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Denny Dent

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Rivermen Basketball

### Campus Reminder

The Current will not be printing on Monday in observance of Dr. Martin Luther King's birthday. Our next issue will come out on Tuesday, Jan. 19.

### Free Insert

Watch for the "Campus Clipper," the coupon book designed especially for the students, faculty and staff of UM-St. Louis. Tickets for Denny Dent are found exclusively in the "Campus Clipper." In addition to the 2,000 Clippers inserted into certain issues of The Current, the Clippers are also available in the University Bookstore, The University Program Board office and at UM-St. Louis home sporting events.



## Schlereth Under Fire Again

by Bill Farnsworth news editor

Larry Schlereth, former vice chancellor for administrative services at UM-St. Louis, is now reorganizing positions at Sonoma State University, in the same manner that brought him criticism at this campus a little more than a year ago.

Schlereth left UM-St. Louis for Sonoma State in September of 1991. Schlereth is now the vice president for administration and finance at Sonoma State University in California. While vice chancellor, he was in charge of a program called "position reclassification" or "position restructuring." Schlereth told the Sonoma State University campus newspaper, the STAR, that the formal title for reclassification was "The Restructuring of Administrative Services Division at UM-St. Louis."

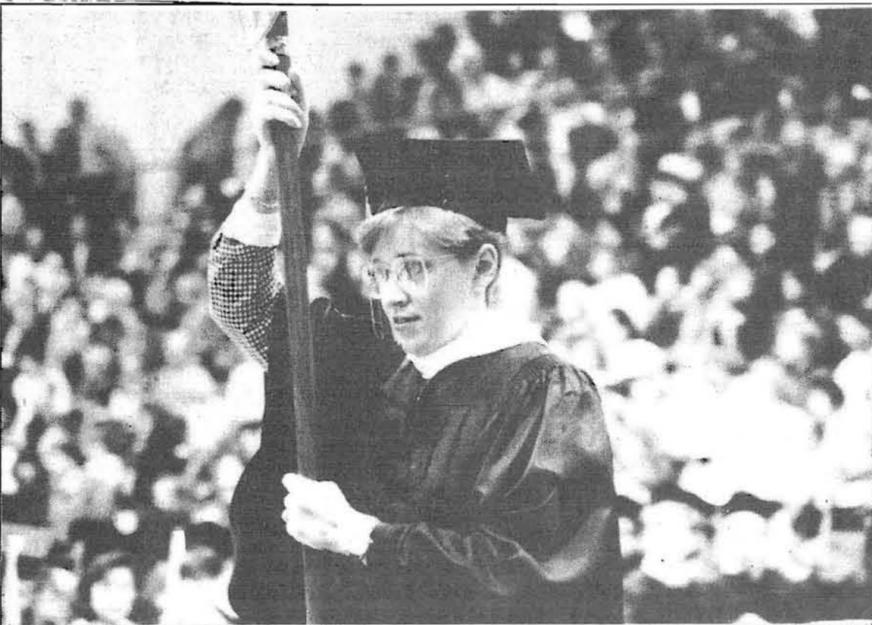
Schlereth told *The Current* last January that reclassification at UM-St. Louis saved the university more than \$750,000, money that Chancellor Marguerite Ross Barnett used for various projects, including the campus shuttle, a floor cleaning program and renovations to KWMU-FM (90.7).

"It clearly benefits the University. It's a question of fairness and equity. Actually, Administrative Services isn't the only department that does position restructuring," Schlereth said.

In Administrative Services, 40 administrative department managers were released and 10 new jobs were created. The responsibilities of these 40 positions were transferred to the

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### Worth the Wait



Stand Tall: Susan Mary Dubois, a master's degree candidate in Political Science, proudly carries the banner. Dubois was named outstanding student in Graduate Studies and was Grand Marshall for the Graduate School. Photo: Jeff Parker

## Llorico Named All-American

by Jack C. Wang sports editor

Senior Midfielder Carmen Llorico of the UM-St. Louis Riverwomen soccer team has a great reason to celebrate the new year.

Llorico was recently named a first team Division II All-American by the National Soccer Coaches Association of America. Llorico is one of only 13 players named to the All-America team.

She is the first UM-St. Louis women's soccer player to be named an All-American since Stephanie Gabbert made the team in 1988. Llorico is, overall, the seventh women's soccer player in UM-St. Louis' history to achieve All-American status.

"I'm very excited," Llorico said. "It's always something that I wanted, but I didn't think I would get."

UM-St. Louis women's soccer coach Ken Hudson was her coach during her three-year career at UM-St.

Louis and is extremely pleased with the award. "She earned it. She's a hard worker who did a good job," Hudson said.

Hudson also mentioned that Llorico was the top vote getter in voting for the award.

Llorico admitted being surprised at winning the recognition, considering the team's record (10-9-1) this past season. "We didn't have the season that we expected," she said.

Llorico led the Riverwomen in assists and contributed five goals and five assists for 15 points, finishing third on the team in scoring. For her career, Llorico has 15 goals and 20 assists for 50 points, ranking ninth among the women's all-time scoring leaders at UM-St. Louis. Llorico, who also received All-South Central Region Team honors, started every game for the Riverwomen the past three years at midfield.

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## Graduation Brings Special Message

by Michelle McMurray editor

More than 300 graduates and their friends and families braved the snow and ice to attend the UM-St. Louis winter commencement ceremony Sunday in the Mark Twain Building.

Eugene Lang, a New York businessman was honored with the Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters presented by Chancellor Blanche Touhill. Lang, also delivered the commencement address.

Lang said he graduated from a Harlem grade school in 1928, and in 1981 he promised a grade school class that if they finished high school, he would provide them the means to attend college.

"I was told these were problem kids, projected to drop out and unable to read their diploma. I could not let it be a meaningless gesture. I wanted to help them stay in school," Lang said. The program evolved into the I Have a Dream Foundation. He added that he encouraged those children that those simple words (I have a dream) should be an inspiration. The program has expanded into 46 cities and helped over 10,000 children. Lang commended the Bridge program and the Access to Success programs on campus.

"It is good the university has reached out to the disadvantaged of this city," he said. Lang charged the winter class of 1993 to have a dream and start moving ahead.

"Like Dr. King said, those words are timeless and powerful. I speak to you about adult reality and personal responsibility. You must have a dream of ambition. What a better day than on your graduation," he said. Lang admonished the graduates to be proud and stand tall as an educated part of society.

## Engineering Partnership With WU Approved

by Krista Goodin associate news editor

The University of Missouri Board of Curators approved at their December meeting a partnership between Washington University and UM-St. Louis to provide engineering courses for students registered at UM-St. Louis.

After many years of lobbying by UM-St. Louis supporters and the surrounding community, a cooperative program between UM-St. Louis and the University of Missouri at Rolla began in January of 1992. It offered undergraduate mechanical and electrical engineering courses to part-time, non-traditional students. Rolla supplied the faculty and controlled admissions. One director was to be chosen to report to

both of the universities' chancellors. However, the program was never fully implemented. Inter-campus rivalries and a lack of cooperation prevented a successful partnership.

Also, despite studies done prior to the program's beginning which showed a potentially good response, only nine students enrolled the first semester. That number doubled to 18 students in the programs second semester.

However, the low enrollment didn't bring in the funds necessary to complete the program. University of Missouri System President George A. Russell said plans to renovate and expand the existing engineering building require an estimated \$1 million for a single laboratory. Washington University estimates the equipment costs alone between \$11 million and \$13 million.

"The basic reason is resources," explains Dr. James H. Hahn, interim director of the UM-St. Louis engineering department. He said the program with Washington University will save UM-St. Louis the expense of setting up the facilities necessary to continue the program.

Beginning with the fall semester of 1993, the new engineering program will be managed jointly by UM-St. Louis and Washington University for the next five years. The faculty and facilities of both campuses will be used. UM-St. Louis faculty will teach all non-engineering courses, and Washington University will provide engineering and laboratory instruction. All admissions, curricular and advising requirements will be determined by both schools. UM-St. Louis will limit enrollment annually

according to the resources available.

The University of Missouri will guarantee a base fee for providing facilities, faculty and research materials. Russell said that, for 100 students taking 13 credit hours each, the cost would be less than \$1 million.

UM-St. Louis will also reimburse Washington University up to \$20,000 for accreditation expenses.

As a result of the program, UM-St. Louis and Washington University will jointly offer and award bachelor's degrees in both electrical and mechanical engineering.

Although the joint program has been approved by the University of Missouri, implementation waits on the decision of the Missouri Coordinating Board for Higher Education.

## Student Senator Fights Plan To Decrease Student Parking

by Bill Farnsworth news editor

To deal with the increased demand for parking along West Drive, the committee recommends that the 92 spaces in Lot "I" be designated faculty and staff parking.

At the University Senate meeting on Dec. 8, 1992, the Senate Physical Facilities Committee sent this recommendation to the senate for a vote. The proposed change in designation for Lot "I" met with heavy opposition from one of the two student senators present at the meeting.

Andy Masters, who is also the Student Government Association treasurer, argued that the conversion of Lot "I" would be unfair for the students of UM-St. Louis.

"Here we have a university where student fees are very much on the rise, but what are students getting in return for their dollars? We are getting a parking lot taken away from us. Students complain every day about the

parking situation, as I'm sure the faculty and staff do. But is this the right solution to the problem, to take away a student lot and make it a faculty lot?" he asked at the meeting.

Masters had discovered the proposed vote on the Senate agenda he had received the week before the meeting. He is a member of the Physical Facilities Committee, but had been unable to attend the last meeting of that committee. Masters called the committee chairwoman and found out that, at the meeting he had missed, the conversion of Lot "I" was proposed when only one student was present.

"I keep hearing about the campus wanting student input and student involvement, but when we try to get involved, we get shut out. If this goes through, you are going to have students losing faith in the whole system," Masters told senate members. Masters also said that he was concerned about the lack of student

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### Frosty the Snowman



Winter wonderland: A south St. Louis girl tries her hand at building a snowman. Many people got out and enjoyed the first major snow of the year. Photo: Jeff Parker

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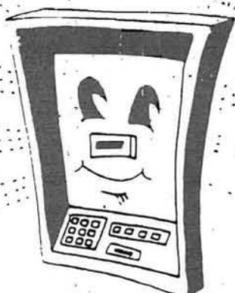
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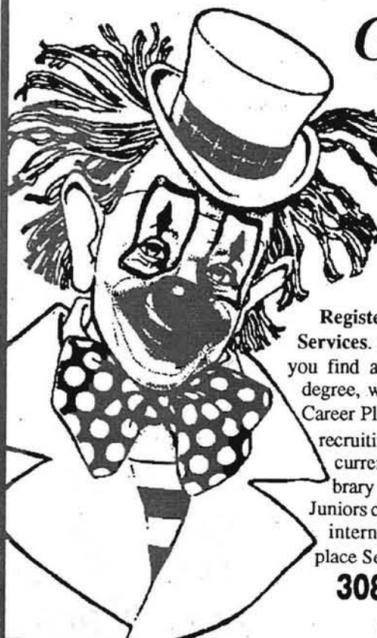
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## U.S. Troops To The Rescue For The Hungry

Lifeless, doll-like eyes stare vacantly at the news cameras. Children lying on their own deathbeds. So young — but old beyond what any picture can tell. Welcome to Somalia.

When President George Bush dispatched U.S. Marines to Somalia, he said the U.S. was on a mission of mercy to help feed the hundreds of thousands of starving Somali citizens.

A little more than a month later, the death toll has dropped from a thousand starvation deaths each day to just a handful. Marines patrol Somali cities in search of "technicals," the indigenous marauders responsible for the mass suffering.

How can a country let its own citizens starve to death? Is it money and power, the root of all mankind's problems, or is it something different? And, why should U.S. troops be put in harm's way to help every time some two-bit dictator decides to grab Americans' attention with some kind of atrocity at the expense of their own people?

Now things are starting to get ugly. It took a month, but Somali warlords have finally decided to test the Marines' resolve by firing randomly at troop columns or American aircraft. That was their biggest mistake.

With Bush set to relinquish his office to President-elect Bill Clinton in just nine days, the Somali warlords see an opportunity to create a brushfire-type war that could hinder Clinton's efforts to begin his term on the fast track to economic recovery.

On Thursday of last week, Somali snipers opened fire at U.S. troops and were promptly bombed back to the Stone Age. Marines welcomed their attackers to the same party that crushed Iraq two years ago. Total retaliation.

Hellfire missiles, launched from Cobra helicopter gunships, slammed into the warehouse the sniper fire came from. By the time the marines were finished, seven Somali's lay dead. One Marine was wounded in the firefight.

The Somali warlords had promised U.S. officials there would be no resistance to the aiding of the hungry. Now rebuffed, they had better prepare for the worst. President Bush had said U.S. troop involvement was to be cut dramatically, and that the United Nations would step in and take on the existing role of overseeing food dispersal. That could now change.

The U.S. military's role is to kill people and break things, but this time they have been sent on a mission of life — to feed a starving Third World country and be admired by the rest of the world. Instead of bombing runs, U.S. planes are on milk runs.



## LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE

### Spike Lee Visit A Historical Event

Dear Editor:

Hats off to Tracy McMurtry and her hard-working colleagues from the Sisterhood Exchange for providing UM-St. Louis with the honor of hosting internationally renowned film director Spike Lee to our campus. I felt very lucky to be in my office the Saturday before the presentation when Ms. McMurtry approached and invited me to the event. I felt very privileged to attend this historic occasion for our campus.

After an excellent hour-long impromptu discussion led by Alice Windom, Mr. Lee appeared and gave a very succinct talk about his latest film. Afterwards, he provided well documented and reasoned answers to audience questions, which ranged from the intelligent to the ridiculous. For two hours, Mr. Lee patiently and thoughtfully responded to a variety of questions, until everyone who wanted to ask had their turn. As an associate professor who has studied social movements extensively, I found Mr. Lee's insights very helpful, particularly in regards to his latest film.

While looking around me and noticing students I have taught (from several races, I might add), I was at once gratified at the quality of the students with whom I have the opportunity to work, and at the hard work that went into affording them and myself the opportunity to hear this speaker. My only regret was that on this occasion the JCPenney Auditorium could only accommodate 500 instead of 5000 students. Those who could not attend the entire performance missed a memorable experience.

C. Thomas Preston Jr.  
Associate Professor of Communication

### A Good Word For UMSL

Dear Editor:

In response to the Nov. 23 article, "UM-St. Louis Falls Short In Reputation," where the author points out that "local residents" have "misconceptions" about the university, I would like to offer a few comments.

Instead of "local residents," I would suggest that other sources be used when assessing the credibility of the university. For instance, one might look to the quality of research being undertaken by various departments on campus, the quality of the faculty and the academic programs themselves.

UM-St. Louis is poised to become a world-class university. Given its geographic location in a cultural city of international differences, and its mission to provide a high quality of formal education at undergraduate, graduate and professional levels, the UM-St. Louis campus makes apologies to no one.

Loren Richard Klahs  
Counselor  
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### A Letter From The Editor



by Michelle McMurray

News Editor and help us continue to keep the campus community informed. Cory Schroeder steps in to assist the Sports page as the Associate Editor. As the cliché goes, welcome aboard.

Dana Cook joins us as Features Editor. Dana has many creative ideas and will be informing as well as providing the entertaining side of the paper. Her associate will be Christopher Sans Souci who says he enjoys doing feature stories. Brent Bailey takes over as Copy Editor. His knowledge in the area of layout and design should be a great asset to our overall look.

Greg Albers loves us so much he can't stay away! Greg joins us as an assistant in the Business department.

My true blue returning editors are: Jason Buchheit, Marcus Buggs, Christine McGraw, Matt Forsythe, Bill Farnsworth, Jack Wang, Jeff Parker, and last but not least Dol Othman.

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### Hats Off To SGA Leaders

Dear Editor:

I'm writing this letter as an insider from the office of Student Government, hoping the campus community can truly realize the everyday efforts of Mike Thomlinson and Dave Roither. They have not only restored excitement and co-sponsored major events that have been covered in *The Current*, but they have put in long hours daily, accomplishing things people never hear about.

In addition to creating opportunities for student involvement such as SGA retreat, Expo '92 and Homecoming, they also had a helping hand in such programs as Alcohol Awareness Week, a visit by Tipper Gore and an evening with Spike Lee. Thomlinson and Roither have also represented the UM-St. Louis student body well at the Missouri Board of Curators meetings. Attendance is not only important to them, but their leadership in fighting for lower student fees, more support for UM-St. Louis as a campus, and even the unprecedented Student Bill of Rights have truly impressed me.

But the most important change they have made is making the student government office a "user friendly" office. Anytime a student has come in with a problem or needing help on an event, someone will attend to them right away to help get the job done or make phone calls to get to the bottom of things. Thomlinson and Roither have undoubtedly been the most effective President and Vice-President since I began attending UM-St. Louis in 1989. They have been organized in running meetings and planning events, encouraged student and community involvement, and done behind-the-scenes work every day to do what is in the best interest of the students of UM-St. Louis.

Andy Masters  
SGA Treasurer

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representation at the committee meeting and at the senate meeting itself, but also said that he knew why some students were unable to attend those meetings.

"I think that there was not as much student representation because this meeting occurred on the last day of regular classes, and most of the student senators and other students that might have been at the meeting were writing papers and studying for finals," he said.

Masters was able to get the conversion of Lot "I" postponed until the next senate meeting in January.

"I felt that there was a risk of losing the parking lot if the vote was taken then, so I felt that it was in the best interests of the students to table the issue until more students could be represented at the next senate meeting," he said.

Masters said he urges all student senators and interested students to attend that senate meeting to protest the reassignment of Lot "I".

The next senate meeting will be on Tuesday, Jan. 19, at 3 p.m. in 222 J.C. Penney.

**Fire from page 1**

10 new positions and some of the positions not eliminated in restructuring.

Also involved in restructuring was the increase of salaries to compensate for increased responsibilities. Schlereth fell under heavy criticism for how those salary increases were implemented.

A random sample of Administrative Services personnel conducted last January by *The Current* showed significant increases in salaries. For the two years prior to Schlereth's departure for California, Administrative Services personnel received salary increases between 51 and 128 percent.

For comparison, *The Current* also conducted a random sampling of professors who had been with the university for at least 20 years and found that increases in salary ranged from 13 to 47 percent.

The disparity in these salary increases caused dissent and morale problems both in the Administrative Services division and in the rest of the campus community. One staff member, who did not want to be identified, told *The Current* last January that some staff members were told if anyone disagreed or spoke out against Schlereth, they would be fired on the spot.

"Morale was quite good when I left," Schlereth told *The Current* at that time.

There were also allegations of misuse of funds by Schlereth. The *STAR* referred to an employee of Schlereth who said that Schlereth had remodeled his office more than once in the time he spent at UM-St. Louis. Schlereth told the *Star* that UM-St. Louis had already bought the furniture before he had arrived

and that the old furniture was transferred to other offices on campus. He had said that "it was being processed through the system."

Sonoma State University's form of position reclassification, called "Service through Synergy," was designed to save \$1 million annually. The *STAR* article says that this was to be accomplished by combining departments and sharing resources within the division of Administration and Finance.

"I did not come here to reorganize. This was a campus decision," Schlereth said.

Schlereth told the *STAR* that his reorganizations had eliminated five management positions, four of which were occupied. He added that three of these management personnel had taken an early retirement option and that the other was laid off.

He also said that there has been only one job promotion or job reclassification. The former hazardous materials coordinator with Environmental Health and Safety is now one of the three directors of Human Services. He said her salary had been adjusted so that it was in parity with other administration and finance directors. The actual amount of the increase was not available.

Purchase orders from Sonoma State University dated Oct. 22, 1992 show that \$70,701 was spent on office equipment. The money had come from the Administration and Finance division budget. An unnamed source in the *STAR* article said that some members of Schlereth's division are questioning whether reorganization is necessary and whether funds are actually being saved.

"People have a hard time with change," Schlereth told the *STAR*.

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# UMMSL '92

## A Look Back At The Past Year Of Events At UM-St. Louis

by Dana Cook  
features editor

Last year the campus of UM-St. Louis was filled with the good, the bad and the ugly. Although chock-full of budget cuts, thefts and controversies, 1992 did manage to have some bright spots. The following are some of the highlights and some of the things the campus community would probably rather forget. It was compiled from the last year's issues of *The Current*.

### The Good

•Three UM-St. Louis athletes maintained perfect grade point averages: Sharon Kampwerth, a junior majoring in accounting, is a member of the women's volleyball team; Dave O'Gorman, a senior seeking a physics degree, plays tennis; and Daniel Dorsey, a freshman leaning toward a degree in chemistry, plays soccer for the Rivermen.

•Apple Computers, Inc., Digital and Data General donated almost \$1 million for the new computer building.

•Criminology and Criminal Justice major Joe King was chosen as a finalist for the Harry S. Truman scholarship fund.

•Edward F. Tripp, criminology instructor, received the E.R. Cass Correctional Association's highest honor.

•The Women's Center was saved from budget cuts.

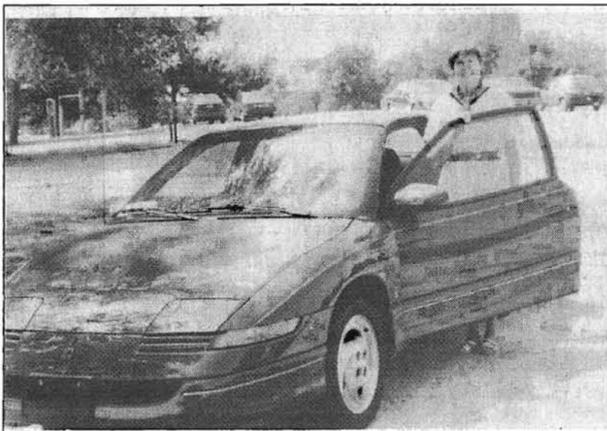
•Chuck McNelly launched a 400-foot home run in the bottom of the ninth inning that capped a come-from-behind 9-8 victory over Missouri Valley.

•Doris Trojcek, Professor of Education, was awarded the Thomas Jefferson Award.

•Ellie Chapman, Coordinator of the Writing Certificate Program, received the 1992 Chancellor's Award for Excellence for an academic non-regular.

•Jerrie Hayes and Kristine Ockuly, members of the Forensics and Debate Squad, set a new school record for the highest national honors in individual speaking events at the 14th Annual American Forensic Association National Individual Event Tournament.

•Max Montgomery of *The Current* wins Journalist of the Year at the Missouri College Newspaper Associa-



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**GOOD JOB:** Ellie Chapman is the Coordinator of the Writing Certificate Program. Chapman has aided UM-St. Louis students in attaining success in the field of writing.

tion Conference.

•Chancellor Blanche Touhill is selected for the Hall of Fame award by the students of Beaumont High School.

•UM-St. Louis baseball player Brian Rupp was drafted by the St. Louis Cardinals.

•Lieutenant Ed Nestor, UM-St. Louis alumnus and criminology teacher, was awarded a national honor as Outstanding D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) Officer of the Year.

•Jeff Kuchno, sports information director, was awarded four national awards in the College Sports Information Directors of America Annual Publication.

•Career Placement Services received \$350,000 in grants from the Department of Education.

•UM-St. Louis has a homecoming celebration for the first time in nine years. Rick Strifler and Trezette Stafford are elected king and queen.

•Chancellor Blanche Touhill hands out three Awards of Excellence to UM-St. Louis faculty: Professor Richard H. Mitchell of the History Department was awarded Excellence in Research and Creativity. Patricia Jakubowski, education professor, received the award for Excellence in Teaching and the Excellence in Service Award went to James Doyle, a philosophy professor.

•Campus radio station, KWMMU,

surpassed its goal of \$120,000 by almost \$5,000 in its fall fund drive.

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

•Jenny Doll, senior, won the "United Nations Day — A World Holiday" essay contest.

### The Bad

•Former Vice Chancellor for Administrative Affairs Larry Schlereth "eliminates" employees because of "position restructuring." Some employees question why this "restructuring" was necessary when, after it occurred, certain supervisors received excessive salary increases.

•Gov. John Ashcroft gives the university a flat budget, meaning it will receive the same amount of money as it did in 1991. The university must reorganize that money and move it to higher-priority areas.

•Some academic department members proposed how they will cut their budgets. One of those departments was the College of Arts and Sciences. Dean Terry Jones discussed, among other things, reducing student wage payroll by 50 percent, cutting graduate teaching assistantships by 15 percent and eliminating 20 course sections.

•Chancellor Blanche Touhill sub-

mitted her first round of budget cuts, calling for the elimination of 10 positions and 85 percent of the budget for the Continuing-Education Extension Program. Touhill said she withdrew all state support from the Athletic Department, Student Activities and the Child Development Center.

•University of Missouri System President George Russell visited the UM-St. Louis campus and said the University should emphasize upper-level classes and programs over those aimed at freshmen and sophomores as a way to handle the budget cuts.

•Kids on Campus, a program aimed at giving grammar school children a different kind of education — such as acting and conversational — Spanish was eliminated.

•University of Missouri Board of Curators approved a five-year financial plan that would reallocate \$124.7 million toward university priorities such as salaries, financial aid, libraries and repairs.

•The College of Arts and Sciences lost \$425,000 through cuts in a move to generate funds to be sent to the University's Central Administration. KWMMU will lose \$125,000 from its budget over the next three years.

•University of Missouri Board of Curators gives UM-Kansas City \$464,000 of the system's state appropriations. UM-St. Louis received about \$28,000.

### The Ugly

•Jacob Orlofsky resigns after Carolyn West's charges of sexual harassment.

•"Do we really want athletics at the collegiate level?" Paul Matteucci, student representative to the Board of Curators, asked at a Student Government Association. Then he admitted never having attended an UM-St. Louis athletic event.

•Pi Kappa Alpha's fraternity house was burglarized. Seven annual photographs of the entire fraternity, a preamble and the fraternity's charter were all stolen. The estimated value of these items is close to \$4,000.

•A man grabbed an 18-year-old woman on the breast while she was waiting to get on the elevator at the

Research Wing.

•Paul Matteucci said he considers some of the fraternities' advertising on campus to be sexual harassment. "Student organizations on campus, mainly fraternities, have found it necessary to resort to sex and alcohol in advertising their products, parties etc. ..."

•An UM-St. Louis baseball player was caught urinating off of the balcony of a Florida hotel, according to the hotel manager. That and other incidents caused the team to leave Florida a day early.

•Proposition O, which could have meant construction of an Olympic-sized swimming complex on the UM-St. Louis campus, was defeated.

•A 30-year-old man was arrested after he sat down at a table where a female student was studying and proceeded to masturbate.

•A student accused a UM-St. Louis police officer of making racist comments when he asked that the student's 14-year-old daughter write down her account of an incident that took place on Mirthday. He said to the student, "I assume she can write, can't she?" This statement, among others, caused her to make the accusation.

•An air compressor fell off the Kloster truck it was being carried on and fell onto a student's car, crunching the rear end of it.

•An emergency shower on the fourth floor of the Research Wing was mysteriously activated, dumping more than 1,000 gallons of water into the hallway and causing "tens of thousands of dollars of damage," a faculty member estimated.

•Two computers, among other items, were stolen from Lucas Hall. UM-St. Louis Campus police believe a master key was used to gain entrance to the building.

•UM-St. Louis Rivermen soccer team loses the homecoming game, the



Chancellor Blanche Touhill

first homecoming game in nine years.

•The university's basketball teams cannot start practice until Nov. 1 because of a new NCAA rule. UM-St. Louis men's basketball coach, Rick Meckfessel compares it to the French Revolution.

•Statistics show that UM-St. Louis receives less than half of the state funding per student than the other three campuses in the UM system.

•Students and faculty were trapped in buildings and elevators when the North Campus had a power loss for two hours.

•A UM-St. Louis student was robbed at gunpoint when she was getting out of her car on campus. The suspects took her purse and fled.

•Spike Lee caused controversy on campus when he asked that KTVI (Channel 2) reporter Donn Johnson and KMOV (Channel 4) reporter Al Naipo turn off their cameras. When they refused, students began putting their hands over the cameras and tried to force the cameramen to turn off their equipment.



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**VICTORY DANCE:** The Rivermen soccer team finished the season with another winning record, but lost in terms of school support and student attendance.

## Rock -N- Roll:

## Denny Dent To Visit Campus Jan. 20.

by Tom Knox  
Current features reporter

For those who missed out on the University Program Board's first semester visitor to campus, Spike Lee, here is a chance for you to see their second semester performer — who is perhaps less famous, but no less awe-inspiring.

On January 20, in the J.C. Penney auditorium, a one-of-a-kind performance artist will bring his "Two-Fisted Art Attack" to the campus of UM-St. Louis. This man's name is Denny Dent, an artist in the truest sense of the word. Dent seems to be a man of few words, who prefers to make his statements through his performances. He has been heralded by the *Las Vegas Valley Times* as "... one of the most unusual and incredible acts ever to hit the stage."

Just what does Dent do to command such respect and praise? He combines the arts of speed-painting, rock music and dance to produce a unique show — and has been described as "the only real Rock 'n' Roll Painter in the world today!"

Within the several minutes it takes for one or two songs to play through, Dent creates an unbelievably accurate portrait of the artist to which it is attributed. He has a pallet of more than 70 subjects, including such greats as Jimi

Hendrix, Martin Luther King, Beethoven, John Lennon and Elvis Presley.

With his unique style of holding three brushes in each hand, using these to apply his paint, along with his hands and a splatter technique, Dent creates the images of some of the most influential people of the twentieth century. His energetic approach to his performance and the excitement of the self-imposed time restraints of the songs played adds to the emotional effects of the show.

He has performed at the 1983 US Festival, the 1984 Olympics and on the "Dennis Miller Show." He also will be doing a show at Bill Clinton's inauguration. He has opened for artists such as Neil Young, David Bowie, The B-52's, Miles Davis, Stevie Wonder, The Cure and Stevie Nix.

Dent told the *London Free Press* he never wanted to be an artist, his goals were set on being a professional baseball player. He made it to the minor leagues where he discovered he was probably never going to be good enough to make it in the majors. In 1980, with the death of John Lennon, Dent changed his mind about his future and began his career in Las Vegas. At the first anniversary vigil of Lennon's death, he decided to paint a picture of his idol. Upon doing so, over 1500



people rushed the stage and refused to let him leave for an hour.

Dent hopes to give his audiences much more than a good show, he wants to communicate his message, one of great importance to people today.

"It ain't what you do, but the way you do it, that makes you an artist," Dent told students at Ryerson Polytechnic Institute. "Do it with heart. Wake up and let it out."

In the seven years that Dent has been doing his "Art Attack," he says he's learned the most important thing in his show is the message.

The tickets for "Denny Dent and his Two-Fisted Art Attack" will be available exclusively in the "Campus Clippers," which are included in this issue of *The Current*. Seating is limited and admission will be based on a first come, first served basis.

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# New Year Ends Anxiety-ridden Holiday



by Brad Touche  
 entertainment writer

Well — Ho! Ho! Ho! Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, and Season's Greetings to all other major religions I might have forgotten. If the holidays meant as much to you this year as they did to me, you're with me in hoping Rudolph chews off Santa's ear sometime this year and he dies of some weird infection indigenous only to the polar regions.

Some may call me Scrooge, but when the highlight of your yuletide season is watching your fiance turn your apartment into a Whoville that only little Susie Who could appreciate if she was stoned, drunk and heavily sedated, you will agree that this season is for wishing well to all men without women who think the holiday is a bust unless they blow at least three fuses in the house.

The season started off bad and only got worse. My fiance', Deanna, came up to me about three weeks before Christmas saying, "My sister knows this place where we can cut down our own tree! Doesn't it sound like fun?"

I thought, "No, it sounds like work." Of course I said nothing for fear of being cut off from you know what for the holidays. And being the spineless male I am, I also allowed her to volunteer my car as the vehicle by which we would transport this sap-dripping, water-sucking, needle-shedding beast

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home. Once we arrived on the scene of the pine forest razing, I noticed this place was a good three square miles big and made up of nothing but hills ("Looks like UMSL," I thought). After about an hour, Deanna came upon a tree. A wonderful tree. A seven-foot tree about as wide as my old '73 Oldsmobile and located (where else?) in the middle of this pine forest. After cutting down this tree with a saw probably sharpened with a washcloth, I proceeded to carry this behemoth back to my car — with Deanna's excellent supervision skills (Translation: endless nagging).

Even though I complained the whole way back to the car, I wasn't about to let her carry the tree with all those backwoods hoosiers already looking at me as if questioning my sexual preference (maybe it's the earrings). It's a male ego thing.

So after we tied the tree on my car backwards and then forwards, we drove it home, where Deanna immediately decided it was just too wide. Guess who got to trim the tree.

Once that was done, Deanna and her daughter Kara proceeded to decorate the tree with red and white lace and some sparse ornaments.

"How's it look?" she asked. "Like it came from Fredericks of Hollywood," I said. (Footnote: Never, Never, Never critique a woman's work. I was couch-bound that night.)

Here I was, two weeks before Christmas, recovering from couch-inflicted back spasms, still living with this woman and a child whose entire vocabulary had been reduced to "How many days until Christmas?"

After that, I'd just about had it. Was I in a bad mood? You try convincing a six-year-old and her mother that this year, instead of milk and cookies, Santa wants a beer and Ding-Dongs.

Three days before Christmas, and Deanna gets it in her head that we have to go see the lights at Tilles Park.

"Fine," I thought. "I'll just sit quietly while Deanna and Kara enjoy the largest fire hazard in the metro area." I never thought about the fact that throughout this source of Christmas bonuses for Union Electric, the traffic would be stop-and-go, up-and-down-hill. We took my car. A stick shift. By the time we got home my left leg was throbbing. The only nice thing about it was it was the first thing throbbing in that house since Thanksgiving. And that was the turkey she didn't fully cook.

If your Christmas was as bad as mine, then you'll join me in clanging those Salvation Army volunteers with their own bells. Apparently some of them don't know it's over, or maybe they're starting early for next year. Remember, Christmas 1993 is only 347 days away! I know, don't remind me either.

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## Wang's World



### UM-St. Louis Athletes: Sight to Behold

by Jack C. Wang  
sports editor

As a new semester gets underway, most of us are getting back into the flow of school. But there are newcomers to the campus as well. One of the things they might question is the lack of school spirit.

While it is true that the average UM-St. Louis student goes to school and then heads home or to work, there are some things that students who are bored or on campus for the majority of the day can do.

Over at the Mark Twain Athletic Building, there are plenty of sporting events to watch. Both the men's and women's basketball season are underway, battling their Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association (MIAA) rivals. The baseball, softball and tennis seasons will soon begin.

I am writing about this is because I was once your average UM-St. Louis student. I'd go to class, then leave for home or go work out at the Mark Twain Gym. As a matter of fact, that used to be the extent of my trips into the Mark Twain Building. But I now realize UM-St. Louis has a lot to offer, especially in the way of sports.

Maybe it's because I'm getting older, but I've come to regret not being able to see the playing careers of some of the best players UM-St. Louis has had during the past few years.

In men's soccer, I've had the pleasure of watching the team only this year. I've come to understand what kind of team the Rivermen are. I regret not having the chance to watch players such as Craig Frederking for four years. He is one of the most explosive soccer players I have ever seen. His speed is matched only by his intensity and tremendous scoring ability.

As for women's soccer, I have been very impressed by the abilities of players such as Carmen Llorico and Kelly Donahue.

Rivermen baseball player Brian Rupp is one player with tremendous ability, as evidenced by his selection by the St. Louis Cardinals. I was lucky enough to watch him play his junior year at UM-St. Louis.

One of my favorite sports to watch and play is basketball. So you would figure that someone like myself would have been interested in watching both Rivermen and Riverwomen basketball. But I never did until last year. I was fortunate enough to see Monica Steinhoff play her senior season, but only after reading all the hoopla surrounding her fantastic shooting touch.

What I'm saying is that we, as students, should support our university by going to the sporting events. I know that's easier said than done, but it takes just a little effort on your part. Admission is free to any currently-enrolled student, so money isn't a problem. Another great thing about the games here at UM-St. Louis is that every seat, either in the gym or on the playing field, has a great view; so that's not an excuse for not coming to the games.

Don't miss the action on the court or field during the 1993 winter semester. There are plenty of great student-athletes to watch, such as Steve Roder, Darren "Dunk" Hill, Jim Robinson and Mike Moore.

On the women's side, there are great players such as Nancy Hesemann, Liz Squibb, Regina Howard and Connie Gilliam.

That's just an example of the players no student interested in watching athletic events at UM-St. Louis should miss. If you do, you're simply cheating yourself of an opportunity to see some terrific happenings.

## Riverwomen Scoring Big With Winning Record

by Cory Schroeder  
associate sports editor

A rosy sunset appears on the horizon as the UM-St. Louis women's basketball squad enters conference play with a 6-3 record.

This could be just a mirage, as junior forward Nancy Hesemann must watch from the bench as a result of a stress fracture in her left foot. This is the same injury she suffered last year. Hesemann was second on the team in scoring with, averaging 14 points per game. She also led the conference in three-point shooting with a 46 percent accuracy rate.

"I hope to be back in a week or so," Hesemann said.

With Hesemann reduced to a spectator role, freshman point guard Regina Howard has stepped her game up a notch. At a mere 5' 7", Howard has been able to crash the boards with the

bigger opponents and is second on the team with an average of seven rebounds per game. Her scoring output has also increased with a career high 19 points against Washington University (Dec. 12). Howard now ranks third on the team with a 10.5 scoring average.

"She's been real aggressive on the boards and has pushed the ball up well," head coach Bobbi Morse said.

The Riverwomen stood at 4-0 before being shut down at the hands of Lake Superior State 63-85 at the Fort Wayne Tournament. Like previous games, turnovers have proved to be a nemesis. The Riverwomen are averaging 25 turnovers a game.

"We have very young players at the guard position," Morse said. "As they mature this (turnovers) will get better. We'd like to be at about 18 turnovers."

Turnabout is fair play, and UM-

St. Louis avenged itself with a 60-56 victory in a close-call against Indiana-Purdue to wrap up the Fort Wayne Tournament with a 1-1 showing. Success would not continue as the Riverwomen traveled to Southeast Missouri State only to be thrashed by the Indians 81-58. The Riverwomen led 14-8 at one point but faded down the stretch, turning over the ball 32 times, a season high.

"SEMO's half-court press caused a lot of turnovers," Morse said. "I was pleased with how we played in the second half. They only gained two points on us."

Nothing would prepare the Riverwomen for the heartbreak of losing to Washington University 68-70. UM-St. Louis was highly favored to beat the Division III team, but the Bears clawed their way back into a game that UM-St. Louis led most of the way. The

Bears scored 18 straight points to take a 67-58 advantage and then held on for a narrow victory.

"We just couldn't box out," sophomore center Connie Gilliam said. "They beat us on the boards."

"We beat ourselves with fouls, letting them get to the line," Morse said. "It was a learning experience."

The Riverwomen returned home after winter break to start off MIAA play by hosting Lincoln. UM-St. Louis started off the new year on the right foot with a convincing win against the Tigerettes of Lincoln University 73-48 (Jan. 6). Howard led the way with 18 points and 12 rebounds.

"We started off sluggish since we hadn't played in so long," Howard said. "But we came back and started boxing out."

Throughout the highs and lows of

the early season, senior forward Liz Squibb has proved to be the most consistent offensive force. She has quietly averaged 14.2 ppg. and 7.9 rpg. Squibb wants the ball every time down the court and is not afraid to shoot.

"Liz's shot was off tonight," Morse said after the Lincoln game. "But she was attacking the basket, which is what I want."

Conference play will continue with trips to Northeast Missouri State (Jan. 9) and Missouri-Rolla (Jan. 13).

#### Upcoming Home Games

Jan. 20 Southwest Baptist  
Jan. 23 Missouri Southern  
Jan. 30 Pittsburg State

## Rivermen Start MIAA Conference Play With Win Team Improves To 6-4

by Mike Hayes  
Current sports reporter

UM-St. Louis men's basketball team opened up conference play with an 87-82 victory over Lincoln University last Wednesday at the Mark Twain Building in front of 1,000 spectators.

Leading 74-59 with only five minutes remaining, the Rivermen looked like they were on their way to a comfortable victory. But the wheels fell off and Lincoln's Aaron Maxey pulled the Tigers to within one point on an off-balanced three-pointer with thirty-one seconds left.

Junior Scott Crawford and senior Steve Roder each hit their free throws down the stretch to preserve the win.

"This was the most important game of the season after beating Dayton and the disappointing loss to Drury," Crawford said. "We had to set the tone for the league."

The Rivermen improved to 6-4 overall and 1-0 in the Mid-American Intercollegiate Athletics Association.

The victory over Lincoln marked a return to form for the Rivermen, who opened up the new year with a 66-63 upset win over Division I Dayton on

the road.

"If we play the way we played against Lincoln the rest of the year we will probably win the league," senior Mike Moore said.

Looking back at the Dayton game, Crawford said, "That game shows us what we are capable of doing."

When asked if he was comfortable with the way the team is performing going into conference play, Rivermen coach Rich Meckfessel replied, "No, we've shown spurts and flashes of playing well, but we haven't been able to sustain it for forty minutes all year." He added, "Our shot selection has to get better."

Moore agreed that the team still has areas to work on. "Our rebounding has to improve. With us not being that tall we need to concentrate on blocking out and using our speed."

Some teams that will be challenging the Rivermen in the conference race are Missouri-Rolla, Missouri-Western, Washburn, Emporia and Southwest Baptist. "It's a pretty balanced league," Moore said.

Along with the solid play of senior guard Steve Roder, Mike Moore, and Scott Crawford, transfers such as se-

nior forward Darren "Dunk" Hill and junior guard Jim Robinson have been instrumental in the Rivermen's early success.

Hill, a 6'4" 185 pound forward from Chicago, Illinois, is currently leading the team in scoring and rebounding. The transfer from Murray State said, "I'm happy so far. The competition at the Division II level is not much different than the D-I level."

Individually Hill feels he needs to be more consistent in his game. "I'm looking to play hard every night and get some dunks."

Jim Robinson was originally a redshirt this year, but has come on to add a deft touch to the Rivermen's perimeter game.

Robinson, a 6'2" 185 pound guard, transferred from Meramec Community College and has had to make the adjustment to Division II basketball.

"I'm feeling more comfortable with each game. The players are much bigger and faster than at Meramec. It's a higher level of play," Robinson said.

Returning players Mike Moore and Scott Crawford agreed that overall, the Rivermen seem to be a more cohesive unit than last season's squad.

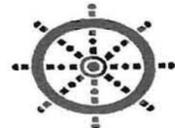


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**DRIBBLIN':** Forward Steve Crawford is averaging 7.7 points per game and 4.5 rebounds per game.

"We work the ball more. It is a team instead of individual players," Moore said. Crawford stated, "We're closer as a team off the court. No one is concerned about individual competition between each other." He added, "It's just as important to have a team relationship off the court as well as on."

Now the Rivermen must take their game on the road for three conference

games against Northeast Missouri State, Missouri-Rolla, and Emporia State before returning home on Saturday Jan. 16 to face the Bearcats from Southwest Baptist.



### Award from page 1

earned All-American recognition as well. Senior forward Craig Frederking and senior midfielder Scott Litschgi have been recognized for their steady play on the field by receiving second team Division II All-American by the National Soccer Coaches Association of America.

Frederking and Litschgi are the seventh and eighth players in Rivermen soccer history to repeat as All-Americans and are among 17 former Rivermen to earn All-American status in the 25-year history of the UM-St. Louis soccer program.

An explosive four-year starter at forward, Frederking finished his career as the all-time leading scorer in Rivermen soccer history with 99 points. Among the accomplishments Frederking set during his career include school records for career goals (39), assists (21) and shots (209). For the 1992 season, Frederking scored seven goals and had three assists for 17 points and finished second on the team in scoring, despite suffering a pre-season injury.

Frederking admits to being somewhat astonished to win the honor for a second year in a row. "Tom (Redmond) called and told me. I was kind of surprised this year, but it's nice."

Scott Litschgi is also a four-year starter at midfield for the Rivermen, where he amassed four goals and three assists for 11 points. For his career, Litschgi collected nine goals and 18 assists for 36 points.

Like Frederking, Litschgi was totally surprised by the honor. "I was very surprised because of our record (11-7-1), but it feels great," Litschgi said.

Rivermen head coach Tom Redmond is pleased with the honors that Frederking and Litschgi have attained. "Both Scott and 'Freddy' have earned the respect of opposing



Carmen Llorico

coaches in Division II," Redmond said. "Their stats weren't the best this year, but they are good examples of that they don't have to have the best stats to earn recognition. Both deserve the honors, especially because the opposing teams would key on the two."

In addition to Frederking and Litschgi gaining All-American honors, senior forward Brian Hennessy and senior defender Pat Galkowski have earned first team All-Midwest honors.

Hennessy, a former defender, led the Rivermen in scoring in 1992 with 12 goals and four assists for 28 points. Overall, Hennessy amassed 25 goals and 12 assists for 62 points for his four-year career and finished fourth on the all-time scoring list for the Rivermen.

"It's nice to be recognized," Hennessy said. "It means that someone thinks I'm doing a good job. I'm very happy."

Pat Galkowski has been an excellent defender for the Rivermen during the past two seasons, attaining All-Midwest recognition for the second straight year. Galkowski collected three goals and five assists for 11 points in 1992, and career-wise, amassed five goals, five assists for 15 points.

"I'm pleased with it," Galkowski said. "I tried to play my hardest and contribute to the team."

Coach Redmond is thrilled with the All-Midwest honors that Brian Hennessy and Pat Galkowski have attained, especially since both players had to make changes in their respective playing positions.

"I'm pleased with the effort of Brian. He made a dramatic change of positions with no regrets and played where needed," Redmond said. "Pat is similar to Brian. He played stopper his junior year and moved to wingback this year to be involved in the offense. It was a dramatic change, but Pat did extremely well. He was one of our most consistent players."

Three of Carmen Llorico's teammates have also earned awards. Senior forward Kelly Donahue and senior defender Cheryl Kamp joins Llorico on the first team All-South Central Region Team.

Donahue led the Riverwomen in scoring with nine goals and four assists for 22 points. For her two-year career at UM-St. Louis, Donahue collected 17 goals and nine assists for 43 points, ranking 13th on the school's all-time scoring list.

Kamp, a defender, also contributed to the Riverwomen offensive attack with two goals and three assists for seven points.

"Cheryl was a fixture defensively," Hudson said. "Kelly was a leader up front for us. They, along with Carmen will all be missed and tough to replace next year."

Sophomore sweeper Angie Anderson was selected a second-team All-South Central Region member. "She was a real surprise for us this year," Hudson said. "She earned the respect of opposing coaches and will be back next year."

## Thanks For The Memories Kampwerth Named To All-South Region Team

by Cory Schroeder  
associate sports editor

Volleyball season is over with, but senior Sharon Kampwerth is leaving her mark on the UM-St. Louis program by being on the receiving end of many awards.

Kampwerth has been named to the 1992 All-South Central Region Team by the American Volleyball Coaches Association. She is the fifth Riverwoman in six years to be recognized by the A.V.C.A.

"I was very surprised," Kampwerth said. "It is a honor to be chosen by other coaches."

Kampwerth's trophy case should be full as award after award is bestowed on her. Not only has Kampwerth excelled on the court, she also carries a 3.78 grade point average in accounting. She was also named as a second team selection on the GTE District Seven Academic All-District Team as well as a member of the 1992 MIAA All-Academic Volleyball Team.

"Sharon was an outstanding all-around player for us," head coach Denise Silvester said. "She does a lot of things extremely well on the volleyball court and we're certainly going to miss her. I'm very proud of what she has been able to accomplish."

Kampwerth was also named to the 1992 MIAA All-Conference first team. Fellow teammate and sister, junior

hitter Debbie Kampwerth, was selected for the second team. The MIAA also deemed Kampwerth "Hitter of the Week" a record four times.

As one Kampwerth leaves, another will be expected to take her place. Debbie Kampwerth will be expected to provide more of the offense that sister Sharon takes with her.

"Debbie and the other seniors will have to step up," Silvester said.

Visions of Sharon Kampwerth's dazzling play will remain in the minds of volleyball fans everywhere. She will be placed among the Riverwomen's elite players of the past like Pam Paule and Carla Addoh. Kampwerth will set out to conquer the world much like she did the court.

"I am sorry it's over," said Kampwerth. "There is still a lot I could learn."

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