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## UM-St. Louis Researchers Receive Drug Study Grant

by Krista Goodlin  
Current news reporter

Researchers at the University of Missouri-St. Louis have received a \$365,000 grant from the National Institute on Drug Abuse to conduct a drug use study in St. Louis City.

Richard Rosenfeld, associate professor of criminology and criminal justice, is the principal investigator in the project. Scott Decker, the co-principal investigator, is also a professor of criminology and criminal justice. They applied for the funding to support research on levels and patterns of drug use. And they chose to target a specific group — people arrested and booked for crimes not covered in other surveys of drug use among criminals. The sampling will include ordinance violators and traffic offenders. Disorderly conduct, interfering with an officer, DWI and DUI are some of the crimes in these categories. "Our study is of less serious offenses," explained Rosenfeld, "no felonies or serious misdemeanors."

The researchers plan to interview close to 2,600 people, beginning the 16-month study in early February. Until then, preparing surveys and instruments, and gathering and training the staff will keep them busy.

The grant allows for a large staff, all chosen from UM-St. Louis. A full-time research specialist, between five and ten interviewers and four student research assistants will help gather and analyze the information. Two seniors and

two graduate students, all criminology and criminal justice majors, were selected for the project. Decker said these specific students were chosen because of their excellent academic ability in statistics and research methods. "They showed a commitment to actively doing research," he added.

Extensive drug use research has already been done targeting two major groups. The National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA), one of the National Institutes of Health, has surveyed the general population. They conducted studies of students and households finding relatively low levels of drug use and declines across the board. "Even marijuana has been declining over the past 10 years," said Rosenfeld.

The Department of Justice Drug Use Forecasting Program (DUF) has surveyed serious offenders. Stationed in 24 major U.S. cities, they studied burglary, robbery, aggravated assault and other crimes. Drug offenders were not included because of the obvious results. UM-St. Louis participated in this project which found very high levels of drug use in males and females. More than 40 percent had used forms of cocaine, most often crack, within two days of their arrest.

The surveys done for these two groups do not include less serious offenders. "We don't know much about this

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## Joyner-Kersee Speaks At Area Hospital Dedication

by Dana Cook  
of The Current staff

Determination, dedication and a well-balanced diet are factors needed to stay in shape during the winter months. But to stay fit for life, Olympic medalist Jackie Joyner-Kersee says discipline is the key.

Joyner-Kersee gave a speech titled, "Staying Fit in the Winter Months" at a dedication and open house at Saint Clare's Hospital in Alton, Ill., Nov. 20.

"Being disciplined is the key to any aspect of your life that brings you the results that you're looking for," Joyner-Kersee said.

Joyner-Kersee, *Glamour* magazine's Woman of the Year, said the cold weather is no excuse for not staying in shape.

"When it's not training season, I can put in 500 to 700 sit-ups while watching TV," Joyner-Kersee said. "You might as well start now in the winter and do something for your body because the summer is, of course, too hot."

Outside factors are also important to staying fit,



Photo: Jeff Parker

Olympic gold medalist Jackie Joyner-Kersee visited Saint Clare's Hospital in Alton, Ill., for a dedication and open house Nov. 20.

Joyner-Kersee said. Talent is only some of it. What is done off the field is as equally important as what is done on the field. For example, she said, diet makes a difference, but admits she doesn't always follow the rules.

She also said being in shape doesn't always mean running faster or being stronger than someone else. It means being the best total person you can be for yourself and those that depend on you.

## University Improves Observatory Telescope

by Dana Cook  
of The Current staff

With the use of a new charge-coupled device and a digital electronic camera, the telescope at the UM-St. Louis Observatory can detect images much fainter than before.

Contributions from alumni, members of the St. Louis Astronomical Society and others paid for the new \$3000 system.

The CCD replaced a photoelectric photometer which allowed users to measure only one star at a time and allowed the viewer to detect a star's image more than 100 times more faint than the naked eye can see. The new instrument can detect images that are about 150,000 times fainter and could have as many as 100 stars in

it.

"This means that we've literally taken a giant step in terms of what we're capable of doing," Richard Schwartz, a professor in the physics and astronomy department, said. "The kinds of observations we can make now are almost unlimited in terms of what we could do before."

Schwartz said the new system is a solid-state detector which has come into use over the last 15 years in astronomy.

"In effect, it has allowed us to do with our own 14-inch telescope what, 15 years ago, would have taken at least a 100-inch telescope, which now days would cost about \$10 million to build," Schwartz said.

The system will be used mainly for educational purposes.

## Student Activity Budget Committee Members Selected

On Tuesday, Nov. 17, the Student Activities Budget Committee (SABC) was announced for the 1992-93 school year. The committee consists of nine students serving as regular members while two students serve as alternates.

SABC members were chosen by Student Government Association (SGA) President Mike Tomlinson with the advice of the Executive Committee of SGA. The members were also subject to the approval of Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Lowe "Sandy" MacLean.

The main functions of SABC are to review budget applications of each student organization and to make recommendations for budget changes. The recommendations of SABC are sent to the Chancellor by MacLean. The recommendations of the Chancellor are then sent to the President of the University of Missouri System, who in turn makes recommendations to the University of Missouri Board of Curators.

The funds available to the organizations are for major expenditures of capital which are not covered by the annual budgets of Athletics, the University Center or Student Activities.

The nine regular members of SABC are: Wilhelmina Buckner, Bill Farnsworth, Robert Gion, Andy Masters, Bill Ross, John Sebben, Anjanette Smith, David Lawrence Turner, and Andre Young. Nick Karabas and Christopher A. Sans Souci serve as alternates. The committee's chairman is the Director of University Center, Robert Schmalfeld.

## Spike Lee To Visit Campus

Spike Lee will speak Monday night, Nov. 30, at 7 p.m. in the J.C. Penney Auditorium. Lee will talk about his new film, *Malcolm X*, and the state of human relations in the United States and will answer questions from the audience. UM-St. Louis is one of only two schools Lee will visit in the Midwest and is being sponsored by a coalition of student organizations.

## Debate Team Ties Record For Awards

by Karen Shymanski  
of The Current staff

The UM-St. Louis Debate Team tied a school record Nov. 6-8 by winning 22 awards at the Show Me Classic at Central Missouri State University.

The Debate Team's 22 awards tied a UM-St. Louis record established in January of 1990.

The Debate Team has been to four tournaments this semester. Last weekend, the team went to a tournament at Wichita State University, which hosted 35 schools. At that

tournament, the UM-St. Louis team won four awards. Those awards were: 2nd place After Dinner Speaking - Tim Ennenbach, 2nd place Student Congress - Julie Miles, Semi-Finalist in Prose - Tim Ennenbach, and Semi-Finalist in Impromptu Speaking - Brad Vaughn.

Central Missouri hosted 14 colleges and universities from five states for the Show Me Classic. In that tournament, the awards for the UM-St. Louis team included: 1st place awards - Julie Ludlum and Rebecca Witte; 2nd place awards - Gina Adamo, Rebecca Witte, Gail Kolaks and Lisa

LaFaire; 3rd place awards - Danielle Mann, Julie Miles and Stephanie Meyer; 4th place awards - Tim Ennenbach, Gina Adamo, Brad Vaughn and Julie Miles; 5th place awards - Julie Miles, Tim Ennenbach, Danielle Mann, Stephanie Meyer and Gina Adamo; 6th place award - Lee Djavaherian. UM-St. Louis also took the following awards: 2nd place Speech Sweepstakes, 3rd place Debate Sweepstakes and 3rd place Overall Sweepstakes.

Dr. Tom Preston, director of forensics, feels this year's debate team

has done exceptional work. "To reach the final round at the Wichita tournament is like getting into a semi-final round at the Nationals," Preston said.

UM-St. Louis will be hosting the Study Break Tournament for beginning college debaters Dec. 5.

Anyone interested in joining the debate team can contact Preston or Scott Jensen in the Communications Department.

"With students graduating at the end of the semester, we are always looking for new recruits," Preston said.

## World Ecology Day Informs UMSL

by Linda F. Jarrett  
of The Current staff

"Environmental Protection: How Much Can We Afford?" was the theme of World Ecology Day on Wednesday, Nov. 18, at the J.C. Penney Auditorium.

G. Tracy Mehan, associate deputy administrator for the Environmental Protection Agency, was the keynote speaker. He was joined by Garth F. Fort, director, Environmental Opera-

tions, Monsanto Company; and Jeff DeBonis, executive director, Association of Forest Service Employees for Environmental Ethics.

Victoria Sarks, director of the International Center for Tropical Ecology, chaired the event and introduced Chancellor Blanche Touhill, who opened the symposium.

"Jobs vs. owls' is the current formulation as it pertains to jobs and ecological risks," Mehan said. "Yet, one opinion poll after another, de-

spite the current recession, shows strong support for an aggressive environmental agenda here in the United States."

Fort held a different view.

"The public has said it's willing to pay, but if they have the choice of buying a \$55 environmentally sound tire over a \$45 regular tire, they will pick the cheaper tire," he said. "There is a need for more information between companies and consumers to inform the consumers of choices."

DeBonis said regardless of the question posed in the symposium, we have no choice. "The economy is based on a myth: exploit, consume, throw away. Markets don't realize that ecosystems are being reduced daily and that the cost is being transferred to future generations," he said.

Speaking from the corporation point of view, Fort said, while he "realizes Monsanto is a polluter, the

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## Finally!



Photo: Jeff Parker

Donna Willingham needed to get cap and gown measurements taken by Jill Mallaway of the UM-St. Louis Bookstore for winter commencement, Jan. 10, at the Mark Twain Building.

## Holidayfest Planning Underway

by Barbara Meyer  
of The Current staff

It's that time of year for the eighth annual Holiday Fest. Student Activities looks forward to student and faculty participation in the Holiday Fest.

The Community Tree will be lit today in the University Center Lobby in the anticipation of the arrival of decorations and food baskets from offices and organizations around campus.

On Wednesday, there will be a community reception hosted by student organization officers in conjunction with the trimming of the Community Tree.

The reception is scheduled from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. and again from 5 to 7 p.m. Refreshments will be of-

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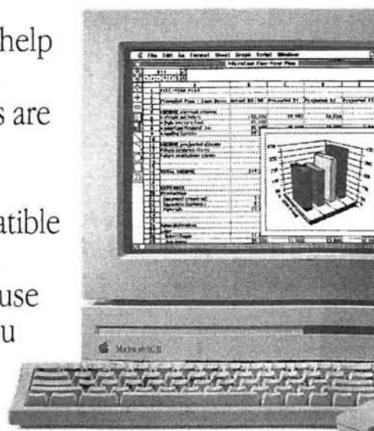
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ferred.

Tree decorations that are creatively represented from each department or organization will be placed on the Community Tree. In the past, the Criminology Department has presented a teddy bear in a cage.

Students, faculty and staff are invited to prepare and donate a food basket for needy families in the St. Louis area. Anyone wishing to donate can take a basket to the University Center by noon on Friday, Dec. 4, or call Student Activities and they will send someone to pick up donations.

For the last eight years, the North Side Team Ministry was the organization chosen after careful consideration. The organization services people in need without regard to religious or ethnic background.

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company is working hard to raise its standards," Monsanto is striving for a 90 percent reduction of air emissions from the levels of 1987, they have spent \$100 million to reach that goal.

Fort said, "Between now and the year 2030, farmers will have to produce more food than they have done since the beginning of agriculture." To that end, Monsanto is investing in agricultural technology to increase the quantity and quality of crops.

Debonis likened the current situation to having money in the bank.

"Think of our resources as capital and the ongoing production or rejuvenation as interest. We have long since used up the interest and are now mining our ecological capital. Any future interest payment is going down while the cost is going up."

He gave this disturbing statistic. "Our current soil agriculture program is a failure. The depth of topsoil has gone from 28" to 8" in the last 100 years. This represents years of biological capital."

Following the speakers' presentation, a panel discussion was held. Panel members were Professor James Doyle of the Philosophy Department, Assistant Professor Andrew Hurley of the History Department, Assistant Professor Eduardo Silva of the Political Science Department and Associate Professor Steven Wartick of the School of Business Administration.

In opening the discussion Doyle said, "Independence is a luxury we can no longer afford; an ideal whose time has come and gone." He continued, "We should see ourselves as individuals in a complex social network."

Hurley said the environment was an issue of corporations versus "affluent citizens with time to spend on environmental issues. Workers are caught in the middle, and not just in the issue of jobs." He said the poor working class and minorities have benefited least and suffered most from environmental problems." He stated three out of five poor or minority groups live near dumps or toxic waste sites.

Regarding consumer interest, Wartick said that following the Exxon Valdez incident, "30,000 Exxon customers sent in their cut-up credit cards with no loss in revenue to Exxon." How much consumer involvement is needed to get the corporation's attention?

Silva posed the question to the panel on what role government should play in the environment.

Fort said, "We need to have more information between companies and consumers to inform consumers of choices."

"Government should readdress the problem," DeBonis said. "Not penalize the companies that want to make changes in technology."

Mehan supports the "elimination of subsidies and trade barriers which harm the environment, as well as favoring certain fees or taxes on energy consumption and pollution."

A public discussion followed the panel with many questions from the floor, a number of which dealt with how much and what kind of government involvement is needed for this project.

When asked what she thought of the program, Alicia Ivory House, a secondary master's candidate in Environmental Education at Maryville, said, "How can we talk about environment and the economy if people don't know where electricity

comes from. I know people with graduate degrees who don't know where electricity comes from."

Elizabeth Petersen, a graduate student at UM-St. Louis and an educator in the St. Louis area, said, "It was very good to have this type of event; one area of concern is the fact that there were only white males on the panel, no females or minority groups. It's going to take everyone working together to solve this problem."

Carletta Ward, a senior majoring in secondary education, agreed with the thought on representation.

"There needed to be more groups to make it more conclusive. If you have all white males, other groups feel left out, like it's not their problem."

Kathy Grable, a senior majoring in biology, said, "I thought it was really good. It helped to get the ideas out to people and let them know ecology is an issue."

A number of environmental and conservation organizations had tables and booths displayed in the lobby.

The grounds and custodial services at UM-St. Louis had a table displaying all items used for recycling and those that were recycled. Mary Vosevich, manager of the services, said, "We want to show the campus that we are recycling. We encourage the purchase of materials from recyclable materials, for example, our toilet paper and paper towels are from recyclable materials. The Print and Graphic Department uses recycled paper throughout its department." A park bench made of plastic bottles, one of eight around campus, also was displayed.

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group," explained Decker. "We're concerned with filling in the blank."

Why is this blank important? The bulk of the people the criminal justice system deals with falls into this category. It's important for the community to know the levels of drug abuse and the risks involved leading to drug-related diseases with this group.

"Why should we be concerned about these issues?" asked Rosenfeld. He offered four reasons. It is important to find the connections between drug abuse and other types of criminal offenses. It is important to know more about the drug treatment needs for this larger amount of the population. It is important to do research to help formulate policies to better address this problem—the purpose of NIDA. Finally, Rosenfeld explains, "Drug abuse is an important problem in its own right, and our sampling has basically not been studied."



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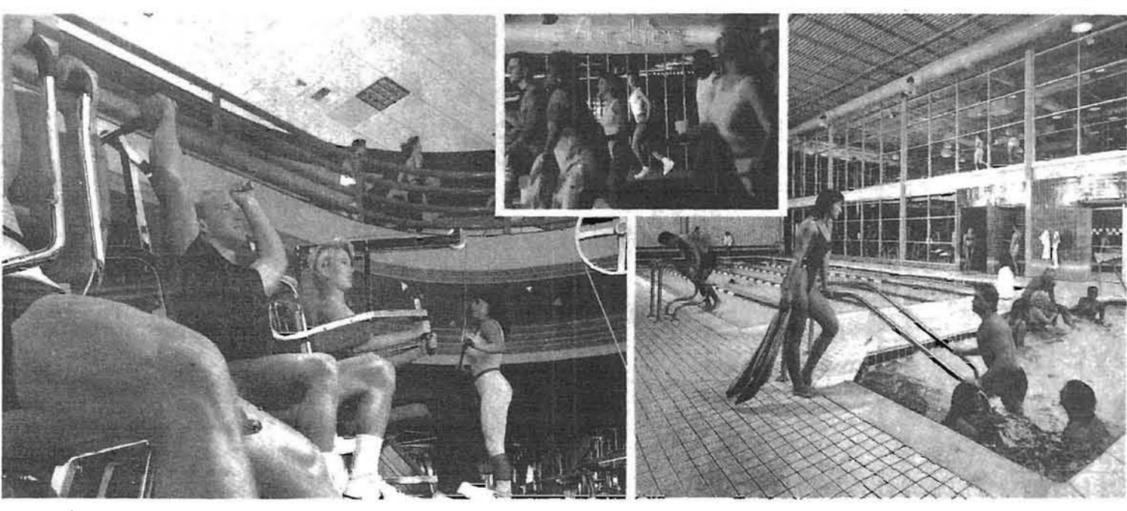
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Justice of the Supreme Court?', and 'Who were our enemies in World War II?', she said. Ng said she plans on going

to Scotland after graduation. Her immediate plans include a marriage in London, England next year.

In addition to becoming a U.S citizen Ng can take pride in her accomplishment of being the president of the International Student Organization, which has a membership of more than 300 members.

Recently, the organization celebrated International Week, which included a Thanksgiving dinner for the international students last Monday.

"The dinner was to show the students some American culture and how it is celebrated," Ng said. "I feel America is my home now."

Other festivities were a performing Reggae band, French and Italian movies and a South American singer who played the guitar while telling stories. There were belly dancers, and all sorts of cookies and sweet treats from all over the world. The Malaysian students display was also on view in the University Center.

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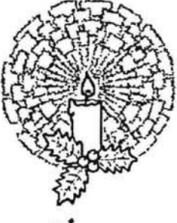
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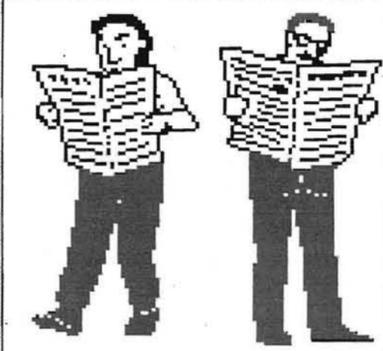
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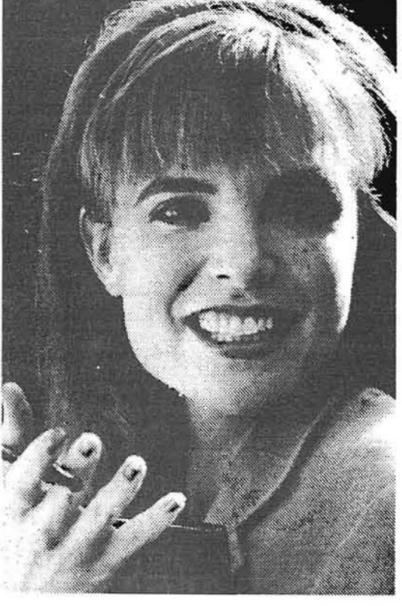
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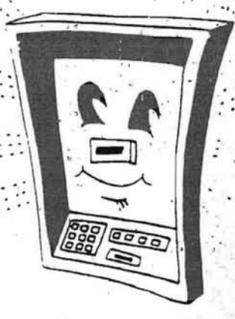
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## UMSL Student Becomes U.S. Citizen



by Michelle McMurray  
editor

There is no greater joy than the feeling of belonging to someone or something. That day came on Friday, Nov. 20, as 23-year-old Silicia Ng was pronounced an official American citizen.

"It was a very special day. I have good friends who came to the ceremony. There were about 50 people there representing 18 countries. One side of me was a woman from Switzerland and on the other side, a woman from India," Ng said.

She hails from Mauritius, a small island east of Madagascar in the Indian Ocean off the continent of Africa.

Ng will graduate in January with a degree in business. She works in the language lab on

campus, helping other students to better comprehend the French language.

Before applying for American citizenship, Ng said she had to be a resident of the United States for five years. Besides meeting other qualifications, she was also required to take a test on the history of the United States.

"The test included how the government works. Some questions were 'Who takes over the country if the President and Vice-president were killed?', 'Who is the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court?', and 'Who were our enemies in World War II?'" she said.

Ng said she plans on going to Scotland after graduation. Her immediate plans include a marriage in London, England next

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## Student Profile

# Nothing Can Stand In Her Way

by Shazla Alam  
Current features reporter

Sometimes in life, an unexpected blow is delivered and it forever alters the course of one's life. For Sarah Panfil, this came about at the tender age of eight, when a drunk driver caused the accident that forever placed her in a wheelchair.

Now pursuing a career in international relations, Panfil looks to the future. Her being handicapped doesn't hinder her one bit from setting her goals and objectives in life.

"I drive to school and I attend classes here and at Pierre Laclede's Honor College. I hold down a job as well. This shows me that I can do it, do anything I see myself through," she said.

Panfil describes the UM-St. Louis campus as nice but a bit hilly for her wheelchair every now and then. Maintenance in the winter time is good because they remove the ice and snow. Overall, she says the people keep up a friendly attitude.

"I come from Quincy, Ill., and in the beginning it takes some time for you to adjust to your new surroundings," Panfil said. "Time is taken to meet new people but it's worthwhile because you make friends."

Minorities aren't the only ones to feel the pinch of prejudice. Discrimination is reserved for the physically challenged as well.

"I once went to Village Square



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Sara Panfil tidying up her dresser in the UMSL dorms on the Incarnate Word Academy grounds, about 1 mile from the main campus.

Theater and I saw the movie poster for 'Unlawful Entry.' That seemed like a good idea but after a closer look, there was a sticker that had a wheelchair with a slash across it. Obviously that meant that there were no available ramps or elevators to get to the room but they could have put it in a more discreet manner and I could have talked to the manager," she said.

Feelings of uncertainty make some people wonder how to treat

those in a wheelchair. Sometimes, caution mingles with a lack of understanding to produce actions with exaggerations.

"When most people meet me for the first time, they seem confused on how to act around me. Some talk down to me and talk slowly as though I would have difficulty understanding them while others think I'm fragile and discourage me from doing things on my own," she said. "I can get around on crutches

and they're like, 'Sit down, you're going to fall or hurt yourself'."

Sporting a positive attitude towards life and an exciting career in international relations, Sarah Panfil thinks about tomorrow and the way to go about life.

"A person can conquer anything he or she sets their minds to," Panfil said. "That's what I believe in, and that's what always carries me on. Have faith in yourself and good things will come through."

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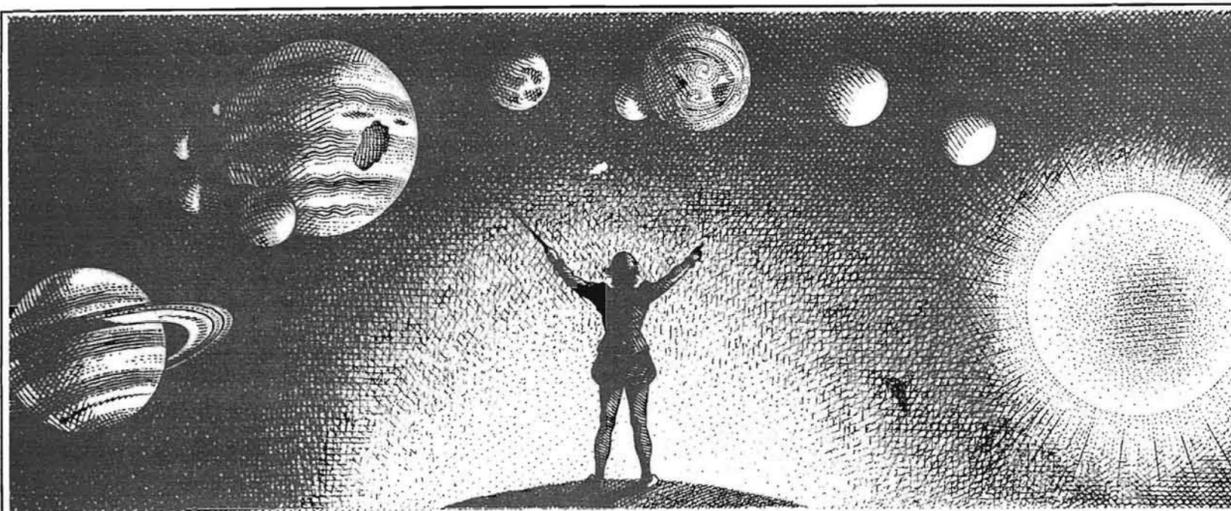
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## Jackie Joyner-Kersey: Striving For Success In Life After Athletics

by Dana Cook  
Current sports reporter

Winning Olympic gold medals takes years of dedication, hard work and God-given talent.

Jackie Joyner-Kersey, who has uplifted people with her personality and unsurpassed athletic ability, said her number one asset is her outlook on life.

"I try to be positive all of the time and surround myself with positive people," Joyner-Kersey said. "I realize athletics is only a part of me, but it's not all of me."

For someone with the tag of the "World's Greatest Female Athlete" and a scroll of Olympic achievements under her belt, it would seem athletics would have to be the number one priority.

Joyner-Kersey was the first female athlete to win three consecutive Olymp-

pic medals in a multi-event and the first American woman to win the long jump, which she won in Seoul, South Korea in 1988.

Joyner-Kersey said the tag of "WGFA" doesn't add pressure to her competition.

"It's just a title," she said. "It's just a name that's great in a sense, but I think that greatness comes to those who work hard. When I stop working hard the greatness is going to leave."

Joyner-Kersey began her greatness in the small, impoverished city of East St. Louis, Ill. She began her track career by losing her first race and said she wasn't one of the best girls on Lincoln High School's track team. But that only made her try harder.

"The challenge of getting better really inspired me. I think that made a difference in me being successful."

Tragedy's arm reached out and touched Joyner-Kersey's life and

changed her desire from dancing to track. When her dance instructor was killed track became the dominating influence in her life. She participated at the Brown Recreation Center and liked the experience because it offered a chance to travel to other area cities.

As if all that she has accomplished hasn't been enough, Joyner-Kersey plans to compete in the 1996 Olympics in Atlanta, Ga.

"The ultimate goal is to retire from my Olympic career on American soil...with a gold medal, of course."

A gold medal in 1996 isn't the only goal Joyner-Kersey is striving for. For

awhile, she contemplated starting a family and not competing in '96. But after talking with other professional women, she decided she could still start a family after the Olympics in Atlanta.

"When a baby is born into our family, then the baby becomes priority because it's another life and that life is more important than the environment at this time, which is athletics."

Joyner-Kersey's desire to start a family comes very natural to her considering the role she plays in the world's youth. At one point she wanted to open the Mary Brown Community Center in East St.

Louis so kids could have a positive place to hang out.

"My pet project now is developing a scholarship for kids throughout the country. To those who I feel exemplify what I stand for and what I'm looking for out of a person. Not just in athletics but just a great all-around person."

Joyner-Kersey said she wants to inspire the youth to do something with their lives, but also understand that the things they want aren't going to happen overnight.

Joyner-Kersey knows today's youth sees her as a role model.

"I'm just a human being and I honestly feel that if anyone out there wants to emulate me, emulate Jackie Joyner-Kersey the person; not the athlete. In athletics there are so many materialistic that are given to you and they can be taken away at any given time, but my soul and what I stand for will be with me for a lifetime."



Photo: Jeff Parker  
PRIDE OF EAST ST. LOUIS:  
Olympic Gold Medalist Jackie Joyner-Kersey speaking at St. Clare Hospital in Alton, Ill.

## Rivermen Lose Home Opener To SIU-E

by Jack C. Wang  
associate sports editor

A new season has begun for the Rivermen basketball team.

After the first two games of the 1992-1993 season, the Rivermen are 1-1. In the season opener, Nov. 21, the Rivermen beat the NCAA Division III Webster University Gorlocks, 116-54.

Darren Hill led the team in the Webster game with 22 points, followed by Bryan Silver with 20 points. But senior forward Mike Moore probably had his most memorable game to date. Moore scored a career-

high 19 points.

The mood changed considerably in the Rivermen's home opener at the Mark Twain Building last Tuesday night against Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville Cougars.

The Cougars never trailed against the Rivermen, winning 78-71.

"We looked like we were playing for the first time in front of a crowd," Rivermen Head Coach Rich Meckfessel said. "We missed layups and mishandled the ball."

In the first half of the game, the Rivermen field goal percentage was only 33 percent and 0-for-5 from the

three-point line. Overall, the team shot only 36 percent from the field.

The closest the Rivermen got to getting back into the game occurred with 7:32 left in the first half. Point guard Steve Roder lobbed a beautiful alley-oop pass to Darren "Dunk" Hill, who lived up to his nickname by dunking the ball in cutting the margin to two points, 24-22. The Rivermen never got closer.

After trailing 43-36 at halftime, the Rivermen's shooting woes continued in the second half. UM-St. Louis went seven minutes without a bucket. Meckfessel said he felt better about the

effort in the second half. "We played better offensively and were more patient."

Hill finished against SIU-E with 17 points, while Guard-Forward Bryan Silver collected 18 points to pace the team.

The Rivermen hope to rebound against Division II foe Grand Canyon University, in the Southern Indiana National Shootout in Evansville, Ind., on Dec. 4. The next home games for UM-St. Louis are on Dec. 9 and 12, when the Rivermen play Lindenwood and Washington University respectively.

## Riverwomen 2-0

Beat SIU-E 76-75 ; Duke Nails Jumper At Buzzer

by Cory Schroeder  
Current sports reporter

Three seconds left on the clock, sophomore forward Renee Duke tries to penetrate looking for Liz Squibb in the post. Squibb is covered, so Duke takes matters into her own hands and throws up a wild shot that somehow banks off the backboard and crashes through the net. The game clock reads one second and a 76-75 victory over SIU-Edwardsville Lady Cougars.

The team rushed out to congratulate Duke and buried her with embraces.

"It was a prayer," Duke said. "I closed my eyes and just shot it. I didn't even know I had made it until everybody had jumped on top of

me."

53 personal fouls were called between both teams.

"It was really physical out there," senior center Liz Squibb said. "The refs were calling everything including a lot of questionable calls."

Vengeance was at hand with the Riverwomen avenging their heart-breaking 78-77 loss last season.

"We wanted to win this one," junior forward Nancy Hessemann said. "This was payback."

The Riverwomen have gotten off to a fast start with a 2-0 record. They downed conference rival, Missouri Baptist, 73-53 in the season opener. Franklin College, IN will be the next stop (Saturday Nov. 28).

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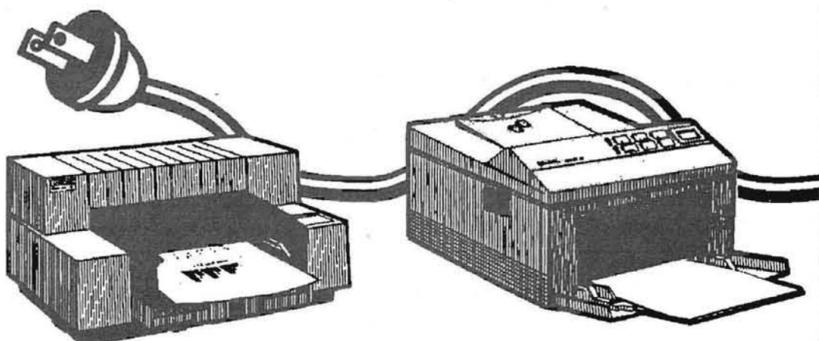
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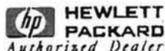
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