King Verdict Discussion Gives Insight

by Stacy Kardasz
and Bill Farnsworth
Of The Current staff

Many interested students, including administrators and members of the community, participated in an open forum Monday to discuss the verdict in the recent trial of four Los Angeles police officers charged with violating civil rights of Rodney King.

The officers were charged with violating King’s civil rights, and were found guilty of assault and battery. Officers Theodore Duren and Thomas Speed were acquitted of all charges.

Robert Bente, assistant director of the Office of Equal Opportunity, redrafted the dialogue Monday. A panel of four people provided input for the discussion. The panel consisted of Daniel Washam, Student Counseling Association (SCA) vice-president; Mike Wisdom, coordinator of the Center for Minor Studies; Steve Taylor (right), first-year graduate of the University of Missouri-St. Louis, and Randall Cahn, a St. Louis-based lawyer.

"The purpose of this dialogue is to give people an opportunity to express their feelings, their thoughts, their concerns about this very important issue," Bente said.

The participants of the dialogue started with general thoughts and feelings about the verdict.

"Basically, I came because it was a form. I wanted to be a part of it," Taylor said.

New Science Building Planned For Campus

by Terrance Hicks
For The Current

University of Missouri-St. Louis officials expect the new Center for Molecular Electronics to help shape the school’s progress in research and technology. Construction is expected to begin in November. Dr. Howard J. Feldman, the director of the center, said in an interview that the Center for Molecular Electronics will be constructed north of Beamer Hall to promote interaction within the St. Louis scientific community.

Half of the project’s budget is dedicated to the purchase of high-technology equipment, some of which has already been purchased by the university.

"We have purchased and arranged dollars worth of equipment," Feldman said, who is also the chairman of the UM-St. Louis physics department. One piece of equipment that has been purchased is a scanning electron microscope. The microscope was bought from Siemens, and is being housed until the new facility is ready. Feldman said.

The electron microscope can be seen in CENTER page 4.

University Rents Space To Handicapped Organization

Space has been rented out on the UM-St. Louis campus to the St. Louis Association for Retarded Citizens (SLARC).

Rabbi Shusser, director of the physical plant, said UM-St. Louis will receive seven dollars per square foot for the 3200 sq. ft used by SLARC in the Blue Moon Office Building. The total amount paid in the year 1993 will be $24,000; for 1994-1995, the rent will cover all utilities used by the center.

Bert Cogswell, executive staff assistant of the physical plant, said, "We had received a letter from the center, " said.
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Rodney King Verdict Discussion Lacks Color

Fear could have been the motivating factor. Fear could have prompted Norman Seym and the Office of Equal Opportunity to sponsor a dialogue about the Rodney King verdict Monday.

Fear could have been the emotion that kept students from attending that dialogue.

And fear could have been foremost in everyone's mind when he or she entered that room to discuss the verdict.

But fear was definitely not the emotion that was foremost in the minds of those who attended the dialogue.

It was understanding.

Understanding, hope and a desire to work for the goal of acceptance were what people were considering. An understanding of one another's view was given to all of the participants in the discussion.

The only negative aspect about that discussion was that there were only 35 voluntary participants from the campus community.

Thirty-five of 12,000 people on the UM-St. Louis campus chose to attend the forum and give their views. One member of the faculty brought his class to the discussion.

Of the 35 attending, six were white. The vice president of the Student Government Association, three administrators and two reporters for The Current were the only white people there.

The problems discussed were all important and relevant, but also important is the fact that the only ones voluntarily working at reducing these problems weren't white.

A black faculty member brought his criminology class to the forum. All of the students stayed at the discussion, despite the fact that the dialogue was not the class assignment for the period.

The Rodney King verdict may or may not have been an injustice. Whether or not that was an injustice is a matter of individual opinion.

The real injustice, however, is right here on the UM-St. Louis campus.

The fact that racial strides are only being made by some to eliminate the discrimination and fear between races is the real injustice.

The überradical and the expert analyst have the solution to the cause of their evil-thinking and may be only a self-delusion.

The experts and the slapdash guru's solutions are the answer, is what we as a people have been hearing for the last 20 years. The nation is so confused in this time of frustration, it needs something to look for.

What I do not check is whether I have been a true friend of My Rodney King.

I'm so glad we read it like it's the most important thing we have to do. And for thanks for always being there. I truly believe that Rodney was just what, you know? I know always knew what was going on. I'm feeling the lack of rapport. I see all about so many things. The words could have turned out different. I don't think you can run just on the fact that Rodney was here.

I mean, I don't think you can run as healthily as I do.

The best of my parents' home, what life is really like. It was like a family function. It was kind of a gentleness. My only wish is to turn this opportunity for a positive change.

Will you do your job? I will. I don't think the man who can, when need be, jump into bed. There is still quite an overwhelming opting for oppression.
year was also addressed. Riots were sparked when the four officers were charged, but acquitted, of state charges in the King beating. The civil rights trial this year was in federal court. Protesters were drawn between the Danny beating and the King incident.

Some participants said they felt the four men charged in the Danny beating will be more severely punished than the officers in the King case because, as hearkening to African-Americans, and the four officers are white.

"What I would like to see is that men employ the same defense the officers said they thought men were guilty of." Read, a baritone, asked, "It's very similar - this is something that happens more to black people than to white people.

The discussion turned to what participants saw as problems the African-American race as a whole faced. Some officers said they thought things were improving, but others said there was much more work to be done.

"Instead of dwelling on past issues, however, people began to offer possible solutions to those problems. Students suggested that dealing with people based on their actions, not their appearances, is most important. One student said that the actions of both sides need to be considered, not just the actions of one group compared to the actions of the other.

"If you have one part of your society in the gutter, and you have one that isn't in the gutter, and you are holding that part of society down with your foot, then you have one dirty foot," said White.

The discussion ended with tranny reminding everyone in the room that tomorrow was Monday's, important, but that everyday interaction is crucial to the success of the ideas presented at the forum.

Students agreed with Barrick, "Don't leave here and not do. Don't forget the ball. It's too important. Your life, it's your children's lives!"
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For 1993 Season

Softball Riverwomen's Final Grades Are In For 1993 Season

by Pete Diciprotino

Sports reporter

The UM-St. Louis winter season is coming to an end and all the final grades will be given. The same goes for the UM-St. Louis softball team. After

ning the team a play or two games, leaving them on a winless basis for The Current, writing their press

nouncements and calculating their missions after every game, I find it time for me to give a team a report card on how they fared this season.

First, we will give the overall team grade. Considering that the Riverwomen finished the season now with a record of 1-30, this year's record of 23-10 heading into the Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association tournament was in no way expected.

The team added a great deal of skill with the additions of such players as Colleen Duffley, Erin Schroeder, and Tina Wheeler. The

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just about every game to the extent of their abilities, but error

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The Riverwomen committed 11 errors during the regular season. The hitting and pitching, on the other hand, was very consistent. When low-for-hits

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by Cory Schroeder

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After considering how to highlight the 1992-93 UM-St. Louis sports season, Cory and I couldn't think of an interesting way to sum up the year. Then, I got the idea of showing what happened this season. We decided to feature some of the seasons on UM-St. Louis' sports teams. Congratulations and good luck to all the seniors student-athletes!

-Jack C. Wang
sports editor
-Cory C. Schroeder
associate sports editor

The Current wishes you good luck on finals and have a great summer!

BRADY from page 5

a laugh. "If we get the next three wins in a row, it will be extra special."

Brady also deferred some of the credit to his players. "I have had some great players over the last eight years," he said. "Good players mean good coaches."

Jim Brady's career in baseball includes playing at Montrose Community College and later at Southwest Missouri State University.

His coaching career began at Southwest Missouri State, where he served as assistant coach and helped the team to back-to-back appearances in the Division II national tournament in 1977 and 1978. Brady came to UM-St. Louis in 1984, where he served as pitching coach. That same year, the Rivermen posted the lowest ERA in the MIAA, Brady was named head coach in 1986 to replace Jon Doe. He also helped coach the North squad at the U.S. National Baseball Trials in Homer, New York in November 1991. Brady was one of only 10 coaches picked by the United States Baseball Federation to help coach the national, which consisted of ninety players from around the country. The trials were held to help select the players that made up the 1992 U.S. Olympic baseball squad that participated in Barcelona.

With the Rivermen just two wins away from winning the MIAA tournament, Brady is looking for two outfield wins. "The magic number is 20," Brady said. "It would be a great milestone for Brady if he could win the tournament and never win his 200 wins at the same time. "Two wins will be something to savor," Brady said. "It will be the frosting on the cake."

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Klasinski struggled toward the end of season losing three matches, but managed to win her final match against Maryville successfully, 6-4, 6-4. “I just want to be able to play competitively,” said Klasinski. “I'll do it back next year.”

Outfielder Angie Kaigbin, who struggled through her sophomore season after a great freshman season, still managed to be in the lineup with one error and knocked in 14 runs in limited action, was named to her second all-conference team. “I’m happy that I’m playing, and I think I’m going to have a good season,” said Angie.

Benjaminboth of Palisch pitched the best fielding first baseman in the league. Although she hit only .512 and was only used as a defensive replacement, she was a very important player.

I would like to thank all the ladies who contributed when I reviewed them. They were extremely kind to a reporter who was reviewing their questions. Remember, this report card is the opinion of the reporter and not a statement by the players. Thanks for a great season of covering Klasinski softball.

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MIAA from page 5

sound effect,” coach Jim Brady said. “We’ll be ready to go.”

Hopes of matching the championships were almost diminished in the first game when the Ravens were stung by the Hornets, 18-5. But things began to change when the Ravens continued their improvement and went on to beat the others teams.

Brady expects a great game. “They (the Hornets) are ready to go,” Brady said. “They want to win it again. One of their goals was to win the conference and now we want in position to do that.”

As Chairperson, MIAA is a controversial home run. Mutnansky said.”Their strategy was to get the ball over the plate,” Brady said. “Our guys made the defensive plays.”

After the game was over, Klasinski said he heard the ball hit and couldn’t hear the crowd. She added that he was surprised.

The game included a controversial home run by Ragan which appeared foul of the left field foul pole. Mutnansky allowed the hit run to stand, but MIAA decided the run was not home run, even escaping a bases loaded hit in the fourth inning.

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Two Alpha Xi Delta students participate in the three legged race at Greek Week festivities.

Bill Clinton was ushered in as the new President. Clinton made several stops in St. Louis.

Students enjoyed a complimentary ride on the MetroLink. It will have two stops at UM-St. Louis.

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Brad Panassow enjoyed being stuck to the velcro wall at Mirthday.

Angle Laster, James McWilliams, Darryl Blair, and Sebrina Bellamy make sweet harmonies in the "Sing and Be a Star."

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Bird's eye Bashed

By Rachel Daumcine America's #1 Limbaugh fan

This column space has been employed for an entire season by all-knowing, top-pro, press-ganged, one-person, non-enthusiast far-Right. This public enemy number one character is the perfect example of irresponsible journalism.

I, after all, insist on living with a woman in whom he is not married (talk said). There are so far to say gods should be allowed in the city! said to the father, former I'm sure it's a giant leap for base ball junkies, but

Spackle That Crack

Groupies Do Women for Baseball Team's Morale

By Faris "Tell it how it is" Beuther, associate editor of the oldest sport there is

There is a fine line between being a follower of mustache and a follower of the baseball team, Annie Worst and Non-Road Hatred definitely full on in the category of the latter.

All serendipitous when Miss Worst and Non-Road Hatred were working the concession stand at the home game. Domestic tensions were at hand, you were not even on drugs. Miss Worst took upon herself the onus of attempting the approach by the man's head and exclaiming "I need winners here!"

As the story goes, nothing learned in the year's locker room anymore. The word "Annie," which is posted on the nondescript door, has an attachment underneath it that reads "Silly and Non-Road." For being such an old soul she seems to have come to some very, very, very.

Tuesday tried to tell people that everything should be made available, and that if we, the American people, have the choice to be made with the way it's been for the past 300 years.

On June 21st, 1993, the people's mandate for non-Road Hatred have not only made the team lose fortunes among the other dowagers but also on the homestead baseball games. Once, when Miss Worst and Non-Road Hatred was attempting to show his stuff, Cindy Rasmussen had no choice but to lend a hand.
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