1959 to 1992, Frontier Fiesta was defunct but since its return, has attracted more attention than previous decades. Crowds have grown to an attendance of 37,000 students, just about the same number of the entire student body at UH. In fact, every year, Frontier Fiesta transforms

a portion of the campus into 'Fiesta City'. The Fiesta City tradition includes a carnival, Family Fun Day, battle of the bands concerts, Broadway variety shows, and a major cook off and bake sale. The three day event filled with numerous activities to participate in and offers cash prizes for winners of the cook off and bake sale. Along with their annual Fiesta City showcase, the organization also awards ten scholarships to current students and incoming freshman. Aside from high

academic performance, the scholarships pose as a reward to students who demonstrate exceptional efforts through their community. Since 1995, Frontier Fiesta has given \$70,000 worth of scholarships. In 2008, Frontier Fiesta gave away a large sum of \$10,000 in scholarships. Frontier Fiesta is run entirely by UH students spreading the word on scholarships, community service, and the importance of education to all UH students, faculty, staff, and the city of Houston.





(left) Frontman Keeton Coffman opens Fiesta City's main stage on Day 3 with his band of locals, the 71's. (top) Headlining act Step Rideau and the Zydeco Outlaws shake up Fiesta City with their blend of Creole folk and rhythm and blues. | Photos by Voltaire Archelus (bottom) In anticipation of Fiesta variety shows and headlining act Clipse, workers prepare the main stage on Day 2. | Ruth Rodriguez





Barbecue and live music be damned. The festival is also home to quirky carnival activities such as the pick-up truck smash. | Voltaire Archelus



A Fiesta artist creates a caricature of a young girl. Since 1940, the festival has been a mainstay artist's exposure. | Voltaire Archelus

A daring couple braves the centrifugal force of the Paratrooper, a fairground ride whose glowing lights attract many festival-goers well into the late hours of the carnival. | Voltaire Archelus





Sigma Chi steals the dance off with a pirate-influenced dance routine. The third and final day of Frontier Fiesta also included performances by the UH chapter's of Tau Kappa Epsilon, Chi Omega and Delta Upsilon. | Voltaire Archelus



Students begin practice early in the semester for Frontier Fiesta's Broadway-style variety shows, which, like many of UH's fraternities and sororities, date back to the University's origins. | Voltaire Archelus





A group of patrons try their hand at black jack at Cougar Casino, one of many indoor festival booths at Fiesta City. Money raised through the three-day event is awarded in scholarships to 10 incoming freshman each fall. | Voltaire Archelus



UH students take a stab at the ancient Japanese art of sumo wrestling. | Voltaire Archelus.

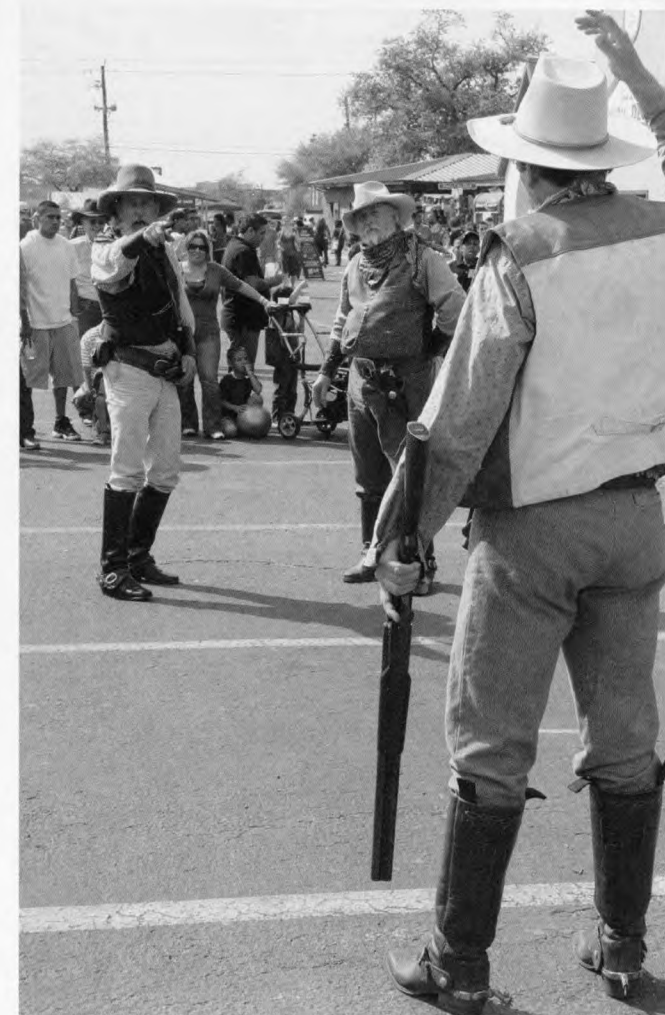




Students find that there are worse places to be than Fiesta City jail. | Voltaire Archelus



Santa's Workshop attracts a crowd of festival-goers. | Voltaire Archelus



To live up to what was once dubbed by LIFE magazine as "The Greatest College Show on Earth," Frontier Fiesta actors resurrect the spirit of the old west by performing a skit on Lil' Wranglers Day. Unfortunately, only one old cowboy made to the end of the showdown alive. | Voltaire Archelus





Sorority sisters take advantage of the high-tech photo equipment available at a Fiesta photo booth and pose for the the camera. | Voltaire Archelus



Kaleb Fulgham (center) promotes the UH Guide application for iPhone. Fulgham and his fellow programmers, computer science undergraduates Hussain Abbasi, Andre Navarro and Nick Prescott, invented the application for their class Ubiquitous Computing project. | Voltaire Archelus





A broadcast journalism student presses a displaced snow man for a few words at Frontier Fiesta. | Voltaire Archelus





Known chiefly for his boxing titles and his eponymous grill, George Foreman offers business students golden advice from his book 'Knockout Entrepreneur' on April 7 at the University Center, Houston Room. | Newton Liu

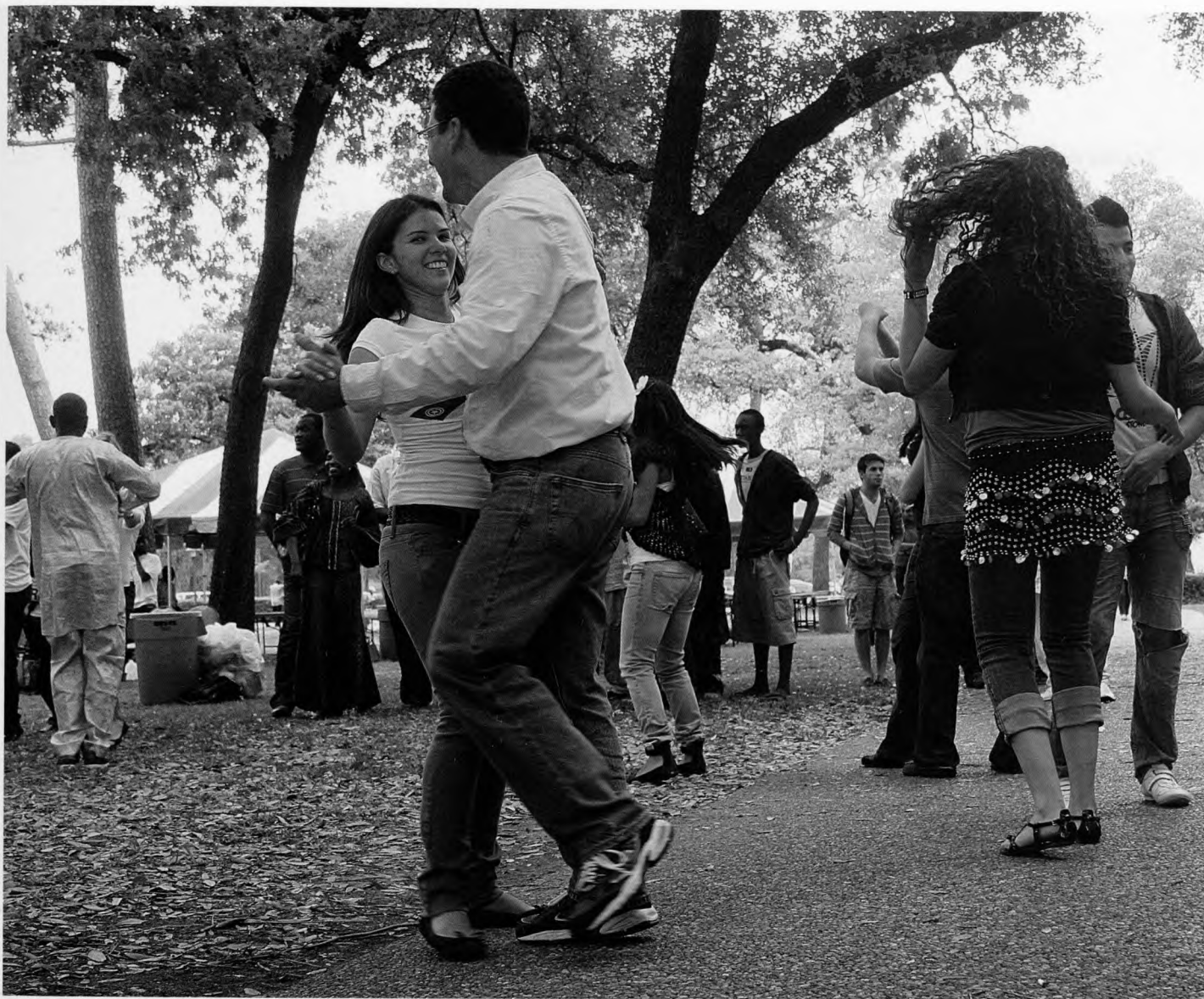
“I was actually living in poverty and the only way I could get out was to make a lot of money—not a little but a lot of money—and that’s when the entrepreneurial [spirit] jolted me. Right then, I knew I would have to go into business ... and that little card, would be my key,”

—George Foreman, two-time World Boxing Champion

## BOXING CHAMP SHARES HIS STORY

For former World Heavyweight Boxing Champion and Olympic gold medalist George Foreman getting to the top was not an easy task. His roots based in a poverty and crime-stricken Houston neighborhood, Foreman said he faced challenges very early in life but that adversity, coupled with his entrepreneurial mindset and unwavering perseverance, was what allowed him to reach unprecedented heights as a professional athlete time and again. At the fifth annual Veterans Entrepreneurship Seminar, Foreman offered UH’s would-be entrepreneurs many nuggets from latest book *Knockout Entrepreneur*, a chronicle of his rise to the top of the boxing world and his subsequent success in the business realm.





English students Alfredo Martinez dances with Cristina Trujillo during the salsa dance portion of the event. | Voltaire Archelus

## CULTURAL TWO-STEP

The UH Language and Culture Center hosted its annual Cultural Festival on the grounds between the R. Cullen Building and the A.D. Bruce Religion Center, bringing together students, faculty, staff and community members from myriad ethnic backgrounds. From Indian food to Salsa dancing, the event showcased cultures from across the world. The Language and Culture center specializes in helping international students improve their English and American cultural literacy to help them succeed as students at UH.



UH's diversity takes center stage at the UH Language and Culture Center's Cultural Festival each fall. | Voltaire Archelus



It was the summer Coltrane died. The summer of "Crystal Ship." Flower children raised their empty arms and China exploded the H-bomb. Jimi Hendrix set his guitar in flames in Monterey. A.M. radio played "Ode to Billy Joe." There were riots in Newark, Milwaukee, and Detroit. It was the summer of Elvira Madigan, the summer of love. And in this shifting, inhospitable atmosphere, a chance encounter changed the course of my life.

It was the summer I met Robert Mapplethorpe.

-Patti Smith, musician and author of *Just Kids*

Patti Smith performs songs from her 1975 debut *Horses* at the Cullen Performance Hall. | Clay Prine



## POET SHARES STORIES FROM HER YOUTH

On April 19, ardent fans of Patti Smith packed the Cullen Performance Hall to hear her read from *Just Kids*, a memoir that chronicles the artist's coming-of-age, her relationship with artist Robert Mapplethorpe and their rise to fame. During their evening

with Smith the audience was treated to acoustic performances of the musician's hits from the 70s and gems such as the artist's recollection of her chance encounter with legendary poet Allen Ginsberg. Voices Breaking Boundaries sponsored the event.





Born in the Middle East and raised in the West, MFA candidate Sura Khudairi shows work from her thesis 99 Names. The installation features the 99 feminine attributes for God in both Arabic and data matrix code, and is an earnest attempt by Khudairi to “humanize the individuals beneath the veil” in the Muslim faith.  
| Steven Oster

## UNVEILING THE ARTIST

### MFA candidates talk about their work

Many times the thought process and reasoning behind the artist's work is never brought to light—the observer is let only slightly in to the creator's mind. This spring, however, graduating Master of Fine Arts students in the School of Art led craft talks that explored the initial leap of creativity, the approach and the process in their work. The 2010 Masters Thesis Exhibition, which ran from March 27 through April 24 at Blaffer gallery, featured works by MFA candidates Debra Barrera, Nancy Douthey, Geoff Hippenstiel, Sura Khudairi, Robyn Lehmer, Grant C. MacManus, Richard Nix, Anne J. Regan, Keijiro Suzuki, Tala Vahabzadeh and Vanessa VanAlstyne.



MFA candidate Geoff Hippenstiel showcases an installation of paintings that hover on the threshold between the abstraction and the image. | Steven Oster





# NOT TOO FAR FROM HOME

Graduate Indian student shares his insights into the international student experience at UH



(left) Industrial engineering senior Affaf Bokhetache makes Henna designs for broadcast journalism junior Karinn Chavarria at a Muslim student event to celebrate the end of Ramadan, an event in which Muslims fast from sunrise to sunset. | Voltaire Archelus

(opposite page) Nutrition senior Nada Sarraj tests a solution in a lab. Her work on exercise as a stress-reducer was featured in a research conference in Washington, D.C. called Posters on the Hill. | Steven Oster

**India** is the second-most populous country in the entire world. Located in Southeast Asia, the country is home to about 1.2 billion people, more than three times the population of the United States. It is also home to Hinduism, the third-largest world religion. India is the 11th largest economy in the world. It is famous for being the site of one of the wonders of the world, the Taj Mahal, and for being the birthplace of political non violence leader Mahatma Gandhi. Mumbai is the capital of Maharashtra, a state of India. It is the most populous city in India, with nearly 14 million people and the second-most populous city in the world, second only to Shanghai, China.

Born in Mumbai, India, Tejas Chitnis, vice president of public relations for the Graduate Indian Students Organization at UH, helps incoming international students adjust to campus life.

GISO has been a part of UH for 11 years. Prior to their arrival in Houston, GISO provides a checklist of items for the incoming students to bring from India. A detailed FAQ page is available on their website so incoming students know just what to expect upon arrival to Houston. Their website also gives a list of links to restaurants serving Indian cuisine, grocery stores carrying Indian products, movie theaters that screen Bollywood films, Hindu temples and Islamic mosques, and Houston attractions like the Galleria



The Graduate Indian Students Organization strives to be an active member of the campus community, hosting and participating in events all year long. | GISO photos



and Museum District. Out of courtesy, the organization provides free airport pickup as well as temporary living accommodations to new students from India. On average, 150 Indian students are picked up from the airport each fall semester and live with seniors until they find their own arrangements. In addition to helping new Indian students, GISO is vividly active around campus. GISO hosts bake sales with traditional Indian pastries, a cricket tournament, and a large annual event called 'Maitri' which presents Indian music, dance, and costumes to other UH students. GISO is closely affiliated with the International Students and Scholars Services Office at UH.



**"I feel proud to be a small part of the big picture at UH. ... I am a well-rounded Cougar and very proud to be one."**

- Tejas Chitnis, vice president for public relations, Graduate Indian Students Organization

In all their 11 years of being involved with Indians, GISO is proud to say that they have never missed an airport pickup. The organization was honored last year with a plaque for their work with Indian students.

"For me, GISO has been an integral part of my life in Houston and at UH. As the Vice President, Public Relations, I have enjoyed my interaction with other organizations on and off campus, and feel proud to be a small part of the big picture at UH," Chitnis said.

Tejas Chitnis arrived in Houston after completing

his bachelor's degree in electronics and telecommunications engineering in India. He, like many Indian students, was picked up at the airport by GISO. He has been a UH student for two years and is working on a master's degree in electrical engineering while gaining experience in the field.

"I had the opportunity to meet Dr. Ogmen (previous head of the Electrical Engineering Department at the Cullen College of Engineering) while he was visiting Pune, India on some official work," Chitnis said on why he decided to attend UH. "I was impressed by the interaction with him, and was excited to experience the quality of education at UH. Now that I have graduated, I am extremely satisfied with my decision to join UH. I feel as if I was able to get all that I expected out of these 2 years of education, including the experiences outside of my classes. I am a well rounded Cougar and very proud to be one."

Chitnis particularly finds the education at UH to be rewarding and comforting, with its large diversity.

"While working towards my degree at UH, I have been able to learn as much outside of my classes as much as I learnt in them. The whole atmosphere here, with the diverse group of students studying with me has given me a truly international experience. I feel like a world citizen, someone who can go to any corner of the world and feel at home. This is a very important, especially in this globalized world, where you may find yourself having breakfast in Japan, lunch in India, supper in France and a late night party in USA."

As any international student in a new place experiences, barriers build up while adjusting to a new life. For Indian students, language is not much of an issue since India used to be a British colony, so the





Events hosted by GISO include cricket tournaments (left) and music and dance programs (right) that help share their heritage with the campus community.

majority is already fluent in English upon arrival. Many Indians are vegetarians due to beliefs in the Hindu religion and may struggle to find certain food choices. Beef, for example, is not eaten by Hindus because believers consider the cow to be sacred.

"I have been a non-vegetarian all my life, and hence food was not an issue for me, but I know of a few friends who have struggled initially due to the lack of vegetarian options in restaurants and fast food joints. Indians love home-cooked food. We use some unique ingredients in our cuisines. Houston has several Indian grocery stores thanks to the large number of people of Indian origin staying here and it is easy to find the ingredients in these stores," said Chitnis.

Many international students do enjoy campus life on UH, but many also like to keep in touch with their culture and heritage as a reminder of home.

"I think it is very important for international students to keep in touch with their culture. The values and traditions with which they have been brought up is a big part of their identity, and it is vital for them to respect it," Chitnis said.

Thanks to Houston's immense diversity, it is not difficult for international students to stay in contact with their heritage. Around 22 percent of Houston's metropolitan population is foreign-born. The Houston Foreign Consulate represents 96 countries, ranking third behind New York City

## TOP 10 COUNTRIES OF ORIGIN

International student enrollment in fall 2009

India .....	808
China .....	540
Vietnam .....	146
South Korea .....	117
Nigeria .....	101
Saudia Arabia .....	85
Turkey .....	68
Mexico .....	68
Pakistan .....	68
Canada .....	64

Source: Office of Institutional Research

and Los Angeles. Approximately 90 languages are spoken in Houston, making our city a veritable United Nations to students who choose their college education at the University of Houston.

"Cricket, a sport similar to baseball is a big part of our heritage, and it is common to get together to watch the matches live on television," said Chitnis on how Indian students stay in touch with their culture. "Big banner Bollywood movies are regularly screened at theaters like AMC. It is very easy for us to catch up with the new releases. We also like to visit temples, mosques, cathedrals in and around Houston once in a while to take a break from the crazy everyday life. There are several events organized by other organizations like the India House, HMM etc. where Indian artists are invited to perform. We make it a point to attend these events. In fact, there is a wonderful event in July, right here on the UH campus by famous Sarod player Amjad Ali Khan and his sons Aman and Ayan."

"It is very heartwarming to see our non-Indian friends take part in our celebrations and enjoy the festivities," said Chitnis. "The diversity on our campus has exposed me to several different cultures and traditions, and it has made me appreciate and celebrate the similarities and differences amongst us."

Chitnis has enjoyed his time in Houston and at UH.

"The last 2 years that I have spent in UH have been the most wonderful years of my life. If I could rewind my life, I'm sure I would love to relive these days over and over again," Chitnis said on his experiences. "Houston is a great place to live in. Houston may be more commercial, and not a real tourist attraction, but it's a place I've grown to love. Late night trips to the Starbucks at Post Oak will be a fond memory. Camping trips to Huntsville State Park and early morning walks at the Memorial park with friends are etched in my mind. Houston is home now, a place which will forever remain very dear to me!"





Creative writing professor Nick Flynn delivers an excerpt from his latest memoir *The Ticking is the Bomb* at the downtown Houston Public Library. | Clay Prine



Author of *Another Bullshit Night in Suck City*, Flynn recites poems centered on the stories of prisoners of the Iraq war and their testimonies of Abu Ghraib. | Clay Prine



## POET SHEDS LIGHT ON TORTURE

The task of the contemporary poet is not solely to entertain. For Nick Flynn, the job lies with delving into that which is most difficult for our culture to articulate and finding an accessible means to express it. Flynn, UH professor of creative writing, shared poems and excerpts from *The Ticking is the Bomb*, a memoir about becoming a father in the age of terrorism, at an April 21 reading at the downtown Houston Public Library. The work deals chiefly with the time the poet spent in Istanbul interviewing detainees of the Iraq war and hearing their accounts of the events leading to the release of the Abu Ghraib prison photos of torture and prisoner abuse.

The poet's task, for me at least, is to say things that the rest of the culture finds difficult to articulate, to go into places that are sort of psychically difficult and to come back with some sort of a tangible image or language or music from that place and to present it to others who are struggling with the same thing yet haven't found a form for it.

-Nick Flynn, on the charge of the contemporary poet





At a Jan. 27 information sharing session sponsored by the UH Faculty Senate, Staff Council and Student Government Association staff members address Metro officials with concerns about the light rail transit's slated proximity to the University's Child Care Center. | Newton Liu

# AT A CROSSROADS

Metro's plans to place light rail transit corridors at UH sparks inquiries among community members

HIGHER FUEL COSTS, coupled with a desire to become more environmentally friendly, has placed Houston on the map to further expand its use of light rail transportation across the city within the last seven years. However, METRO's more recent plans to expand its light rail to the surrounding UH area prompted questions concerning the rail's proximity to UH and its potential threat to pedestrian traffic at an April 29 community meeting at the UH Hilton.

Metro officials outlined the Houston Transit Authority's plans for the southeast and university corridors, which will bottleneck the flow of traffic along campus arteries including Elgin Street, Scott Street and Wheeler Avenue. The threat of noise pollution, the rail's 20 to 30 feet distance from the playground of the Child Care Center, and the track's blockage of entrance 6C, which leads to the Health Center and the Center for Students with DisAbilities, were the main concerns of the UH staff.





Houston's  
MetroRail,  
stretching from  
UH-Downtown  
to the Texas  
Medical Center,  
transports  
roughly 39,500  
riders daily.  
Newton Liu



Student patrons of the Moody Towers Horizons Restaurant have their last meal before the residential dining area undergoes renovation.  
Photos by Voltaire Archelus

## STUDENTS BID UNSAVORY FOOD OPTIONS ADIEU

Moody Towers dining area renovations will offer residents more than chicken and pizza

THE MOODY TOWERS CAFETERIA CLOSED its doors April 23 so the University could finish its \$9.8 million overhaul of the residential dining area. However, the Towers renovation won't just mean a facelift for the building; Dining Services intends to revamp its menu as well.

"There is not a variety of food in the horizons. I'm very tired of eating the same old thing (chicken and pizza)," said Jordan Hill, a communication junior.

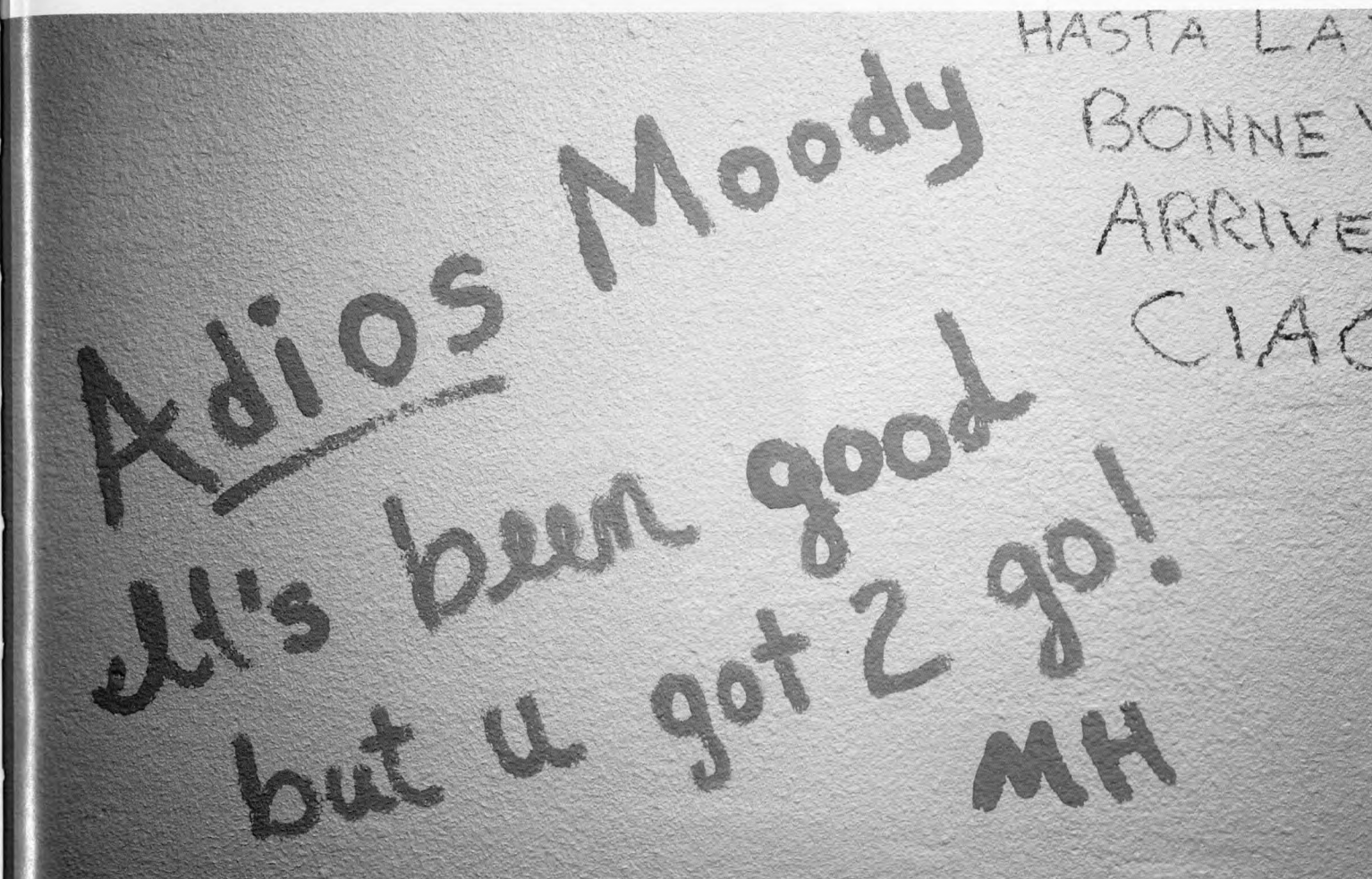
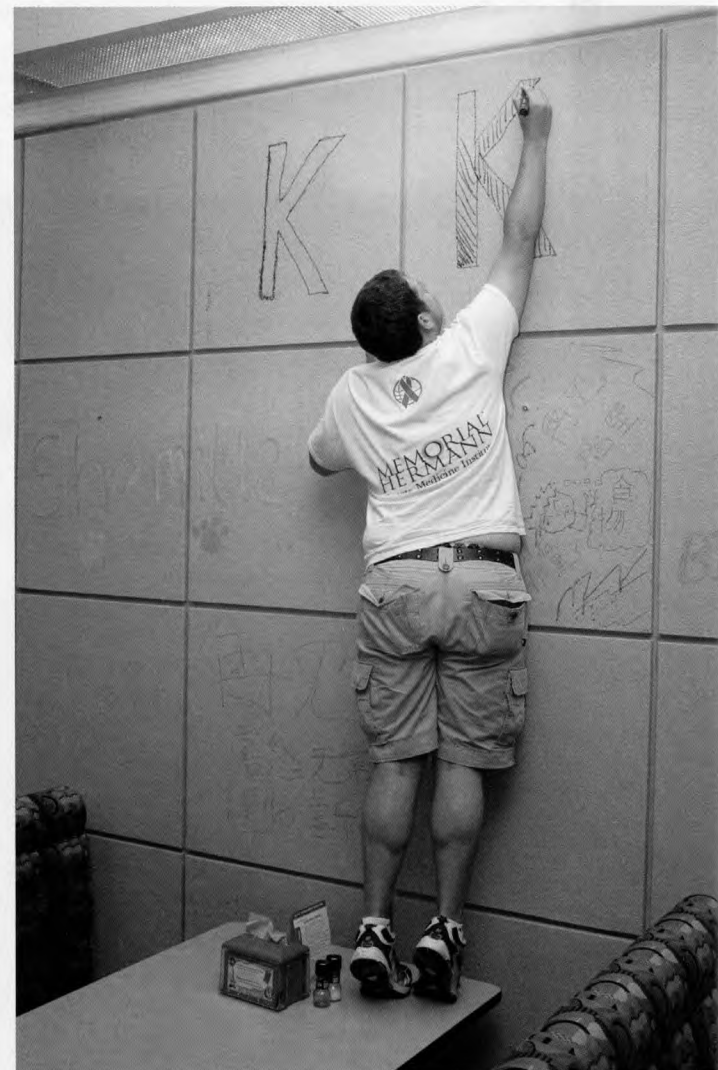
Residential Food Service Director Edward Wigley said the renovation dollars will offer students gourmet pizzas and salads, along with international cuisine and vegetarian selections.

English junior Virginia Lowman, a regular patron at the Moody Towers cafeteria, said the changes in Aramark's dining choices are long overdue.

"It is definitely something that should have been implemented long ago," Lowman said. "I often feel like students who live on campus are overlooked because our school is primarily a commuter school. A new cafeteria that is somewhat 'up to par' with that which we receive when we dine out is definitely something I look forward to. Having something to eat other than pizza, hamburgers or a salad when I'm hungry will be great."

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-Virginia Lowman, an English junior

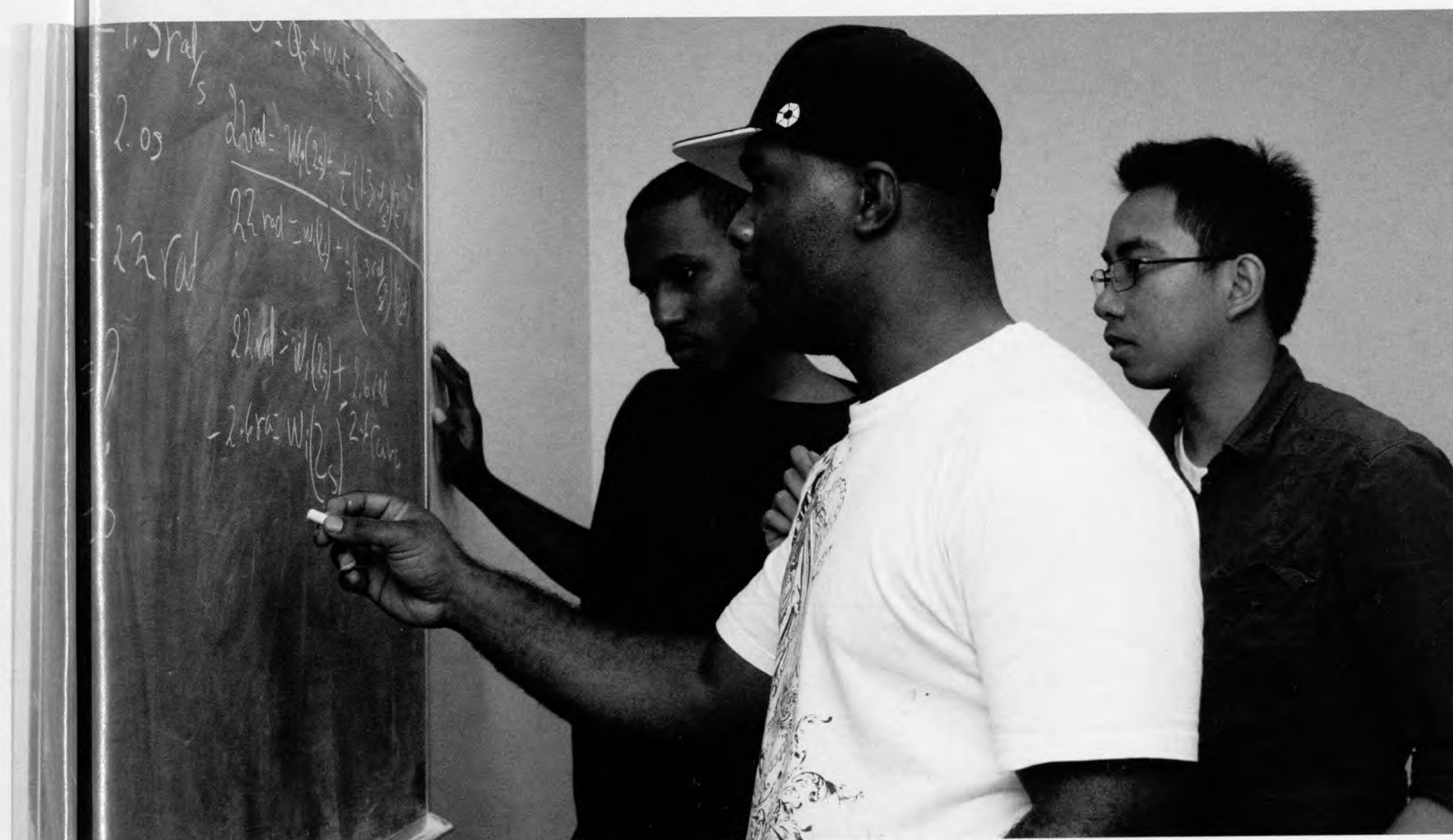




An Engineering Physics II final will seem less daunting for these would-be engineers after a physics review session at M.D. Anderson Library. | Voltaire Archelus

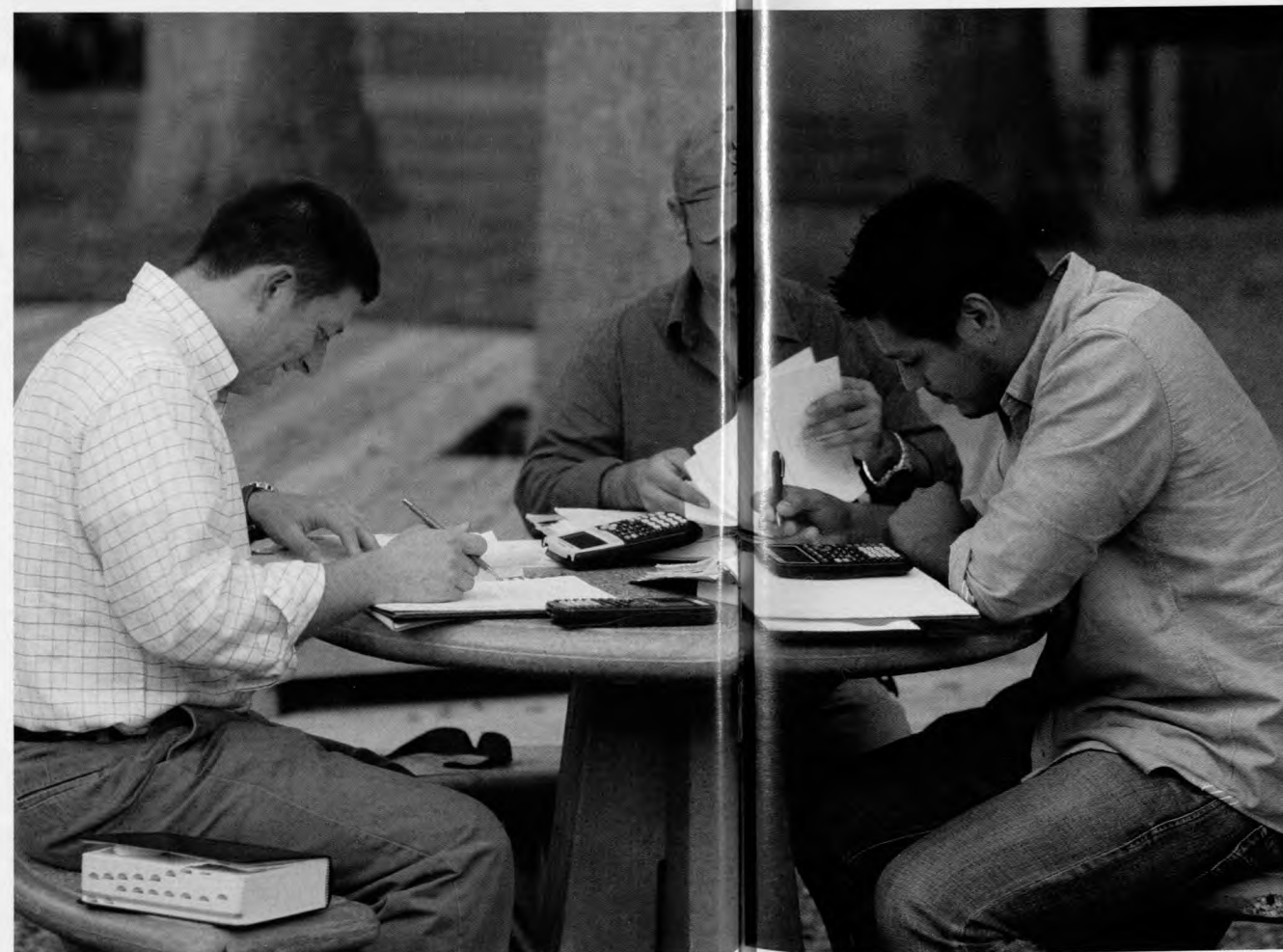


(left to right) Computer engineering sophomore Dwayne Freeman, civil engineering junior Sergio DeLemons and industrial engineering freshman Paragan Silitonga find that teamwork is the best way to tackle a tricky physics problem. | Voltaire Archelus



## STUDY HABITS

WITH FINAL EXAMINATIONS just around the corner, students combat end-of semester test anxiety with on-campus study groups and long hours at the M.D. Anderson Library.



(left to right) Construction management seniors Eric Molina, Adam Alvarado and Antonio Perez finish an end-of semester assignment outside of the Technology Building. | Newton Liu



Architecture freshman Jennifer Hougham focuses on the finer details of a studio project. | Newton Liu





# SPRING COMMENCEMENT



Law Dean Raymond Nimmer and UH President Renu Khator officiate the 2010 commencement ceremony at Hofheinz Pavilion. | Photos by Voltaire Archelus





Former New York City Mayor Rudolph W. Giuliani addresses the 2010 candidates for honorary degrees in law. | Photos by Voltaire Archelus

## GIULIANI GIVES GRADS ADVICE ON LEADERSHIP

By Darlene Campos

Former New York City Mayor Rudy Giuliani offered the departing class a few nuggets of wisdom at the UH Law Center's May 16 commencement ceremony at Hofheinz Pavilion.

"It's more important to go to a funeral than a wedding because people need you more when time is difficult," said keynote speaker Giuliani, who stressed the importance of countenance before the 2010 law graduates, their friends and families.

Following the Sept. 11 attacks on the World Trade Center, Time magazine named Giuliani their 2001 Person of the Year for his leadership. After regaling the graduating students with anecdotes from his career, Giuliani outlined his six-point plan for becoming a better leader.

"If you want to be a leader, figure out what your beliefs are. People achieve the most when they have goals. People achieve very little when they don't.

"Be an optimist. An optimist doesn't ignore a problem. An optimist absorbs a problem. Know how to take risks. Fear is just a part of anything we do that's different or new," Giuliani said.

In 2002, Giuliani was named the winner of the Ronald Reagan Presidential Freedom Award and received honorary knighthood from Queen Elizabeth II.

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— Rudy Giuliani Former New York City Mayor



Photos by Alex Gonzalez

Students from the graduating class of 2010 get to know one another during commencement procession.



Students graduates of the Cullen College of Engineering congratulate themselves for a job well done.



Board of Regents Chairman Welcome Wilson gives an opening speech to the 2010 graduates.











Photo by Alex Gonzalez





UH Law Center graduate Cole Konling has his picture taken with family after the Sunday commencement ceremony. | Voltaire Archelus



(left to right) Newly graduated Aldoph Suarez, Celina Moreno, Marco Jilpas and Gabriel Gonzales gather outside of Hofheinz Pavilion. | Voltaire Archelus



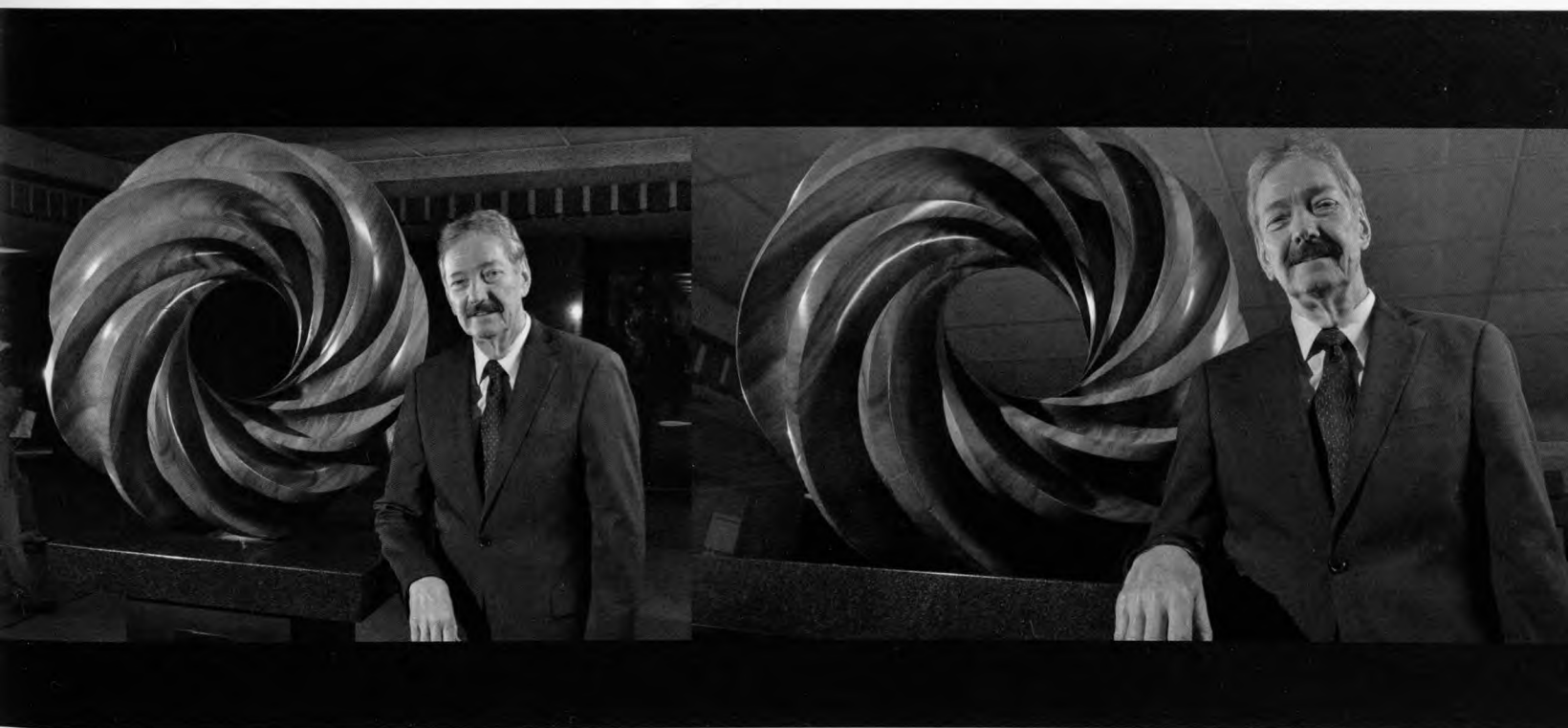
Law graduate Sharda Sharma pauses to raise a Cougar paw with parents and UH alumni Bashist Sharma (left) and Tolamattie Sharma (right). | Voltaire Archelus



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EZEKIEL WIMBERLY CULLEN  
FATHER OF EDUCATION IN TEXAS  
1805 — 1865

BORN IN GEORGIA HE CAME TO TEXAS IN 1835 AND FOUGHT FOR TEXAS INDEPENDENCE—WAS FRIEND AND ADMINISTRATION LEADER OF MIRABEAU B. LAMAR, SECOND PRESIDENT OF TEXAS.

AS CHAIRMAN, HOUSE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, THIRD CONGRESS OF THE REPUBLIC OF TEXAS, 1838—1839, HE INTRODUCED IN THE HOUSE AND

OF LAND TO EACH COUNTY FOR FREE SCHOOLS, AND TWENTY LEAGUES FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF TWO COLLEGES OR UNIVERSITIES, THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AND A&M COLLEGE.

HE SERVED WITH DISTINCTION AS JUDGE OF THE REPUBLIC, SITTING IN SAN AUGUSTINE.

HUGH ROY CULLEN AND WIFE.



# SENIOR ADMINISTRATION

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<b>Dona Hamilton Cornell</b> Vice President for Legal Affairs and General Counsel, UH J.D., University of Texas at Austin	*Time of service – 8 years, 6 days
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<b>Mack B. Rhoades</b> Director of Athletics, UH M.S., Indiana University	*Time of service – 10 months, 22 days
<b>James E. Anderson</b> Executive Associate to the President for Community Relations, UH Ph.D. Ohio State University	*Time of service – 38 years, 9 months, 22 days

\*Includes time of service to the University of Houston as of June 23, 2010











DEANS

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**WILLIAM F. MUNSON**  
Dean of Students

Photo by Steven Oster









## PATRICIA B. OLIVER

Dean of the Gerald D. Hines College of Architecture

Enrollment: 775

The Gerald D. Hines College of Architecture offers programs leading to Master of Architecture, Master of Science and Master of Arts in Architecture Studies degrees with majors in architecture, environmental design and industrial design.

Built by Philip Johnson in 1985, the Architecture Building houses studios for all first- through fifth-year students. | Photos by Steven Oster









**ARTHUR D. WARGA**  
Dean of the C.T. Bauer College of Business

Enrollment: 5,885

The C.T. Bauer College of Business offers programs leading to Master of Business, Master of Science in Finance, Master of Science in Accounting and Doctor of Philosophy degrees with majors in business, accounting and taxation, entrepreneurship, finance, management and marketing.

Located in the fourth most populous city in the nation, Melcher Hall provides its thousands of students with internship and career opportunities.  
| Photos by Steven Oster









**ROBERT K. WIMPELBERG**  
Dean of the College of Education

Enrollment: 3,622 students

The College of Education offers programs leading to Master of Education, Master of Science and Doctor of Philosophy degrees with majors in health, interdisciplinary studies, kinesiology and human nutrition and foods.

The Stephen Power Farish Hall, facing the Cullen Family Plaza, houses the College of Education.  
Photos by Steven Oster









**JOSEPH W. TEDESCO**  
Dean of the Cullen College of Engineering

Enrollment: 2,781 students

The Cullen College of Engineering offers programs leading to Master of Engineering, Master of Science and Doctor of Philosophy degrees with majors in aerospace, biomedical, chemical, civil, computer, electrical, industrial, mechanical and petroleum engineering fields.

Landscape with Blue Trees, created by Jim Love,  
outside the South Cullen College of Engineering.  
| Photos by Steven Oster









**WILLIAM MONROE**  
Dean of the Honors College

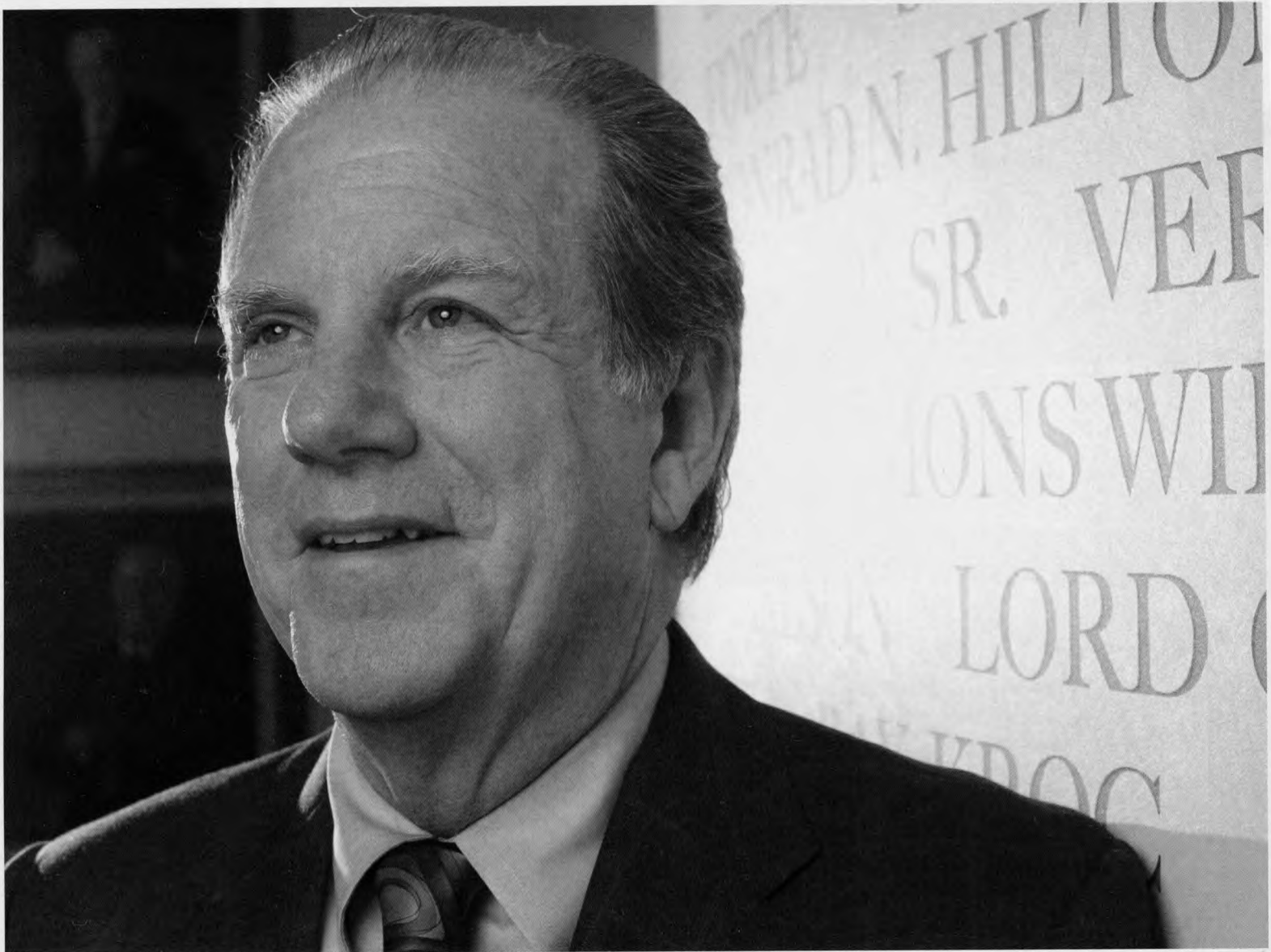
The Honors College offers courses leading to degrees in the Honors Business Program and minors in Medicine and Society and Phronesis: a program in Politics and Ethics.

(top) Photo Courtesy of the Honors College (right)  
The Honors College | Steven Oster









## JOHN T. BOWEN

Dean of the Conrad N. Hilton College of Hotel and Restaurant Management

Enrollment: 1,023

The Conrad N. Hilton College of Hotel and Restaurant offers programs leading to Master of Science and Master of Business Administration in hospitality management degrees and a Bachelor of Science in hotel and restaurant management.

To help its students excel in the hospitality industry, the Conrad N. Hilton College offers a range of courses such as Hospitality Technology, Food Service Production and Leadership. | Photos by Steven Oster









**RAYMOND T. NIMMER**  
Dean of the Law Center

Enrollment: 969

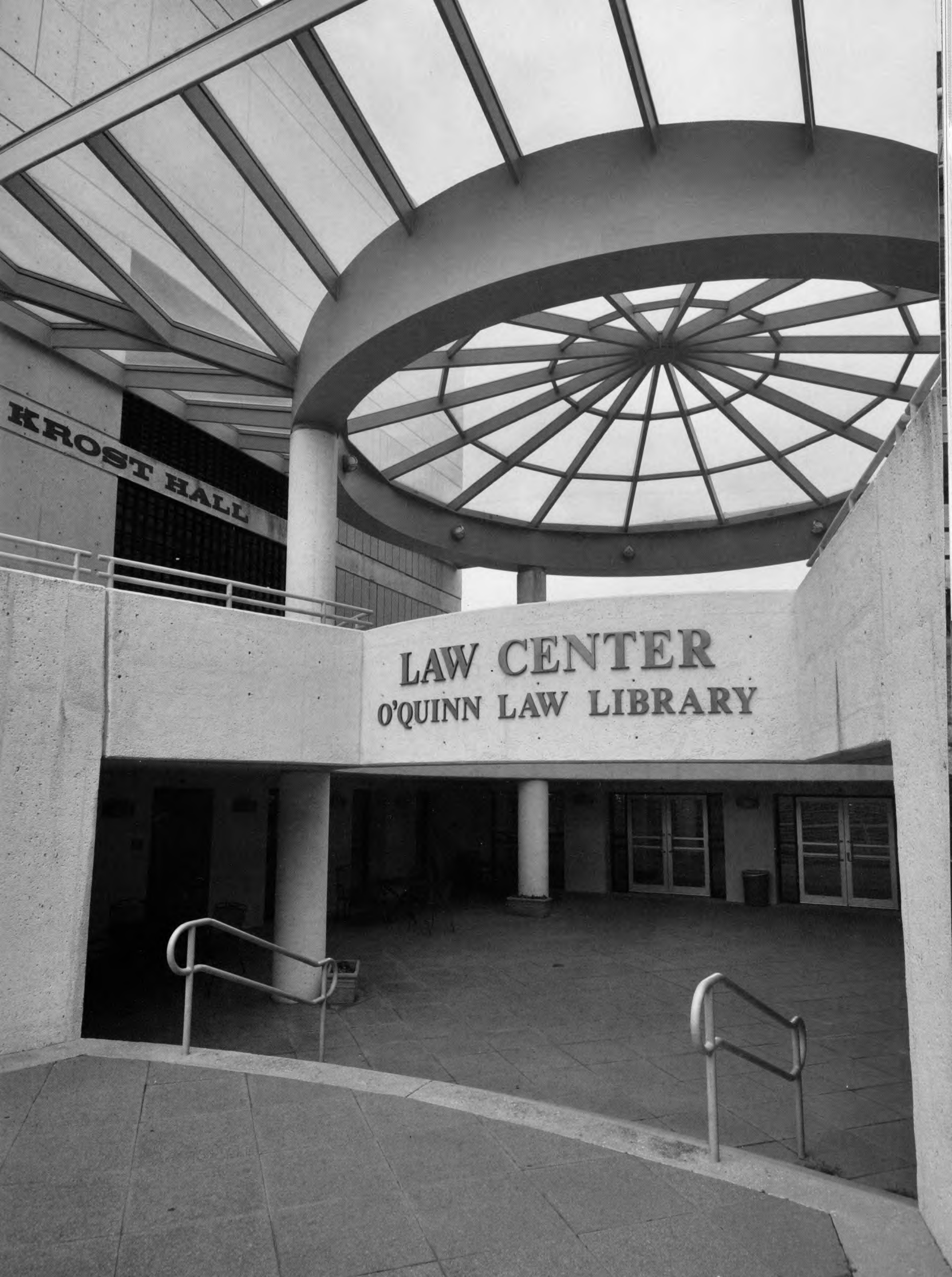
The College of Law, the academic branch of the Law Center, is fully accredited by the American Bar Association and the American Association of Law Schools. Two degrees are offered: doctor of jurisprudence and master of laws.

(top) Raymond T. Nimmer | Photo by Newton Liu, (right)  
John O'Quinn Law Library | Photo by Steven Oster



KROST HALL

LAW CENTER  
O'QUINN LAW LIBRARY







## CYNTHIA A. FREELAND

Interim Dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences

Enrollment: 8,474

The College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences offers programs leading to Master of Fine Arts, Master of Arts, Master of Philosophy, Master of Music and Doctor of Philosophy degrees with majors including art, music, theater and dance, communications, history, economics, political science, philosophy and psychology.

Agnes Arnold Hall houses classes for the Liberal Arts ranging from French and philosophy to the classics. | Photos by Steven Oster









## JOHN L. BEAR

Dean of the College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics

Enrollment: 4,561 students

The College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics offers programs leading to Master of Arts, Master of Science and Doctor of Philosophy degrees with majors in biology, biochemistry, chemistry, computer science, geosciences, mathematics and physics.

The Science and Engineering Research Center (left) houses student and faculty laboratories for research. The third floor is dedicated to Professor Jan-Ake Gustafsson's lab for nuclear receptors and cell signaling research. The Science and Engineering Classroom (right) building is reserved for lectures in science and mathematics.

| Photos by Steven Oster









**EARL L. SMITH III**  
Dean of the College of Optometry

Enrollment: 441 students

The College of Optometry offers programs leading to Master of Science, Doctor of Optometry and Doctor of Philosophy degrees with majors in optometry, physiology optics and vision science.

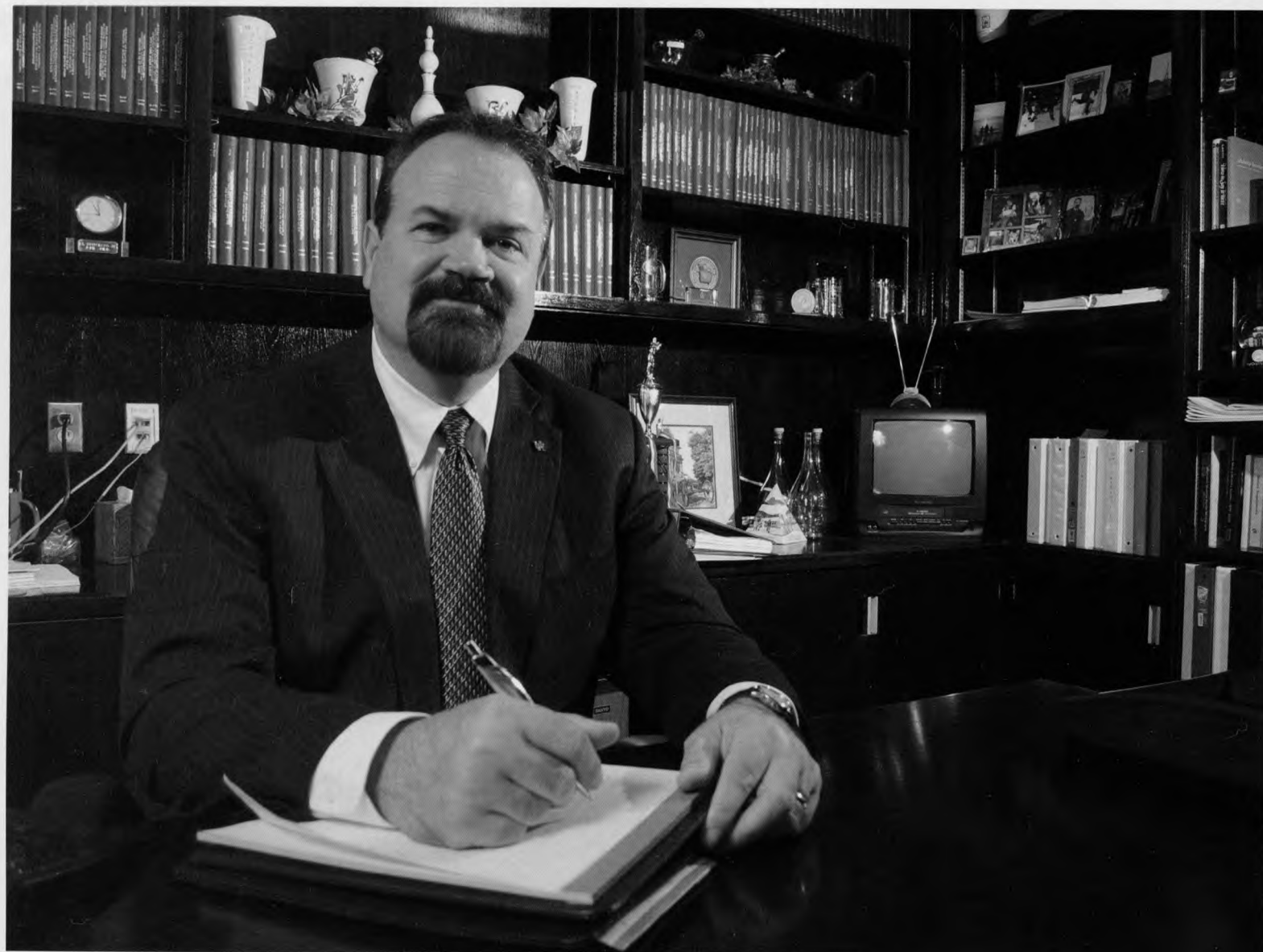
The J. Davis Armistead Building (right) is home to the College of Optometry, the University Eye Institute and the Weston A. Petty Optometry Library.  
| Photos by Steven Oster





University Eye Institute





**F. LAMAR PRITCHARD**  
Dean of the College of Pharmacy

Enrollment: 646 students

The College of Pharmacy offers programs leading to Master of Science in pharmacy administration and Doctor of Philosophy in pharmaceuticals and pharmacology degrees with majors in pharmaceutical sciences.

The College of Pharmacy (right) is located in the Science and Research Building 2 along with The Institute for Cardiovascular Studies and the Pharmacy Library. | Photos by Steven Oster









## IRA C. COLBY

Dean of the Graduate College of Social Work

Enrollment: 362 students

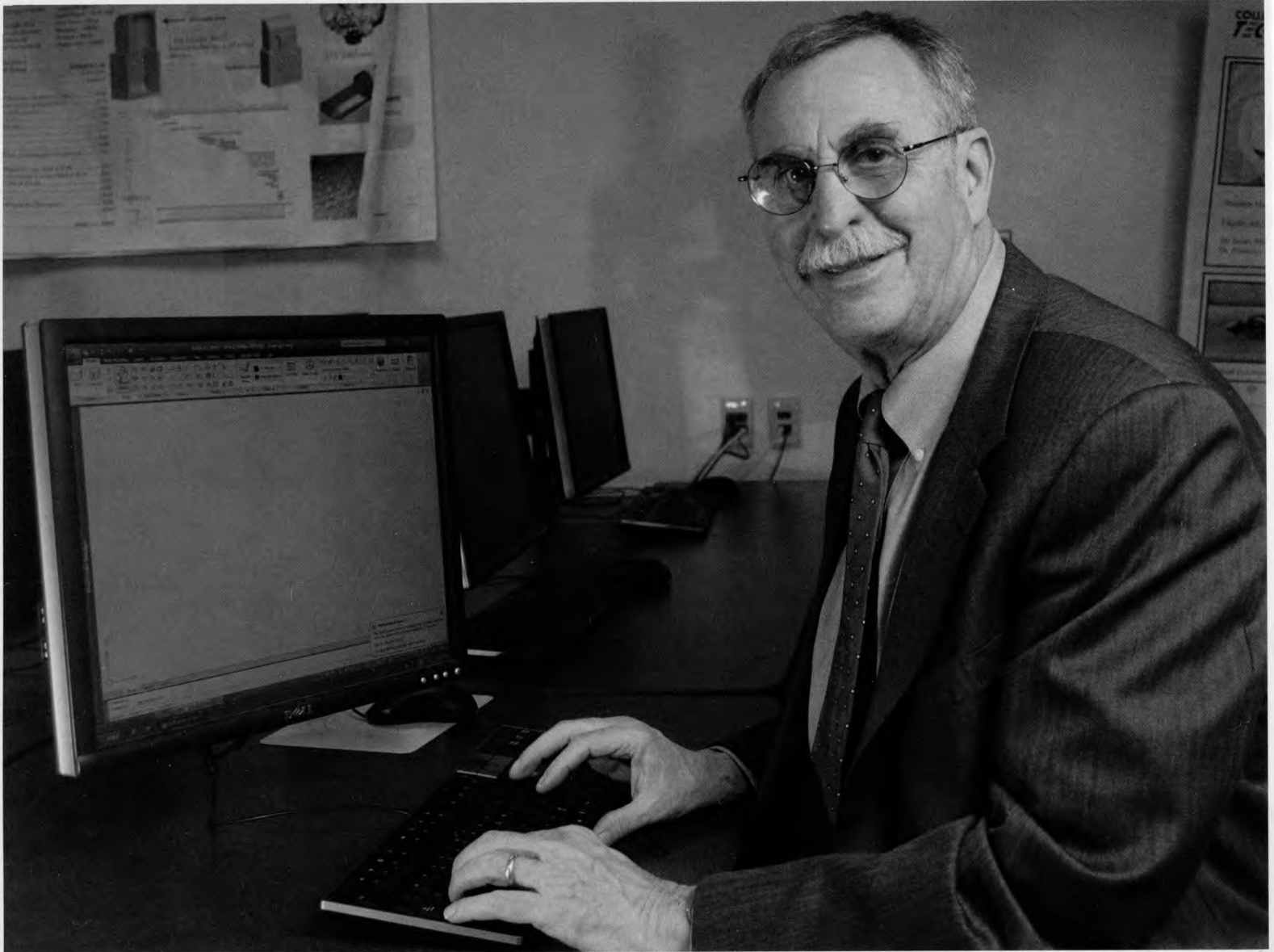
The Graduate College of Social Work offers programs leading to Master in Social Work and Doctor of Philosophy in Social Work degrees with majors in political social work, gerontological social work and humanics.

The Graduate College of Social Work building houses general purpose classrooms as well as the Learning Support Services center.  
| Photos by Steven Oster









## WILLIAM E. FITZGIBBON III

Dean of the College of Technology

Enrollment: 2,089 students

The College of Technology offers programs leading to Master of Technology in Engineering, and Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering Technology with majors including in biotechnology, computer sciences, construction management technology, digital media, electrical power engineering technology, mechanical engineering technology and surveying engineering technology.

A variety of project spaces and labs for cutting-edge research can be found throughout the College of Technology Building. The UH ATT lab, directed by Professor Wajiha Shireen, houses graduate research for power electronics. | Photos by Steven Oster









**DANA C. ROOKS**  
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University of Houston Libraries and collections comprises M.D. Anderson Library, the Architecture & Art Library, Conrad N. Hilton College Library, Course Reserves, Government Documents, the John O'Quinn Law Library, the Music Library, the Optometry Library, the Pharmacy Library and Special Collections.

Jim Sanborn's sculpture "A-A" illuminates the main façade of M.D. Anderson Library, the UH System's main library. | Photos by Steven Oster





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AND THE OCCASIONAL...  
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**JOSEPH L. MASHBURN**  
Dean of the Gerald D. Hines College of Architecture  
August 1998-September 2009.

Photo by Steven Oster



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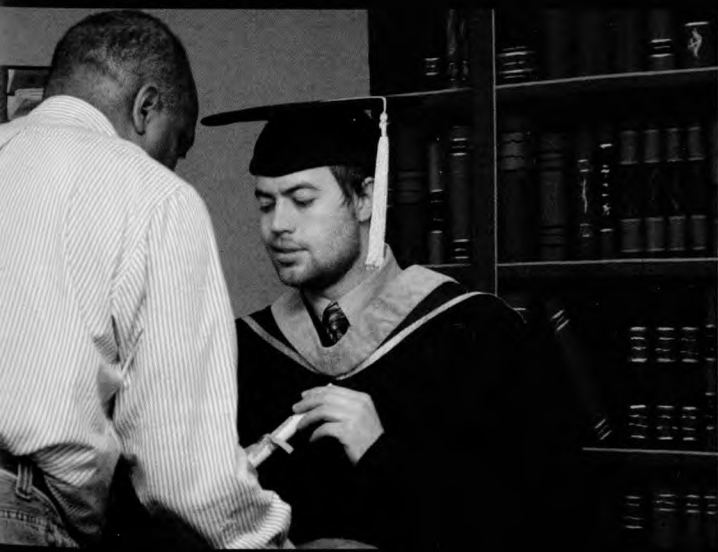




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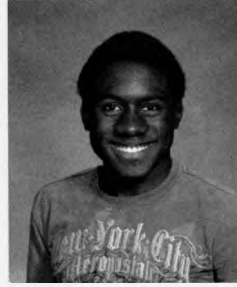




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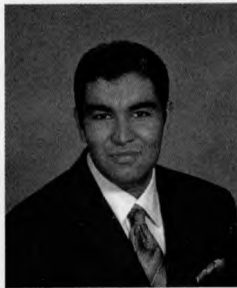
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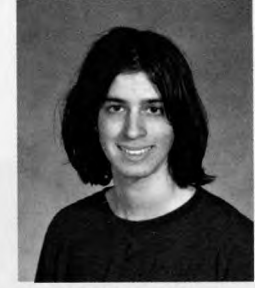
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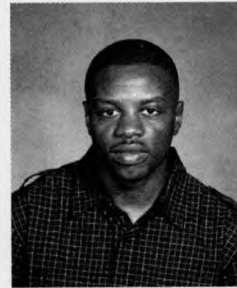
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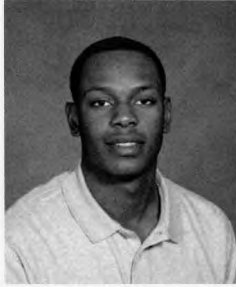
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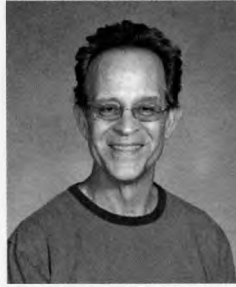
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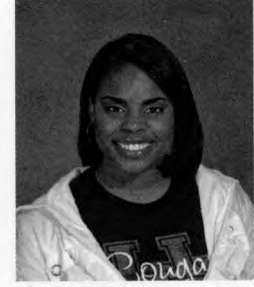
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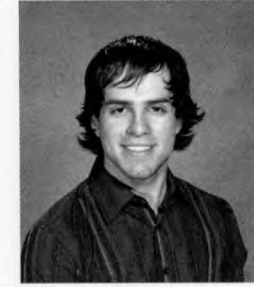
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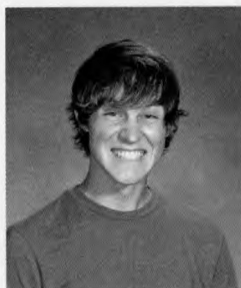
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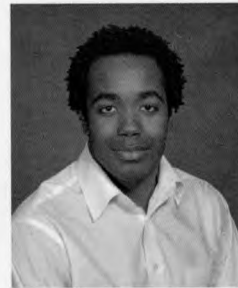
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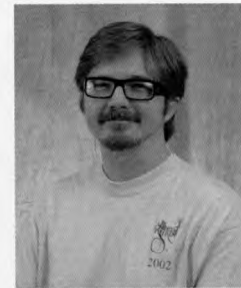
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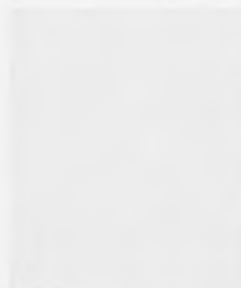
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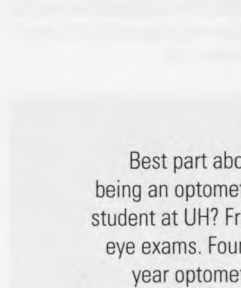
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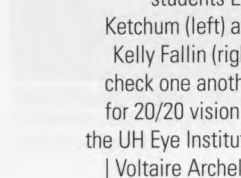
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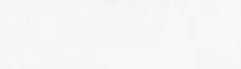
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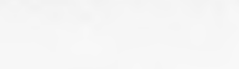
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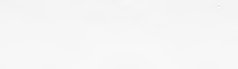
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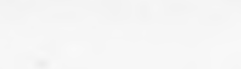
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Best part about being an optometry student at UH? Free eye exams. Fourth year optometry students Eric Ketchum (left) and Kelly Fallin (right) check one another for 20/20 vision at the UH Eye Institute.  
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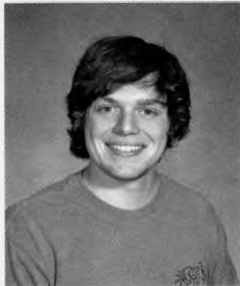
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(left) Professor of Chinese Language and Culture Marshall McArthur rides his miniature bike for a faster commute through campus.

(below) James Glennie, the Director of Renewable Energy Research Cluster, promotes Metro bus plans at the UH Commuter Fair, even to UH's many native squirrels. | Photos by Voltaire Archelus



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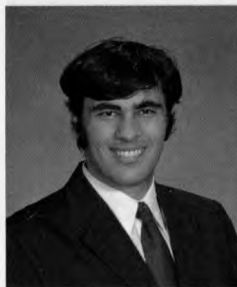
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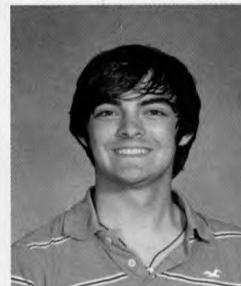
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(top) Business freshman Vicki Le (left) and Saralinda Martinez (right) wear matching Star Wars T-shirts to class.

(right) "Woof!" York Shire terrier Xena stakes out a spot at Robertson Stadium parking lot for her owner Andres Cifuentes, a mechanical engineering sophomore. | Photos by Voltaire Archelus



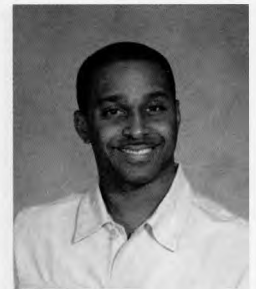
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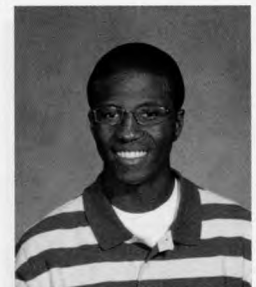
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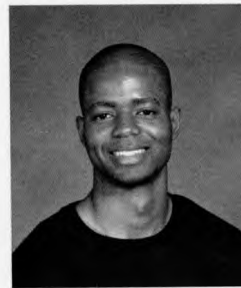
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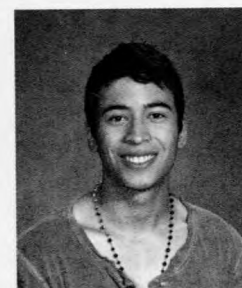
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School's out! Students embrace  
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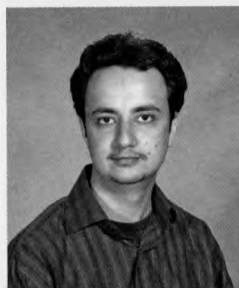
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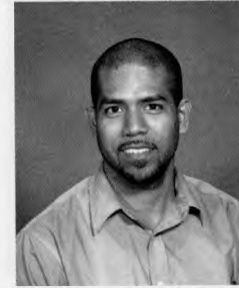
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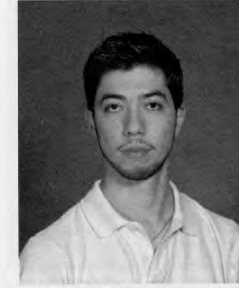
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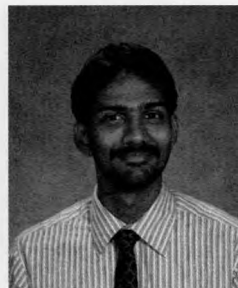
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The American Medical Student Association, Pre-Med Chapter shows their school spirit the week of homecoming by decorating a glass panel at the at the UC Arbor for Paint the UC. | Photo Courtesy of American Medical Student Association, Pre-med Chapter



The bake sale is just one of many ways student groups raise funds for their cause. | Photo Courtesy of American Medical Student Association, Pre-med Chapter





# DELTA SIGMA THETA ZETA SIGMA CHAPTER



Annual Book Club. From left, Faith Deggins, Natalya Brownlow, Lanecia Jenkins, Kyana Stewart, Brittney Jones, Courtney Smith, Roneshia Lewis, Marnita Holligan. | Provided photo

**High points of the year:** Winning Most Innovative Program of the Year for our Annual Marie Fonsworth Scholarship Fashion Show: "Definition of a FASHIONISTA" at the 2009-2010 Campus Activities Leadership Awards Ceremony and one of our own members, Brittney Jones, winning the Stellar Senior Student Leader award at the 2009-2010 Campus Activities Leadership Awards Ceremony. Participating in the BLACKE Summit Weekend and NPHC (National Pan-Hellenic Council) numerous events.

**Delta Sigma Theta history:** At Howard University on January 13, 1913, history changed forever when Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated was born. The Twenty-Two Illustrious Founders were bold and determined to make a change. As a collective front, they were women who demonstrated the need to de-emphasize the social aspect of sorority life and focus on serving and supporting humankind. Evident early on in its founding, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. was the only group of African American women to participate in the Women's Suffrage March in Washington, D.C., March 1913. In an environment faced with much opposition, and living in an era where the plight of Blacks was bleak, these audacious women felt it necessary that the foundation of such an illustrious organization be rooted in scholarship, sisterhood and service.



Helping out in a voter registration drive. From left, back row: Lanecia Jenkins, Jerrica Lewis, Delia Portley, Roneshia Lewis, Amy Ogbonnaya, Krystle Hodge, DaShawn Thomas. From left, front row: Kendra Mills, Charity Mills, Zadia Murphy. | Provided photo



Prayer breakfast. From left, back row: Monique Duke, DaShawn Thomas, Amy Ogbonna, Marnita Holligan, Charity Mills, Brittney Douglas-Smith, Delia Portley, Natalya Brownlow. From left, front row: Brittney Jones, Jerrica Lewis, Tashira Lewis. | Provided photo



National Pan-Hellenic Council event. From left: Marnita Holligan, Krystle Hodge, Jerrica Lewis, Jasmine Floyd, Lanecia Jenkins. | Provided photo

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# UH EL GATO



Members of the El Gato staff, back row, from left: Jesus Acevedo, Jaime Martinez, Carlos Estrada; second row, from left: Erika Andrade, Carlos Valenzuela, Ivan Castillo; third row, from left: Jazmin Barrera, Isaac Pedraza, Jose Santos; front row: Ray Ruiz, Andre Habet, Norma Vasquez, Ruth Montanez, Paulette Vargas. | Justin Flores

**W**e are a multidisciplinary organization that develops future Hispanic media professionals. El Gato provides hands-on experience, leadership opportunities, and a chance for journalists to build their multi-media portfolio.

During the 1st week of march we take at-risk high school students interested in journalism on tours of the TV stations around Houston. We also hold various media workshops throughout the year and train student organizations in media relations.

## Advisers

Dr. Fred Schiff and Dr. Gabriela Baeza Ventura

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# glass mountain

# GLASS MOUNTAIN



Glass Mountain editors Tina Richardson, Patrick Stockwell and James Roberts have a powwow before their reading at Blaffer Gallery. | Kendra Berglund

**G**lass Mountain, the undergraduate literary journal at UH, is run by undergraduates, with the wants, needs, and curiosities of the emerging artist in mind. In the summer the journal hosts Boldface, a conference for emerging writers.

## **Members**

12 members

## **Adviser**

Lynn Voskuil, associate professor of English

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English  
Department  
faculty and  
students listen  
to short stories  
and poems  
at Glass  
Mountain's  
spring reading.  
| Kendra  
Berglund



Cover of Glass  
Mountain's  
fall 2009  
publication,  
featuring  
the works of  
Gerald Cedillo,  
Alexandra  
Fife, Bryan  
Hlavinka, and  
Chris Webb.





# GREENUH



Marketing senior Mai Le and Assistant Vice President of University Services Emily Messa enjoy festivities at UH Green day 2009. | Photo Courtesy of GreenUH

The University of Houston made a commitment to building a more sustainable campus starting in 2008. Since then, the UH Administration established the Sustainability Task Force to lead GreenUH, working with students, faculty and staff to establish a recycling program working toward minimizing waste per student. Every spring UH joins RecycleMania, a nationwide recycling competition.

In 2010, UH finished first in Texas in the actual weight competition and top ten in the waste minimization category in the nation.

## Members

1,000+ participants, consisting of UH faculty, staff and students.

## Sponsor

Emily Messa, Assistant Vice President for University Services

## Awards

1st Place Texas RecycleMania Grand Champion  
1st Place Texas Waste Minimization

[www.uh.edu/green](http://www.uh.edu/green)



Earth Day 2010  
- Staff member  
Rosa Garcia and  
biology freshman  
Lori Guerra  
pose beside  
recycled art. |  
Photo Courtesy of  
GreenUH



A student team  
from assistant  
professor  
Barry Lefer's  
atmospheric  
sciences program  
launches a  
weather balloon to  
calculate carbon  
emissions that  
damage the ozone.  
| Photo Courtesy  
of GreenUH



# GRADUATE INDIAN STUDENT ORGANIZATION



Members of the Graduate Student Indian Organization, back row, from left: President Omkar Khare, Cultural Secretary Gauri Komawar, Vice President of Logistics Bhushan Lalwani, Editor Rajatha Raghavendra, Vice President of Finance Sri Vishnu Varada, front row, from left: Vice President of Public Relation Tejas Chitnis, Sports Secretary Ravi Goyal, Webmaster Sandeep Belure. | Photo Courtesy of GISO

From serving traditional Indian dishes at its events (top) to hosting an annual cricket game (left), GISO provides a safe haven for international Indian students new to UH. | Photos courtesy of GISO



A non-profit, non-political student body with an objective of creating a platform for awareness of the rich Indian culture and heritage that helps new Indian students at UH adjust to campus life.

**Members**  
300

**Sponsor**  
Jaslok Subhlok

[www.uh.edu/giso](http://www.uh.edu/giso)



# HORTICULTURE SOCIETY



Members of the Horticulture Society at UH, from left to right, Scott Allen, Yosef Kerzner, Kavan Yen, Estefani Jimenez, Meredith Mulloy. (bottom) Julian Martinez. | Photo Courtesy of the Horticulture Society at UH

**M**embers of the Horticulture Society are encouraged to grow all types of plants in a greenhouse attached to the Biology Building, with the help of fellow students and information from books. Most of the activity occurs during biweekly meetings, when members plant seeds, transplant seedlings, learn proper plant care, and engage in other informative experiences. This was a formative second year for the organization. The first winter with many growing plants was endured, the number of members grew rapidly, and our first plant sale, which was a great success, was held in April. In the future, more plant sales each year and more horticulture-related activities are planned, as well as one field trip each semester. In addition, we will begin growing seedlings for the Campus Community Garden's spring and summer seasons. Hopefully, the Horticulture Society will continue to educate more students every year in the joys of horticulture, and the greenhouse will be kept full with plants.

**Members**  
10

**Sponsor**  
Donna Pattison



(From left to right) Yosef Kerzner, biotechnology sophomore, Scott Allen, biology senior, Estefani Jimenez, environmental science sophomore. Seedling soil is prepared for placement into pots. | Photo Courtesy of the Horticulture Society at UH





Awards Dinner | Photo Courtesy of the UH Alumni Association

The University of Houston Alumni Association is a non-profit organization that, since its founding in 1940, has served and supported the University of Houston and its alumni. With more than 20,000 members worldwide, the Association's primary objectives are to fund student scholarships; maintain a network of college-based, area-based, and special interest-based alumni groups; provide communications that keep alumni connected to the university; advocate on legislative issues; and organize and promote goodwill projects that benefit the surrounding community. UHAA is governed by a 20-member Board of Directors, on which the university's president serves in an ex-officio capacity.

#### **Members**

20,000 members

#### **Sponsors**

Mike Pede ('89), Alumni Association President and CEO

#### **Awards**

56th Annual Alumni Association Awards Dinner - 4/23/10

Alumni Association Ring Ceremony - 5/6/10

[www.mycougarconnection.com](http://www.mycougarconnection.com)



(above) Frontier Fiesta board members. (below) UH President Renu Khator at the WhistleStop Tour. | Photos Courtesy of the UH Alumni Association







(above) Alumni pose at this year's Ring Ceremony. (below) David Bertman (far left) shows his Cougar pride at the Circle of Excellence Reception.





UH President Renu Khator takes advantage of the meet and greet at the WhistleStop Tour in Pearland. | Houston Alumni Association photo



# METROPOLITAN VOLUNTEER PROGRAM



Volunteering at the community garden is one of many ways members of MVP worked alongside other student organizations and UH departments this year to help the campus community reduce its carbon footprint. Carlos Villarreal, the director of Residential Maintenance, (far right) explains tomato harvesting to members of MVP. | Steven Oster.

The Metropolitan Volunteer Program strives to better the student body of the University of Houston through Volunteerism. The Goal of our organization is the establish a positive present on campus and in the surrounding community. MVP partners with various non-profit organizations in the Houston area to enforce our slogan "Be the change you want to see in the world" – Gandhi

## **Members**

2,000 members

## **Adviser**

Tiffany Spurlock

[www.uh.edu/MVP](http://www.uh.edu/MVP)



Members of the Metropolitan Volunteer Program work with assistant professor of atmospheric science and atmospheric chemistry Barry Lefer (left) to plant seedlings and other harvested plants at UH's community garden. | Steven Oster.



Members of MVP, the Horticulture Society at UH and UH's Dining Services help the campus get the most out of its community garden. | Steven Oster



# STUDENT PROGRAM BOARD



Several students took to the stage during the Mundo Tribe's performance at the UC Satellite on April 6. The local Houston band was part of the Student Program Board's Spring Concert Series that took place from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Tuesdays. | Photo Courtesy of Student Program Board

The Student Program Board is the primary student-run organization at the University of Houston that handles bringing entertainment to campus. This might include a musical performance at the UC Satellite, snow day with free hot chocolate outside the University Center or a night filled with comedy in the UC Houston Room. The organization put on more than 75 events this past year that brought out more than 12,000 students. The year culminated with a dance competition, UH's Best Dance Crew, on the last week of class, which brought 375 students out to the UC Houston Room as well as a Block Party that featured a car show, and several other fun activities.

**Members**  
30 members

**Adviser**  
Kristen Salo

**[www.uh.edu/spb](http://www.uh.edu/spb)**



Kristen Salo,  
Scott Godley,  
Kevin Nguyen,  
Xavier Livingston,  
Phi Cong, Tim  
Williams; bottom  
row: Sean Tarver,  
Denise Love,  
Melinda Rushing,  
Loraine Diaz,  
Jerry Chavez,  
Derrick Maples |  
Photo Courtesy of  
Student Program  
Board



SPB Trips and  
Tournament's  
chair Xavier  
Livingston and  
the Vice President  
of Marketing  
and Assessment  
Loraine Diaz snap  
a picture with  
some of their  
favorite Looney  
Tunes characters  
during SPB's first  
ever trip to the  
Six Flags Over  
Texas in Arlington.  
Livingston helped  
to organize the  
day trip for 50  
students during  
the first Saturday  
of spring break. |  
Photo Courtesy of  
Student Program  
Board



# STUDENT VIDEO NETWORK



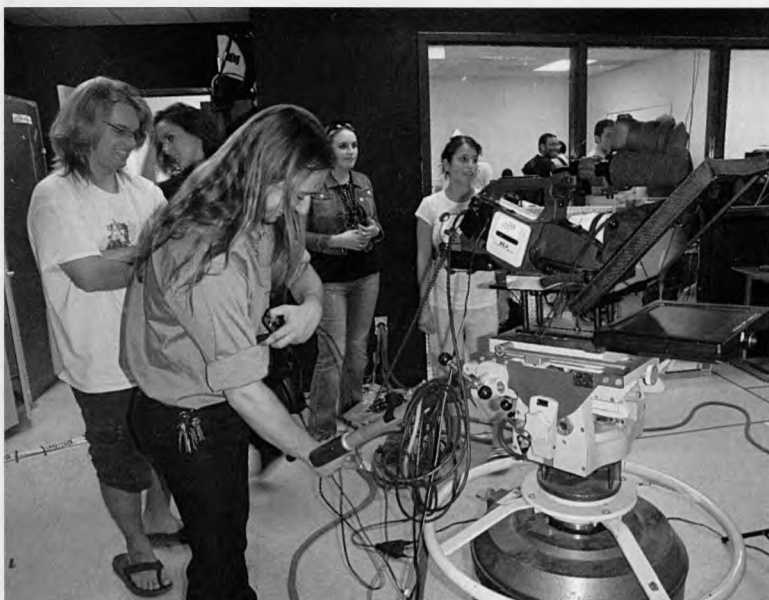
The Student Video Network provides a hands-on environment where UH students can develop experience in the field of video production. | Photo Courtesy of SVN

The Student Video Network (SVN/Channel 6) is one of seven fee-funded organizations at the University of Houston's Department of Campus Activities. Channel 6 provides students the unique opportunity to develop movies, television shows, commercials, and special features for the small screen, experiencing the entire process from inception to air.

Participation is open to all currently enrolled students of the University of Houston. Communication students are preferred, but there are positions available for a variety of

majors including public relations, technology, accounting, and management. Interviews and/or training may be required before appointment.

The Spring of 2010 SVN began offering Studio Classes, consisting of: Editing, Script Composition, Audio, Studio Production and Camera Theory. These classes are open to any student that is a member or interested in recording something and needs to learn the basics. The classes are taught by our executive board who are very experienced with the equipment.



(above) Members of SVN, UH's student-run cable TV network, on the set of one of the group's many video productions. Since the group's inception in 1974 students have gained experience working with the latest equipment in video production. | Courtesy of SVN

(below) Lights, camera, action ... In addition to movies, SVN's Channel 6 is also home to shows that are created by, directed by and star University of Houston Students. | Courtesy of SVN



From left, Vice President Oscar Leon, Studio Manager Jake Schnitzer, Public Relations Director Claudia Hualde, President Viral Bhakta, and Production Manager Roman Perez. | Courtesy of SVN



Marketing Director Chelong He promotes SVN's successes in the community. | Courtesy of SVN





# THETA NU XI SORORITY OMICRON CHAPTER



Back row, left to right R: Randi Carodine, Lisa Nguyen, Amariee Collins, Tonya Juarez (Phi Chapter: UT-Austin), Illiana Caldoron (Phi Chapter: UT- Austin), Kennetha Frye (Phi Chapter: UT- Austin), Julia Mascorro, Reena Patel, Cassandra Richardson, Ericka Vasquez, Desiré Davis, and Lauren Guillet. Front row, left to right: Thinh Le (Phi Chapter: UT- Austin), Lauren Spriggs, Tina Bose, Sandra Ozigbo, Shalé, Jacqueline Castaneda, Alexandria Arras. | Provided photo

In the spring of 2002, Soror Sonia Bhushan, searched for a diverse sisterhood in which women of various backgrounds were able to join hands and encourage the promotion of diversity on their campus and community. She and 4 other women In the summer of 2002, Soror Sonia Bhushan, along with Soror Lubna Zaidi, Soror Victoria Gonzalez, Soror Norma Molina, and Soror Brenda Quintanilla came together to make the dream of having the first Multicultural Sorority at the University of Houston come true. And it did! On December 4, 2002 the Omicron colony was founded and in the spring of 2003, it was recognized as a chapter.

## **Members**

34 members

## **Adviser**

Amariee Sparro Collins

<http://www.wix.com/OmazingOmicron/Theta-Nu-Xi>



Back row, left to right: Kara Patrick (BBA in Marketing), Ateena Majd (Masters in Health Environment and Occupations), Tram Tran (Graduate), Front row, left to right: Cassandra Richardson (Bachelors in Marketing), Reena Patel, Lauren Spriggs. | Provided photo



Left to right: Alexandria Arras (BS in Hotel and Restaurant Management), Desiré Davis (anthropology junior), Shalé Jones (interdisciplinary studies senior), Lauren Spriggs (pre-pharmacy junior), Reena Patel (health senior), Jacqueline Castaneda (accounting junior), and Ericka Vasquez (nutrition senior).  
| Provided photo

Left to right: Jacqueline Castaneda, Lauren Spriggs, Sandra Ozigbo (pharmaceutical sciences senior), Shalé Jones, Reena Patel





# unicef

## UNICEF at UH



UNICEF at UH President Charlene Nguyen comments on world hunger at the student group's Jan. 29 Hunger Banquet at Elizabeth D. Rockwell Pavilion. | Voltaire Archelus

Since spring 2005, the United Nations Children's Fund at the University of Houston has been committed to educating, advocating, and fund-raising for the welfare of children around the world.

**Members**  
50 members

**Sponsor**  
Luis Salinas, professor of sociology

**[www.unicefatuh.org](http://www.unicefatuh.org)**



(left) Sonna Renner, regional director for the U.S. Fund for UNICEF presents a slide show presentation on the effects of world hunger. | Photos by Voltaire Archelus





# UH ATHLETICS

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# BASEBALL



For a momentous open, sophomore pitcher Michael Goodnight strikes out three of five batters in UH's 1-0 win over No. 3 Texas at Minute Maid Park. | Newton Liu

**Record:** 27-31

**Home:** 12-16

**Away:** 13-10

**Neutral:** 2-5

**Conference:** 13-11



The 2010 baseball season was highlighted by a six-game win streak in which the Cougars beat the Missouri Tigers, the Texas Longhorns, the Texas Tech Raiders and the Cal Poly Mustangs. | Photo courtesy of the UH Athletics



Unfortunately, after suffering losses to Rice and Southern Miss, the Cougars did not win a championship. | Photo courtesy of UH Athletics

## ROSTER

- 1 Tom Wertz
- 2 Tony Montalbano
- 4 Wes Musick
- 5 Blake Kelso
- 8 Jimmy Raviele
- 9 Chase Dempsay
- 10 Codey Morehouse
- 11 Chris Wright
- 13 Jake Runte
- 14 William Kankel
- 15 Zak Presley
- 17 Reed Watson
- 18 Taylor Hammack
- 19 Barry Laird
- 20 Chris Wallace
- 21 Ty Stuckey
- 24 Matt Murphy
- 25 Taylor White
- 26 David Murphy
- 27 Joey Cesario
- 28 Caleb Ramsey
- 29 Matt Taylor
- 31 Jared Ray
- 33 Mo Wiley
- 34 John Touchton
- 35 David McClain
- 36 Carlos Reyes
- 37 John Cannon
- 42 Frank Corolla
- 44 Donnie Joseph
- 45 Michael Goodnight

## COACHING STAFF

### Head Coach

Rayner Noble

### Assistant Coach

Russell Stockton

### Assistant Coach

Jorge Garza

### Volunteer Assistant Coach

Travis Tully

### Director of Baseball Operations

Traci Cauley

### Strength and Conditioning Coach

Dale Jones

### Student Manager

Tyler Adams

### Student Manager

Jared Hoffman

### Student Athletics Trainer

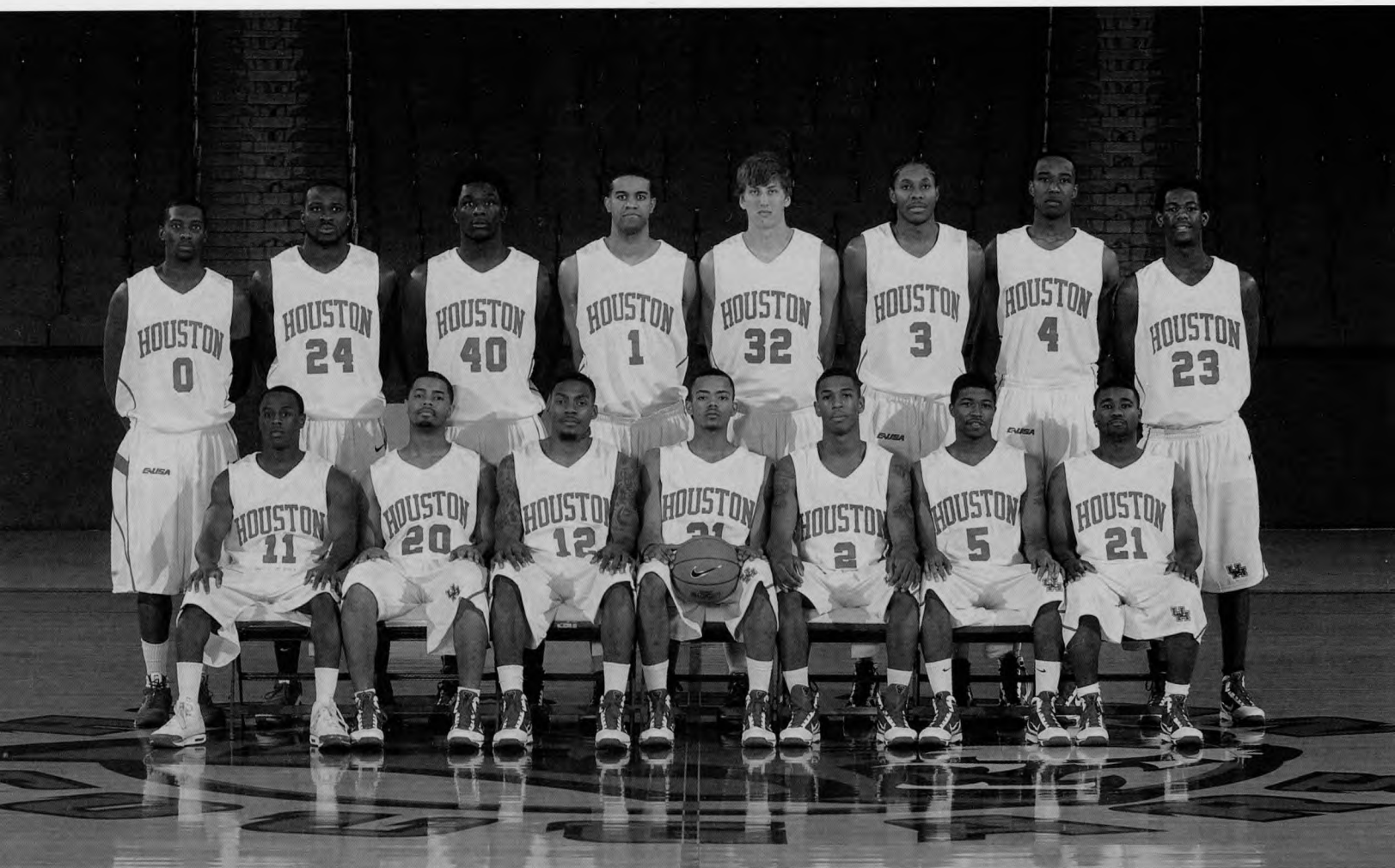
Khefran Savannah

### Athletics Trainer

Earl Ware



# MEN'S BASKETBALL



The UH Basketball team, back row, from left: Kelvin Lewis, Kahmell Broughton, Kendrick Washington, Sean Coleman, Kirk Van Slyke, Maurice McNeil, Nick Mosley, Bryce Clark, front row, from left: Desmond Wade, Jamon Wilson, Aubrey Coleman, Adam Brown, Zamal Nixon, Nick Haywood, Cory Tellis. | UH Athletics photo

**Record:** 19-16

**Home:** 10-5

**Away:** 4-9

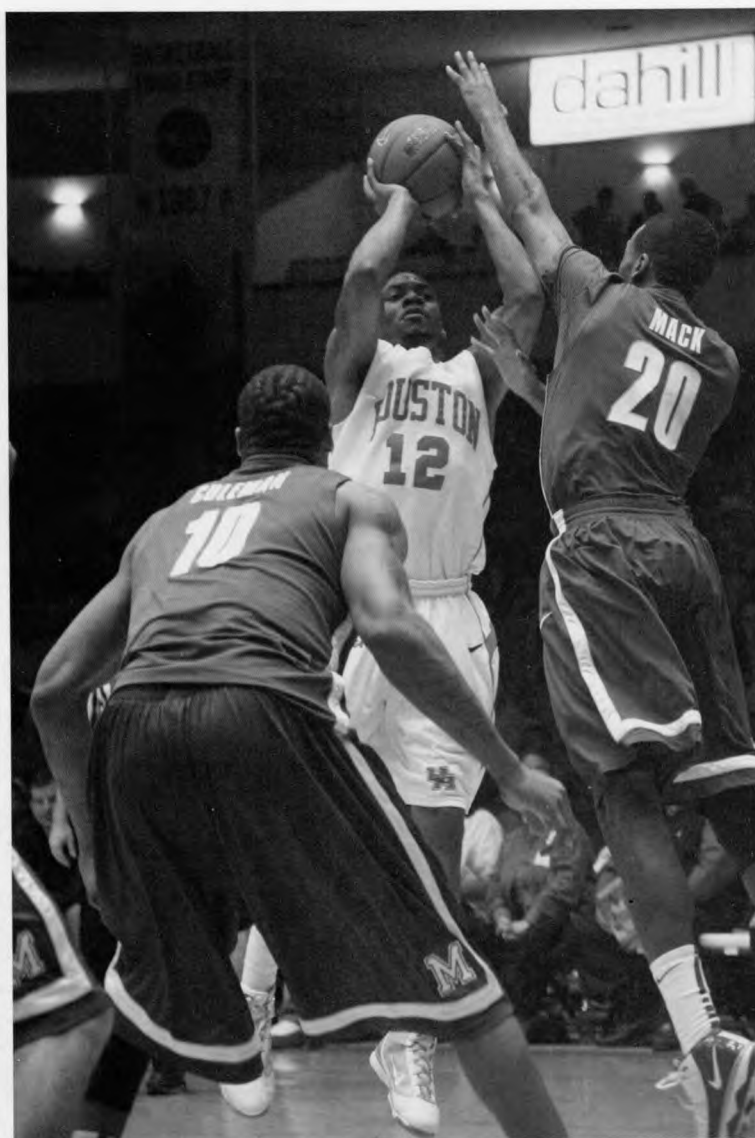
**Neutral:** 5-2

**Conference:** 7-9



In the remaining 15 seconds of the game the men's basketball team slides past the Tigers with a 66-65 win, a victory which would mark the fourth time in the last five seasons that the Cougars reached the C-USA Championship semifinals. | UH Athletics

(left) With only five seconds left on the clock, senior guard Aubrey Coleman scores the game-winning shot in the Conference-USA quarterfinals against the Memphis Tigers. (below) Sophomore point guard Desmond Wade completes an assist in the Cougar's 93-85 win against the Troy Trojans. | Photos courtesy of UH Athletics.



## ROSTER

0	Kelvin Lewis
1	Sean Coleman
2	Zamal Nixon
3	Maurice McNeil
5	Nick Haywood
11	Desmond Wade
12	Aubrey Coleman
20	Jamon Wilson
21	Cory Tellis
23	Bryce Clark
24	Kahmell Broughton
31	Adam Brown
32	Kirk Van Slyke
40	Kendrick Washington

## COACHING STAFF

### Head Coach

Tom Penders

### Associate Head Coach/ Recruiting Director

Melvin Haralson

### Senior Associate Coach

Kevin Lewis

### Assistant Coach

Jerry Hobbie

### Director of Operations & Performance Enhancement

Michael Young

### Associate Athletics Trainer

John Houston

### Director of Video and Summer Camps

Chris Howell

### Student Manager

Matt Riley

### Student Manager

David Robertson

### Student Manager

Matt Ruiz

### Graduate Manager

Philip Whitcomb



# WOMEN'S BASKETBALL



Members of the 2010 UH women's basketball team stand mid-court with (far left) assistant coach Tari Cummings, head coach Joe Curl and Director of Operations Tiffanie Hatley. | David Shih

**Record:** 17-15

**Home:** 7-6

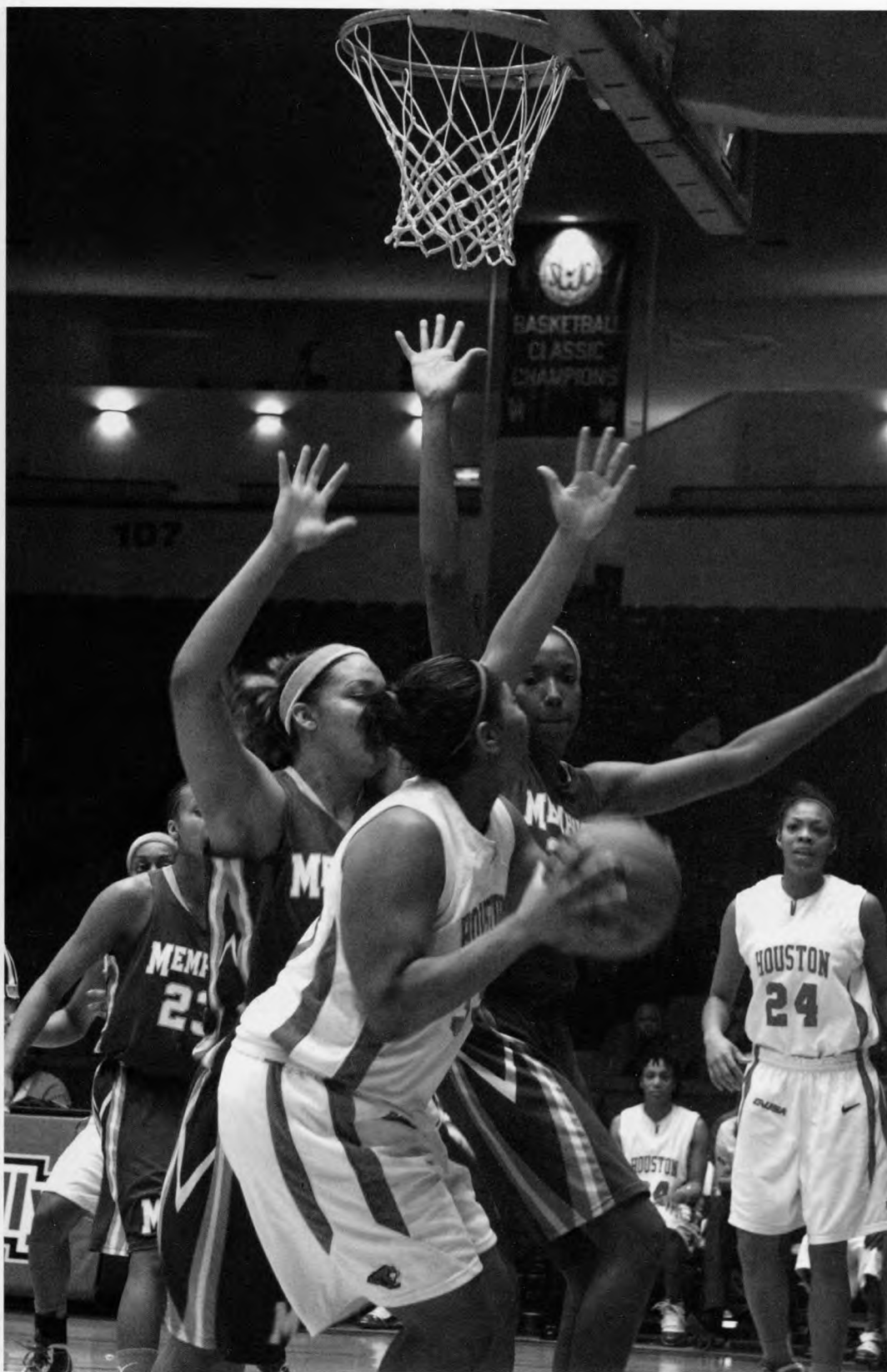
**Away:** 8-7

**Neutral:** 2-2

**Conference:** 10-6



Sophomore guard Porshe Landry led the Cougars with 128 assists and ranked seventh in C-USA with an average of 4.2 per contest. | David Shih



Junior forward Lesslee Mason scores 15 points and nine rebounds in UH's matchup against the Tigers. With their 68-62 win against Memphis, the Cougars moved into a first place tie in the C-USA standings. | Yulia Kutsenkova

## ROSTER

- 1 Zalika Dyson
- 2 Megan Morton
- 3 Macy Morton
- 5 Brittany Mason
- 11 Brittney Scott
- 12 Megan Workman
- 20 Porsche Landry
- 21 Ashlee Joseph
- 22 Roxana Button
- 24 Courtney Taylor
- 33 Lesslee Mason
- 34 Jasmine Johnson

## COACHING STAFF

### Head Coach

Joe Curl

### Assistant Coach/Recruiting

#### Coordinator

Wade Scott

### Assistant Coach

Tari Cummings

### Assistant Coach

Chad Rickett

### Director of Operations

Tiffanie Hatley



# FOOTBALL



Running back Charles Sims, who led Cougars with 10 catches for 122 yards, makes a midfield catch in the second quarter of the UH vs. Texas Tech game. | Justin Flores

## RECORD

<b>Sep 5, 2009</b>	<b>Northwestern St.</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>55-7</b>
<b>Sep 12, 2009</b>	<b>at #5 Oklahoma St.</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>45-35</b>
<b>Sep 26, 2009</b>	<b>Texas Tech</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>29-28</b>
Oct 3, 2009	at UTEP	L	41-58
<b>Oct 10, 2009</b>	<b>at Mississippi St.</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>31-24</b>
<b>Oct 17, 2009</b>	<b>at Tulane</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>44-16</b>
<b>Oct 24, 2009</b>	<b>SMU</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>38-15</b>
<b>Oct 31, 2009</b>	<b>Southern Miss</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>50-43</b>
<b>Nov 7, 2009</b>	<b>at Tulsa</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>46-45</b>
Nov 14, 2009	at UCF	L	32-37
<b>Nov 21, 2009</b>	<b>Memphis</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>55-14</b>
<b>Nov 28, 2009</b>	<b>Rice</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>73-14</b>
Dec 5, 2009	at East Carolina*	L	32-38
Dec 31, 2009	vs Air Force**	L	20-47

\* Conference USA championship

\*\* Armed Forces Bowl



After defeating then No. 5 Oklahoma State on the gridiron, the UH football team became ranked for the first time since Sept. 17, 1991. The Cougars (10-4) went on to be nationally ranked throughout the majority of their 2009 football season. | Justin Flores



The Cougars celebrate after winning back the Bayou Bucket with an astonishing 73-14 victory over cross-city rivals the Rice Owls. | Justin Flores



# FOOTBALL

## STAT LEADERS

### Rushing (net yards)

Charles Sims (698)  
Bryce Beall (670)  
Case Keenum (158)  
Tyron Carrier (125)  
Chris Wilson (105)

### Passing (yards)

Case Keenum (5,671)  
Cotton Turner (373)  
Austin Elrod (28)

### Receiving (yards)

James Cleveland (1,214)  
Tyron Carrier (1,029)  
Patrick Edwards (1,021)  
Charles Sims (769)  
Chaz Rodriguez (524)

### Scoring (points)

James Cleveland (84)  
Matt Hogan (74)  
Tyron Carrier (72)  
Bryce Beall (60)  
Charles Sims (60)

### Tackles (solo/assist)

Marcus McGraw (75/81)  
C.J. Cavness (62/81)  
Nick Saenz (62/52)  
Phillip Steward (34/55)  
Brandon Brinkley (50/25)

### Sacks (number)

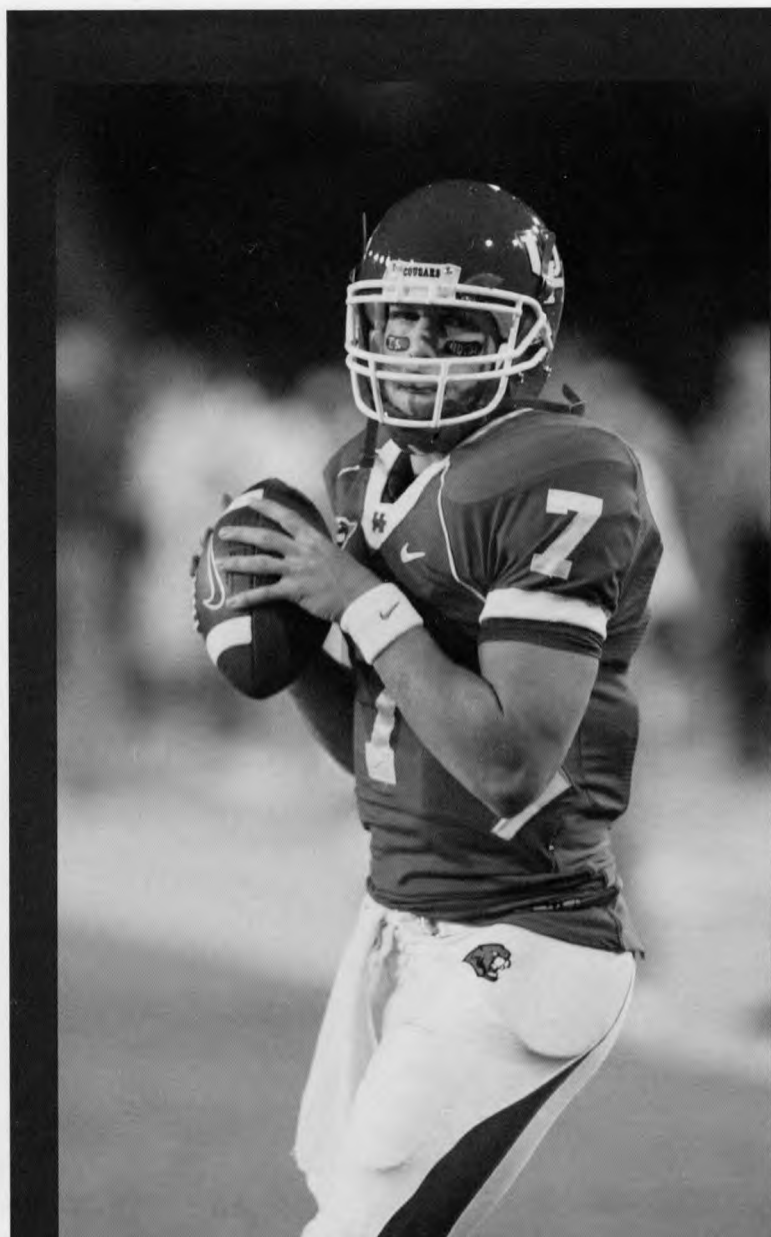
Tyrell Graham (7)  
David Hunter (4)  
Marcus McGraw (4)

### Kick returns (yards)

Tyron Carrier (986)  
Devin Mays (296)

### Punt returns (yards)

Tyron Carrier (73)  
A.J. Dugat (49)



## Case Keenum's honors:

- College Football Performance Awards National Quarterback Trophy
- CollegeFootballNews.com All-America First Team
- Walter Camp All-America Second Team
- Phil Steele Publications All-America Second Team
- Rivals.com All-America Second Team
- CBSSports.com All-America Second Team
- SI.com All-America Honorable Mention
- Davey O'Brien National Quarterback Award Finalist
- Manning Award Finalist
- Walter Camp Football Foundation Player of the Year Award Finalist
- Conference USA Most Valuable Player

## COACHING STAFF

### Head Coach

Kevin Sumlin

### Offensive Coordinator, QBs

Dana Holgorsen

### Assistant Coach - Co-Offensive Coordinator/WRs

Jason Phillips

### Defensive Coordinator-Safeties

John Skladany

### Assistant Coach -

### Offensive Line

B.J. Anderson

### Assistant Coach -

### Linebackers

Leon Burnett

### Assistant Coach -

### Defensive Line

Jim Jeffcoat

### Assistant Coach - Special

### Teams Coord/Inside WRs/TEs

Tony Levine

### Assistant Coach - Running

### Backs

Clarence McKinney

### Assistant Coach -

### Cornerbacks

Zac Spavital

### Director of High School Relations

Joe Alcoser

### Head Strength &

### Conditioning Coach

Larry N. Jackson, Jr.

### Quality Control - Offense

Kliff Kingsbury

### Graduate Assistant Coach

### - Offense

Jake Spavital

### Director of Football

### Operations

Justin Moore

### Quality Control - Defense

Wesley Nurse

### Graduate Assistant Coach

### - Defense

Calvin Thibodeaux

# GOLF



The UH golf team, back row, from left: Beau Davis, Eric Adler, Joseph Reynolds, Jackie Lindsey, Danny Kim, front row, from left: Clark Mitzner, Jonathan Dismuke, A.J. Ferries, Matt Eschenburg, Jordan Rumora. | Photo courtesy of UH Athletics

## HIGHLIGHTS

- Jackie Lindsey garners the golf team's highest individual finish, taking first place at the Oct. 27 Husky Invitational.
- Matt Eschenburg snags the lowest individual team score of 216 (54 holes) at the Fighting Irish Classic, where the Cougars finished in a tie for sixth place.
- The Cougars pull out of the Administaff Augusta State Invitational with their lowest tournament score of the season.

## ROSTER

Eric Adler  
Beau Davis  
Matt Eschenburg  
A.J. Ferries  
Justin Kaplan  
Danny Kim  
Jackie Lindsey  
Clark Mitzner  
Joseph Reynolds  
Jordan Rumora  
Jes Schneider

## COACHING STAFF

**Head Coach**  
Jonathan Dismuke



# SOCCER



Sophomore forward Katelyn Rhodes dribbles past McNeese State University defender Kaitlin Tue in the 2-1 Cougar victory. | Gregory Bohuslav

**Record:** 4-12-2  
**Home:** 3-4-1  
**Away:** 1-8-1  
**Neutral:** 0-0-0  
**Conference:** 2-7-2

Senior  
midfielder  
Melanie  
Adelman  
was the  
Cougar's most  
dependable  
player, laying  
in all 18 of the  
team's games.  
| Gregory  
Bohuslav



## ROSTER

- 26 Melanie Adelman
- 21 Stephanie Beyelia
- 6 Avery Blasi
- 3 Ashlee Briggerman
- 16 Stephanie Brown
- 14 Ryan Bruz
- 4 Kaci Bush
- 7 Lauri Byrne
- 11 Brittany Cannon
- 8 Stephanie Derieg
- 19 Nikki Echeverria
- 18 Rochelle Fields
- 1 Lauren Frazier
- 0 Camille Koski
- 17 Christine Nieva
- 12 Jessica Rathweg
- 22 Katelyn Rhodes
- 5 Kaitlin Thulin
- 10 Morgan Vela
- 15 Ryane Woods
- 9 Jessica Zavalza

## COACHING STAFF

### Head Coach

Susan Bush

### Assistant Coach/ Recruiting Coordinator

Eric Quill

### Assistant Coach

Jenna Huff



The 2009  
season was  
nothing short of  
disappointing  
for the Cougars,  
as they fell to  
the 11th spot  
of the C-USA  
Conference  
with a 4-11-2  
overall record.  
| Gregory  
Bohuslav



# SOFTBALL



The Cougars rounded out the 2010 season with a .281 team hitting average, 32 homeruns, and 215 runs batted in. | Photo courtesy of UH Athletics

**Record:** 30-24-1

**Home:** 23-10

**Away:** 4-14-1

**Neutral:** 3-0

**Conference:** 12-10-1

Sophomore  
infielder  
Jennifer  
Klinkert  
slides into  
home. Though  
she was a  
force to be  
reckoned with  
while on the  
field, Klinkert  
was given  
a medical  
redshirt due  
to a injury  
she sustained  
early in the  
season. | UH  
Athletics  
photo



Sophomore  
catcher Meliss  
Gregson and  
sophomore  
infielder  
Jennifer  
Klinkert give  
each other a  
congratulatory  
high five mid-  
field. | Photo  
courtesy of UH  
Athletics



## ROSTER

- 2 Lusby, Kristin
- 3 Sherman, Katy Beth
- 4 Watts, Bailey
- 6 Lathan, Brooke
- 7 Phillips, Leigha
- 8 Spittler, Angela
- 9 Klinkert, Jennifer
- 11 Strickland, Lauren
- 13 Dobson, Mary Tyler
- 14 Jones, Ashleigh
- 16 Gaber, Reina
- 18 Galletti, Tiffany
- 21 Lott, Baillie
- 22 Anderson, Holly
- 25 Gregson, Melissa
- 27 Crabtree, Amanda

## COACHING STAFF

### Head Coach

Kyla Holas

### Assistant Coach

Kim Nesloney

### Assistant Coach

Abbie Sims

### Volunteer Assistant

Katie Bush



# SWIMMING & DIVING



The swimming and diving team huddles at the timed trial season opener at the Campus Recreation and Wellness Center Natatorium. | Yvette Davila

## HIGHLIGHTS

- Swimming and diving finishes fourth at C-USA Championships
- Jane Figueiredo is named C-USA diving coach of the year for the ninth time and NCAA diving coach of the year for the third time
- Senior Anastasia Pozdniakova is named NCAA diver of the year

This year's swimming and diving team truly was a group of champions, recording personal bests during C-USA play and garnering C-USA accolades throughout the season. | Photo courtesy of UH Athletics



By racking up a 3.27 team GPA, the ladies of the UH swimming and diving team proved they could perform competitively in the classroom as well as in the pool. They were recognized as the CSCAA Scholar All-American Team. | Photo courtesy of UH Athletics



## ROSTER

Jessalyn Almond  
Kimmy Ballo  
Olga Bordatcheva  
Kimberley Eeson  
Catherine Finley  
Moirra Fraser  
Beccy Hillis  
Rachel Holcomb  
Rachel Johnson  
Andrea Kells  
Reka Kovacs  
Julia Lonnegren  
Natalie Newcomb  
Holli Pisarski  
Anastasia Pozdniakova  
Christine Salinas  
Jessica Shamburger  
Lacey Truelove  
Haley Weathers

## COACHING STAFF

### Head Coach

Mark Taylor

### Diving Head Coach

Jane Figueiredo

### Assistant Coach

Jaime Lewis

### Volunteer Assistant Coach

Greg Orphanides



# TENNIS



Senior right hander Elena Kazakova, a native of Moscow, Russia, tries to find her sweet spot. | Tony Nguyen

**Overall record:** 11-8

**C-USA:** 0-1

**Home:** 6-2

**Away:** 3-4

**Neutral:** 2-2



Freshman Alexandra Pickerill (Wicklow, Ireland) ranked 35 in the Women's Collegiate Division 1 one-on-one doubles tournament at the Stony Brook Invitational. | Tony Nguyen

Junior Laura Ring (below) and sophomore Maja Kazimieruk led the Cougars 7-6 during the No. 3 doubles match in the C-USA Championships. | Photo courtesy of UH Athletics



After a standout freshman season, Bryony Hunter is selected as Third Team All-Conference singles performer. | Tony Nguyen



## ROSTER

Bryony Hunter  
Joanna Kacprzyk  
Elena Kazakova  
Maja Kazimieruk  
Alexandra Pickerill  
Laura Ring  
Neila Starratt

## COACHING STAFF

### Head Coach

John Severance

### Assistant Coach

Jo Keene



# MEN'S TRACK & FIELD



For the second consecutive season, the UH men's track and field team claimed the Conference USA Outdoor Championship title. | Photo courtesy of UH Athletics

## COACHING STAFF

### Head Coach

Leroy Burrell

### Assistant Coaches

Kyle Tellez

Seun Adigun

Floyd Heard

### Assistant Coach/Recruiting Coordinator

Will Blackburn

### Assistant Track Coach/ Cross Country Head Coach

Ryan Turner

### Volunteer Coach

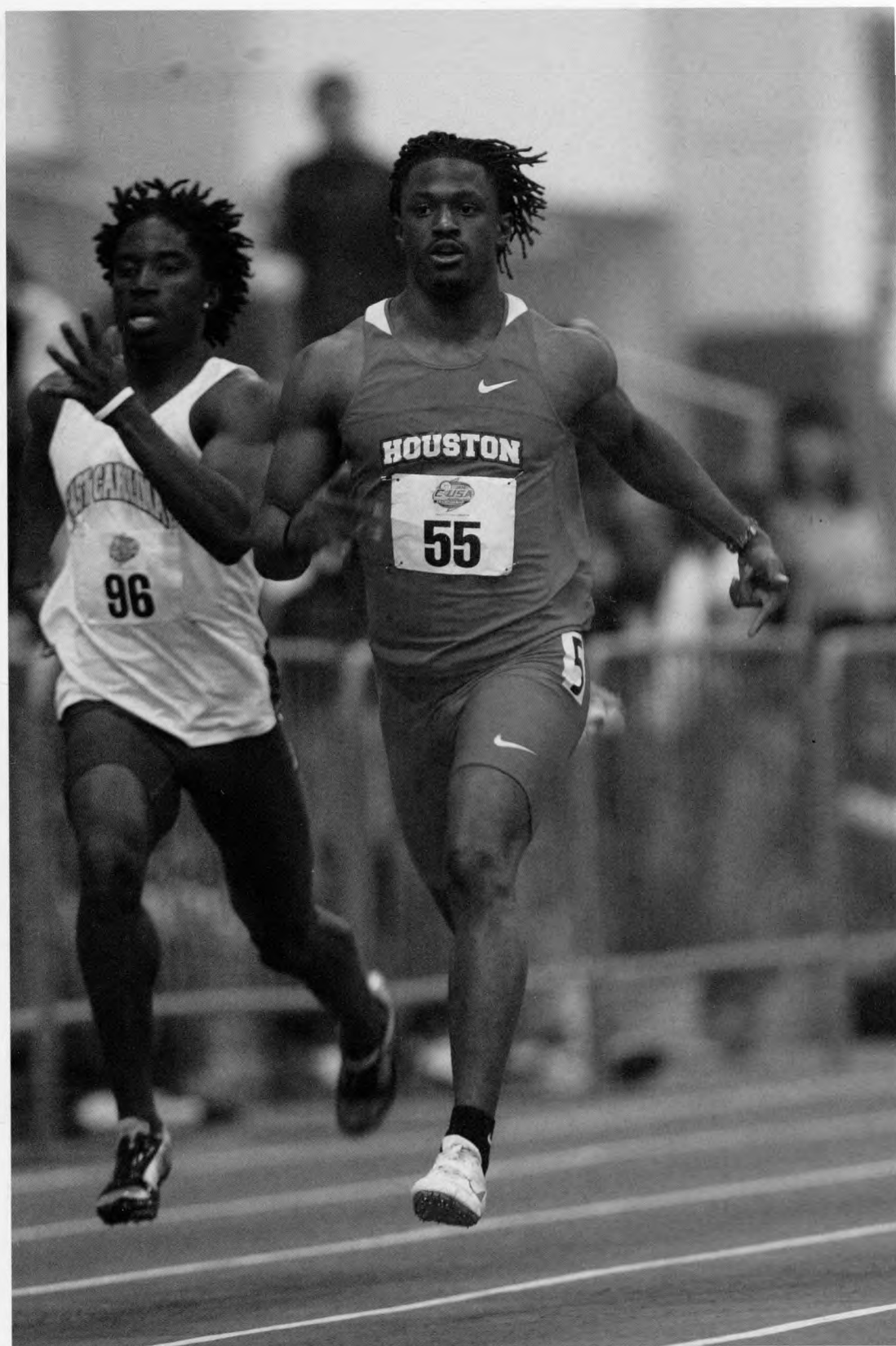
Carl Lewis



Sophomore D'Korian Ford (right) ran the 400 m hurdles at the TSU Relays in 52.36, finishing in second place. | Photo courtesy of UH Athletics.

## HIGHLIGHTS

- Sophomore Isaiah Sweeney earns the title of High Point Scorer of the Meet at the C-USA Championships
- Head coach Leroy Burrell named Coach of the Year for the 16th time
- Along with Rice's Gabe Cuadra, Errol Nolan earns Outdoor Co-Freshman of the Year title.



Sophomore Isaiah Sweeney finished fourth and fifth in the C-USA Championships 100m (10.56) and the long jump (7.17m/23-06.25). | Photo courtesy of UH Athletics

## ROSTER

Michael Alliniece  
 Miles Beal-Ampah  
 Alex Bentley  
 Cole Bessner  
 Wesley Bray  
 Brandon Broden  
 Bryan Brown  
 Tyron Carrier  
 Chris Carter  
 Darryl Cloud  
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 Derrick Joe  
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 Stephan Keller  
 Douglas Kelley  
 Cameron LaCour  
 Thomas Lang  
 Michael Mahnke  
 Mauricio Morales  
 Errol Nolan  
 Jonathan Ochoa  
 Emmanuel Osadebey  
 Jason Perez  
 Nate Pineda  
 Mike Sanchez  
 Andres Santaolalla  
 Derek Schutz  
 David Smith  
 Simon Stewart  
 Isaiah Sweeney  
 Andy Tackett  
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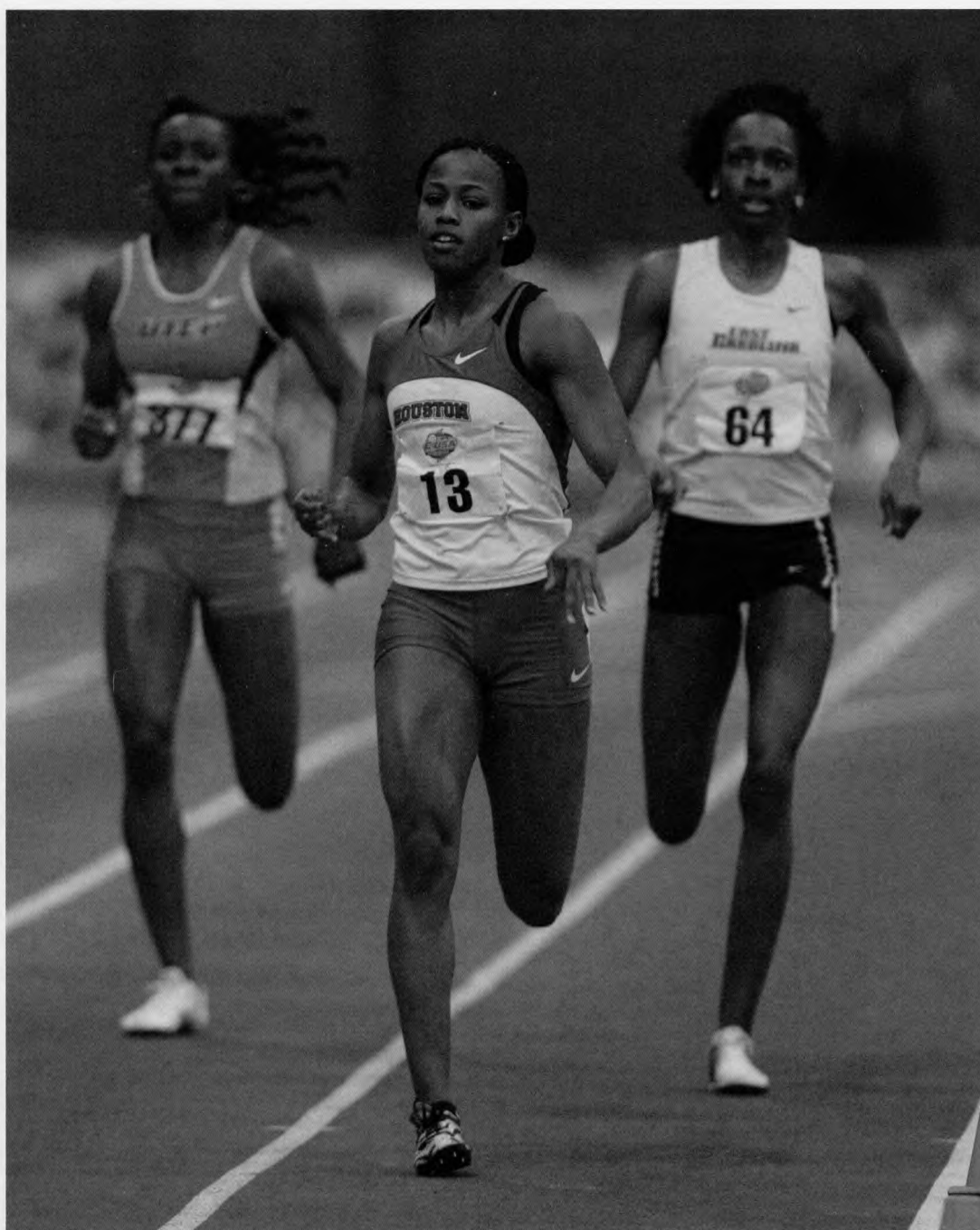


# WOMEN'S TRACK & FIELD

## HIGHLIGHTS

- The women's track and field team earns fifth place in the 4x100 relay at the NCAA Championships.
- The Cougars also debuted at No. 7 in the South Central Region rankings

(right) Sophomore sprinter Whitney Harris takes the lead, earning a provisional mark in the 400m race at the C-USA Championships with a time of 54.68. (bottom left) Freshman Olivia Amy. (bottom center) Junior Megan Bibbs. (bottom right) Freshman Karley King. | Stephen Pinchback/UH Athletics.





Members of the UH women's track and field take a moment to give their team mates support during the C-USA Championship meet. | Stephen Pinchback/UH Athletics

## ROSTER

Stephanie Aldea  
 Laura Allred  
 Olivia Amy  
 Shannan Arnold  
 Megan Bibbs  
 Grecia Bolton  
 Ashley Bryant  
 Alysha Cook  
 Kathryn Ducommun  
 Jacquelyn Faniel  
 Kalyn Floyd  
 Alaysha Ford  
 Charliisa Foster  
 Megan Frausto  
 Starla Garcia  
 Erica Hannemann  
 Whitney Harris  
 Britney Ivory  
 Ciera Johnson  
 Christie Jones  
 Karley King  
 Morgan Lancaster  
 Lindsey Marshall  
 Quin'shundolyn McPherson  
 Tatiana Miller  
 Megan Munoz  
 Clarissa Payton  
 Tara Prier  
 Kiara Pulliam  
 Tai'shea Reese  
 Nadirah Shakir  
 Jessica Stewart  
 Morgan Swan  
 Jasmine Trier  
 Brittany Wallace  
 Brittani Williams  
 Ciara Willis  
 Brandi Witte



Sophomore  
 Grecia Bolton  
 runs a 23.32  
 200m race  
 and goes on to  
 finish first in  
 the final round  
 at the C-USA  
 Championships..|  
 Stephen  
 Pinchback/UH  
 Athletics



# VOLLEYBALL



Though they came out on the losing end of the score board throughout the majority of the 2009 season, the Cougars never lost sight of team spirit. | UH Athletics

**Overall record:** 9-23  
**C-USA:** 6-10  
**Home:** 5-6  
**Away:** 2-11  
**Neutral:** 2-6



Senior Marluci Toazzi recorded eight kills and eight digs against Southern Miss at the Nov. 20 C-USA Tournament game. | Photo courtesy of UH Athletics

Seasoned senior server Alik Cardoso de Sa notched a career-high 14 digs in UH outing against Tulane on Nov. 22. | Photo courtesy of UH Athletics.



Members of the volleyball team break on three. | Photo courtesy of UH Athletics



## ROSTER

- 1 Tara Roenicke
- 2 Kinsey Cave
- 3 Stephanie Nwachukwu
- 4 Krysta DeAngelis
- 5 Amanda Carson
- 6 Marluci Toazzi
- 7 Ingrida Zauere
- 8 Ashley Applequist
- 10 Jasmine Terry
- 11 Chandace Tryon
- 12 Alik Cardoso de Sa
- 13 Lucy Charuk
- 14 Erin Rice
- 16 Bailey Philippot
- 18 Jennifer Peyton

## STAFF

### Head Coach

Bill Walton

### Assistant Coach

Gabi Carbone

### Assistant Coach

Alisha McKee



# CLOSING







# 2009-2010 BY THE NUMBERS

## UNIVERSITY

**\$1,300,000,000**

University budget approved by the Board of Regents.

**37,000**

Students enrolled

**25%**

Of the \$1.3 billion was used for scholarships.

**7,135**

Degrees offered

**\$4,163**

Fall 2009 semester's tuition and fees for a 15-hour course load.

**75**

The Daily Cougar's age as the University's official student newspaper. Its first UH edition printed on Oct. 4, 1934.

**\$3,323**

State average for the same course load.

**\$21,800,000**

The Cullen College of Engineering garnered more than \$21.8 million in research grant and contract expenditures, a record high and 50 percent increase from last year.

**12,480**

Number of UH students on Facebook, the social networking Web site.

**\$131,000,000**

Total construction costs across campus

## HOUSTON

**2,300,000**

Houston population within an area of 600 square miles.

**6.5%**

Of the labor force unemployed.

**12%**

Of Houston Chronicle employees laid off.

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Cost of Metro fare for full-time students.

**220,000,000**

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## NATION

**\$2.58**

Retail fuel price average, as of Sept. 14, 2009

**70.1%**

Of 2009 high school graduates enrolled in colleges or universities.

**\$50,916**

Median salary for a male with a bachelor's degree

**\$41,000**

Median salary for a female with a bachelor's degree

**Sources:** U.S. Energy Information Administration; Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Bureau of the Census, UH Office of Institutional Research, UH Plant Operations, UH System Board of Regents Office, Cullen College of Engineering, Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County, Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board





IN MEMORIAM

## Students, faculty and staff who died in 2009-2010

<b>Frank M. Allen</b> , Professor	<b>Daniel Marshall</b> , Physical Plant, Utilities
<b>Arthur Anderson</b> , Staff, Plant Operations	<b>Randolph Quaile McManus</b> , '75 Law
<b>Tawhida El-Askary</b> , Professor of Arabic	<b>Russell H. McMains</b> , '71 Law
<b>Betty Bradley</b> , Director of Continuing Legal Education, Dean	<b>Samuel Miller</b> , Professor of Music Education
<b>Joy S. Burgum</b> , '73 Law	<b>Jack Mogg</b> , Professor
<b>Kelsey Buzzanco</b> , Student	<b>Emestina Morales</b>
<b>Patrick Cash</b> , Learning & Assessment Services	<b>Linda Morrow</b> , Tax Accounting
<b>Fidencio Castillo</b> , Staff, Plant Operations	<b>Tonya Anne Morse</b> , '88 Law
<b>Paul L. Crist</b> , LL.M. '96 Law	<b>Linda Ann Mueller-Morrow</b> , Professor
<b>Yolanda Dixon</b> , Staff, Business Services	<b>John E. Neslage</b> , '72 Law
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<b>Joan Farmer</b> , '85 Law	<b>John O'Quinn</b> , '67 Law
<b>Ann Dinsmore Forman</b> , '91 Law	<b>Simon Philp</b> , '69 Law
<b>Yolanda Dixon</b> , University Information Technology	<b>Mariamil Pinson</b> , '76 Law
<b>Cody Ellison</b> , Student	<b>C. R. Porcaro</b> , Electrical Technology
<b>Celia Figueroa</b> , '94 Law	<b>Alfred James Ratcliffe</b> , '78 Law
<b>Martin Owen Gemoets</b> , Student, School of Music	<b>Kelly Robinson</b> , Student, HRM
<b>Koshy George</b> , Physics	<b>William Rose</b> , Associate Professor of Music
<b>Theodore Gordon Gish</b> , Professor Emeritus	<b>Roger Sherman</b> , Professor
<b>John Gow</b> , Theatre	<b>Jonna Lea Short</b> , '76 Law
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<b>David Imhoff</b> , Student	<b>David Joseph Stone</b> , '75 Law
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<b>George Juniel</b> , Physical Plant, Custodial Services	<b>Robert J. Sussman</b> , '74 Law
<b>Linda Ella Kazetsky</b>	<b>Stephen Tait</b> , Student, School of Music
<b>James Koetting</b> , Professor of Optometry	<b>Ernesto Valdes</b> , Center for Public History
<b>Nickie Lence</b> , Honors College	<b>Charles Wilkins III</b> , staff, Cullen College of Engineering
<b>Carole Sue Lott</b> , Staff, University Testing Services	
<b>Richard R. Loya</b> , '01 Law	
<b>Tanya Lunstroth</b> , Dean, Honors College	
<b>Edward Maher</b> , Student, School of Music	



# WHAT WILL YOU REMEMBER?

Take a few moments to fill out this section with your recollections of 2009-2010, before you forget them

How many hours did you take? Fall: \_\_\_\_\_ Spring: \_\_\_\_\_

Your favorite class this year was \_\_\_\_\_ taught by \_\_\_\_\_.

What kind of car did you drive to school? \_\_\_\_\_

Your cell phone was a \_\_\_\_\_

Where did you live? \_\_\_\_\_

Which Cougar sports did you support? \_\_\_\_\_

Which games did you go to? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Which campus events did you attend? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Did you have a job? Where did you work? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Which organizations were you involved in? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

You ate nasty food on campus from \_\_\_\_\_

You took naps on campus at \_\_\_\_\_

Your favorite place to study was \_\_\_\_\_

Your best parking space was \_\_\_\_\_

Your worst parking space was \_\_\_\_\_

Your favorite part of The Daily Cougar was the \_\_\_\_\_

Your friends were \_\_\_\_\_

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My favorite building on campus was \_\_\_\_\_

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What would you like to tell yourself, say 20 years from now? \_\_\_\_\_

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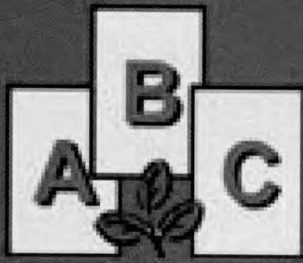
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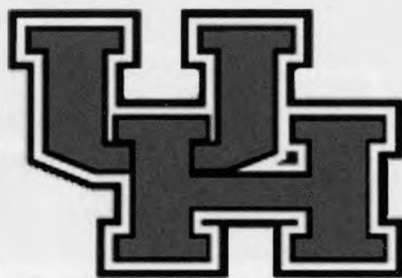
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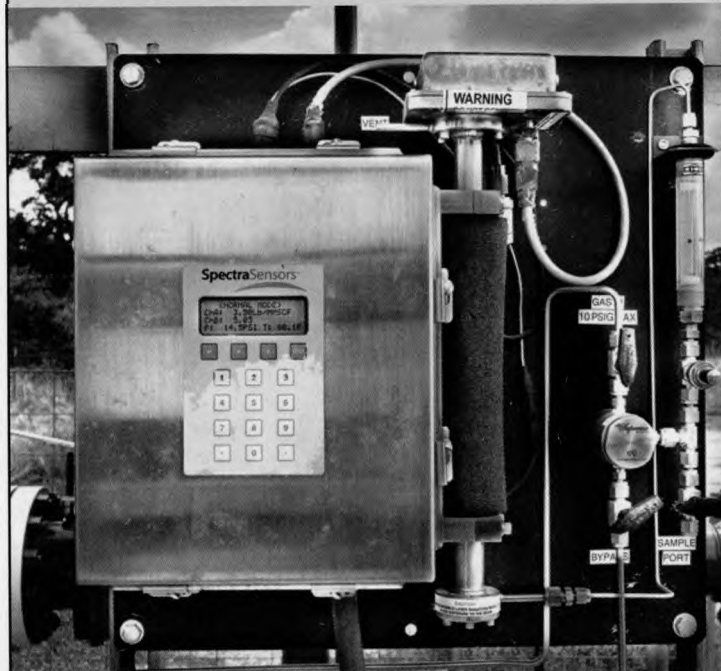
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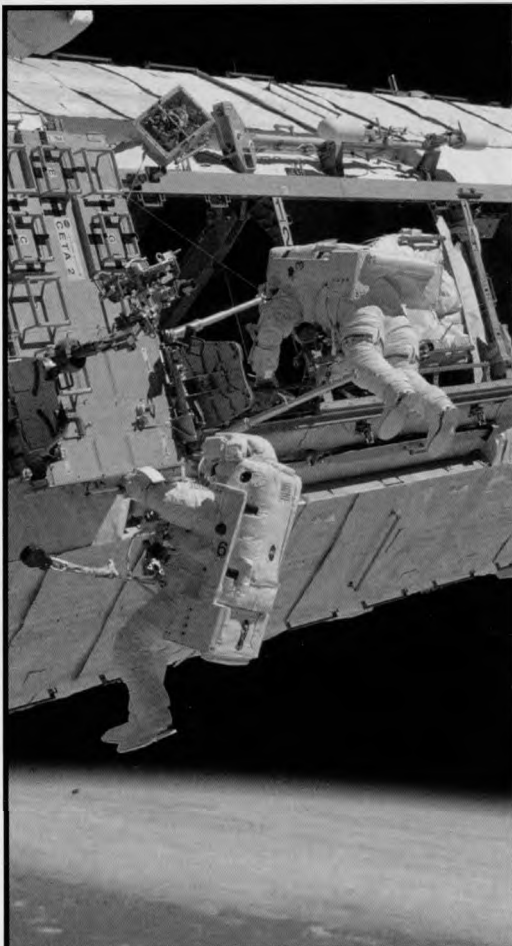
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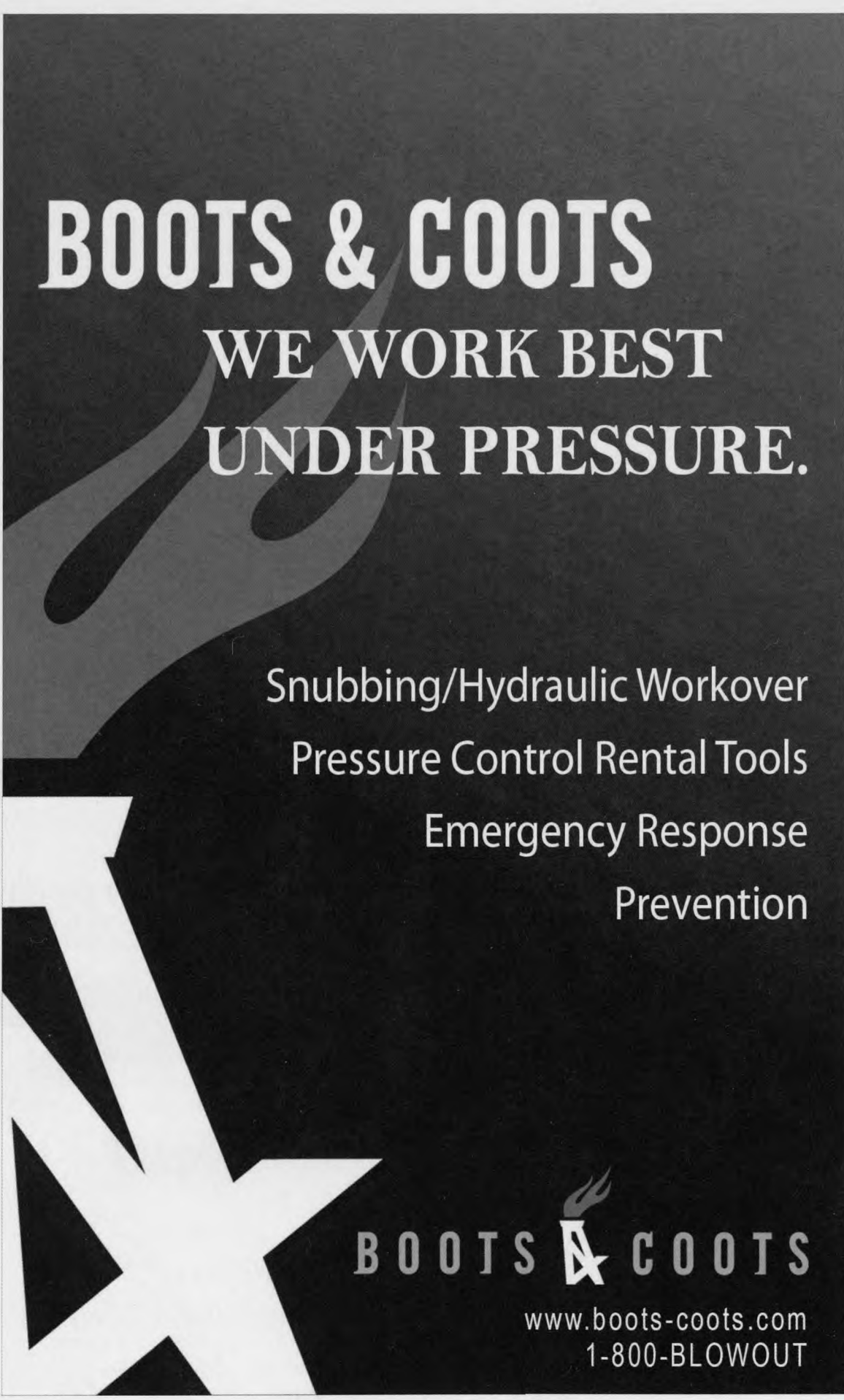


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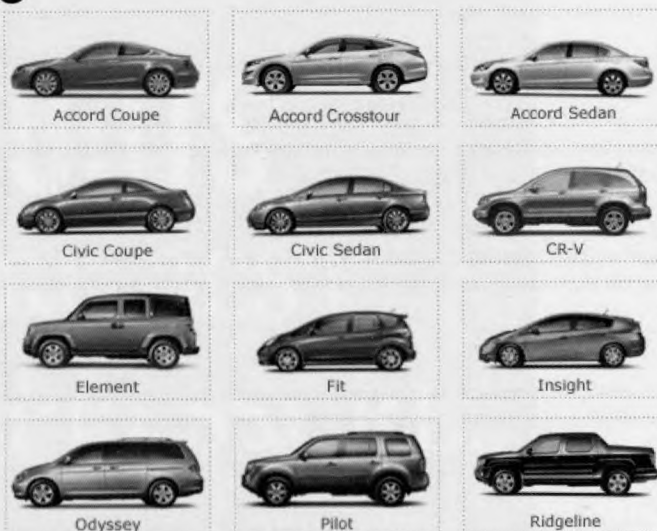
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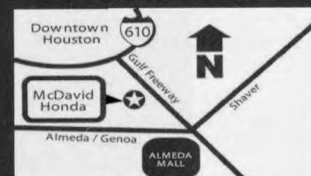
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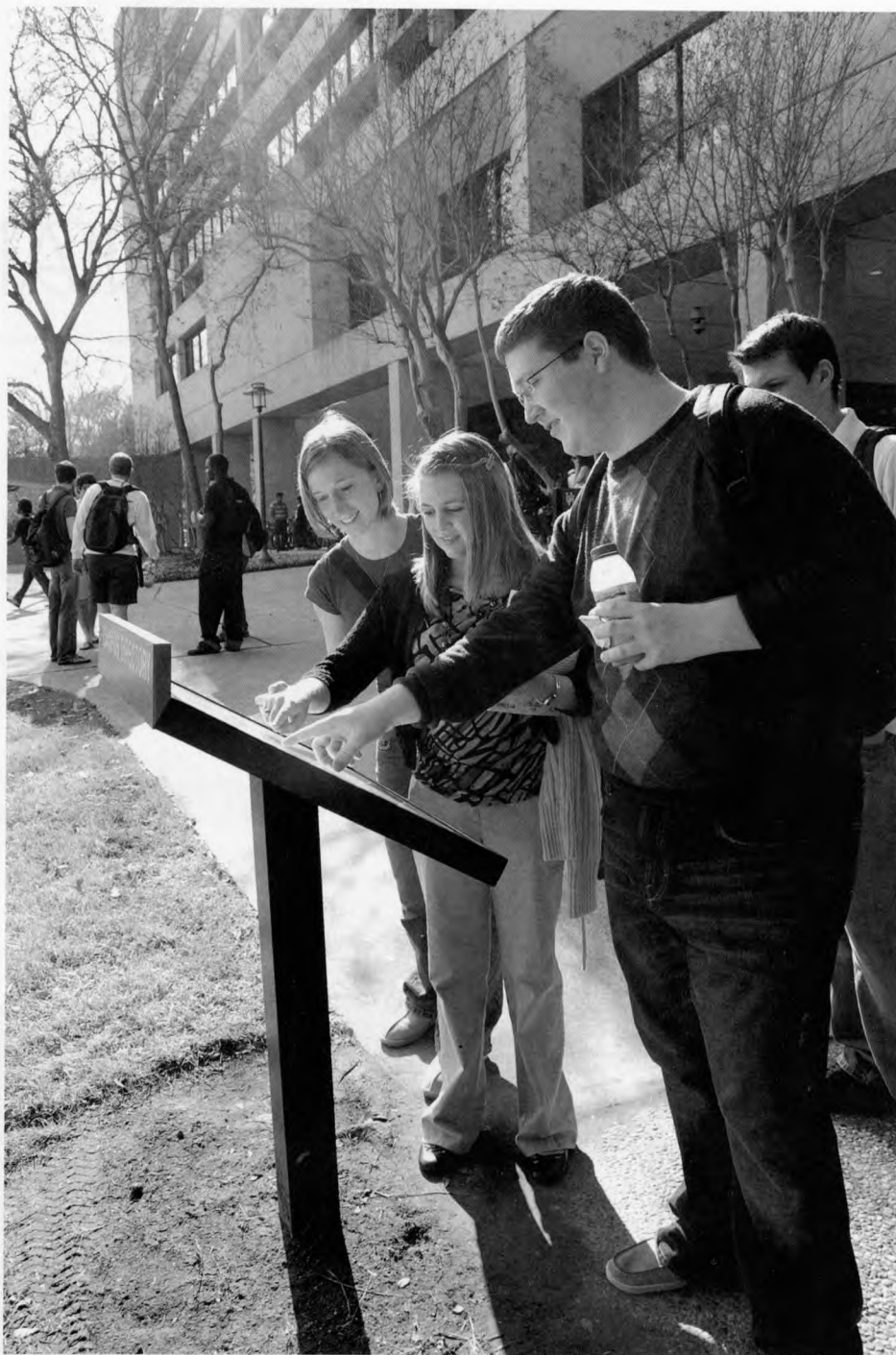
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