A wild end to Welcome Week...
Monday
Resume Writing Skills Workshop
This workshop discusses appropriate resume formats and content. The one-hour workshop is free and open to all UMSL students and alumni. Advance registration is required; call 511-1 or email in person at Career Services 218 HSC.
Campus Recreation Wellness Classes are free this week. Fall Aerobics classes begin today and run through Dec. 9 in the Hawk Track athletic & Fitness Center. Classes are free this week through Sept. 2. Register at the Campus Rec Office at Room 203 Main Tower or call 526-2 for more information.

The Sigma Nu Honor Society is sponsoring a free ice cream social for transfer students, faculty and staff from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the Pilot House on the first floor of the MSC. Call 458-2 for more information.

Tuesday
Welcome Back Dinner
The Newman Center is sponsoring a free welcome back dinner for all students on Aug. 30 at 6 p.m. at the Newman Center located at 8200 Natural Bridge Road. Please RSVP by Monday, Aug. 29, 314-385-3465 or circnem.com.
Study Abroad Information Session
The Study Abroad Office is offering an informational meeting in the Advancing Lounge outside 225 MSC from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Information about types of programs, scholarships, financial aid and applying will be available. Call 447-2 for more information.

Wednesday
Job Search Strategies Workshop
This workshop will teach job seekers important techniques for their job search and provide additional information about the general job search process. This free one-hour workshop will be held in 218 HSC and is open to current UMSL students. Advance registration is required. Call 511-1 for more information.

Thursday
Study Abroad Information Session
The Study Abroad Office is offering an informational meeting in the Advancing Lounge outside 225 MSC from 11 a.m. to noon. Information about types of programs, scholarships, financial aid and applying will be available. Call 447-2 for more information.

Ice Hockey Tryouts
After a suspended season last year, the ice hockey team is back with a full 31 game schedule. Team tryouts are Wednesday, Aug. 31 from 8 p.m. at the ice Zone at St. Louis Hills. There is no cost to tryout. Visit www.umslhockey.org for more information.

Friday
International Friendship Gathering
Bring a friend and join us for an evening of BBQ, games and making new friends from around the world. Call 314-279-7388 for more information.

Sundar
Newman Center to hold Catholic Mass Sunday evening mass will be held at the Belleville Residence Hall Chapel on South Campus at 8:30 p.m. All are welcome to attend. A social will follow the Mass. Contact Tracy Van de Riet at 314-385-3455.

Sept. 5
Labor Day - No Classes
UM-St. Louis will be closed Monday, Sept. 5 to observe Labor Day. No Classes will be held. Classes will resume Tuesday, Sept. 6.

The following editorial positions were included in the UMSL, Louis Police Log on July 28, 2005. Please remember that all promotion decisions and comments are the opinion of the editor and not necessarily the staff.

Aug. 14, 2005 - Assault - 8200 Natural Bridge Road A party that was occurring at a residence nearby led to a disturbance between a male and female. The male then struck the female, and the call to the police. Neither victim was injured. The UMSL News was telecast to report the original incident to the local police department. The suspect and victim of the assault had not been able to be located by the end of the week.

Aug. 22, 2005 - Property Damage - South Hall A female, aged 21 years, was located in the residence halls. She stated she had been robbed in the area. The suspect and victim were located and interviewed. The suspect had left the scene and was taken into custody.

Aug. 24, 2005 - Standing Under - 2000 S. Grand Ave. A man was located and arrested for possession of a controlled substance.

Campus Crime Line
The following criminal incidents occurred on campus between Aug. 14 and Aug. 27, 2005.

Aug. 18, 2005 - Burglary 2nd Degree - 3412 E. Drive Drive Plaza Garage The victim reported that sometime during the day the driver plate was stolen from his vehicle.

Aug. 27, 2005 - Burglary 3rd Degree - 1224 S. Grand Ave. The suspect entered the residence, and the victim discovered the crime the following day.

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Monsanto recruits 6 of 43 interns from UMSL

by Paul Hackenburg

UG St. Louis student led the way in Monsanto's recruitment this year on the UMSL campus, including three students who went on to be hired by the company as full-time employees.

Monsanto regularly hires more than 40 students annually from eight universities in the local area. This year, the company recruited the highest percentage of its information technology co-ops from the University of Missouri-Belleville.

"UM-St. Louis was the most represented school of their IT co-ops," Trena Bablouny, director of Career Services at UM-St. Louis, said. This high enrollment is atypical of previous years.

Paul Eveld, IT manager at Monsanto and management information systems alumnus of UM-St. Louis, said in 2003, Monsanto hired one of eight co-ops from the University. In 2004, Monsanto recruited no students from UM-St. Louis.

The Monsanto co-ops are one part of the partnership with Career Services and metropolitan companies have "UM-St. Louis Career Services and the whole University community work with companies, cooperatives, organizations so that students can gain career-related work experience," Bablouny said.

Monsanto co-ops are paid positions, and in certain cases, students are paid academic credit for them.

"It's filled with room to goof. Sort of like, try before you buy," said a large number of graduates from the UMSL co-op program, who learned in the classroom to practice.

"It's the sort of set-up that gives you room to goof. You can get used to it for a semester, and you get paid," Bablouny said.

Monsanto also gives its interns the opportunity toactually experience their skills and how it would fit with how they would fit into the Monsanto culture," Bablouny continued. Monsanto will graduate co-op employees onto these jobs and will allow them to enrolled in the same department.

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In 2004, Monsanto's recruitment level is atypical of previous years.

"It's unusual at this time of the year for Monsanto to make that kind of offer," Bablouny said. Monsanto is a company that gives you room to goof. Sort of like, try before you buy, Bablouny explained.

"It's typical of our mission at Monsanto to recruit our students and try to prepare them to be hired as full-time employees," Bablouny said.
Proposal to lock tuition rates over the next two years is a good idea. It ensures the stability of the university system.

By CHRISTINE ECCLESTON

First of all, I'm not sure whether I spent more of my time in Madrid studying Spanish or trying to locate the nearest restaurant that served pizza. Regardless of whether I was finding my way or finding food, I was certainly finding the many, many different ways to live in Spain.

For the obvious, I learned Spanish. In addition to the whole inaccuracy thing about all classes ending precisely on time, there were also the many instances about the professor forgetting to call roll or not being there at all. I'm sure he would have been able to hold a conversation with me about a variety of topics.

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Dear Editor,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Members of the S.W.B. (especially Keith Deitke and Mike Merhar) for the fantastic coverage they have provided on UWSW's activities and events. I have been a member of the Board for 2 years.

I am writing to you with a request to provide financial support for the upcoming events, and of course, the annual conference, which will be held in the second week of April.

I believe that the S.W.B. is the only organization that provides such an opportunity for students to come together and discuss their ideas and concerns.

I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]
Classes welcomed with week of events

BY MELISSA MCCRARY
Features Editor

As students moved into the quad during the first full week of school, it seemed as if the campus was filled with turists, tarot card readers and booths selling all sorts of different things. Martha Gillespie, Student Life editor, said, "basically to advertise athletics, clubs and organizations."

Sponsored by the Career Services, the Welcome Week, which began over eight years ago, was created to bring new students together, display some of the activities that UMSL offers and as a way for students to sign up for events and get involved with campus clubs and organizations.

Every Tuesday during the week, the student workers hang out with the students, rather than having to come to the "Copper Seas" to find them. This year's Welcome Week kicked off on the quad last Tuesday, Aug. 23, in the Nosh.

"Bring Your Graffiti," as this year's theme, students were encouraged to come hang out, hangout, have fun and most importantly enjoy the free food and entertainment.

"The whole entire Office of Student Life decided to jump on the bandwagon and the students love it," said Bailey, director of the MBE.

Many students who participated in the Welcome Week showed their appreciation for providing them with entertainment.

Editor's note

Senior Alan Karfark, Student Advisor Amanda LaPlante, and senior Tegan Vigars proudly promote the 2004-05 Student organization of the year, Student Life Alumni Tomorrow.

Brian Fagnani/ The Current

A different kind of poetry:

SlaM shows power, energy

BY SUZANNE ROUSSEIN
Staff Writer

When most people think of poetry nowadays, they probably do not think of a poetry slam, a contemporary-like atmosphere, screaming crowds, pop-culture icons and groups. Not anymore. The University of Missouri-St. Louis has a slam that is happening right on the campus. The event is called "The Slam," featuring battling poets, and the genre is called poetry slam.

All campus organizations and students are welcome to try out for a chance to perform in the slam. The competition is open to anyone and the slam is designed to involve the audience just as much as the competitors.

The audience in the Cameroon Slam is almost always participating. Some of the well-known poets who have visited the slam have developed an almost cult-like following, complete with poetry groups who follow them from slam to slam around town. Some students have even taken the words along with the performance ones.

"Slam has become very popular all across America," said Marita Ziegler, executive director of Smash Poetry and Media for UMSL. "Ziegler can only think that this is because there is a slam on every campus."

This year's slam was held on Aug. 23 in the Pilot House at 7 p.m. and was sponsored by the Project Revolution and the University of Missouri-St. Louis, along with several other organizations.

"The slam got the energy out of them," said Kevin McCameron, veteran poet and the St. Louis SlamMaster. "It brings together the performance--like slam poetry--and the mainstream." McCameron encourages the St. Louis Poetry Slam to contact him at 971-5578 or 573-820-0002.

Missouri Black Expo highlights education, shares goals of African-American students

BY NAIDANYA SHUMATE
Staff Writer

Fourteen years ago, a tradition was started for 14 years. It has been successful in attracting large numbers of students and events. The Missouri Black Expo has been an event that has been shining a light on business and businesses with several activities and events.

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As the largest black empowerment event in Missouri, the MBExpo seeks to support and the improvement of the MBExpo by involving the libraries and other institutions in order to attract the Missouri St. Louis's child and adult, and sponsored the MBExpo lecture series panel.

After being housed by Tom Bailey, director of the MBExpo, the Missouri Black Expo is now located in the MBExpo lecture series panel. The MBExpo lecture series panel is "a rousing success" and has "an excellent level of participation from the MBExpo audience." TheMBExpo lecture series panel is a major strength of the black community, providing a forum for students and the MBExpo community to discuss issues facing the MBExpo.

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Volleyball serves a new season

The team starts fresh with only three returning players

LaGuin Fure
Staff Writer

Last season, Interim Coach Josh Lauer lost his team in the regional, losing 3-2 to a young and hungry team from Missouri. This season, Lauer will bring in a new and improved team with a few returning players. The difference between last season and this season is that Lauer has the chance to return to the recruiting floor for the team.

"One of the things we want to do this year is bring back some of the players that we had last year," said Lauer. "We want to bring back the kids that we knew and had some success with."

The team will also be returning to the mixer this season: Michka Cherek, Sarah Rickson, Emily Breaux, Lauren Welborn, and Katie Taylor. These players will be returning to the mixer this season:

Three players will be returning to the mixer this season: Lauren Cherek, Sarah Rickson, and Emily Breaux. Cherek, Rickson, and Breaux were all part of the team that reached the regional last season. These players will be returning to the mixer this season:

Lauer has been busy this offseason recruiting new players to join the team. The team has been working hard to build a strong group of players for the team.

"I’m really happy with the way that our recruits have accepted our incoming players," said Lauer. "We have a great team right now, which in my book is a fundamental piece of the foundation we are building."
The Touhill Performing Arts Center recently announced its 2005-2006 season and upcoming events. This season will feature a variety of concerts, comedy shows, and national and international speakers. We take a look at some of the highlights of this year's season.

The current season features a broad range of performances, including a variety of musical acts, comedians, and speakers. The season opens with a performance by the Mississippi Symphony Orchestra, followed by a variety of other events, including a performance by the Missouri Arts Festival and a lecture by Pulitzer Prize-winning author and historian David McCullough.

The season continues with a series of concerts, including a performance by the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra, a performance by the Royal Shakespeare Company, and a performance by the Kansas City Symphony. In addition, there are a variety of comedy shows, including a performance by the comedy duo Key & Peele and a performance by the comedy troupe The Second City.

The season also includes a variety of speakers, including a lecture by former U.S. Senator Bob Dole and a lecture by Pulitzer Prize-winning author and historian David McCullough.

The season concludes with a performance by the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra and a performance by the Missouri Arts Festival. In addition, there are a variety of comedy shows, including a performance by the comedy duo Key & Peele and a performance by the comedy troupe The Second City.

Overall, the season offers a wide range of performances, with something for everyone to enjoy. Whether you are a fan of classical music, comedy, or speakers, there is something for you to see. To purchase tickets, please visit the Touhill Performing Arts Center website or contact the box office directly.
Parachute Bus

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Thursday, September 8, 2005
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Nosh Patio

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... and still going!
After 16 years of experience in music, Jerry Higgins, Dr. DeWitt Louis, student, finally accomplished his lifelong ambition; he recently released his first album.

Aside from being the drummer, Hill is the current manager of Jupiter Jazz, a band that focuses on live hip-hop and spoken word.

He said he began playing standard jazz and became bored with the same traditional style.

"The music of Jupiter Jazz is a combination of hip-hop, spoken word, jazz and funk," Hill said. "We are all big fans of music and we try to get everyone involved."

I met several of the people who have had a strong impact on his life, including his piano instructor and professors and instructors from Washington University, UM-St. Louis and Southern University.

While admiring these three colleges, Hill studied a variety of musical genres, standard jazz, and classical jazz being among them.

"I started playing music in high school as a drummer under the direction of Don Kesten," Hill said.

"Dee Dine Parker and Dee Bell are some other people who have influenced me."

He began as a first-rate man evolved into a six-piece band with a repertoire around St. Louis. The other band members are Jason Hill, a vocalist and Jerry’s younger brother, vocalist Jason Braun, violinist Keil Anderson, guitarist Nell Kalka and bass player 2. 

"Said, and I'm happy to report that we've lost our custom and are now in a setup that incorporates pretty into music," Hill said.

Anderson, who began his career in high school, is the drummer and bassist for many of the other bands. Since then, he has performed at various venues throughout St. Louis, Illinois and Arkansas. The Great Grizzly Bear. Off Broadway, Mississippi Nights, Crown’s, The Pointe, The Jupiter and the Riverride Music Festival in Little Rock, Ark., are just a few of the places that Jupiter Jazz has performed.

"My favorite song is "Techno Chicken" because I love the feel and the high energy," Kalka said. "I have enjoyed playing at The Pointe, Mississippi Nights and at the Arkansas River Festival."

In addition to touring the city and playing in and off music venues, Jupiter Jazz has also played and opened for some legendary performances.

"They're a great place to get lots of opportunity for technological development."

Evel C said the University and Missouri companies recruit because a lot of people are interested in the University’s unique programs.

"The primary reason is the University is recognized as a top business school and top TUI school."

Evel C said Missouri recruits at the University because students are academically prepared.

"I can’t believe they have the highest percentage," Baldini said.

I think the University should be very proud that (Missouri) recruits here and that we especially should be proud that our students are so talented and are receiving the highest percentage," Baldini said.

The project was a collaboration between the Thomas Jefferson and Missouri Libraries, Campus Computing and the University. A combination of approved resources, all readily available to the public.

"We’ve had new books in the library that in the past when we received new books it took a month or two at least," Lincoln said. "This is a great opportunity to cut down on the number of books we need."