Future of ASUM gets resolved at summit by Jason Granger

As emergency summit of the Associated Students of the University of Missouri, held at UM-Columbia, has resulted in encouraging news, according to those in attendance. The meeting, which was held last Saturday, was called by Vice President for Student Affairs Dan Court Cursion after problems within the organization reached a crisis point.

Coover said in the past that issues within the organization, which are run by a student-counseling group, were routinely brought to his attention.

The meeting at Missouri's emergency summit focused not only on ASUM members, but the members of the intramural Student Council and a moderator as well.

The meeting originally had the ASUM and ISC members together 'at the same time. However, after considerable discussion, it was agreed that the ISC members would not attend the meeting as a 'cohesive group for the rest of the week.'

Koehig, ISC president, said the meeting was not as productive as he expected, with ISC presiding officers of the ISCs left the meeting around 2 p.m., and the meeting adjourned.

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Senior Art Students Plan "Attack" - Senior art students will hold exhibit called "Attack" at the Font Grimshaw Complex for the Arts in St. Louis located at 3852 Cherokee St. from 6 to 8 p.m. Submissions will be accepted from now on. Opening night will be April 24 and is free and open to the public by appointment only. Call 557-3555 for more information.

Open Mic Poetry Night - Nadia Dickson, host of SplitPoetica, will host an open mic poetry night at 7 p.m. in the Jones Lounge at the Missouri School of Fine Arts in St. Louis located at 3852 Cherokee St. from 6 to 8 p.m. Submissions will be accepted from now on. Opening night will be April 24 and is free and open to the public by appointment only. Call 557-3555 for more information.

Aphid Testing for Intensive French, Spanish - Aphid testing for the courses Intensive French and Intensive Spanish for the spring semester will be held at 10:30 a.m. in 554 Clark Hall. Call 557-3555 to register for the aphid test.

Baseball vs. Grand Valley State - The UMSL baseball team will host the Lions of Grand Valley State University in a doubleheader at 1 and 7 p.m. in the Lee Audatorium at the Blanche M. Touhill Performing Arts Center. Tickets are $10 for adults, $5 for seniors, and free for students. Call 557-3555 for more information.
Lawsuit looms for Rolla's student paper, editor says

By Jason Granger

News Editor

The UM-Rolla Miner, the official student newspaper at the University of Missouri-Rolla, received an untimely and ultimately ineffective ultimatum from the school's InterCampus Government Association on Jan. 12.

In a letter sent to the newspaper staff, the University, through the UM System's legal counsel, announced that the newspaper would be forced to cut its budget to $1,000 for the year. When the Miner staff turned in what we were told was their 'response' to its ultimatum to from the UM System, Stryker felt the situation is sliding in the direction of legal action, a step neither he, nor the rest of the Miner staff, wanted to take.

"We are trying to avoid the situation that would require us to take action," Stryker said. "We are not looking for a suit."

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The SGA executive board also, "diplomatically and solemnly," Bryan Goers, chief of justice, said the situation did not address accusations made by the Miner staff that the cut was based on content, including editorials and grammatical errors. A 2000 Supreme Court case ruled that student newspapers have the right to select their budget overprint (fiscal). Helton, said. "So, in reality, they get what they asked for.

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Residents, additionally, will only be allowed two guests at any time. "If they don't have identification, they aren't allowed in," Lidgus said. The DAs will be required by a University mandate to sign a confidentiality statement because they will be in contact with the individual's personal information.

The DA hours are from 9 p.m. until 7 a.m., with an undetermined number of DAs holding the shifts. "Their main job is to supplement the RA's," Lidgus said. "The RA's job is not going to change, except that they no longer have to do desk duty." The DAs will add the resident assistants in case of an emergency. The RA's also will add the DAs in case of emergency. Twenty-five people are currently hired for the position, including desk alternatives in case scheduled DAs are unable to make their shift. The DAs are expected to be on time for their shifts, check in people in, and help the RA's out.

"We want to make sure we know who's in the building in case of an emergency," Lidgus said. DAS Assistant Amount Kerry Newell, senior, accounting, said she was interested in position because of the situations that would be presented.

"I want to show I'm capable of keeping our residents and their friends safe," Newell said. Resident Assistant Span Stryker, housing, security, international business, said he believes the new program will be beneficial.

"I think it's a great idea," he said. "It will definitely increase resident safety."

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Resident Ron Yonker, sophomore, psychology, said he doesn't see a gaping problem with safety, strangers only get in if they 'let in by a student. They should spend the money increasing resident safety.

The DAs will begin working on Monday, March 5.
OUR OPINION

Can ASUM ever be fixed? Yes.

Last week’s summit proves ASUM may be heading in the right direction.

This is not the first time things have happened, that is what is important to remember. The Associated Students of the University of Missouri have must again hit it out of the park with themselves just in time to exist.

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The Current welcomes letters to the editor. Please follow these guidelines:

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2. Write a guest commentary
3. Visit our online forums

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I have a question, and I am not trying to offend anyone with this question, but this has been on my mind for quite some time. Why is Nicole Smith’s death more important than other deaths in the world?

Did the country lose any great gifts in her death? Did she achieve political order? Did the world lose itself any great order?

I do not think she did.

What do we say to the family of Nicole Smith and knew her personally. It was a bad idea. Coonrod seemed happy to once again. Despite the obvious way, ‘as a two-thirds majority is needed to remove a sitting member of the ASUM board. Round Round Ashley Warren was also in favor of the move, and reserves the right to must add a

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**Ways to Protect Yourself and Your Stuff On Campus**

1. Don’t walk around campus after dark.
2. Don’t walk around campus alone.
3. Don’t leave valuables where they may get stolen—i.e. tables at the library.
4. On the University’s main campus, there are already a common sight around the campus police department’s mailbox. The blue telephones, which are located next to the sidewalk, are located outside the gate to contact a resident assistant who is in your apartment complex.
5. If you are a resident, do not let strangers into your building.
6. Always know at least three ways of exiting the building in case of an emergency.
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'Unspeakable Acts' breaks silence on sexual assault by ERIN MCDANIEL

The play's director, James Linsin, said, "We wanted to break the silence about sexual assault. We live in the kind of society where people are afraid to talk about how the victim is often raped and sexual assault.

The show opens Feb. 26, eight nights, and one in four women will be sexually assaulted.

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Some strong system is in place at the Health Center on campus, but there are still a lot of people who do not know how to seek help and to get help that is not always a considered sexual assault.

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We know how to handle situations like these and can help give students or staff members help.

Some counselors are trained to help and read accessible and readable bulletins, such as sampling the change and safety and perform professional lead paint tests.

Old-St. Louis has many different sources of safety and security issues and requires immediate action. Buildings and residences are prepared with all kinds of ways to seek and find and facilities quickly from certified and experienced law enforcement.

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tants, and because I M Minds, you said, Harwin. The smoke detector can continue to work even if the batteries are dead, so there are no signals, and because the smoke detector regulates regularly.

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Fall Out Boy has become the new kings of emo-rock with ‘Infinity,’ independently released February 26.

**By Paul Mackintosh**

It is hard to applaud the words "Fall Out Boy" and "R&B" in the same sentence, but it is where the new band’s highest album "Infinity on High," from Sony, has broken out to include. R&B is a far cry from the songs Fall Out Boy know they want to do. It is not only good on paper, but also on paper. The rest of the album is a mix of the group’s hip-hop and electronic beats, with a lot of guest vocalists, including Chris Brown, Lil Wayne, and Nicki Minaj. The result is a pop-punk album with a mix of different sounds, which makes it difficult to label. "Infinity on High" is a mix of pop-punk and hip-hop, which makes it difficult to label. The band’s lead vocalist, Pete Wentz, is the main singer, and the other members of the band are the main writers of the songs. Wentz’s vocals are often compared to those of Paul McCartney, and the band’s sound is often compared to that of the Police.

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Music and Lyrics" proves to be a good date night movie

By Eric McDanel

‘Music and Lyrics’ proves to be a good date night movie.

Hugh Grant as an easy-hand wave, and Drew Barrymore, as Sophie Fisher, who temporarily water house plants, star in the romantic comedy "Music, and Lyrics.'

One word of warning, if you are like me and you can’t stand seeing a heroine improvised into a scene, then maybe you should wait for the DVD to come out so you can cut it out.

In the movie, Grant is a middle-aged song writer who is trying to put his career back together. He teams up with a brassy pop singer and writer, Sophie (Barrymore). Together these two write a hit song that makes Grant’s career take off, but as fast as it rose, it begins to fall. Grant begins to realize that he has fallen in love with Sophie and that he is not the man for her.

Sexuality, from page 4

I was curious of this for the same very, very simple reason. His contributions are not for the good of the world. I mean, his contributions are not for the good of the world.

Oh, but the break down. "Music and Lyrics" is the story of a washed-up pop star, played by Hugh Grant, and a pop singer, played by Drew Barrymore, who temporarily water house plants, star in the romantic comedy "Music, and Lyrics." The film is a musical comedy about the ups and downs of a relationship between a middle-aged songwriter and a brassy pop singer. The movie is a hit, but Grant begins to realize that he has fallen in love with Barrymore and that he is not the man for her.
Rivermen seniors finish careers at UMSL with sixth loss in a row

BY TOM SCHOENBE

The UM-St. Louis men's basketball team finished its season on Saturday with its sixth consecutive loss and its eighth loss in the last nine games.

For the season, the Rivermen finished 5-21 overall and 4-13 in the Great Lakes Valley Conference.

Junior forward Matt Pilz led the Rivermen with 11 points and a game-high 10 rebounds, as six Rivermen scored in double figures. The Rivermen ended their season with a 74-66 loss to SIUE.

"It's been a rough season," head coach Matt Pilz said. "We've had our ups and downs, but we've continued to fight and compete every game. We've learned a lot this year and we're excited for the future."
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.....and into the Future
The Ricewomens' center Jennifer Martin had a big game, scoring 25 of the 31 points for UM-St. Louis. Martin was eight out of 11 in field goals and shot over 50 percent at the free throw line, sinking six of 11. The lady had six rebounds and added another blocked shot to her university resume.

UM-St. Louis forward Nicole Helfrich also had a big game, scoring 15 points for the Ricewomens in only 10 minutes of play. Helfrich went five out of seven in field goals and made the only three-pointer she attempted.

The benches helped out both teams. The Lady Hawks bench contributed 40 points while the UM-St. Louis bench picked it up with 25 points. However, the largest scoring deficit was in second chance points. Quincy scored 15 more second chance points than UM-St. Louis.

With a 6-19 record and a Great Lakes Valley Conference mark of 2-14, the UM-St. Louis Riverwomens will have one more shot to end their season on a good note. Saturday's game against Southern Illinois Edwardsville will be the last of the season for the Riverwomens, since they were eliminated from playing in the GLVC tournament.

**ASUM Summit, from page 1**

Dodd said some of the changes will work in conjunction, however, he says some changes were made that will be beneficial to ASUM as a whole.

Dodd said changes will be made on how board members are appointed. In the past, ASUM board members could be appointed by one member of the board, as Dodd explained, an effort was made to remove Dodd from the board in this manner. The effort failed, but the move brought into relief the need to change the process of removing a board member, according to Warning.

"Since we are elected by our student government, we will be removed by them as well as well-funded," he said. "Board members need to be removed, they still need a voice on confidence on [board] board members.

The matter then referred the board member's respective depart­ent to take a vote on the matter.

Dodd said the issue of his removal was never directly addressed, which he thought was odd, he was glad to see the issue of ranked choice voting was addressed.

"I'm going to be handled in the way it was handled in the past," Dodd said. "As far as I'm concerned, the matter is over before the board meeting [in December] stands.

Still the vice-chair and I'm still a board member.

Other organizational changes included board meetings focusing on internal and legislative issues, as well as sharing information with the four UM System campuses.

The next ASUM meeting is scheduled for some time in March, and Dodd said the purpose will be to address and finalize budget concerns, specifically, how much each campus will pay.

American states have a hard time group­ing a sport that we are not the best at which is why our forefathers have been football, and baseball. The old est and the oldest are there. We can be great, but it is something that just takes time.

What that means is, sometimes before the end of the decade, St. Louis should be home to a professional soccer team. The game has been played com­petitively at the high school and college level for more than a century.

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**Weekly SUDOKU**

by Linda Thistle

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**MAXIMO PREDICTS**

Horoscopes for Feb. 26 - March 4

**Aries**

February 23 - April 19

Taurus will be the best day of your life and consider- ing how much brings you joy, it should be a year of great things about your life.

**Gemini**

July 23 - June 21

Today, you are predict- able and others will be able to make the right predictions about your future.

**Cancer**

June 21 - July 22

Last week you were ugly to others and this week you are aware of how you are perceived.

**Virgo**

Aug. 23 - Sept. 22

If you do not stop shaking your grocery bag, I told you this week, you will wipe out your wallet. Please make sure you have a pencil to predict at least one thing.

**Libra**

Sept. 23 - Oct. 22

Your future is full of cuddly bears and fluffy birds, and all of the cutest things you will have to deal with as we won’t think anymore.

**Scorpio**

Oct. 23 - Nov. 21

I predict you will make your mistake as you will be between the limits.

**Sagittarius**

Nov. 22 - Dec. 21

The sun, planets and all the zodiacs are aligned perfectly today. It is the best time to take advantage of things to be a major part of your life.

**Capricorn**

Dec. 22 - Jan. 19

This week you will stop doing everything and decide to live life as you please. You will fall in love.

**Aquarius**

Jan. 20 - Feb. 19

Your fortune this week is to find your true love and be happy together.

**Pisces**

Feb. 19 - March 20

There is no need to find a new partner in crime after today. It will be the best decision you have ever made.

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**SYNDICATED CARTOON**

**Miracle Cure**

by E. Gerhardt

**Stake's Hair Salon**

by Sherry Holman

**Sconeborough**

by E. Gerhardt

Don’t you try to tell ME what to do?
I'll machine wash you if I feel like it, BETCH.

My hair, I see the
312 March of Hairsitting

Oh, how you make me smile.
I guess they just don’t do that.
Twas never a hairpin!

This is drawing my 31 per diem.
I'm so happy.
And they don’t do that.

Well, the growth is fantastic.

**How old?** He’s 14 months, 3 days, 7 hours, and 16 seconds... 17... 18...

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Carol Robinson, senior, fine art, uses a tool to create a design in her cylinder as it spins around on the wheel.

CERAMICS CLASSMATES AREN'T AFRAID TO GET THEIR HANDS DIRTY WHEN TURNING CLAY INTO CREATIONS

STORY AND PHOTOS BY MATT JOHNSON • PHOTO EDITOR

What begins as a ball of clay quickly transforms into a personalized handmade keepsake for many students taking Ceramics courses in the Fine Arts program.

UM-St. Louis only offers a few ceramic classes for students. The ceramic classes share a building with the sculpture students along Florissant Road. The building is easy to drive past since the sign on the front drive only has lettering on one side of it.

There are two parts to the Ceramics I class. Half the class will learn how to create artwork by hand building, and the other half of the class starts on the wheel.

Before students begin working with the clay, they must first learn how to remove the air bubbles in a process called wedging. Pinch pots and coil pots are just two items a beginner will make during their hand building session of the course.

Many students prefer the wheel part of the course. On the wheel, the students start off learning how to make a cylinder. After the cylinder is created, the students will learn how to make bowls, plates and lids for their projects.

Once their projects dry, they are put into the kiln so all the moisture is baked out of the clay. This is a moment of truth for the students because their projects are able to explode if they did not wedge the clay correctly and get the air bubbles out.

The student now chooses what color of glaze they would like to apply to their artwork. After the glaze is applied, the piece is placed back in the kiln for the last time.

Ceramics II is another popular class for students to take after they have completed the Ceramics I class. Students have a lot more freedom in this class.

The syllabus tells the students the different types of ceramic pieces that are expected at the end of the semester. The student now has the choice of creating it by using the wheel or building it by hand.