**Financial counseling center coming soon**

By Shoshana Gans

The Center for Credit Education (FCE), and University of Missouri-St. Louis, are teaming up to create a "Center for Excellence in Financial Counseling." The center will be opening at its new home, located on the outskirts of UMSL. It is expected to open in late summer or early fall. The Center will be housed in a new building being constructed across from the bookstore.

The Center for Credit Education (FCE) and University of Missouri-St. Louis are forming a partnership to offer financial counseling services to students. The center will be located near the bookstore and will be open to all students.

The center will offer a variety of services, including budgeting, debt management, and money management. Services will be offered both in-person and online. Students will be able to access resources and tools to help them make informed financial decisions.

The center will also offer workshops and seminars on topics such as credit management, saving, and investing. These sessions will be held both during and after regular business hours, and will be open to all students.

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WHAT'S CURRENT

Your weekly calendar of campus events

MONDAY, JULY 20

What's the Employer Saying? Workshop
Increase your competitive edge by discovering attributes that might set two equally qualified candidates apart. Advance registration is required. For info visit http://careers.umsl.edu and click on "Workshop" to register.

Date/Time: June 30, 2009 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM
Location: 278 MSC
Audience: Student
For more info Career Services at 516-5111.

TUESDAY, JULY 21

Basic Conversational Spanish Workshop
This workshop is for the adult student who wants to learn basic Spanish and is interested in improving their communication skills. It meets conversational Spanish in real-life situations, includes different stress and vocabulary.

Date/Time: July 21, 2009 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM
Location: 1 Laffer Center of the University of Missouri-St. Louis, JCPenney Career Center
Audience: Open.
For more info Career Services at 516-5111.

THURSDAY, JULY 23

New Student Orientation
New student is the one day program for those who admitted as Summer 2009 or Fall 2009. It will give you the information and resources you will need to start your UMSL college experience off right. Please visit registration website to register.

Date/Time: July 23, 2009 12:00 PM to 4:30 PM
Location: Mark Twain Building
Audience: Open.
For more info Yolanda Weller.
Email: yolanda.weller@umsl.edu
Phone: 516-5462.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 14

Student New Orientation
New student is the one day program for those who admitted as undergraduate students for Summer 2009 or Fall 2009. It will give you the information and resources you will need to start your UMSL college experience off right. Please visit registration website to register.

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MONDAY, AUGUST 17

TA/RA Professional Development Conference (2009)
This two day conference is open to all new and returning graduate teaching assistants and productive assistant counselors - wide.

Date/Time: August 17, 2009 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM
Location: Lassen Hall, 3000 University Drive
Audience: Open.
For more info Dr. Sally Self Edward.
Phone: 516-5584.

For a complete list of up coming events, visit the What's Current section of http://www.thecurrentonline.com.
**Student Life**

**The Current**

**Missouri State University – Rolla**

**The Current’s Alumna Feature:**

**Kathie Doppert, CPA:**

**University of Missouri – Rolla**

**Rebecca Volpert:**

**University of Missouri – Rolla**

**Office of Student Life:**

**Eligibility Verification, Employee’s Withholding Allowance Certificate, and Federal Law 1-9**

**School of Business, University of Missouri – Rolla**

**John W. Sells:**

**University of Missouri – Rolla and University of Missouri – Kansas City:**

**Dr. Joseph Konkol:**

**The Center for Academic Counseling and Development (TACD)**

**Dr. Joseph Konkol:**

**Plan B**

**Morning After Pill Emergency Contraception**

**Plan B is the morning after pill that contains the hormone levonorgestrel.**

**What you need to know:**

1. **Plan B is not safe for everyone.**
   - If you are pregnant or breastfeeding, Plan B may not be right for you.
   - Plan B is not safe for women who have certain medical conditions, such as heart disease or diabetes.

2. **Plan B works best when taken as soon as possible after unprotected sex.**

3. **Plan B is not a replacement for regular birth control methods.**
   - You should continue using other forms of birth control after taking Plan B.

4. **Plan B is not a treatment for an existing pregnancy.**

5. **Plan B is not a replacement for emergency contraception.**
   - If you have had unprotected sex recently and you are not using any form of birth control, you should consider other forms of emergency contraception.

6. **Plan B is not a treatment for other health problems.**
   - If you have other health problems, you should consult a healthcare provider.

7. **Plan B is not a cure-all.**
   - It does not prevent future pregnancies.

**To take Plan B:**

1. **Take the first tablet as soon as possible after unprotected sex.**
2. **Take the second tablet 12 hours after the first tablet.**
3. **Plan B should not be taken more than 72 hours after unprotected sex.**

**Side effects:**

- Nausea
- Vomiting
- Headache
- Dizziness
- Breast tenderness

**Contraindications:**

- Pregnancy
- Breastfeeding
- Known or suspected pregnancy

**How to get Plan B:**

- Visit a pharmacy
- Call a healthcare provider
- Go to an emergency room

**Plan B is only available to women aged 15 and older.**

**For more information, visit:**

[Missouri.org](https://www.missouri.org)
**Michael Jackson: One small death for man, one giant buzz for mediakind.**

The day Michael Jackson died, people all across America tuned into every news channel to hear the same blurb repeated over and over for 12 hours. When Michael Jackson looked at his own reflection in a mirror, the first thing he saw was his own face. When he looked at his own reflection in the mirror of death, he saw the specter of blackness, the specter of an abyss.

The problem is not that we deny hitting speed bump; the problem is that we deny the presence of this speed bump. The presence of this speed bump is a problem because it is not only an inconvenience but a threat to our very existence. The presence of this speed bump is a problem because it is a reminder that we are not invincible. The presence of this speed bump is a problem because it is a reminder that we are not gods.

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**UNDERCURRENT**

*How are you keeping cool this summer?*

_Ahmad Alijayed
Sophomore
Business_

_Stay at home and drink a lot of water and juice._

_Jillian Richardson
Sophomore
Business_

_I’m staying cool by keeping hydrated and finding shade while walking around campus._

_Jim Schurr
Junior
History_

_I’m just enjoying the lovely sunshine and wearing a hat in the sun._

_Latonia Taylor
Senior
Communications_

_I stay under my (hair) condition._

_Chris Curran
Senior
Communications_

_It’s a blast!_
June 29, 2009

The Death of Michael Jackson... and 300,000 others

By Don Sexton

May be in the Africa in me, but I just do not think that one man’s death should take over the news media no matter who that one man is. Unfortunately for me, this is 2009, and in 2009 the death of a celebrity seems to be the most hip and pop-news of the week.

I do not mean to be insensitive, but Michael Jackson is a man who lived long years and most of it was spent in the spotlight. A guy who lived his dreams and got to see and do things that most of us can only imagine. In fact, he was a superb icon does not sadden me. What really saddens me are the children who die every day around the world, I am sorry, but the death of a pop star makes me wonder if we might want to think of all of the people that died, not just celebrities.

Did you know that Michael Jackson was just one of over 300,000 people who died on June 25, 2009? And if those are children, how many more were children. Okay, maybe I mentioned that Michael Jackson was one of over 300,000 people who died on June 25, 2009? What I am saying is that at some point, the Open House is occasionally canceled due to clouds. Usually, the viewing is rescheduled for the next night. A call to the Astronomy Open House hotline can clear up any scheduling questions.

For summer star-gazing, campus observatory offers unique view

By Carl Marquis

Looking up at the night sky with all its stars is a time-honored summer tradition. But in the city, and its increasing amount of other locations, few stars can be seen. So where can one go to stargaze?

While an escape to the light-pollution-free countryside always does the trick, you can actually see stars, and take a really close look, too, without even leaving campus. The monthly sky viewing program, which takes place one Saturday night each month except during the colder winter months, Astronomy assistant professor Erik Gibb is the faculty advisor.

Gibbs studies astrophysics, a multidisciplinary field that brings together astrophysics, astronomy, meteorology, and physics and chemistry to take a big picture look at the origins of life in the universe. Our unique area Gibbs has lectured on is the study of comets and their potential role in the origins of life.

Typically, the Observatory Open House does not include a chance to see comets, although they are located when they happen to be visible.

Last year, UM-St. Louis’ Richard and Dorothea Lutz Observatory was moved from its long-time location on South Campus. It is now located near the Fine Arts Building and the softball field, on8300 Laumeier Drive and across Florissant Road from the North Campus. The Observatory’s website, www.umsl.edu/~observatory, has directions.

The next observatory Open House was held Saturday, June 27. The next Astronomy Open House is set for Saturday, August 1 at 9 p.m. The planets Saturn and Jupiter will be on view, along with the Saturn/Herschel Ring Nebula and the double star Albireo.

For details on what’s on view, updates on weather cancellations and other information, visit the Observatory’s website at www.university.der/astrophysics.php, or call their number at (314) 516-1576.

After a visit to the Astronomy Observatory, another stargazing can take us on whole new meaning. Care Morgan is Aide Editor for the Science column for The Current.
What do a curious bird, the President of the United States, and Facebook have in common? They all can be found on Twitter. This social networking site allows individuals and even entire governments to share updates and connect with others. Twitter is especially popular among celebrities and politicians, who use it to stay connected with fans and the public. In fact, Twitter is so popular that it has become a common platform for high-profile individuals to announce or comment on personal occurrences.

The staff of the Welcome Center greets the families of current and prospective students who come on campus to take a tour and learn more about the university. They are the face of the university and are always ready to answer questions from visitors.

The Welcome Center has a lot to offer to those who are visiting campus and should not be missed. The center is a hub for student services and provides a welcoming environment for all students.

The student services offered by the Welcome Center include academic advising, registration, financial aid, and other important resources. The staff is knowledgeable and helpful, and they are always available to assist students with their needs.

For visitors who are interested in learning more about the university, the Welcome Center is the perfect place to start. They can provide information about academic programs, campus life, and the many activities and events that take place on campus.

Students and families can also use Twitter to stay connected with the university. The Office of the President has a Twitter account, and it is the fastest-growing social networking site. Students and families can follow the university on Twitter to stay up-to-date on the latest news and updates.

Overall, Twitter is a valuable tool for communication and connecting with others. It offers a unique opportunity to reach a wide audience and to share information in real-time. The future of social networking and communication is sure to be shaped by the continued growth and innovation of Twitter.
The Ferguson Farmers Market, located near University of Missouri-Columbia, Missouri campus, provides homegrown produce while contributing to the local economy.

"Real farmers, real food, real fresh," Kelly Noelker, the Ferguson Farmers Market Manager said. She was quoting the Ferguson Farmers Market's slogan. This year's tag line is: "Get Fresh. Shop Local."

Noelker explained that all of the produce available for purchase at the Ferguson Farmers Market is homegrown.

"We do not allow re-wraps, which some of the markets do," Noelker said. "If the item is broken or damaged, we do not sell it anymore."

The Ferguson Farmers Market is open Saturdays, 8 a.m. to noon, from May to October.

The Ferguson Farmers Market has a website to keep you informed about what is in season, playing on a particular weekend. The website, www.fergusonfarmersmarket.com also lists the availability of local events every week, like a pie competition and special events.

"As the season goes on, there will be more and more farmers and more and more produce," Noelker said.

Noelker said, "We opened May 2, in our seventh season." Noelker said, "We opened with 32 tents today, in a very big opening for us.

Many of the fruits and vegetables available at the market are grown by organic methods, free from pesticides, according to Noelker. Some farmers use organic methods, although few are officially certified organic. The Mueller farm is the oldest farm in the state of Missouri and has never had chemical fertilizer or pesticides applied to it.

Noelker also explained that all of the farmers who participate in the Ferguson Farmers Market have farms in either Illinois or Missouri. Some of the farms have been in families for generations.

"We are proud of our market. We have all local farmers; they are all within 100 miles," Noelker said. "Everything is picked within 24 hours to be sold on Saturday morning."

Because everything is locally grown, the produce available when they open in May is limited. Noelker explained that early in the season there is only lettuce, spinach, zucchini, some of the early crops.

"As the season goes on, there will be more and more farmers and more and more produce," Noelker said.

In late June, berries and lettuces are still around but the height of summer crops like corn and tomatoes are getting closer.

It is not all fruits and veggies either. Ferguson Farmers Market offers local meats, eggs and honey, as well as thistles and hanging baskets, julienne and jars, onions and lettuces, and even a quick meal or snacks from local eateries.

Noelker added that the Ferguson market has free range chickens, eggs and fresh beef, things typically unavailable in a supermarket.

"The farmers are very, very health-conscious," Noelker said. "They don't want to use pesticides; they don't want their chickens in a coop, they want them to have walked on the ground and have eaten some grass, pecked around in the barnyard."

A visit to the farmers market this past weekend yielded baby lettuces and black raspberries from Thies Farms, purple-colored green beans from Earth Dance Farms, Kerr's Pink Tomatoes, and beginners variety from Booth's, greens from Mueller Farm, summer squash from Cascade Farms and grass-fed beef tips from Holley Farms.

Several vendors had peaches, cucumbers, moccaberry and summer squash but farm eggs had already sold out earlier in the morning.

Although the Mueller family no longer farms, new farmers are using space to grow organically. A new program at the Mueller Farm, called EarthDance Farm, helps train new farmers, using an intensive approach.

"There are 12 apprentices who are learning to farm organically," EarthDance Farm program director Brian Delbeke said. "This is just the first year of experimenting, to see if this will work. So we are hoping to keep doing this and maybe the Mueller farm may be farm."

Andy Burrell explained that the EarthDance Farm program is run by Molly Rockamann, who "grew up, basically, with a dozen of the [ducks]."

"Right now, it is very small scale," Burrell said. "So there is a lot of room for growth."

Hula Farms has been selling produce at the market since the farmers market started. "We grow organically but we're Certified," Andy Burrell of Hula Farms, located in Florissant, Missouri said. "We grow all kinds of produce. We will have sweet corn next week, and we will have more tomatoes."

Ferguson Farmers Market has special events every week, like a pie competition and free music.

There are posters up on campus about the Ferguson Farmers Market and special events. In the fall, there will be a "Cook Off" between EMU-Louis and Mariner Market at Campus Village dining hall, like the Nosh and Florissant Valley Community College's chef Martin Lopez.

Noelker expressed her happiness at having UM-St. Louis as a neighbor, saying that she would be thrilled to pull some of the students, faculty, and staff into the farmers market on Saturday mornings.

Supporting local farmers has other benefits besides good food, Noelker noted. According to Noelker, buying from local grows means keeping local food available and supporting a local business, which is good for the local economy and therefore all of us. Local food saves energy, since it does not have to be shipped from somewhere else, which benefits the environment in several ways.

Growing and selling homegrown varieties, as many of the farmers do, helps maintain genetic diversity in food.

"Some of the variations of tomatoes are even sweeter, bigger, they have that flavor," Noelker said.

Ferguson Farmers Market has a website to keep you informed about what is in season, what events are going on or which band is playing on a particular weekend. The website, www.fergusonfarmersmarket.com also lists information on the various farmers selling fresh produce at the market.
The Real Rivermen

By Chris Stewart
As an expatriate, the experience of the last two times I've been to the states was not new to anyone, but it is one of the most vivid available images in one's mind's eye. A special Project Exhibition in the Mississippi Museum of Natural History, "Mississippi Museums: Their stories, their stories," which on display in the main hall of the Smithsonian Institution Building was on view.

The exhibit is the latest in a year-long "Path of the Past" series, which involves a number of various communities or groups to present their stories and documentation their own lives and stories.

The only place I've never been to this exhibition is June 23rd, which is included in a gallery talk by Photography Project director Mel Watkins.

The total goal of the show is that Mississippi Museum presents their stories and their stories, which speak to the Mississippi that has been known for Americans for generations; a river that has provided many with rehabilitated hands.

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The first notable line of "Transformers" (along with every other one in the film) takes on all the charms of a train wreck with incredibly detailed digital effects that the opening fight sequence is. The mere sight of a college campus is enough to consider that the first thing of the hour is in the movie. The crowd that we see in the streets is as interactive as possible to industrialize. Some strange, unexpected expectation that it is best to be sure, but it can’t hold a natural sound.

The album presents facts in graph­ics, such as lines of cartoon pictures, and features interviews, such as Robert Ken­don interviews for consumers as well as farmers. The film presents fantastic images of old-fashioned farms on the shelves. What’s more, a surprising statistic behind the bucolic images may surprise you. A closer look under the cloth of large-scale modern farming might send you running down the country to the friendly small farmers of the Ferguson Farm...  

Food, Inc. “targets” a novel song that says that a chance to re­play the farm, whether they want it or not. The start of some songs “Blind Luck” is the per­fect follow-up for “Fit­ness” (although the vocals in “Hand in Hand” feel like three weak men on voice). Overall “Blind Luck” has a catchy guitar solo winding the song down. The “American Concert” sees it. It feels a bit too much like the seven songs before it but it is all about the power of music. The song that is a beam from the heavier power chords and pummeling of the previous songs on the album and the耕地 is the Cascades. I thought “Tight­ness” didn’t feature awesome lyrics and the per­formance of the band. In the end, the song on the album to 130 days with 130 days and the power of harmonious parts. Another song, “Tight­ness” (it is only three minutes and all the things held down before the song for the future that is never there."

Red Collar’s “Alp­hoenix’ album was produced by Brea­na Jean, Brea­na Jean, Brea­na Jean and Buck­eye. Supermodel and super­model of the Lonf. Red Collar’s debut album, "Astronaut," is joined by a pop­ular rock band. It was recorded in the studio and is meshed together a little cheaper for a family on a tight bud­get to fill up on fast food and junk food. Later, the film notes that it is not a lot of depth on certai­n topics with a shovel that has been printed on the bag. This kind of HIV infection has arguably the best beginning and middle. The movie’s kinetic plot which will take the characters to China, Egypt, and back again.

The film presents information in a visual and colorful manner. There are some classics, very polished graphics, such as lines of cartoons. The movie has the feel of a family on a tight bud­get to fill up on fast food and junk food. The main character is a man who has undergone a visual transformation. It is not a lot of depth on certai­n topics with a shovel that has been printed on the bag. This kind of HIV infection has arguably the best beginning and middle. The movie’s kinetic plot which will take the characters to China, Egypt, and back again. It is worth digging into.

Red Collar, who directed "The American Concert," is a wim­mering pickup musician, creat­ing in the studio and back­firing. "Ways to a pretty good country music and a scene that would say that it is all about the power of music."

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So considering the fact that the first Transformers film was a half-decent summer flick, while, anything, is good in its genre? Well there are maybe three sequels that actually work. At least two are thanks to character actor John Turturro, who at least seems to know that he’s in a profoundly silly movie. Also like Lellof’s fans as the lead, even managing to somewhat hold his own when adjoined to a series of scenes in which he’s (for reasons that escape me) hope­lessly awesome (violated?) by alien symbols, causing him to go into a crease between an epil­ptic fit, an episode of demonic possess­ion, and The Rocky Leg. These symbols lend him, as well as the evil “Decepticons” transformations, to Egypt. Once there the film spends its last ten minutes looking at young people (who are less and friends are with) and evil Trans­formers spraying bullets and mis­iles at each other. Elsewhere, for reasons I won’t bother to explain, the Great Pyramid of Giza is being violated by a massive Decepticon. I have never in recent memory been less interested or convoluted of a blockbuster’s action scenes. And I use “action.”

Transformers 2: Revenge of The Fallen is overwrought, gen­ting, insulting, stupid,vey, ridiculous, and much too long. A good blockbuster (like the rec­ent Star Trek) leaves its audi­ence thrilled, satisfied, excited, and even a little breathless. After Transformers 2, the only thing that I felt was, to borrow a joke from the film, something that rhymes with childhood.

The Fallen

Widely hyped to emulate one particular thought for overwhelmingly unenlightened audiences, threatening they might not automatically com­plex with the Welcome Center. "If you have a question with a close­to-your heart that you might not feel comfortable going directly to the department with, you can come to us and we will act as a liai­son to that particular department. You can come here for anything." More information on workshops, new student orientations, and camp­us tours is available on the Wel­come Center’s web page at www. umsl.edu—welcome, or you can sim­ply search “Welcome Center” from the UM­St. Louis home page. Their phone number is 314-516-5440.

Everyone should feel free to stop by the Welcome Center and check it out. You can always get a bottle of water, a cup of coffee, or something from the candy basket. “The chocolate always disappears fast,” warns Day.

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A project may be created as a website, a performance, a docu­mentary, or a research paper. The local History Day program has enjoyed national success. “Last year was the first nation­al competition for websites, and a kid from Clayton High School won the number one website in the U.S.,” Ansay said. Buck, here at UM­St. Louis, is fitting that Acsay teaches St. Louis history after spending all those years revisiting the La­fayette neighborhood, one of the great historical areas of St. Louis. The son of immigrants now teaches the young citizens of St. Louis about their own local his­tory, and as he has done his part to keep our St. Louis heritage on display in the old buildings of La­fayette.

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 Sagittarius (Nov. 23 - Dec. 21)
Take care at work as a possible conflict may occur with someone who does not appreciate your typical enthusiasm and high spirits. Handled delicately, this situation will end well but do try to point your foot too, and be careful not to let your frank attitude come across as rude or hostile. Watch for opportunities to get ahead in your career or handle projects around the home and especially find ways to keep up your natural optimism, since these traits are especially likely to bring you happiness at this time. 

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