Referendum, forum on fee increase to be held

Laos teach-in stresses local action

Ratchford institutes reappraisal of university goals, functions

In response to remarks that this campus is going to the dogs, a representative of the canine community retorted, in an exclusive Current interview, that they wouldn’t take it. When disturbed during a Tuesday afternoon siesta in the lobby of the Administration building, she expressed the opinion that students should let sleeping dogs lie.

Current Photo by Carl Doty
Student President Barry Kaufman suggested at last Sunday's Central Council meeting an "open line" discussion on the issue of handling the athletic fee increase. Kaufman explained that he expressed a fear that students would hereafter want a referendum on all major issues. To rectify this situation, the Central Council is drawing up a set of guidelines for receiving student opinions. These guidelines are to be distributed to all full-time students. It was suggested that one "area of applicability" might be contracts involving students, such as the covenant contracts.

In other business, the Appointments and Elections Committee appointed Bill Newcombe as a full member of the student court.

John Heithaus, chairman of the Appointments and Elections Committee also pointed out that the Performing Arts and Cultural Events committee is in need of 10 students to fill positions on its subcommittees.

FEE INCREASE REFERENDUM TO BE HELD

The Central Council's referendum on the athletic fee increase passed by the Curators will be held as scheduled March 8, 9, and 10.

The referendum first asks students to give a positive or negative vote expressing as to what topics students would be able to direct questions to representatives of the athletic board. It also asks students whether they feel they have the first D or F dropped from his major area, upon successfully completing the intramural program; or expanding the intercollegiate program.

The referendum then asks students if they would support a fee increase allocated for areas other than athletics, for example, if the student body should or should not be consulted in matters such as fee increases.

It also asks the student to say whether or not he feels he had an adequate voice in the decision to raise the student activities fee.

The referendum also includes a question for the proposal of the "D-F option."

The proposal states "any student with a grade point average of at least 2.200, having received a "D" or "F" in any course outside his major area, upon successfully taking the course a second time, have the first D or F dropped from all transcripts and records, and have officially recorded the new grade, said grade to be figured into the grade point average."

This option may be used at any time, whether or not a student's sophomore or junior year. The referendum will be restricted to a maximum of 15 hours.

The following times have been set to discuss each of the five major topics: Mar. 3, 4:00 to 7:30 p.m. (mission); Mar. 4, 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. (program); Mar. 5, 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. (resources); Mar. 6, 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. (organization); and Mar. 7, 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. (governance). Ganz explained in a letter circulated on campus that "these times have been chosen with the hope that students from any undergraduate sector of the University might be able to attend. The meetings will be held in room 208 (Administration). Copies of the questions in each of the five categories are available in either room 117 (Administration) or room 242 (Benton).
Locals blamed at Laos teach-in

BY JIM CURNEY
Current Staff Writer

"How do we end the war? We end the war where it begins—right here in St. Louis," remarked Steve Graham, University student in Asian history at Washington University.

Graham was one of three participants at a Teach-In on Laos held on campus this Tuesday.

Graham explained that major industries contributing to the United States aerial attack are located within this area.

"Corporations such as McDonnell Douglas, Emerson Electric, and Monsanto are major bidders on government contracts," Graham remarked. "There are many other corporations in St. Louis making a smaller part in the war. Many of these industries depend on the war for their survival."

He also pointed out that universities and people in government are contributing through research analyses and studies.

"The colleges in our area such as Washington University and the other Missouri campuses are planning for the future," he said. "Their developments will be used in the war game forty or fifty years from now."

Jon Cohen, a mathematics instructor at UMSL, spoke of the Laotian history. He referred to French occupation in 1890, the Japanese takeover in 1945, and the present large scale bombing by the United States since 1964.

"This is the most bombed country in history!" Cohen exclaimed. "Our objective is to attack the civilian population." He explained that the survival of a guerrilla group as in Laos depends upon living among the people.

Mark Selden, a professor in Asian history at Washington University, discussed events in United States history that lead to our involvement.

"We see the Indians in America as 'nonhuman' even up to now," Selden stated. "We eliminate those who fail to accept all of our values."

He said that the United States had to look to Asia for further discovery.

Sieber elected as alumni president

Jack Sieber's re-election to a fourth term as president of the Alumni Association was announced at the Association's annual Homecoming Dinner-Dance February 27 at Mr. Yoe's.

Sieber, a 1967 graduate, is the only president the Association has had in its three years of existence. He succeeds Jim Issler, a 1970 graduate who was elected vice-president and then re-elected vEEP Bill Eblinghaus. Phyllis Brandt of the class of 1969 was re-elected treasurer.

Mrs. Nancy Knarr, '67, was re-elected to the Association's Board of Directors along with Fred Bellamy, '68. Newly elected board members are Larry Laminger, '68; Russell Stokes, Jr., '69; and Marty Hendin, '76.

In an address at the meeting, Sieber noted that the members of the Alumni Association are 23% of UMSL's 3,668 graduates, a percentage of active alumni "unmatched in the University of Missouri system." He also announced that in addition to the annual "Serendipity Day" for incoming freshmen and their parents April 4, the Association's next project will be a fund raising dinner to furnish one of the meeting rooms in the soon-to-be-completed University Center.

In the feature address at the dinner, Chancellor Glenn Driscoll, discussed the University's request to the Missouri Legislature.
Inquest on the autopsy of a postmortem

You can't fault the Central Council's persistence in promoting the athletic fee referendum next Monday and Tuesday, in addition to the legal action that students have taken against the Board of Curators and Driscoll. However, the issue of reclassification still carries more weight than it should.

Student president Barry Kaufman admits that the purpose behind holding a referendum and open forum is the repudiation of the methods employed by the Board of Curators in securing approval of the fee increase, not the increase itself.

Whether intended as a symbolic protest or a means of embarrassing Driscoll, this manifestation of the Thermopylae complex can really achieve little besides determining the extent to which Driscoll's credibility with the students has evaporated.

This situation could perhaps have been avoided. The Athletic Committee and the chancellor tipped their hand at the Jan. 14 Faculty Senate meeting, but the board ignored the Feb. 19 meeting of the Board of Curators. Conceivably, the council could have arranged for the referendum and open forum to be held.

Driscoll's decision to publish his findings in open forum next Tuesday may be interpreted as a preemptive move. Whether or not the forum will constitute a rubber stamp of approval remains to be seen.

The appearance at which you can fight such a decision was flawed by the fact that it lasted only 30 minutes.

Although Selective Service Regulations give draft boards discretion in deciding whether to reopen, the United States Supreme Court recently clamped down on arbitrary abuse of discretion. In Rial v. United States (387 U.S. 562), the Court ruled that an arbitrary refusal to reopen a draft board's order can be issued to you reader.
Lette\text{}rs
MORE COMPLAINTS
Dear Editor,
As spokesman for one group of students, the Executive Committee of the Graduate Students Association would like to protest the procedures taken in the recent raise in incidental fees for the purpose of an "athletic fund." We believe that both the Board of Trustees, and Chancellor Driscoll were mistaken in not holding up action on this matter until some feedback could be obtained from the students who will be paying this extra amount of money. Since the Board received a similar plea for student opinion from the student body president, we can only assume that the Administration is not interested in the opinions of those students for whom they administer.

It is the hope of the graduate students that the Board and the Chancellor will begin to move toward the principle that the students should have some part in the decision making that directly affects them.

Mary Petersen
SHAME, OSTRICH
Dear Editor,
I do not agree with Carol Kerr's attitude against the Rifle Club's teaching interested students how to safely and skillfully handle firearms. It is a shame that a student of UMSL would take the attitude of an ostrich and hide from the facts, reject the truth and ignore reality.

Reality is that there is at least one firearm for every person in the United States. It is also true that at least every other household, one out of two, has a firearm in it. Furthermore, these firearms were not forced upon the people of the U.S., they wanted them. The only unfortunate thing is that there aren't enough people like the Rifle Club members to get fired and teach everyone how to be safe with their firearms.

With as many firearms available as there are, it is more than likely that every member of the university will come in contact with one sometimes in their life. If they have taken the foolish, ostrich-like attitude of Miss Kerr, they might wind up themselves, and someday, one else. If they have taken the intelligent alternative of knowledge offered by the Rifle Club, an accident is unlikely.

It think it is marvelous that the members of the Rifle Club would, contribute their time and devote their energies so that any member of this student body can gain the knowledge that will make this country a little safer for you and me. Congratulations Rifle Club. Keep up the good work.

Dale A. Schmid
ENCORE???
Dear Editor,
The instructional behavioral objective is to get my students to think.

At first glance the above objective might seem a bit naive. But when one stops to consider the necessity of serious though in today's world, the ability to think about past world problems and remember their consequences is not naive at all.

George Santayana once said, "Those who do not remember the past are condemned to relive it."
In allusion to the above statement, I am specifically talking about America. Yes, god bless ol' America. Where, in 1971 its "camp" to follow a Jerry Rubin who says "Do it!" rather than a Billy Graham who says "Pray for it!" Where, if you're freak you spit on the flag, rather than being straight and get tingly up your spine when you see it crisp in the breeze. Yes, in 1971, where it's only bat to wave a flag; only I remember a Russian Jew named Irving Berlin who asked his country, "if this is flag waving, do you know of a better thing to wave?"

Our young intellectuals warn us that the black man is tired of being called a "nigger," that the Pole is tired of being a "dumb Polack" and the Irish are tired of being "beetle-like" people who have firearms, but never took the trouble to learn how to handle them safely. It is a fact that most people who come in contact with a firearm sometime during their lives, but few of them know how to handle properly. It is for this reason that the club was established. Since this space is rather limited, if Miss Kerr or anyone else would like to discuss the subject of firearms further, please feel free to drop a note in the rifle club's mailbox and I'll be happy to talk with you.

William Moushey
REBUFFAL
Dear Editor,
In reference to Miss Kerr's letter last week, perhaps there would be fewer " ostriches getting their asses shot off" if there were more constructive programs on firearms safety such as the Rifle Club hopes to offer. According to the National Safety Council, 5% of all accidental firearms fatalities are in the home. In effect, these deaths are caused by "unarmed" guns or rather by "beetle-like" people who have firearms, but never took the trouble to learn how to handle them safely. It is a fact that most people who come in contact with a firearm sometime during their lives, but few of them know how to handle properly. It is for this reason that the club was established. Since this space is rather limited, if Miss Kerr or anyone else would like to discuss the subject of firearms further, please feel free to drop a note in the rifle club's mailbox and I'll be happy to talk with you.

Don Reichmann
President, UMSL Rifle Club

WE'LL TAKE IT!
Dear Editor,
I would like to comment on the full-page Southwestern Bell ad in last week's Current. It was really disgusting. The picture showed a bulging-eyed "beast," apparently horrified as he views his surprise (and supposedly) unattactable female on his picture phone. The caption read "Can you imagine what the picture phone will do to blind dates?"

If the Current has to resort to such distasteful advertising for its financing, perhaps we had better forget about the increase for the athletic department and give it to the Current. (The Current probably reaches more people anyway.)

You certainly must be desperate.

Kathy Broderick
GRADUATE NEEDS
Dear Editor,
As the president of the Graduate Student Association I would like to urge the university to obtain a Director of Library for our campus, immediately. Most graduate students feel the UMSL library is a threat to the quality of their education. Certainly a library which is plagued with talking students, unsigned books, disappearing volumes and a disgraceful rating is in no way an aid to the serious graduate student. Furthermore, it puts an extra hardship on those part-time graduate students (many of whom are teachers in our community) who have few evenings free each week to pursue their studies and who must spend them fruitlessly searching for books.

The graduate students call upon the Chancellor to establish the library as the highest priority on our campus. Certainly the present

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John D. Carruthers
graduate program can not be expanded unless we have a library which can support the kind of graduate program all of us would like to see.

Mary Petersen

A PRO'S COMMENTS

Dear Editor,

I have a deep and abiding affection for the University of Missouri-St. Louis because I have been acquainted with the dedicated men who helped to develop it into a fine institution of which your great student body can be justifiably proud.

I also am indebted to you for the pleasure : get out of reading the Feb. 11 issue. For that and the Current, I thank you.

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Rivermen romp on Rangers

Two spirit banners were stolen, Fran Goellner pulled down 19 rebounds, Mike Hayes took a dive and the Rivermen won.

What more could anyone ask of a Homecoming game... except a little competition.

But, let's not be picky. The memory of Western Illinois and Southeast Missouri is still fresh and painful.

"We look out all of our hate and revenge on (Wisconsin) Parkside," said forward Ron Carkhum, "We needed that win."

Indeed, the Rivermen had a lot of frustration to work off. The Red and Gold clawed their way to the 500 mark after a season of disappointments.

"I figured out that if we had won every one of our close games, we would have finished 16-6," said Coach Chuck Smith. "It's been one of those years, a year of ups and downs. We couldn't put it all together..."

That "it" 16-6 record would have enabled UMSL to draw the attention of the NCAA. "Northeast Missouri walked in with a 16-6 record," said Smith.

The Rivermen beat the North- east Bulldogs earlier this season at Viking, 100-77. That was one of those "ups." One of those rare times they put that elusive "it" all together.

But, getting back to Homecoming, the evening was a hit to the all the way through.

Prior to game time, the spirit

Hockey wins

On February 23, the UMSL Hockey Club took on the Parkside members of the Winterland Senior Men's League, in a match at Granite City Municipal Rink.

Mike Mergerl's 2-point performance led the UMSL crew past the Nads, 3-1.

Mergler scored one goal and assisted on another.

Gary Kalhorn opened the scoring with a goal, assisted by Tom Koehne, in the first period. Mergler then struck on an unassisted effort.

John Killsberg finished the scoring, with the help of an assist by Mergler, for UMSL in the last period.

IM cage roster

Rosters are now being accepted for both 3-man and 5-man spring intramural basketball competition. The IM program will move into the multi-purpose building next year.

3-man teams will play on Tuesdays and Thursdays, while 5-man leagues will compete on Mondays and Wednesdays.

Separate rosters must be filed for each league. Deadline for all rosters is March 16.

Team rosters must be obtained from and sent to the athletic department, meet office building, north end of campus.

For further information, contact intramural director Larry Berres.

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