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Professor Sues SEMO Over Sexual Harassment Charges

Lawsuit Filed Against University Friday

by Russell Korando and Larry Offner of *The Current* staff

An assistant professor filed a lawsuit in Federal Court Friday alleging that Southeast Missouri State University violated his rights to free speech and due process by accusing him of sexual harassment.

Theodore Hirschfield said he is asking the federal court to enjoin the University from interfering with his Civil Rights, and to declare its finding of sexual harassment as void and unenforceable.

A copy of the lawsuit provided to *The Current* states Hirschfield is also seeking monetary damages in the sum of \$500,000 for humiliation, embarrassment and harm to his personal and professional reputation. In addition, he seeks punitive damages of \$2 million

against the university.

In an exclusive interview with *The*

witch hunts which occur periodically throughout history. This is sweeping

"This whole business has played hell with my personal life. It's affected my daughter and wife as well, and has had a direct affect on my health. I gave my doctor a 14-point outline that shows the difference in my health from now to before."

Theodore Hirschfield, assistant professor of English at Southeast Missouri State University

Current, Hirschfield, a refugee from Nazi Germany, said, "This whole business is bogus and has aspects of hysteria, and it is a replay of the

the whole country... Speaking for myself, I want harassment policies clarified and defined, and administrators to abide by their own policies."

When reached for comment, SEMO's Leonard Clark, assistant to the president and affirmative action officer, said he was unaware of a lawsuit being filed, and had no comment on the matter.

In an official memorandum from Clark to Hirschfield, dated April 15, 1993, Clark specifically accused Hirschfield of making two statements in different sessions of his English 275 course.

The first was: "America is constantly trying to bring people up from the bottom, so then the people on the top, are the ones that always have to suffer. Everyone then meets in the middle, everything becomes average. All a woman



Theodore Hirschfield

has to do is lay on her back, spread her legs, and the government rewards her for each child she produces."

The second was: "The Republicans are the masculine party. The Democrats are the feminine party... with all these entitlement programs pretty soon hundreds of people come to be fed. This crap can't go on but the female says they're (the people) hungry and they need to be fed. The Democrats are like the big sugar tit. Everyone gets a suck, big bosomed, big butt as they are. The males say put them to work; and..."

Clark issued an investigative report on October 29, 1993, finding Hirschfield guilty of sexual harassment and recommending punishment of one month suspension and forfeiture of pay.

Hirschfield said Friday, "I made comments about mediocrity versus excellence. The American way of life is

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Two Arrested At Fraternity House

by Clint Zweifel news editor

Two people were arrested at the Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity house for allegedly trying to steal a sign from the Sigma Tau Gamma fraternity house Dec. 9.

Suspects Jeff Jungers and Paul Spoerry were arrested for allegedly stealing more than \$150.

Former Sigma Tau Gamma President Nick Karabas said he was walking into the basement of the house when he saw through the window that people walking in the backyard. Karabas said he and Sigma Tau Gamma President Marty Schutte went outside and took the sign out of the suspects' Honda Civic.

Schutte then called Bel-Ridge police and reported the incident at 3:10 a.m.

Police saw the suspects' vehicle parked at 8824 Natural Bridge Rd. (where some Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity members park). The officer found the owner of the vehicle and his alleged accomplice inside of the Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity house. Police then arrested the two suspects.

Jungers said the stealing of the sign was not a fraternity action. Jungers said he and the other suspect acted on their own accord.

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Professor's Study Focuses On Trade With Japan

by Jeremy Rutherford associate news editor

A study by UM-St. Louis professor Frank Alpert could help American businessmen open trade doors into Japan and better equip them for dealing in that country's marketplace.

Alpert, an assistant professor in the School of Business Administration, said the study asks specific questions about why U.S. brands have distribution problems in Japan.

"The views of the retail buyers are very important," Alpert said. "Because they determine which brands will even have a chance with consumers."

His research surveys buying practices, preferences and attitudes of Japanese retailers. Alpert said these are the factors that play an important role in determining whether foreign products will succeed in the Japanese marketplace.

Alpert, who recently spent three weeks in Tokyo, received a grant for \$9,500 for his study from the Marketing Science Institute.

Alpert said there are ways to control Japan's progress in the U.S., but we should focus on our efforts in Japan.

"Much of the discussion surrounding the deficit has been complaints about the success of Japanese firms in the United States," Alpert said. "One way to limit the trade deficit is to impose quotas or restraints on them, but a better way is for the U.S. to sell more goods there."

In the past, high tariffs may not have interested U.S. businesses trying to export to Japan. Those tariffs have been lowered, and now the challenge to businesses is to learn more about non-tariff barriers.

Alpert said with some exceptions, the Japanese perceive American products as poor in quality.

"But there might be some other reasons as well," he said. "In fact, the pioneer brand advantage might tie right in with U.S. firms failing to get distribution because in many instances our firms were slow to export to Japan."

"Now, as a result, Japan has developed many of the same products America has. If you try to export your brand over there now, it's just another follower brand. Even if

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Departmental Change Causes Employees Concern Over Jobs

Director Denies Rumors That Seven Employees in the Human Resources Department Will Be Fired During Reorganization

by Russell Korando editor-in-chief

Several employees in the UM-St. Louis Human Resources Department received letters Dec. 6 saying there was going to be a departmental reorganization.

Barbara Carroll, associate director of the UM-St. Louis Human Resources and Payroll Department, said she has learned of employee fears that their jobs were being eliminated altogether, and she said these fears are unfounded.

"I've heard rumors that I'm firing seven people in the department, and that's simply not true," Carroll said. "What I've done is develop a plan to reorganize the functions (of Human

Resources) to be more responsive to customer service needs."

Carroll was hired to her position last July, and she said she immediately began canvassing the campus for ideas and criticisms, and based on those opinions she designed a reorganization plan.

Carroll said the plan had nothing to do with budget constraints and that no

gic look at how we use the resources that we have now, and try and maximize these resources while giving the customer what they asked for.

"I did a series of objectives that talked about strategic planning and doing an informal assessment of the current function; setting objectives and reorganizing the department by its capabilities. All the staff got copies, so

they knew from the very beginning what my goal was."

A knowledgeable source in the General Service

"My whole point is, if you tell the employees there is nothing wrong with their work performance, and you are reorganizing the office, why should those employees have to compete with outside people."

A source in General Services commenting on the departmental reorganization that is planned in the Human Resources Department.

other Human Resources Department in the UM system were taking part in it, but that UM-Columbia had instituted a similar plan a few years ago.

"I started talking to the staff about the plan as soon as I got here in July," Carroll said. "I wanted to take a strate-

Building said they saw the letter from Dec. 6, but their view differs from that of Carroll's. The source says the letter implies there will be an elimination of

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Faculty, Staff Favor Health Plan

New managed plans allow employees to pay less

Second of a two-part series

by Jeremy Rutherford associate news editor

From an administrative point of view, David Lendt, director of University of Missouri Relations, said the faculty and staff in the UM-system are overwhelmingly in favor of the new health care plan.

Lendt said both the administration and the employees agreed a change was necessary.

"The rates were going to double in five years," Lendt said. "That would have been money out of the pockets of both the university (of Missouri) and the employees."

"And for those employees that liked the benefits of the previous plan, being able to choose their own physician they can still continue that plan (Plan E). It just means the managed... That is for those

who didn't want to be rushed into a decision."

Lendt said it took him 10 minutes to decide on which health plan to

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Dave Lendt, director of University of Missouri Relations

choose. "Really, there are two choices," Lendt said, referring to the Health Maintenance and Point of Service plans. "And either would be better than what we had

"But that isn't true for everyone, and for the employees that are used to one physician and now are switching to a managed system, I am sympathetic."

With the previous plan, the university paid two-thirds of the monthly premium and the employee paid one-third. Although that still stands, the managed care premiums are lower than the old system, which means everyone is paying less and that concerns the employees. Employees at UM-St. Louis Senate meetings said the university should continue to pay

the same dollar amount.

"There are bound to be complaints,"

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Professor Frames Issue As Freedom of Speech

by Larry Offner
adviser

concerning an exam monitored by Hirschfield in 1989.

After filing his federal lawsuit Friday against Southeast Missouri State University, Assistant Professor Theodore Hirschfield stated, "What is happening here threatens not only academic freedom on campuses, but the freedom of everyone to voice an opinion."

Hirschfield's attorney, Michael Waxenberg, stated, "Unlike the common understanding of 'sexual harassment' as unpermitted touching and soliciting, or offensive and hostile sexually explicit language, the comments Hirschfield is accused of making relate to politics and University policies. He proclaims himself an outspoken critic of mediocrity in teaching. So when he criticized 'Womens' Studies' for not being a valid subject, he was accused of 'sexual harassment.' He believes that people should be motivated to excel in life, so when he criticized the welfare system for financially rewarding women for having babies, he was accused of 'sexual harassment.' And when he tried to explain the historical role of gender differences in literature, he was accused of 'sexual harassment.'"

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Michael Waxenberg Hirschfield's attorney

Clark's memo reads, "... additional and other allegations of sexual harassment have been made with regard to your conduct/behavior over the past several years... The subject conduct includes inappropriate comments to female students about their bodies, comments as to the attractiveness and appropriateness of certain females students modeling for magazines such as *Playboy*. This incident(s) were deemed to have created a hostile learning environment which resulted in the poor performance of (the female student) on her EN 140 Exit Exam..."

Waxenberg said Friday his client, Hirschfield, has no recollection of such comments or even of monitoring that particular exam.

In a letter to Clark, dated Nov. 3, 1993, Waxenberg told Clark the 1989 complaint was time-barred.

"The complainant herself indicates that the incident occurred in the Spring of 1989. The complaint has been made and process under a Sexual Harassment Policy which the University issued in September of 1990. Ex Post Facto laws are prohibited by the U.S. Constitution... and by the Missouri Constitution... By analogy, the statute of limitations under the Missouri Human Rights Act for claims of sexual harassment is two years."

Waxenberg said Friday he did not know what attorney or which law firm would represent SEMO in the action. Once SEMO has been served with the law suit, it will have 30 days to file responsive papers with the federal court.

Current Happenings

- Mon., Jan. 10: Welcome Back!
- Wed., Jan. 12: Tickets go on sale for Renee Hicks. Call 553-5531 for information.
- Thurs., Jan. 13: UM-St. Louis Alumnus Dan Lauer will appear on "How'd They Do That?" The show will highlight the story of Lauer's struggle with the creation of the Waterbabies Doll that has become a national best seller. The show will at 7 p.m. central time on CBS affiliate stations.
- Sun., Jan. 17: Martin Luther King Commemoration Program. Call 553-5695 for information.

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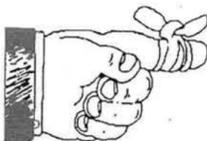
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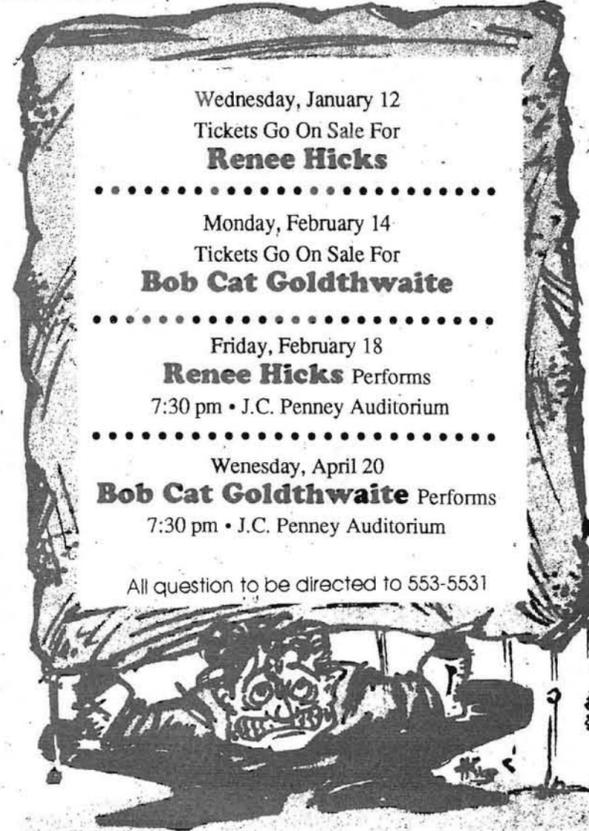
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From the editor's desk

Simple Pleasures Stolen By Society's Miscreants

by Russell Korando
editor-in-chief

During the early to mid-70s, I attended a small elementary school in St. Charles. It's nestled in the middle of surrounding middle class communities, and bordered by McNair Park.

The park made a nice diversion before walking the mile it took to get home. Usually, some of us would go to Dead Man's Cliff after school to perform feats of daring before a group of girls that would follow. It all seemed so innocent.

Muddy jeans, an occasional scratch or bruise or torn clothing was the extent to any mishaps our small group endured. While walking home, the only thing that ever seemed dangerous was the unleashed German Shepherd that chased my brother and I up trees many times. I hated that dog.

Today, I doubt if any child attending the same school enjoys such austere pleasures of frolicking carefree on their way home from school, because of the society we live in today. Now, "Mom I'm going down the street to play," has become, "No, wait, and I'll drive you to your friend's house."

This is the thing the monster, who kidnapped and murdered two children, has taken away. Another simple everyday pleasure destroyed by one of society's mutant individuals.

Sick and tired. Sick and tired. Fed up. Pissed off. That's what people are these days. Tired of crime around every corner.

The pinnacle of my frustration came when a husband and wife were brutally shot while parking their car in St. Charles recently. Nothing was stolen from them. No motive. Just another random act of violence.

Mercifully, the something out there luring young girls to their deaths in St. Louis has slithered back to his rock, (or maybe even

incarcerated) sparing another family grief and grim despair.

Of course, the nightmarish deaths of Cassidy Senters and Angie Housman, along with the countless other children that have mysteriously disappeared, will always paint a darkened portrait of real life to the parents affected by such a tragic loss.



The experience of a kidnapped child may be probably best described as numbing. Walking around in a sometimes convalescent drug-induced haze, while insensitive reporters jam tape machines and microphones in their faces from all directions.

A constant media blitz, so soon after such an earthshaking event. Reminders every day. The same 2nd grade class photo... over and over.

You want to turn the TV off when the stories come on, but you can't. The same lead in every newscast, "The search for the killer of nine-year-old..." Paralyzing numbness. The center of the chest feeling like a slept-on limb from the night before all the time.

Finally, a suspect. Clues. Hope. Anger. Frustration. And all the time despair for the parents.

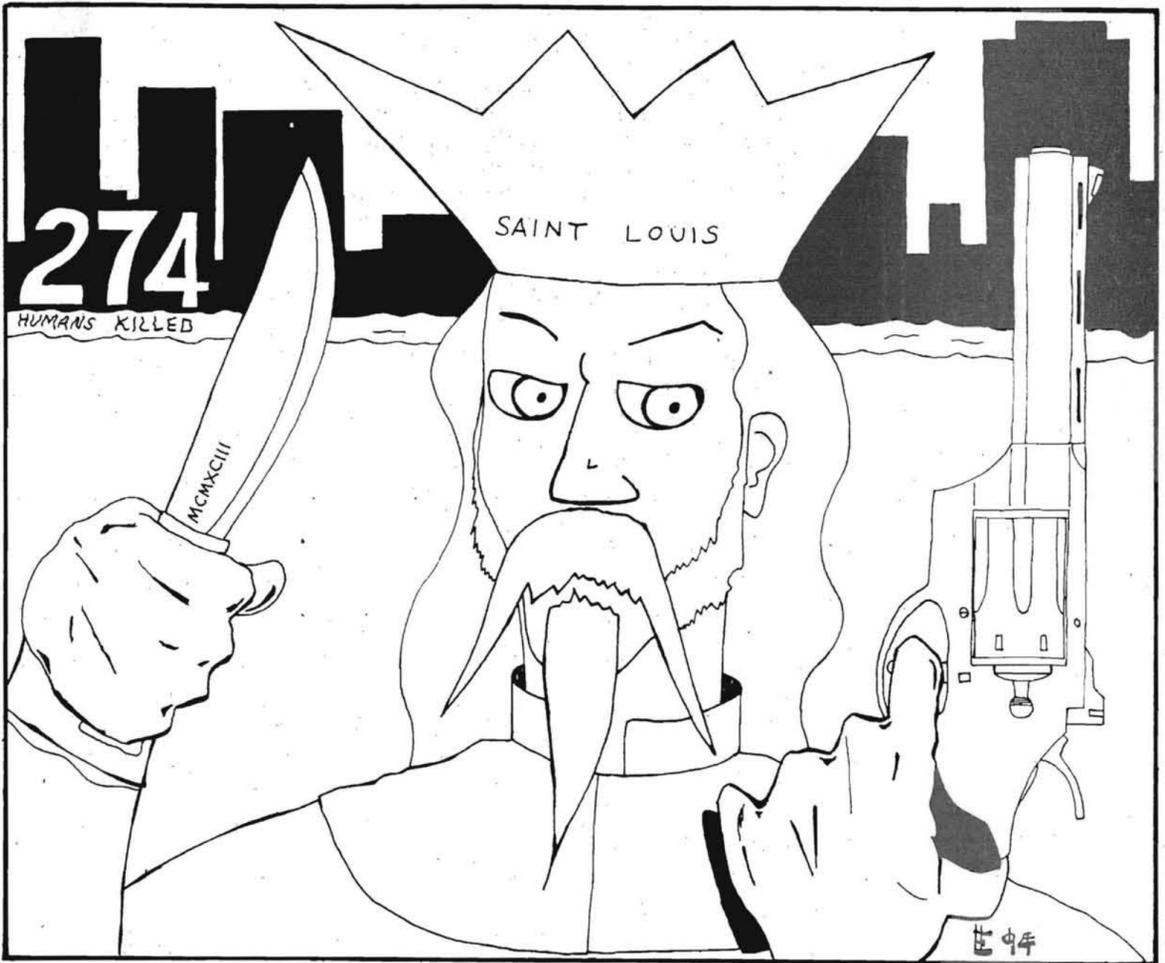
The thing about any kind of murder is that it is nothing new to any society. Children have always been murder victims. Children have always been made to fight wars—like the children of a fragmented beaten German army in its final days.

We should be scared to our marrow about such people who pray on the young, but we shouldn't be surprised. What we should be surprised about is the type of person that is suspected of child abduction and murder and profiled by police and FBI authorities.

The description of the alleged murderer is that of a caucasian male, from 25 to 40 years old; probably a loner. Someone who has believed to be wronged, and then lets the feeling linger until they commit the most heinous of crimes.

The annual Chancellor's Faculty Teaching Award recognizes outstanding teaching in the graduate and/or undergraduate curriculum by a full-time regular UM-St. Louis faculty member. Nominators are encouraged to provide supporting evidence from a broad range of constituencies.

Twelve copies of all nominating materials should be sent to Ms. Joan M. Arban, Senate Executive Assistant, 258 General Services Building, by 5 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 18, 1994. No material other than that solicited by the Committee will be accepted after the specified deadline.



UM-St. Louis/The Current Newswire

Debbie Pickel Smith and **Marge Roth** will speak on "How Books Get from Publisher to Reader and How You, The Author, Can Help," at the Romance Writers of America, Missouri Chapter meeting on Saturday, Jan. 15, 10:00 a.m., at the Holiday Inn South County Center, 6921 South Lindbergh (at I-55). Guests are welcome to stay for lunch with prior reservations. Please confirm lunch reservations with Jenny Pointer, 618-797-2082, by 10:00 a.m., Jan. 12. Cost is a \$3.00 visitor's fee plus lunch.

Jacob's Pillow Coffee House For Jewish Performing Arts. 8 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 15; Church of the Open Word, 1040 Dautel (1 mile west of Lindbergh off Olive). Tickets are \$5. Refreshments served. Call 863-4366. Myth, Music, Mysticism—Zambra, led by Rabbi James Stone Goodman, will be featuring a fusion music of ancient mystical forms and modern interpretations through songs, stories, poems, rhythms and chants.

The Community Psychological Service, a not-for-profit mental health clinic operated by the University of Missouri-St.

Louis, offers specialized counseling for crime victims and their families. Victims of rape and other violent crimes can receive short term psychological treatment for problems associated with the trauma: flashbacks, numbing, loss of feelings, irritability, difficulty concentrating, sleep disturbance and hypervigilance. The service is staffed by advance graduate students in clinical psychology and provides services on a sliding fee scale. For information, call 553-5824

Michael D. Murray, associate professor and interim chairman of the Communication Department at the University of Missouri-St. Louis, recently received the Governor's Award for Excellence in Teaching from Governor Mel Carnahan. Carnahan presented the award recently at the Governor's Conference on Higher Education, held in St. Louis. Earlier this year, Murray received the National Teacher of the Year Award in the field of broadcast journalism from the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication. Murray has been on the University of Missouri-St. Louis faculty for 10 years. He is a graduate of Aquinas Mercy High School,

St. Louis University and the University of Missouri-Columbia. He taught previously at Virginia Tech University and the University of Louisville. He is past president of the American Journalism Historians Association and editor of the new book "Teaching Mass Communication."

Fall 1994 Student Teachers. Everyone must attend one of the following seminars to apply for student teaching and to apply for state certification. Dates are: Jan. 15, in Room 202 SCB, secondary only, to apply for student teaching 8:30-9:45; to apply for state certification 9:45-10:30. 7-1-7 only, to apply for student teaching 10:30-11:45; to apply for state certification 11:45-12:30. Jan. 18, in the Education Auditorium, secondary and 7-1-7, to apply for student teaching 5:30 p.m.-6:45 p.m.; to apply for state certification 6:45 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Jan. 19, in room 219 SCB, secondary and 7-1-7, to apply for student teaching 3:30-4:30; to apply for state certification 4:30-5:15. 7-1-7 includes Special Ed., Elementary, Early Childhood, Middle School, Music and Physical Education.

A selection of ball-point pen drawings by Russell Crotty will be exhibited at Gallery 210 in Lucas Hall on the campus of the University of Missouri-St. Louis from Jan. 11-Feb. 5. An opening reception will be held Jan. 11 from 6 p.m.-8 p.m. in the gallery. Crotty will speak on his work at 7 p.m. during the reception, which is free and open to the public. Crotty is a Los Angeles area artist who uses ball-point pens to create words of power and beauty. The artist uses sheets of paper, from 12 inches by 12 inches to 10 feet by 10 feet in size, draws grids featuring one inch square spaces and fills each space with a drawing. Drawings include depictions of galaxies, ships, shacks and smokestacks. The 10 foot by 20 foot "Galaxy" drawing done especially for this show contains approximately 33,000 drawings. Gallery hours are Tuesday from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Wednesday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. This exhibition is funded in part by the Missouri Arts Council, a state agency, and the Regional Arts Commission-St. Louis.

Premiere Performances, the chamber music series sponsored by the University of Missouri-St. Louis, will host a special concert for the benefit of a proposed endowed professorship of Modern Greek Language, literature and culture at UM-St. Louis at 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 29 at the Ethical Society, 9001 Clayton Rd. Featured performers are two internationally known Greek musicians, violinist Miltiades Papastamou and pianist Dimitris Papatheodorou. The program is highlighted by the American premieres of Dodecanesian Suite (Six Greek Dances for Violin and Piano) by Yannis Konstantinides and Sonata no. 1 for violin and piano by Mikis Theodorakis. Theodorakis is used as the third movement of this work as the basis for his famous score for the film "Zorba the Greek." Tickets for the benefit concert are \$25 a person. Tickets include both the performance and the post-concert reception. For tickets call Premiere Performances at 553-5818.

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mediocrity. Feminist studies are bogus. Why? Because you can't study half the human race and not the other."

Hirschfield is represented by attorney Michael Waxenberg, of the St. Louis firm of Susman, Schermer, Rimmel and Shifrin.

Waxenberg stated Friday, "The university's policy on sexual harassment is so broad, it can be used to silence a teacher's opinions on political issues. This is a scary trend on college campuses. It's a form of repression that reminds me of the McCarthy Era.

"What makes this situation so repressive is how the harassment policy gives a student or the administration the power to ruin a teacher's reputation and career over what should be merely a difference of opinion."

Waxenberg stated that even though Clark investigated the allegations against Hirschfield from April 15 to October 29, 1993, Clark never once talked to Hirschfield about the charges.

Waxenberg stated that Hirschfield's proposed punishment constituted 'unlawful taking of property without due process of law. Hirschfield is tenured, according to Waxenberg.

Hirschfield said he first learned of the charges against him when he was told to attend a meeting without knowing the names of his accusers. He told the university he would attend the meeting after polling the students in the class which included the accusing student. The poll of the 15 other students in the class was unanimously in his favor, according to Hirschfield. He said when he brought the results to the meeting it was abruptly called off.

"This whole business has played hell with my personal life," Hirschfield said. "It's affected my daughter and wife as well, and has had a direct effect on my health. I gave my doctor a 14-point outline that shows the difference in my health from now to before."

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seven positions, and the fact that Carroll plans on going outside the department to fill them.

"There is no feeling of what [Carroll] wants as far as the qualifications go," the source told The Current. "There's a feeling like there is no chance for the employees currently working there because they'll post the positions to the outside.

"My whole point is, if you tell the employees there is nothing wrong with their work performance, and you are reorganizing the office, why should those employees have to compete with outside people," said the source. "A lot of those people have been there a long time, but that doesn't mean anything because they're on the same level as someone from the outside."

Carroll said she sent the letter before Dec. 7 because if she hadn't, the employees who face a potential layoff would have received no benefits from a transition plan.

"I don't know where this plan is going yet, but what I want to say to the people is the positions that they are

currently holding as they know them are going away and new positions are being created right now," Carroll said. "And if you don't apply for one of these new positions, or are not a successful candidate for one, somewhere down the pike you will be notified about a layoff. I thought the human thing to do was notify the staff as soon as possible ... these jobs don't even exist yet.

"I will recruit, I mean I will post positions as vacancies. My goal is to make sure that we have the most qualified staff we can have. They can apply for any of the positions, and there are also some promotional opportunities."

One of things Carroll said she wanted to change most of all was the training aspect of the department, something they have been sorely lacking. She wants to bring in someone for a training position, and she has already targeted departmental resources toward development training.

Carroll added that there is monies for 13 equivalent full-time positions and there are currently 11 people in the Human Resources Department.

NEWS UPDATE

UM-St. Louis students will be able to ride MetroLink free for the Winter semester. Students can pick-up the sticker that will enable them to ride MetroLink free at the Cashiers Office. UM-St. Louis and Bi-State officials were unable to make the arrangement for faculty and staff, but negotiations continue.

transcript fee for students. In a proposal by Martin Rochester, chairman of SCSA, students can obtain two transcripts for free. For additional transcripts a charge of \$3 would be implemented. The proposal has been sent to UM-St. Louis Chancellor Blanche Touhill for approval.

A memorial service for Ward E. Barnes, who died Dec. 23, 1993, was held Sunday at Grace United Methodist Church. Barnes was an adviser to each of the University of Missouri campuses and is credited as a founder of UM-St. Louis.

The deadline for employees to choose a health benefits package was Dec. 7. Six employees did not make the deadline.

The Nursing School merger between Barnes Hospital and UM-St. Louis will increase the university's number of nursing students from 175 to 575. The merger will be called the Barnes School of Nursing at UM-St. Louis.

James McHugh, University of Missouri System Curator, was elected president of the Board of Curators for the 1994 term. Curator Adam Fischer was elected vice president. The next Board of Curators meeting is Feb. 3-4 at UM-St. Louis.

Nick Karakas, chairman of fund-raising for an endowed professorship in Greek studies at UM-St. Louis, contributed \$25,000 to the fund. \$149,000 has been donated to the fund, which has a goal of \$550,000.

The Senate Committee on Student Affairs voted unanimously in favor of changing the

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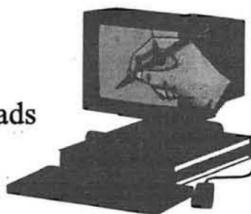
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"It really wasn't an idea," Jungers said. "We just saw the sign and smiled at each other and took (the sign)."

Doug Haldemann, president of Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity, also said the taking of the sign was not a fraternity action.

"They were never encouraged by any fraternity member to take the sign," he said. "It was done completely on their own."

Haldemann said the two suspects were not pledges or members of the fraternity although both of them did want to pledge.

Haldemann said the incident has brought the fraternity a negative image.

"It unrightfully hurts our image," he said. "Sigma Tau Gamma will do anything that it can to get us off the campus. Especially Nick Karabas—he has a personal vendetta against us."

Karakas said that Haldemann's allegation is not true.

"Sigma Tau Gamma has been the leader in promoting unity among fra-

termites and our actions to promote such unity speak for themselves," he said.

Jungers said the charges against him and Sperry had been dropped, but Bel-Ridge Police said their files did not show that the charges are dropped.

Bob Schmalfeld, director of Student Activities, said Pi Kappa Alpha had applied for recertification as a student group, prior to the incident with Sigma Tau Gamma. The fraternity had lost their certification on Oct. 15 because the group lacked a faculty advisor. Pi Kappa Alpha's recertification was going to be voted on at the next Senate Student Affairs Committee meeting Dec. 9 (the same day Sigma Tau Gamma's sign was allegedly stolen), but since the details of the incident were not known by the committee the vote was put on hold. Schmalfeld said the recertification will stay on hold until he receives a report on the details of the incident.

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Lendt said. "It's terribly complex, and with 20,000 employees, there are many variables that need to be worked out."

Senate chairperson Steve Lehmkuhle said the change is for the better.

"Faculty and staff really have to go into great detail," Lehmkuhle said. "They have to look at what they can get and what they need."

The results from the UM-Columbia campus focused on the Health

Maintenance (HMO) plan. Sixty percent of the UM-Columbia employees chose the HMO plan and 27 percent chose the point of service plan.

Lehmkuhle said the employees have to sign a contract for one year, and after that can change plans.

"I think it (the change) is better than not doing anything at all," Lehmkuhle said. "Now we just have to sit back and see if it meets our needs."

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we have new products, they can get their suppliers to make those same products."

Another section of the study asks Japanese retail buyers about concerns they have regarding U.S. products. "Who would know better how to advise U.S. firms than men on the spot making the availability decisions?" Alpert asked. "They don't know if they can trust the Americans and whether the American company will cut and run with its products if the American market heats up."

Alpert said to be successful, American businessmen must realize that they can't come to Japan and sell immediately. He said they'll have to come, establish relationships and make a long-term investment.

"The dollar decline is in favor but to thrive in Japan, companies must be progressive and produce new and innovative products," Alpert said. "Consumers there constantly want new items. That's a challenge for companies because it means the life cycle of a product is much, much shorter there."

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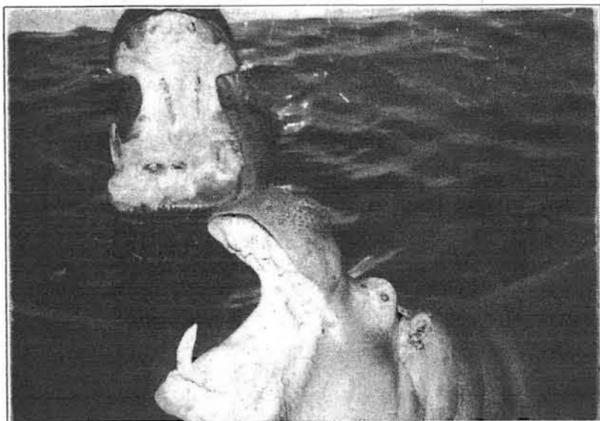


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HUNGRY HIPPOS OPEN WIDE: Jeepers and Lady wait for a carrot snack.

Rebecca Dames
of *The Current* staff

Not a large crowd on that cold winter's day, but still a few enthusiasts pay a visit to the Elephant House.

Additions to the zoo are occurring on a fairly regular basis. A recent arrival to the St. Louis Zoological Park's Elephant House is Niki a baby Nile hippopotamus. She was born on Aug. 17, 1993.

Niki's mother is a 13-year-old Nile Hippopotamus named Lady. She weighs about 2,600 pounds and has birthed nine calves since she arrived at the St. Louis Zoo in 1984 from the Houston Zoo.

Niki's father is a 34-year-old Nile Hippopotamus named Jeepers. He weighs about 3,000 pounds. He has

fathered 20 calves with his first mate, three sets of twins and nine calves with Lady.

Lady is a very protective, aggressive mother.

"She does not like a lot of strangers near the cage," said Herbert Throm, caretaker at the zoo.

Hippopotamuses are born and nursed underwater.

"I've timed them underwater from seven to nine minutes while awake and I've heard they can stay under between 15 and 17 minutes, however they are not really forced into doing that in captivity," said Throm.

Jeepers is a patient father; he allows the calves to do whatever they want.

"He's a great dad, he plays with Niki when he can. He lets her walk all

over his immense body. Just the other day Niki swam through his open mouth. He doesn't harm the calves. Lady just doesn't trust him," said Throm.

The hippos are very healthy animals and are not prone to any diseases. Adult Nile Hippopotamuses do not really have any threat to their lives besides humans. Since they breed well in captivity we should not see the Nile Hippopotamuses endangered. However, hippopotamus calves have been known to be eaten by alligators in the wild. On the other hand, the Nile Hippopotamuses' relatives, the Pygmy Hippopotamus, is in fact endangered because of poachers.

The hippopotamuses spend most of their day outside, up to 23 hours, remaining inside only long enough for the caretakers to clean their yard and put fresh hay out. Hippopotamuses have the ability to submerge in water with only their eyes, ears, and nose above the surface. This allows them the ability to be aware of their surroundings while keeping their bodies safe from harm.

When the hippopotamuses must be in the Elephant House, which is only during severe cold, an intricate routine must be performed at feeding time. Lady moves from the pool to the right cage with Niki and is sealed off. Meanwhile, Jeepers is allowed into the other cage to begin eating first. Then

Lady's cage is opened and she enters the cage with Jeepers and feasts with Niki contently following her every move.

"If we put her in first, she will not let him to eat, but if he is already there she has no problem with it," said Throm.

Niki can now eat with her parents, but she won't if she has just finished nursing.

When Throm comes over by the pool Lady and Jeepers watch with intense concentration. He directs them to open their mouths wide. He pitches in carrots as a select crowd watches this awesome sight. Their jaws flap open like hinges revealing an enormous mouth and rows of teeth. They average about 41 teeth. Some of their teeth grow so long they pose a problem for the hippopotamuses. If they are not cut down, the hippopotamuses' teeth may grow through the roofs of their mouths. When threat of this occurs caretakers are forced to cut the teeth down with a saw to prevent injury.

Although, there has been a major focus on Raja, the one-year-old Asian Elephant, Niki receives plenty of attention from the public, her caretakers and especially her parents.

Throm, Niki's caretaker, was hired by Marlin Perkins and has been with the zoo for the past 26 years, spending

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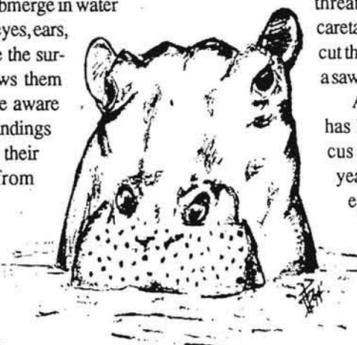


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LADY AND NIKI LAY LOW AS THEY BATHE IN THEIR POOL: As visitors stroll slowly by Niki and Lady seem content to peek over the top of the water as they pass the day away in their aquatic home. It has been said that these creatures can stay submerged for periods of 15-17 minutes when they are threatened.

Shock Jocks Set For Return

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Today's Best Music

STATIONS TO SWAP: Kix 104 scheduled to trade dial positions with Q106.5 on Jan. 20, 1994.

by **Jeffrey Struyk**
associate features editor

I-70; the final frontier. These are the voyages of the Commuter Student.

His five year mission: to boldly go where thousands go each day without losing his sanity.

Morning rush hour is simply a fact of life for me because of two things: I

am a student at UM-St. Louis and I live in St. Charles. I've done the trip so many times that I can almost drive to school in my sleep. Sleep being a dangerous activity while behind the wheel,

I have to rely on a caffeine buzz and St. Louis morning radio to stay awake.

Lately, morning radio has gotten a little mundane. Ever since the Steve and D.C. show was taken off the air about a year ago, my daily pilgrimage to class hasn't been the same. I have missed their frank discussions about the problems of ordinary people as well as their sometimes crude and irreverent humor. Steve and D.C. conducted their show with an air of spontaneity that was always funny and always unpredictable. It all ended abruptly when they were fired for using a racial slur on the air.

On Jan. 4, Jerry Zimmer of Zimmer Broadcasting announced that the Steve and D.C. show will return to St. Louis radio on Jan. 20.

"Steve and D.C. have fans and friends all over St. Louis. They're tremendously talented entertainers who wanted to be back on their favorite radio station in their favorite city. We're happy that we could work it all out and get Steve and D.C. back on St. Louis radio where they belong," Zimmer said.

The question is not whether or not they belong in St. Louis, but rather does St. Louis want them back? Bill Viands, General Manager of WKQB (106.5 FM)

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1993: A Year Of Great Music



The Jayhawks

Eric Pherigo
of *The Current* staff

Everybody has an opinion and everybody knows what those are like and we all have one. Well thank the good Lord I have mine too and I'm going to express it to you. I believe that it is kind of meaningless and degrading to boil a year's worth of music to a measly top ten list so I'll mention some of the year's most powerful albums, artists and concerts.

As far as albums are concerned Billy Corgan and the Smashing Pumpkins created beauty in an anarchic setting. Anything this man touches turns to gold. Tool returned this year with their second offering, "Undertow," which shows just what pure emotion and integrity can do for an artist. Speaking of emotion, Pearl Jam put their hearts on a platter on their second album, "Vs." Other great releases in a wonderful year were: Agha Whigs, "Gentlemen;" Clutch, "Transitional Speedway League: Anthems Anecdotes...;" Dog Society, Jellyfish, "Spilt Milk;" Counting Crows, and Uncle Tupelo, "Anodyne."

The top artists of the year achieve their positions because of integrity. And in the music business that is one thing that is hard to maintain when everyone wants a

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Robert M. Dames
features editor

Birthplace: Aleppo, Syria.
The last good movie I saw was: When I was in Brazil, "Cinema Paradiso."
I stay at home to watch: American Movie Classics.
I'm currently reading: Jean Paul Sartre for a project.

All You Ever Wanted To Know About:

Rita Bergoudian Senior French Lecturer

My favorite junkfood is: Chocolate.
I went to college at: The University of Sao Paulo, Brazil and the University of South Carolina.

My favorite college memory: We liked to go to the cafe, buy a cup of coffee and discuss how we were going to save the world.

My most prized possession is: A pearl necklace given to me by my mom that she got from her mom. I plan on giving it to my daughter.

Personal hero: My father. He was a self-made man. He knew everything. He instilled in me the desire to learn things.

New Year's Resolution: To eat less chocolate.

I'd give anything to meet: Santa Claus.

A really great evening to me is: Dinner, going to the theatre, and

then with friends go to a cafe to talk about the play.

Fantasy: I would love to have an apartment in Montmartre, Paris with big windows.

The one thing I can't stand is: Arrogance.

People who knew me in college said: That I talk too much, I'm too loud, but I am reliable.

My friends like me because: I am both predictable and unpredictable.

Behind my back they say: "She is loud."

If I wasn't a professor: I would like to be an Oscar winning actress.

Two words that best describe me: Authentic and reliable.

My favorite team is: Always the underdog.

My favorite childhood memory:

New Year Can Start With A Fizzle

by Dean Robert
of *The Current* staff

Three . . . 2 . . . 1, yeah! "May old acquaintance be forgot . . ." etc., etc. A typical New Year's Eve celebration, right?

Or was it maybe a little like this. "Three. Hey your stepping on my foot." "Two. Sorry I spilled that on you, Hey waiter! Can I have another." "Yeah!" "Hey did they say one? I can't hear the song."

The second of the two situations is what myself and dozens of other people endured over the last two years. Like many of you I participated in a New Year's Eve package that included a meal, drinks until 1 a.m., champagne and party favors. All for a price one could manage on a college student's budget. Sounds pretty good and similar to the packages offered by practically every building with a liquor license.

Now the catch! To get a foot in the door one must reserve a space by credit card or check or any monetary means

necessary. Once this assurance has taken place you and the club owner can rest. You are certainly going to know because it is the one night of the year when, according to the State Highway Patrol, 57 percent of the adult population is partying, and you don't want to be left out.

Unfortunately, club owners overbook and that is why you get the incredibly overcrowded situations one might experience. According to one source, club owners overbook because of the expense of doing all you can eat and drink packages. A club owner, who I cannot mention, went on further to say, "It's New Year's Eve, (arrogant pause) what else are people going to do?" I can't tell you the club the person owns but is a very well-known establishment. Unfortunately he is right. Most packages start at 8 or 9 p.m. Even if you are dissatisfied you can't officially get your money back, and even if you could, by the time you made it to another place your evening has dwindled.

Here are some insider tips for next year. Be extremely leery of package deals. I hate to say it, but if it sounds too good to be true then it probably is. Ask the person making the reservations if they plan to overbook. If they give a resounding NO! ask if they plan to bring in extra chairs for the event. If a club is crowded on a typical Saturday night then it will be even more so on New Year's Eve. If you do participate in a package deal make sure you can be credited or reimbursed on the night of the function and have an alternate plan even if it's taking your group to someone's house.

Lastly, I want to let you know I am not just bitter about my own experience. I spoke with a hundred or so people who took advantage of a package plan and 15 club owners or managers. The people who took advantage of packages were the ones taken advantage of. One woman I interviewed said, "We showed up 45 minutes before the scheduled time, once we got in the door there was 20 minutes left on the buffet."

The manager/owners I spoke to were cordial. None would let me quote them but all said they would try to be more accommodating next year.

Did you meet a similar fate this year? Let your fellow readers know. Maybe you found a little-known place. Well make it known so we can crowd you. And by the way, HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Hippos from page 5

all but three years in the Elephant House. The best part of Throm's job is his contact with the public.

"I like talking to the public. . . I like educating the people," Throm said.

As the small crowd gathered outside the hippopotamuses' cage, children's oohs and aahs and gasps of astonishment could be heard throughout the house. Not only do the children get excited but many adults revel in the creation of a baby hippopotamus.

"It's neat. I like her. She's really neat," said local businessman Mike Dressel.

So, if you have yet to see the baby Nile Hippopotamus now is the perfect time. Niki may not be here much longer because Lady gets pregnant about once a year. The crowds are small, the animals are lively and the zoo staff is friendly and informative. If you have a question just ask one of the employees.

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Music from page 5

shows at Mississippi Nights and sounded better live than on the album, which is hard to believe. They also joined the Jayhawks on the stage in a truly moving performance one of the best this year. The Blue Note played host to Soul Asylum and the Goo-Goo Dolls earlier this year. The most intense show of the year was Smashing Pumpkins/Swervedriver. They were so genuine and true-to-life that one had to smile when Billy Corgan ended the

show with an acapella rendering of "Sweet Sweet."

Not only was 1993 busy, as 1994 will be, but it was also gratifying. Artists to watch for this year are Rage Against the Machine, King's X, Soundgarden (Yes, they will be huge) and anyone else that (don't try to deny it we are kids of the alternative nation) MTV sends out through their beloved satellite. Here's to 1994, don't let the bee girl into your house or you will be dead.

Jocks from page 5

and WKKX (104.1 FM) said that the public's response has been "95 percent favorable." Looks like my commute to school this semester will be a lot more enjoyable!

Others might not be so thrilled. Steve and D.C. have been criticized as being racist, and this reputation may follow them back to the studio. Steve and D.C. insist that they are not racist, but they made a careless mistake that they both regret. They have come to realize the power their words have on the public and promise to "be more responsible," Steve said.

They have attended classes to learn to be more sensitive to the listeners. Despite their promises, some limitations will be placed on their content.

"They're going to keep all the good stuff but they're not going to be involved in racial or religious material, which they don't really need to get into anyway to be funny," Viands said.

There's always going to be a certain number of people that don't like the show. Steve and D.C. used to get calls quite often from listeners complaining about the show's content. One show in particular stands out in my

mind. That morning, a couple volunteered to have sex in a gas station restroom with a cellular phone next to them. That phone was patched into the radio studio. For several minutes, the sounds of the couple mixed in with soft music was broadcast to the entire St. Louis Area.

When it was over, a woman called in and complained about the segment. Steve and D.C. pointed out that because she knew how long the event lasted, she must have been listening to the radio the whole time. Did she really find it offensive, or was she ashamed because she was listening?

"People who don't like the show don't really know what we're about. They don't get it," Steve said. "They hear about us on the news and judge us without ever listening to the show. Our regular listeners know our personalities and know that our show is all in fun."

The show airs January 20 at 5:30 a.m., the same day that WKKX and WKBQ switch frequencies to reach a larger country music audience. KIX 104 FM will be 106.5 FM and WKBQ will be 104.1 FM.

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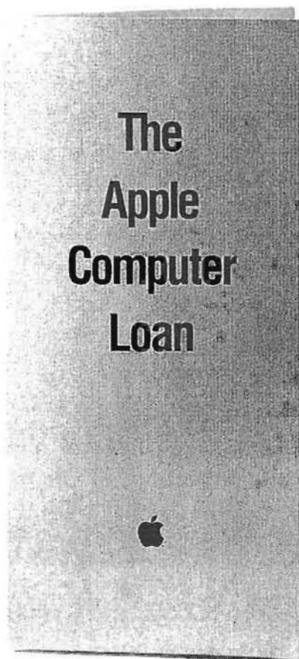


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For Pete's Sake



Coaches Need More Than Lump Of Coal For New Year

by Pete Dicrispino
associate sports editor

It's the beginning of a new year. Time to get rid of all the holiday cheer. Time for hopes and dreams to come true. Time for my New Year wishes and gifts to you.

Peter Piper is back. You can sit down now.

Well, a new year is upon us, and just like everyone else, I'm not overjoyed to be back at school. But since I am, let's get things rolling with my gift list to the men and women, who make up the athletic department at UM-St. Louis.

To baseball coach Jim Brady, I give you another trip to the Division II World Series. Not because we want you to win, because we want to see you again on the Mike Bush Sports Plus Show.

To men's basketball coach Rich Meckfessel, I give you victories in the month of February. Last year the Rivermen were 0-9 in February.

To women's basketball coach Jim Coen, I give your team free throw shooting lesson by Kentucky guard Travis Ford. Ford recently set a record at Kentucky for consecutive free throws without a miss.

To women's softball coach Harold Brumbaugh, I give you a bottle of Tylenol for the recruitment headaches of getting women to play softball.

To volleyball coach Denise Silvester, I give you permission to just concentrate on coaching volleyball and not worry about anything else in the athletic department.

To men's soccer coach Tom Redmond, I give you time and patience to enjoy the experience of raising twins.

To women's coach Ken Hudson, I give you four more Jenny Burtons. You can thank me later Coach Hudson.

To tennis coach Carl Walker, I give you two brand new hats. One to coach the men's team and one to coach the women's team.

To assistant baseball coach Terry Dunahue, I give you the head coach's job when Brady takes over the Sports Plus Show and gets hired to replace Trey Wingo as a sports reporter.

To swimming coach Mary Liston, I give you Carl from Caddyshack to help clean up any accidents in the pool. "It's only a Baby Ruth."

To golf coach Jim Niederkorn, I give you a video tape on John Daly so you can show your team what not to do.

To assistant basketball coach Bill Walker, I give you a new pair of shoes to make your walk up and down the athletic department halls smoother. Check it, I better give you two for as many times you walk up and down them.

To sports information director Jeff Kuchno, I give you an assistant, a full-time stat crew, and more time to do what you want to do. One condition, no fantasy baseball talk.

And finally to all the students, I give you another semester of Peter Piper.

Sarcasm - a taunting, sneering, cutting, or caustic remark; gibe or jeer. All taken in good heart of course.

Riverwomen Roll Past Second Rate Competition, Ready For Conference Play

by Pete Dicrispino
associate sports editor

Defense saved the day for the UM-St. Louis women's basketball team last week, as they knocked off St. Thomas Aquinas College 95-52 and Northeast Missouri State 72-60.

Struggling on offense, the Riverwomen have lost games because of missed layups and free throws. However, when their offense has been lacking, the ladies' defense has been there to spark the team.

The defense was especially in high gear against the Lady Bulldogs of Northeast Missouri State last Wednesday. The Riverwomen were down by eight points early in the second half and they rallied for the win, thanks in most part to the high-pressure defense.

"In the last 16 minutes we used a full court pressure and we converted their turnovers into points," UM-St. Louis Coach Jim Coen said. "We didn't play very well until the last 16 minutes."

The reason the Riverwomen were struggling, is a problem which has affected them all year.

"We keep missing uncontested layups and free throws," Coen said.

"It is something we can't afford to do."

The Riverwomen are a small team and they have to shoot the ball well from the field and the line in order to win. Most teams, before the game starts, have an advantage on the Riverwomen

inside and the only way to counterattack is to play good defense and shoot well.

"We don't have an inside game or a go to girl, we have to have all nine players perform well," Coen said.

What's the reason for the missed layups and free throws?

"Just a lack of concentration in the game and at practice."

The Riverwomen defense and guard Laura Satterfield saved the ladies against the Lady Bulldogs.

Satterfield came off the bench to score 12 points on four three-point shots.

"Laura was the key to winning, she buried two three-pointers, one to tie and one to put them away," Coen said.

Satterfield, a transfer from Mineral Area Junior College, was a big contributor in the Riverwomen's last two wins.

"I'm finally adjusting to Division II basketball," Satterfield said.

"I came out of a slump at the right time because we are starting conference play."

Satterfield is adjusting to coming off the bench, instead of starting.

"I have to realize that I am a role player and that I can come off the bench to pop a three, to get some momentum going."

Satterfield also had 19 points in the victory over The Lady Spartans of St. Thomas Aquinas on Jan 3.

The Riverwomen came out against

the Lady Spartans and dominated the game from start to finish.

"It was a nice win, we didn't have to work hard," Coen said.

"We gave some people some minutes, which was a major benefit."

The win against Northeast was the Riverwomen's first in the Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association Conference.

Here's what Coach Coen feels are some keys to doing well in the MIAA conference.

1. Continue to improve on defense. "We are good, but we have to be great."
2. Take care of the ball and have good shot selection.
3. Shoot the ball well. "There's going to be bad nights, we just can't have a lot of them."
4. Keep fouls to a minimum.
5. Concentrate more on making layups and free throws.

If all falls into place, the Riverwomen could end up with a least 11 wins in the conference.

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The Riverwomen Host Southwest Baptist Jan. 12

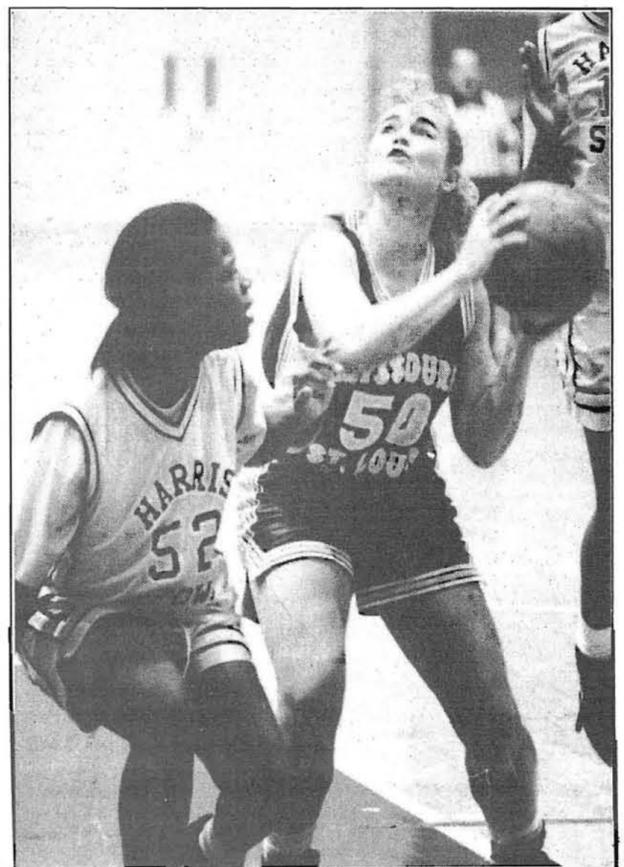


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MICROWAVE: Sophomore sharpshooter D.J. Martin has been a scoring threat coming off the bench all season for the Riverwomen. Martin is averaging 5.0 points per game in limited action.

Roither Making Pool Waves And School Grades

by Rebecca Dames
of The Current staff

Looking for a man who does it all? Well, I've found him... he is an athlete, a Democrat and much, much more.

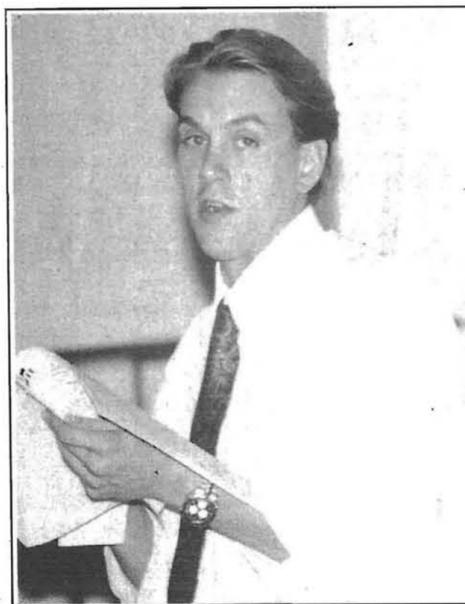
A native St. Louisan, Dave Roither, is a senior pursuing a double-major in political science and philosophy. After he graduates, he plans on going to graduate and law school simultaneously.

Roither is currently vice president of the Student Government Association (SGA), president of The College Democrats, student senator for the University Senate and the captain of the swim team.

He is also working for Buzz Westfall on the program, "Fight Free Schools," which involves teaching children new forms of communication other than violence.

"We try to teach elementary and middle-school-aged children alternate methods to resolving disputes other than fighting or other forms of violence," said Roither.

Roither has been swimming since he was six years old. He started with a summer program at Whitecliff. During high school he was a four-time All-State member of his team; at UM-St. Louis he has been a three-time NCAA All-American. He is the only senior on the UM-St. Louis swim team. Roither's events are the 50-meter freestyle, 100-meter freestyle and



Dave Roither Photo: Dave Floyd

the 100-meter fly. The Rivermen's season runs from the beginning of September to the middle of March. Being team captain, he has shown

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Rivermen Faces Red And Green After Treacherous Winter Break

by Cory Schroeder
sports editor

So much for holiday cheer, the University of Missouri-St. Louis men's basketball team toiled over the winter break, winning three of six games.

The Rivermen's record fell to 4-5, including a 92-81 loss to Northeast Missouri State Thursday that began their conference play in the Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association.

Here's a look at some of the highlights and lowlights of the long winter holiday.

The Odd Couple. A large portion of credit for Northeast Missouri's win over the Rivermen can be attributed to the Bulldog dynamic duo of guard Scott Matthews and forward Steve Horton. Matthews stands a mere 5' 9"

but managed to pour in 22 points, dribbling by Rivermen guards like they were stationary objects. The 6' 7" Horton was an integral part of Norm Stewart's offense at the University of Missouri-Columbia. Horton brought his Division I talents to Northeast Missouri and is just now beginning to feel comfortable in their style of offense. He also accounted for 22 points against a Rivermen defense that was just too small to handle his specialty turnaround jumper.

A Star Is Born. Junior transfer Marvin Smith is surpassing his pre-season reputation as a big time player. Rivermen head coach Rich Meckfessel signed Smith from Shelby State Community College in Memphis to shore up a weak inside; Smith has more than delivered. Despite starting the year slowly, the 6' 7" Smith is averaging

25.5 points and 11.5 rebounds over the last four games.

"We're looking to get it inside to him a lot more than we did in the early games," Meckfessel said.

Perhaps the most impressive statistic about Smith is his 69 percent accuracy mark from the free throw line. Playing in the post, Smith has gone to the line a team-high 64 times. His 69 percent mark is good enough for third on the team which collectively is shooting a paltry 62 percent.

New Year's Day in Death Valley. The Rivermen intended to start off the new year with a bang em' up win over a sub-par squad from Grand Valley State (Jan. 1) at the Missouri-Rolla Pepsi Shootout.

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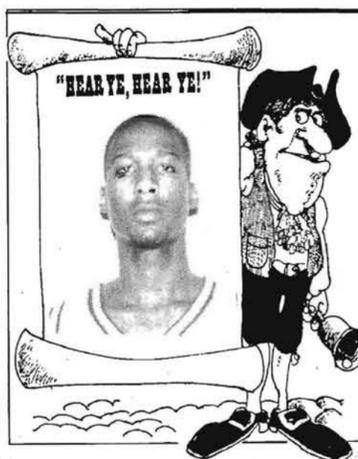
Westport Cine' Athlete of the Week

Marvin Smith

*Scored A Team-High 32 Points Against SIU-Edwardsville

*Averaging 10.7 Rebounds Per Game

*Leads The Rivermen With An 18.2 Scoring Average



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With eight seconds left in regulation, the Rivermen led 85-82. A Grand Valley guard dribbled the ball across half court and was hammered hard by Riverman guard Lawndale Thomas. The ball dribbled out of bounds and no foul was called on Thomas.

"We wanted to send them to the line but the ref decided to go with the easy call and award them the ball out of bounds," Meckfessel said.

Grand Valley quickly worked the ball around for a wide open three-pointer.

"That's the last thing we wanted to happen," Meckfessel said.

With the score now tied at 85-85 and three seconds on the clock, a Riverman player tried in vain to call a time-out but UM-St. Louis had none remaining. The result was a technical foul and two free throws made for a Grand Valley victory.

"That was my fault," Meckfessel said. "In the previous timeout, I didn't let them know that we didn't have any remaining."

The loss must have hit home hard because the following day the Rivermen fell behind 21 points to the Colorado School of Mines before pulling out the 81-79 victory on a turnaround jumper by Smith with 20 seconds remaining.

The Further Away The Better. Rivermen guard Shawn Caldwell has been a spark coming off the bench all season, averaging 15.4 points in limited minutes. Surprisingly, Caldwell is shooting 43 percent from behind the three-point line compared to a dismal 39 percent overall. Keep taking the three, baby!

The Rivermen will face Southwest Baptist University at home on Jan. 12 at the Mark Twain Building. Tip-off time is 7:30 p.m.

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| ACTIVITY | GENERAL INFORMATION | ENTRIES DUE |
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|  BASKETBALL NIGHT LEAGUE (MEN / WOMEN) | Begins Tuesday, January 25 • 6:30pm. Men's and women's Tuesday night leagues in which teams will play one game per week in regular league play. Play-off tournament will be held at end of regular season. Refundable \$10.00 forfeit deposit. Open to students, faculty and staff. | Wed, Jan 19 |
|  BOWLING DOUBLES LEAGUE | Begins Wednesday, January 26 • 3:00pm. Bargain Bowling ... only \$1.00 for 3 games. Our league is open to students and fac/staff. Your doubles team of 2 may consist of guys and/or gals. This is a 6-8 wk league held Wed afternoons at Ferguson Lanes, 123 So. Florissant Rd. | Wed, Jan 19 |
|  4 ON 4 COED BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT | Thursday, January 27 • 6:30pm. This is our one-night 4-on-4 coed basketball tournament. Each coed team should consist of 2 guys and 2 gals. Special coed rules will be used. Tournament champions will win rec sport t-shirts. Team and individual sign ups are welcomed. | Wed, Jan 19 |
|  COED VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE | Begins Monday, January 31 • 7:00pm. Volleyball!!! This is a recreational coed league played on Mon and Wed evenings at the Mark Twain Gym. Teams should consist of 3 men and 3 women plus as many subs as desired. Refundable \$10.00 forfeit deposit. | Wed, Jan 19 |
|  SCHICK SUPER HOOPS 3-ON-3 BASKETBALL | Wednesday, February 2 • 12:30-2pm. This is a one-day 3-on-3 basketball tournament with competition for men and women. Form your teams today and sign up in the Rec Sports Office 203MT. SCHICK razors, travel bags, and shirts are among the prizes awarded to participants. | Tues, Feb 1 |
|  RACQUETBALL TOURNAMENT (MEN / WOMEN) | Monday - Friday, February 7 - 11. One-week single-elimination tournament with men's and women's beginners, intermediate, and advanced divisions. All matches will be played on the MT Racquetball Courts and will be scheduled according to player's availability. | Tues, Feb 1 |
|  COED 4-ON-4 WALLYBALL TOURNAMENT | Thursday, February 10 • 7-10pm. Wallyball ... is a fun sport that combines the net of volleyball and the walls of racquetball. Each coed team should consist of 4 players (2 men and 2 women). This is a one-night tournament with plenty of action for everyone! | Tues, Feb 8 |
|  WEIGHTLIFTING CONTEST (MEN / WOMEN) | Thursday, March 24 • 1:00pm. Men's and women's competition in a host of weight classes will be held in the following weightlifting events: •SQUATS •DEAD LIFT •BENCH PRESS. Open to students, faculty and staff. No preregistering necessary but you must weigh in at noon. | No Deadline |
|  VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT (MEN / WOMEN) | Wednesday, March 23 • 6:30-10pm. One-night volleyball tournament with a men's and women's division. Held in the MT Gym. Team and individual sign-ups are welcomed! All teams are guaranteed a minimum of two matches. T-shirts will be awarded to championship teams! | Tues, Mar 22 |
|  SUPER STAR TEAM SPORTS CHALLENGE | Friday, March 25 • 6:30-11pm. Fun, coed team competition in the following events: Running Relay, Basketball Shoot, Table Tennis, Standing Long Jump, Kickball, Big Ball Volleyball. Teams consist of 4 men & 4 women. Night also includes free pizza, beverages, snacks & door prizes. | Fri, Apr 16 |
|  BADMINTON TOURNAMENT (MEN / WOMEN) | Mon & Wed, March 28 & 31 • 12:30-2pm. Come by the Recreational Sports Office to fill out an entry form for this badminton tournament to be played in the Mark Twain Gym. Separate A and B divisions for men and women will be offered. T-shirts will be awarded to champions. | Tues, Mar 22 |
|  HOC SOC LEAGUES (M / W / COED) | Monday Evenings, Begins March 28 • 6:30pm. These are 6-person indoor soccer leagues played on Monday evenings in the MT Gym. Teams consist of 6 players (plus unlimited subs). Coed teams should be made up of 3 men and 3 women and special coed rules will be used. | Tues, Mar 22 |
|  FLOOR HOCKEY LEAGUE (M / W / COED) | Wednesday Evenings, Begins March 30 • 6:30pm. These are 6-person indoor floor hockey leagues played on Wednesday evenings in the MT Gym. Teams consist of 6 players (plus unlimited subs). Coed teams should be made up of 3 men and 3 women and special coed rules will be used. | Tues, Mar 22 |

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great leadership to the underclassmen. "I enjoy being captain, it's really nice," said Roither.

"The freshman and sophomores look up to me for what is going on at practice ... some of them call me at home for advice," said Roither.

The swim meets have very low attendance, if any, so the team really has to motivate themselves.

Coach Mary Liston raves about the performance and character of Roither.

"He's my captain; he's a leader; an outstanding young man and he is a great friend," said Liston.

"He is the kind of athlete everybody wishes they got to handle because he is a "student athlete" in the true sense of the word."

And as much enthusiasm as Liston spoke of Roither, he matches it with resounding praise.

"She's great! One of my better friends! A great coach ... she's just phenomenal," he said.

Roither has great confidence in his

team members and supports their enormous efforts.

"All the team members are really good ... they are all giving 100 percent."

And if you all are wondering about the shaving of the body—yes, he has done that as well.

"I started doing that in about 7th grade and now I shave down about once a year," Roither said. "When you shave down your skin becomes ultra-sensitive to the water; it is a feel for the water and nothing else."

UM-St. Louis' toughest competition is the University of Missouri - Rolla.

"It's always fun to swim a close meet with Rolla. If we win we have bragging rights when they come home."

In the little free time Roither has, he enjoys reading.

"I love to read. I read anything from Shakespeare to Tom Clancy. I really enjoy reading the classics. You can really learn a lot through them."

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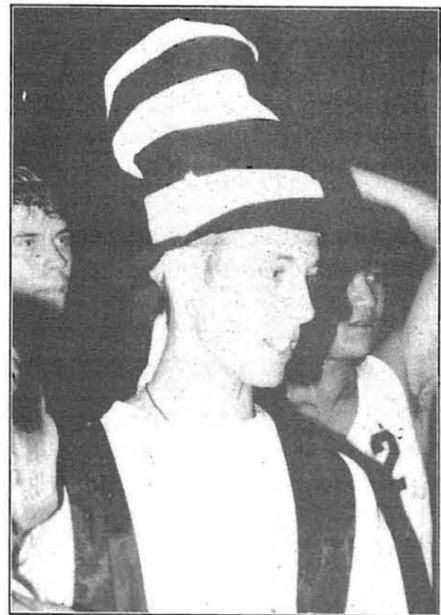


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