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SGA vice president halts search for student curator

by Bill Rollen and Sarah schnieder

UM-KC member withdraws from selection committee

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Riverners and women short of Homecoming wins in matches against Quincy

Riverwomen Dana Thompson at last year's soccer match. Both the women's and men's teams had Homecoming games Saturday. See page 7 for a coverage of these matches.

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State writer

by David Beuker

by Mary Lindsey

Touhill acknowledged that enrollment figures were behind what had been originally projected, and that extra budget reallocations are possible in the future or as a result. She said the Senate Budget and Planning Committee planned to discuss the contents of last year's budget reallocations of $3.25 million.

Touhill also reported that following a meeting with the dean of the School of Osteopathy, he had decided to review the search. Touhill said that much of last year's events had covered only T-shirts and advertising.

Homecoming activities stymied by planning problems, misinformation

by Jim Avery

Student Government Association

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The following guidelines describe the process by which the members of the Student Assembly are to choose their candidates for the executive officer positions of President and Vice-President of the University Center. At the discretion of the central office, the Student Assembly shall be allowed to participate in the process of selecting candidates for these positions.

1. All applicants shall be interviewed in person by a selection committee, comprised of representatives from the Student Senate, Student Assembly, and the central office. Each applicant shall be allowed to submit a statement or essay of up to 500 words that shall be part of the selection process. The written statement or essay shall be read by the selection committee and may be used in their decision-making process.

2. A faculty member selected to review the written statements and essays shall be invited to participate in the selection process as an independent reviewer. The faculty member shall review and provide feedback on the written statements and essays, and their recommendations shall be considered by the selection committee.

3. The selection committee shall consist of three members from the Student Senate, two members from the Student Assembly, and one member from the central office. The selection committee shall be chaired by the Student Assembly President or a member of her or his staff.

4. The selection committee shall meet at least three times during the fall semester to interview candidates and select a slate of candidates. The selection committee shall submit their recommendations to the Student Senate, the Student Assembly, and the central office. The Student Senate and the Student Assembly shall have the opportunity to review and provide feedback on the selection committee's recommendations.

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Skyrocketing maintenance costs will mean new mainframe for campus

by Becky Zagarlik

An Illinois All-Campuses meeting in September will look into ways to cut the $500,000 per year maintenance costs of the UM-SVMA campus computing server down to less than $30,000 per year.

The UM-SVMA server is a 10-year-old mainframe computer and is used to run various software, such as student e-mail accounts, older programming languages and SAIL, a statistical software application used by social science departments.

Jerrid Siegel, coordinator for campus computing, said that the "costs have not been the money to maintain a system like (UM-SVMA)."

While the money will be saved, Siegel has not been consulted on any particular project. Siegel said a variety of things could be done with the money.

Siegel attributed the high maintenance costs associated with the server to software licensing restrictions. In the past, he said IBM would not sell in software license, the University had to negotiate yearly software contracts.

Recently, IBM has developed a new mainframe that is much cheaper to maintain because the software is sold with the machine. Siegel said this is important because "the University should pay for software once, instead of year after year.

Siegel said that at this time, the estimated cost of the new server would be around $40,000, with yearly maintenance costs of less than $30,000.

Siegel does not foresee the new server being installed until July 1998 because the current contract for UM-SVMA has already been renewed.

Siegel said that the move to the new system is that it will not have as much power as the old one. The University could buy a machine with more power, but IBM will only sell the software on the less powerful systems. Buying a larger system would require a yearly software contract like the one currently costing so much now.

Because of the power limitations of the new machine, some changes will have to be made by some faculty, staff and students." Siegel said. Some of these changes have already been taking place, said Siegel.

For example, students who sign up for real accounts gain access to UNIX accounts. The UNIX server runs better versions of necessary software than what is currently on UM-SVMA.

Sieg said he realizes people may be reluctant to make changes to the current way of doing things. And in some situations, the old software should be transferred to the new server.

Siegel said that the decision to move as many users off of the old system, particularly University Computing and Information services, so that when the new server is installed, the system will run as sensibly as possibly.

Counseling services offers free depression screening

by Mary Lindsey

In an effort to increase awareness of the signs and symptoms of clinical depression, University Counseling Services sponsored free depression screening in an information seminar as part of National Depression Screening Day.

Students participated by filling out questionnaires at locations on the University, the Women's Center and the Counseling Services.

Chitra Lubowitz, a psychologist with Counseling Services, said one of the goals of the event was to raise consciousness about depression.

"Depression is a real illness", Lubowitz said. "There may be very real, but people who aren't aware of the signs aren't, who aren't aware of that depression doesn't have to go on forever and that there's a reasonable treatment that can help if properly diagnosed.

Another focus of the event was to assist students who may need treatment.

"If we picked people who may have some signs of depression, we'll suggest that they get a more thorough analysis," Lubowitz said.

Lubowitz said there is a distinction between feeling "blue" during or after clinical depression, which involves both sadness and physical symptoms.

It's a combination of feeling really bad and not feeling bad, not being able to eat, not being able to sleep, Lubowitz said.

"It's important to realize that you can be helped," said Lubowitz. "You don't have to live with your life being sad and down and unmotivated. There are tons of books to get you back on your feet. Why not take advantage of them?"

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...while, the UM-REC location was visited, Troy (Nah) was "screaming" at her and the teleconference técnico clair.

Chuck called the séances "tricks.

"Nobody's really screaming in the telephone," he said. "There was some screaming and yelling from the other end.

Nah said she felt the teleconference was way out of hand, as he said he asked the technician to end it.

"(All that name-calling just takes away from the issues) he explained.

The selection committee failed to set a date for when it would interview the candidates.

In this letter, Rankins announced, "I hereby exercise my authority as chairman of the selection committee to suspend CAROLE, from page 1

...and don't know if we communicated that with UBPS.

UB President Sharron Hopkins said she was happy to help with benefits expenses but Newman House only nominal funding for Tolton Hall. Hopkins said UBPS ordered the photo and asked the personnel to attend the meeting.

"We were going to assist them in all the way and to make sure they were up to the whole thing," Hopkins said. "We end up doing what we ask as a part time.

Ann Raczkiewicz, former president of Newman House and coordinator for the board, confirmed that UBPS was not at fault for the difficulties.

"The problem was not with UBPS, it was communication problems within your organization," Raczkiewicz said.

"We get full cooperation from UBPS," the president proclaimed a meeting between Blanton, McCarty and Chisolm in Monday, they recommen­ ded the event be canceled.

Other events were called off due to lack of interest. The Student Government Association decided to play a golf cart race and a window-decorating contest for students in the upcoming fall. The contest was held due to lack of participation, according to SGA President Amy Leon.

"We are only two golf cart fans that have been interested," the president said. "The window-decorating contest never went beyond the planning stages.

"We are always having problems with the homecoming committee to blame for the difficulties," said the white head. The first meetings were well attended, participation dropped off quickly.

"As one person, people quit coming," the president said. "They suggested that future homecoming be played by a special organiza­tion and that this becomes a recurring organization.

"I don't really see it as SGA's responsibility," the president said. "I'd like to see it as a special organization and a recurring organization.

Despite the problems, the president said ticket sales for the dance were exceptional. He said the dance sold out of its more than 330 tickets.
Curator selection process is off to bad start

The Issue:
The search for the next student curator has been put on hold because of the selection committee members' concerns regarding the selection process.

We Suggest:
The search committee needs to focus on the effective selection of the curator to ensure a successful outcome.

So What Do We Do Next?
Let us hear from you. Submit a letter to the editor on this or any issue.

Our Opinion:
Student leaders should learn to plan

Recent difficulties surrounding the search for the next student curator have brought the need for better communication and coordination among organizations planning events.

Workable activities materialize at the end of a chain when seen by, and worked on by, individuals in the chain. In this case, when any link in the chain is broken, the whole process fails apart.

Doublethink, is, in fact, what happened during bonfire preparations. Various organizations worked on their responsibilities, and as a result, countless links never made it to the chain.

Quite possibly, such misfortunes can be avoided if the members of the selection committee are trained in the disentanglement of clear, published time tables outlining stages of event preparation.

Only through a more effective coordination of efforts and a clear understanding of who those who plan activities ever come to fruition.

Rankings: interference prompted delays

During a teleconference on Oct. 7, concerning the search for the next student curator, the most prominent concern discussed was the interference from other academic administrators and the academic affiliations of the selection committee members.

Michael Rankins, chair of the selection committee, and Troy Nash, vice president of UM-Kansas City, has temporarily suspended the search process to move forward, the curator, has wrongfully inserted himself into the proceedings.

The members of the selection committee are responsible for stopping such activities, get past the accusations and focus on the task at hand, and all students shall not be held to the mistakes of others.

Steven M. Wolfe
graduate education student

Writer was everything he complained about

On Oct. 5, the author discussed the Student Board's concerns about the Student Activities Fee (SAF). That included a chain of actions among organizations planning events.

If anyone wants to disbelieve of any professed worthwhile activities, I would love to show them the truth about our events. A month ago, there were more students attending events than in any month in my memory.

The football game on Saturday was the largest crowd of the year. In my years of high school the football team never drew a large crowd, but the community had high school spirit and we didn't think we could ever do anything as great as the current.

That's why I decided not to go homecoming dancing Saturday night. I know only I am going to regret reaching out to friends for a possible partner for homecoming, but I still think that the dance could possibly live up to the tradition of the past years and enjoy myself at the same time.

Unfortunately, the "spiritless week" we had on campus this week, which included every event the student board had on campus that week, asked us to attend the anti-ceremony of a great event. For several weeks leading up to the homecoming dance, the tickets and invitations were free to freshmen and high school students to avoid having to pay for the event.

I think that made the whole high school dance so much fun and it relieved all of our concerns. I am very glad that I decided to go homecoming and enjoy the anti-ceremony of a great event.

We'll call it ACE for everyone's benefit.
by Stephanie Crawford

"I was 23 years-old for two years. Hence, you add the two together. At 25, I had a fake ID. I was a criminal who committed a federal offense for one time), "23" fixed "formed this masterpiece is now appear tampered with under a bouncer or eyed a police officer months of turning 21, tender in the eye, ask for a Bud "underage" "underage" since I had a fake ID for over a card me anymore. was fun but rather, because year, certain bouncers didn't even change scenery and move on to a Jennifer Aniston hair styles and native idea. rather than its effects. And what is "underagers." "foot in the snow, etc. "rightow, "Ploting a coup d' etat against it was-boredom and stupidity. It was the beginning of the - Gary Baumstark - it's mysterious in - Brandy Williams - Keith Robinson - Becky Rickard's - Becky Rickard's -ノー. The Current - PAGES & ENDS - Shonk it in the Fridge - by Danie Hamilton staff photographer - What color best describes you and why? - Brandy Williams - Donna Clark - Purple - it's mysterious in nature. - Keith Robinson - Senior/MIS - Black — it's a combination of many colors. - Gary Baumsack - senior/education - Food, Fun, and Friends - Sold out Homecoming crowds U royalty on Riverfront Field.

by Pat Rauscher

"Pat Rauscher gets all the credit for this. He's the one who made it happen. I was very pleased to see the high turnout, which was more than double last year's... I really feel that this dance is a sign of what's to come for UM-St. Louis." - Jim Avery SGA president

Course takes students out of one classroom and into another

by Fran Pickelt

"Our colleagues that are going to graduate will want to..."
Kevin Kline gives funny, dignified performance

In and Out

Paramount is and out comedy hit. It is funny, sensitive and caring. Its in and out take on a possibly touchy subject, treats it with dignity and class and comes away with a winner.

Kevin Kline is superb in this film.

Kevin Kline's (Kevin Kline) world is about to be turned upside down when one of his former students, Cameron Drake (Matt Dillon), announces Brackett is gay at the Academy Awards.

A media barnstorming tour quickly follows Drake's announcement. The press soon leaves after Brackett issues a statement saying he is not gay.

But one sneaky TV reporter sticks around because he thinks Brackett is hiding something. The race continues from this point, with Brackett trying to be a man and Malloy trying to convince him he is gay.

Brackett must prove to everyone, including his parents (Walter Brennan and Debbie Reynolds), his principal (Charles Nelson Reilly) and the whole town, that he is not gay.

The episodes that follow are chuck full of hilarious scenes in which Kline uses his physical acting abilities to the extreme.

In and Out is a wonderful, funny, romantic comedy. This film is not for the faint of heart.

For more information contact: kevin@omnitravel.com.

Kevin Kline stars in the new Paramount film In and Out.

CONCERT REVIEW

Cowboy Mouth rocks during and after concert

Cowboy Mouth

Oct. 8

Cowboy Mouth from New Orleans, Louisiana played to an extremely overpacked B, U. the Wed. Oct. 8. Though being short of a sell - out was disappointing for this great live band.

Before the show, Cowboy Mouth spoke to me about New Orleans and their live show. Cowboy Mouth is very attentive about their history in New Orleans.

French Quarter, rhythm, guitar and vocals, said "New Orleans is one of the greatest cities in the world, I love the U.S. It is very much a part of our band."

Actually, not all of the members are from New Orleans. John Thomas Griffin is from Cohn, MO, his name resonates with the animal party here.

Griffin said if the band could have a huge microscope from all those members (Griffin was not present during the interview), Bob Sonty (bass and vocals) claimed "whenever we are in attendance it is actually a part of the band."

Fred Leblanc (drummer and vocals) said "The show is intended to let people forget about their worries. Let it go!"

The band wants people to smile after the show is over. The point Cowboy Mouth aims to make is that Leblanc creates his message this way: "I want everyone to experience what I call a rock and roll orgasm."

I visited around for the show after the interview. Troubleshoot opened up for them. Troubleshoot put out a good show.

Santelli said "Which ever one of us have to be confident of themselves."

The show opened up with engineer lead Leblanc taking his position at the front of the stage. An interesting place for a drummer, but a perfect place for Leblanc. It was then straight into crowd participation with Leblanc having a Hawaiian style microphone. He screamed over and over again "Give me rhythm, give me rhythm." He demanded participation and it was given freely to him.

They played for almost two full hours; the crowd wanted more. Eventually Leblanc gave in to his downing cravings, and left the stage for the bar. He made the people sitting at the bar move and over again.

"I convinced the people to get on their knees and wail. Leblanc yelled enough for one lady to finally get down. As Leblanc reached the chorus the crowd went crazy and jumped up and down furious. The end result, everybody went happy, but extremely tired.

- Matthew Regnenger

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MUSIC REVIEW

A Sampling of recent Samples release

The Samples

Transmission from the Sea of Tranquility

The Samples' latest release is a compilation of new songs, live songs and old remixed songs. Transmissions from the Sea of Tranquility, a double CD, will be released on Tuesday through some may consider it long overdue.

Highlights of this album include new versions of "The Last Drag," "Debacle" and "Giants." The CD also includes a previously unreleased material, four songs to be released.

Transmissions from the Sea of Tranquility also incorporates a version of John Lennon's "Watching the Wheels," which I immensely enjoyed.

The Samples are well-known for their live shows. The band has quietly built a huge underground following, something similar to the more famous Dave Matthews Band or previously to The Grateful Dead. Transmissions from the Sea of Tranquility makes the best of the band's live shows in a home setting. The CD includes some live material but not enough to satisfy fan who is always looking for more.

This CD is heaven sent for the true hard-fans. Those who don't know The Samples too well like this album just as well. It starts off with a bang and just the same.

- Matthew Regnenger
The Current

Sports

Riverrnen and women fall to Quinn in Homecoming action

by Ken Dunkin

Another successful freshman season, UM-St. Louis sophomore Nicole Wall has set her sights on making this volleyball season just as productive. As a freshman, Wall had 61 kills, 110 digs, 62 service aces, and had 100 total blocks. She also appeared in 50 games.

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Midnight Madness, sock sack for this week

by Ken Dunkin

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All Charlie Chan will be spinning records between innings and playing hand-mounted games. A stereo system and 20-inch television will also be given away.

This is an event where everyone can come and have a good time. So, bring your friends. It's a big event all across the country and it is great that the students at UM-St. Louis have the opportunity to get in on the fun," she said.

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She added that Wall is the type of player who never gives up and always wants to win. "She has the drive to be a total team effort." she said.

Midnight Madness, sock sack for this week

by Ken Dunkin

This Tuesday night at midnight, the Riverwomen's volleyball program will kickoff their practice season. To help celebrate this event, the University Programming Board will have a sock sack on a sock wall with local bands before the intermission of the volleyball game.

The 2nd annual Midnight Madness will be at the Missouri Twin Gym. The event takes place at midnight, due to NCAA regulations prohibiting the teams from practicing with the coaching staff before their set date. At midnight the team will play an intra-squad game to give fans a look at the 1997-98 basketball program.

The event will begin with a sock sack, meaning that all the people in the gym will not be able to wear their shoes, which will be checked at the door.

All Charlie Chan will be spinning records between innings and playing hand-mounted games. A stereo system and 20-inch television will also be given away.

This is an event where everyone can come and have a good time. So, bring your friends. It's a big event all across the country and it is great that the students at UM-St. Louis have the opportunity to get in on the fun," she said.

The event, sponsored by UPS, is free to all who wish to attend. The food and soda booths will be open and will serve for a fee.
Injuries plague Riverwomen's soccer

by Dave Kinworthy

The women's soccer team lost to SIU-Edwardsville 15-10 Oct. 17, but they remain unfazed by their loss.

"I think we gained a lot from the game," said Silvester. "We learned a lot from every single game and every single thing we do.

"I think everyone can learn from just playing and seeing what we can do."

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The Riverwomen fell to Quincy, 3-0, Oct. 15-10. The team started off Valley Conference), started off strong and was the first game 15-17. at the team Coach Denise Sullivan that the team was looking for.

"We were playing in every aspect, especially on offense," Sullivan said. "We didn't have any problems with the offense, but we had a tough time defensively.

"We just didn't pass on the offensive well at all," Sullivan said.

The Riverwomen bounced back in the third game against UM-St. Louis. Sullivan said that the team may have thought it had the match already won.

"We were feeling really good about ourselves," Sullivan said. "But that's when we started to get careless.

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Grant will fund research into alternative to homelessness

by Joshua Stengeman

A National Institute of Mental Health research grant for $4.6 million was announced in April 1997 by the University of Missouri-St. Louis for the purpose of investigating existing programs for homeless people, who are especially vulnerable to substance abuse.

Gary Moore and Robert Calhoun, professors of the Gerontology Program, and W. Dean Kindregen, an inmate research professor at the Missouri Institute of Mental Health, are leading a study, which began in April, for to develop more effective ways to serve this specific population.

Approximately 34 million Americans have been homeless at some point during their lifetime according to 1994 data by the American Journal of Public Health, and research also indicates that one-third of these homeless people have some form of mental illness, and one-half of those mentally ill also have drug or alcohol abuse problems.

The study will include a total population of 250 people from the St. Louis Metro area who have severe mental illness, are suffering from a substance abuse disorder and are also homeless at the beginning of the project. These individuals will be interviewed on a monthly basis for a period of 30 months to evaluate mental and various outcomes. Currently 80 people are participating in the study.

"We are following people for two and a half years," Moore said. "It's true that this is one of the things that are attractive to the researchers that funded our research," Calhoun said. "We are following people for six months, looking to see if people are able to develop more effective ways to serve this specific population.

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By B. Davis

Flu shots will be available on campus Oct. 29 in the Marillac Hall lobby from 9:30 a.m. to 10:15 a.m., the Sexton Hall lobby from 10:30 a.m. to 11:15 a.m., the University Center lobby from 11:45 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and the Lucas Hall third floor lobby from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Vaccinations will also be available at: Southeast Regional Health Services at 127 Woods Hall from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in University Health Services at 127 Woods Hall.

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Patricia Simmons, nationally recognized science educator, will speak at the Convocation Hall of the Pierre Laplace Honors College at 7 p.m. Oct. 16. She is the William R. Ortwein Jr. Endowed Professor in Life-Long Learning for the Sciences. The position is a joint appointment between the School of Education and the College of Arts & Sciences. She will also be a member of the educational staff at the St. Louis Science Center.

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