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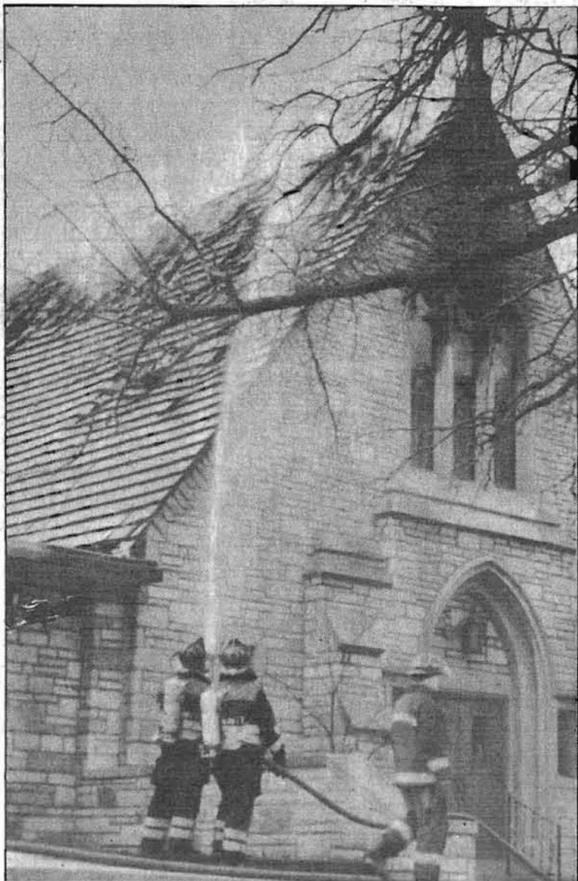


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Firefighters from area municipalities and Lambert Airport fought last Monday to save the Trinity Lutheran Church in Bel-Nor. The firefighters managed to save the education building connected to the church.

Arts and Sciences Suffers The Worst Budget Cuts

by Bill Farnsworth
Current news reporter

The College of Arts and Sciences is going to lose \$425,000 through cuts to generate funds that must be sent to the University's central administration.

The College will cut \$125,000 from the budget of KWMU, the radio station on campus. The cuts will be over three years; \$50,000 in the first year, \$38,000 in the second and \$37,000 in the third year.

"We will work with the radio station to help improve their fund raising programs," said Martin Sage, associate dean of the College of Arts and Sciences.

The College will cut the budget of the Intersession Program by \$40,000. Staff positions will also be cut by \$64,000 and faculty positions will lose \$196,000. These amounts translate roughly to four secretaries and five full time faculty members.

"Inevitably, the loss of five faculty members will reduce the number of course offerings," Sage said.

Sage also commented on the fact that these cuts will reduce the budgets

of each department by approximately \$11,000.

"I don't know if the other [colleges] have realized their maximum profit margins, but [the College of Arts and Sciences has not]," he said.

The UM-St. Louis Budget and Planning Committee debated cuts in the budgets of university programs in a meeting held last Wednesday to inform the Chancellor of the financial situations of various programs before she made her final decisions concerning which programs will lose money.

Touhill opened the meeting on Wednesday with an explanation of the plan that George Russell, the president of the University of Missouri, has implemented. The plan requires the four UM campuses to return money to the university's central administration.

The St. Louis campus is required to contribute \$1,671,187 to this fund.

The campuses may then apply for the money of this newly created fund. All requests for this money are to be in \$500,000 amounts. Touhill says that she plans to apply for four or more of these \$500,000 amounts, essentially asking for more money than the campus will originally put into the

fund.

Touhill explained that these newer cuts must come in the form of "rate cuts," meaning reductions in funding that has been allocated for five years or more. She said that the cuts that the UM-St. Louis campus has been making recently are "cost cuts", those that are cuts of money that has been saved from past years. Rate cuts are harder to make because the programs are already planning to spend the money that is being cut. Cost cuts involve money that has been saved, or "surplus" money.

"We have been doing [cost cuts] for years," she said. "We made [these] cuts in cost, and George [Russell] mandated that we make them in rate." Touhill said.

Touhill explained how the money will be allocated within the next five years to areas in the University after these cuts. She listed seven areas in the University that she has placed "ceilings" on the increases in funding for these areas. These amounts are in addition to amounts that are currently in these programs' budgets.

Human Assets, essentially the area that involves the employment of faculty and staff, will receive \$598,000

for each year. This translates approximately to a one percent pay raise for the faculty and staff per year, far below the standard pay raises in most university systems.

The institutions that are comparable to UM-St. Louis are giving a four percent increase in salaries and wages for the 1992-1993 school year.

Libraries and Information Technology will receive \$120,000 a year, this amount is a minimum increase that is mandated by the University. This amount will allow for maintenance only, with little or no money for expansion of the libraries.

Student aid will receive an increase of \$250,000 per year. This increase is also mandated by the University. The rise in tuition and fees over the next few years will, most likely, rise by this amount as well.

The funds for the following increases are generated through the most recent tuition and fee raises. The raises in fees and tuition will provide the St. Louis campus with \$1.04 million per year of permanent income. In the first school year, 1992-1993, the budgets

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Proposition O Defeated

by Thomas J. Kovach
editor

The vice chancellor of student affairs said the defeat of Proposition O last Tuesday was "Proposition B deja-vu."

Sandy MacLean said he was "very disappointed" that the proposition was shot down by St. Louis County and City voters. Passage of Proposition O could have meant construction of an Olympic-sized swimming complex on the UM-St. Louis campus.

"We had the opportunity to get a great facility," Athletic Director Chuck Smith said.

Proposition B was a \$385 million education tax package that was soundly defeated by voters last November.

The final vote count for Proposition O was 126,071 against and 78,897 in favor. Supporters of the proposition said it would have generated \$1 billion for St. Louis by imposing 4 cents for each \$100 of assessed value. This translates into nearly \$5 a year for a \$70,000 home, the average value

of property in St. Louis.

MacLean said UM-St. Louis was prepared to deal with the costs.

"We had a budget of \$976,000 for the first year of operation. It would be supported by user fees, rentals and subsidies from the county and the city," he said. "It was feasible."

But Proposition O supporters said the timing was wrong for the public to vote on the issue.

"It's a sign of the times and the nervousness of the economy," Betty VanUum, assistant to the chancellor, said. "People aren't prepared to spend money."

Jack Weinert, vice president of the 1994 Olympic Festival, said that when Minneapolis created similar facilities to those that were proposed in St. Louis, there was "an economic impact of \$28 million" in 1990.

David Clossy, the volunteer coordinator for Proposition O, told *The Current* in March that "what we need is volunteers... and votes."

Proposition O backers said they did not get the 2,000 to 3,000 volunteers to get the word out to the public.

Disabled Week Raises Awareness



Photo: Alfie M. Ali

Pat Ebers, left, and Dave Swenson, right, participate in the scavenger hunt behind Clark Hall.

by Ray Benthall
Current news reporter

Wheelchair basketball kicked off the twelfth annual Disabled Awareness Week April 6-9. The events was sponsored by the Disabled Students Union to increase awareness about preconceived ideas and everyday challenges students with disabilities face. Other events included a screening of the film *Regarding Henry*, wheelchair races and an awards ceremony.

Students competed against each other and the clock to accomplish a series of tasks such as picking up and newspaper and

entering and exiting buildings.

"The fact that UM-St. Louis was built on a golf course makes accessibility very challenging for students in a wheelchair," said Marilyn Ditto Administrator for Special Student Services. "It really increases student awareness," she said.

Disabled Awareness Week concluded with presenting of 94 Meritorious Awards which recognizes members of the UM-St. Louis community who have been extraordinarily helpful and supportive to disabled students. Any student interested in joining the Disabled Students Union call Dietrich Smith at 553-5048.

UPB Sponsors Lecture

by Anjanette Smith
Current news reporter

The University Program Board sponsored a lecture on subliminal techniques in advertising Thursday April 9.

Wilson Bryan Key, who came to the university three years ago with the same message, arrived to an anxious audience awaiting his analysis. He began by defining the aim of these subliminal methods.

"These are techniques that get inside your head that make you do things, like things, accept things, believe things, consider things which you might normally disregard com-

pletely if the subliminal message wasn't there," he said.

Some of the endorsements analyzed were CAMEL filter cigarettes, Kanon Men's Cologne, Betty Crocker, Benson Hedges 100s, McDonald's, Crown Royal liquor and Wrigley's Gum. Key revealed themes of homosexuality, bestiality, death-wishes, sexual violence and sexual promiscuity.

"Things are never what they appear," reiterated Key as he uncovered the underlying message of each ad.

Founders Day Dance A Success



Photo: Alfie M. Ali

UNFORGETTABLE: Students, faculty and friends danced the night away at the St. Louis Marriott.

by Anjanette Smith
Current news reporter

Dancers twisted to Chubby Checker, vlogged with Madonna, and sweated to commands of C & C Music Factory, at the first annual Founder's Day Dance, hosted by the Pierre Laclade Honors College on April 3. DJ John Ludecke, former UM-St. Louis student, presented a variety of music ranging from the '50s through the '90s. DJ John laid out the tunes and learned the rules of OPP

from *Naughty by Nature*. Vice President of the Honors College Steve Savis commented on the aim of the event. "I think this is a good opportunity to have a really good time and get people not just from the Honors College involved, but also try and get people to know each other better."

The college plans to host another dance next year. Dr. Fred Fausz, dean of the college, remarked that future plans were inspired by witnessing the crowd's enjoyment of this year's dance.

Jack Buck Scholarship Offered

Radio personality Jack Buck and his wife Carol have established a scholarship fund through the Department of Communication at UM-St. Louis. Buck has been the play-by-play announcer for the St. Louis Cardinals on KMOX radio for 38 years. The Alumni Association is sponsoring a UM-St. Louis night at the ballpark on May 22, and pro-

ceeds from those sales will go toward the scholarship. The winner of the first scholarship will be presented by Buck during pre-game ceremony. A full-time student with a grade point average of at least 2.5 will be selected by the Communications Department. For more information on the scholarship or the baseball game, call 553-5747.

School Of Education Appoints New Dean

by Matt Forsythe
Current news reporter

Donald Robinson, who is resigning his post as dean of the School of Education this semester, takes with him more than two decades of experience in the education field. Prior to serving at UM-St. Louis, Robinson was dean of Oklahoma State University for 16 years.

Chancellor Blanche Touhill praised the dean's role in helping the School of Education move into the '90s. Specifically, she noted the computerizing of the School of Education and also keeping up with massive enrollment that has taken place at the school during the past few years.

"I was really sorry to hear of Dean Robinson's retirement," Touhill said.

The School of Education has grown considerably in the past 20 years, and Robinson has been an important part of a team that has helped the school go through these changes. Robinson was proud of the leaps for-

ward that the school has made in development of educational plans for the region and heightening awareness of the resources that reside in the school for improving education. He also spearheaded the school's moves to improve teacher education by professional development of school relationships.

Robinson said, "We establish the same relationship between the school,

university and participating school districts as you would see between a medical school and a teaching hospital, the same kind of close relationship."

He also saw the school maintain and improve on the Project Compete programs, which include Access to Success, the Bridge Program, and the Engelmann Institute, "helping to create the reality that this is a closely

integrated network of programs that interface between the university, the private corporate sector and schools both for the improvement of education and the improvement of teacher education," he said.

Interim Vice Chancellor Donald H. Driemeier is presently in the process of conferring with appropriate faculty in order to appoint an acting dean of the School of Education.

Music Professor Retires After 27 Years

by Shunda L. Lee
Current news reporter

At the end of this semester, Dr. Kenneth Miller, a vocal music professor at UM-St. Louis for 27 years, will retire. Dr. Miller was the first full-time faculty member of the Music Department. During his tenure, he has seen many graduates of the Music Department become

active in state music organizations and go on to receive advanced degrees from Big 10 organizations. He has published four books on vocal music.

Miller has witnessed several relocations of his department until the final one which took place approximately ten years ago, when the Marillac campus retreat center became the permanent residence of the

Music Department. At the time, he said it was the "best available facility."

Miller will teach part-time at UM-St. Louis for three years and complete the manuscript for his fifth book, *Principles of Singing: Song Repertory*, in about a month. Miller, who is a former radio engineer, says he may get a ham radio and will definitely write some more books.

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Prop O: No Chance

The defeat of Proposition O shouldn't come as a surprise to anyone. From planning to the actual vote, the proposition never had a chance.

The primary reason for its defeat was lack of voter confidence. This has to be the worst time to put a proposition before the public, despite what it could have done for UM-St. Louis.

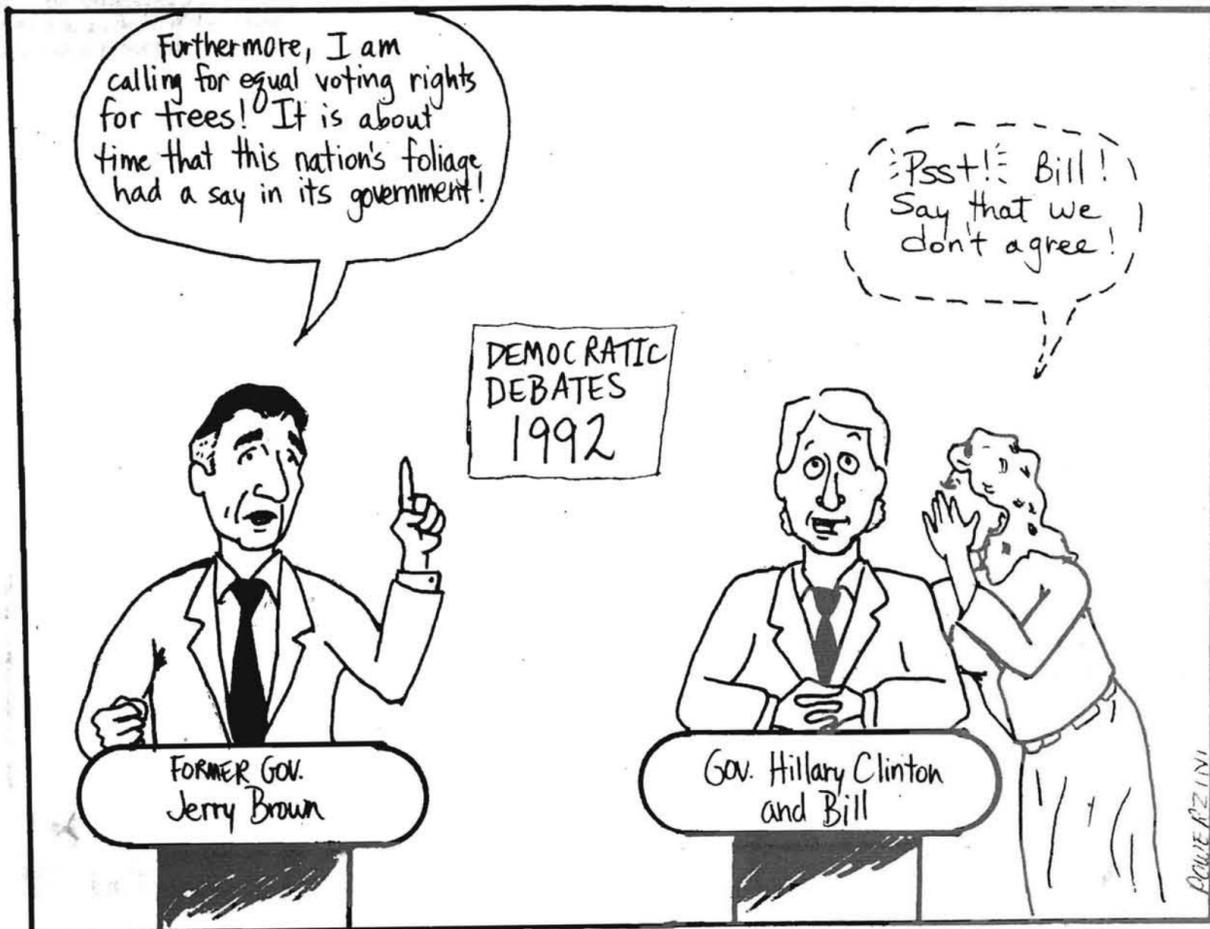
Passage of Proposition O would have generated \$1 billion for St. Louis by imposing 4 cents for each \$100 of assessed value of property. Did the creators of Proposition O, particularly Civic Progress and others, believe it would pass during these difficult economic times?

Several UM-St. Louis administrators admitted the real problem with the proposition was Civic Progress and other city officials. "The whole process is backwards," said one administrator.

Civic Progress, as well as other sports community leaders, led the charge to get Proposition O passed. For UM-St. Louis the benefit was a new swimming complex at a cost of \$16 million. UM-St. Louis administrators had already done their homework as to how much the complex would cost to operate. They visited various pools in St. Louis and came up with a first-year budget of \$976,000. If Proposition O would have passed, the swimming complex would have been supported by user fees, rentals and subsidies from the county and city.

The creators of Proposition O should coordinate their efforts with more citizens. The image Civic Progress and others put out to the public is one of "St. Louis will get jobs and money, but only if you are willing to pay for it." That statement can't happen because there are those without money because they don't have jobs.

This was a bad time to put a proposition before the voters.



Ashe: Innocent Victim DA Made Right Decision In Savitz Case

Arthur Ashe's revelation that he has AIDS (acquired immune deficiency syndrome) is probably more shocking than Magic Johnson's announcement.

Why? He was an innocent victim of a medical community that was not yet aware of the danger. Ashe, a tennis legend, contracted the disease from a blood transfusion during routine heart bypass surgery in 1983.

We were, of course, devastated that one of America's role models had contracted the deadly disease last November. Soon after Johnson told America what happened, AIDS awareness increased. A few months later that awareness was still present but no longer the topic of everyday discussion.

Last week's disclosure by Ashe shows that this deadly disease can strike anybody. While the AIDS syndrome was once believed to be an exclusively homosexual disease, it is now clear that this disease doesn't discriminate.

It is a tragedy that the cure for Ashe's heart condition caused a larger problem. The only justice will be if medical researchers find a cure for the disease.



by Michelle McMurray
news editor

"HIV is not a crime!" yelled the AIDS activists in front of the Philadelphia court house. The protesters allege that an accused sex offender got unfair and different treatment from the criminal justice system.

The defendant is Edward Savitz, a 50-year-old businessman accused of paying hundreds of boys and young men for sexual favors such as oral and anal sex, and even buying their underwear, socks, and feces. Several thousand pictures of naked boys were found in his apartment. Savitz has only been charged with sex crimes involving

four boys. One of the complainants claims to have had sex with him at least 70 or 80 times.

When Savitz was first arrested his bond was originally \$3 million. The controversy began when Savitz was re-arrested on seven new charges and his bond was raised to \$20 million. Lynne Abraham, the district attorney sought to have his bail set at \$35 million to make sure he was off the street and would be no harm to himself or anyone else, her spokesman claims. Savitz's attorney, Barnaby Wittels, said the ruling was AIDS phobia and homophobia. He said the high bail was to appease the public and was a violation of the Eighth Amendment guarantee against excessive bail. Wittels also maintains Savitz was devastated by the public disclosure that he had AIDS and was beaten and taunted by other inmates.

Abraham held a press conference to reach anyone who might have had contact with Savitz and been exposed to the AIDS virus. She claims that Savitz gave her permission to tell, and that her purpose was to inform the

public so they might take care of the situation.

So blame it on the media as always. The AIDS activists say the press conference increased hysteria and over reaction from the public. They threw condoms at Abraham and accused her of a set up by the district attorneys office and the police. Hogwash.

Commentary

It was suggested that the authorities should have tried to contact Savitz's former partners privately. That would literally be impossible considering the volume of people involved. I don't think she did anything wrong given this unique situation. Those men and boys needed to know as soon as possible given the fact that Savitz did not inform his sex partners of his HIV status. I am all for everyone's right to privacy, but Savitz had no intentions of slowing down his behavior until he got caught and was forced to.

There is a dispute about whether he practiced safe sex. Savitz claims he practiced safe sex, but Abraham says she received more than 200 phone calls from people who said he never used a condom. God only know how many people he infected and how many people they infected. It's a vicious circle. As of March, 1992, there have been 135,434 deaths nationally from AIDS, and approximately five million people are infected with the AIDS virus, including those who are not aware they carry the virus.

Abraham should fess up to the real reason for the high bail instead of passing the buck to the bail commissioner. Savitz's bail was higher than mass murderer Jeffery Dahmer's. I think the real reason was so he would be detained from putting anyone else at risk to get AIDS. There are 8 states that have laws pending about knowingly transmitting AIDS, and 12 states that actually have laws on the books.

I agree, having HIV is not a crime, but failing to inform sex partners about the virus and possibly putting them at risk to contract a deadly disease is.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE

NARAL Working To Increase Political Voice

Dear Editor:

If we close our eyes and imagine the world our mothers lived in before Roe v. Wade, the 1973 Supreme Court decision which recognized the right to choose abortion in this country, life was filled with many dangerous uncertainties for women facing crisis pregnancies. In this world, women by the thousands were injured and died as a result of illegal, unsafe, back alley abortions.

Unfortunately, this horrible past could be our future.

Today, more than ever, pro-choice students must be everything but apolitical (Yes, this is the correct spelling). With all the looming threats to the right to choose safe, legal abortion—the Supreme Court's announcement that it will hear a case from Pennsylvania that could take away the right to choose whether or not to have an abortion, Louisiana's abortion ban moving through the judicial pipeline, and the passage of an "intimidation" law in Ohio—we must be registered, registering, mobilizing and voting. We

must vote pro-choice.

The Campus Organizing Project of the National Abortion Rights Action League (NARAL), in coalition with the United States Student Association, is actively working to increase student and youth political participation.

Our goals are clear. We will elect a pro-choice president, make a significant change toward a veto-proof Congress, elect pro-choice officials at every level of government and enact the Freedom of Choice Act (FOCA)—a federal legislation which sets a national standard of protection by codifying the principles established in Roe v. Wade and secured the right to choose. The role student will play in this election year is pivotal.

As young men and women who have been secured in our fundamental right to choose, enactment of FOCA is even more important because it secures our right and places it beyond the reach of state legislators like Louisiana's David Duke. We cannot have this right legislated state by state

like speed laws (in some states the maximum is 55 while in others it's 65), or where in American women in Pennsylvania have fewer fights than women in California. Only through the pro-choice participation will we deliver pro-choice victories and secure our rights nationwide.

The March in Washington on April 5 was the start of a process of educating and registering pro-choice students around the country to vote on Nov. 3 for pro-choice candidates.

In 1992, we will take pro-active steps to secure our right because restrictions such as those in the Pennsylvania case (Planned Parenthood of Southeastern Pennsylvania v. Casey) are no more than "Jim Crow" abortion laws designed to create obstacle after obstacle to prevent women from

exercising the right to choose.

Pro-choice students around the country realize that Congress has the authority, obligation and responsibility to pass FOCA. From California to Maine, Louisiana to Wisconsin, Virginia to New Mexico students are calling, faxing, writing and visiting their representatives to say that if she or he is not a co-sponsor of FOCA, it is time to sign on or move on. FOCA is a voting issue and students vote.

From the march on April 5 to election day on Nov. 3, pro-choice students will be visible, vocal and voting. For some of you, this will be your vote case in a presidential election, make that vote count.

Leslie-Watson Davis

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of programs will be increased by \$813,000. The remaining \$223,000 will be awarded as lump sums above the regular operating budgets of programs in the 1992-1993 year only and will be allocated as permanent income in the 1993-1994 school year.

Research and Graduate Education will receive an increase of \$196,000 in the 1992-1993 school year and will receive another increase of \$26,000 per year beginning in the 1993-1994 school year. Scholarships and Fellowships will receive \$32,000 in the 92-93 year above the regular budget, the Tropical Ecology program will receive \$35,000.

Professional Education, which includes the optometry program on South Campus, will receive increases of \$168,000 and \$218,000 per year in the 92-93 and 93-94 school years, respectively. The school of Business will receive a lump sum amount of \$72,000 for the 92-93 school year in addition to its regular budget.

General Education, which en-

compasses the majority of the students attending UM-St. Louis, will receive a \$122,000 increase per year after the 93-94 school year. The Honors College will receive an increase of \$87,000 in 93-94, and the Cultural Diversity Program will receive an increase of \$35,000 next year. The Writing Program will also receive a lump sum of \$84,000 in the 92-93 year above the budgetary increases.

Teacher Education's budget will be increased by \$104,000 per year, \$44,000 in 92-93 for Internationalization and Cultural Diversity and \$60,000 in 93-94 for Graduate and Undergraduate Education.

The \$500,000 amounts that can be secured from the central administration fund can increase these ceilings, but the applications for these \$500,000 sums must describe where the money will be allocated.

Russell has outlined the areas that will receive priority in the awarding

of these sums: Physical Assets, buildings, parking lots, roads etc.; Human Assets, faculty and staff; Libraries; and Scholarships and Fellowships.

"There are [programs] that will get money, but there are [programs] that will *not* get money," said Touhill, "We are going to have another series of layoffs...we are there."

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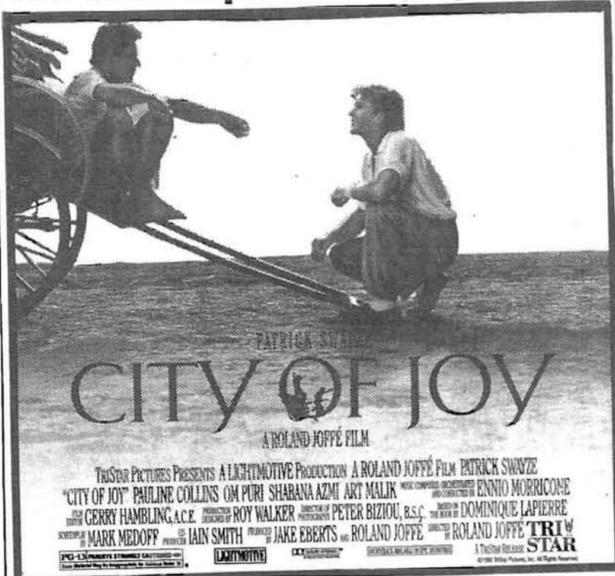
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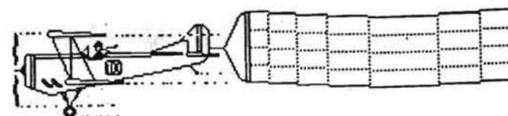
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In This Corner



Rivermen Row Is Murder On Foes

by Russell L. Korando
sports editor

Adversity can sometimes crush a team. I don't care at what level the team plays, either. Professional, college and right down to the little league level.

This season, adversity has been no friend to the UM-St. Louis men's baseball team. So far, three players have left the team. On a team where Rivermen skipper Jim Brady said its one flaw was lack of depth.

But wait a minute. The Rivermen are 17-8. Ranked second in the Missouri Intercollegiate Athletic Association.

They have continually come back in the late innings to pull out victories. Against conference foe Southwest Baptist, who was 5-0 coming into the series April 3-4, the Rivermen scored three runs in the bottom of the eighth inning and won 3-2.

Junior southpaw Chuck McNelly was again wondrous as he pitched his fourth complete game, and out-dued a pitcher that Brady said was one of the best in the conference.

A double header followed the next day. It was the ninth game the Rivermen had played in as many days. 'Bulldog' Runzi took the mound. The Rivermen's explosive offense jumped on the Bearcats early, and Runzi coasted to a complete game 7-0 win.

Robby Rixford, who was transplanted from pitcher to first base, somehow made a grab on a throw to first while laying on his back. Rixford's natural athleticism made the move, in a time of need for the team, naturally, and is a prime example of the team's character.

Offense is not a problem with this team. They have twice scored over 20 runs this year, and they seem to score runs in bunches, but push them across when it counts.

I would not want to face any of the Rivermen lineup with the game on the line. I hate to exclude anyone of them, but because of space constraints let's pinpoint who's hot right now.

Brian Rupp: it took him a couple of weeks early on, but lately he has become all his pre-season credentials made him out to be. Rupp is batting .373 and is finding his power stroke. Against Baptist he twice went 4 for 5, and has driven in 17 runs.

Donnie Jolliff: cooled off a little in the Baptist series, but overall leads the team in most of the power departments. After hitting exactly zero last year, Jolliff has hit five homers. He seems to generate more bat speed than anyone else.

Jeff Eye: hitting .372, while called upon to play in a number of positions and circumstances. Eye became a victim of Rivermen Field when he stepped in a gopher hole or rabbit burrow — you get the picture. Both he and Mike Landwehr, who Brady said was the "unsung hero" of the team, have been hobbled with injuries.

Landwehr's a nice enough guy off the field, but once he gets between the lines, he's all business. He gets spiked after making tough throws. No big deal.

His eighth spot in the order was not indicative of his hitting. I'd compare Landwehr to a landmine. Once a pitcher gets through Rivermen's Row, Landwehr's lying in the weeds. Boom! Base hit, and we're back to the top of the order. Ahh, how I could go on."

Baseball is here at UM-St. Louis maybe until sometime in late May when the College World Series comes to a close. Don't look for any rash predictions in this space, but know this: this team is talented, well-coached, under-funded, under-respected, and well-deserving of whatever good comes their way.

"D.J." Provides Wattage For A High Charged Rivermen Offense

by Greg Albers
Current sports reporter

When Jim Brady recruited Donnie Jolliff to play baseball at UM-St. Louis, he thought he was getting a premiere defensive center fielder. What he got was a franchise player.

"I was trying to emphasize last year that he was the best freshman in the conference," Brady said. "There were some guys who didn't believe it. Well, they better believe it, because this guy can play."

After earning second team All-Central honors last year, Jolliff began his sophomore season with his first collegiate home run and hasn't stopped since. After 25 games he led the team in batting (.398), home runs (5) and runs batted in (30). Last week, after tying a school record with five hits against Eureka, he was named the MIAA player of the week.

"I'm hitting the ball to all fields," said Jolliff. "The quality of pitches I'm swinging at this year is a lot better."

After not hitting any home runs last year, Jolliff's power surge came as a surprise to many people, but not Brady. He followed the progress his center fielder made last summer during a Metro Collegiate season in which he batted near .375 and walloped nine home runs.

"Donnie has tremendous bat speed," Brady said. "There are two

Jolliff's Numbers

Batting: AVG .398 AB 93 R 26 H 37 RBI 30
2B 6 3B 6 HR 5
Fielding: PO 50 A 0 E 2 FIELDING % .962
TEAM AVERAGES: Batting: .322 Fielding: .935

keys to hitting—balance and bat speed—and he has both of them.

"I think the power numbers have transpired somewhat because of the great summer he had last year. It was a confidence thing. He was a dominant hitter in that league."

Although it has been his offensive production that has gathered so much attention, Jolliff believes that hitting is not his greatest strength.

"It's great I can mix in some offense," Jolliff said modestly, "but I think defense is what I do best."

His manager would tend to agree. "Defensively in center field, he has no peers," Brady said. "He gets a great jump on the ball. He possesses an outstanding throwing arm and he can go coast to coast. That's what you look for in a center fielder. That's one of the reasons we were turned on to him in high school."

As an all-state pick at Wentzville High School, Jolliff turned on a lot of college coaches, but in the end, it was Brady who claimed the prize.

"I had offers from other schools," Jolliff said, "but Coach Brady was very open and very honest to me. He came right to me and said, 'You could fit into our program and play here,' and that's what I was looking for. He's a real nice guy. I love playing for him. He knows the game of baseball."

Jolliff said what he likes most about being a Riverman is his teammates.

"You have to like the guys you're playing with," he said, "otherwise there's no togetherness."

With Jolliff leading the way, the Rivermen have jumped out to a 17-8 record and have won six out of eight conference games. Shortstop Brian Rupp has benefitted from hitting ahead of Jolliff in the batting order, as his team-leading 26 runs (tied with Jolliff) will attest.

"I know if I get on base," Rupp said, "he's usually going to get a hit, or at least move me into scoring position, so that's going to help the team score a

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Photo: Dirk Fletcher

JOLLY JOLLIFF: Centerfielder Donnie Jolliff leads the Rivermen with five home runs, and is batting an eye-opening .398.

Banged Up Riverwomen Fall 12 Games Under .500

by Pete Dicrispino
Current sports reporter



Photo: Alfie M. Ali

ON THE GO: Junior Kim Caudle gets around well on the field. She has made only five errors this year.

Last week, after losing a couple of players to injuries and with two tired pitchers, UM-St. Louis Riverwomen Softball Coach Harold Brumbaugh was praying for rain. Well his wish came true, but the rain came about a half hour late from washing out a 5-2 loss to McKendree College.

"The girls keep playing hard, but they are starting to get a little frustrated lately," Brumbaugh said. McKendree jumped out in front in the first with two runs off Riverwomen pitcher Kelly Childs, who had another strong performance on the mound.

The Riverwomen came right back in the bottom of the first. Freshmen Jeri Mass lead off with a walk. She later scored on a hit from junior Jenny Sinclair, who recently returned to the lineup after missing a few games due to dizziness from a foul tip hitting her in the head.

"It means a lot having her back in the lineup. Jenny is a solid hitter and plays for the team, not for herself," Brumbaugh said.

McKendree came back in the second inning with three runs off Childs, and the help of a throwing error by shortstop Jenny Sinclair, which cost the Riverwomen two runs on the play. McKendree finished out the second inning scoring with a sacrifice fly.

The Riverwomen scored a run in the bottom of the third on back to back doubles by third basemen Sharon Payton and by catcher Stephanie Adelman, but would get no closer to winning.

However the team didn't lack effort. Second basemen

Kim Novak, limping most of the game, still managed to cover field, diving for any ball that came her way.

"Kim has been the biggest surprise on the team this year," Brumbaugh said. "She has a great attitude and comes up with almost every ball she drives for."

After the third inning, both pitchers went on to settle down and no team mounted any kind of scoring attack the rest of the game.

The only noise the rest of the afternoon was the sound of thunder and pouring rain that washed out the second game between the two teams.

With the loss the Riverwomen fell to 12-24 overall. The team also split four games last week, with an 11-3 victory against Lincoln and a 3-0 shutout against UM-Rolla, thanks to the arm of Christa Childress. The Riverwomen then lost two games to South East Missouri 7-3 and 5-0.

Injuries have been the biggest reason for the Riverwomen's dismal record this year. The loss of rightfielder Amy Deal hurts the most.

"We miss her arm in the outfield and her RBI's from the number four spot in the order," Brumbaugh said.

The key for the team might be staying healthy. "The girls have been playing hurt all year and you have to give them credit for that," Brumbaugh said.

The "Red Cross" Riverwomen take their wounded bodies on the road to go against Southwest Baptist, Pittsburg State, and Missouri Southern, in a tournament April 14 in Bolivar, Missouri.

The team's last home game is April 16 against St. Louis University at St. Ann's field.

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Walker Wants Rivermen To Maintain Concentration

by Martha Roeder
Current sports reporter

UM-St. Louis' tennis Rivermen and Riverwomen got off to a slow start this year, but broke the ice by defeating the Webster University Gorlocks, their second win. The first game was over Maryville this past weekend.

Nick Tanchuris, Dave O'Gorman, and brothers Brett and John Fredrick led the netters, coached by Carl Walker in his first year at UM-St. Louis. Tanchuris is currently 7-3 overall. On the Volvo scale, with 6 being the highest rating, he is currently 5.5.

Walker said, "The Rivermen can do anything as long as they keep focused

and maintain concentration."

Tanchuris played a hard, long shot game, winning more than one game on service.

Despite losing to Greenville April 4, Brett Frederick beat Matt Keillor 1-6, 6-4, 7-5. In doubles, Tanchuris and Frederick beat Greenville's team of Smith and Mulholland 6-2, 6-2.

Walker is looking what types of players the other schools have that the Rivermen must play. The Rivermen's only Achilles' heel so far has been its doubles matches.

"For each match they lose in the singles category, they must win in doubles, but have not been doing it," Walker said. He hopes the Rivermen

will show improvement in their team skills as the season progresses.

Walker commented, "We have a competitive team. These guys really enjoy playing the game, have fun and are good sports."

The ladies' team, under the direction of coach Pam Steinmetz, continue to play well. With Julie Johnson leading the way, the Riverwomen are slated to play in the UM-St. Louis Triangular this weekend.

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lot of runs.
 "I think he's pretty much been the catalyst this year. He's carried us a lot. He's hitting around .400. I think that speaks for itself."
 With all the success he has enjoyed, Jolliff isn't about to let it go to his head.
 "He's a real nice down-to-Earth kind of guy," Rupp said.
 Jolliff is not about to rest on his accomplishments either.

"There's always room for improvement," Jolliff said. "Some parts of my defense aren't as good as I think they should be."
 If Jolliff were to improve his already sharp skills, that would be just fine with his manager.
 "I can't put into words what he means to us," Brady said. "He's our catalyst. He's been an intricate part of the team since he got here."

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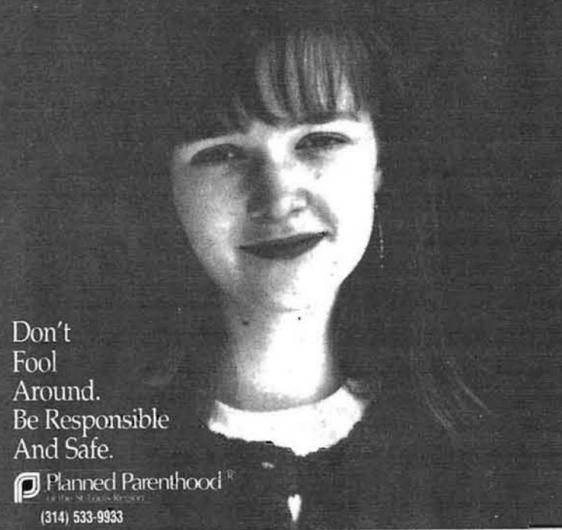
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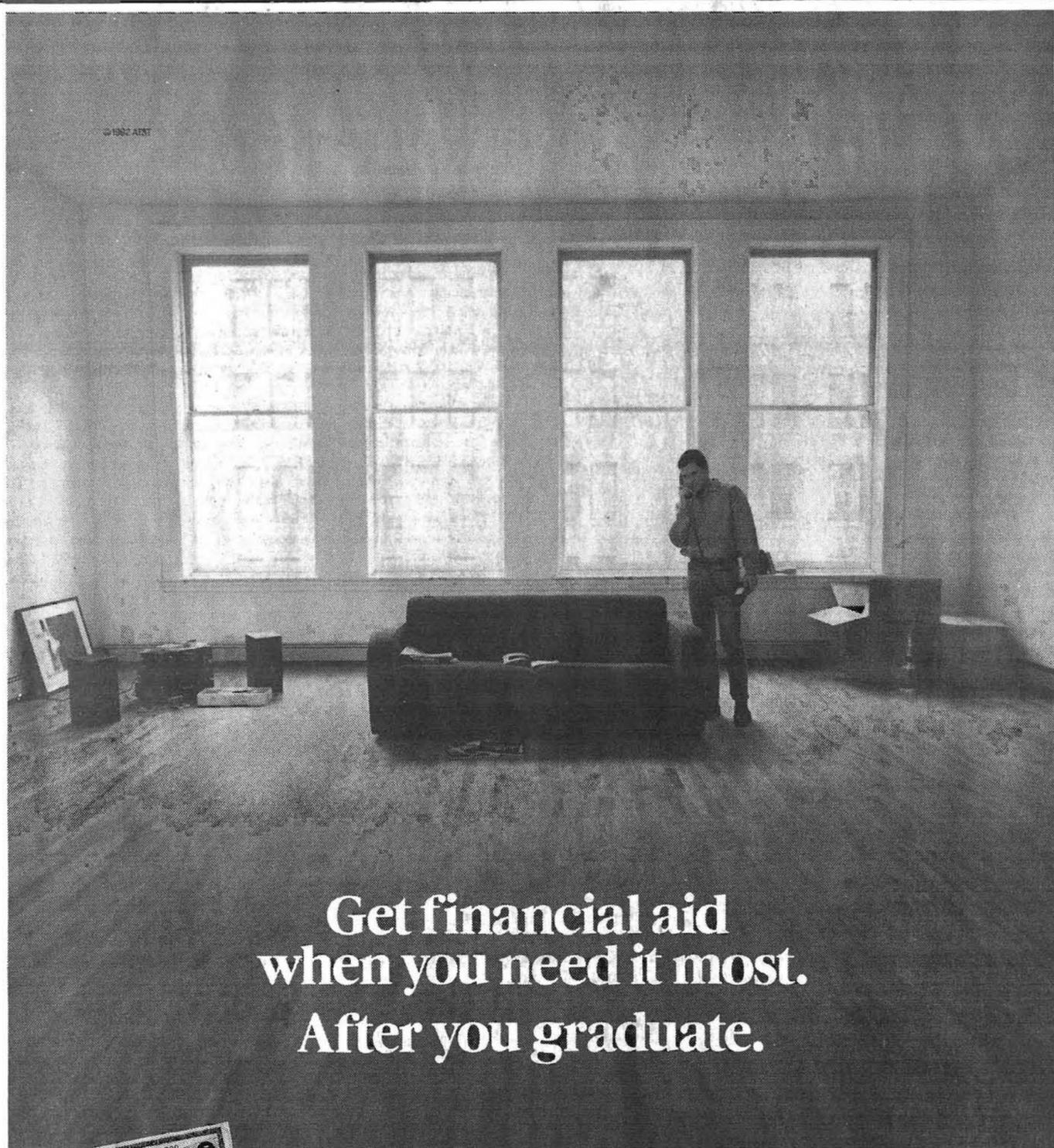
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