University of Missouri – St. Louis, partnered with St. Louis Public Radio WQXR, proudly opened their shared new building to the public with a ribbon-cutting ceremony at Grand Center on September 15 at 10 a.m. The ceremony was held to welcome fans of St. Louis Public Radio, their students, faculty and staff and the general public to tour the building located at 3651 Olive Street.

Two-thirds of the building’s space is occupied by St. Louis Public Radio, while the other third houses UMSL academics with three classrooms and a meeting space.

"It’s a true partnership. We are certainly family, and the building really reflects that," Eby said. "Representing the university side of the partnership was Tom George, UMSL Chancellor, who gave a brief speech. While attendees waited for the ribbon to be cut and the building doors to open, George’s speech gave an overview of how... [students] will be able to have some incredible experiences with media, which is very exciting." — Eby

Students and alumni attend UMSL Job Fair

SHARON FRUITT
Managing Editor

In today’s rough economy, many students are worried about being able to find a job after graduation. UMSL’s Fall Internship and Job Fair 2012 provided an opportunity for students to further prepare for life after graduation.

Field September 14 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., the fair was full of employer tables. Admission was free for UMSL students and alumni who pre-registered, the entrance fee for those alumni who did not pre-register was $5 at the door and $10 for non-UMSL job-seekers.

“ar expectations are for students and alumni to make connections with employers. It’s an opportunity [for students] to brand themselves [and meet] with an employer to explore potential internships and job opportunities,” Teresa Balestreri, Director of Career Services at UMSL said.

Balestreri served pleased with both employers and job-seeker turnout. "Typically at the Fall events, student and alumni participation is around 50% (attendees)," she said.

The job fair offered prospective job-seekers an introduction to a multitude of career opportunities. Over 120 organizations were represented, including Kraft Foods, Inc., Youth in Need, Boeing and Ameren, all in one convenient location.

Laurie Waller, President of the Friends of the St. Louis Center, "It’s an opportunity [for students] to brand themselves [and meet] with an employer to explore potential internships and job opportunities."

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Children’s Eternal Rainforest non-profit organization, thought it would be a great place to meet sharp university students. "Our expectations are to find one or two (continued on page 3)

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Monday September 17

Hispanic Heritage Month Kick-off: "Celebrando la Cultura Latina del Siglo XXI"
Office of Student Life and the Hispanic-Latino/Latina Coalition will present a celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month with music, food, and local arts and culture. The event will take place from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. in the Student Union Ballroom.

Exposure Project - Investigating the "Time of Death"
Lecture and workshop with Dr. John O'Connor, a forensic pathologist. The lecture will be held from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. in the Science Hall Lecture Hall. The workshop will take place from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. in the Science Hall Seminar Room.

Tuesday, September 18

USMLO employment open house
Career Services to host an open house for representatives from the National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) and the National Operations Center (NOOC), which conducts research on farm labor. The open house will be held from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. in the Student Union Ballroom.

Gonzalez Lunch Trolley
A vehicle fire on the top level of the garage occurred between 5 p.m. on Aug. 17 and Sept. 18, between May 18 and Aug. 10. The cause of the fire is unknown. Property damage was reported.

September 20

Men's soccer workshop: "Winning the possession-oriented battle"
A workshop to be held in the Center for Student Success, MSO 255. The workshop will include an outline of strategies for winning possession and other aspects of the game.

Thursday, September 20

Augsburg Center for International Education
The Augsburg Center for International Education is sponsoring a new exhibit titled "Who's Got the Time?" Looking for ways to learn more about the world? This exhibit explores the variety of time systems used around the world. It features interactive games, activities, and a great selection of books and DVDs. Come see how time is measured and understood in different cultures. Open Monday-Friday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the University Center in the AUP.

September 21

Female student organizations presented with awards
The University holds an annual awards ceremony to recognize the accomplishments of female student organizations. The awards are presented at the University Center in the AUP.

September 22

Theatre Program
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STAC is science central
LIZ MILLER
Staff Writer

As the number of enrolled students at the University of Missouri—St. Louis increases, the need for sufficient study space also grows. The campus experienced great success with the Mathematics and Writing Academic Center in Social Science Building, and students of the sciences clamored for a similar study environment.

On August 27, UMSL officially opened its Science and Technology Academic Center (STAC) in Stacker 125. Operating Monday through Friday between the hours of 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., the facility offers academic support in biology, chemistry, physics and psychology.

Drawing on ideas and techniques implemented in the Writing Lab in SSB, the STAC was built solely for students of the current generation. Gone are the days of stiflingly quiet study areas; UMSL found that students prefer an environment in which communication and cooperation are encouraged.

"Today’s students don’t want quiet," said Ron Yudof, Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. "They want comfort and flexibility."

With tutors and students working together, taking is commonplace in the academic center and cooperation drives the learning experience. If students want peace and quiet, they can simply plug in their headphones and enter a private world.

Recognizing modern students’ dependence on technology and mobility, the STAC, like its SSB predecessor, was set up to fully accommodate mobile devices. WIFI is available to students, as are outlets for laptops.

At present time, no campus computers have been placed in the Stacker center. After consulting with a council of undergraduate students to determine what they would want in the new center, it was determined that students would prefer to use their own laptops.

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motivated, bright, responsible students who want real-life learning opportunities,” Waller said.

In order to help them navigate the fair, job-seekers were given a diagram of the job fair, along with a corresponding list of organizations and respective table numbers. Attendees ranged from UMSL students and alumni to non-university-affiliated outside job-seekers.

“I actually heard about it online. I had been keeping an eye on UMSL’s career website and I saw that they were having a Fall Job Fair,” Kristen Andrews, job-seeker and UM System alumna, said. “I had been to a few job fairs... There wasn’t a lot of variety in the companies. It wasn’t a great variety at all. I had higher expectations of this one, because when you look on the site, it does tell you who’s going to be here. We’re going fall to come in, so I thought ‘it’s gonna be a really, really nice job fair.’ And it was.”

“What made me decide to go is that I thought new would be the time to start working on my degree program again and see if this is really what I want to do and whatnot. So I decided to go for it.,”

Michael Harris, software engineering and electrical engineering, said, “I was like, ‘Okay, this was a good idea. I’m glad I did it.’ I enjoyed myself. I met people. I’d say, (15 or more people) and I left a couple of my resumes and basically enjoyed myself.”

“I’m an alum now. I got an email about it so I just decided to come down. It was pretty fun. The people are pretty easy to talk to and a lot of them are willing to accept resumes,” Mary Grace Buckley, UMSL alumna, said. “I got into these things never really knowing what to expect. I went any job where I can use my degree, anything involving communications, marketing, human resources, anything like that. After having visited the job fair I’m pretty optimistic.”

Career Services will be hosting another internship and Job Fair in Spring 2013.

Schlafly head speaks at business breakfast

HALI FLINTROP
Opinions Editor

University of Missouri - St. Louis
College of Business Administration
presented "Lawyer as Entrepreneur: One Man’s Experience" as part of its Business Breakfast and Business Series of presentations and events. Thomas Schlafly, of Schlafly Batteries and Schafly Beer.

Schlafly and Kopman noted the absence of any micro-brewed beers in the region, and that independent beer was popular in other regions and major cities. They decided to take the risk and go into the micro-brewing business.

"One of the reasons we’ve been able to survive as a business is that we’ve been nimble enough to adjust to what the market’s telling us and to the talents of the employees who have come onboard and worked for us," Schlafly said.

Schlafly discussed many instances where having an understanding of the law was critical to making effective business decisions. At first, Schlafly was allowed to produce and bottle only a small amount of beer per year. They were not allowed to serve their alcohol on the premises, so they made agreements with other venues to sell it. Eventually Schlafly did get permits to sell their alcohol on the brewery premises. Schlafly stated that in order to make that happen, they had to make the current law work for their purposes. They reclassified themselves as a winery because in Missouri, wineries—unlike breweries—are allowed to sell their alcohol at the same place that it is made. Schlafly’s brewery can be classified as a winery because it produces at least a small amount of cider. Cider is technically a wine because it is made from fruit, which makes Schlafly batteries to be classified as a winery in the eyes of Missouri law.

Schlafly also had to acquire permission to produce more barrels of beer to satisfy new demand, as Schlafly Beer is now available in some grocery stores. It is sold in venues not only in St. Louis, but throughout the region, up to about a 300-mile radius. Schlafly explained one of the most recent business/legal decisions made in regards to Schlafly Beer. In 2001, the company was sold to Sage Capital, with Thomas Schlafly and Kopman retaining part ownership. Schlafly Beer employees were also invited to invest in the company for a percentage of ownership.

Some UMSL students attended the presentation as a course assignment, like Jenny Brunnett, graduate, information systems.

"Speaker Thomas Schlafly made an educational yet fascinating speech on his entrepreneurship... and how the company managed the business and marketing world... The event is important to me because I’m studying computer science. It was a nice introduction to what it’s like to start your own company and how you have to adapt to the market." Brunnett said.
Forest Park Balloon Race draws crowd

In a scene straight out of a post-apocalyptic film, the skies over Forest Park buzzed with excitement as dozens of balloons ascended into the air, their vibrant colors and designs creating a stunning spectacle. The event, which attracted a large crowd, featured a variety of large and small balloons, each with its own unique design and purpose.

Some balloons were decorated to resemble familiar characters from movies and TV shows, while others were shaped like animals or other iconic figures. The balloons were tethered to the ground by cables, allowing spectators to get up close and personal with the impressive structures.

The event was a fundraising effort for the Forest Park-Des Peres Recreation Center, with proceeds going towards scholarships for local students. The center offers a wide range of programs and activities for all ages, including sports leagues, dance classes, and fitness programs.

Attendees were treated to a show of lights and music as the balloons illuminated the night sky. The event concluded with a fireworks display, providing a fitting end to the evening's festivities.

Forest Park Balloon Race draws crowd

DAVID VON NORDHEIM

The xx’s ‘Coexist’ album shows new maturity

STACY BECKENHOLDT

With their new album ‘Coexist’, The xx’s sound has evolved, and the result is a mature, introspective release that explores the complexities of modern life.

The album opens with the ethereal “Our Song”, which sets the tone for the rest of the record. The sparse arrangement and Croft’s haunting vocals create a sense of longing and melancholy that permeates the entire album.

“Coexist” is a concept album of sorts framed around the theme of emotional turbulence and the search for balance. The lyrics explore the themes of love, loss, and the search for meaning in a world that can be both beautiful and cruel.

The album’s pacing is particularly notable, with tracks like “Intro” and “Weird” providing a sense of introspection and vulnerability, while tracks like “Islands” and “FANFARE” offer moments of hope and resilience.

The production on the album is also noteworthy, with Croft and Lowndes’ vocals perfectly complementing the minimalist instrumentation. The result is an album that is both intimate and expansive, offering listeners a deep emotional experience.

Overall, ‘Coexist’ is a remarkable release that solidifies The xx’s place as one of the most important and innovative bands of the past decade. It is an album that will reward repeated listens and will undoubtedly continue to influence the direction of contemporary indie music for years to come.
Coach King has changes in mind to win games for men's soccer team

LEON DEVANCE

Sports Staff Writer

Ask any player or coach what decides the outcome of games and they will remind fans that finishing plays at exactly the right moment is the critical ingredient to winning games.

The latest example of the University of Missouri - St. Louis' ability to finish plays in the nick of time occurred Friday, September 14, when UMSL defeated Southern Indiana 1-0. UMSL improved to 2-2 overall and 1-1 in the Great Lakes Valley Conference. Southern Indiana dropped to 3-1 overall and 1-1 in the GLVC.

Chris Pearson, freshman, secondary education, scored the game's only goal at the 57th minute mark. This was the first time that a freshman played a vital role in the game's outcome.

On Sept. 2, in the second game of the season, UMSL faced Lake Erie and Tyler Collico, freshman, business administration, was credited to the UMSL Tritons, scoring three goals against Lake Erie.

The 4-1 victory against Lake Erie earned UMSL's first win of the season for the Tritons, when they scored goals in the 81st minute off a cross from Matt Burns, junior, international business, and in the 87th minute on a header off a cross from C.J. Cerma, senior, political science and senior Ajdin Dedic. senior, undecided, assisted by business administration.

Eddie Wilde scored on a pass from Matt Burns, junior, international business, in the 87th minute on a header off a cross from Michael Schlesker, freshman, undecided.

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Opinions

COUNTERPOINT

Students can’t rely on luck to keep them healthy

RACHELLE BRANDEL
Staff Writer
5:30 a.m. - St. Louis to Denver
My great adventure to Japan is starting off pretty stressful. I am afraid of flying and this beginning to my journey is quite hard. But I believe my willpower to board a plane gives me the ability to go to Japan.

Thanks to Korea, I’m not running up and down the aisles like a madwoman or clutching the armrests like they were stress balls. I’m still not looking forward to the two other flights ahead, especially the 10-hour one that flies over the ocean. I continue to seek peace and calm from God and keep my eyes on the goal that lies ahead.

The goodbye was tearful and I was homesick before even setting foot on the plane. Leaving my mother and younger sister and brother was the hardest thing for me to do. It may seem strange to some, but this will be the first time I’ve been away from my family for longer than a month. In some ways, I feel selfish for leaving them behind to focus on myself and my dreams, but I know that they want me to go and be happy.

12:30 p.m. - Denver to San Francisco
The second flight was all right, though we hit a scary patch of turbulence coming into San Francisco. But the 11-hour flight over the Pacific was my dreaded fear.
1:30 p.m. - San Francisco to Okinawa
This flight has been too bad. There hasn’t been much turbulence and having a seat in the middle, away from windows, has helped with my stress. The amenities on this aircraft, and the wonderful flight attendant, Danny, who’s keeping me calm, have made this flight bearable. Danny is wonderful, whenever he hit a patch of turbulence he comes over to let me know when it will end. But none of this stops me from counting the seconds.
3:15 p.m. Okinawa, Japan
I’m here! You can’t know how thankful I am to be on the ground!

The Japan column: Flying to and landing in Japan

San Francisco

Suck it up and take some Tylenol

The “Affordable Care Act” can be repealed. Many students are worried about finding affordable health care, but the bigger issue is that they don’t know where to look or what to research.

University of Missouri – St. Louis, like many other universities, offers some health care through the campus. You can seek therapy and meet with a doctor, or get Tylenol and other medicines, for free.

Many might not know that you can stay on a parent’s health care plan until the age of 24 or 25, which is how long it takes to get a master’s degree on average.

People go to doctors too much because they are afraid to just stay at home with some Tylenol instead of confirming with a doctor that they have a cold.

There are also cheap clinics like Walgreens where one can get strep tests and flu shots. Planned Parenthood has cheap birth control for the average woman.

Students who excessively frequent doctors’ offices are simply worried about the unknown element of living on one’s own.

All in all, we need to cool down and worry more about our grades than about what-if’s concerning our health.

Elaine Ray
Assistant Editor

The city is full of apartment buildings, but luckily we are not to a park as we have a nice view.

Even though it’s crowded almost everywhere we go, it’s not very noisy. Japanese people don’t talk very much on the train or in the station, so the noise level is very low considering how many people are present.

In the next few days, we will hopefully do more exploring so I can focus on specific topics within the city and Japan.

Sayonara!

The Current invites you and a guest to see TROUBLE CURVE for your chance to receive a screening pass, log on to gogo.com/rsvp and enter RSVP code: UMSLSJPS

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CUSTOMS was a breeze, as was finding my luggage. I met up with my group and we boarded a bus that took us to the train station. We then had to drag our luggage through a crowded train station and through two train changes. We got off at Mimasu-Tseni station, which is the closest train stop to our dorm.

I’ve been here for about two days now. Our dorms are mainly spent going to the train station or the mall and walking around the city. We buy our food at a grocery store in the mall each day. We think that we will attempt eating out today.

The current allows students to purchase absolute coverage at an affordable cost that even years from now students need to buy. Just because students are young, supposedly healthy to research. Their lives to plan for the unknown with car insurance and health care, will be forced to either buy health care.

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When threatened, banjo music is a common defense mechanism used by the North American Yeti.

Crossing the street...

When suddenly...

Good shut, Jersey! They'll get me a promotion for sure!

Thank you, I wait, what?

Well, I gave the order didn't I!

Just do it!

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SIMPLY BEAGLE

Lee Sellers

So there was a bit of an, uh, mishap with the comic last week. I apologize for any offensive or hilarious layout coincidences that fall from my panel may have caused. It was completely unintentional, mostly.

CRYPTOGRAM

IT TURNS OUT THAT ADVANCING EQUAL OPPORTUNITY AND ECONOMIC EMPowerment IS BOTH MORAFLy RIGHT AND GOOD ECONOMICS. WHY? BECAUSE poVERTY, DISCRIMINATION AND IGNORANCE RESTRICT GROWTH. WHEN YOU STifle HUMAN POTENTIAL, WHEN YOU DON'T INVEST IN NEW IDEAS, IT DOESN'T JUST CUT OFF THE PEOPLE who ARE AFFECTED; IT HURTS US ALL. WE KNOW THAT INVESTMENTS IN EDUCATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE AND SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL RESEARCH INCREASE GROWTH. THEY INCREASE GOOD JOBS, AND THEY CREATE NEW WEALTH FOR ALL THE REST OF US. —BILL CLINTON

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