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Students Get Active On Environment

Zoan Mackabee reporter

UM-St. Louis is among a number of campuses around the country pushing environmental concerns to the forefront of national attention.

The Biological Society of UM-St. Louis has been an active student organization on campus for 23 years, but it was not until last year that the club began taking an activist stance on environmental issues.

Last October, the Society held their first major campus event, Rainforest Night. Although this was the first major event of this type that the Biology Society had ever organized, over 200 people attended to educate themselves on the plight of rainforests being ravaged by ranchers, farmers, and developers, as well as to show support for attempts to preserve these endangered jungle woodlands.

Fresh on the heels of that success, the Biological Society is now working to establish April 22 as Earth Day, to be dedicated to educating the campus community about the environment; that, and making the campus "environmentally sound" are the club's two main objectives.

According to the Society, Earth Day, which includes a demonstration in Forest Park to express environmental concern, "represents action toward education of all citizens to the environmental impact of their personal, professional and civic actions. The combined efforts of the global community are essential to our success."

Millions worldwide participate in the annual event.

On Feb. 12, the Biological Society presented a resolution to the Student

Government Association (SGA). The resolution, in which SGA proclaims April 22 to be Earth Day and pledges "to work towards an environmentally responsible campus community and to support campus activities leading up to Earth Day," was unanimously passed.

The first of the pre-Earth Day activities, however, has hit a snag. On March 22, the Biology Club planned to begin a month-long countdown to Earth Day with a picnic around Bugg Lake to be followed by the raising of the Global Flag near Woods Hall. The Global Flag portrays the earth as if viewed from space and signifies environmental awareness.

For now, that plan is on hold, since the administration has denied permission for the Biology Society to raise the flag.

By way of explanation, Vice-Chancellor for Student Affairs Sandy MacLean offered, "There's evidently some rules about putting up flag poles...I'm working on that." He also predicted that the Global Flag raising would eventually be allowed after the issue was more carefully studied.

If permitted, the Global Flag will fly as a symbol of world environmental consciousness from March 22 until April 27.

But this is only part of a nationwide, largely unorganized student movement to raise public awareness of environmental concerns.

Two new studies indicate that college students of the nineties are more concerned about the environment and are more willing to take action over environmental issues.

Today's generation of college students, often maligned as materialistic and socially disconnected, are actually deeply concerned about the environ-

ment, according to an opinion survey commissioned by the National Wildlife Federation (NWF), an environmentalist group based in Washington, D.C.

Ninety-five percent of students surveyed for NWF agreed that Congress should pass tougher laws to protect the environment, and ninety-four percent said they were willing to pay more for products that are environmentally safe.

The environmental impact of these contributions, however, might be negligible, unless students change their attitudes about something else: voting. Among the population of the United States aged 21-24, only about a quarter vote in congressional elections. Among students aged 18 to 20, that number drops to twenty percent.

Another survey conducted by the American Council on Education (ACE) of more than 200,000 entering college freshmen found that students today are more prone to take to the street than their predecessors, and that students are most concerned about the environment.

This year, a record number of freshmen—36.7 percent—said they had participated in an organized political demonstration during their senior year in high school.

Alexander Astin, the University of California at Los Angeles professor who has directed the annual study since 1966 during the heyday of student activism, noted that this year's freshmen are the most politically active ever. An all-time high percentage of them, 6.3 percent, thought there was a "very good chance" they'd join a demonstration of some kind while they were in college.

The study also found the environment to be a major concern; for the fifth consecutive year, the number of freshmen agreeing that "the federal government

is not doing enough to control environmental pollution" increased.

"These trends," said Astin, "show not only that most students want more governmental action in the environmental field, but that increasing numbers of them are willing to become personally involved in the effort."

Students have already begun to get involved. In October, students from more than 250 campuses invaded the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in hopes of starting a national environmental movement.

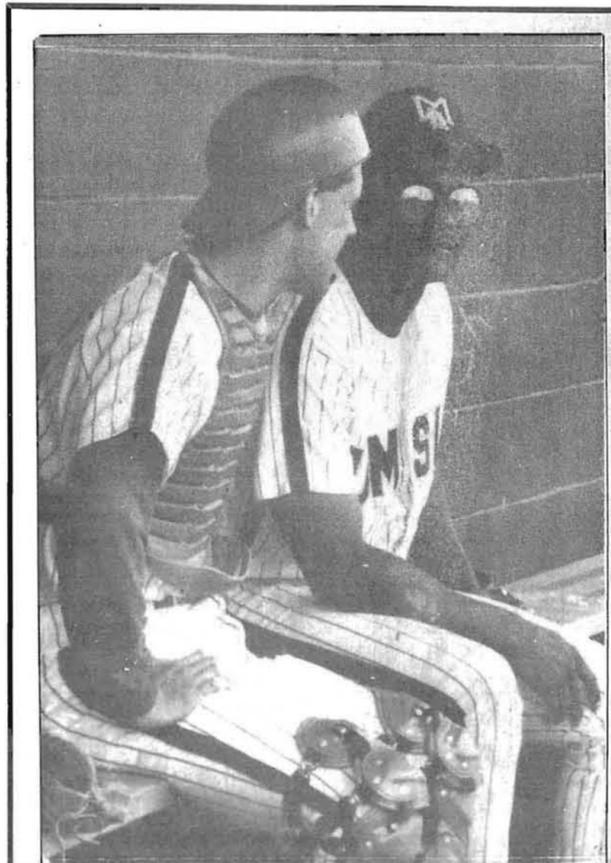
But perhaps the efforts with the greatest impact will be less visible. According to the NWF study, 80 percent believe that "all of us" have primary responsibility for protecting the environment, with only 24 percent laying responsibility on the doorstep of the federal government.

On this campus, the Biological Society is doing their share, accepting donations toward the Missouri Streams Act and preparing an audit of the environmental soundness of UM-St. Louis, to be released April 3.

The Society also recycles aluminum cans on campus; among the festivities leading to Earth Day will be Recycle Day, on April 12.

Earth Day itself will be celebrated April 22 with a demonstration in Forest Park. The first Earth Day took place in 1970, when 20 million people around the globe demonstrated in favor of environmental concerns. The Biological Society credits the first Earth Day with being the catharsis for the Clean Air and Water Acts, as well as the establishment of the Environmental Protection Agency.

According to the resolution submitted to SGA recognizing Earth Day, "students were at the core of that event."



NO LOCKOUT HERE: Baseball season is alive and well with the rivermen making a good start in the season. Two players take a break from the action in last Tuesday's game. The team Batting Average is at it's all-time high as the Rivermen provide the one of the only outlets for the baseball junkie during the Major League lockout. (Photo by Michelle McMurray)

Acid Makes A Comeback

Overall drug use dropped by 3 percent since 1988 to 50.9 percent of the nation's students, according to a study for the National Institutes of Health released Feb. 13.

Nevertheless, police have continued to target collegians in their drug probes, arresting at least six students during the first half of February.

Five Georgia Southern College students were arrested Feb. 12 when police seized 168 "hits" of LSD in three separate raids at two GSU dorms and an off-campus apartment complex. A Mount Holyoke student was arrested the same week for allegedly mailing 400 doses of LSD to a police informant.

LSD, in fact, is one of the few drugs that has grown in popularity among high school students, the study found. For the first time since the annual survey began in 1975, the drug's popularity did not decrease.

In 1975, a record 11.3 percent of the students reported using LSD. Since then, use steadily decreased until 1989, when the number of seniors admitting they have used LSD rose 0.6 percent to 8.3 percent.

Tuition Costs Up Yet Another Time

(CPS)—One by one, college administrations are announcing tuition hikes for next school year that, once again, promise to make the price of education rise faster than prices for any other kind of good or service.

While the general inflation rate hovers around 4.5 percent, officials at the universities of Miami and Chicago, and Rutgers, Stanford, Central Michigan, Loyola and Duke universities, among others, announced in February they were raising tuition by 5.5 percent to 11 percent next year.

Two-year college students don't seem much better off. Southeast Community College in Lincoln, Neb., for example, will raise prices 6.5 percent in 1990-91.

Though it's still too early to compute a national average for 1990-91 increases, most students can expect jumps ranging from 5 percent to 9 percent if the trend established in February continues.

Tuition has risen faster than the inflation rate during each of the past nine years.

For 1989-90, tuition at four-year public campuses rose 7 percent, to an average \$1,694 per term, the College Board reports. It rose by 9 percent, to

an average \$8,737, at four-year private campuses.

Students at public two-year schools fared a little better. Their tuition increased an average of 5 percent, to \$842. Private two-year colleges raised their rates by 7 percent for the 1989-90 school year.

Community and junior colleges "try real hard to stay at or below the rate of inflation," said Judy Tomczak of the American Association of Community and Junior Colleges.

Most students, however, complain that the price has gone up too far, too fast.

By the time she graduates, first-year Wesleyan University student Susan Chun figures she'll be paying 25 percent more than she is now for tuition, room and board, books and personal expenses.

Chun now pays about \$20,000. If rates continue increasing by 7 percent every year, she will probably need \$25,000 for her senior year in 1993.

"That's a hell of a lot of money," Chun said. "An education shouldn't be such a financial burden."

To protest \$1,000 tuition hikes for out-of-staters, Arizona University (ASU)

students took over the Student Services building for 55 hours Feb. 21 through Feb. 23.

In-state tuition at ASU, the University of Arizona and Northern Arizona University will go up \$116.

"We aren't getting our money's worth," said John Kierman of ASU's student government, where in-state students now pay \$1,644 and out-of-staters fork over \$5,485 annually.

Despite tuition increases, the 45,000-student campus in Tempe suffers from overcrowded classes underpaid faculty, and too many graduate students teaching, Kierman said.

"I'm having to take classes that I didn't plan on," added Andy Mozingo, a Northern Arizona (NAU) student whose tuition will increase by \$900, or 18.5 percent next year.

The California native said he now has a student loan, a Pell grant and a part-time job. Mozingo is in the Marine Corps Reserve, so he is trying to get a GI Bill grant and is applying for "every scholarship that I see" so that he can continue at NAU.

"I don't think I should have to worry about paying for school. If I have to

work more and try to excel in school, eventually one of them is going to give," he said.

At Syracuse University, the board of trustees approved a 9.94 percent tuition increase that sent tuition, fees, and room an board up to \$11,830, and provoked students into a campuswide protest.

For a week, students boycotted all university facilities—such as the bookstore and food services—where they pay to use or buy products.

"It was very effective in that most students participated," said Mark Root. In the past, he said, students have been apathetic.

Root, a junior, figured his costs have risen 35.38 percent since he enrolled at Syracuse.

"I know a lot of people who have left, or who will be leaving, because of increasing tuition. It's not fair," he said.

A University of New Mexico task force found that, for every \$100 tuition hike, 1.3 percent of the student population will have to leave because of the financial burden.

Using the formula, the task force calculated that about 364 students will

be forced to drop out if UNM proceeds with its plans to raise prices by 7.9 percent for 1990-91.

"If you took the increase in military research funding and funneled it into general education funds, you'd end up with plenty of scholarships to keep tuition increases within the inflation rate," maintained Rich Cowan of the National Coalition for Universities in the Public Interest, a Cambridge, Mass., group that monitors corporate influence on campus expenses.

The perpetual increases will end, he asserts, "when the federal government sees education, as opposed to research, as a priority."

For some lucky students, they have already ended. Lorain County Community College in Elyria, Ohio, probably won't increase tuition for the next year, said Pauline Latkovic, a spokeswoman for the school.

"We're trying to keep school affordable, so we don't raise tuition unless we're really pressed," she said.

Farrakan Speeches Frighten Jews

(CPS)—A tour of college campuses by Nation of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan and his deputies has left some Jewish students, who find Farrakhan's speeches laced with "very frightening" characterizations of Jews as "wicked" and even "blood suckers," dismayed and worried.

On the other hand, campus black student groups, which often sponsor Nation of Islam visits to their schools, tend to shrug off their Jewish classmates' fears of anti-Semitism as ill-founded, misguided, or even as part of a Jewish plot to undermine the black empowerment movement.

"He isn't liked by a lot of whites, but he is highly respected by the black community," said Adriel Alston of the Black Student Alliance at Yale University.

Farrakhan's message, a charismatic call for self-reliance, sobriety and family stability in the black community, typically inspires and energizes black listeners.

The excitement generated by the message seems to lead Farrakhan's campus sponsors to discount or dismiss the fears he awakens in Jewish students.

Needless to say, the leader of the

10,000-member, Chicago-based Nation of Islam—which has won acclaim for its work in rehabilitating drug addicts and convicts and freeing housing developments of predatory drug dealers—denies charges of anti-Semitism.

On Feb. 18, Farrakhan told a Michigan State University (MSU) audience he owes no apology to Jews who might be frightened by his speeches because Jews have "sucked the blood of the black community."

His past comments that Judaism is a "gutter religion" and that the genocidal Adolf Hitler was "a great man" were taken out of context, he told MSU students, and reported by "wicked" Jewish journalists.

At Yale, about 200 students picketed as Farrakhan deputy Abdul Alim Muhammad called deposed Panamanian dictator "a patriot" and charged that Rhode Island Jews were leading slave traders. He said his charge—which University of Rhode Island history Prof. Sharon Strom called a "great exaggeration"—wasn't anti-Semitism, "just history."

"Louis Farrakhan is not an enemy of America, not an enemy of Jews, not an

enemy of white people," said Farrakhan in a February report in the Washington Post. "To say that Louis Farrakhan is anti-Semitic is an unfair characterization of me."

He also said, "I have never had a record of attacking Jews."

"From my point of view that is a farce. His message in the past seven years has included a very strong anti-Semite message," said Mark Finkelstein, executive director of the Hillel Jewish Student Center at MSU.

"I can only conclude that he is so deluded by hate that he doesn't know the difference," added Martin Ross of the Anti-Defamation League, a New York-based group that monitors all kinds of ethnic strife.

Good or not, his appearances have rarely been peaceful. A mix of student groups protests wherever Farrakhan speaks, and often times shouting matches erupt between opposing groups.

"The greatest damage is not in terms of what [Farrakhan] says in his speech," Ross lamented, "but that it polarizes campuses. People begin to see each other as opposing camps rather than people. It takes a long time to heal."



Nation of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan at Northern Illinois: "I have never had a record of attacking Jews." COLLEGE PRESS SERVICE/GINNIE DEVLIN

Thursday March 1

"Choices...Minority Women's Perspective on Equity Issues" will be the focus of a teleconference presented by the Office of Minority Affairs and the Women's Center from noon to 2 p.m. in Room 126 J.C. Penney. For more information, call x 5380 or x5692.

Saturday 3

Basketball. The Rivermen vs. Missouri Western at 7:30 p.m. in the Mark Twain Building. Call x5121.

Sunday 4

Premiere Performances presents The Buswell/Parnas/Luvis Piano Trio at 4 p.m. at The-ensemble combines the exceptional talents of three renowned artists of the violin, cello and piano. Tickets to all concerts are \$12 for the general public, \$8 for students, senior citizens, UM—St. Louis faculty and staff, and Ethical Society members, \$6 for KWMU Studio Set members. Season tickets are also available. Call x5818.

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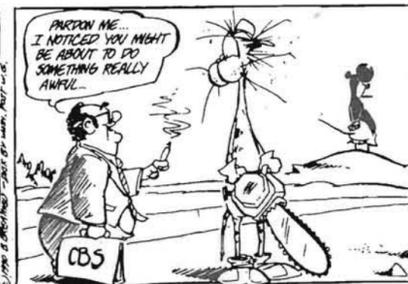
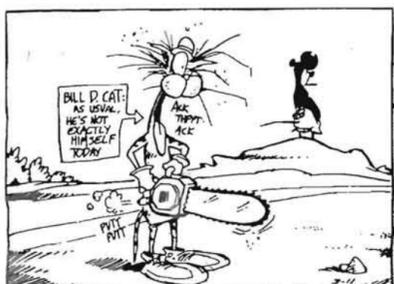
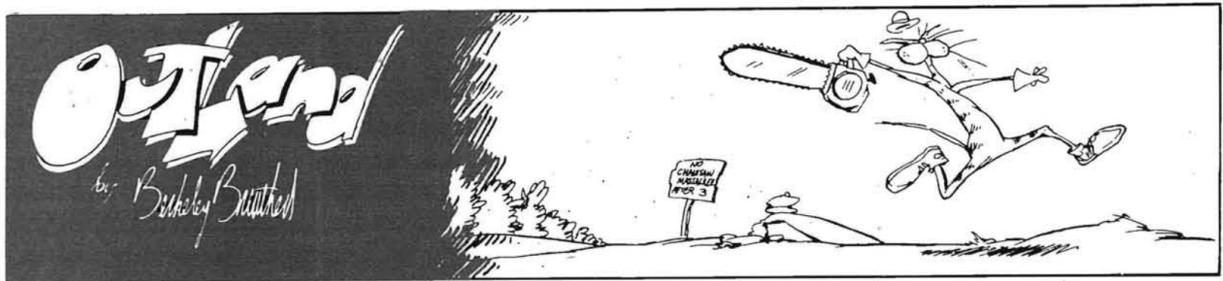
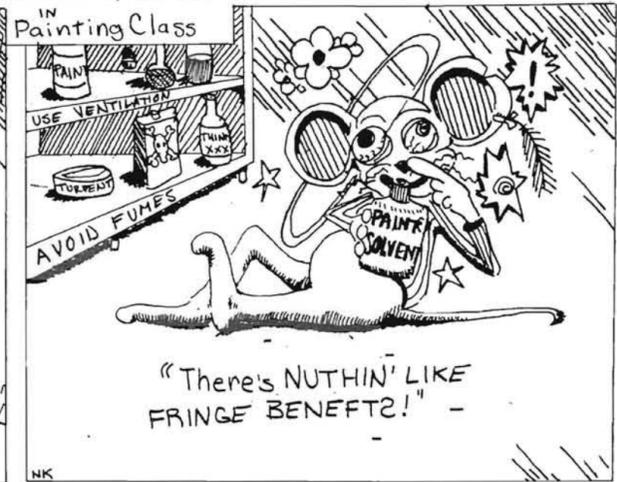
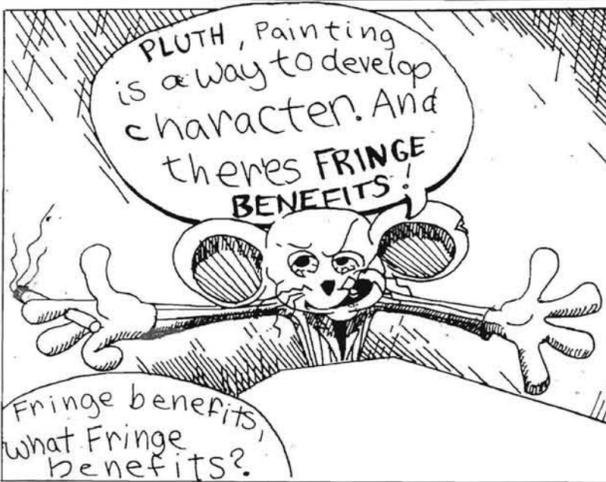
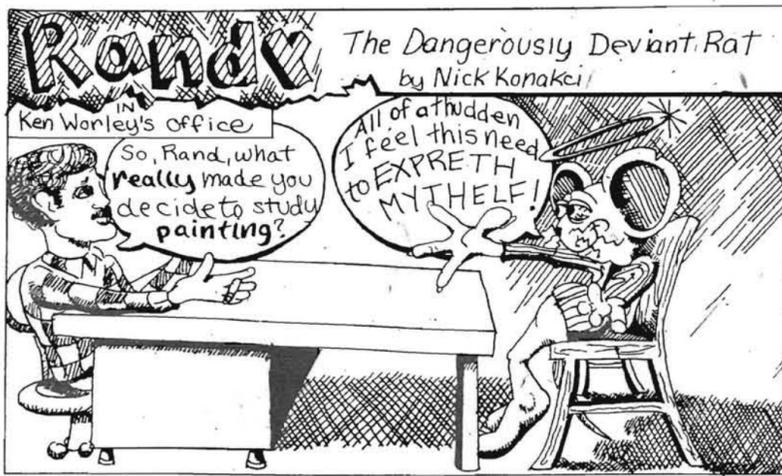
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Read Between The Lines

Censorship Spreading



in California and Michigan recently, but the University of Wisconsin—Madison has similar rules to that of the proposed code at UM—St. Louis.

Even art has been censored. At the School of the Art Institute of Chicago, a display that presented the U.S. Flag on the floor was criticized and closed due to the controversy it created. One major objection, in addition to the photos of a burning flag and other unflattering displays, was that to sign a guest comment list at the exhibit, one had to walk on the flag draped on the floor.

The argument was unfounded, according to my brother who attends the Art Institute. People who wanted to write comments in the book could avoid treading upon the stars and stripes. Don't worry, my brother's not one of them spiky-haired anarchists that we need to censor like some of them other art students.

What gives the government or a group of self-appointed morality police the right to judge what art is acceptable? According to the Constitution, they do not have that right. I've never known censorship-minded people to pay much attention to the rights of others or the Constitution though.

Amy Ferman, a junior at Mizzou, had one of her drawings removed from a display at an intercollegiate art contest in Columbia, Mo a couple weeks ago because some people considered it "pornographic."

"If they wanted me to draw pictures of puppies and butterflies, they should have put that in their rules," Ferman said in the *Maneater*, the student newspaper at UMC.

The picture depicted a man masturbating. Many academic pieces of art are of nudes, whether their masturbating or in provocative positions.

Parents claimed that the picture was offensive though and that they didn't want their children to see it. I guess that means we should censor all the books in the libraries that have picture of great works from the Renaissance. Someone might be offended by a painting with breasts in it!

I find it amazing that there are so many people willing to violate the first amendment rights of others just because they happen to find something offensive or "immoral." In the 1940s, First Amendment Scholar Walter Lippmann wrote, "Freedom of speech cannot survive in any society unless people realize that because freedom of discussion improves our own opinions, the liberties of other men are our own vital necessities."

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Inside View

by Kevin Kleine
editor

Anything you say can and will be used against you.

The above statement is becoming true in more ways than its traditional use during arrests of alleged criminals. It has come to mean that anyone who differs from the majority opinion is persecuted.

I don't know what has brought on the recent wave of censorship attempts, but it makes one wonder if the people trying to impose controls are really doing it to "protect" the public.

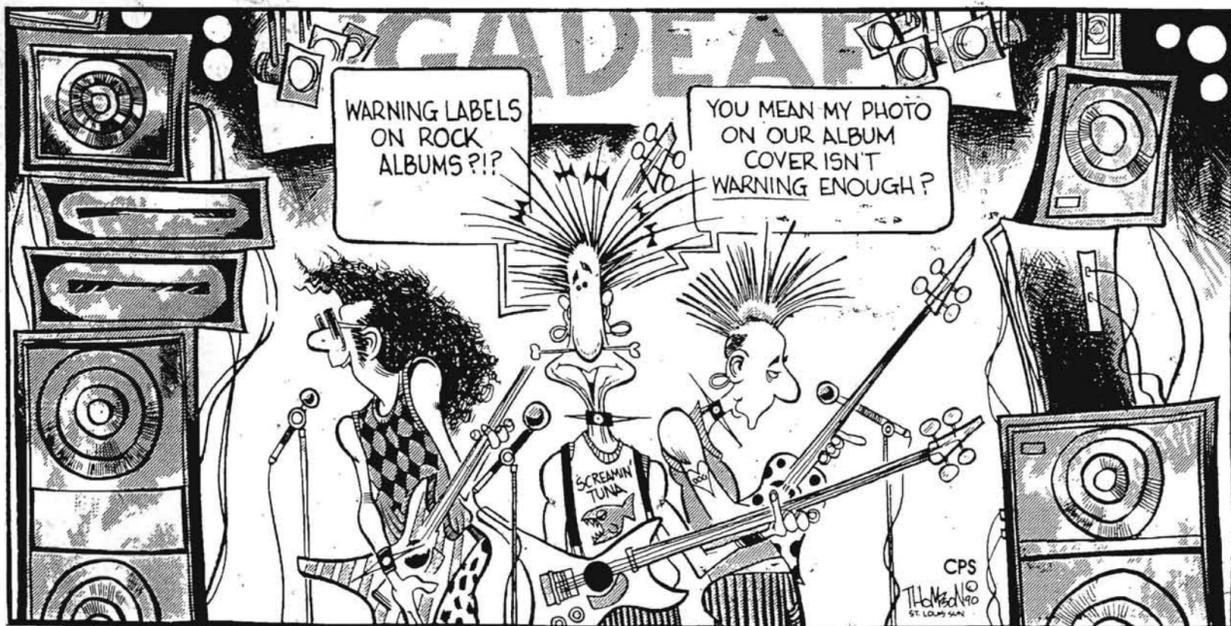
The censoring ranges all the way from labeling records to stifling speech in the classroom. How can anyone, especially a government representative, claim to believe in democracy and a free exchange of ideas when they attempt to abridge the basic rights they profess to uphold.

On college campuses across the country, the movement to curtail free speech is spreading at an epidemic rate.

At Stanford University, one of the heads of the student government said, "we don't put as many restrictions on freedom of speech as we should." Statements like that from Stanford and other universities including our very own, seek to restrain the exchange of ideas. They do not limit themselves to epithets aimed at a person's race, sex, religion or sexual orientation. Students can be disciplined or even expelled for creating "a hostile, intimidating or demeaning environment" for educational pursuits.

At UM—St. Louis, the conduct code has expanded from less than a quarter page in the student handbook to the size of a full page of solid text in the *Current*. Broad interpretations of this and other conduct codes could put an end to the free exchange of ideas we now enjoy in the classroom, in debates, in newspapers and among our friends on college campuses.

Similar codes have been struck down



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Many Sides Of The Fence Viewed By Student

Dear Editor,

Ok, here is the situation, I am a transfer student at the University of Missouri-St. Louis. Ironically, I left a small 99.99 percent White Community to move to a city that had a larger racially diverse community. I have experienced more racism from my White as well as Black brothers and sister, then I ever had in twenty-three years in Iowa. I should have first realized a problem existed when I applied for admission to this university. I was told I had to choose between the classification of Black-non Hispanic or White. I have a problem with this because I have never denied any part of my heritage and don't ever plan to do so simply to follow *Standard Procedure*. My entire family is of mixed

background: American Indian, Black American and yes White American. We all know that in the past all people did not have the choice to freely choose their involvement in an interracial relationship, they just happened (and kept undercover). Now that we have these rights, when will it stop being an issue of a mixed marriage and simply a "match made in heaven"? My brother will be getting married in June of this year and his bride has blonde hair and blue eyes, (incidentally my brother and I have green eyes). She will be introduced as a sister-in-law, a daughter-in-law or a wife, the words white should never have to be said. When my cousin, who by society's eyes is white, told people that we spent one Sunday watching the release of Nelson Mandela with tears in

our eyes, the stares and comments that she received were nothing but rude. Why is it that people want to always make issues either white or black? People say that Martin Luther King Day is a Black thing, but I'm sure that Mr. King would have wanted it to be a Civil Rights thing. Many White people have suffered for the Equal Rights movement and even more they chose to suffer for something they believed in and not turn their backs, which would have been a lot easier. I wish the entire world could experience one day as a blind person, and after that day, we could thank God for people because of who they are, not what color they are or are not. We need to stop fighting within our races and then join together with others to start tearing down some of the fences.

Because of my background I have been able to see many sides of the fence. An experience that many people may never have or chose not to have. When people want to know something about our heritage it is only natural to ask. We need to stop taking the questions negatively and use the opportunity to educate. If today's generation doesn't start educating one another, the old stereotypes and prejudices will never die. By the way Shawn, Dr. King fought for you too. Your rights to think, speak and yes write your opinions freely (even at his expense). Maybe you should take this opportunity to use your civil rights more responsibly.

Your Tri-racial Sister
Danielle Clinton
Senior-Marketing

Date Is No Bonanza For Bob Either

Dear Editor,

We have a few words in defense of "Bob," in reference to Victoria Kijouski and Andrea Jauer's arrogant attack on their "double" date, featured in the Feb. 8 edition of the *Current*. After reading their article, we sympathize only with Bob concerning this so-called "humorous" date.

First of all, it seems peculiar how two girls could complain about a guy willing to treat them both to lunch, con-

sidering that the U.M.S.L. janitor had to set up this liaison. Secondly, you claim bonanza isn't fit for two "goddesses" such as yourselves. However, last time I checked, three was a crowd. Maybe each of you should consider having her own date!

Victoria and Andrea stated that they're used to eating lunch at "nice" places such as Caleco's, Friday's, or Casa Gallardo. But when was the last time you tipped your waiter at the campus underground? Are these exotic places

even located near campus? Our heart goes out to you, knowing that you had to lower your "worldly" standards for your free lunch at Bonanza.

The way we see it, here were these two lonely girls asking the janitor to play matchmaker! Perhaps Bob thought you both were a little hard up! But I'm sure the fact that you two party at the "Pike" house was too impressive for bob to handle.

As for the U.M.-St. Louis student discount, that's what it was designed for — to help students who are working their way through college. Furthermore, paying in single dollar bills merely illustrates how hard some students have to work in order to obtain their income! Unlike you, not all of us can be born into royalty!

Andrea and Victoria: You both should

be ashamed of your behavior! Being cruel at another's expense ultimately displays your ignorant mentality. Bob was evidently reaching out to make a friend and his car and wallet were your only concern! As far as we're concerned, your article backfired and you two are the ones being looked down upon! Bob: Don't lose hope that all women are like this. Some strive to be kind and caring about matters other than one's financial status. These two "girls" set a very bad example for the rest of their sex. And I would hope the *Current* readers are intelligent enough to recognize it.

Yours truly,
Robin R. Seaton
Fred Appel

Letters Policy

The *Current* welcomes letters to the editor. The writer's student number and phone number must accompany all letters. Non-students must also include their phone numbers. Letters should be no longer than two typed, double-spaced pages. No unsigned letters will be published, but the

author's name can be withheld by request.

The *Current* reserves the right to edit all letters for space and style consideration. The *Current* reserves the right to refuse publication of letters.

'Stems' Sign Is Insulting

Dear Editor,

There is a sign on highway 40 that has attracted quite a bit of publicity. The sign in question, is the one that shows us the back of two long legs from the waist down, wearing a short mini skirt, seductive stockings and stiletto heels. If this weren't enough, the woman is holding a long stemmed rose which hangs beside her leg. The slogan across the billboard reads: "We have the best stems."

I have two questions. Is this sign oppressive? and... Is this demeaning to women? Before you answer, let's take a closer look at these questions. I looked up oppression in my Webster's dictionary, and this is the definition it gave... "unjust or cruel exercise of authority or power." Now let's stop here for a minute and ask ourselves another question: Who are in positions of authority and power? Men are. More specifically, white men are. Men are everywhere. They run our big and small businesses, our financial institutions, and our governments. Everywhere there is money and power. Now granted there are a small minority of other folks out there, but who are we kidding.

I also looked up "demeaning" which was defined as "degrading, debasing" so I checked that out too; and it said "implies a loss of position, worth, value, or dignity." In that vein let's take a look at how advertising (a male-dominated profession) depicts women:

1. the cleaning crazed housewife
2. the unattainable beauty
3. a sex object; a piece of meat

I'd say the sign falls under certain number three. People, what does this mean? It means that we tolerate and perpetuate the idea that women are second class citizens. That men have the power to exploit women without regard to loss of status. Is this what women want?

I don't happen to agree with one or semi-daily humorists, who thinks equal

exploitation is the answer. That, in my eyes, is like insisting that everyone start using offensive and foul language; so that those who do use slang derogatives won't be as offensive.

I have an idea: Why don't we all just crawl back into caves and replace our language with grunting?...The choice is yours people...regress or progress.

Thank You,
Kevin McCarthy

Legalize Sex Acts

Dear Editor,

In your banner article "Lt. Gov. Calls For Increased Funding", Lt. Governor Mel Carnahan called for increased funding for education and increased taxes. The current editorial of March 1, 1990 also calls for increased taxes for education.

Note that increased funding for education can be obtained by legalizing ALL sexual activity between and among consenting adults, all adult pornography and legalizing ALL drugs. The above would eliminate the need for Vice policemen, reduce crime, and hence reduce the prison population. The millions of dollars saved could then fund education and tax cuts.

Additionally Missourians are already wasting tax monies on low income housing, aid to the homeless, aid to dependent children, and welfare. By eliminating the throwing away of money on the "needy" there would be PLENTY of money for education and a tax DECREASE.

Counterproductive education, namely busing (sic) should be eliminated and replaced with community directed school systems. Busing already costs, according to one state representative, \$500M annually; \$500M can buy a lot of higher education.

Norman K. Bodenstern
Graduate Engineering Center

Mathews Defended

Dear Editor,

This is in response to your on-going criticism of UM-St. Louis' alumna Representative Jean Mathews of District 73 in Florissant.

I would like to set the record straight about Representative Mathews' legislative agenda.

Anyone who is concerned with the development of our campus and who has followed the trials and tribulations of the University of Missouri-St. Louis' efforts for better funding, more program opportunities for its students, new buildings, and up-dated laboratory facilities could not fail to notice that Representative Mathews has been in the forefront in supporting our institution.

Representative Mathews has never failed to support an initiative that would benefit our campus. Not only has she personally supported these initiatives,

Presidents Day Shouldn't Be Forgotten

Dear Editor,

On January 15, 1990, UM-St. Louis and virtually all other public institutions observed the birthday of a great American. After years of battles in state legislatures and influential business leaders the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. is now a recognized holiday. UM-St. Louis, however, has chosen to take a step backwards by ignoring another recognized holiday - Presidents Day. Choosing to observe the birthday of a great civil rights leader while pushing aside the birthdays of Presidents George Washington and Abraham Lincoln is a great disservice to all students. It is a travesty that

she has used her considerable persuasive abilities to organize her colleagues, especially Republican members of the House of Representatives, to act in concert with their Democratic colleagues to assure funding for our school. At appropriate moments over the years, Representative Mathews has made her support known to the Governor, Curators, and Coordinating Board for Higher Education.

Whenever the campus counts its blessings, high on the list must be legislators who truly understand the importance of higher education to the metropolitan area. To suggest that Ms. Mathews' legislative efforts are a waste of the taxpayers money could only be the product of ignorance.

Sincerely,
Ken Meyer
Former President
UM-St. Louis Student Association

should not be repeated in future years. Last month students at Missou held rallies and boycotted classes to protest UMC's refusal to observe the birthday of Dr. King. I suggest UM-St. Louis students take similar actions to prevent another unobserved holiday next February. This is not an issue for white students, nor is it an issue for black students. It is an issue for all students who enjoy the freedoms of living in this country. In future years let's hope the memories of the father of the civil rights movement and the fathers of our nation are treated with equal respect.

Scott Plackemeier
UM-St. Louis Freshman

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Computer Aids Anxiety Relief

by Kevin Kleine
editor

In the middle of the semester, it seems that every class has a test coming up. If your study skills are lacking it could spell trouble, but Horizon, a student group of peer counselors, have a solution to the problem.

The solution lies in a computer acquired last fall in the Career Resource Center. CASSI (which stands for Computer Assisted Study Skills Instruction) helps students deal with anything from test anxiety to writing research papers.

"In college, there's a lot of anxiety," said Angie Boudewyns, director of Horizons. "Students don't know where their going. CASSI is good for that. It's personalized. You can spend as much or as little time as you want on it and take home handouts from it."

The Career Resource Center has expanded its hours in an attempt to better serve the evening students and make people aware of their services like CASSI.

"You don't necessarily have to have a problem with school [to use CASSI],"

Boudewyns said. "Throughout the year students need to increase their motivation. It's not boring either," she said.

Cassi asks the user a series of questions and lets the user ask it questions in return to make the session interesting.

Workshops are often offered on campus covering similar topics that CASSI does, but students may not always be able to make it to seminars or workshops. CASSI allows the student to schedule their own time and go more in depth to the subject. It provides the personal attention a seminar lacks and it's there all the time, unlike seminars that might be held only one time in a

(CPS)-- Yuppies should be pitied because they use material objects, much like primitive peoples used successful hunting ventures, to prove they are ready to advance in society, University of Florida Prof. Marvin Harris maintains in a new book, "Our Kind," about the evolution of human culture.

semester.

"I feel that a lot of students have questions, but don't know where to go. Students are paying for the resource center, but not making use of it as much as they should," Boudewyns said. "Maybe because they don't know about it or they don't have time, there's just tons of information here. They don't have to leave here feeling like questions are unanswered."

The Hours of the Career Resource Center are: M-F 8-5 and Tuesday and Wednesday 5p.m.-8p.m.

Call the counseling Center at 553-5711 to set up an appointment with CASSI.

Harris also warned American culture could be in trouble because collegians, who are most likely to adopt yuppie folkways, are prone to postpone childbearing until they can buy certain material credentials for social advancement. As a result, the nation's most educated people are not reproducing.

Censored

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The Supreme Court has clearly demonstrated in cases that the First Amendment protects unpopular opinion. So where do these people claim to get their power of censorship? Majority rule, of course. It's the oldest game in the world: "speech is free as long as it agrees with me." Most recently Hitler, Stalin, communist countries, dictatorships and the moral majority have popularized their own versions of the game.

Then of course we have our dear friend Jean Dixon, who would like to protect our innocent children from the dreaded scourge of rock music. Dixon and her cohorts claim that certain music entices teens to commit suicide, take drugs, have sex and worship satan.

Yeah, right.

It seems to me that something must be wrong in a person's life other than the music they listen too in order for them to contemplate suicide. Dixon's version of the game is "Blame That Tune" and might force its way into a record store near you soon. Elvis Presley, Jerry Lee Lewis, the Rolling Stones, The Beatles and a host of others have gone through the same kind of tirades from narrow-minded zealots in the past.

Isolating someone from "offensive" art, music, literature and ideas is one sure way to send someone into a major case of culture shock the first time they encounter racism, sexism or something labeled "obscene" by a panel of "morality police."

We then come to the question of what to do about it. The best way is to vote these narrow-minded, overzealous people that have no regard for the rights of anyone who disagrees out of office. On college campuses, it is a little tougher to fight the censorship without going to court. If the new student code of conduct is passed, hopefully someone will have enough guts to challenge the administration on it. Fortunately, I believe the chancellor and vice chancellor are intelligent enough to realize what a gross violation of the students' rights the proposal is. Censors' intolerance for anything that doesn't fit neatly into their idea of how the world should be is the most offensive thing in the world next to their attempts to force their morality on the masses.

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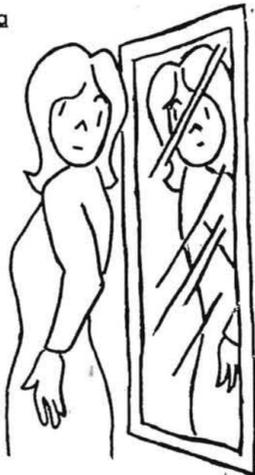
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Beta Alpha Psi	1,200	2,900	500
Beta Sigma Kappa	0	250	250
Biological Society	500	760	500
Black Business Students Association	900	5,000	1,500
Chemistry Club	100	100	100
Chinese Students Association	300	710	450
Current	21,500	26,000	18,500
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Delta Zeta Sorority	0	943	300
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Doctoral Students Organization	300	1,225	300
Economics Club	0	425	200
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TOTAL:	241,800	367,158	240,590

You've Come A Long Way

Fax Of Life

by Laura Berardino
associate managing editor

Two summers ago I found out what it means to be a woman in today's society. This earth shattering event happened to me on a used car lot one sweltering July day.

My mother and I had just begun our quest for my first car. We'd done our research on what I could afford in the way of payments, what was the going rate of certain cars, what makes and models were rated high for dependability and so forth. We were prepared to bargain.

We looked among the various cars on the first lot, curious about what the prices were. Hopefully, we waited for a salesman to come out and answer our questions. After about twenty minutes and two gallons of perspiration, we went in search of a salesman. (Note the word salesman. There are precious few saleswomen in the used car business.)

We tried to drag a rather bored-looking salesman from his air-conditioned office to tell us just a little more about the cars we were interested in. It must have been too hot out for him because the best we got was a set of car keys and a "Have fun."

Judging by the number of rings on his fingers, he was successful at his trade. We couldn't understand how or why he was by the way we were treated.

Dishheartened, we continued our quest for a used car to many other lots on many different days. The attitude was basically the same all over town.

"I've got this beaut lil' Escort over here." After I'd patiently remind them that I wanted a foreign car, I'd get drug over to a Nova. "Well, its got a Toyota engine. See the foreign print on the side." Thanks, but no thanks. I asked about a car I'd seen earlier and had been interested in.

"Oh, you don't want that car - it's a five-speed." I always relished their look of surprise when I calmly informed them that I knew how to drive a five-speed. I relished it even more when a look that resembled panic would come across their faces after I'd ask if I could take their precious clutch for a test drive. I guess they didn't realize the improbability of burning-out a clutch on one trip around the block.

We finally got to the bargaining table with one of those wonderful salesmen. This gentleman, and I use the term loosely, had the audacity to quote a price of three thousand dollars over the blue book and newspaper rate. I suppose he figured that anything with enlarged mam-

mary glands couldn't possibly have a high level of brain power.

Naturally, I pointed out his tiny miscalculation. I also pointed out that most insurance companies feel that by the time the current blue book is available, the car has depreciated in value. I didn't hesitate to bring to his attention that I could buy the same make and model new for close to what he was asking.

The best answer I could get was "Well, this car is in excellent shape." and "If you don't buy it today, it'll be gone tomorrow." Naturally, the car was still there two weeks later.

My father probably wouldn't like to be referred to as a control group, but that's what he was. I came to this conclusion when we explored the various lots together.

Rarely did we have to seek out a salesman. They came a smilin' and hand shakin'. They wanted to know what they could do for us.

It took a time or two for me to realize that all these smiles and hand shakes were aimed at my father. I found this hard to comprehend. Did being a man automatically ascertain him as having money?

Even after my father explained that I was the purchaser, they would continue to talk to him and not me. I suppose they couldn't fathom that a mere female - and a young one at that - could understand front-wheel drive, fuel injection, gas mileage or power steering. They did seem to have the impression that I was interested in how many stations I could get on the radio.

At least there were no more rude questions asking me how I thought I was going to pay for it (Greenstamps) or did I know that even if a Toyota had over a hundred thousand miles, it would still go another hundred thousand?

Eventually, I purchased my car from a private individual. But that's not the moral of my story.

This one summer made me realize that I was a woman in what is still predominately a man's world.

I had a teacher in grade school who made it a point to raise our awareness of sexism in literature. The words salesman, mailman, fireman and chairman became salesperson, mailperson, fireperson and chairperson since these jobs weren't limited to the male half of the population.

In spite of this early awareness training, it took a summer of dealing with used car salesmen to appreciate my foresisters' burning bras and marching for equal rights. This was just one incident of being treated like I was stupid and unimportant because of my sex. Imagine living your entire life with men who think like used car salesmen!

Little things I'd never questioned

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Forensics Flaunts Fabulous Talent

by Renee Schopp
reporter

Does college debate promote a hostile environment? Not necessarily, Scott Jensen, Director of the UM—St. Louis Debate and Forensics Team said. He explained that organized debate is exclusively aimed at training students the positive uses of discussion in conflict and communication that can help enhance human relations and understanding.

However, Jensen said, in real life, for some, debate can create hostility when people are closed to other views and unwilling to discuss disagreements.

The Debate-Forensics Team at UM—St. Louis is promoting everything but a hostile environment this semester. The 89-90 school year has been more successful than any other with 57 awards earned, 50 of them won in the winter semester alone.

"That is incredible for one semester," Jensen said hopefully.

He stated that the credit is due to a large number of students who are dedicated, work hard, and are always ready to try new things.

The size of the team has been very large this year with more people doing a greater number of events. This makes the UM—St. Louis team very versatile. Versatility is a major strong point for the team, who excels in debate — which is 1-2 people supporting both sides of a national resolution — and individual events.

UM—St. Louis has a very young team of debaters, who will all return next semester. It is one of the best young novice teams in the region. But that can be a weak point as well as an advantage.

It can hurt the team at times because a young team is less competitive. In debate competitions there is only one division. Schools with 10,000 students may have to go up against schools with 40,000. New first year debaters may have to compete with people who have been debating for four years. With those

odds, it is a phenomenon to have such a successful year, according to Jensen.

The team as a whole won the Team Sweepstakes Award, which is won by defeating some of the most competitive schools in the area. Schools beaten by UM—St. Louis were: University of Nebraska, University of Iowa, Southern Illinois University, and University of Kansas.

Individually, Sophomore Dan Tienes has had his own extraordinary year. Tienes is the State Champion in extemporaneous speaking and dramatic interpretation. He took second place in the Pentathlon and won the Outstanding Student Competitor Award. He is a hopeful to win at the upcoming nationals.

Tim Gartin and Ann Polinsky qualified for nationals prior to the March 10-11 district tournament which was held here on campus. At districts, Gartin and Laura Swartz went to semi-finals (top 12) in extemporaneous speaking, while Tienes went to semi-finals for

dramatic interpretation.

The debate nationals are March 29-April 2 at Southwest Missouri State University at Springfield. Tienes will go and compete in the extemporaneous speaking category and impromptu which is when a speaker has seven minutes to prepare and deliver a speech that takes a position on a certain quotation, analyzes it, and interprets it while justifying why they agree or disagree. Gartin and Swartz are also hopeful competitors for the upcoming nationals.

Other successes include: In 8-11 events at Central Missouri State University, UM-St. Louis students were declared outstanding novice. Three out of the six state finalists in extemporaneous speaking are from UM-St. Louis.

Jensen said what really helps the squad is the motivated and talented students. In the past, the team was always a fairly accomplishing group, but this year they have performed beyond expectation.

Nutrition Of The 90s: Are Needs Of People Met

by Laura Berardino
associate managing editor

"Money is not an indicator of poor nutrition," Lois Lanter, Food and Nutrition Specialist said.

Lanter, who will be speaking about nutrition for women on March 19 in 211 Clark Hall, stated that many modern American families don't get the proper nutrition that their bodies need to stay healthy. She cited factors such as lack of time, pre-prepared foods such as frozen dinners, fast foods, and leaving meals up to the kids as responsible for this predicament.

"If a mother doesn't like vegetables, she still needs to make sure her family gets enough servings," Lanter said. Ditto for the other three food groups: meat, milk and dairy products, and bread and cereal.

Lanter's lecture will be aimed at women of the ninety's because they are still the main ones making decisions about their household's eating habits. She also feels that since a woman's body-chemistry changes on a monthly basis, she should become more sensitive to when her body needs more iron and

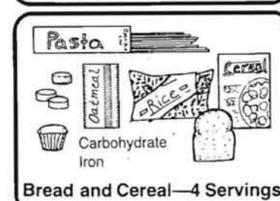
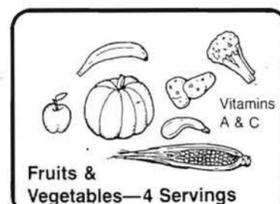
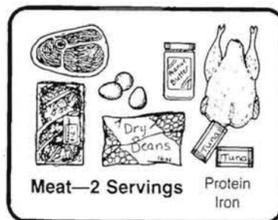
vitamins.

Lanter works for Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program (EFNEP). The main goal of EFNEP is to provide nutrition education to limited resource families. We help them plan and shop for basic nutrition. If they're pregnant - what foods to eat."

The program trains paraprofessional nutrition education assistants who, in turn, work with small groups in their community. The paraprofessionals meet with small groups in homes and churches to teach homemakers how to grow and preserve food, and plan and prepare nutritious meals.

According to a recent EFNEP publication, there are thousands of Missouri citizens that live at or below the poverty level. EFNEP, which celebrated its twentieth anniversary last year, has assisted more than 70,000 families with its program. Last year alone the program helped 19,563 people, most of whom were children.

Another objective of the program is to break the poverty cycle. Many times the paraprofessionals help a family in more ways than nutrition. "It's not only about people helping people, but



making a difference to low income families," Lanter said.

A federally funded program, EFNEP works through the extensions of the University of Missouri and Lincoln University. The program is funded by the United States Department of Agriculture in association with city and

county governments.

It was recently announced that the St. Louis office of EFNEP will close its doors on Aug. 31 because federal funds will be cut.

"We were quite shook up when we heard. We need this program more now than twenty years ago," Lanter said.

Blue Ribbons For Curtis In 'Blue Steel'

Michelle McMurray
reporter

The new Kathryn Bigelow film, "Blue Steel" is an action packed, suspense filled drama starring Jamie Lee Curtis.

Curtis gives an excellent performance as strong willed rookie cop Megan Turner, who just on the force 24 hours kills a robbery suspect in a holdup. Curtis is suspended when the weapon can't be found and witnesses can't backup her story.

Ron Silver plays Eugene Hunt, a calm, cool, collective commodities broker by day, and a psychotic, crazed gunman by night. They meet and start

a relationship while unbeknownst to her homicides are being committed every night with bullets showing up at the crime scene with Curtis's name carved in them.

Silver gives a wonderful performance struggling with his psychotic delusions of hearing voices and destructive behavior. There is a gruesome scene after he kills a prostitute that leaves the movie-goer feeling this man has completely lost his mind.

Clancy Brown plays Detective Nick Mann, who is Curtis's partner in trying to nail Silver and also turns out to be supportive of her emotionally as well. Other key players in the movie are Elizabeth Pena as Curtis's best friend, and Louise Fletcher as her wonderful, supportive mother.

Some of the problems I have with the movie were no one seemed to take Curtis seriously as a cop, from the robber in the store, to her superiors who doubted her abilities. It made me wonder if women cops have that same problem. In the first scene that got her in trouble the cashier and witnesses couldn't remember if the robber has a gun. That scene lasted approximately three to four minutes long. If anyone held a gun to your face for that length of time it's a sure bet you would remember. Also she yelled several times for the robber to throw the gun. She ran



FREEZE: Jamie Lee Curtis stars as a rookie cop in "Blue Steel". Curtis' character gets into hot water after shooting a robbery suspect on her first assignment.

over to the scene without calling her partner or calling for assistance. I attribute that to a mistake a rookie cop would make.

The ending of the movie was suspenseful, totally engrossing but somewhat unrealistic. If you have ever been to New York City you will know what I mean.

The movie starts out with alot of ac-

tion and suspense and continues through out the whole movie. You never know what is going to happen next. It was upbeat and never dragged. It kept my attention the whole time and on the edge of my seat.

There is much graphic violence and morbid shootings hence earning the R-rating. The movie is a good action packed thriller well worth seeing.

'October's' Thrills Run Deep

by Mike Van Roo
movie reviewer

The Hunt for Red October is a very good movie that almost came out a few years too late.

Set in 1984, before glasnost and perestroika, the movie concerns the commander of the Soviet Union's newest Typhoon submarine who wants to defect to the West.

Sean Connery plays the sub commander Marko Ramius with conviction and authority as he tries to do the impossible, hand over the mighty \$2 billion dollar Russian sub that is only a mystery to the intelligence community in the CIA (Central Intelligence Agency) and without having his superiors in Moscow catch up with him.

Confronting Ramius is Jack Ryan, a CIA analyst who knows more about Ramius than probably most of the men serving under Ramius. Alec Baldwin plays Ryan and, despite the worldly implications in the movie, he doesn't exactly come off as a James Bond-type that Connery excelled at two decades ago.

Ryan basically uses his modern day trappings of the computer and intelligence sources to size up his antagonist from the East. His work involves profiling the biographies of top Soviet Navy personnel, Ramius included.

When confronted with this global crisis, Ryan is almost comical and self-restrained in nature, especially with his aversion to flying. But he doesn't embarrass himself too much and perseveres through logic, stubbornness, and knowledge of his foe Ramius.

Based on the best selling novel by Tom Clancy with sales now approaching 6,000,000 copies, "The Hunt for Red October" remains pretty faithful to the printed version.

Certainly the logistics of transferring a novel as complex and technical as this was to the screen would have been monumental and even more costly of an adventure if more details would have been added.

But give credit to director John McTiernan and production designer Terence Marsh for recreating some of the most modern-looking and technically-visual set designs that have come out of Hollywood in quite a while.

Marsh, along with technical effects coordinator Al DiSarro, constructed two 50-foot square platforms that simulated the two main submarines in the movie, the Red October and the U.S.S. Dallas (The sub that was chasing the Red October).

Both of these platforms had the ability to tip 26 degrees in any direction to simulate the often sharp dives and countermeasures these two underwater boats had to perform in the movie.

Paramount also constructed sets on

five soundstages to simulate the sub's interiors, the sub's missile silos, and a White House briefing room.

In addition to Connery (who gets better with age), and Baldwin, there's a fine supporting cast that doesn't really sink in light of the magnificent special effects.

Sam Neill plays Soviet Captain Second Rank Borodin, who faithfully goes along with Ramius' scheme of defecting to the West. He hopes to live in Montana after the ordeal.

Scott Glenn plays Captain Mancuso, the skipper of the U.S.S. Dallas, who has to be convinced by Ryan not to sink the Red October.

Courtney Vance is great as Seaman Ronald Jones the expert sonar operator on the Dallas with a passion for classical music.

In addition, James Earl Jones as Deputy Director of Central Intelligence Admiral Greer and Richard Jordan as National Security

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CLASSIFIED: On Board the USS Los Angeles, Capt. Bart Mancuso (Scott Glenn) and his crew discover an unknown Soviet sub in *The Hunt For Red October*.

Red October from page 5

by Advisor Jeffrey Pelt also shine in their roles and add some great one-liners in leau of the global confrontation.

At two hours and ten minutes, "The Hunt for Red October" doesn't get too bogged down along the way. It sails along without a lot of twists and plot holes.

Again, for a movie that is as technically refined as this one, it doesn't take someone with a Ph.D.-size brain to figure out what's going

on and what some of the more militarily-prone terms and characteristics are in relation to the story line.

In this new age of openness in the world, one wonders if the exploits of a Marko Ramius might be easier to pull off? If not, then the great warships of the world as depicted in "The Hunt for Red October" might all be better off to rust at the bottom of the ocean.

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before now began to bother me. I became irritated when it was okay for my brother, Steve, to stay out past curfew or to have a beer with the men in the family and it was still frowned on for me to do either of the above (even when I was of age).

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Players Hang Up Jerseys; Three Rivermen Move On



Von Scales



Mark Stanley



Tom Smith

by Mike Van Roo
contributing sports writer

Three UM—St. Louis Rivermen played their final basketball game at the Mark Twain Building on Mar. 3 against Missouri Western.

Seniors Von Scales and Mark Stanley along with sophomore Tom Smith ended their playing careers in the 74-68 loss.

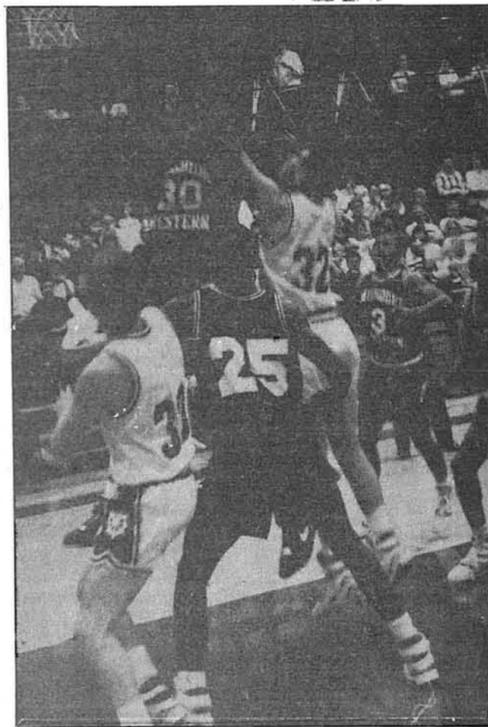
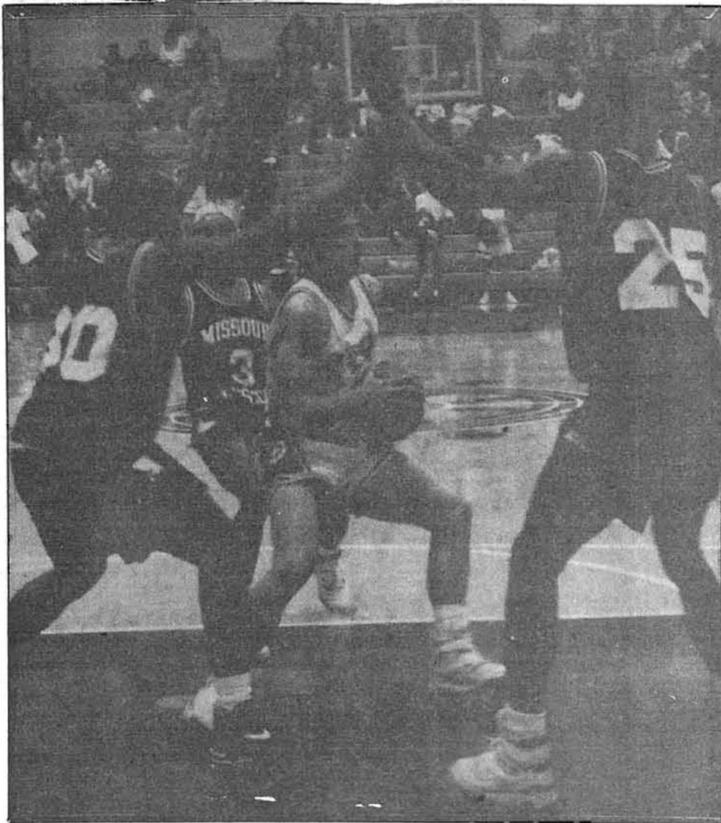
Scales, who became the 10th player in school history to score over 1,000 points, finished his career with 1,010 with his 19 point performance against the Griffons.

"I'd bypass the 1000 points to have gotten a win," Scales said after the game. "I was aware of the 1,000 point record, and I was forcing my shots and doing silly stuff in the first half." He made no baskets in the first half against Missouri Western, scoring all his 19 points in the second half.

Scales had some memorable games for the Rivermen including coming off of the bench to score 19 points against Southeast Missouri in his freshmen year and hitting the winning shot in overtime.

Stanley started his eighth game of the season against Missouri Western and had the second best percentage of shooting 3-point field goals on the team. He's a Business major and currently pulls down a 3.8 G.P.A.

Smith announced earlier in the season that he will be attending law school at St. Louis University this fall. He played one of his best games of the season against Missouri Western by scoring 16 points and hauling down 13 rebounds.



LEFT: Chris Pilz (in white uniform) doesn't know which way to turn in the March 3 game against the Missouri Western Griffons. ABOVE: Mark Stanley (32) tries for the rebound. The Rivermen lost 74-68. (Photos by Kevin Kleine)

Rivermen Lose Season Finale

by Mike Van Roo
contributing sports writer

The UM—St. Louis Rivermen closed out their disappointing season with a 74-68 loss to the Missouri Western Griffons at the Mark Twain Building on March 3.

"This was the most disappointing year in 22 years of coaching," head coach Rich Meckfessel said. "Last year was the most satisfying, I'd like to get back to where we were the past two years."

The Rivermen closed out the 1989-90 season with a 9-19 record, the second worst in school history only after their 7-19 finish in the 1978-79 season.

Both teams started out very slowly

and missed a lot of shots early on. Chris Pilz' drive to the basket tied the score at 2-2 at the 17:30 mark in the first half.

The score was only 10-8 in favor of UM—St. Louis at the 9:35 mark of the first half. Trailing 16-14, Tom Smith scored the next eight points for the Rivermen to help stake them to their largest lead of the game at 22-18. The Griffons outscored UM—St. Louis 9-4 the rest of the first half to take a 27-26 halftime lead.

Both teams shot poorly in the first half, UM—St. Louis hitting 11 of 35 shots (31 percent), and Missouri Western hitting 11 of 32 shots (34 percent).

After being blanked in the first half, Von Scales help start the Rivermen in

the second half. He keyed a 10-2 run by scoring 8 of those ten points to rally the Rivermen into a 44-42 lead. His alley-oop slam dunk off of a Chris Pilz pass gave Scales his 1,001st career point and the Rivermen's last lead of the game at 11:08.

The Griffons then outscored UM—St. Louis 19-10 during the next eight minutes to lead 61-54 with 2:53 left.

The Rivermen could get no closer than 68-65 with :29 left.

Scales lead the Rivermen in scoring with 19 points while Smith added 16 and Barry Graskewicz 14 (including three of four 3-point shots).

"We played pretty well and the guys fought hard," Meckfessel said. "But the mark of a good team does what they

have to do to win. We came into the game hitting 75.6 percent of our free throws and maybe shot 50 percent for the game. [Actually they hit 6 of 18 for 33 percent]. If we shoot 70-75 percent tonight, we win the game."

So where does this lead the Rivermen for the 1990-91 season?

"We need to have at least 2-3 players to come in next season to compete for starting jobs," Meckfessel said. "We need a big inside player to get inside for the rebounds and we need more quickness at guard, preferably a bigger guard with quickness. This will hopefully be through 4-5 players [some junior college players and some freshmen]."

Brady's Bunch Begins Burning-Up Baseballs

by Greg Albers
reporter

The UM—St. Louis baseball team opened the season Mar. 1 with an impressive come from behind victory over a tough Central Missouri State team. They then went on to accumulate a 7-3 record including wins over some of the top teams in Division II of the NCAA.

The Rivermen had to overcome the three home run effort of CMSU's Larry Hawks that helped the Mules jump out to an 8-3 lead after 6½ innings in the opener. That set the stage for the spine-tingling six run rally in the bottom of the seventh and last inning. Two run doubles by Tom Nehkorn and Craig Porter tied the score with newcomer Bill Diel due up. Diel, who transferred from Southeast this year, apparently was a victim of opening day jitters early on as he committed three errors at third base. But with the game on the line, he came through with a sharp single down the right field line that chased Porter in from second. With one swing of the bat, he turned from goat to hero in his first game for the Rivermen. If it were any prettier it would have been a movie.

The victory was the 100th head coach Jim Brady's career at UM—St. Louis. Now in his fifth season, Brady's record stands at 106-82-1.

Although the Rivermen lost the second half of the doubleheader with the Mules 4-3, they were satisfied with a split with a team that entered the game ranked ninth in the national NCAA Division II poll.

The club then began an eight game road trip with stops throughout Georgia and Oklahoma. The trip began with three convincing wins against St. Anselm in which the Rivermen outscored their opponents by a combined score of 41-4.

Then, on March 5, the team faced their toughest opponent thus far in the season. Armstrong State entered the game as the top ranked baseball team

in Division II. Their 11-1 record included nine victories over Division I teams.

The Rivermen put up a valiant effort but fell just short, losing 4-3. Four errors and a botched hit and run play that caused the Rivermen to lose a runner at third in the middle of an eighth inning rally spoiled the upset attempt.

"It was tough to swallow, but we gave them all they could stand," said Brady. "Unfortunately, we gave them most of their runs."

The ballclub quickly bounced back from this setback, however, with wins against St. Augustine and St. Anselm. Next stop for the Rivermen was a pair of games with Oral Roberts, which was ranked 12th in the preseason poll. Again, defense was a problem as Brady's bunch committed five errors in a 12-6 loss in the first of the two games. But in the second game, the Rivermen held strong and won 7-5 as Brad Moore picked up his first victory of the season after tough luck losses to CMSU and Armstrong State.

Seven victories in ten games against some tough competition is an excellent way to start the season. Last year was something of a disappointment for the Rivermen, who were ranked 20th in the preseason polls, but finished only 24-21. This season, they were unranked in the preseason, but climbed to 4th in the polls before the Armstrong State game.

The Rivermen have a decent pitching staff this year and the offense has been outstanding. The team is hitting at a torrid .350 clip.

The biggest question mark for the club is defense. In the losses to Oral Roberts and Armstrong State they made a total of nine errors. This is due, in part, to the fact that three of the infielders are natural third basemen, two outfielders are converted infielders and four of the regulars would be starting catchers on many college teams.

In time the defense should improve, and the Rivermen should have an excellent chance of winning the MIAA.

Harwood Turns Jumpers Into Divers

by Lee Conrad
reporter

Kevi Harwood, a nationally-ranked Masters diver, spends her time when she's not substitute teaching as coach of the UM—St. Louis diving team.

Harwood instructs divers Lenny Miller and Marlon Akins five days a week. For three days they practice in the Mark Twain building on the one-meter board. On Tuesdays and Thursdays the team goes to Washington University to work on the three-meter board.

She has also taught on the high school level, "College is a lot better," she said, "These guys are here because they want to be. Working in high school is really a pain sometimes."

Harwood presently coaches divers at Clayton, Melville, and Parkway West high schools along with the UM—St. Louis squad.

"Divers are temperamental sometimes," she said of no team in par-

ticular. "And it seems like it's getting more that way. I never was like that. Not in any of my sports."

Harwood started diving in high school and had been swimming already for about ten years. She received an athletic scholarship to William Woods where she dove, swam, and played softball.

Harwood said one of the best ways for a diver to train is to practice plyometrics - a set of exercises designed to quicken reaction time. The athlete makes "real small leaps and bounds", such as side-to-side or on-and-off a box, to improve the fast-twitch muscles. The workout must be done "in a soft area like grass; not concrete."

However, she said that most importantly, "Diving is mental. You have to see the dive in your head first ... and even more important is to forget the last dive."

If you messed up last time, you have to totally block it out, because the judges start rating you the minute you get on the board. Some people who are good

divers just lose it when they're competing.

"You almost have to have an attitude like, yeah, I'm good and I'm going to do this. You have to show off a little."



FORE!: Diving coach Kevi Harwood (left) judging dives at Wash. U during a recent tournament. (David Barnes Photo)

Knowing When To Walk Away

athletes are indoctrinated into playing with the pain and the intensity level of competition is forever instilled in them.

Time-honored slogans of "No brain, No pain," and "No pain, No gain," hang on athletes worse than two-day old sweatsocks.

The stakes of winning in sport are tremendous and go beyond the dollar signs that ring up in the athletic departments across the country.

Vince Lombardi echoed "Winning isn't everything, it's the only thing." But what happens after the winning stops? Gathers was warned of his condition by doctors and even fainted once before in a game last December. But his desire and devotion to the game was legendary on the Loyola campus. But his motives have to be questioned in lieu of the fact of his life-threatening condition.

The doctors even warned him to give up playing basketball. The words "You can't play anymore" were given to him and must have felt worse than a sharp stick to the eye.

How can you tell an athlete to give up his livelihood, especially in the case of Gathers, who probably would have had a very long and lucrative career in the NBA?

Being a sometimes-basketball player myself, I recently sustained a tear in the medial collateral of my right knee and have been slowly getting myself back to health. I love to play basketball, but so far I'm listening to the doctor's advice of not playing on it again for many weeks, if maybe never again.

I certainly don't get paid to play, and at my age only participate for the "fun" of it, as well as the exercise benefits and

the chance to consume some "cold ones" afterwards.

A recent article in the *Milwaukee Journal* sent to me by my grandmother extols the importance of playing basketball after an injury.

Entitled "That desire to play again," it tells about Milwaukee Buck forward Larry Krystowiak, who is coming back after blowing out his knee in a game 10 months ago.

The story deals with Krystowiak's desire and intense interest in playing the game again after it rudely interrupted his livelihood. Expected comments such as "It's a terrible injury, but it isn't a terminal illness," and in Krystowiak's own words of "You have to realize that you can always be an optimist, until you're dead," emphasized the story and how badly he wanted to return.

The close of the story had a very prophetic statement by Krystowiak in which he said, "It's important when you go through something like this to keep everything in perspective. You could spend whole days being mad at the world. But then you think about how limited your time is."

Did he mean his playing time on the court, or his time in life? I wonder how. Hank Gathers would have felt reading something like this. I currently have this article pinned to my refrigerator at home. When the time comes, I hope I have that "desire" to play again. At least in passing, Hank Gathers always had that "desire" to play.

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Roo's Roost

by Mike Van Roo
contributing sports writer

The untimely death last weekend of Loyola-Marymount superstar basketball player Hank Gathers lends another sad chapter to the impetus of an athlete playing under the heading of "no brain, no pain."

This 23 year-old basketball phenomenon was knocking at the door of great success in life when his gifted young existence was snuffed out so prematurely.

Diagnosis as having an irregular heartbeat, medically known as cardiac arrhythmia, was no barrier to his intense desire and love of the game.

But certainly in a tragedy as this, who is to blame for his death. Is it Gathers himself who knowingly defied doctors orders and continued playing with the consequences hanging over him like a death wish.

Or does the blame go to the school and coaches who depended on him too much, to help them reach and garner a berth in the filthy-rich NCAA basketball tournament. With Gathers in the starting lineup, the Lions of Loyola-Marymount were one of the better and certainly the most prolific scoring team in the country.

sports briefs

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The UM—St. Louis hockey club will participate in the Brentwood "B" league this summer. The team is open to all experienced skaters who are attending or planning to attend UM—St. Louis, including high school seniors. Deadline for application is March 30, 1990. Interested players should contact Shelle at 524-2881 or Wayne at 521-6818.

Super-scorer Steinhoff shines in MIAA

Sophomore Monica Steinhoff has been selected for the all-conference first team by the Missouri Intercollegiate Athletic Association. She led the UM—St. Louis Riverwomen in scoring with a school-record (and conference leading) 660 points and a 24.4 average in 27 games. Steinhoff also set school records for most points in a game (41) and 3-point field goals in a season (73).

Honors for Houska's hustle

Junior Lisa Houska received honorable mention on the All-MIAA squad for the second consecutive season. She led the Riverwomen in assists (160) and steals (43) and was second in scoring with 12.3 points per game. Houska also became the school's all-time leader in assists (465) and steals (151).

Putnam power

Sophomore player Tammy Putnam led the Riverwomen in rebounding for the second straight season. This year's 213 rebounds placed her seventh on the career list at UM—St. Louis with 425. She is only 184 rebounds behind first place.

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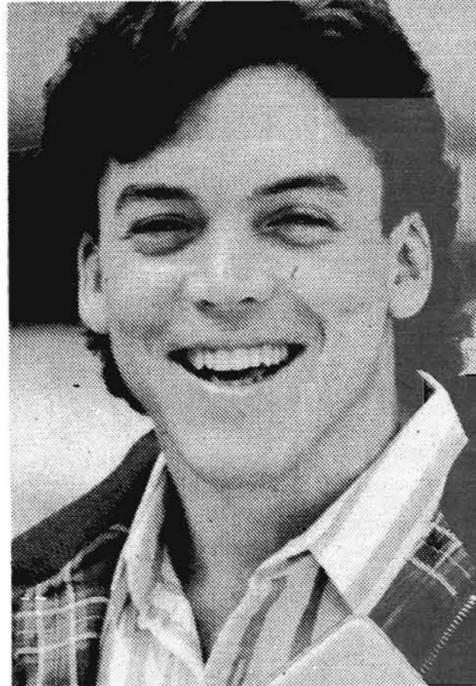
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