Anti-discrimination clause gets approval from SGA

Resolution calls for UM-system to change policy on sexual, gender orientation

**By Sue Britt**

UM-St. Louis Student Government Association passed a resolution at its meeting, Thursday, to bar the UM-Board of Curators to include sexual and gender orientation in its anti-discrimination policy.

Michael Rankins, SGA vice-president, said that the Board reversed the classification of sexual orientation from the policy three years ago. Rankins said the Board of Curators consists of “high-ranking people in the care of the University system.”

“The sexual orientation clause was in three years ago,” Rankins said, “and it was removed without explanation. The president of the UM-system actually gave the order to remove the sexual orientation clause from all the campuses.”

This is the third year that UM-St. Louis SGA has petitioned the Board in this matter. The resolution reads, in part, “In order to develop a higher level of cultural awareness... by enlisting the aid of all student organizations... in the removal of ‘sexual orientation’ from the recommended UM-system-wide anti-discrimination policy... It be resolved that the UM-St. Louis Student Government Association discusses any discrimination on the basis of age, disability, sex, color, national origin, veteran status, religion, race, sexual orientation, or gender orientation.”

An amendment adding “gender orientation” to the resolution was brought to the floor at the SGA meeting, voted on and passed by the members.

Faculty and staff discuss e-mail concerns in ‘constructive’ meeting

Open forum focuses on communication

**By Dave Baughner**

Nearly forty faculty and staff met Thursday to discuss problems and concerns about campus e-mail, specifically for Outlook, the campus e-mail software.

Nine regular members and two alternates were chosen from the 16 people who showed up to the meeting, said the group’s facilitator, Ellen Ash. The nine regular members may later be replaced by other faculty and staff if they want to participate.

According to Ellen Ash, director of Campus Computing, the meeting was an attempt to clarify communication issues when a crash or other problems occur.

“Some things happen and what people are asking is that we clarify it so everybody gets on the same page on some of these issues,” she said.

Sieg said that while Campus Computing hoped “to do a better job communicating,” it is often difficult to decide what problems are serious enough to warrant a campuswide notification.

“The issue is every server crash does it go on a voice mail message or even every time a network is down for fifteen minutes or so?” Siegel asked. “We need to do something about that; we can’t keep a voice message on the phone for every single thing that happens.”

Sieg said that the department would try to “we’re going to be very proactive.”

Some participants also brought up concerns about problems with dial-in phone lines.

Sieg said there was little discussion about the issue since it was not a major concern.
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Today I would like to talk about that age-old dilemma that has mystified generations of philosophers, educators, and just darn swell folks alike.

If I were to pick one of these three super powers - invisibility, superhuman strength, or the ability to fly - which one would you choose? Invisibility might be a bit of a wild, but I'd imagine it would be the first to grow old. Sure, there would be the sneezing, dropping the practical jokes, etc. If you go to be a superhero (which is really the best route), you might want to choose a more specific one. Students learn through a combination of hands-on activities, discussion and real-life techniques, full-scale and authentic African subjects. Some topics include variations in skin color, the theory of evolution, and the biology of humans.

Jacqueline A. Lewis-Harris is the director of the CHOCD. She says that every main goal is education for all people. It shows how people can apply some of the basics of anthropology to everyday life and it gives us a different view of looking at people. Lewis-Harris said, "I think one of the most important things is that it doesn't make technological ancestry, because people come up imagining, 'Oh, this is going to be dull.'" The CHOCD teaches students from St. Louis area public and private schools. The groups visit the lab on Wednesdays and Fridays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. during the regular school year, and arrangements can be made for the summer months. The Center is currently looking to expand to three days a week, which will result in part-time jobs for UM-St. Louis students.

After the children are there, they are taken through a series of activities-organizing two labs. On St. Louis, at the Lewis-HarrisOrigLab that has an interactive discussion on why people love the complaint that they do. A display of the 4-D photo-rent of retired individuals are used as props. Each child is given a photo and is asked to place the map in the area where they believe the person was born. Parents are made at the end of the room where there is another project, this one taking a look at focus cards of bones from the members of the human family.

"What happens when [the visitor] comes through the center is that they find out by base procedures and resources that are all relatively," Lewis-Harris said.

Downstairs on the first floor, visitors participate in the craft of making and arranging physical structures that their own forests house on the place. This activity shows the children how they are all made of the same basic Earth's core.

"The children have a better awareness of themselves, and have a better awareness of how they fit in the family," Lewis-Harris said. "They realize how much they have in common in a general way." The African Cultural Labs take a journey through Africa, looking at a set-up of typical old-fashioned in modern Kenya, the Hunter's American Headquarters and a landscape of what it was and the role of women in villager. There is also a museum where the children can try their luck such as crash dancing, dancing, storytelling, instrument, and art.

"(The children) get an idea of what is like in the mixed environments of contemporary Africa." Lewis-Harris said.
The Issue:

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The Opinion

Voting silence on voice or vote? It's your choice

All I want is quiet. Life is busy, sometimes noisy. Sometimes you just need to be in a quiet place, a place that gives you a few minutes to relax, reflect, think about your life. Mother Nature is good for that: a lake reflecting the sun, birds chirping, the smell of fresh air. There are many peaceful places like that in Missouri, many only an hour or so away from the beautiful city of St. Louis.

I don't have an hour. Remember that, busy life? I need some peace closer. For me, I found it in a serene place like that in Maryland Heights, very convenient for a busy student like me. There it has all the benefits of the quiet places outside of the city, yet it's right here. A beautiful lake, trees, and wildlife. All year long, through all seasons, the peace of Lake Courrier Creek Park never fails to calm me.

The tranquility of Courrier Creek Park is threatened by the proposed Page Avenue Extension, which will be built over the south corner of the lake. Proponents of the Page Avenue Extension claim it won't disturb the park or the wildlife. I don't believe it. Each time I walk on the south side of the park trail (where the highway will cross over), I remember the deer that used to graze under the tall trees there, and I lock for the pedestrians who seek a quiet place that's far from the hustle and bustle of life.

There is, however, more to voting than simply punching holes on a ballot. It's vital that all students educate themselves about the candidates, especially those for smaller local offices. Make it a priority to be at the polls on Tuesday.

Life in the fast lane always a challenge

Is it my imagination or are people's driving skills deteriorating?

I've noticed this phenomenon more lately because my job forces me to work late on weekends and so I often drive home at night. There is an increasing interest to be out on the roads at the time of day when the majority of people sleep. It's the time when most people are sleeping, and many people are feeling more relaxed.

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Nothing beats playing a game of tackle football.

For my money there is nothing more enjoyable than a game of tackle football.

What could be more fun than risking your life to stop your rival from scoring, as you bang your head against his and hope to retaliate with equal violence? I have no idea what you are, but I’m not a wussie.

In reality, playing football can be quite dangerous. When playing the game, I was always careful not to get too close to the other players. I never dared to get too close to the other players.

Sure, playing tackle football can cause harm to your health. It can cause injuries such as concussions, broken bones, and even death. But I don’t think of it that way.

No pads, no stretching before the game. All, Jim McMahon was my idol. November 2, 1998.

Temple, a few teams from Castle

We made out a real team.

ogy, a replica of Chicago

I was never the older kids' games. I was the only one crazy enough to run back

Tackle football - what a game.

I was 12 years old and played in the 50-yard line. My juices flowing. It makes me feel even more hectic when I play.

What could be more fun than running back the ball after a tackle.

Tackle football - what a game.

With few breakdowns the overtime was won by the Rivermen. The shot from Rockhurst and put the ball in the attack zone.

We came out slow in the first half. In the second half, the Rivermen had a great game. We played a good game.

The depth of the bench also came into play. The Rivermen had 17 players without a game.

We made a few key setbacks early in the game. I don't know if we were behind the game.

The Rivermen played well. The game was a really good one.

The Rivermen's victory was against the Owls.

The Rivermen were led by Anne

The five-game weekend.

The girls really played well.

The game took two overtimes to decide the outcome. The Riverwomen went against the Owls and lost in a

The coach has played quarterback since the World Series.

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Morrison’s ‘Beloved’ comes to the silver screen

Beloved
Rating: R
Running Time: 2:52
It begins with what looks like a tornado, yet the viewer gets glimpses of the lawn and in it’s a clean, calm day. One figures out that the tornado is being caused by the house, which doesn’t move. Later, the viewer learns that the house is haunted, and the spirit moves objects and causes the tornado-like winds within the house. The story winds in layers, and the viewer définitively feels that she is peeling away the layers to learn more and more about what is going on.

Two little boys are grabbing food in the first scenes, and then we see a little girl goodbye. They are running away from home, away from the craziness of the house. The little girl and Sethe (played by Winfrey), the mother, are the only ones left living in the house, and one wonders why they stay. But Sethe first came to this house after she escaped slavery, and the viewer has much more to learn in the next two hours.

The story uses the injustices of slavery as a basis, but the viewer realizes this through dissonance that has happened to Sethe and her family. It is a shock to find that Sethe has killed her daughter so that the daughter won’t be taken back by the lawdewter to be a slave.

The movie is based on Toni Morrison’s 1987 Pulitzer Prize-winning novel, “Beloved.” The film is long, almost three hours, but it is developed from Morrison’s wonderful storytelling style. Morrison said in an interview published in “The New Yorker” magazine that good fiction should have something in it that enlightens, and as her novel she wants the reader to understand what slavery did to people. Winfrey, the star of the movie, stated in information regarding the show that Morrison’s book allowed the reader to understand what slavery did to a person’s soul.

The viewer will enjoy the dynamics of the movie, including getting to know the central protagonist-in-law who preaches to her listeners in the woods. And, in true Morrison style, there is hope for Sethe.

-Pam White
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**Music Review**

**Blue Flannel**

"Blue Flannel" is not alternative

**Blue Flannel**

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modern rock

First to be said, even Blue Flannel makes it a point to build type, "We are not alternative." And in today's radio, the typical listener often generalizes, "Well, The Point is alternative plus Jewel, and KSHF is classic, etc., etc." Blue Flannel seems a little of all types, a true alternative which may explain why they want to classify this with the average radio music listener. Blue Flannel begins a little into just possibly to awaken the listener, and then devote as if the listener were there in the front row with Blue Flannel, Derek Cole begins to sing about his love life, and his current love compared to his old love which is characterized with a jazzy xylophone. The best song that anyone can refer to is "Flannel A Bad Day" which anyone works in the service industry can truly relate to, and that really should never easily happen, sad to say. Overall, this is quite a snazzy little album which would make an excellent addition to anyone's collection. The majority of the cuts are short, sweet and do not drag the listener down even though they are entirely relevant to almost everyone's life. All this album does is allow people to laugh at their own lives.

-Stephanie Platt

**Movie Review**

"The Mighty"

**Is feel-good fare**

The film has some excellent performances by Sharon Stone as Kevin's mother. Gillian Anderson is also in the movie as Loreena Lee, one of Maxwell's father's shady friends. It is a very different role from her famous character on "The X-Files."

However, the best acting was done by Kevin Colleen. He is the younger brother of Macaulay Culkin. Kevin is featured in this film as his brother ever was in the Home Alone movies.

The Mighty is based on Rodman Philbrick's book "Freak the Mighty." The film is, for the most part, an entertaining and touching story for young viewers. However, there are a few scenes that may be a bit too intense for younger children. Overall, "The Mighty" is a film that the whole family can enjoy. All in all, it is definitely worth watching for both children and adults. All the participants of the film have done an excellent job in their roles. The special effects are also quite impressive. Overall, "The Mighty" is a feel-good movie that will leave you smiling from ear to ear. The film has an uplifting message about friendship and the importance of being oneself.

-Stephanie Platt

**Music Review**

"Inner Circle" can't shake 'Cops' theme

**Inner Circle**

"We Are Rockers"

Inner Circle, now known for "Bad Boys," the theme song for Cops, and the more recent movie Bad Boys with Will Smith and Martin Lawrence, have not changed their style very much. The entire subject matter of this album is no different than any other C.D., but the way in which the subject matter is presented is what makes the difference. The songs are reminiscent of the high school music of years ago but just as basic as the song, "I Love Girls" that began by spelling out, "G... G... G..." and continues on with the chorus, "I Love Girls," and on to describe all the different types and how they play innocent roles. It is possible to ignore such adolescent songs, there are a few deep songs and if the listener is in the right frame of mind it is possible to picture themselves in Miami with Inner Circle sipping on a margarita. As much as this album could possibly be, Inner Circle has not transformed much since "Bad Boys." Most of the songs on this album are "Bad Boys" but with different lyrics and by any means are not truly relevant to current music with that has been released recently.

-Anne Porter

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being done to rescue the wild populations of them in Brazil.

Kleinman works with the people and governments of Brazil and independently with the National Zoological Park to reintroduce zoo-born animals into the wild. This program has been very successful.

Because of the success of Kleinman's program many other programs are being developed throughout the country for repopulating of endangered species to the wild and monitoring and tracking of genetic information of captive animals.

"The zoo are very involved in species survival plans," Carolyn Kleinman of the St. Louis Zoo said. "Basically, for an animal that's endangered there will be a person who is in charge of finding a group of people that will make the decision of which animal will be faced with another.

Participants Stuffing beaches included Mid-America Aquarium, St. Louis Children's Aquarium, Missouri Department of Conservation, Missouri Department of Natural Resources, Missouri Environmental Food, Saint Louis Rastafarian Advoicates and the Sierra Club among others.

Sharon Stone in "The Mighty."

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