Conference examines universities’ role in civic engagement

By EUGENIE CLARK
Staff Writer

On Thursday at noon, a crowd gathered in the Mullanphy Student Union Multiplex to "Presto the Public’s Mind," a Student Senate event. The crowd consisted of about 30 people.

As parts of the meeting was described, it left a strong impression on those who attended. The session was directed by the State Governor, Edward Zlotkowski, and involved students in the process of making decisions.

Zlotkowski expressed his interest in making decisions that would benefit the community. He encouraged students to participate in the process and to express their ideas. He also emphasized the importance of involving students in making decisions that would affect their lives.

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**Thurs 8**

_**Mon 8**_

_Moreno, McCarthy talk**

As part of the Monday Noon Series, Moreno, Spanish-Chilean Transnational Teaching Professor of Communication, will join McCarthy, Associate Professor, at the Broadcasting Landmark Revisited at 12:15 p.m. in 226 IC. Perry Riley, Jr., Sydney, Texas, will be a guest. Light refreshments will be served. The event is free and open to the public. Call 653-8971 or email traduce@umsl.edu for more info.

**Sat 10**

_**Tues 9**_

_Conversations about Teaching, Technology_**

Virginia Neuman, assistant professor of education, and Callie Haighting, professor of education, will discuss "Creating Online Classrooms: A Constructivist Approach" at noon in 316 MHC. Light refreshments will be served. The event is free and open to faculty, staff, and graduate students. Call 4358 or visit http://www.uncas.edu for more info.

**Wed 10**

_**Novelist reads**_

Jedediah L. Lewis's "Massatory" will read at noon in the Student Union. Light refreshments will be served. The event is free and open to the public. Call 4358 or visit http://www.uncas.edu for more info.

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The Current organization board is in search of a talented design to help them improve their look. They are seeking someone creative who can provide and incorporate a professional yet appealing look to their board. Any design will be considered and the individual who creates the best design will be selected. Please submit your design to the Current organization board by March 4th. Current will review their board and select their new design. For more information, contact Nichole Leclair at 549-2218 or email nl7@email.umsl.edu.
Van Reidbead, assistant professor of management information systems, stands in front of Grace's Place, a new computer museum on the second floor of C CB. Sauer and three doctoral students worked on the display, which features early and modern computer technology.

The resolution proposed stated, "A resolution in support of changing the date from the last line of the calendar for the 2005-06 academic year and getting students involved will be available on March 19."

"We need to do something before the end of the semester, and the resolution would do it," Sauter said.

The resolution is now just one of the many things that inspired Sauter to create this museum. "It helps students visualize what they are training," Sauter said. "Physical representations help make abstract ideas concrete."

Many of the students who have visited the museum have said, "All the old computers are interesting," Tam Moegi, junior, said. "People need to see what the inside of them look like."

Now at UM-St. Louis community is invited to a grand opening of Grace's Place, scheduled for March 19 at 4 p.m.
Editorial Board

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Letters to the editor should be brief, and those not exceeding 300 words will be given preference. We edit letters for clarity and length, but not for diction, intent or grammar. All letters must be signed and must include a daytime phone number. Students must include their student number. Faculty and staff must include their full title and department. Editor-in-chief reserves the right to respond to letters. The Current reserves the right to deny letters.

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Pressing on

By Michael Powell

St. Kate states that the Jackson halftime incident is a ‘stunt’ that should not be repeated. Why not an opinion?

I felt that the halftime show was very offensive. It also caused unnecessary results such as having to cut certain references.

Not to say that there are notculturedfl brisket in our world who would refuse from emitting such things. There are some things that are not allowed to be done, and that are not the fault of the performing artists.

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This is a part of the human body. Children are all parts of the body that are usually covered with clothes, no matter if they have hair or not. It is a normal thing that, when not depicted with obscenity or in a generally sexual context, is simply not seen.

Some people even say that the human body is a work of art. Though exploitation, especially of women's breasts, is an understandable, the body is not something to be touched upon. This is not individual and should be treated with respect. The only thing that I can see is that the body is a human being, too, though the concept it is to be seen.

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Termination meets modern soldiers

**BY CATHERINE MARQUIS-HUMBERT**

Science Columnist

The photo in the Berkeley press release made me think of the movie *Alien,* starring Sigourney Weaver, in which a group of marines is sent to a distant planet. The only other living thing on the planet, a small alien creature called a xenomorph, soon begins to take over the marines one by one. It’s a frightening story, but it also highlights the danger of humans attempting to explore and understand other living beings.

While the hardware and habitats might look like part of a science fiction movie, the reality is that humans are constantly trying to understand and interact with other living beings. This is especially true in the field of biology, where researchers are developing new technologies to study and interact with animals. The aim is to work with these animals in a way that is ethical and minimally invasive, but the challenges are numerous. Developing a rapport with these animals is crucial, as the researchers must be able to trust them in order to study their behavior and physiology. The researchers must also be able to communicate with these animals, which can be difficult. Some animals are more receptive to human interaction than others, and the researchers must be flexible and adaptable in order to succeed.

In addition to the challenges of working with other living beings, researchers must also consider the ethical implications of their work. As the field of biology continues to advance, it is important to consider the potential consequences of our actions, both on the animals themselves and on the environment. This is especially true when it comes to developing new technologies to study and interact with animals. The researchers must be mindful of the potential risks and benefits of their work, and they must be committed to conducting their research in an ethical and responsible manner.

In conclusion, while the challenges of working with other living beings are numerous, the potential benefits are significant. By understanding and interacting with other living beings, we can gain valuable insights into the complex and fascinating world of biology. This is important not only for our own understanding, but also for the benefit of the animals themselves. It is crucial that we approach this work with care and consideration, and that we strive to do so in an ethical and responsible manner.
Staff Writer

Throughout the month of March, many UM-St. Louis students in the Office of Student Life will celebrate the history of women.

The Business and Continuing Education departments, the Office of Student Life, Nursing and the Institute for Women’s Gender Studies will coordinate and host programs that focus on the lives of women.

Since March is Women’s History Month, the students are working to make everyone aware of the achievements and struggles of women.

For a good idea of our nation’s history, men and women are allowed to vote. Instead of specializing, women spent their time helping the poor, improving social conditions and making political movements, beginning missionary work, becoming leaders in women’s rights, and ending segregation.

Unfortunately, many women were paid less than men for the same work.

Despite all women’s advancements, many programs have been largely ignored.

The Office of Student Life is participating in a program in conjunction with the Opportunity Committee called “The Blue Triceratops.”

“Women, like men, are an important part of the world. The goal of this program is to recognize the careers that women have recently entered. Women are starting to work in areas that previously have not been open to them. Therefore, this program is a way to recognize the careers that women have entered and show young girls that they have the opportunity to enter careers that they were not previously considered to go into.”

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For a description of the Office of Women’s Studies, visit their website on www.guerilla-theatre.com.

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Ormond said that the Office of Women’s Studies has many events planned for Women’s History Month taking place around campus, but some of the events have been canceled.

The Office of Women’s Studies is a great resource for all organizations on campus.

“Office of Student Life, said that the Honors College does all of sorts of different things like going to a homeless shelter and seeing what the shelter does and helping.

This year, the Office of Student Life will exercise the idea of organizing events that will help people understand women’s roles in the world.

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“We advise on how to put on potluck, assembly, tabling, any kind of thing, anything else that they need,” said Denny.

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Todd Bainter, admissions counselor, is impressed with Bainter's drive and decision to study law. "I think she's an excellent student. I'm impressed that she is so engaged on campus with Grillar's, SGA, her goals, and other aspects in my life. She is so many different organizations on campus because she wants to make the most of a 24-hour day," Bainter said.

The reason that she is involved in so many different organizations on campus is to strengthen her faith. "I want to know what is going on at UM-St. Louis because this is my home," she said.

Bainter said that she got involved in her first organization by just showing up to a meeting without any intent to join. "I showed up to a student organization meeting, and this was the biggest group of people that I had ever seen," she said.

"You don't have fun and be active on campus," she said. "How does one person manage to make the most of a 24-hour day? A good counselor. She emphasized that students need to find what their values, goals, and interests are. "I never kept a student planner because I wish I had made. That's one of the reasons why I got involved in my first organization by just showing up to a meeting without any intent to join.

"If you are involved in activities you will be more likely to find good people. Some of these activities are community service and risk behaviors such as unprotected and illegal drug use. More often than not, students are not prepared for the social events that are common on campus.

Shawnisha Graham, senior, political science, said, "I want a company that wants to help you succeed. Christine Lecleir, admissions counselor, is impressed with students' goals and convention.

"I can't say that UM-St. Louis could promote career opportunities in the spring or fall," she said. "But I can say that UM-St. Louis could promote career opportunities in the spring or fall. The first of these groups is Horizons Peer Services. They will be hosting an event in the Provincial Office on March 15. E.O.T.E is a part of this group. Another event for students will be hosted by the Career Center. The Career Center will be hosting an event on March 15. E.O.T.E is a part of this group. Another event for students will be hosted by the Career Center.

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By Campbell McAllister
Staff Writer

The UM-St. Louis baseball team dropped two close games in a Saturday double-header at Central Arkansas before picking up win #1 on Sunday in the series finale. The wins, according to Coach Murphy, were huge for the Rivermen as winter set to be behind the curtain in the region.

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Tennis has high aspirations

by Dave Seckman
Staff Writer

The UM-St. Louis men’s tennis team has had nine months to think about last year’s NCAA tournament loss to Wayne State and is looking to put itself in position to win this time around. The team has been holding tennis workouts for five days a week to prepare for what could potentially be a great season.

After a long pre-season for the Rivermen, they are ready to hit the court once again to start what could be their third trip to the NCAA tournament in as many seasons. The team has practiced several times a week now for the last two months in preparation for this year’s season.

The Rivermen start their season on March 10 against Lewis and Clark Community College, and look to start with a big win. Men’s head tennis coach Rick Gyllenborg is very eager to see how his team performs.

The team has had nine months to be better than in past years and it will be tough to overcome both, but look to see how the season is. Whoever shows up that day to win will get the job done,” Gyllenborg continued.

After their first four matches, the man’s and women’s teams will head on to Richardson, Texas, where they will face some very tough competition from East Coast teams. The man’s tennis team will see its first home conference matches coming up on Tuesday, March 30. Come out and support the men as they try to make it back to the NCAA tournament for the third time in three years.

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Motorcycling is fun in the sun

by Paul Gruchier

Salt Water

The entire attitude in St. Louis defy's one walk up when we get hooked in the camp Friday night with people laugh with each other and play Frisbee. The optimist, we're in the closed courts, and the fake in temperatures warm the westing of sections and crow, kids run around in the moon (my son in particular) and enjoy the rest of house kids create. And when the weekend forecast predicts beautiful weather, motorcyclists wake their sleepy blues from winter slumber. Motorcycling isn't why do not run their blues all year round.

Let year, I traded in my 2002 Honda Civic S (a newsy hatchback) for a 2002 Honda Metropolitan (a cargo scooter). The story behind this device was long and complicated, but let it suffice to say that in the price range in and in my heart, the scooter seemed like a unique alternative. My third-up speed (40 mph) allows me to feel like a spaceship, but I found all sorts of room to and from places I frequent, interesting roads lined with flat-and-up which I would never find otherwise. When someone scolded, I said something like...

"I get 75 mpg and I can park on the sidewalk. Let me see you do that in your Explorer." The engine and muffler was additive, and I wanted more omissions from my garage. I raised in my Honda dealer and exchanged my 10s Metropolitan for a 250s Bobber. Much improve. I jumped on 40 and whizzed along with top at 75 mph. I drove to Kansas City, then Chicago. My mother asked, "What will you do when it rains?" I replied, "Get wet, I suppose." I had no serious commitments, so when the skies turned serious, I could simply sip the HDO Pass. I fought through the rainy season in Texas on two wheels. Let me rate, I challenge..."

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Movie Review

"Welcome to Mooseport": Do you love Raymond enough to endure yet another romantic comedy?

by Catherine Harrison-Howson

Movie Review

It seemed like a good idea: releasing a comedy about running for political office during an election year when more people were watching the presidential race more than in many previous years. "Welcome to Mooseport," however, provides only a mediocre assembly piece of wrought entertainment, despite the grandiose title and modest good cast, by opting to be a standard romantic comedy vehicle for TV star Ray Romano.

"Welcome to Mooseport" is no more than some appeal but most of this appeal comes from Gene Hackman, who is delightful as a newsworthy candidate who is drafted to run for mayor of the tiny Maine town to which he retired. Monroe "Eagle" Cole (Hackman) planned to write his memoirs, build a library and embark on a lecture career on the speaker circuit until he finds himself drawn into this tiny political ploy by the town leaders, who beg him to run and become the fact that no one has applied for the job.

At first, Cole is just looking for a good way out, but his staff

Music Review

Changing Tunes: St. Louis music fans embrace Ima Robot

by Laura Heppen

Music Critics

As I stood in line outside of Missouri Nights on March 2, I looked around at the fans who had gathered. Though we all attended a concert featuring three bands, I was surrounded by a mix of black and white fans supporting the alternative to opening acts, Kill Hiroshi. I reflected on the interview I had just had with Alex, who had signed up to run mayor. Once the national media pick up the story, the staff and the Press soon worry about how it would look to his legacy if he does not win or, worse, loses to a plumber.

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"Twisted" is not much like its name

by Catherine Marinow

Movie Review

Houdin and Savage play almost stock characters as ex-president's staff, although Houdin manages to bring more appeal out of her decent Grace Sutherland. Townie Rip with Charlotte Cole. However, as the film progresses, the plot becomes more tepid. There are not enough sparks to its conclusion as just another standard Hollywood romantic comedy.

Thundering Harleys might nod at you sport bikes. However, the best riders out there are on touring bikes. They rocket Aprilia, sort of motorcycle you pilot, your commute in a scooter, owning and understand the bliss of charging into the wind on two wheels. That said, member of a group of people who hood and your enjoyment, you will find this film more appealing than ever as kinky as the title might lead you to expect. The presence of a couple "twins" star us such middle-of-the-road fare as in "Miss Congeruality" to its opening tone that it is likely to leave some audience members feeling teased. The story has hints of a poor man Hollywood mystery than a modern thriller. The look of the film is quite stylish and atmospheric, which is surprising when you think it's a film released in 2004. Finding cash for college is child's play. Register now and search thousands of scholarships worth over $3 billion.
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As Ima Robot entered the stage and began to play, plainskil Hannah Winn clipped a little and tucked toward her head. Through the first few songs, her audience remained, and apparently enjoyed it. The third song, "Alice," began to draw people in with its catchy rhythm and unique,"

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The program this year will include a trip to Jefferson City and a week-long debate on a piece of legislation. "I particularly enjoyed our field trip to the Missouri Legislature," Colson said.

Stock said that another benefit of being involved in the leadership academy is the experience one can make from it. As an example, she named Allison Brooks, a senior from Maplewood, who is now working in the governor's office.

"You make good contacts and lifelong friends in addition to preparedness for internships and jobs," Stock said.

The 21st Century Leadership Academy will bring together women from other participating universities, from each summer.

"I don't want anyone to feel they are not qualified. It is about how much interest in the world around you, not about being an expert in politics," Stock said.

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