PHILIP BROOKS

50TH ANNIVERSARY
AT RICE
Cal Tech to Rice

PHILIP R. BROOKS, Assistant Professor
Molecular beam reactions of oriented molecules; steric effects in chemical reactions; molecular beam reactions of excited molecules; orientation of molecules in electric fields.


September 1, 1964
Space Science & Technology Building Groundbreaking

1965
Faculty Photo
1966

L-R: Margrave, Curl, Salzburg, Sass, Richter, Turner, ?, Pitzer (seated), Magid, Franklin, Cantrell, Brooks, Lewis. Taken in 1966
1980’s
New Zealand
1991
Across the street, Hermann Park offers picnic grounds, a small lake, an 18-hole golf course and an outdoor theater, with free concerts, plays and a yearly Fourth of July celebration. The park also contains the Houston Zoo, the Museum of Natural Science, the Museum of Medical Science and the Burke-Baker Planetarium.
Dell Butcher Hall
1998

New home of the buckyball
Rice building’s exterior conceals mysteries being studied inside

By ANN HOLMES
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The buckyball — the carbon molecule that won Rice University professors a Nobel Prize — has a handsome new home that opens today on the Rice campus.

Dell Butcher Hall, Rice’s Center for Nanoscale Science and Technology, was designed by New Mexico architect Antoine Predock. It is much more contemporary in style than most of Rice’s traditional neo-Byzantine architecture. It is part of the university’s $32.3 million Nanoscale Science and Technology Initiative, which also calls for endowed faculty chairs and the cutting-edge equipment used in the field. The firm Brooks-Coronado of Houston is architect of record.

Rice’s nanoscale focus — on objects of almost See BUILDING on Page 4D.
Meet David Leebron
President of Rice University

On December 17, 2003, after a unanimous vote by the Board of Trustees, it was announced that David Leebron will serve as Rice University’s seventh president. President Leebron is preceded by Malcolm Gillis, who stepped down on June 30 after serving 11 years as president.

Leebron has been a faculty member at Columbia since 1989, and dean of their law school since 1996. He earned his B.A. degree, summa cum laude, in history and science from Harvard College in 1976, and his J.D., magna cum laude, from Harvard Law School in 1979.

Leebron is married to Y. Ping Sun, born in Shanghai; and the couple share two children, Daniel, 7, and Merissa, 4.
Beike Jian, Phil Brooks, Terry Kennair, Peter Harland, Barry Dunning
Curl’s and Lewis’ 50th Wedding Anniversary
Faculty Photo
March 2006
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