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UMSL Considers More Dorms Student apartments, more residence halls possible

by Greg Albers
Current news reporter

UM-St. Louis is planning an expansion of student housing, which eventually could lead to more than 1,000 students living on campus.

"We would think that, for an urban campus, it is not unusual to have housing on campus for as many as 10 percent of the students," said Don Driemeier, deputy to the chancellor. "But initially, of course, our goal would be considerably under that 10 percent."

The University is considering two types of space for expansion. One kind is off-campus sites that are suitable for student use, such as the dormitories currently available

at Incarnate Word Convent. The other option is converting University-owned property into student apartments.

"Some private developers have approached us about a partnership in developing student apartments that would primarily be designed with the graduate, professional and upper-class student in mind," Driemeier said.

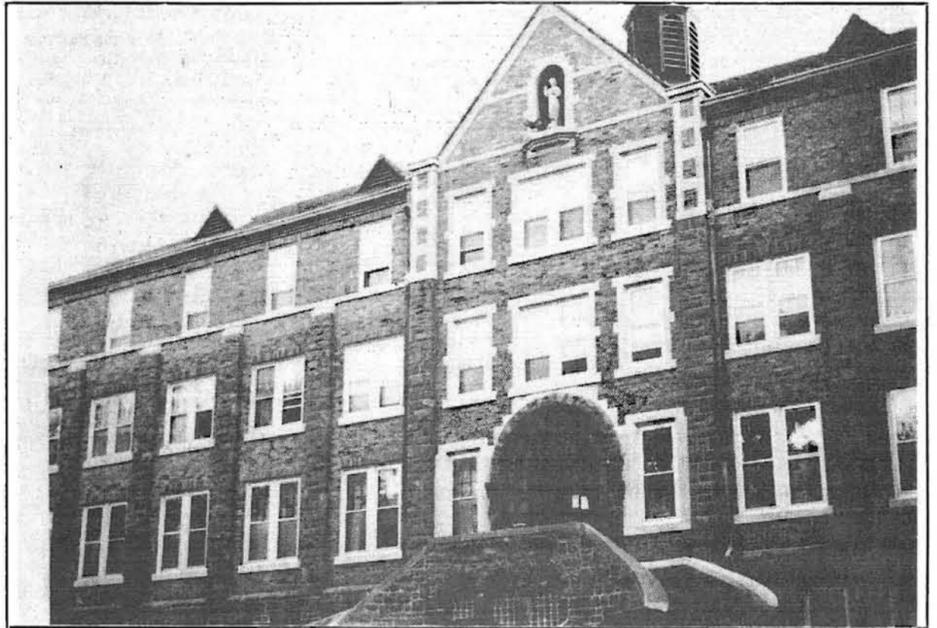
Under the terms of such a partnership, the University would provide the grounds and the developer would provide the capital, planning, design and management of the property. Ultimately, the property would be turned over to the University.

Chancellor Blanche Touhill has

asked planners of the UM system to evaluate the pros and cons of using various University-owned properties for student housing.

"One of the locations we want them to give pluses and minuses for would be the apartments where the University Park Apartments were located," Driemeier said.

Once the master planners have made their recommendations, the next step would be for the University to send out a request for proposals and accept bids. Once the bids have been evaluated and a private developer has been selected, approval from the University of Missouri Board of Curators will be required before construction can begin.



UM-St. Louis is considering utilizing more residence halls like this one at Incarnate Word Convent

Trojcak Named Missouri Professor Of The Year

by Trezette Stafford
Current news reporter

Doris A Trojcek, professor of science education, has received the 1992 Missouri Professor of the Year Award.

The Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) presented the award to Trojcek for her extraordinary commitment to undergraduate teaching at UM-St. Louis. Some of the determining factors for this award were three letters of recommendation from three of Trojcek's former students. The letters expressed appreciation for the impact that Prof. Trojcek had on their success. She said, "When I first received notice that I had been chosen for this award, I had some disbelief, and was overwhelmed with amazement, but when I read the letters from my former

students, I truly realized that I have had a tremendous impact on their lives and others." In addition to the honor of being one of the 14 professors nominated from Missouri and 434 nationally, the award included a \$1,000 stipend. The stipend was contributed by the Merck Company Foundation, one sponsor of the Missouri competition.

Trojcek has spent more than 30 years as an educator. She began working at UM-St. Louis in 1969. Her education background includes a Bachelor's degree in biology from Webster College and Master's and Doctoral degrees in science education from Indiana University. Currently, she is director of the Access to Success program for sixth, seventh, and eighth grade students in predominantly African-American school districts. The Access to Success program focuses on improving the abilities of early adolescents. It has also become a major arena for providing multicultural teaching/tutoring opportunities for teacher edu-



Doris A. Trojcek

cation majors as well as out reach activities for faculty members.

The CASE award is one of the many awards Trojcek has received during her years as an outstanding educator. The awards include the AMOCO Foundation Award for Excellence in Teaching, the Outstanding Young Science Educator Award from the Association for the Education of Teachers in Science, the Thomas Jefferson Award from the University

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Chancellor Addresses SGA Tells of plans for UMSL and the UM system

by Colleen Fuller
Current news reporter

"We don't want to be another [University of Missouri] Columbia," said Chancellor Blanche Touhill, a guest speaker at the Oct. 7 Student Government Association (SGA) meeting. "Our challenge is to horizontally broaden out in an array of academic programs."

Touhill expressed concern about declining future enrollment and reduced class offerings caused by recent budget cuts.

"Hopefully enrollments will increase in upper and graduate classes," she said.

She said future administrative goals include expanding student housing and pursuing engineering programs.

Marilyn McGuire, director of the UM-St. Louis Eldercare Center, spoke on the services of Adult Day Health Care.

The Eldercare

Center serves as the clinical side for students to learn to work effectively with older adults," McGuire said.

One of the benefits of the center is that it helps to keep the elderly out of nursing homes. Tours are available for interested student groups wanting to volunteer for service projects.

Darrell Harrelson, chairman of the Special Events Committee, announced that UM-St. Louis may help promote Earth Day 1992.

The committee report for the Alumni Committee was given by co-chair Karin O'Malley. She said an alumni and leadership reception was held Oct. 5 at the Chancellor's Residence to honor the past 30 years of SGA presidents and vice presidents.

The officer's reports began with Andy Masters, SGA treasurer, who reviewed the budget. Eight hundred dollars was spent on Homecoming, which leaves \$8,500.00 for budgeting which, Master's said, is a positive sum.

Historian Kristin Fritch was not present at the meeting, and will only come when she has a report.

SGA secretary Katherine

Lacey announced the student organizations that were placed inactive due to improper paper work. Lacey said that it is not a permanent position and can be corrected when the organizations put their papers in order.

Vice President Dave Roither thanked the student assembly for a successful Homecoming. He also stated the concerns in planning the event. Limited publicity was due to a shortage of time and money. The procedures for choosing the king and queen were under debate. The criteria for running for king or queen were criticized and there were no formal election rules.

"Homecoming should be a fun event," Roither said, "not a lot of formal restrictions." Roither plans to organize a Homecoming Committee for next year, which will give SGA nine months to plan the event.

SGA President Mike Tomlinson announced his new plan to implement a reference team consisting of contact with past SGA officers. The purpose of the team is for consulting matters and to help insure successful student government procedures.

Tomlinson listed recent events SGA was involved in, such as the Bill Clinton rally. Tomlinson also spoke with the Rev. Jesse Jackson, who inspired him with the power of voting. "Every vote makes a

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Chancellor Blanche Touhill

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David Rhoads

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Voter Reminder

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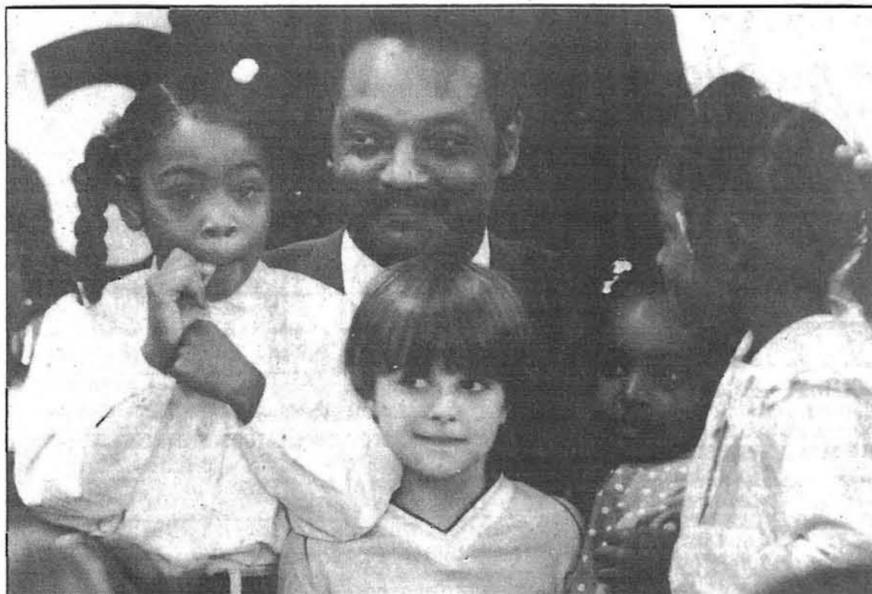


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The Rev. Jesse Jackson visited St. Louis Thursday in an effort to increase voter registration. Jackson participated in voter drives at Harris Stowe State College and at Riverview Gardens High School. Jackson left St. Louis in the early afternoon headed for Jefferson City.

Jackson Helps Missouri Voter Registration Effort

by Michelle McMurray
editor

The Rev. Jesse Jackson was in St. Louis last week to promote voter registration in the city. Jackson hosted a breakfast and made appearances at Riverview Gardens High School and Harris Stowe State College. He said it's very important to persuade local youths to register and vote.

"The students have the power to change things. They can use their votes as a source of power. Students should get their high school diploma in one hand with a voter registration card in another," he said.

"Twenty-nine years ago blacks could not use a public rest room or vote. A black doctor or lawyer could not stay in hotels. Now we can make a difference," he said.

Jackson also mentioned the success of the voter registration drive in Chicago, which had registered 220,000 new voters as of Wednesday night.

"Chicago has a great voter registration drive. It is easily accessible in

places like McDonald's, gas stations and hospitals," he said.

Jackson also gave his support for Democratic Presidential Candidate Gov. Bill Clinton, and voiced his displeasure over Bush's lack of understanding for the less fortunate.

"Clinton is a step in the right direction. Bush's plan is flawed. Santa Claus is for children, not for those in politics," Jackson said.

Jackson spoke against the rich in power in Washington. He said that those in Washington should be able to understand the people they are representing. He spoke about the Republicans inability to understand public housing and how much it helps those who need it.

"If Bush doesn't understand public housing, maybe he should go back to private life," he said.

Jackson's voter registration trip moved from St. Louis to Jefferson City and then on to Chillicothe, which is in northwest Missouri.

The deadline to register to vote in Missouri is Oct. 14.

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difference," Tomlinson said, "It is the way to change the future."

Rick Blanton, associate director of the University Center of Student Activities, made announced the 8th annual Holiday Fest. The Fest will be held Nov. 30 through Dec. 4.

One of the planned activities is the Community Tree, which consists of ornaments representing student activity organizations. A Student Leader Reception will be held, and food baskets for needy families will be distributed.

The meeting closed with a motion introduced by Tomlinson. The motion was to present the Student Bill of Rights to the Board of Curators to add to the Constitution.

The Bill of Rights includes such stated rights as a harassment-free classroom, rights to proper services and curriculum, shared government and the right to free speech. The motion passed favorably and the meeting was adjourned.

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of Missouri System.

Trojcaj has also been listed in Outstanding Educators in America and Leaders in Education.

Trojcaj believes "You can go all your life without seeing the fruits of your labor, but awards like this one gives you the chance to acknowledge that you have helped someone on that road to success."

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One Up, Two Down

The Student Government Association put words into action. They sponsored a weekend of Homecoming festivities for the student body and alumni of UM-St. Louis. SGA President Mike Tomlinson said, "We didn't talk about it that much. We just did it."

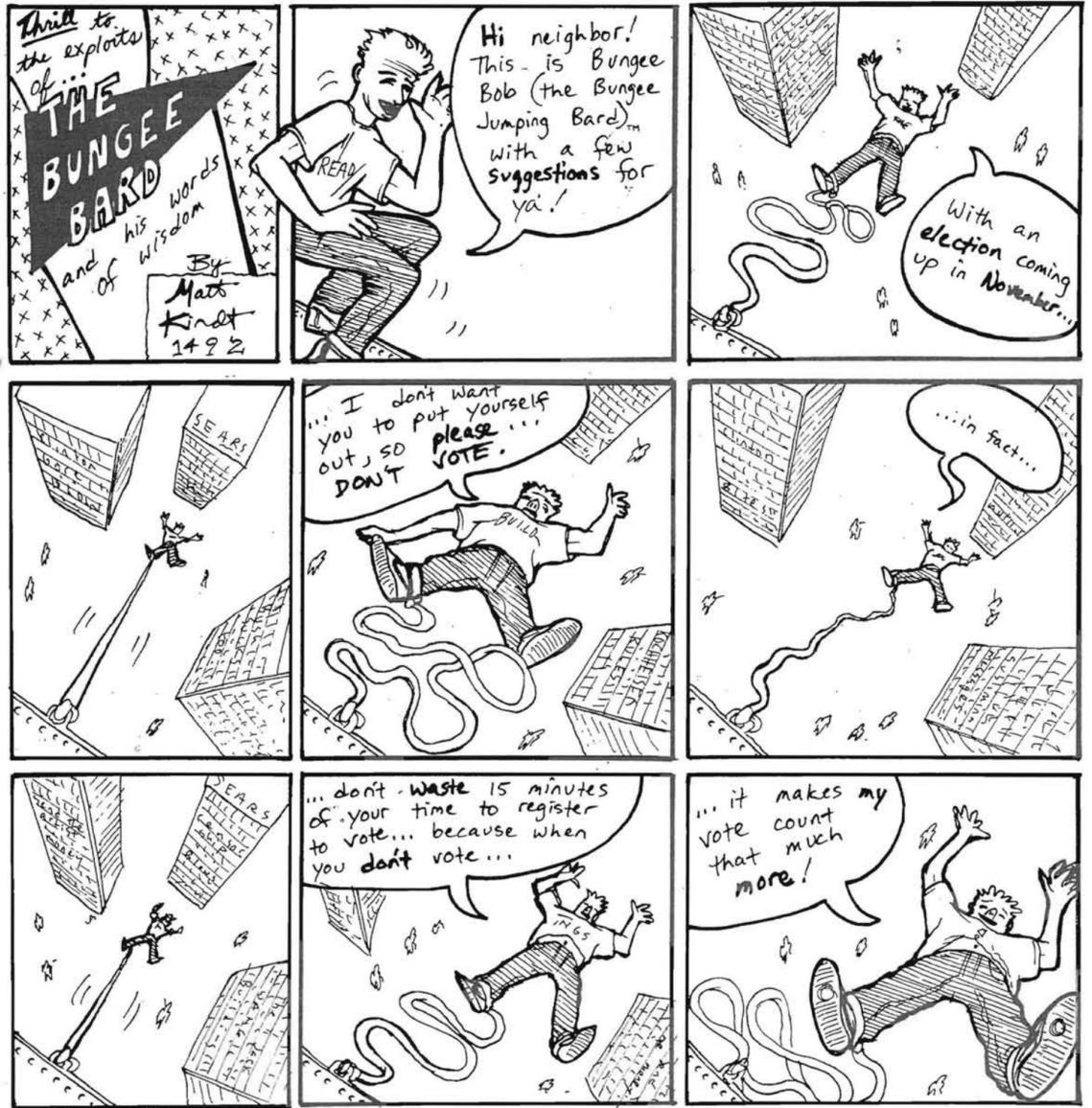
The attendance and support from the student body was good considering the reputation for many years of apathy at this campus. More faculty should have come in support, especially from the athletic department.

The lack of alumni attendance has been criticized, but don't be too hard on them. This was the first Homecoming in nine years and SGA wants a separate committee to plan the festivities in the future. With more time and a planned committee, everything should fall into place with greater ease next year.

There is even greater criticism for the UM-St. Louis soccer team for their lack of support in the weekend of Homecoming festivities.

It is understandable they played a heavy game schedule that weekend. It is doubtful they played their games and went straight home to bed. Coach Tom Redmond said it was not "required" for the players to come to the festivities. It is not required for the guest of honor to show up at a birthday or graduation party either. The events were for the student body and alumni, but they were centered around the soccer team. The soccer team even sponsored Rick Strifler for Homecoming King, a title which he won and received no support at the coronation from his teammates.

Thumbs up to SGA and the Homecoming Committee for doing the best job they could in the short amount of time they had to plan it. Thumbs down to some of the Homecoming candidates who had the gall have their names on the ballots for king and queen and did not show up for the dance. Another thumbs down to the soccer team for only having one player and one coach show up at the festivities.



Time To Usher In A New President



by Russell L. Korando
of The Current staff

Sometimes, while doing this job, I feel like Colonel Kurtz. Kurtz was the rogue Green Beret that was "terminated with extreme prejudice" in the epic movie *Apocalypse Now*.

Ten months after being commissioned sports editor for *The Current*, there are probably a few employees in the Mark Twain Building who would like to see "The End" of me.

Sorry. Since committing to college three years ago, I have lived so far below the poverty line, even Rev. Larry Rice can't find me. Until I get a diploma, my earning power is about \$6 an hour. And even with a diploma... Those of us students, who are 25 years old and older, who thought just getting a job would suffice, know better following 12 years of "Voodoo Economics."

Today's lesson is not going to be about the triviality of what athletics means to our society. For all of you non-believers who think I'm just whining, I'll be glad to show you a list of my assets. Overdue electric bills, phone bills and rent sometime become overbearing to the point of hindering my academic progress. But bills and taxes have been this person's family values since the age of 18.

Somehow, the lights remain on, and the phone rings every day... albeit there have been a few interruptions in the service.

Have you figured out the answer yet? I have nothing better to do, and yes, we guys "never give up" (inside Mark Twain humor).

I'm just trying to gauge if the audience, whom I hope read this, and I are on the same sheet of music. After being paroled from the service, there weren't many job openings in the civilian sector for a "grunt." Come to think of it, there wasn't one job I could find where my skills as an Airborne Infantryman could be applied.

A series of uniform wearing, tip mongering, the customer deserves a kick in the ass because he or she isn't always right, jobs in the past three years have opened my eyes to the stark reality of my generation's future. *This lesson doesn't include regular viewers of Beverly Hills 90120, and those people lucky enough*

to walk in between the raindrops.

The staggering statistics thrown in, to hopefully shock some readers, are on me, and there for everyone: Black, Hispanic, Asian and Caucasian; all of the cultures I see represented while walking around campus. Men or women. People who are just fed up with being fed up. All of the opportunity this once-great country provided has been choked off at the narrow end of a funnel appropriately named "trickle-down economics."

Most of the jobs created in the past 12 years have been service related, and the pay for these jobs is usually no more than minimum wage. Two-hundred dollars a week trickles as far as the landlord, utility companies, grocery store and gas station. What hope do Americans have trying to subsist on that kind of income?

While working as a front-desk clerk at one of the hotels near Lambert Field, I began noticing more and more of our occupants were from industries and businesses overseas. The who and what of this trend is irrelevant. Business is where you find it. But, more importantly, why has this disturbing sign of American manufacturing decay taken place?

President George Bush made a lot of promises while running for the White House in 1988. Of course, no new taxes was at the eye of his political hurricane. But, he also promised

higher standards of living through jobs and urban development. Both promises have never transpired.

Instead, 111,000 Americans lost their jobs in 1989; 316,000 were lost in 1990; and almost 1 million hardworking folks (700,000) were given pink slips last year. The staggering jump in unemployment is cause for greater strain for those of us with jobs.

Read this very, very carefully: All taxes paid by residents west of the Mississippi River go toward the U.S.' national debt, which has reached \$4.1 trillion. Not even Ross Perot has that kind of cash. The U.S.' gross national product has slumped to an all-time low of 0.7 percent under the Bush administration, and today \$1 U.S. is worth a whopping 19 cents.

These examples of Executive neglect, which began under Ronald Reagan's auspices, are hard to swallow, since it was the American voter's fault. After all, we re-elected Reagan before electing his vice president of eight years.

It sickens me to think the voters of this country would compound this error with "four more years." Get out Nov. 3, and show "What you can do for your country..." Vote! Vote! Vote!

It's time for King George to abdicate his throne in the Oval Office.

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LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE

Homecoming Needs Better Planning; Student Says

Dear Editor,

The Student Government Association along with the University Program Board attempted to bring some traditional school spirit to our campus with the recent Homecoming 1992. However, its many problems turned the event into an event that did not promote school spirit among all of the UM-St. Louis community.

First, the publicity of the Homecoming events had a lot to be desired to encourage attendance at the events. Homecoming is designed to bring the whole campus community together, especially the alumni. However, most alumni knew nothing about it. SGA and UPB need to work with University Relations to help expand publicity to the St. Louis community, especially our alumni. To help get the

whole campus community involved in Homecoming, maybe it should be made a part of Founder's Week.

Publicity of Homecoming events needs to be made sooner on campus to increase student involvement. Most students here work at least part-time and must have an adequate amount of time to rearrange their work schedules if they would want to participate in the activities.

The SGA and the UPB need to revamp the election procedures for king and queen to get more student involvement in Homecoming. As I said in the September 28 issue of *The Current*, all students should be allowed to run for king and queen. We need to encourage participation in Homecoming—not limit it.

Once candidates have filed, the election procedure should be formal-

ized, not in the haphazard fashion as it was done this year. Dates of the election should be announced in advance, so all students would know when voting would be taking place—not hidden like it was this year. These dates need to take into consideration that not all students are here every day. The election should be held over two days with both day and evening hours, like the SGA members. This was not the case this year. I saw candidates' flyers on glass doorways and candidates talking to students too close to the voting places. These incidents are not allowed in other student elections, so why were they allowed for this year's Homecoming?

Homecoming is to promote school spirit toward the men's soccer team, but most of the team was not at any events but their game.

Free beer at the Homecoming dance promotes drinking when soda had to be bought. Even though people were checked at the door, it could have been possible for under age drinking since cartons of beer could be brought to the tables.

Finally, something has to be done to encourage school spirit at the game. At this important game, cheerleaders MUST be in uniform, leading the leading the fans from the sidelines. Also, the Rivermen mascot must be there.

Hopefully, Homecoming 1993 will be better since SGA and UPB will have learned from their mistakes. Then, it will become a campus for everyone, not just for those who are already involved in other activities.

Steven Wolfe

CALENDAR

**TUESDAY,
OCT. 13**

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**WEDNESDAY,
OCT. 14**

•WOMEN'S STUDIES

BOARD MEETING from 12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. in Room 325 Lucas Hall.

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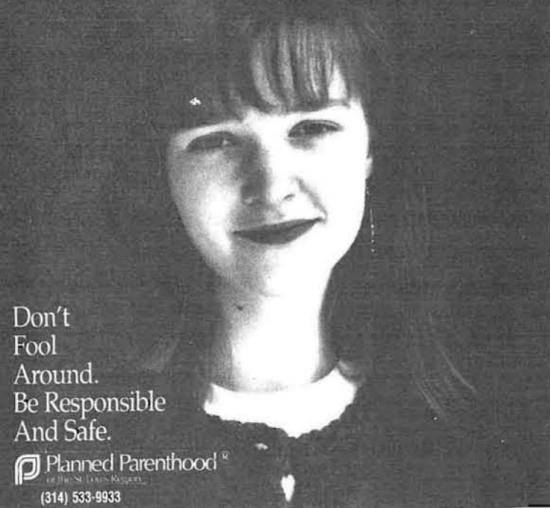
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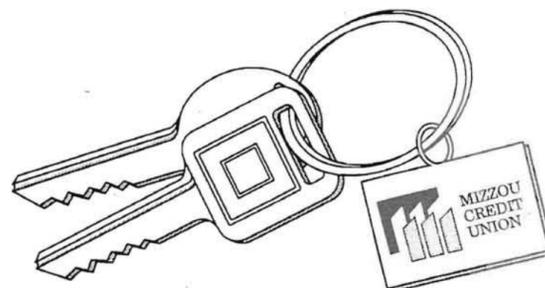
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Behind The Crown

by Trezette Stafford
of The Current staff

Nominations were made with what some called "unreasonable" criteria—a minimum G.P.A. of 2.75. The students voiced their choice in a campus wide election and the king and queen were crowned.

Rick Strifler and Trezette Stafford made history by being elected homecoming king and queen at the first UM-St. Louis homecoming in nine years. The first prince and princess were Steve Roder and Patricia Graziani. The second prince and princess were Lance Ficken and Jill Grimmer.

Who are the people behind the crowns? In an earlier article, SGA Vice President David Roither and President Mike Tomlinson said, "We believe the homecoming king and queen should be examples of successful students in and out of the classroom."

These qualities are displayed by our king Rick Strifler and queen Trezette Stafford through many accomplishments in scholastic and extracurricular activities.

Rick Strifler is junior, majoring in Business Administration. Rick currently is president of Sigma Tau Gamma, his sponsoring fraternity. He is a member of SGA and WAVE. His love for sports shows with his involvement as a member of the UM-St. Louis soccer team, intramural soccer and football, and play-by-play announcer for women's soccer and basketball. Rick's concern for the enhancement of UM-St. Louis shined when he did a promotional commercial for 1992 enrollment, volunteered at freshmen orientation in 1991-1992 and appeared on Good Morning America and on a UM-St. Louis poster. Academically, Rick has received honors such as the Dean's list, Who's Who Among American Students, American Legion Leadership Award and Alton Optimist Award.

"I feel honored to make UMSL history by being the first home-

coming king in nine years, and I'd like to thank my brothers at Sigma Tau Gamma for all their help; Bill Hentchell, Rob Lammert, Andy Masters, Chris Swenson, Shawn Powell and Jeff Hall; the soccer team and girls of AZD, ZTA, DZ sororities and all the people who voted," Rick said.

Trezette Stafford is a junior majoring in Communications and Secondary Education. She is a reporter for The Current newspaper, which sponsored her for homecoming. She actively is involved in the UM-St. Louis Debate/Forensics Team. After graduating from Metro High School, where she says she got her strength to make it anywhere, she became a member of the UM-St. Louis family. Academically, Trezette has received honors such as the Dean's List 1991-1992, Student Support Services (SSSP) Academic and Service Award. She has received the SSSP scholarship and the Milton L. Thames Memorial scholarship. Trezette has been a participant in the Black History Month Celebrations in 1991-1992. She is listed in Who's Who Among African-American College Students. She has volunteered many hours to libraries in St. Louis City to increase literacy. She is also a member of Baptist Student Union and actively involved in her church. She interned at WOJG Gospel 94.7 FM in Bolivar, Tenn., under the guidance of the Rev. J.W. Shaw.

Trezette said, "I thank God that I have the privilege to represent UMSL. It is an honor to be elected the first homecoming Queen in nine years. I would like to thank The Current staff for supporting and sponsoring me, Michelle McMurray, my SSSP family, COBSO, my parents O'neal and Glenora Stafford, my family and all my fellow students and friends who voted."

"To the king and queen who help make a difference on the UMSL campus both scholastically and through extracurricular, we give our applause for doing a job well done," said David Roither and Tomlinson.



photo: Michele Lawson

ALL HAIL! King Rick Strifler and Queen Trezette Stafford receive their crowns at UMSL's first homecoming dance in nine years.

In-Your-Face Music A Must For Epidemic

by Eric Pherigo
Current features reporter

In the power metal genre of music, there are so many high-speed contestants that it is tough to see heads or tails of some of the underground bands. Clawing its way out of the San Francisco underground is Epidemic.

Their last demo tape, Demo '91, sold an unprecedented 10,000 copies worldwide. That is more than what Helmet's first album sold, and Helmet just signed a multi-million dollar contract. So Epidemic was quickly snatched up by Metal Blade Records and they have released their label debut, "Decameron."

There is one sole purpose for Epidemic: they are into totally energetic, in-your-face music. If a song doesn't have that, then they don't do it.

Guitarist Erik Morridge describes, "after someone listens once I want them to go f---k man, this is heavy. Some of our really fast stuff is like whirlwind, smack you in the face. And some of our slower stuff is kind of morbid and ominous and very powerful."

garded as one of the best out there. At a recent metal-fest with a lot of other bands, they were picked as having been the best live band there. Morridge sees it as a natural progression.

"We feed off the energy of the crowd and go completely nuts. We are really an active band on stage and move around a lot to let off our steam."

A lot of thrash bands just sit there and bang their heads, which is all right, but we prefer to move around and go ape sh-t."

Their album's title, "Decameron," is the title of a book of the first written accounts of the epidemic bubonic plague.

Moggridge said they chose it because, "we thought it was a cool parallel because this album is our first accounts of band-Epidemic."

Epidemic has only been together for five years. The band has evolved so much that it is scary for them to find where they are playing now.

"We were much younger," Moggridge reminisces, "and not near as good at playing our instruments,

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Wonder Band Climbing The Ladder Of Success

by Robin Mayo
features editor

Pay special attention to this story, because the next time you hear the words disappear fear, it probably will be a radio announcer introducing their next hit song.

Sisters Sonia and Cindy Frank's touring their folk-pop (as they've so been labeled) band across the United States three and four times a year has paid off. Opening for the Indigo Girls during the summer has provided disappear fear with more exposure to the public eye, and two record labels also took notice. Right now a total of four record labels are looking at disappear fear, which would mean signing with a national company rather than their own label disappear records, based out of Ukiah, Ca. and owned by Rick Rutstein, their brother.

"In early June the Indigo Girls came to a show we did in Chicago and invited us to open for them for the Northwest leg of their tour," Sonia said. "It was a gift for them to say come and open for us. We didn't have the experience of playing for 10,000 people and now we have that kind of experience."

While touring with the Indigo Girls, Cindy found herself in a precarious situation.

"Cindy ran into Sara Gilbert [of the television show "Roseanne"] and she thought it was a friend of ours. She looks exactly, and I mean exactly like this woman who is a fan of ours from West Virginia. We were going to a party at the Greek Theater in L.A. the night before we performed, and it was really funny because Sara didn't know who Cindy was," Sonia said, continuing with the story.

"Cindy said, 'Aren't you even going to say hello?' and Sara said, 'Hello.' Then Cindy said, 'Don't you even know who I am?' disappear fear?" and Sara said, 'What's that?'"

Realizing the mistake she had made, Cindy apologized for the mix-up and Sara was invited to the show the next night.

"What we hope to do is send Sara



disappear fear are (from left): sisters Cindy and Sonia Frank and Howard Markman. The group will stop to dazzle St. Louis fans Oct. 20, before enduring a long drive to New York City, N.Y. the very next evening.

a picture of the girl from West Virginia so she won't think that she [Cindy] was totally insane," Sonia said.

Touring with the Indigo Girls meant playing larger venues and bigger crowds. Sonia said there are some things she doesn't miss about playing for smaller audiences.

"Right now the thing I don't miss is the smoke. That's one of the things I liked about touring with the Indigo Girls. It's really hard to sing having to breathe in that stuff while my body and soul are searching for clean air," she said.

"It's not just the fact that it's a five dollar door versus a twenty of twenty-five dollar ticket, it's that those things go into excellence all the way down the line. Excellent people, who are dedicated and very proficient in what they do, and the best equipment and the best of everything, so that those next two hours after a person walks in, it's not just about downing their favorite brew, it's about really experiencing the concert in the greatest light and sound ambiance available.

That's what I want to do, that's what I want to be a part of, that's really the point of it, to give it everything you can," Sonia said.

With not more than a month to rest, disappear fear geared up for yet another tour, which began Thursday, October 8, at an AIDS benefit at the Flood Zone in Richmond, Va. Sisters Sonia and Cindy are joined by guitarist Howard Markman, who quite nicely rounds out this amazing acoustic trio.

The tour will cover cities all across the United States, with performances in more than 70 cities and will last three months. St. Louis is one of the cities for which they enjoy playing, and with each return visit from disappear fear, the number of fans and friends increases dramatically.

"Seriously, it [St. Louis] is one of our favorite cities. We've made of lot of friends here," Cindy said.

National Coming Out Day is October 11, and disappear fear is kicking off the Gay Awareness Week in Blacksburg, Va., at Virginia Tech. They will perform and Sonia will speak at the rally.

Her message to the gay and lesbian community is to "love out loud."

"That's my motto, love out loud.

One of the purposes or meanings behind disappear fear is that homosexuality is just one type of sexuality, there are different types, and so what? Love out loud is to share, that's the idea. You can be born with a penis or not, you can be born with a particular religion or not, or a particular skin color or not, everybody is born with something and that's the way it is," Sonia said.

Their latest release is Live at the Bottom Line, a 12 track ensemble with eight tracks that were recorded live at New York City's Bottom Line almost a year ago. All of the tracks are from other releases with the addition of one previously unreleased song "Hey."

Catch a Rising Star, which has broken the comedy mold and started booking bands, will be host to disappear fear on Tuesday, Oct. 20. Tickets are \$6 and doors open at 8 p.m. For more information call 231-6000.

Tickle Your Funnybone, For Free!

by Anjanette Smith
of The Current staff

"When A.J. Jamal tells a joke, everybody laughs. The human volcano of wit undoubtedly unloads an avalanche of talent when the task of bringing laughter to the surface is at hand.

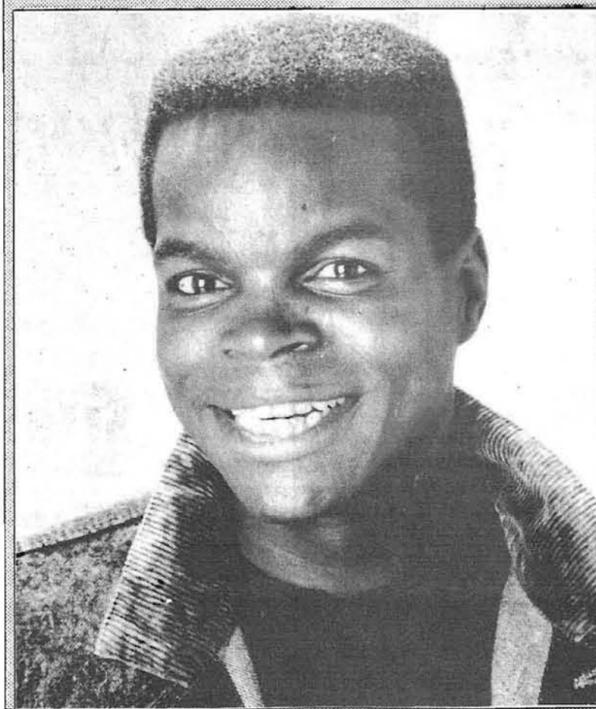
A.J.'s unique ability to breathe happiness into the air becomes evident with just one of his originally created puns! This is a clip from the biography of one of the biggest comedians the University Program Board has lined up for its Wednesday Noon Live comedy series this year.

A.J. Jamal, former IBM computer engineer and proficient pianist, violinist and percussionist, as well as "one of the fastest rising

stars in show business," will appear Wednesday, Oct. 14, at UM-St. Louis, bringing a record of accomplishments and multitude of energetic, analytical enthusiastic comedy.

He has appeared on the Arsenio Hall Show, Showtime, MTV and VH-1 comedy shows, Evening at the Improv, Comedy Express, Comic Strip Live, Def Jam Comedy, and has hosted Showtime at the Apollo, Dirty Works, Comedy on the Road and Comedy in the Caribbean.

For those interested in seeing life from a new perspective or just looking for a good time, A.J. Jamal will be waiting for you this Wednesday in the Underground, located on the bottom level of University Center.



A.J. JAMAL

Mountain Range, Golf Course, Now College?



by Brad Touché
jack-of-all-medias

Maybe I am a cynic. Maybe my problem is a deep-rooted resentment towards the mass' passive attitude towards all that is wrong with the world. Maybe I'm just mad that I didn't get any decent U2 tickets (thanks Andy, ya derelict). I don't know, maybe I'd make a good case study for an aspiring psych major (send resumé with inquiry - photo required). Anyway, here's my little tribute to all the bureaucracies in the world.

Thesis: If you could harness the brain power of all these "board members", you could possibly toast bread - lightly.

Evidence: Our own beautiful UM-St. Louis campus. This place used to be a golf course? It looks more like a former training ground for the Scottish marines. The last time I saw this many hills in one area, there were long-bearded, banjo-playing, overall-wearing, Garth Brooks-loving hoosiers yelling "Hey Jed, ya got any chaw?" sitting on top of the hills.

More Evidence: You need to be certified in repelling to get down the parking lot walkway by Clark Hall after a hard rain. Once you scale that hill/wall behind SSB, you might as well start carving Washington's face at the top. If you skip the wooden teeth, you could be done in time to register for the winter '99 semester.

Even More Evidence: Couldn't these guys have built Benton and Stadler Halls a little farther away and still call it North Campus? As long as we're scaling hills, you may as well make us run to our classes, too.

bird's i view

Speaking of running, Does anyone KNOW where South Campus is? Some reports have stated it's somewhere near Kirkwood.

Theory: The founder of this university looked at the land and said, "Hmmm. . . Let's see here. Lots of hills, trees, a drainage ditch, a swamp, no flat land whatsoever. . . What a great place for a campus!

Alternate Theory: After 18 holes, the founder shot a 112. In an angry fit, he bought up all the land so no one could ever play the course again and turned it into a university. (hey, its possible. . .)

Summary: St. Louis is located on the southern end of the Great Plains region. Will someone tell me how these brain surgeons found a small St. Louis mountain range IN THE MIDDLE OF THE GREAT PLAINS??? AND WHY DID THEY BUILD A SCHOOL ON IT???

Do we enjoy being short of breathe for our first class? NO. Do we enjoy pretending we're slalom skiers here when it snows? NO. Do we enjoy the wind tunnel effect by the library in February? BIG NO. Remember - our founding fathers were geniuses.

Solution: Here's an idea. . . Why don't we take the money from our so-called "student activity" fees and all the money our cops are making from their "This SHOULD be a no parking zone - here's your ticket" policy and put it to use. Forget the computer building, don't give the student prez a raise - do us all a favor and build A DANG ESCALATOR FOR THAT SKIJUMP SLOPE on the east side of Lucas Hall!

I may be a little upset, but if I have to climb these hills for one more year, I might snap and start yodeling. Believe me, we don't want that to happen. Maybe I'm out of line. . .

Remember - our founding fathers were geniuses.

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Mock presidential balloting will take place in the UM-St. Louis Underground the week of Oct. 12. The election is sponsored by ARA Services.

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EPIDEMIC

terial that we wrote, we wrote by ourselves before we were even in bands. Now, even though we still write songs by ourselves, we write Epidemic songs and we have developed our own style which is a lot heavier. And now we are more varied in our technique—from really fast to really heavy."

Now let's fast forward five years. Where would Epidemic like to be then?

"I don't know whether or not we are going to get to this level, but," imagines Moggridge, "we would love to get to the Napalm Death-type of level. Where we could be a strong headlining act. Where we could actually live off a band."

Epidemic would love to be a cult band like Napalm Death, which doesn't have gold albums or anything, but they do sell out everywhere they go. With stars in his eyes, Erik Moggridge dreams of far away.

"The absolute ultimate pinnacle that we could reach would be like Slayer level, but that is pretty much dreaming," Moggridge said.

Dreaming or not, if Epidemic would have been in the same position as Slayer was when they began their long and treacherous climb to the top, then Epidemic could have gained all the world's undivided thrash attention. But with the recent flooding of the market of thrash it is understandably hard for one band to break free from its limited chains. All they hope is to continue putting out high-quality material as they did on their debut.

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In This Corner



Most Stayed Home For Homecoming Weekend

by Russell L. Korando
sports editor

It was 3:00, Friday afternoon. Homecoming weekend was upon UM-St. Louis for the first time in nearly 10 years. Would there be throngs of students taking a break from their mid-semester studies to go to the Homecoming dance or watch the Rivermen play soccer?

Unfortunately, as a gorgeous October sun filled the sky, only a few cars sat intermittently in parking lots around campus. Where did the thousands of people go so quickly, I wondered? Just two hours before, the campus was teeming with life.

Events planned and sponsored by UMSL's student government were getting ready to kick off what was supposed to be a chance for a reprieve from the daily grind of studying and testing.

A party at The Wedge and a bonfire started things off Friday night. But, after taking advantage of low prices for alcohol, most people forgot about the bonfire. A small gathering watched as it took three fire trucks to extinguish the flame.

The next day brought the first soccer games of the weekend. After up-and-coming Northeast Missouri State beat Oakland University in the opener, it was time for the Rivermen to take the field against Drake. The attendance was actually smaller for our own game than it was for two teams that had traveled from far away.

The Rivermen went on to win an exciting 2-1 decision over Drake in double-overtime. Fulfilling for them in the standings, but not in the stands. Predictions had been made from the fine people in the Mark Twain Building that large crowds would encircle Don Dallas Memorial Field, but it never transpired.

Still, there was hope the weekend could be salvaged. There was the Homecoming dance Saturday night and the big game against regional rival Oakland the next day.

The dance began at 7 p.m. My girlfriend and I had eagerly anticipated going since the announcement of the dance had been given.

As we pulled into the parking lot, I realized there wouldn't be a problem finding a spot on the dance floor.

After we walked into the Knights of Columbus Hall and paid the \$7 per couple charge, we were greeted by a merry Mike Tomlinson. Tomlinson is president of UM-St. Louis' Student Government Association. There couldn't have been 30 people in the hall.

Thirty people out of more than 12,000 students. I won't even bore you with the percentage. I looked at my date, and she gave me a reassuring smile. We were going to take advantage of the situation, which for me was the free beer.

I couldn't help but feel embarrassed when the announcement of the Homecoming court was announced. The only audible response from dancers was from a very bothersome fruitcake, who kept howling, "It's rigged. It's rigged." If I had been a part of the security, ole' Wolfie would have been thrown out on his tail.

The next day was just as disappointing on the field and off of the field. Again, following the first match of the day between NEMO and Drake, the fans started to filter out of 'Double D.'

Who can blame the Rivermen for such a poor performance against Oakland, who beat us 3-0. They had busted their butts the previous day, and now were playing in front of maybe 75 fans.

"It's a lot of fun playing in front of no one," a disgruntled Riverman player remarked after the game.

Who can blame him?

Freshman Opens New Rhoads For Golf Squad

by Dana Cook
Current sports reporter

The Rivermen golf team is on an upward swing since a freshman arrived on the scene last spring.

David Rhoads, 28, who hasn't been in school since taking business courses at Bryan Institute and Fontbonne College, helped the Rivermen last spring to their first-ever trip to the Missouri Intercollegiate Athletic Association championship and NCAA Division II national tournament.

During his golf career at UM-St. Louis, Rhoads has won six out of 11 tournaments, and has also received many honors, but said his individual awards aren't as satisfying as the team's accomplishments.

"I was very happy, initially [about his honors], but it is more fulfilling when the team does well," Rhoads said.

Rivermen coach Jim Niederkorn said he was concerned about how Rhoads would fit in with the team because of the age difference. However, after talking with Rhoads, Niederkorn said he felt real comfortable with his personality.

"David has brought true leadership to the team," Niederkorn said. "He is very team-orientated."

Part of Rhoads' leadership abilities and success are due to his experiences playing golf on the local and national

level. He played in the U.S. Amateur tournament in 1989, and the Amateur Public Links in 1991.

Rhoads said he has been playing golf since the age of 14. He played on the golf team at St. Louis University High School. When asked about his performance there, Rhoads sheepishly grinned and replied, "I was bad. I was really bad."

After "lots of practice" Rhoads became the player he is now. Niederkorn said he hasn't changed anything at all about Rhoads' game and speaks highly of his consistency and ability to post high scores.

"His model of consistency throughout his intercollegiate career is his work ethic," Niederkorn said.

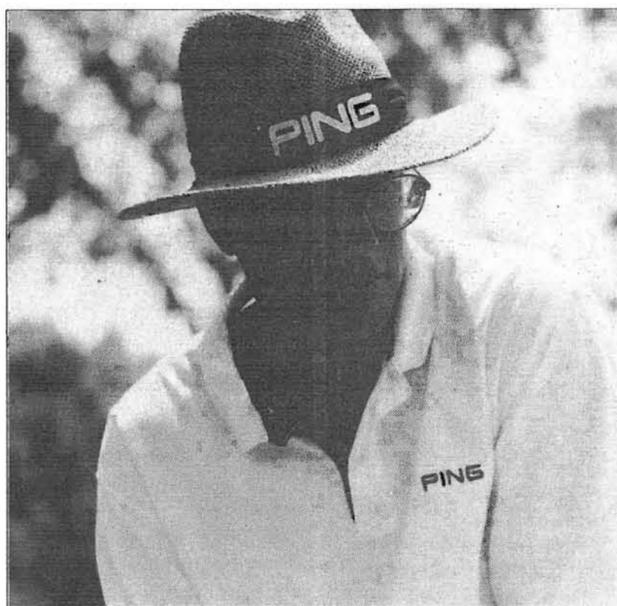
Adjusting to playing for a team added some pressure to his game,

Rhoads said. He credits Niederkorn with helping him adapt to a team concept. He also said the other team members made it easy for him to fit in.

Rhoads has a lot of respect for his team members. He said Chris Sanders has the potential to be an All-American this year. Other team members include Levi Gonzales, Morgan Gonzales and Scott Worley.

Rhoads returned to school to pursue a degree in accounting. He said it was hard coming back because he wasn't used to studying. Other than being a full-time student and golfer, Rhoads has been a husband for the past nine years, and is also a father of a daughter and a son.

Rhoads works part-time behind the counter in the clubhouse at Forest Park Country Club. With all of the different



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Golfer David Rhoads is a steady influence on the Rivermen golf team.

activities he must juggle, Rhoads does well. The only difficult thing he has yet to grasp is the poetry of Emily Dickinson in his Literary Topics class. "It's a battle."

Since his arrival here, Rhoads has been given a lot of attention, but he takes his success in stride.

"You're only as good as your last tournament you're playing in that week-

end. You're never as good as your reputation."

With Rhoads' continued success, his goal, as well as the team's goal, of being in the top 5 in the national tournament, is a strong possibility.

Just Do It: Strifler Goes Above And Beyond Call Of Duty

by Russell L. Korando
sports editor

It's hard to imagine Rick Strifler walking anywhere. With the countless student activities Strifler belongs to, it's a good thing he is in the kind of shape a collegiate soccer player must be in.

Since August, when Strifler made the UM-St. Louis men's soccer team as a walk-on, he has been literally running down a dream. Strifler had not competed in organized soccer since he was part of the Busch Soccer Club in 1988.

"Since I was a kid, playing college soccer was always one of my dreams," Strifler said. "I put my priorities in place and took advantage of an opportunity."

Strifler, 21, a graduate of CBC High School, started playing soccer in the first grade, and credits his father for a big part of the success he's had as a player.

"Both my mom and dad have always been supportive in my interest in soccer," Strifler said. "My dad has coached soccer for 33 years."

Unfortunately, a case of mono-nucleosis during Strifler's junior year at CBC delayed his dream of playing college soccer. Strifler said "personal reasons" kept him from joining CBC's soccer team his senior year.

Following high school, Strifler opened a business that seemed to contradict what he had done playing soccer. The cleats Strifler wore while playing soccer were definitely no friend to



photo: Timmy Eu

ALL-UMSL: Along with playing on UM-St. Louis' men's soccer team, Rick Strifler is also president of the Sigma Tau Gamma fraternity.

the grass they chewed up, and he decided he wanted to nurture Mother Earth.

"I owned my own lawn business for a couple of years. I had to give that up to play soccer, but I went into this 100 percent, and I definitely don't regret the decision."

By making the soccer team, it would seem that Strifler has come full-circle during his years at UM-St. Louis. When he was a sophomore, Strifler became involved in athletics, first by announcing Riverwomen basketball games.

Strifler said his first year at UMSL was unfulfilling because he didn't feel like he was really a part of the campus. An attitude shared by many, at what is

frequently referred to as a "non-traditional school."

"After my freshman year, I realized I was still hanging around people I'd known from high school," Strifler said.

"When I was a sophomore, I met 'Kuch' (UM-St. Louis sports information director, Jeff Kuchno), and he got me involved in announcing. I decided I wanted to get to know the people going to school here."

Kuchno said he remembered his college experience from his days as a student at UMSL, and thought Strifler had the right kind of attitude.

"I was a part of *The Current*, interested in sports information, and I think Rick has the same desire," Kuchno

Fighting Illini Will Be UM-St. Louis' First Foe On Ice For 1992

by Jack C. Wang
associate sports editor

A new season of Rivermen hockey is about to begin. No, not the St. Louis Blues' minor league hockey team in Peoria; rather, the UM-St. Louis Rivermen hockey club.

The UM-St. Louis ice hockey Rivermen open their season against the fifth-ranked Fighting Illini at the University of Illinois at Champaign on Oct. 16.

The Rivermen were 17-4-0 last season, and were ranked 13th in the nation in Division II non-varsity teams by the American Collegiate Hockey Association (ACHA).

The UM-St. Louis hockey club are members of the Central States Collegiate Hockey League (CSCHL), which also includes teams from Meramec Community College, Logan College (St. Louis), Washington University, Iowa State University, Kansas University, Drake University, Dordt College (Iowa), South Dakota State University, Carleton College (Minnesota) and University of Northern Iowa.

Two of the top returning scorers in the CSCHL are Rivermen forwards Brian Drienmeyer (10 goals, 13 assists), who also led the league in short-handed goals, and Dave Dagenais (nine goals, 14 assists).

Newcomers to the club include former Ferris State University forward Paul Kibler and former Meramec Community College defenseman Jay Lipinski.

The team is coached by former player and co-founder, Wayne Gholson. Gholson must contend with the loss of former goalie Matt Ocello, who signed with the St. Louis Blues' Peoria Rivermen, and is now trying out for two teams in the East Coast Hockey League (ECHL), the Nashville Knights and the Tulsa Oilers.

The Rivermen's first home game is set for Monday, Nov. 16 against Logan College at Brentwood Ice Arena at 11:30 p.m. Admission is \$2.00 for students, \$3.00 for non-students.

Additional games on the Rivermen schedule include games at the St. Louis Arena against Washington University on Dec. 1 and Jan. 26.

"It's great hockey and we average about 150 fans at our games," said Shelle Hassenforder, vice-president and treasurer.

For The Riverwomen

head coach
Denise Silvester
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The Players

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7	Kathy Rau	H
8	Becky Bange	H
10	Cindy Stoerger	H
11	Sharon Kampwerth	H
12	Kim Dawson	H
13	Russann Overbey	H
14	Debbie Kampwerth	H
15	Debbie King	H



Netters Serve Up MIAA Round Robin Tournament This Weekend

by Jack C. Wang
associate sports editor

Lots of exciting volleyball action comes to the Mark Twain Gym the weekend of Oct. 16-17. The UM-St. Louis women's volleyball squad will host the 1992 Mid-America Athletic Association Round Robin II.

Assistant coach Erik Kaseorg believes it will be a big weekend. "It's crucial that we do well. The team that finishes first will get an easier semi-final match."

Head coach Denise Silvester hopes for a repeat of her team's performance in the first MIAA Round Robin held at Central Missouri State University in Warrensburg, where the Riverwomen went 5-0.

The Riverwomen's first match in the Round Robin tourney will be against a tough opponent in Central

Missouri State. CMSU also went 5-0 during the first MIAA tournament, and was 35-9 last season for head coach Peggy Martin.

But the Riverwomen will be without junior hitter Russann Overbey for the Metropolitan State Tournament in Denver, Colo.

"We're hoping to have Russann back for the MIAA tournament. She has a severe ankle sprain. Becky Bange will be starting instead for us in Denver,"

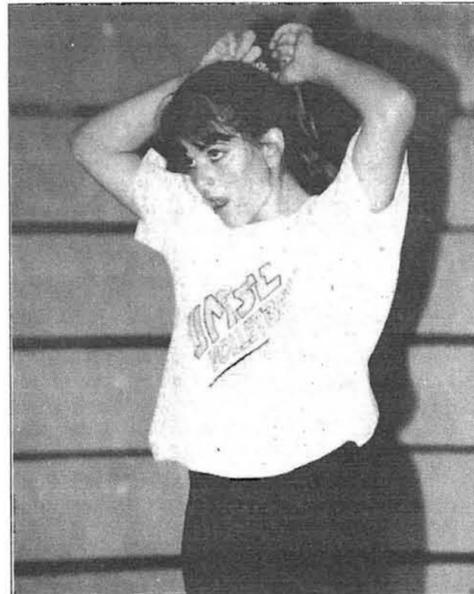


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Setter Ginger Heaton getting ready to work on her volleyball skills in practice.

Kaseorg said.

Kaseorg also hopes for good fan support crowd for the tournament. "A good home crowd would help."

Riverwomen Hover At .500, Midway Through Season

The UM-St. Louis women's soccer team, 6-4, going into this weekend's UM-St. Louis Classic, completed the first-half of their 1992 schedule, Wednesday, with a 2-0 over Missouri-Rolla.

"In the first half we played pathetic," Riverwomen head coach Ken Hudson said. "But in the second half we worked the ball to the wings well and played very disciplined."

The Riverwomen will have played Depauw and the Air Force Academy, Saturday and Sunday. Depauw is a Division III athletic program and this is the first year Air Force have fielded a soccer team. Depauw is 10-1 and Hudson said Air Force has a definite size advantage over the Riverwomen.

"Their (Air Force) smallest player is bigger than my biggest player," Hudson said.

During Wednesday's game, Riverwoman sophomore Windy Harris scored her first goal of the year. Harris made the team as a walk-on this year and is a graduate of Pattonville High School.

"Windy's goal was beautiful," Hudson said. "We couldn't capitalize on our scoring chances in the first-half because we weren't setting the ball. She did that and got a good shot off."

Looming large for the Riverwomen, Thursday, is Barry University. Barry is currently ranked No. 2 in the ISAA/Gatorade Division II National Soccer rankings.

ISAA/GATORADE DIVISION II NATIONAL RANKINGS MEN'S

1. Tampa
2. New Hampshire
3. Grand Canyon
4. Florida Tech
5. Franklin Pierce
6. Lock Haven
7. Cal State-Los Angeles
8. Seattle Pacific
9. Southern Connecticut
10. Oakland
11. South Carolina-Spartanburg
12. Lander
13. Missouri-St. Louis
14. Cal State-Bakersfield
15. C.W. Post
16. Barry
17. Mercyhurst
18. Sacred Heart
19. Humboldt
20. Gannon

ISAA/GATORADE DIVISION II NATIONAL RANKINGS WOMEN'S

1. Cal-Dominguez Hills
2. Barry
3. Keene State
4. Adelphi U.
5. Sonoma State
6. Franklin Pierce
7. Quincy
8. Mercyhurst
9. Northern Colorado
10. Springfield College
11. California Chico
12. Bloomsburg
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