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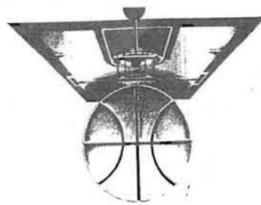
That's how this year's **Stagnant** can best be summed up. Look for it inserted in the paper. Hey man, it's only a joke.



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Lisa Houska not only plays to sports, but she plays them both well.

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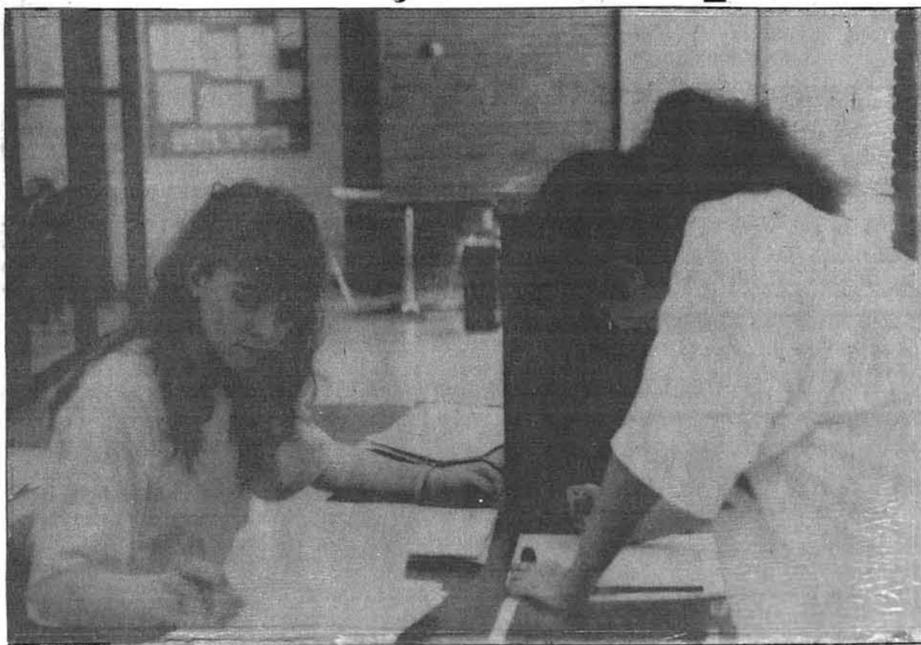
# CURRENT

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## Pruzhansky Triumphant In Presidential Race



by Kevin Kleine  
 editor

Former Student Court Chief Justice Alla Pruzhansky was elected the new president of the Student Government Association March 25 defeating Jennifer Horan and Bryan Wyatt.

Pruzhansky's running mate for vice president, Mark Grimes, also won his post accumulating more votes than any other candidate on the entire ballot.

Pruzhansky tallied 345 votes while Horan and Wyatt trailed with 250 and 228 respectively. Grimes soundly trounced his opponents with 436 votes to Tim Gartin's 198 and Gary Garufi's 173.

"Mark Grimes and I will work extraordinarily well together," Pruzhansky said.

Pruzhansky and Grimes ran on a platform that included addressing the issues of:

- More financial assistance for UM—St. Louis Students
- More, updated, parking



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Alla Pruzhansky

- Dorms
- Implementation of minority participation programs

Last year, the transition between outgoing president, Jerry Berhorst, and Terence Small was filled with instances of inconveniencing the new

president. Both Small and Pruzhansky say that everything should be smooth this year though.

"Terence and I have had our differences in the past, but he is very much a supporter of my presidency," Pruzhansky said.

She feels that the key to serving the students is communicating with them to find out what their opinions are and what issues concern them.

Both Pruzhansky and Grimes feel that it is time to make student government more responsive to the needs of the students.

Forcing organizations to participate in student government is one thing the new president and vice president want to move away from.

"I can't do that to them," she said. "They only hurt themselves."

Prior to her election as president, Pruzhansky served on the University Senate, University Grievance Committee, University Disciplinary Panel and the Master Planning Committee. She is also an elected assembly member.

Grimes has been vice-president and interim president of the Associated Black Collegians and served on the University Senate.

## Student Caught In Election Fraud

by Thomas J. Kovach  
 reporter

Student Government Association Vice-President Laura Paige said that a UM—St. Louis student faces possible disciplinary action after voting twice in the recent student government elections.

Paige said that Doris Washington allegedly voted twice at University Center and Marillac Hall. The elections were held Monday and Tuesday for president, vice-president and general assembly.

On Tuesday evening, Paige checked a computer print-out of all the students that voted in the election. Out of the 826 ballots casted, Paige discovered that Washington's name had been checked off at two different polling places.

Washington was unavailable for comment.

She said that Washington's actions could have caused the election committee a problem with counting and re-counting ballots.

"She could have inconvenienced the group of people counting the

ballots and the ballot box could have been voided," Paige said.

On Wednesday, Paige talked with Washington, informing her that a letter would be sent to her, Vice-Chancellor Lowe "Sandy" MacLean and Chancellor Marguerite Ross-Barnett.

Washington could receive some form of disciplinary action, but Paige did not know what type of discipline would be taken.

According to the section of the

Standard Conduct Code in the *Student Handbook*, "forgery, alteration or misuse of University documents, records or identification, or knowingly furnishing false information to the University... obstruction or disruption of teaching, research, administration, disciplinary procedures, or other University activities, including its public service functions, or of other authorized activities on University premises," are grounds for disciplinary action.

MacLean was unavailable for comment.

## Houston Wants Barnett

by Thomas J. Kovach  
 reporter

A St. Louis legislator said the University of Missouri Board of Curators must keep Chancellor Marguerite Ross Barnett from taking a position at the University of Houston or they will face a battle with the black caucus, which may attempt to delay certain funding for the state.

Barnett was recommended Friday as president of the University of Houston by a search committee. The Houston regents have not made Barnett an offer, and Barnett has not said if she would take the job.

State Rep. Charles "Quincy" Troupe, D-St. Louis, said that if the board did not make an acceptable counter-offer and Barnett left, UM—St. Louis would suffer.

"She's a jewel and a one-of-a-kind. If they [the board] didn't make the same effort, we would have some very severe problems," he said. "The curators have not invited the black caucus at any level, and that is what we find most disturbing."

State Rep. Neil Molloy, D-Pasadena Park, said, "It would be a real disaster to lose her." Molloy's district includes all of the UM—St. Louis campus.

Larry Wines, president of the UM—St. Louis Alumni Association, said the black caucus plans to retaliate against the board if a counter-offer is not made or not reasonable.

"The black caucus will put their feet to the fire," Wines said. "They will filibuster appropriation bills and hold things up in committees."

Wines questioned the intentions of the board to keep Barnett at UM—St. Louis.

"Publicly, I believe they will take an aggressive stance to keep her. The resentment is there because of Marguerite. She has been full steam ahead, and there has been some resentment toward that," he added.

Barnett currently makes \$104,700 a year. The last President at the University of Houston, Richard Van Horn, earned \$133,000 a year. Van Horn is now president at the University of Oklahoma.

Troupe credits Barnett with attracting substantial numbers of minority students to the UM—St. Louis campus. was critical of Arnold B. Grobman, Barnett's predecessor, not recruiting enough black students. After Barnett arrived at UM—St. Louis in 1986, she has "played a pivotal part in the raising enrollment. These things have not been done in the past. The woman has a vision on how to do things."

He also criticized the way University of Missouri—Columbia's Chancellor Haskell Monroe was given a pay raise by the curators, but none was offered to Barnett as an immediate counter-offer.

In February, Monroe was a finalist for the presidency position at the University of Arkansas. The day after Monroe withdrew his name from consideration, the curators approved a \$24,000 housing allowance and a \$10,000 pay increase.

Monroe stated that he withdrew his name for the Arkansas position before learning that he would get the housing and pay increases.

Troupe added the black caucus will be meeting later this week with Senate Majority Leader J.B. "Jet" Banks and Sen. John Bass, both St. Louis Democrats, to discuss how the board should keep Barnett here.

The President of the board of curators, Dr. Eva L. Frazer, said the board "will do what we can to try to retain" Barnett.

"I don't know when an offer would be made," she said.

C. Peter Magrath, president of the University of Missouri system, told the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*, "In no case

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## Matteucci Sidelines Conduct Code

by Kiril Dickinson  
 news editor

Student Representative to the Board of Curators Paul Matteucci derailed an attempt by the UM—St. Louis Senate to approve a controversial proposed revision of the conduct code at a Senate meeting April 24.

Discussion of the revision was presided over by Dr. Vicki Sauter, who chairs the ad hoc committee formed last fall to revise the conduct code. That committee had already seen its previous drafts shot down by the Senate over clauses that Matteucci and the American Civil Liberties Union, who Matteucci had consulted, claimed were unconstitutional.

Sauter explained to the assembled senators that the language of the document had been clarified, and that the clauses of questionable legality had been removed.

"In terms of students' rights, [the new revision] is a better document," she said.

But the entire tone of the discussion changed when Matteucci questioned a clause in the new document regarding the right of complainants to appeal the levity of a punishment given out to a guilty party.

He mentioned that though many of his previous concerns had been met, this clause would make it possible to abuse the process of student justice.

Under the new revised proposed code, it would be possible to file charges against a student, and if the student pleaded guilty and was punished, to appeal the punishment if the person filing charges didn't think it was severe enough.

Matteucci said that such a process would make it easy to seriously harm students' careers by enabling plaintiffs to hold them in academic limbo for an extended period of time.

But some of the faculty senators maintained that plaintiffs need some recourse if guilty students are not punished severely enough.

One teacher recounted incidents in which violence was threatened against him or other students, and the offender was not taken out of the class. He said that in cases like those, there should be the right to appeal the punishment to get disruptive students out of class.

Sauter and several of her fellow committee members defended the revision, claiming that it was written with "special emphasis on victims' rights."

But Vice-Chancellor for Student Affairs Lowe "Sandy" MacLean spoke against the proposed clause, saying it "would create a whole new class of victims." He said the new system could easily be abused.

Sauter suggested that the possibility of appealing light punishments was necessary as a "safety valve," to let plaintiffs feel as though there is some recourse from a light punishment. She said that without that possibility, teachers might resort to taking punishment into their own hands, like sabotaging an offensive student's grade.

Steve Meinhold, chair of the Senate Student Affairs Committee, expressed concern that "the faculty apparently seem willing to punish students in other ways."

Matteucci said that he had shown the clause to student leaders on the other state campuses and that they had all promised to oppose the revision.

"This clause exists in no other conduct code in the country," protested Matteucci.

"We're innovative, Paul," countered Sauter.

Matteucci continued, saying, "But there must be some reason why it's not in any other code."

Meinhold also mentioned that punishment should be kept at the administrative level, since the administration would most likely have the least bias regarding a particular case.

One faculty senator questioned the whole appeals process. "The committee has not given us a complete document," he castigated Sauter. "It doesn't even tell us who would be on the disciplinary committee that received the appeals."

The senator said that it would be better to change the clause and eliminate the controversial parts rather than bog down discussion over a redundant appeal to an "ill-defined, nebulous body."

Matteucci asked if it was proper for Sauter to preside over discussion of the proposal since her committee had written it. He was called out of order.

Matteucci presented an amendment to the revision that would have eliminated the right of a plaintiff to ap-

peal the disposition of cases. The amendment was voted down.

When Sauter moved for a vote on the revision of the conduct code, Matteucci called for a quorum call. Quorum is the minimum number of representatives necessary to conduct official business.

He was told that quorum had already been recognized, but when he called for a head count, the Senate was found to be eleven senators short of a quorum.

Since no binding official business could be conducted, the meeting was then adjourned.

Matteucci vowed to continue to fight the conduct code revision. "I'm committed to killing this [revision]," he said.

Meinhold told editors of the *Current* and the UM-Columbia *Maneater* April

## Parking Problems Prompt Tickets

by Michelle McMurray  
 associate photo editor

Parking tickets have been a major complaint of UM—St. Louis students and faculty.

All officers, sergeants, emergency drivers, and in some cases the student patrol have the authority to issue parking tickets.

The number of tickets a day can be anywhere from 120 to 160 a day, said Lyda Ward, administrative associate for the UM—St. Louis Police Department.

There are many reasons for the issuance of tickets including parking in the wrong space, overtime of the parking meters, parking in the handicap spaces, and not having the parking sticker permanently affixed. A common complaint of students is getting a ticket for the sticker being taped to the window. Ward said the reason is so stickers are not stolen.

As of February 1990, the number of tickets issued is 3,813.

Sergeant James Smalley said between 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. there are between 6,000 and 7,000 cars on this campus. "We have to have enforcement of the parking regulations. Part of the officer's responsibility is to enforce the regulations. If the officer does not enforce the rules, he or she is counseled. Ways to see if the officer is following procedure is to check their area of assignment and check the daily log sheet of duties. That aspect of the job is impor-

tant, but we have lots of other things to do besides issue tickets." Smalley added that faculty have called to complain, counting the number of students who were parked in their spaces.

Smalley said police are not under any kind of quota to issue tickets.

The consequences of an employee of the university who does not pay, is to forward the ticket to payroll with a warning sent to the employee. If there is no response the fine is deducted from their pay. For students a statement is sent. If it is ignored the student does not get grades or diploma and is not permitted to register for classes.

For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1989, the revenue collected was approximately \$10,000 to \$12,000, said Larry Schlereth, Vice Chancellor for Administrative Services. The money from the parking tickets goes into a parking lot budget for the upkeep of parking lots and garages. The money is also used for vehicle drivers who assist people with car trouble, snow removal, salt, and the student patrol. The money that everyone pays for the parking stickers goes into the same budget. Schlereth said.

The money that was borrowed to rehabilitate the parking garages was about \$2.7 million and has to be paid over the next ten years.

Schlereth has recommended a parking

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A UM St. Louis police officer takes time out from eating donuts at Quick Trip to give a ticket to some poor slob.

## Thursday 26

•The social work department will hold its annual alumni reception at 5:30 p.m. in the Alumni Center, 7956 Natural Bridge Road. Call 553-6385.

## Friday 27

•The administration of justice department will hold its annual alumni reception at 7 p.m. in the Alumni center, 7956 Natural Bridge Road. Call 553-6240.



## Friday May 4

•The Department of Modern Foreign Languages and Literatures will hold its annual alumni reception at 4 p.m. in the Alumni Center, 7956 Natural Bridge Road. Call 553-6243.

## Saturday 5



•Premiere Performances presents Packer and Bridgeman at 8 p.m. in the J.C. Penney auditorium. The dance duo presents a witty and sensitive commentary on the human condition. For more information call 553-5818.

## Chancellor

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do I get into discussions about what was done and what will be done. I think it's very clear that we want to persuade her not to go further south and to stay here." Kenneth Lay, chair of the board of regents, said that Barnett is "an impressive leader," but he would have like to see more alternatives for the position.

The other two candidates, John Ryan and Rodroc Park, withdrew, citing personal reasons.

Ryan was the former president of Indiana University at Bloomington and is a professor emeritus there. Park is the president of the University of California at Berkeley.  
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Barnett has already interviewed for presidential positions at the Universities of Florida and Delaware in November and December of 1989, respectively.

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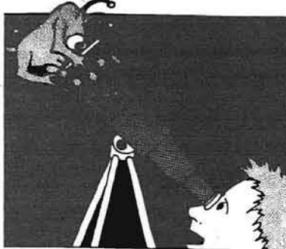
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## Sunday 6

•Eye Spy. The UM—St. Louis Observatory will hold an open house at 7 p.m. at 7804 Natural Bridge Road. Those attending can view the planets and the first-quarter moon through a 14-inch Celestron telescope. The Observatory will feature a monthly open house through October. Dates for the open houses are: June 2, June 30, July 30, Aug. 25, Sept. 22 and Oct. 27. For more information call 553-5706.



## Friday 11

•Premiere Performances presents an "Artists' Choice Concert" at 4 p.m. at The Ethical Society, 9001 Clayton Road. International artists in a varied program, including the premiere of Michael Cave's dramatic aria "Renaissance," for soprano Lester Senter, with piano, violin, viola and cello. For more information call 553-5818

## Saturday 12



•Walk On. The AIDS Foundation of St. Louis and The Junior League of St. Louis are sponsoring a pledge walk in Forest Park to benefit AIDS care and education. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. For more information call 721-2445.

## Sunday 13

•Caps And Gowns. UM—St. Louis will hold its spring commencement ceremony at 3 p.m. in Kiel Auditorium, 1400 Market St. Call 553-5442.



## Monday 14

•In The Round. Robert Lefton will be the speaker at the UM—St. Louis Alumni Association accountants round table from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Media Club. For more information call 553-5255.



## Wednesday June 6

•The Annual Meeting of the UM—St. Louis Alumni Association will be at 7 p.m. in the J.C. Penney lobby. Call 553-5255.

## Sunday 9



•Drumbeats on the Missouri. The Department of Anthropology and the Office of Minority affairs is sponsoring a Native American Pow Wow from 1:00 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. Admission is free. For more information call 553-5692.

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by Berkeley Breathed

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## One Final Word



### Inside View

by Kevin Kleine  
editor

It seems that every year a few things stand out in the events on campus.

The student conduct code was a slap in the face to students, but it's now dead thanks to the pit-bull like determination of people like Paul Matteucci, the Student Representative to the Board of Curators. The old conduct code could stand a few revisions, but fifteen pages was just a bit overboard. In my opinion, the whole document was anti-student and I'm glad Matteucci has enough courage to call quorum at the University Senate meeting. Matteucci had told me about his tactic long before the meeting and it sounded like a great idea.

The conduct code wasn't the only threat to free speech this year. The Student Activities Budget Committee liked the idea of suppressing any group that didn't fit into their own personal agendas.

The most blatant abuses of their power of the purse are with the *Current* and the University Program Board. Several people on the committee surely had an ax to grind with the *Current* due to controversial articles and columns published over the year.

The committee members asked questions to *Current* officers that had nothing to do with the budget. Committee Chair and Director of University Center, Bob Schmalfeld, reminded the committee that they should stick to topics concerning the budget. They still, however, asked pointed questions like, "What do you do to cover minority affairs?" and "How many papers are left in the stands every week?"

The U.S. Supreme Court has ruled that student governments and school administrations have no right to censor a paper financially due to content or policies of the paper, unless they can prove there was a gross misappropriation of funds.

"Censorship of constitutionally-

protected expression cannot be imposed at a college or university by suspending editors of student newspapers, suppressing circulation, requiring imprimatur of controversial articles, exciting repugnant material, withdrawing financial support or asserting any other form of censorship oversight based on the institution's power of the purse."

The above words came from a U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals Judge in his ruling on *Joyner v. Whiting* in 1973. The actions of the SABC violate several aspects of this ruling. The whole hearing process is merely a political game, played once a year where the losers are the groups that may have ruffled a few feathers during the year.

The winners? There are none because of a faulty system that allows a small group, checked by no one, to manipulate \$300 to suit their own personal vendettas.

It may sound like I'm whining because we didn't get the amount we requested, but how many other organizations are out there that think they got screwed too?

The literary Magazine could probably make a first amendment case out of the juggling done with their funding. The University Program Board has had their budget slashed the last two years.

Groups that provide a service to the campus at large should have priority funding—that's why base funding was created. Base funding was abolished by this year's SABC as a way to distribute funds more fairly.

It seems that the fair way to distribute the funds would be to fund everyone at about the same level they were funded last year, then fund the new groups with the leftovers. That way, \$10,000 cuts here and \$3,000 cuts there would not have been necessary.

Former Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court, Oliver Wendell Holmes once said, "There must be freedom not only for those who agree with us, but freedom for the thought we hate." The SABC ought to take the wisdom of Holmes into account next year when allocating funds.

I challenge newly elected SGA president Alla Pruzhansky to make the system work. Do away with all the petty politics involved in the SABC. Make them accountable to the assembly.

Since this is my last column as editor, I'll come down off my soapbox for a while.

It was a good year for us. We took 10 awards at the Missouri College Newspaper Association awards banquet, improved the quality of our paper and

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## Senate, Committee Actions Criticised

### Oblivion

by Shawn M. Foppe  
managing editor

If Paul Matteucci was a pilot, he would have earned his wings this week. Under great opposition, Matteucci, Student Representative to the Board of Curators forced Vicki Sauter, chair of the ad hoc committee to revise the Student Code of Conduct, and members of the Senate to delay a vote on the proposed Student Code of Conduct.

In what became series of objections, points of information, and protests, the Senate's April 24 meeting resembled a kangaroo court more than the educated, responsible body it is supposed to be.

Chancellor Marguerite Ross Barnett wisely departed the meeting early, distancing herself from the potential bloodbath and maintaining her traditional non-confrontational method of governing.

The hulabaloo began several weeks ago when the Senate Student Affairs Committee demanded a public hearing dealing with the proposed Student Code of Conduct. The hearing was one that Sauter fought against. In a telephone interview she made clear her desire to have no input from the student body as whole. She said that there were two students on the committee meetings, she felt that the students had had their opportunity for input on the code.

That attitude and concern from students caused Steve Meinhold, chairman of the Senate Student Affairs Committee, to demand the hearing, and Matteucci to send copies of the proposed code to ACLU attorneys and the

University's legal counsel in Columbia.

By the time the code reached the full Senate, some changes had occurred but there were still several areas that

students felt were unfair and that many felt would be unconstitutional. Sauter delayed the Senate's vote on April 3 because she knew Matteucci and others would call quorum thus voiding any action on the proposal. The proposal was rescheduled for action at the April 24 meeting.

At the beginning of the meeting, Matteucci passed Sauter a note that informed her that the Senate again did not have quorum. Sauter, disregarding this friendly warning, continued with her plans to have the Senate discuss and vote on the code.

Thomas Jordan, chairman of the Senate, allowed Sauter to chair the discussion on the code. Jordan is in obvious need of a class in parliamentary procedure. Relinquishing control of the meeting to Sauter was at best inappropriate and at worst unethical.

The chair is suppose to be impartial thus insuring that all sides have an adequate opportunity to be heard. Sauter is hardly impartial and many felt that she did not chair the discussion fairly. When Matteucci rose to a point of information about Sauter chairing the discussion and sought to have her removed from the chair, Jordan overruled him.

For close to an hour and a half, Matteucci complained and vehemently objected to various sections of the code. He attempted to add amendments and was turned down. In frustration, Matteucci finally called quorum.

This is where things get messy. Jordan told Matteucci that he (Jordan) was the chair and that he acknowledged that the body had quorum (sort of reminds me of the time, then Secretary of

Defense, Alexander Haig said he was in control of the country). When Matteucci objected, he was overruled. Matteucci held his ground and forced Jordan to take a count, which disclosed that the Senate did not have quorum.

The lack of quorum forced the Senate to adjourn and caused Matteucci to receive a great deal of criticism from faculty members—including David Ganz, interim associate dean of the business school (by the way—exactly how long is Ganz going to be the interim associate dean? Two years is a very long time). Ganz accused Matteucci of acting irresponsibly.

What Ganz and every other faculty member on this campus forgets is that Matteucci was appointed to the Board of Curators by Governor Ashcroft, not the faculty. Matteucci's responsibilities are to the students of the University of Missouri first, the governor second, and the citizens of Missouri third. Nowhere in Matteucci's job description does it say that he is responsible for supporting inane, anti-student proposals on behalf of the faculty. If the governor had wanted if otherwise, I'm sure he would have appointed a faculty member to the board.

What Matteucci has done is admirable and takes great character. In the short time he has been on the Board of Curators, Matteucci has made it clear that he is a leader and willing to take aggressive stands on behalf of students. He is definitely setting a new trend;

previous student representatives to the board have been uninteresting at best and generally served as a token. Matteucci realizes the potential importance of his job and is defining new territory to conquer.

The sad thing about the April 24 Senate meeting was that several academic proposals that required the Senate's approval were never acted

upon. Matteucci is not responsible for that dilemma, though. Sauter knew what was going to happen and should have allowed the academic proposals to be acted on first. The Senate could have dispensed with the "orders for the day," which would have allowed action on other agenda items if Sauter could have withdrawn her proposal (fat chance).

According to the by-laws of the Senate, five members of the Senate (any mixture of students of faculty will do) or the chancellor may call a special meeting of the Senate. Five faculty members have done so and the Senate will meet on May 8. According to Joan Arban, secretary to the Senate, the agenda will pick up where it left off.

Like the proverbial bad seed that she is, Sauter will be there with her gestapo-like tactics and abominable conduct code in hand. If Jordan and other members of the Senate think they can shove this conduct code down the students' throats, have they got a surprise in store. The battle is not over—it hasn't even begun.

If I thought she would accept, I would gladly put up the money for a one way ticket to Beijing. How about it, Dr. Sauter? I hear the weather is wonderful and student rights practically non-existent—just your kind of place.

## Student Curator Fights Conduct Code

by Paul Matteucci

### Guest Commentary

I am writing you with great concern about the UM-St. Louis Senate's proposed revision of the student conduct code. I do not support the proposed code for several reasons including "but not limited to" the following.

First, the committee to recommend changes in the STUDENT code should have at worst been made up of a joint committee of the Student Assembly and the Senate not just a faculty committee with token student representation. The committee never meet with student members and no new members were ever requested from the floor of the Senate. Considering the impact of the committee's decision on all students, far more student input is needed. I wish to point out that no matter when students get involved, they always possess the right to comment on the proposed code. This is the United States not Beijing.

Also the wording continues to disturb me with unprecedented ideas and vague terms. Dr. Vicky Sauter, Chairperson of the Ad-Hoc Committee on the Student

Conduct Code pointed out the proposed code contains "language found in other codes nation wide". The problem with the proposed code is it will combine many national conduct codes into one that the students of the UM System could be stuck with for years to come (the current code is from the late 60's). With terms like harass and intimidate there is still a need further definition. When is bothering someone considered harassment and when does a heated discussion become intimidation? In a document as long as this the committee could have tied many of the loose ends.

Now that I have discussed the proposed conduct code, let me describe the meeting of the Senate. First there were 14 students present, enough for "student quorum" (quorum is 50 percent plus 1 voting members) yet as with all Senate meetings I attended this year faculty attendance was below quorum.

I have insisted and will continue to insist that if this body is intent on passing this conduct code they must turn out quorum at the Senate meeting. A small group of Senators will not make this decision for the University as long as I hold a position. My call for quorum is nothing more than enforcing the rules the body placed on itself. All Senators should respect my right to uphold any and all rules of the Senate.

I realized early in the meeting that the body was not in quorum and informed the "unbiased" chair, Dr. Sauter, in writing of this problem. I hoped she would consider withdrawing her proposal and allow the meeting to progress to some very important business. Dr. Sauter was unwilling to compromise, and upon the defeat of the second amendment I was forced to call for quorum. The business of the meeting was terminated immediately because of a lack of attendance.

My action have been criticized by many faculty members because quorum prevented several new degree programs from passing the Senate. I will not accept full the blame for the problem because of Dr. Sauter and the Senate's inability to allow any compromise.

Governor Ashcroft and the State legislature has seen and acted on the need for students to be represented on the Board of Curators. In February the Governor appointed me to serve him, the students and the state to the best of my abilities. This campus should never expect anything less from me. I am dedicated to students rights and needs in the UM System and am very willing to work for them within the University of Missouri System.

I will work to defeat this proposal every step of the way. This was only the first battle ground. Too bad UM-St. Louis would consider presenting this statewide without the important support of its students. This support may be the key to implementing any new conduct code.

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SONG AND DANCE: Students try their hand at making a music video (left), while others play around on the original giant keyboard from the movie "Big" (Scott Brandt Photo, left, Michelle McMurray photo, above)



Clowning Around: Face painting was popular among the Mirthday attractions. (photo by Fred Appel)



ROLLERBLADES: Rock n' Rollerblades demonstrations made for a good show. Students could try them out too and zip around through the crowd. (photo by Scott Brandt)



LIFE'S A BEACH: The Sand Volleyball Tournament provided plenty of fun for everyone in the center of all the activity. (Scott Brandt photo)



CATCH: Jugglers added to the carnival atmosphere at Mirthday last week. (Photo by Scott Brandt)

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# Students Battle Tuition Hikes

**CPS** - Tired of yearly tuition hikes, students on a wide variety of campuses have begun protesting price hikes in recent weeks.

In marked contrast to the relative silence that greeted most of the tuition increases announced annually during the past decade, students at Pacific Lutheran, Arizona State, Syracuse, and Rutgers universities, City University of New York, and the universities of Miami, Michigan, and Massachusetts, to name a few, have protested the hikes.

On April 11, for example, 3,000 University of Rhode Island students booed Gov. Edward DiPrete as he tried to explain why he was cutting state funding to URI by \$9 million, thus forcing another 9 percent tuition jump for next year.

More ominously, a group called STRIKE (Students Rebuilding for Knowledge and Education) claimed to have caused an April 7 firebombing that wrecked the office of Wesleyan University President William Chace. In April 11 letter, the group said it hoped to put a "premium on thinking and learning, as opposed to politics and earning."

A few days after that, activists met at Oberlin College in Ohio to try to fashion a national effort to slow down tuition increases everywhere.

"Just one school can't buck the trend," said Robin Templeton, a member of the group that sponsored the April 13-15 Conference on Educational Access and Equality at Oberlin. She and others at the conference hoped that the sheer strength in numbers from the coalition would force administrators and legislators to notice students' growing financial hardships.

"I used to see tuition increased, as inevitable, but it has reached the point where it has become ridiculous," said organizer Eric Haag, a student at Oberlin.

"People used to assume that if tuition increased, then financial aid would too, so it was no big deal when tuition went up," he added.

That attitude changed when Oberlin announced a 9 percent tuition increase for the 1990-91 year — to \$22,076 — and a freeze on the portion of the student body that could receive financial aid at 41 percent. As a result, a number of otherwise qualified students won't be able to afford to continue at the small private college.

"Universities don't raise [tuition] just to raise it," said Sharon Coomes, who works in the budget and finance office at the University of Nevada Las Vegas. "We try to depend on legislative funds, which are never enough."

Arthur Hauptman, who co-authored a tuition report for the American Council on Education and the College Board, concurred. "Schools aren't going out and raising prices just for the hell of it," he said.

Carol Frances, an economist commissioned by the American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU) to write a study called "What Factors Affect College Tuition," says tuition is increased only to balance a school's budget.

"When other sources of revenue increase at rates slower than the rates of increase in costs, colleges require students to pay a large share of the costs of education," she said.

Campuses, Frances explained, can get money from just a few sources: federal and state appropriations, research grants and contracts, private donations, earnings from endowment funds, auxiliary sales (such as bookstores) and, of course, students (in the form of tuition).

Ironically, student resistance is growing at a time when tuition supposedly is rising at the slowest rate in years. In January, Frances predicted tuition nationwide would go up 6 to 8 percent, in contrast to the annual 10 percent annual jumps of the mid-eighties.

During February, March and April, however, individual schools' announcements of their prices for 1990-91 often have represented even bigger increases than predicted in Frances' report.

The same day Rhode Island students were booing their governor, for instance, Fairfield University in neighboring Connecticut unveiled a 13 percent price hike for next year.

Other students facing increases bigger than expected include those at the universities of Oklahoma (12.5 percent) and Miami (9.4 percent), Youngstown State (9.4 percent) and Crieghton (11 percent) universities, and Gettysburg (10.7 percent) and Hope (9.2 percent) colleges.

It was in response to such announcements that students went to Oberlin to try to start a national price resistance movement.

Julianne Marley, president of the United States Student Association (USSA), along with Leonard Minsky, executive director of the National Coalition for Universities in the Public Interest (NCUPI), gave the opening speech on "Race, Class and Gender in Higher Education."

"These institutions have dived into a corporate vat...they're greedy," Minsky told the students.

"Education is a right," Marley maintained, calling for students at different campuses to cooperate in fighting tuition increases and cuts in aid.

Just 10 years ago, Marley noted, 80 percent of financial aid was granted to students, meaning they would not have to repay it. Today, less than 40 percent is granted. The rest is loaned.

About 30 students from Howard, Bowling Green and Kent State universities, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and the universities of Ohio and Texas at Austin joined the Oberlin students.

"We're not working to build just one organization, but a movement where all the groups can get involved," said NCUPI's Rich Cowan.

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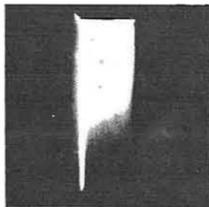
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## Houska Do: Dual Sports, Double Success

**Melissa Green**  
reporter

to do better. Houska has continued to improve and set new records as her college career advances. "From looking at her records, Houska has accomplished a lot in her first three years," said Jeff Kuchno, UM—St. Louis sports information director. Playing two sports, Houska has earned



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The UM—St. Louis Rivermen baseball team captured a spot in the Missouri Intercollegiate Athletic Association Tournament by defeating the Southeast Missouri State 8-4 in Carbondale Ill. in a one-game playoff Wednesday.

With the victory, the Rivermen (25-12) will play Northwest Missouri State in Maryville Mo. at 12:30 p.m. Friday. The tournament lasts until Sunday.

Wednesday's game was crucial for both teams. The winner advanced to the tourney, while the loser was eliminated from post-season play.

Brad Moore started for the Rivermen, and improved his record to 4-3 by pitching nine innings and scattering 11 hits.

In the game, Riverman Craig Porter set a new record for most RBIs in a season. Porter's two hits and three RBIs against Southeast Missouri broke Mike Stellern's record of 49 RBIs in 1982.

The Rivermen are currently ranked 20th in the NCAA Division II.

ed recognition as a determined and talented team leader.

In softball, she led the Riverwomen with the most doubles (13) with 13 in 1990 as well as the doubles in a career (23). She also led her team in hits with 55 in 1989.

Amid all the great statistics, problems arose this season within the team.

"This year's season was frustrating," Houska remarked. "The problems dealt with how the conference was divided and we played different teams."

Houska has overcome to shine through and save the day. The highlight of her career lead to win in a conference tournament.

"We were playing Northeast Missouri State and losing 1-0 until I stepped up to the plate. The swing came and I hit a home run over the fence. We won 2-1," Houska explained with a smile.

Houska's strength on the team show through to everyone involved with softball.

"Houska's an exciting softball player in action," head softball coach Harold Brumbaugh said, "She can make a game for you offensively and break an opponent with her defense."

Softball has been a strong focus in Houska's life for many years.

"I first got started in sports through my father. He coached baseball and was the 'Bat girl,'" Houska recalls, "It perked my interest for all sports."

Through her teens, softball remained one of Houska's favorite sports. She

played for her high school team in Hermann, Mo.

"My team wasn't that great," Houska stated, "One memory is when I was pitching. I started to wind up and the pitch that resulted was overhand, like a baseball throw. The batter looked at the ball as it flew by and then I burst out laughing."

Houska's memory brings to mind the relaxed attitude of softball, unlike that of basketball. The pressure and attitude is more intense.

Houska came to UM—St. Louis to play basketball, but decided to venture out into other sports in college as she had in high school.

Outstanding in basketball and softball, Houska was a leader for her team. She led the team with 151 steals and 465 assists, which also tops the MIAA records.

"Houska has leadership qualities," head basketball coach Bobbi Morse said, "I felt she put a coach on the floor as well as the bench this past season."

Houska's basketball highlights and leadership started in high school. She led her team to the championship her senior year.

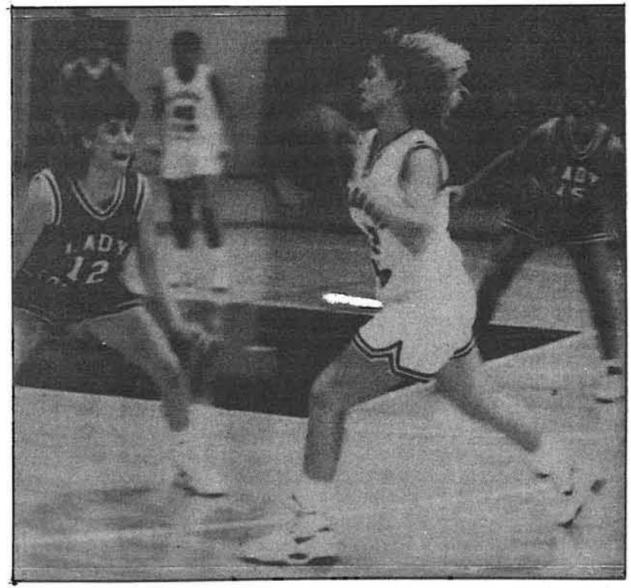
In the last seven seconds of the game Houska saved the day by making the winning basket. A big inspiration was the movie *Hoosiers*. Her coach had shown the team this movie that had a similar ending.

The story book ending of her high school career instilled feelings and emo-

tions that helped to direct her future career.

When faced with such accomplishments in two sports, how could anyone choose one word to describe themselves. Houska chose two:

"I am *talented* in my abilities," Houska said, "But my whole attitude towards sports is *competitive*. Losing is part of the game and it builds character, but I prefer winning because I love the challenge."



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## Rivermen Recruit 6'1" Guard

by **Melissa Green**  
reporter

The UM—St. Louis basketball team will be receiving a new member next year.

Leon Kynard, a junior from the College of the Redwoods in Eureka Cal., has signed a letter of intent to attend UM—St. Louis and play basketball for the Rivermen.

Kynard, a 6'1" guard, was the "Player of the year" in the Golden Valley Conference this past season. He averaged 24.2 points and 8.2 rebounds for his team.

He was named to the California Junior College All-Star team and scored 16 points in the All-Star game.

"We hope Kynard will be an impact player for us," Meckfessel said. "He gives

us speed and quickness in the backcourt."

Kynard averaged 22.8 points and 6.6 rebounds in his freshman year.

"He is a strong athlete that we can

use in a three-guard offense next season in certain situations," Meckfessel said, "We've got Chris Pilz, Barry Graskewicz and Steve Roder coming back, so we should be pretty strong there."

## Losing Streak Broken

by **Panee Schopp**  
reporter

The UM—St. Louis women's tennis team ended a five-match losing streak on Monday with a victory over Westminster that upped their record to 6-7.

Julie Johnson, Anna Poole, Jenni Dickherber, and Stephanie Hahn were the singles play winners, while the doubles teams of Johnson-Poole, Shelly VanMierlo-Christy Tomlinson, and Dickherber-Hahn also won.

On April 18, the Riverwomen lost for the second time to William Woods. Stephanie Hahn was the lone winner during the match winning a three-set decision and improving her singles record to 4-3.

The matches were played without the help of the top three players due to a rash of injuries that has plagued the UM—St. Louis Women's tennis team.

Number one singles player, Peggy FitzGibbon sprained her knee early in April after already having surgery before the season started. The result was not as serious as everyone thought, but it happened late in the season. Therefore, FitzGibbon does not have enough recovery time to be in competition.

Number two singles player, Nancy Sedej tore cartilage in her knee while practicing. This happened just two days after FitzGibbon's knee injury.

The team has also, "lost her services for the season," said coach Pam

Steinmetz.

Number three player, Shelly Van Mierlo moved up to number one position after the two top women were injured. She then suffered shin splints, which is inflammation of the tendons that run up the front of the legs. They are not serious enough to keep Van Mierlo out of action, but she was advised to play only as long as she can stand the pain.

"After the season," Steinmetz said, "she'll give them a long needed rest."

The three injuries have had a negative affect on the team because everyone had to move up in position to cover the ones that aren't filled.

"This is a tough challenge for most of the players," Steinmetz said.

The new number two player is Julie Johnson. Steinmetz said she has made great accomplishments in this high position.

On April 27 and 28 there is a conference tournament at Lake of the Ozarks.

"With the injuries," Steinmetz said, "it is not realistic to hope to come out in high places. We had high expectations, before injuries, to be one of the top teams in conference."

The team just hopes to finish in the middle of the pack. To do that, they need strong performances from players 1-6. They hope to beat Missouri Western, Missouri Southern, and Central Missouri State University.



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## Softball Ends Season 20-15

by **Melissa Green**  
reporter

The UM—St. Louis softball squad finished the season with the record of 20-15 after a doubleheader on April 23.

The Riverwomen lost both games to Southern Illinois-Edwardsville 5-1 and 4-2.

In another pair of games on April 19, the Riverwomen recorded losses to UM—Rolla 3-0 and Southeast Missouri State 7-4 that ended the Riverwomen's chances of any post-season play.

The Riverwomen played conference rivals in a tripleheader in Joplin Mo on April 17. The Riverwomen lost to Southern Baptist 5-1 in the opener, but came back to win over Missouri Southern 4-1 and Pittsburg State 8-5.

"We had some unfortunate luck during those last games," head coach Harold Brumbaugh said.

The Riverwomen played the games with only nine players due to an injury to shortstop Kim Cooper and disciplinary problems with two members of the team.

The Riverwomen faced St. Louis University in a doubleheader on April 7.

The Riverwomen won over SLU 6-2 in eight innings in the opener and 3-1 in the nightcap.

Junior outfielder Lisa Houska made

the play of the day in the seventh inning of the first game. Houska made the saving catch then threw out the runner trying to score and sent the game into extra innings.

Houska started the spark within the Riverwomen that led them to send eight batters to the plate, four of which scored the closing runs of the game.

"Houska's an exciting ballplayer to watch," said head coach Harold Brumbaugh. "She can make a game for you offensively and break an opponent with her defense."

In the nightcap, senior pitcher Sandy Hammonds pitched her 21st complete game of the season while improving her record to 15-9. Hammonds has pitched in every UM—St. Louis game this season.

"If Sandy can keep her strength and intensity up for the rest of the season, we will be successful," Brumbaugh stated.

Sophomore Kellie Leach showed offensive leadership with two hits, two stolen bases and two runs. Her batting average was improved to .426.

The hitting star of the day was sophomore infielder Heather McNeil with five hits, a triple and two runs scored. McNeil has 12 hits in her last seven games, with an improvement in her batting average from .308 to .392.

## Cardinals Need To Trade Someone

### Roo's Roost

by **Mike Van Roo**  
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Well, 13 games into the 1990 season, the baseball Cardinals find themselves all alone and in last place (5-8 through 4/22) in the National League East.

No reason to push the panic button now, right? Well maybe...So far the Cardinals have shown very little consistency in their "baker's dozen" worth of games into this young season.

Other than Willie McGee, who has momentarily silenced his vitriolic critics from the past four years with them waiting for him to return to form like his MVP season of 1985, no starter is batting over .256 (Todd Zeile has that average through this past Sunday's game). But hey, Tony Pena is only batting .395 so far this season. Remember him?

If the Cardinals keep up their 5 win, 8 loss average for every 13 games they play the rest of the season, they would wind up with a 62-100 record. That isn't too likely with Whitey Herzog at the helm.

However, the Cardinals do need to make a trade sometime very soon (One could even be as early as this week, maybe before this story is published?)

On paper as I've stated in this space before, the Cardinals might have the best starting lineup on paper in the division. But that's on a piece of paper. The pitching staff certainly has a big question marks hanging over it, especially since ace reliever Todd Worrell is out till at least July.

Even Herzog concedes that his chief flame thrower could be out longer, or come back pitching well below his expected performance. "How do they know (the operation) was successful until he is back pitching like he was," Herzog says. "It's like a man in a coffin with a coat and tie on, and people stop and say, 'Doesn't he look good?' Good? Hell, he's dead."

John Tudor so far has pitched to a brilliant 2-0 mark going into Monday night's home game with Pittsburgh. His ERA is 0.00, and he's only allowed 3 hits in 13 innings of work. If he could only keep that up the rest of the season!

Joe Magrane is a disappointing 0-2 so far, and really hasn't pitched well since last August. He was practically invisible during last September, when he seemed a shoe-in to finish up winning 22-23

games and probably the Cy Young award for last season. He ended up with no wins in September.

Now with the day-to-day uncertainty of Jose DeLeon, who left Saturday's game with a back injury, that could be a crippling blow to their staff if he should be out for an indefinite period of time.

So it's time for Dal Maxvill to wave his magic wand and come up with a decent pitcher in exchange for one of their overload of outfielders. I say it'll probably be Milt Thompson. As valuable as he was for the Cardinals last season, it seems like the Birds are sticking with Vince Coleman.

And I don't think they'd be too smart to part with Tom Brunansky, their only viable home run threat other than Pedro Guerrero. So it looks like Thompson will probably be dealt, if it's to a National League team. However, Brunansky could command a better player in return, e.g., a starting pitcher if he was dealt away. Especially to an American League team that could use him as the D.H.

So it'll be interesting to see what Dal Maxvill can come up with this time. He has made some good trades over the past few years. Despite his so-so popularity here in baseball heaven, he

did pick up players like Guerrero, Brunansky, Thompson, etc.

With the Cardinals departing for that lost baseball oasis of success, namely their dreaded trip out to the West Coast at the end of this week, a disastrous trek out there this early in the season could really bury them in a hole for the rest of the season.

But since no team is running away with the division like the Mets did in '86, there could be a real dogfight in the National League East this season. Unlike season's past, when they had one of the best divisions in baseball, this year they could call it the National League "Least."

No team appears overpowering at this point. But hey, it's a long season. So hopefully all the wrongs about the Cardinals now will be righted out as the campaign progresses. If not, it could be a long, hot, uncomfortable season down at the old ballpark.

Nothing worse in St. Louis during a hot summer, is a non-competitive team. Hopefully the temperatures down on the astroturf won't exceed the fans-in-the-stands boiling point's of disappointments over the Cardinals play. If they do, it could certainly be a long summer of discontent.

# Editor

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had fun doing it in spite of all the headaches that come with running a newspaper.

Last year's Editor, Paul Thompson, told me that my term as editor would be the greatest experience and the biggest hassle I've ever had. I offer that same advice to Laura Berardino, next year's editor. Laura kept us entertained on the features page, but now she has to crack the whip from the captains chair. Laura was an indispensable part of the staff this year and I hope her staff next year is larger so she can have the time to shape the paper the way she wants.

Shawn Foppe has been controversial at times, but where would I have gotten enough letters to the editor to fill my page without his keen sense of how to get under someone's skin. I let Shawn do my dirty work on the staff this year enforcing deadlines and yelling at the staff instead of myself. Thanks Shawn, you make me look like a nice guy instead of the evil one behind your ranting and raving in the office.

Mohammed Faisal Malik kept all the numbers straight for me this year. Although the numbers looked a little

grim at times, the business department came through with good sales this year. Moving Greg Albers to the business office was a good move for him because he loves money. He should be happy crunching numbers for us next year.

In Advertising, Felicia Swiener amazed me. She took on the job of constructing all the ads and became only the third person on our staff to understand how our computer system works.

Copy editors Laura Eichhorst and David Workman (affectionately known as Workbench) tried to rid us of those nasty little typos all year. Thanks for keeping us in check and putting up the chronic procrastination of our writers.

We had a game of musical chairs with the rest of the editors this year. Schedule conflicts with internships forced the news editor and sports editor positions to be shuffled around.

Tom Kovach started out as news editor and did a fine job facing the problems of a small reporting staff and the pressures of the job. Barb Braun brought us the "nice news" before retreating to the world of P.R. land in Woods Hall. Then there is the current news editor, Kiril Dickinson. Let's just

say that he made life a little more surreal.

The sports department had its ups and downs when Mike Van Roo left for an internship midway through the year. He still, however, managed to crank out the copy and keep an active hand in the production of the paper. David Barnes was thrust into the sports editor position with little experience, but a great deal of drive on his part made the sports section the most improved part of the paper.

Don't worry about me, I'll be back next year. I'll always get my two cents worth in.

If I've forgotten anyone, well, you know who you are and thanks for helping out. Special thanks go out to reporters who recently joined the staff: K.C. Clarke, Brad Touchette and Melissa Green. Stick around and you guys could be somebody at the top of this newspaper.

The best advice I can give anyone attending this school is to work for the *Current*. You really get to know the campus and you'll make great new friends; I have.

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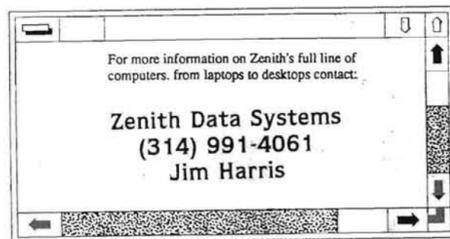
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