STAIRWAY TO NOWHERE: One of the most used stairways on campus was closed over Winter break. [Photo by Earl Swift.]

Student senators to hold first seminar

Student members of the UMSL Senate will take part this Sunday in the first University Senate In-Service Training Seminar, an informal orientation session intended to better familiarize them with the workings of the campus' most powerful group.

The seminar, organized by Gary Esayan, a student senator, and Yates Sanders, student body vice-president, will feature discussions of the structure, history and operation of the body and of means to overcome intimidation.

Twenty-five students and 75 faculty members make up the group's membership. The former are elected to one-year terms each spring by the student body.

"BASICALLY* THE IDEA GREW OUT OF THE FACT THAT I was a senator for two years, and I'd go to the meetings and absolutely nothing would happen as far as students were concerned," Esayan said.

"Things were looking really bad," he said. "Attendance was looking really poor as far as senators were concerned. I can't remember a time of having more than 10 (student senators present at a meeting)."

"Gary got together with me and talked about trying to find a way to get all the student senators organized so they could be more representative at the meeting," Sanders said.

Speakers at the seminar will include Chancellor Arnold B. Grobman, who will talk on what he feels is the Senate's role at UMSL; Neil Primm, professor of history, who who discuss the group's past; Dave Ganz, chairperson of the Senate, who will talk on "the nuts and bolts of the whole thing—the committee

First of all, the stairway had become a safety hazard. "The stairway is dangerous when it is wet, and when it is ice covered it'S EVEN WORSE!" Edwards said. "Also the concrete at the top of the steps had started to chip away causing a further hazard."

The second reason for the wall was a tunnel like effect created by the passageway. "The design of the opening between the U. Center and cafeteria caused a severe prob lem because of blowing snow," Edwards said.

Along with the safety hazard, there was considerable heat loss without the wall.

There is no definite timetable for the removal of the wall. It will be up at least until March, Edwards said.

The temporary wall will probably be replaced by another wall with doors in it.

The physical plant also constructed hand rails on some steep slopes on campus to help if bad weather should hit.

Laue appointed to commission

James H. Laue, director of UMSL's Center for Metropolitan Studies, has been appointed to a national commission on the creation of a U.S. peace academy, the White House announced Dec. 5.

Laue was one of three persons named by President Jimmy Carter to the Commission on Proposals for the National Academy of Peace and Conflict Resolution. The academy, if created, would be patterned after the nation's five military academies.

"Since the 1930's," he said, "there have been 140 different proposals before Congress for this kind of peace academy. None of them ever got off the ground because they were associated too much with the international point of view."

"It was difficult for a senator or member of Congress to vote for a bill which was viewed as a threat to the departments of State or Defense. This bill is a combination of both perspectives and that's what got it where it is today," he said.

In addition to studying the feasibility of such a project, the commission will prepare a report to the institution's size, costs and relationship to the federal government and existing and possible alternatives.

Members of the group intend to conduct studies on the development of new peace-making techniques in such fields as race relations, labor management relations, prison conflicts and environmental disputes. The committee's hearings may be held in as many as 15 cities.

Laue, a sociologist specializing in community conflict resolution and currently serves as Washington University's vice chancellor for campus affairs prior to his arrival to UMSL in 1975.

He served as a U.S. Department of Justice Community Relations Service official from 1965 to 1969, helping communities solve racial disputes, and has been co-chairperson of the National Peace Academy Campaign for the last three years.

Laue has also served as a consultant to the Danforth Foundation, the National Advisory Commission on Civil Disorders, the Department of Justice and the Ford Foundation, and has held teaching positions at Harvard and Emory universities, and Hollins College.

He received his bachelor's degree from the University of Wisconsin at River Falls and his advanced degrees from Harvard. His doctorate dissertation was based on studies of the sit-in movement, freedom rides, and other forms of anti-segregation protest.

"War is one way of terminating conflict," Laue said, "but one of its many drawbacks is that is is limited to what sociologists call a 'win/lose' settlement, a situation where one side achieves dominance over the other."

"Over the past several decades there has been substantial development of techniques for peaceful conflict resolution which permit 'win/win' settlements, compromises acceptable to each side," said Laue. "This is one of many reasons why a peace academy should be established. There isn't blood in the streets like there was in the 1960's, but tension still exists."

Klostermann promoted

David Klostermann has been promoted to the position of director of credit programs for Continuing Education-Extension at UMSL. He succeeds Kenneth Kishobee who is retiring this month after six years of service at UMSL.

Klostermann joined UMSL in 1975 as a coordinator for non-credit programs. In 1978 he was promoted to the position of senior education coordinator and named assistant director of non-credit programs. Prior to that he worked with the St. Louis Public Schools Adult Basic Education Program and earlier as an instructor with the University of Missouri Extension Division.

Klostermann holds masters and bachelors degrees from St. Louis University and is pursuing an Ed.D. in the School of Education at UMSL.

AS director of credit programs at UMSL Klostermann will administer Education credit course offerings and assist with needs assessment and program development. He will also serve as a community liaison for in-house programs offered off-campus.

Three new courses

Wendell Smith,Dean of Continuing Education-Extension at UMSL, has announced that three new studio art courses will be available this semester as part of UMSL’s Continuing Education program. Susan Matthews, M.F.A., a former instructor at Ohio State University, will teach beginning drawing, beginning and advanced acrylic painting, and beginning and watercolor painting.

The acrylic painting class will meet Wednesday evenings from 7 to 9, January 30 through March 19, and will include color theory, basic design principles, techniques of impasto, hard-edge and underpainting. Participants in the drawing class will learn basic drawing Issues, fundamentals of two-dimensional design, and basic media, Thursday evenings, January 31-March 20 from 7 to 9 p.m. Watercolor techniques and the used of papers and washings will be covered in the watercolor class scheduled Monday evenings from 7 to 9 p.m., January 28-March 17.

Continuing Education Units (CEUs) will be awarded for participation in the courses. The registration fee for each of the three studio art courses is $41.

For information, or to register, contact Dave Klostermann of UMSL Continuing Education at 453-5961.

Workshops to be held

Three workshops designed to develop and sharpen grant proposal writing skills will be offered this semester as part of UMSL’s Continuing Education program. The instructor for the workshops is Robert Killoren, grants and contracts officer for the Office of Research Information at UMSL.

A new advanced course designed to give additional teaching and assistance to persons who possessed basic grant proposal writing skills, or for those who have completed introductory course, will be offered Tuesday evenings from 7 to 9, February 5-March 11. Participants will be asked to write proposals and perform evaluations. The registration fee for the six-week session is $550.

UMSL’s standard grant proposal writing workshop and seminar will be offered twice this semester: Mondays from 6 to 8 p.m., March 24-April 28 at UMSL Downtown, 522 Olive Street; and Tuesdays from 7 to 9 p.m., April 29 to May 3, at the UMSL campus. The registration fee for the workshops is $56.

For information on UMSL’s grant proposal writing workshops contact Joe Williams of UMSL Continuing Education at 453-5961.

Workshops for women

A wide variety of courses and workshops of special interest to women is available through the UMSL Discovery Program for Women. The program ranges from classes in assertive training, stress management and modern dance exercise, to special workshops on teaching children responsibility and building self-esteem in children. Classes are offered here as well as at several other convenient locations including Lafayette High School, Jennings Public Library, St. Louis County, UMSL Downtown, and St. Charles.

New courses this semester include the history of photography, graphic design, basic drawing, beginning and advanced acrylic painting, and beginning and watercolor painting. Other additional benefits of the 1980 Discovery Program for Women are "Women Working Outside the Home: Can We Do It All?", a course on current women writers, and two new one-day workshops on parent-adolescent relationships and counseling victims of rape and incest.

Special courses for women returning to school are available again this semester including "Brush-Up Study Skills", "Math for Mathophobes," and a one-day orientation for women considering courses at UMSL.

A detailed brochure on the 1980 Discovery Program for Women is now available. For a brochure or information on Women’s Programs in Continuing Education at UMSL, call 453-5511.

GLAD BAGS: The buggles put a big response, but failed to place in the first and UMSL Gong Show held Nov. 30. (photo by Wiley Price).

Senate

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process, what goes on at the meetings, and how a motion is presented," according to Sans; and Glenn Harwood, an instructor in speech, who will discuss parliamentary procedure.

Ron Finch, director of the Counseling Service, will speak on group dynamics.

"You go to a meeting, and there’s somewhat of an intimidation factor there. There’s a lot of faculty and there are a lot of things that could make students feel uncomfortable."

The students may also discuss meeting attendance and pre-meeting gatherings. "We want to have a little more organized, and maybe appoint a leader from that group (the student senators) to check with Ganz before the meetings to find out what’s coming up," Easian said.

The program will begin at 1:30 p.m. in the J. C. Penney Building, and will be followed by a 4 p.m. non-alcoholic reception at the Chancellor’s Residence.

Easian said that 60 to 70 invitations to the seminar were mailed, and that he has received about 30 confirmations. "Putting it together as quickly as we did, I really can’t complain," he said.

"It’s late in the year to do it. A lot of people have said that," Easian said. "We’re trying to work it so that it’ll be carried over from year to year, so that it’ll be more or less a permanent function of the Senate. Hopefully, next year it’ll be done in the fall."
Grunbaum named pre-law advisor

Freshmen through graduate students who have an interest in attending law school should contact the University’s pre-law advisor, Werner Grunbaum, as soon as possible.

UMSL’s catalog states that the university has no specific pre-law program. Most law schools have no prerequisites or certain required courses that students must take to gain admission.

However, evidence gathered from previous pre-law students indicates that far too many students are damaging their chances of admission by procrastinating their preparation for entrance to law school.

Admissions have come from every school of the university, including the evening college. Though a large percentage of these admissions are students with majors in political science, there have been admissions from practically every other department.

The pre-law office is located in room 907 Tower. Students can receive information on various law schools, LSAT preparation, application forms, and other information for student use.

Students needing help in this area should contact Jane Bolman, the pre-law secretary, Monday-Friday 9-11am or by appointment. He may also be contacted at home by telephone, Monday-Thursday evenings. The number is 862-1932.

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Council selects program board for 1980

Nine students were elected to the university’s Program Board and two ad hoc committees — intended to investigate parking fees and the institution on a "stop hour" — were formed at the Dec. 9 meeting of Central Council. UMSL’s student government.

In addition, the group appointed a chairperson to its Grievance Committee.

Named to the Program Board were Robin Boyce, Bill Bunkers, Charles Gerdin, Rasley Killian, Mary Pierce, Terci Kelly, Laura Rohrwein, Linda Tate and Cliff Wilke.

The board, headed by Stephanie Kreis, director of programming, selects film and fine arts events to be presented for the campus.

The study of a campus-wide "stop hour" — a period during the regular school day when all but basic classes would no be offered in order to improve turnout at programming events and UMSL’s social atmosphere — was the charge of an ad hoc committee appointed at the meeting. Rick Jackoway was named to chair the group.

The concept of a stop hour dates back to 1977, when Charles Mays, then student body president, tried unsuccessfully to persuade the council to recommend its institution to the administration.

"If people should have an opportunity to have something like this," said Mark Knollman, student body president, "We’re not going to try to have all classes suspended during the hour. If somebody’s got a really tight work schedule, they shouldn’t have to sit around for an hour."

Another ad hoc committee — designed to determine whether the university’s $25 parking fee assessed of students each semester is generating a surplus — was also created at the meeting. According to Knollman, the council will have to have the fee lowered if it is found that a surplus exists.

In other action, Martha Casey was appointed the group’s Grievance Committee chairperson.

She succeeds Dianne Thomas, who resigned the post. Casey was chosen from a field of four candidates.
Students need stop days

While some UMSL students had as much as 12 days off between the last day of class and finals, across town at St. Louis University students had as little as 6 hours before finals.

The plight of the St. Louis U. student should not be ignored here because many UMSL faculty members are considering motion, to be brought before the Senate, motions to cut back on or eliminate stop days.

Presently, two stop days are built into the UMSL schedule. In theory those days are reserved for study and cannot be used for tests or classes. In practice, though, some professors give tests and hold class sessions on those days.

So in order to make the theory and practice agree, some professors are considering eliminating stop days from the schedule. Class sessions would be substituted for the stop days.

The UMSL Senate would have to agree to such a change but recent votes show support for such a motion.

The UMSL student cannot afford to be put into a position where finals directly follow classes. Over three-quarters of UMSL students work. And a work schedule rarely leaves time for the intensive study needed for finals.

One proposal asks for stop days to be removed but classes end on Fridays. While this is clearly a better alternative than the St. Louis University schedule, allowing for the weekend before finals begins, it ignores the fact that a large percentage of the hours a student works is on weekends.

UMSL students need the buffer zone that stop days allow. Instead of planning their elimination, Senators should make sure that no teacher infringe on the student's rights to have adequate time to prepare for finals.

Coalition criticizes current coverage

Ed. note: The Current has been informed that this letter was intended to be run in the last issue of last semester.

To the Current:

It is evident that the Current, and the members of Central Council's Executive Committee, namely the President and Vice-President of the student body have once more chosen to use the Minority Student Service Coalition as their scape goat for allowing them the illusion of saving a strong student government.

While the Current does not suggest that listening to a tape would be equivalent to being in class and participating, the tape file is a practical way of helping students. Similar endeavors have met with great success around the country. And this is just the type of project which would get Council involved into the eyes of the students, where it has been absent for a long time.

Cortez Lofton, former Student Body President, presently Central Council representative and member of m.s.s.c. did in fact attend the Nov. 11 meeting along with fellow members.

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UMSL cagers show signs of improvement

Schedule plagues young Rivermen

Jeff Kuchno

The UMSL Rivermen cagers, facing an early season schedule that would make most coaches cringe, have nevertheless made strides toward improvement.

UMSL is coming off its worst season ever (7-19 last year), and this season have been a bit more competitive. Things haven't changed much in the win-loss column, though. After 13 games, UMSL's record stood at 4-9, which is the same as its midseason record in 1978-79.

The season opened on a sour note for first-year head coach Tom Bartow and his young team as the Rivermen were blown out by the University of Missouri-Kansas City Kangaroos, 91-73, in the University of Missouri Invitational at Rolla, November 30. Rick Kirby led UMSL scorers with 20 points.

The next evening, the Rivermen hoped to salvage the third-place hands which is the same as its midseason record drop to 1-6. After a 10-day layoff, UMSL returned home and made Benedictine suffer for its misery. The rain-and-gun Rivermen, with Rick Kirby at the throttle, overpowered the Ravens, 99-75, for a rude hosts one night later as the Fighting Illini destroyed the Rivermen, 91-65.

DOUBLE TROUBLE: Rick Kirby [left] and William Harris [right] lead UMSL in scoring.

The next evening, however, was a different story as the nationally-ranked Eastern Illinois Panthers visited UMSL. EIU lived up to its billing and downed the Rivermen, 76-60. On January 2, the Rivermen welcomed in the new year with revenge in their eyes as UMSL Kangaroos. With Rick Kirby burning the cords and Dennis Benne bouncing the Kangaroos off the boards like rubber balls, UMSL's wish came true in a 66-64 victory. Kirby led the Rivermen with 32 points while Benne, a 6-foot-9 sophomore from Rosary High School, pulled down 13 rebounds.

One night later, the Rivermen forgot how to play defense and were crushed by Murray State, 93-66. The loss to the Racers dropped UMSL's record to 3-8. On January 8, UMSL returned home and behind the hot shooting of William Harris and Rick Kirby, waltzed to a 98-77 victory over Northern Kentucky.

“Sandy Burfhardt was a key factor in the win at Baker,” said Sanchez. She came off the bench and was the game’s leading scorer with 13 points. Perhaps the highlight of the nine games was a 110-42 romp over McMurray. In that game, the women set three school records: most points, 110; most goals attempted, 97; and most field goals made, 49.

Five of the women scored in double figures, Myra Bailey, who is the team’s leading scorer for the year, led with 19 points. Sherri Cook followed with 15, Chris Meier, 14, Pat Conley, 12, and Connie Lisch scored 11.

“Pat Conley, Sandy Burfhardt, and Myra Bailey are veterans who have been playing well. Also, Myra Lisch has been coming around after a slow start. The team’s overall record is now 9-9, which is more victories than the last two years put together. Coach Sanchez felt that freshman Kim Ayers has been playing very well at guard. He also said Sherry Cook, Smith and Sandy Burfhardt, who is playing around 90 percent after a field hockey injury sidelined her having been playing steadily.

Women cagers enjoy turnaround

Outstanding team play, good execution, a patient UMSL offense, and a lot of intensity on defense enabled the women’s basketball team to emerge victorious in six of nine games during the last weeks of December and early January.

The team began its hot streak on December 8, beating Washington University 89-85, then were defeated by Northern Illinois 86-61. The women went on to beat their next three opponents, Pittsburg State, 73-71, Chicago State, 85-28, and Nebraska Wesleyah, 77-50.

After a loss to Missouri Southern, 90-76, the team took on Emporia State of Kansas, which is the 20th ranked team in the nation, and lost a close one 81-77. Their next game, in which the women scored 56 points (the lowest output by UMSL during the stretch), was a one point squeaker over Baker University.

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UMSL women’s basketball coach Joe Sanchez realizes that poor officiating is sometimes part of the game. In UMSL’s 73-65 loss to St. Louis U. this past Tuesday at UMSL, though, one call in particular had Sanchez shaking his head in disbelief.

With about three minutes remaining in the game and St. Louis U. leading 68-61, the UMSL bench was stunned with a technical foul when reserve Debbie Busch reported into the game illegally. According to the officials, that is

“I’m very disappointed because I understand the law,” said a disheartened Sanchez, “but there is no doubt Debbie reported. I don’t like it when the refs get pressured into a call.”

Pressured or not, the officials’ call prevailed and guard Julie Goosling stepped up to the charity stripe for St. Louis U. Goosling hit two of three free tosses (she was fouled prior to the technical, and the Lady Billikens breathed the rest of the way.

“Our size hurt us,” lamented Sanchez. “We did the best we could. We clogged up the middle and forced them to shoot from the outside. Defensively, I feel we shut them down.”

Indeed, UMSL played tight defense, but it wasn’t enough to stop St. Louis U.’s two highly-touted freshman Caroline Drain and Kate Hart. Drain and Hart paced the Lady Billikens with 20 and 17 points, respectively.

For UMSL, Lori Smith and Sherry Sked led the way. Smith, a 5-foot-11 freshman from Lindbergh High School, tallied 17 points while Cook added 15.

In the first half, the lead exchanged hands several times as St. Louis U. went into the locker room at halftime with a slim 28-23 lead. It wasn’t until the first five minutes of the second half that the much-taller Lady Billikens opened up its lead.

But Maier’s swimmers

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“We are pleased with this new affiliation,” said Grobman. “I believe the competition will prove to be beneficial for all the schools. I have admired the MIAA decided to offer our mem-

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“This is a great step for UMSL athletics,” said UMSL athletic director Bob Smith. “This move should strengthen our rivalry and give our play-

ers and fans more identity through playing for a conference championship. The MIAA is respected as one of the best

in NCAA Division II conferences in the country.”

Several coaches in the UMSL

athletic department, though, expressed some concern over the new affiliation. “If we are to compete in the MIAA, we need equitable funding,” said Tom Loughery, UMSL wrestling coach. “I’ve contacted a few schools in the MIAA and I found out that part of their budgets for travel is greater than our entire budget.”

UMSL basketball coach Jim Ditt expressed similar sentiments. “We feel we should have the same amount of money as the top schools in the conference,” he said. “We’ve been making all the sacrifices for years and it seems people are ignoring us. Nobody cares about this campus.”

The MIAA, which was formed in 1924, will have eight confer-

ences in basketball, baseball, cross country, soccer, swim-

ning, wrestling, tennis and golf. The conference affiliation marks the first time since UMSL started intercollegiate athletics in 1966 that the school will be a member of an athletic confer-

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“If I had the choice,” said Maier, “we’d be able to form a relay team,” said Coach Maier, “and hopefully better our overall possible score.”

As of now, the swim team has a 5-2 record, taking its victories away from William Woods col-

lege, University of Arkansas and Benedictine College. But unfortun-

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University each stole a victory from UMSL.

Outlook improves for swim teams

Jeff Kuchno

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Other leading scorers for UMSL included Myra Bailey with 11, and Sandy Burkhardt and Pat Conley with nine each.

UMSL’s next meet will be tomorrow night in Jefferson City against Lincoln University. For St. Louis U., UMSL will receive a rematch in early February. Can UMSL receive the Lady Billikens?

“If desire is the key, we can play with anyone,” said Sanchez. “We’re getting better everywhere we come out on the floor.”

Sanchez’s main priority at this time, though, is to prepare his team for games against district foes. These games are important in that the district champion advances to the state tourney in late February. Sanchez feels his 9-10 team has a chance to make a bid for the state title.

“We could surprise a few people this year,” predicted Sanchez. “The best is yet to come.”

Women

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UMSL plays Lincoln, Southeast Missouri and William Woods are the other teams in UMSL’s division. “It should be quite a race,” said Sanchez. The winner will advance to the state champi-

onships in Joplin, Mo.

“We’re looking to have a good year. They’ve improved tremendously. Everyone’s worked hard, and they’ve mentally and physically improved,” said Sanchez. “I’m excited because I can see the light at the end of the tunnel. We’ve molded into a very solid team.”

Mary Dempster

Utility swimmer Julie Mank has been having problems lately getting into the water as she was sick for awhile. Karen Cernock, who is eligible to swim this semester and has already competed in one exhibition meet this year, will add a lot, according to Maier.

But if Maier’s swimmers do not seem terribly overpowering now, they will with time. Already with just two-touches of a second to go, junior Patty Wil-

son is aiming for Division III cuts for nationals. “Breaking the record was one of my goals coming into the season. It’s really weird though. I mean it’s just starting to sink into me that I have a chance to get into nationals.”

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ULLIENKEN KILLER: Lori Smith shoots for two of her 17 points in UMSL’s contest with St. Louis U. (photo by Paul Kilian)

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UMSL plays Lincoln, Southeast Missouri and William Woods are the other teams in UMSL’s division. "It should be quite a race," said Sanchez. The winner will advance to the state champi-

onships in Joplin, Mo.

“We’re looking to have a good year. They’ve improved tremendously. Everyone’s worked hard, and they’ve mentally and physically improved," said Sanchez. "I’m excited because I can see the light at the end of the tunnel. We’ve molded into a very solid team.“

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U.S.I. looks promising for the season. It’s a young team, but they’re improving and playing better. The team's performance was solid enough to secure a spot in the MIAA and for the upcoming season. The women's basketball team, in particular, has shown significant improvement and is expected to continue their progress in the upcoming season. The UMSL women's basketball team has been officially admitted to the Missouri Intercollegiate Athletic Association (MIAA) for the 1980-81 school year, which has been announced by Chancellor Richard Grobman of the University of Missouri at St. Louis. The MIAA is a conference that is known for its strong athletic programs and has been a part of the Missouri college sports landscape since its formation in 1924. The addition of UMSL to the MIAA is significant, as it marks the first time since UMSL started intercollegiate athletics in 1966 that the school will be a member of a conference. This move should strengthen the rivalry and give our players and fans more identity through playing for a conference championship. The MIAA is respected as one of the best NCAA Division II conferences in the country. Several coaches in the UMSL athletic department, though, have expressed some concern over the new affiliation. “If we are to compete in the MIAA, we need equitable funding,” said Tom Loughery, UMSL wrestling coach. This move should strengthen our rivalry and give our players and fans more identity through playing for a conference championship. The MIAA is respected as one of the best NCAA Division II conferences in the country.

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Hoc Soc at UMSL

A greatly expanded field of teams, featuring the eight best teams from the strong St. Louis amateur soccer program, will mark the third annual Budweiser Gateway City Hoc Soc Classic to be held at UMSL's Mark Twain Building, January 25-27.

This year's tourney will feature eight senior teams and eight intermediate teams. The senior squads will play double elimination, and the intermediate teams will play single elimination in the first round and double elimination in the final rounds.

Senior teams participating include Quincy College (the reigning national champions), Kutztown 1979 Gateway City Classic champions, St. Ambrose 1978 Gateway Dity Classic champions) Kutztown Collegians, Busch Sover Club, Mastercraft, Bucks United and Ziegenheins.

Many collegiate All-Americans from the St. Louis area will be featured in the tourney, including UMSL's Dominic Barczew- skii and Dan Menzenfechter, who will play for Kutztown.

The first 1,000 spectators will receive free Budweiser Action Soccer Posters. Proceeds help support the UMSL soccer program and Admission prices are $2.00 for adults, $1 for students and 50 cents for children. The admission prices are good for all games on any one day of the tourney.

CHAPTER TWO: "The Homecoming"

UMSL returned to more familiar surroundings for its home opener. It was a most festive atmosphere on the hard-packed courts. The fans were cheering and the showgirls danced. Oh yes, and most important, 2,000 spectators looked on as UMSL captured a one-point victory. Way to go, coach.

Mike Hempen

The UMSL wrestling team, under the guidance of coach Robert Creasy, has been performing very well so far this year. The wrestlers who were expected to do well this year have look edit. Some of the unheralded wrestlers, though, have been successful; too. The wrestling program seems to be on the right track in its rebuilding efforts.

Two of the wrestlers who received much attention before the season began were Roger Tobin, who wrestles in the 132-pound weight class, and Tony Rogers, who wrestles in the 118-pound weight class, and done well; both of these freshman athletes are expected to do well this season.

In the McMurray Tournament, Tobin, wrestling again at 142 pounds, won his weight division by beating Rich Dahm from Southwest Missouri State U. Dahm was considered the best wrestler in his weight class in the Missouri Intercollegiate Athletic Association. "He beat some really fine wrestlers," said Loughrey. And Jansen, wrestling again at 155 pounds, finished fourth, overcoming some nagging injuries that plagued his performance throughout. UMSL as a team finished sixth out of 16 teams in the tournament, compared to 11th last year.

Despite what they have done so far, Loughrey expects Toben and Jansen to keep their form and shape at a much-needed to-day break.

CHAPTER THREE: "The Losing Streak"

UMSL's team was quickly 0-2.

"The losing streak" is not a very good way to start the season, and it's not necessarily a success story...yet, but it is an important fact of life.

INTRODUCTION: Once upon a time there was a young man named Tom, who wanted to coach a basketball team. Not just any team, mind you. He wanted to coach a basketball team with a history of despair and need for a savior.

Well, Coach Tom met the challenge. He took two high school programs and turned them around into real winners, a small college and did the same. Then, he came to UMSL.

As an assistant for two years, Coach Tom was able to watch from the sidelines the slide downwards towards oblivion. The atmosphere at the games was terrible. No one came, there was no band, no cheering and real tickets. Worst of all, the team was losing.

So, Coach Tom was handed the reins for what would be his biggest coaching challenge. But first, he made a few changes. He ordered the players to share their faces covered by their uniform shirts. He didn't guarantee his team would win, but he did promise two things; that the team would give 110 percent and improve with time.

And now, the atmosphere at the games has changed. There is a lot of NSO band, so a lot of cheerleading and real tickets. A few more people are coming to the games, but the team is still losing. Coach Tom's promise, though, seems to be holding up. The team is exciting and improving.

CHAPTER ONE: "The Beginning"

The team opened the season with tournament competition. In the first game, UMSL faced a bunch of Kangaroos from Kansas City, and were beaten by 18 points.

One night, UMSL played hot potato with the basketball and lost by two points to some obscure college called Missouri State. The team was losing.

So, Coach Tom's team was quickly 0-2. That's not a very good way to start the season, coach.
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Muesenfechter, a 6-foot-1, 170 pounder from McCluer High School, led the Rivermen in scoring with seven goals and five assists for 12 points. He set the school scoring record at McCluer (which was broken this past year by Dan O'Keefe), and had 16 goals last year at Florissant Valley Community College.

For both seniors-to-be, the All-American recognition came a bit unexpected.

"I found out that I made it on Christmas Eve when I read it in the paper," explained Barczewski. "I was pretty surprised because I had put it out of my mind. I didn't want to worry about making the team or not."

Muesenfechter didn't worry about making the team either. It nearly crossed his mind, "I didn't expect it at all, mainly because I didn't think I had that good of a year," he said."

thought it could have been better."

The coaches obviously felt otherwise. But, then, post-season honors are nothing unusual for Barczewski and Muesenfechter.

In addition to making All-America, Barczewski was named to the All-Midwest team for the third straight year. Muesenfechter, a second-team junior college All-American at Florissant Valley last year, was also a first-team All-Midwest selection, while another Riverman, freshman goalie Ed Web, was named to the second team.

These three players were the standouts in UMSL's nationally-ranked contingent. Barczewski's best game of the year came against NCAA Division I champion, SIU-Edwardsville, September 30 at UMSL. In that game, Barczewski scored UMSL's only goal and held SIU's premier forward Don Ebert in check as the Rivermen tied the high-powered Cougars, 1-1.

Muesenfechter's value to the team was exemplified in the manner of game-winning goals against Western Illinois and the University of Illinois-Chicago Circle. The Rivermen finished the regular season with a record of 7-5-7, which earned them the number one seed in the NCAA Division II Midwest-Midwest playoffs. Unfortunately, the Rivermen lost to Eastern Illinois in the title match, 3-0, on UMSL's home turf.

"I thought the season was great up until the end," said Barczewski. "We did what we wanted to do and then blew it."