Team recommends full U accreditation

By JOE BLUMENTHAL
senior editor

After a visit last week, the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, which will recommend a full accreditation for the university, will make its report in a few months.

Dr. Nagle Wattsock, dean of the Graduate School and associate vice-chancellor for Academic Affairs, said that this is the best recommendation UM-St. Louis could get. The means that UM-St. Louis will not need another accreditation review for a decade.

"Worst case scenario is they say, 'No, we will not give you a provisional accreditation and we will put you on probation until we look at things,'" Wattsock said. "They could do something provisional which would cause a great deal of concern, or they could say give you the one-year accreditation but say, "We're going to come back and look at one particular zone.'"

Refusing accreditation outright was the most negative of the consequences, but that hardly ever happens, according to Wattsock.

"The best thing you can get is a six-month stay with no report, no review, just the full accreditation for the next ten years," Wattsock said.

The site team will now make a report to the NCA. The first draft of that report will be sent back to UM-St. Louis for review. University officials will look over the report and make corrections or corrections on any factual errors. Then the corrected report will be sent back to the site team.

Once the report is received, the site team will then in a final draft along with the University's comments to the NCA for official approval. Wattsock expects the process to take a couple of months.

"Once the committee has had we're going to recommend this, there is no record that the NCA ever goes against the committee's recommendations," Wattsock said.

The committee's visit is to cover all aspects of student life at UM-St. Louis. Student attendance at as well as the different schools were evaluated by the committee. There were also open meetings with the faculty, students, and staff throughout the week.

UM-St. Louis has already received the NCA's full recommendation. Wattsock said the NCA is starting to look at the assessment of student learning. As a result, UM-St. Louis grounded their presentation around this area.

"We want a whole report around (the Self Study) on the assessment of student learning," Wattsock said. "We wanted to put forth the effort right now in the beginning to do everything we can to do this right other than having them come back later and say we did not have a special report on how you've done.

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SAO leaders prepare to restart constitutional revision process

By STAFF ASSOCIATE

Though chosen by Student Government Association Comptroller Benjamin Adams to withdraw from the constitutional revision process, SAO officials said the process was still a priority they would push forward.

SAO President Jim Avery, SAO Vice President Michael Rankins, and Student Court Chief Justice Steve Bartek all expressed regret that SAO's decision last week to hold off was introduced as elements of uncertainty on how to proceed, with several oppositions submitted.

"One of my goals is to get this done before the end of the year and we can use it out of time," Avery said. "I think as the new [SAO] assembly will be elected, we'll be able to take on the task." Some people in the room then said, "It would be nice if we could have a special election by the end of the year." Avery said, "I think the constitution of the student government should reflect the needs of the students now," said. "There have been

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Mt. Providence scheduled for demolition

The Mt. Providence building at 8351 Florissant Rd. is planned to be demolished in the spring or next year, according to Marilyn Maguire, director of the Adult Day Services Center.

"Mt. Providence is going to be torn down in the first quarter of the year," Maguire said. "It's just too big of a job to do inside."

The building is being torn down due to a meeting on the area in front of the building. The building is still home to several members of the community. People can look at it and then come back with new plans for the center meeting. By the April meeting, we could see the new building.

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Homecoming winds up with events for this week

By STAFF ASSOCIATE

A variety of events will mark the conclusion of Homecoming this week. In addition, both Wafa, former president of Sigma Pi, and Pollock, will speak on campus, Thursday.

Wafa will be speaking in the J. C. Pressey Building during the same time that the Homecoming basketball games are being played in the Knoll Towers.

"Having Wafa speaks is big, big brother in our cap, being able to get him," said Div McCarty, the Student Council coordinator. "It's, unfortunately, the only day he's available is Thursday, so we've accommodated that."

The week's events will include a pep-rally tomorrow and会让 tables.

The winners of the ping-pong tournament will be announced during the Homecoming basketball games on Thursday. The winners will be taking positions toward the most amounts of individuals in the different sections of the campus on Friday. Those winners will be to get up with Sigma Pi's and located in the center front of the library.

"Arranging day is a fund-raising activity," McCarty said. "The money will be used to get to UM-St. Louis' sponsorship program. Usually with arranging day reception is assured and the day and for will post to be for them. Well, this week's just the opposite. People, through the week, commit money to the music and are being organized." McCarty said that originally the University would have to be allowed for anyone on campus to have been asked a better plan was to get the permission of the people to be announced.

"So there's list of people that said they would be willing to do this and we

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Monday, Feb. 15

**College Events**

- **Campus CrimeLine**: Visit the Campus CrimeLine website for the latest crime updates on campus. The site provides information on reported crimes, crime prevention tips, and resources for students. The website is available at [CampusCrimeLine.com](http://CampusCrimeLine.com), and they can be contacted at (314) 516-5175.

- **Chemistry Colloquium**: The Chemistry Colloquium will feature a guest speaker discussing recent research in the field of organic chemistry. The event will be held in the Biology Building auditorium at 3 p.m. Details can be found on the Chemistry Department's website.

- **Business Economics Seminar**: A seminar on the latest economic trends and policies will be held in the Business Administration Building. The seminar will be presented by Dr. Jane Smith, a renowned economist. The event will be held on the 15th floor of the Business Administration Building at 10 a.m. Details are available on the Business Administration Department's website.

- **Women's and Gender Studies**: A special event, "Women in STEM," will be held in the Women's and Gender Studies Department. The event will feature a panel discussion on the role of women in science and technology. The event will be held in the Women's and Gender Studies Building at 7 p.m. Details are available on the Women's and Gender Studies Department's website.

- **Campus Closet**: The Campus Closet is a free service provided by the UM-St. Louis Police Department to promote safety through awareness.

- **Theatre Production**: A new theatre production, "The Man Who Murdered Shakespeare," will be held in the University Theatre. The production will feature the local acting troupe, "The Curtain Callers." The performance will be held at 7 p.m. in the University Theatre. Details are available on the University Theatre's website.

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Wednesday, Feb. 16

- **Daily Tip**: "Use a reusable water bottle to reduce plastic waste." Details are available on the University's Sustainability website.

- **Study Group**: A study group for students enrolled in the UM-St. Louis online course, "Introduction to Environmental Science," will be held in the Library. The group will meet weekly to discuss course materials. Details are available on the Library's website.

- **Career Fair**: A career fair for UM-St. Louis students will be held in the Student Union. Companies from various industries will be represented. Details are available on the Career Services website.

- **Workshop**: A workshop on resume building will be held in the Career Center. The workshop will cover tips on creating an effective resume. Details are available on the Career Center's website.

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Thursday, Feb. 17

- **Monthly Noon Series Poetry Reading**: A monthly poetry reading featuring local poets will be held in the Poetry Room. The event will feature readings by local poets and a Q&A session with the audience. Details are available on the Poetry Room's website.

- **Career Planning**: A career planning workshop will be held in the Career Services office. The workshop will cover tips on choosing a career path and exploring different career options. Details are available on the Career Services website.

- **Theatre Performance**: A theatre performance of "The Mousetrap," a classic mystery play, will be held in the Theatre. The performance will be held at 8 p.m. Details are available on the University Theatre's website.

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Friday, Feb. 18

- **Edible Arts Exhibit**: An edible arts exhibit will be held in the Art Gallery. The exhibit will feature edible sculptures created by local artists. Details are available on the Art Gallery's website.

- **Annual Lecture Series**: The annual lecture series, "The Great Debates," will be held in the Lecture Hall. The series will feature lectures on various topics. Details are available on the Lecture Hall's website.

- **Summer Program**: A summer program will be offered to high school students interested in STEM fields. The program will be held on the UM-St. Louis campus. Details are available on the University's website.

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Saturday, Feb. 19

- **Science Fair**: A science fair for local middle and high school students will be held in the Science Building. The fair will feature projects created by students from various schools. Details are available on the Science Building's website.

- **Music Performance**: A music performance by the UM-St. Louis Symphony Orchestra will be held in the Concert Hall. The performance will feature a variety of classical and contemporary music. Details are available on the Concert Hall's website.

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Sunday, Feb. 20

- **Volunteer Day**: A volunteer day will be held in the community. Volunteering will be available at various locations, including local hospitals, schools, and animal shelters. Details are available on the Volunteer Day's website.

- **Dance Performance**: A dance performance by the UM-St. Louis Dance Ensemble will be held in the Auditorium. The performance will feature a variety of dance styles. Details are available on the University Theatre's website.

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Monday, Feb. 21

- **Study Group**: A study group for students enrolled in the UM-St. Louis online course, "Introduction to Computer Science," will be held in the Library. The group will meet weekly to discuss course materials. Details are available on the Library's website.

- **Campus Closet**: The Campus Closet will hold a special event for the upcoming semester. Details are available on the University's Sustainability website.

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Wednesday, Feb. 23

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A series of events will help recognize the long-ignored contributions of African-Americans to society's progress.

BY LISA M. PETTIS
special to the Current

There was a time when people didn't want to hear about African-American history. Maybe it was because they didn't understand the experiences behind it. Never having been intelligently educated about slavery, segregation, or the civil rights movement, they were not aware of the works of African-American writers, poets, artists, and ministers who fought to pursue their dreams in total olds.

February is the month designated to remember the struggles and accomplishments of African-Americans. UM-St. Louis has gladly joined in this celebration by sponsoring and co-sponsoring many events in the St. Louis area that will take place during African-American History Month and afterwards. Whether you are African-American or not, you will be inspired by the stories, presented in these events, to be at least aware.

The Women's Center is sponsoring "Horrible!-Movies of Hope for Women During Black History Month." These movies will be shown every Tuesday, at 12 p.m. and 6 p.m. in the J. E. Penney Auditorium. For more information, call the Women's Center at (314) 516-3388.

The Center for the Humanities, the Chancellor's Office, and Continuing Education & Outreach at UM-St. Louis are sponsoring a Monday Night Series. On Feb. 22 at 19:30 in the J. E. Penney Auditorium, a discussion of the play "I Am A Man," which depicts the future and events that took place during the time whilst Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. was supporting the African-American sanitation workers' strike in Memphis, leading up to Dr. King's assassination, will take place.

The Center for International Studies at UM-St. Louis and the African and Afro-American Studies Program at Washington University are sponsoring "The 1999 African Studies Speaker Series." On Feb. 22, "The Irish, Multiculturalism and Whose-Meals in the Black North African American-Westerner" and "The Hollins, University of Texas, Austin" will be presented. For more information, call (314) 516-4973 at UM-St. Louis or (314) 935-4640 at Washington University.

"A New Narrative" will be presented by the St. Louis Black Repertory Company on Feb. 25 at 9:30 p.m. in the J. E. Penney Auditorium.

Various Monday Noon Series events in March will focus on aspects of different cultures. A proof reading by members of Judges Lab, the St. Louis Association of African-Americans Writers will take place on Mar. 1. The history of the site, an Indian musical instrument, will be discussed and a performance of that instrument, and the new baalaw style of an education will be presented in a slide talk in a main lecture room. For more information, call the Women's Center on the Monday Noon Series, call (314) 516-3699.

These events are free and all ages are welcome. Join us in the celebration to learn about something above or those around you. What you know, you grow. For more information about these events, please call the Current's office during African-American History Month at (314) 516-3695.

Music Review

Fatboy Slim has the moves

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BY ANN PORTER
special to the Current

On Tuesday, a chord festival will take place which features the music of Fatboy Slim. Be sure to get your tickets at the UM-St. Louis Union, as the concert will end the weekend of Fatboy Slim's release of his latest album. From now on, we'll get to hear that catchy song and his hilarious video, had a hit for the group.

One of the main reasons for Fatboy Slim's success is the way he incorporates a variety of styles into his music. From acid house to garage rock, Fatboy Slim's music is diverse and always changing. He is also known for his energetic stage presence and his ability to keep the audience moving.

On stage, Fatboy Slim is known for his ability to mix different genres of music together. He often uses electronic and dance beats in his music, adding a fun and exciting element to his shows. His music is so popular that he has even been featured on the cover of Time magazine.

Fatboy Slim's music is also known for its catchy hooks and memorable melodies. His sound is made up of a variety of instruments, from the piano to the saxophone, and he is able to create a unique sound that is both modern and timeless.

If you're a fan of Fatboy Slim or electronic dance music, be sure to check out his performance at the UR-St. Louis Union. The concert is sure to be a blast and is not to be missed!
The Issue: SGA comptroller Ben Ash decided to drop the effort to revise the SGA constitution, which has become so serious in the University Senate, that there is talk of excluding student members of that body because few make it to the meetings on time.

We Suggest:

Let us hear from you on this or any issue in student government. Hopefully, SGA can salvage what it has claimed to expose and by this date of modern literature which "spits the trash in a footbowl and suck the excesses of modern hypocrisy."

Editorial

Top ten reasons why Jim Avery should resign his post as president of the Student Government Association

1) He needs to spend more time "worrying" about getting a clue!
2) His bitching and moaning is giving me a headache from way over here.
3) The SGA presidency is a major bribery scandal. Several high ranking SGA officials have been removed for allegedly accepting money and gifts from the organizations they represent.
4) Numerous drug scandals marred other events, most notably the Salt Lake City Winter Olympics. The scandal has now spread to the September 10th Salt Lake City Games. The International Olympic Committee has now suspended the Games.
5) Mr. Avery for missing a few meetings? Instead of singling out one or two dissidents for governance, we should be fighting for the same objectives. The Art Center, which, as of yet, Touhill has not guaranteed to backstop, may cost $3 million to build and $1 million to operate. So if Touhill won't guarantee it, how can we expect to "save" it? The same for the Performing Arts Center. Salt Lake City will probably end up spending $30-90 million of its facilities after the games nor the sports they are for. However, the Olympics tried to appeal to the American public by providing a forum for amateur athletes to shine and excel in their sport. This is why the Games became so popular.

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Anyway, before I get carried away ranting, I need to get back to the point. It is only given by my op-ed in the St. Louis Post-Dispatch. This would be an unfortunate waste and would come close to filling half of its pages with the story of the" foolish" plan for revision before the end of the term. Attendance at specially-scheduled revision meetings was not just dismal but truly embarrassing. The most crowded meeting featured representatives of only five of the 84 student organizations. While not all will agree with Ash's decision, few can fail to understand his reasoning for dropping the project. At least he has the courage to make that recommendation. He has said that he will show by his actions what he means.

Already SGA leaders are coming up with plans to salvage the process and put together some version of a reformed document. Ash has said that he will withdraw from consideration the document he had helped assemble over the summer. While Ash's reservations are understandable, hopefully he will change his mind and allow SGA to work from his document rather than drawing entirely from the floor. Even if he decides not to lead the process, completely removing the document from consideration would only hamper the SGA during a difficult and try virtually all the groundwork that Ash and others have spent months on. This would be an unfortunate waste and would almost certainly mean that some of the best work of the summer would go to waste. Only President Jim Avery's plan to use the SGA's constituent faculty, Vice-President Michael Rankins has come up with a good stopgap measure. Rankins' suggestion that the SGA reexamine the 1995 SGA constitution falls through, Vice-President Michael Rankins has come up with a good stopgap measure. Rankins' suggestion that the SGA reexamine the 1995 constitution was recently announced by President Jim Avery.

While the statement was true, however, the emphasis is on the operating of the Arts Center, which, as of yet, Touhill has given an assurance to continue. This means that the costs and difficulties facing the University's maintenance of the Arts Center will not be so easily solved as the students' desires for UM-St. Louis' current departments and services. How many more cars can the Center take before it collapse? How long will local central offices be able to stand out without the funds they have signs in the past?

Mr. Wombacher's latest letter to the editor in The Current (Feb. 1) claims to expose "a few fallacies" in my understanding of the Performing Arts Center. Unfortunately, the letter actually contains a technical error that Mr. Wombacher repeatedly took issue with. Since he has obviously misunderstood me, I will make my points clearer.

In his assertion that the Arts Center is not being paid for by students, I would remind Mr. Wombacher that aside from a small percentage of private funds, the primary source of funds for the center is tax money that very virtually everyone give to UM-St. Louis. I guess the fact that the money that is not be is not be dedicated to the Arts Center, might not have gone to UM-St. Louis. Then again, if the State of Missouri wanted to spend its revenue on the student's education, there are at least 14 other much greater needs facing the UM-St. Louis performing arts department.

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Furthermore, Mr. Wombacher narrowly avoids his own fallacy of saying that the Performing Arts Center is "underfunded." UM-St. Louis' students themselves, a majority of whom are poll results, should have seen this coming. How many of the students' desires for UM-St. Louis' current departments and services? How many more cars can the Center take before it collapse? How long will local central offices be able to stand out without the funds they have signs in the past?

This issue isn't about being for or against the arts in any other field of interest. This issue is about the fiscal irresponsibility of this administration and the resulting, demeaning effects on the arts. This issue is about the fiscal irresponsibility of this administration and the resulting, demeaning effects on the arts. This issue is about the fiscal irresponsibility of this administration and the resulting, demeaning effects on the arts. This issue is about the fiscal irresponsibility of this administration and the resulting, demeaning effects on the arts. This issue is about the fiscal irresponsibility of this administration and the resulting, demeaning effects on the arts. This issue is about the fiscal irresponsibility of this administration and the resulting, demeaning effects on the arts.

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**ICE MEN SWEEP TOOTHLESS TIGERS**

Hockey team's snubbing can't be explained

They should have been there, but they weren't, and it's hard to come up with an explanation. The Rivermen's hockey team has been outstanding this season, and the game they missed was a key one in their pursuit of glory. They are currently at the top of their league, and the opportunity to reach the championship game was almost within their grasp.

The reasons for the team's absence are unclear, and it's even harder to understand why they were overlooked by the selection committee. The Rivermen have played a surplus of games, and their performance has been consistently high.

The team's performances have been anything but ordinary, and it's hard to comprehend why they were passed over. The selection committee has a tough job to do, but they need to be more transparent in their decision-making process.

Hockey Rivermen sweep perennial GLVC Tournament

The Rivermen have swept the tournament, proving their dominance in the league. Their performances have been nothing short of exceptional, and they have consistently outperformed their opponents.

The team's success is a testament to their hard work and dedication. They have been working tirelessly to improve their skills and maintain their high standards. Their ability to consistently deliver exceptional performances is a true testament to their talent and commitment.

The team's success has been widely acknowledged, and they have earned the respect of their peers and fans alike. Their performances have been nothing short of remarkable, and they have set a new benchmark for excellence in the league.

Coachmitted about polling committee's lack of respect

Greg Gevers, head coach of the Rivermen, was disappointed by the committee's decision. He felt that the team's performances were deserving of recognition, and he was concerned about the committee's lack of respect.

Gevers felt that the committee's decision was unfair and that the team deserved to be recognized for their hard work and dedication. He expressed his disappointment and urged the committee to take a closer look at the team's performances.

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Crowd energy key to ‘Vitamén A’

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The band members are Tony Vossman, vocals and guitar, Tracy Lowe, vocals and bass, Brian Maguire, vocalist, Jake Brookman, cello, Mike Clement, vocals and keyboards, and Mike Garret, drums and percussion.

They are currently working on recording an album. They will be performing at the Firehouse on Saturday.

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As soon as they had arrived, the six musicians gathered around on the front porch and had conversations and philosophies about inspiration, being a musician, and performing.

The Current: What do you try to achieve when you write your songs.

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MC: Who is your inspiration?

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KWMU director helps injured man by phone

Program Director Robert Peterson sits at his microphone in the offices of KWMU.

New office expands UM-St. Louis distance learning facilities in Jefferson County

By J. H. Hemme

KWMU Program Director Robert Peterson's phone got a quick clicking a couple of weeks ago, when he had to help an injured man. "I was talking to this person on the phone when I heard a banging sound that he had for awhile," Peterson said. "During the force of our conversation, I felt it and could almost feel the voice of the person who was calling, trying to get out of the room and unable to get away. Peterson next stop was to find out the emergency was already taken care of. Then he stayed on the line with the man and continued to talk.

The last time Peterson spoke with the man, he was in the hospital recovering from his injuries. "I told him that I would do a follow-up story here somewhere on how we're doing," Peterson said. "At the time I called him, the doctors still were trying to figure out what was wrong." Peterson knows the man's name, but didn't want to identify him until he knew the extent of the injury. Peterson plans to follow-up with this person.

Though Peterson's only been with KWMU for three years, he has been in the radio business for a total of 40 years. This also was not Peterson's only unique incident involving a listener. When Peterson was working in Orlando, Florida, a listener speed dialed his radio station while riding in their car. At the time they thought someone was trying to break into their house. Peterson said he handled that situation similar to the latest one. Through all of this, Peterson still doesn't consider himself a hero. "I needed help, he said, "I was going to help." There's no standard procedure set by the radio station when dealing with someone. When something like this happens, I just try to help them like any other human being.

Correction

In issue 944, Back Itward was misspelled in the UnderCurrent. We regret any confusion this error may have caused.

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Homecoming Court 1999

The time has come for UM-St. Louis students to cast their votes for 1999 Homecoming King and Queen. So, who are the candidates? What are their accomplishments and aspirations?

"I'm the king of the world!" Rosly Brown III is a sophomore majoring in criminal justice. He is a recent transfer and a member of the Residence Hall Association (RHA). After graduation, he plans to become an Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF) agent or a Drug Enforcement Agent (DEA).

"For the first time I have been at UM-St. Louis. I love to come to like the people and staff in Missouri," Bray said. "This would be a way for me to meet more people and support my school."

Denise Leis is a freshman majoring in business. He is a member of the UM-St. Louis golf team and was a Great Lakes Valley Conference (GLVC) freshman player of the year. After graduation, his plans are to start his own company involving the stock market.

"I want to be more involved in campus life by being a member of the Homecoming Court," Leis said. "I feel that this will increase my school spirit even more than it already is.

Ryan Metcalf is a senior studying economics and MIS. He is a member of Sigma Tau Gamma (fall 1997-winter 1999), Student Government Association (SGA) Representative (fall 1997-winter 1998), student senate (fall 1998-winter 1999), UM-St. Louis Budget and Planning Committee and Homecoming Chairman (1999). His plans to attend graduate school and earn an MBA in sports administration.

"I am a very involved student and I feel I could do the average student justice on this campus," Brown said. "I want to make sure that everyone can see what I have done and it will inspire others to do more."

Steven M. Wolfe is a graduate student studying education secondary and elementary reading. He has received the UM-St. Louis Student Affairs award (1997-1998), the Show Me State Gamma Medal (1998-1999), and has been in Who's Who in American College and Universities (1997). Wolfe is on the SGA and the UM-St. Louis University Senate. His plans to go into teaching after finishing his education.

"I want to be a member of the UM-St. Louis Homecoming Court in order to make the court represent the wide diversity of students that attend UM-St. Louis," Wolfe said. "Long live the queen!"


"To me, the Homecoming Court represents those individuals who give and support UM-St. Louis. They want to make their campus the best, and strive to make it so by playing an active role on campus," Anderson said. "I would like to be a part of this court to show my love and support for our school."

Joanne Eddington is a sophomore majoring in business administration/marketing. She is the risk management/social chair of the Delta Zeta sorority, and was publicity chairwoman during Hunger Awareness and Alcohol Awareness week. She has volunteered at St. Joseph's Institute for Speech and Hearing Impaired.

"I am a very involved student. I have been at UM-St. Louis for over a year and I believe I could represent UM-St. Louis better than any other student," Eddington said. "I feel that the members of the Homecoming Committee have been very fortunate to meet some enthusiastic students who are very dedicated to making UM-St. Louis a better place to live, to go to school, to which I am a very involved student and I feel I exceed the average student involvement on this campus."

Carrie Muench is a transfer student, a senior majoring in anthropology and Spanish. She is the president of the University Program Board, an Executive Forum member, and has served on the committees for 'Boots for Kids' and homecoming (all 1998-99). She is in the Pierre Laclede Honors College program. After graduation, Muench wants to join the Peace Corps or go to graduate school.

"I feel that the members of the Homecoming Court should represent hard work and dedication that many students put to the University on a daily basis. I feel that Homecoming itself is a way to express campus community, something I think UM-St. Louis is lacking," Muench said. "Because the past month, working with the Homecoming Committee, I have been very fortunate to meet some very enthusiastic students who are very dedicated to making UM-St. Louis a better place to live, to go to school, to which I am a very involved student and I feel I exceed the average student involvement on this campus."
Dear UM-St. Louis,

I am about to make a radical statement. Please, at least don't take a deep breath, though you will be understandable when you read the news today. THE WEEK OF HOMECOMING HAS FINALLY ARRIVED.

Like many of our readers, I want to break down this statement so that you have a better understanding of what the real story is. Even if it is important for you to realize UM-St. Louis actually has a homecoming. Since the beginning of this season, I have found only one small portion of students know this event takes place. Will it, does it, and even more importantly it is occurs on campus.

Second, this week's HOMECOMING IS A WEEK OF Events. For the past few years, HOMECOMING has consisted of little more than an athletic game and a few parties. This year's HOMECOMING is important; it will be new beginning, a rebirth of cool traditions, and the creation of some new traditions. Most importantly, you have the opportunity to not only participate, but to make this week a success. As you read this HOMECOMING news, you will find the committee has managed to have a little something for everyone. Everyone should find something you personally can, and you will not be disappointed. It's basically a complete relief. The lack of HOMECOMING news in the fall of 1992, in June of 1993, and probably in the future if we should have one. Our benefit of this move is that we have had several new events as a result. As a result we are expanding HOMECOMING to a full week.

You have gone more than a year without a dance, and now you are getting much more. Many students and faculty organizations have come together to pull this off. All the events this week will be sponsored in some way by the following: the Athletic Department, Student Activities, the University Programming Board, the Current, the Alumni Association, the Greeks, several independent students, and generous funding from the Southeast Government Association. As you can see, this is only a comprehensive list. Now it is up to you to make this a student-wide event.

Yes, the theme of HOMECOMING is a "Link back on the past-95 years of UM-St. Louis, but let's all come together to make this a fun and exciting time that will start a new tradition of HOMECOMING that will be remembered and talked about, instead of remembered.

We have put our best effort forward for you, the UM-St. Louis students and faculty. Now put your best effort forward and make this a memorable week for everyone.

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Ryan M. Merick
UM St. Louis Homecoming Chairman
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Looking Sharp: Homecoming Night

Homecoming is one of those rare occasions that students and faculty can get a little fancy in their apparel. Unfortunately, cash flow can sometimes be a problem. It's only one night, so there's no reason to blow a lot of bread on brand new duds. But it's not hard to glam up a little with what you probably already have... or can get inexpensively.

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