

# The CURRENT



## EXPO '94

Students flood Alumni Circle to get a look at the various student organizations on campus. EXPO, sponsored by the University Program Board, was last Wednesday.

## EDITORIAL

Caught in the act: Are students, faculty and staff members breaking a prominent rule on campus?

## FEATURES

Second of a two-part series: Counseling services on campus.

## SPORTS

The Riverwomen soccer team is 4-0-1 with a win over Colorado Christian.

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# Student leaders to fight Hancock II

## ASUM, student governments plan video conference, voter registration drive

by Clint Zweifel  
managing editor

University of Missouri student leaders met Friday in Columbia to discuss plans to fight the Hancock II proposal. Plans discussed include a voter registration drive and a four-campus video teleconference.

The amendment, introduced by U.S. Rep. Mel Hancock, would allow the people to vote on all state tax increases. Hancock I, passed in 1980, provided a limit on state revenue. Any taxes that bring the state past the revenue limit must be voted on by the people. Hancock II keeps the limit intact regardless of voter referendum.

Secretary of State Judi Moriarty certified Sept. 1 that the petition had enough signatures to be carried on the

**"(Hancock II) translates into loss of jobs and our youth not being able to get a good education."**

**-Mary Anne McCollum, mayor of Columbia and executive director of the Associated Students of University of Missouri (ASUM)**

Nov. 8 ballot. Hancock II will be listed as amendment number seven.

Mary Anne McCollum, mayor of Columbia and executive director of the Associated Students of University of Missouri (ASUM), said the amendment is being portrayed by Hancock II supporters as a voters' rights bill. She said,

though, that is not the issue at hand.

"Initially, when people see it, it's being presented as a way to stop politicians from raising taxes. But it triggers refunds that cut deep into not only higher education, but elementary education and the highway budget.

"People see this and think 'by gosh,

this is a way to keep government off my back. I'm going to cut back waste in government. But it translates into loss of jobs and our youth not being able to get a good education."

She said ASUM will first focus on holding voter registration drives on the Columbia, Rolla and Kansas City campuses. (UM-St. Louis does not participate in ASUM.) Voters must be registered by Oct. 12 to vote on the amendment. McCollum said voter registration drives held on the Columbia campus last year registered nearly 10,000 people—the most ever registered on any of the four University of Missouri (UM) campuses.

In addition to voter registration, McCollum said ASUM will work with student governments on informing students about the implications of

Hancock—including a four-campus video teleconference organized by UM-Rolla Student Council President Andrew Sears (tentatively scheduled for Oct.). She said the complexity of the amendment makes informing students difficult.

"At this point in time, many of the students are asking a lot of questions about what the impact of [Hancock II] could be," McCollum said. "That's why we're trying to get out information."

McCollum said taxes such as Proposition C (sales tax for education) and A (fuel tax for highways) would be considered illegal under Hancock II since they would push the state past the tax limit. As a result, she said refunds would have to be given to taxpayers. Hancock II opponents have projected

Language on ballot that draws objections from U.S. Rep Mel Hancock

"This proposal would require state and local spending cuts ranging from \$1 million to \$5 million annually. Cuts would affect prisons, schools, colleges, programs for the elderly, job training, highways, public health and other services."

that UM System's total budget of \$510 million could be cut by \$60 million. McCollum said cuts of this magnitude

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## Fraternity sign deemed sexist by several faculty members, students

by Mark Jackson  
of The Current staff

Is it sexy or sexist? If you walked by Thomas Jefferson Library Wednesday at about 9 a.m., you may have noticed a sign that brought one of these feelings to mind.

The sign, painted by Sigma Pi's Social Committee Chairman Jason P. Brown, showed two women bending over the words "Sexy Legs II," a contest at Sigma Pi's party last Saturday night. The sign was considered offensive by several faculty members and students.

You may wonder, well how and why was the sign allowed to stand if it symbolized sexism, chauvinism, and other isms. Easy. Students only have to fill out a request form and make a

security deposit to place signs. They do not show the sign(s) to anyone for approval.

After Student Services Coordinator Don McCartney took the sign down, he said he never would have allowed it to stand if he had seen it previously. He said the sign is offensive and advocates sexism.

"Blatant use of sex like that is offensive to a large population of students and it is not appropriate to be displayed," McCartney said. "It is distasteful not only to women but also men who are sensitive to women's issues. Any way you look at it, it's sexist."

Sigma Pi members, especially Jason P. Brown, did not like seeing their sign face down on the grass. Brown said it took \$150 and 16 hours for him to create the sign, which stood for only



Photo: Cinde Poli

**I'M TOO SEXY:** Jim Duncan (left) and Mark Kozery are members of the fraternity Sigma Pi. A sign promoting the fraternity's "Sexy Legs II" contest was taken down by the Student Service Coordinator last Wednesday.

two hours.

Brown said it was fine if people disliked the sign for reasons other than it was offending or degrading to them. He said the sign is comparable to other signery and billboards throughout St. Louis that show women's body parts. He said no one complains about them, though.

"I'm sure a lot of staff and students take highway 70 here and they see those Hooter's signs," he said. "They never complain about having some-

thing done to get them taken down, but they want to trash our sign."

Brown said the Women's Center probably stirred up all the hype surrounding the sign. The two groups had a similar disagreement a few years ago about a sign Sigma Pi put up with a woman feeding grapes to a man, while the man tilted his head and wide-open mouth near her breasts.

Women's Center Coordinator

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## Incremental grading system is double trouble for students

by Mark Strehl  
of The Current staff

The main concerns raised last year by Andy Masters, former Student Government Association (SGA) president, over the University's new grading policy have subsided, for now. However, problems could greet the new policy in its inaugural year once mid-term exams roll around.

Initial misgivings were expressed last year when the UM-St. Louis Senate passed the grading policy in April of 1993. The concerns last year centered on three possible problems. The possibility of lowering students' grade-point averages, in effect, losing scholarships are the two main concerns. Inconsistencies will also be created from the use of two grading scales because professors have flexibility of implementing the new policy or using the standard scale.

The plus-minus incremental grading system averages are as follows:

- A=4.0, A-=3.7
- B+=3.3, B=3.0, B-=2.7

- C+=2.3, C=2.0, C-=1.7
- D+=1.3, D=1.0, D-=0.7
- F=0

Current SGA president, Chris Jones, said his office has not received any complaints but that he expects that to change as the semester continues.

"I think once [scores on] mid-terms come back some students will not be satisfied with the new policy," Jones said.

He said the new grading policy will be addressed at the next SGA meeting on Oct. 4.

Roosevelt Wright, vice chancellor of Academic Affairs, is more optimistic about the new policy. He said that although the new grading system would have implications regarding scholarships, they would not be very significant. Wright also said he saw no problems with the professors using two different scales. Wright then went on to praise the new policy.

"It's definitely a step in the right direction," Wright said. "In the long

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## World Cup

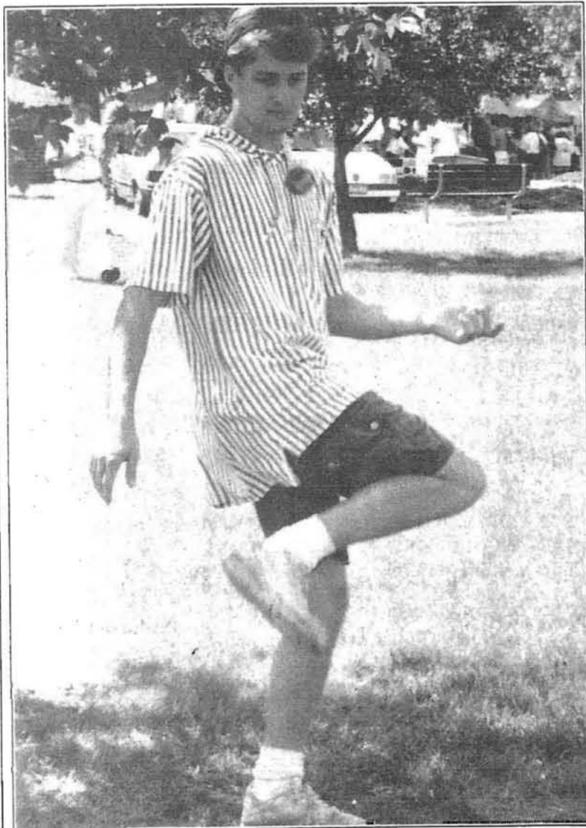


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**TEAM UM-ST. LOUIS:** Jonathon Compton, senior, shows off his hacky-sack abilities at EXPO. The event, sponsored by the University Program Board, was last Wednesday at the Alumni Circle.

## SGA identifies seven of UM-St. Louis' biggest concerns among students

by Jeremy Rutherford  
news editor

Student Government Association (SGA) President Chris Jones and Vice President Kel Ward listed UM-St. Louis' top seven problems at SGA's first meeting of the year last Tuesday.

The new officers met with student organizations last month at SGA's annual retreat in Potosi, Mo., but Tuesday's meeting allowed students to see first hand what the top student officials have in mind for the 1994-95 academic year.

Each issue will be discussed by a committee. Each SGA representative has to sign up for one of the seven. They will meet separately to discuss ways of improving that specific issue, and then report back to SGA. The seven committees are:

- Working with ARA Food Service to lower the prices at the Underground
- Expanding the hours of the Thomas Jefferson Library and the computer labs
- Establishing a better cohesive-ness between SGA organizations
- Lowering the \$5 transcript fee
- Working with the University Bookstore on the Book Buyback system

- Increase security on campus
- Increase student involvement (those not involved in SGA organizations)

Students were hesitant about which problems to address, but unanimously voted to do whatever it takes to increase student involvement.

Overall, Jones was satisfied with the group's decisions.

"These are issues that needed to be addressed for some time," Jones said. "Even though some of these have been addressed over and over again, [the committees] will be our highest priority."

SGA also formed seven committees last year during Andy Masters' presidency. The Textbook Reform Committee accomplished its goal, by prompting a debit-system to be introduced. Led by Tony Grey, now a counselor to SGA, the committee made it possible for students to charge their textbooks and other University Bookstore merchandise with an identification card. Grey said Tuesday, he hasn't exhausted every option to improve the University Bookstore.

Lowe "Sandy" MacLean, vice chancellor of Student Affairs, said he welcomes students' ideas and believes the students have formed seven idealis-

tic committees.

"I like to think that the University is doing a good job," MacLean said. "I welcome the input students have. I want them to know that I am here to work with them and to help them understand how the University will address these and other issues."

Jones said it is the goal of SGA to be the voice of the students. After Tuesday's meeting, Jones believes that task may be easier.

"I was a little nervous," he said, "though the end result was beneficial to our efforts."

In other SGA news, a new adviser was named for SGA. Jackie Lukitsch, of the University Relations department, will handle the duties... No word on the conflict with Student Activities... The Homecoming Dance is set for Oct. 8 at Stouffers Concourse, more details to follow... SGA's allocation of \$42,000 currently rests at \$37,300... Eric Barnhardt was elected house speaker... Frank Richter was elected president of the Foundation Board of Directors... Beth Titlow, SGA comptroller, has resigned as president of the Panhellenic Association, which governs all sororities on campus... and SGA held a voter drive and registered over 180 people.



Chris Jones



Kel Ward

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- Clint 553-6810

**CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL NEW ALPHI XI DELTA MEMBERS!** We are very excited to have you aboard!

**JANSEN,** Remember this? Maria! Where is my Maria? She is not here! (With Spanish accent).

**Nursing Students,** Sorry you have not been getting *The Current*. We sincerely apologize. We will send the paper over soon. Welcome aboard!

--Matt and Clint

**New Orleans-** We're dying to see you. Can't wait until Nov. 3. Cajun here we come. We can celebrate Clint's birthday cajun style.

-Cory

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## Call the UM-St. Louis Fire Department- I hear a smoke(ing) alarm

by Jeremy Rutherford  
news editor

Smoke 'em if ya got 'em. I hate smoking. But it's alright with me if you do. Unless, that is, you smoke inside a building which belongs to the University of Missouri-St. Louis, a non-smoking institution.

Or is it? A recent trip through a few of UM-St. Louis' main buildings seemed a little smokier than usual. So smoky in fact, I contemplated whether or not to pull the fire alarm. I thought better, though, because I was in and out in no time, and it really didn't bother me.

The third stop of my three-building trip was to Woods Hall. Much to my delight, five or so faculty members were standing outside the front doors while smoking. Plastered to the doors behind them a sign: "No smoking, please. The University of Missouri-St. Louis is a smoke-free campus."

So I'm thinking, the first two buildings I visited must not have been part of the UM-St. Louis campus. That's funny, I just had a class in one of them last semester. And here I thought I went to UM-St. Louis.

To doublecheck, I called a confident source, who assured me that I do go to UM-St. Louis and that LUCAS and CLARK HALLS are a part of the campus. Putting three and three together, some people are not following the rules.

These are the rules, the source said, that have been in place since the late 80s. That's when the University adopted the policy, and just recently, the law was made system-wide.

Now, I wasn't here when the no-smoking policy was implemented at UM-St. Louis, so if smoking in campus buildings did indeed decrease, GOOD JOB! If nothing has changed in that time, give me a clue.

While I do not follow every rule ever created, I do abide by a majority of them. For Pete's sake, the speed limit on Natural Bridge is 30 m.p.h. Hell, I can rollerblade faster than that.

A few months ago, in fact, with my rollerblades in the trunk of my car, which by the way was traveling about 47 m.p.h., I was pulled over by one of Bel-Nor's finest. It was a \$130 trip through ritzy, well-patrolled town after adjustments.

Ignored the law, policy if you will. As a result, I paid the price.

Is there a division of the campus police department that strictly concentrates on stopping cigarette smoking in campus buildings? No.

Do I expect the police to rearrange its department to include such a division? No.

Who is to take the responsibility? Oneself?

I believe that is the answer. I mean c'mon.

Earlier this year, McDonalds and some Taco Bells adopted the no-smoking policy in their restaurants. It's not whether you agree with it or not, it's the rules. Hypothetically, I don't walk past the "Please Take Your Shoes Off" sign outside your front door in mud-ringing clodhopper combat boots.

Again, there are students, faculty and staff members that make the short trip to the outdoors to obey the rule. My applause. I'm sure that it becomes a hassle for you, yet still, you comply.

It's just a lousy cigarette, though. What are the possible effects of smoking in a building? I think you know. If you don't, listen in:

Dick Ford: "Today, a fire erupted in the 3200 hundred block of Long street, killing three members of Smith family."

Mandy: "John, Kim and Tracy Smith were found dead at about 1 p.m. after firefighters found a cigarette burning..." ENOUGH said.

Still not enough? Last year, a faculty member called the campus police department after smoke alarms signaled in SSB. Again, listen in:

Dispatcher: "Campus Police."

Faculty member: "Yes, I'd like to report a..."

Dispatcher: "Hold please."

It was one minute before the dispatcher came back on the line.

Dispatcher: "O.K., I'm sorry."

Faculty member: "There's a fire in SSB. Well, at least the fire alarms are going off. Get somebody over here."

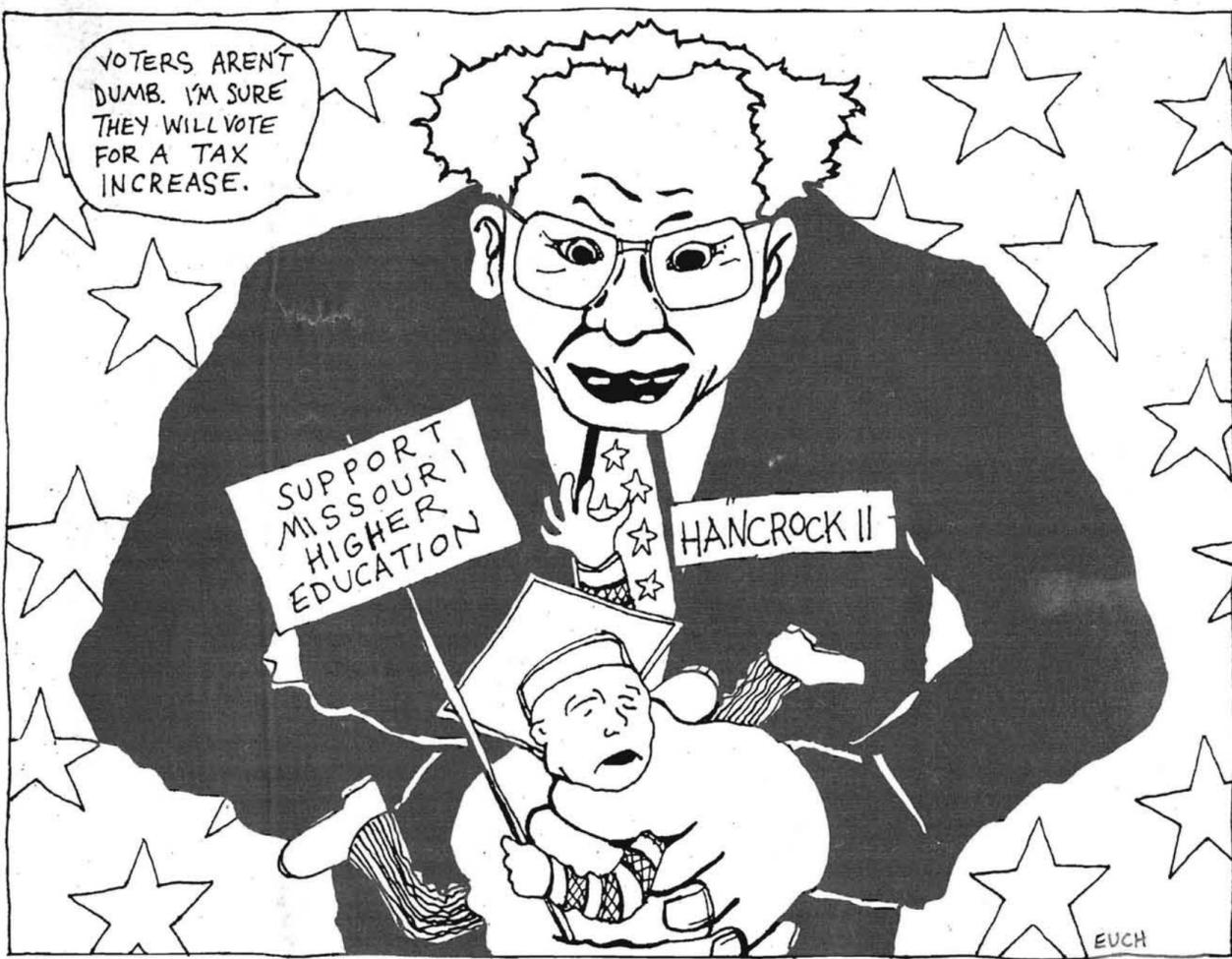
Dispatcher: "Sure, we'll send Bob the maintenance man right over." Ten minutes later, Bob mosed on over to the new building, which if there had been a fire, would have been a pile of ashes. Fortunately, that was not the case.

What's to stop that from happening in the future?

And what if next time, Bob is on vacation?

Since we can't get any one of the three Bel-Nor police officers to pace the halls with fire extinguishers on hand, take it upon yourself.

You know who you are.



## Voice of the people...

### Sigma-Pi Sign angers student

Says fraternity is sexist; encourages students to speak out against sexism

Dear editor,

Sexism is the word. This word should be used to describe the Sigma Pi fraternity. For those of you who aren't aware, the Sigma Pi fraternity displayed a disgusting sign behind the library to advertise their "Sexy Legs XI" contest. The sign pictured two half naked womyn [sic] in bikinis bending over in a sexually overt way. Their breasts were highly enlarged and their legs were half of their body.

I noticed this sign around 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 7, 1994. I reported the presence of the sign to the Office of Equal Opportunity as well as to the Women's Center. By 11 a.m. the sign was face down. I was later told by the Office of Equal Opportunity that the Sigma Pi fraternity was asked to remove the sign. Since EXPO was going on that day, I figured it would be a perfect time to discuss the situation with Sigma Pi themselves. As soon as one of the guys heard me say the sign was offensive, he began to verbally attack me. I could see that I wasn't

going to get anywhere with them so I decided to go to the Student Government Association to report the incident.

The reason why I'm writing this is to inform all members of the campus of the blatant sexism of the Sigma Pi fraternity. When I approached them at EXPO, I didn't even get the sense that they felt like they had done anything wrong. These so-called men should be held accountable for their actions. I feel they should be reprimanded and that they owe the womyn [sic] of this campus a hearty apology.

If we, as womyn [sic], continue to let signs like this be put up on our campus, we are inviting violence against ourselves. There is a systematic and institutionalized oppression going on here. It is time to start speaking out and protecting our sisters on campus. If we can't speak out, now, on

this college campus, where can we? We are the fruit of this miserable country, and it is up to us to stop all forms of oppression if we are to ever change anything.

As womyn [sic], we need to band together and take care of each other. We must send Sigma Pi a fervent message that their sexism is not wanted on this campus. Sisters I need your help. Complain to our elected school officials as well as our college administration. I also need people to help me take them through the student court system. Hopefully, at the end of this, we will be able to sing and celebrate in sisterhood. For more information you can contact me at 253-8061. It's a beeper so after the beep leave a number where I can reach you.

Signed Tiger

The Current is reprinting this letter from last week's "Voice of The People" with a correction. The Current would like to apologize for any inconvenience caused by last week's error.

### Campus event on Jewish holy day shows insensitivity

Dear Editor,

This year Rosh Hashanah, the Jewish New Year, is observed from sundown on Sept. 5 through sundown on Sept. 7. I have learned that the students serving on the University Program Board (UPB) were advised of these dates when they scheduled EXPO '94 on Sept. 7. Following recent tradition, the Chancellor's Picnic was scheduled to coincide with EXPO.

On our campus and in our society, we are learning to value diversity. We incorporate such teachings into our course contents and hope that faculty,

staff and students will learn to respect such individual differences. One sure way to limit our on-campus representation from diverse religious, ethnic and cultural segments of our community is to schedule major campus events on significant holy days. UPB's decision is an excusable mistake. The Woods Hall plan to proceed concurrently with the picnic is a serious misjudgment and a missed opportunity to reinforce its values.

Margaret W. Cohen  
Associate Professor of Education

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The Current's electronic mail and bulletin board both still have a few bugs in the system that are presently being worked out. Please do not send electronic mail to the addresses listed in issues 795 or 796, as both addresses are not operating. An announcement will be provided in this section Monday, Sept. 19. "Voice of the People" letters will still be accepted through the mail. We apologize for any inconvenience.

### Correction Box

•In issue 797, on a photo on the front page, Joan Soloman is identified as an associate professor of Behavioral Studies. Ms. Soloman is Director of Urban Education with the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education.

•In the same photo Ilse Brunner was identified as the director of the Accelerated Schools Program. The Accelerated Schools Program is a project and not a program and Brunner is the coordinator of the project.

In addition the story stated that a center for the project was also started at Southwest Missouri State University. UM-Kansas City also started an accelerated schools project at their university.

The Current regrets all of these errors and any confusion caused by them.

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For purposes of verification, all letters must bear the writer's handwritten signature, address, student identification number and home or work telephone number. If requested, all efforts will be made to maintain the writer's anonymity.

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Joanne Bocci said she was involved in having the sign taken down.

"Student Activities, Student Affairs, and myself received almost 20 complaints in only 20 minutes about the sign," Bocci said.

McCartney said he might consider letting Brown hang a sheet sign over the first sign if it was large enough to cover the "bad parts."

Brown made a sheet sign to cover

everything that was said to be offensive. However, a person could see the original picture by lifting the sheet.

Brown planned to show the new sign to McCartney and hopefully put it back up. There is one problem, though. The sign is missing.

McCartney said he knew nothing concerning the whereabouts of the sign. He said the grounds crew may have picked it up by mistake.

Sigma Pi has posted flyers around campus to let students and staff know the sign is missing.

# New and Improved:

## Campus shuttle service rolling right along; saves U. cash

by Matt Forsythe editor-in-chief

The improved Shuttle service is full speed ahead this fall as the campus goes back to work.

Noel Bath, manager of Campus Planning and Construction, is temporarily handling the shuttle service project for the University. He said improvements have been made as suggested by a survey done by Crawford, Brunte, Brammeier (CBB).

The report was carried out by CBB throughout the summer and fall of 1993. The problems that the report found were University vans that were "real challenges to riders and potentially could result in injuries to the passengers," a "lack of consistency in the schedule [of the University buses]," and "surprisingly few persons (less than 35 percent) who knew what route the shuttle followed around campus."

One of the main recommendations of the report was that the University contract out its shuttle service to combat these problems.

Bath said the University has contracted out to Huntleigh Transportation. "They are geared. They are more organized," Bath said. "They have a dispatcher and a maintenance shift which takes care of all that routine maintenance. Our existing shuttle was

"... Our existing shuttle was getting old, and our other three vans did not comply [with Americans Disabilities Act] and just weren't good. Students were having problems with them. . . It just didn't pay."

-Noel Bath, manager of Campus Planning and Construction

getting old, and our other three vans did not comply [with Americans with Disabilities Act] and just weren't good. Students were having problems with them. There were major repairs and high mileage. It just didn't pay. And for the University to buy three new buses was too big of an expense. It was cheaper for us to contract out."

Bath said that the improvements have already made a difference in the first three weeks of fall semester.

"I guess that the biggest impact is that our ridership is twice what it was last year," Bath said. "The feedback that I'm hearing is that the buses are more dependable now and the people are more prone to ride the buses now that they are more dependable."

Some students who ride the shuttles made positive comments about the ser-

vice.

"It's pretty convenient," said Ann Guilleman, a senior majoring in Biology and getting a teaching certificate for Secondary Education. "I don't have to ride my car all over campus."

"It's been pretty good, but they need to have a bus come by a little more often," said Erika Johnson, a junior majoring in Education.

Not all users thought the service was up to par, though. Frank Richter, a student living in a South Campus residence, said the shuttle's schedule leaves some students in the Honors College Resident Hall out in the cold.

Richter said that the shuttle doesn't give the resident hall student enough time to get a breakfast at the Underground before an 8 a.m. class.

"That flies in the face of what we

have been taught about learning on a full stomach," Richter said.

Richter also said that the drivers could show more flexibility about where riders are dropped off.

Bath said nothing was set in stone about the shuttle's schedule.

"If there is strong student support for a change we will be flexible."

Bath also said that another bug that must be worked out of the system is that only one of the Huntleigh vehicles is equipped with a wheelchair lift. He said this could cause delays for other students on the route, because that bus must be taken out of the rotation to serve the disabled student.

Student Government Association (SGA) officers Kel Ward and Chris Jones announced at the first SGA meeting last week that to spread the word about what route the buses follow and the schedule the University would post the map and schedule at the shuttle stops.

The survey completed by CBB stated that close to 75 percent of those questioned would use the shuttle more often if the shuttle's routes and schedule were available. Bath said he plans to take care of this by having printed schedules on the shuttles for the students or anyone else wanting to use the shuttle. A map of the shuttle stops is presently available in Admissions.

# EXPO '94 gives students chance to take a break

by Beth Robinson of The Current staff

The University Program Board gave students a chance to take a break from daily routine Wednesday.

UPB and the Chancellor's Picnic kicked off the new school year with an exhibition of student groups and carnival-type activities.

Over 50 organizations participated in the event. Participants included various religious, social, ethnic, academic and educational student organizations. Some organizations set up booths to inform students of upcoming events and give them information on how to become a member.

All in all, this year's participants were surprised with the turnout. "There are a lot more people involved this year, and more people seem to care," said Jason Brown, Sigma Pi member.

The ninth annual Chancellor's Picnic, coordinated by University Relations' Special Events committee, was held next to EXPO on Alumni Circle. The picnic has only been held with EXPO the last two years.

Musical entertainment throughout the day was provided by the Ralph Butler Band, and during the evening, the Curt Landis Duo performed.

Verdela Thomas and Tonya Therman, of UPB, have been working to coordinate the event since July.

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run, students may put forth more effort, in response to the new policy, to get the higher grade."

Wright also said he believed a lot of problems can be avoided if the professor clearly defines the scale he intends to use, and the student prepares accordingly.

"As long as there is an established scale for the student to follow there shouldn't be any problems," Wright said.

The percentage of faculty using the new policy has not been calculated yet. However, Wright puts a rough estimate at 90 percent of the faculty using the new grading scale. If that figure is correct, it would appear the faculty

overwhelmingly approve of the new policy.

"The professors may like it because it offers more options to them in assigning grades and allows them a more accurate description of a student's performance," Wright said.

Last semester, students at the UM-Kansas City rallied against the incremental grading system. In a survey taken at the UM-Columbia, nearly seventy-five percent of the students were in favor of keeping the current grading system.

Donna Yates, a UM-St. Louis graduate nursing student, does not believe the new system will make a great difference in school or in the work force. "I've never had an employer comment on or ask to see my grades," Yates said.

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could leave the University with only one option-raising tuition.

"It would hurt all students on the University's campuses," she said. "The only other option [if Hancock II is passed] would be to raise tuition. [Students] would be priced out. Students would have to look to other options for education. What a public institution is all about is access to everyone."

Hancock said there is no guarantee there will be cuts and the "possibility is practically zilch" that refunds would be issued to taxpayers. If money is available, Hancock said the Hancock II committee plans on filing a lawsuit concerning the fiscal note that will be placed on the ballot.

The note states: "This proposal would require state and local spending cuts ranging from

\$1 million to \$5 million annually. Cuts would affect prisons, schools, colleges, programs for the elderly, job training, highways, public health and other services."

"That's not true," Hancock said of the fiscal note and opponents' claims of deep cuts. "There is no way that is

"It's a shame you have to sue the government."

-Mel Hancock, U.S. Representative

going to happen. The only way there would be refunds is if the state legislature allow [taxes] to go past the limit. If they're not smart enough to [stay under the limit] then we'll elect people that are.

"It's a shame you have to sue the government. But we read the fiscal note and we had to file the suit."

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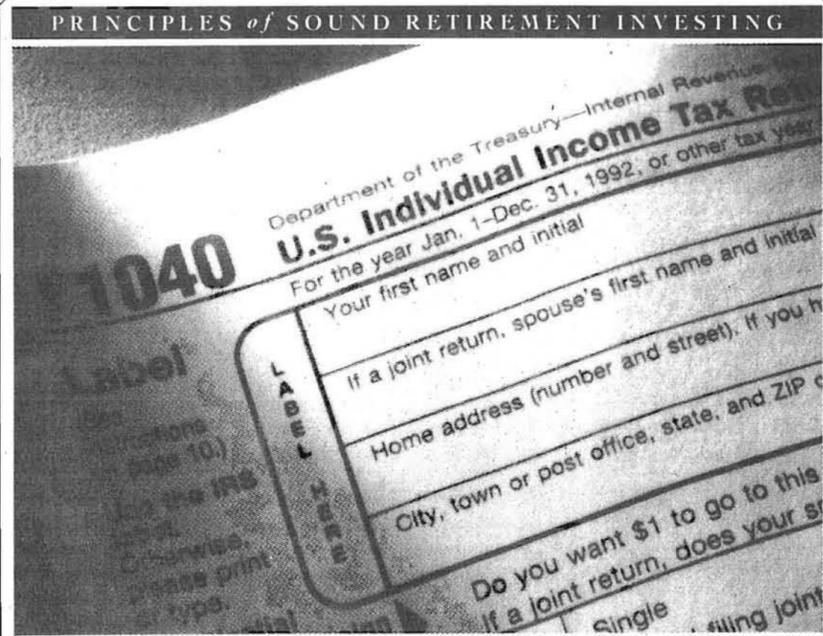


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# Reaching Out

Organizations give students a chance to help their peers deal with concerns

by Clint Zweifel  
managing editor

In addition to professional counseling, UM-St. Louis also offers specialized counseling services free of charge to students. The services, Horizons and the Women's Center, offer a helping hand to students through short-term counseling.

## Horizons

Horizons, run under the guidance of the UM-St. Louis Counseling Service, is composed of seven student peer counselors who conduct short-term counseling for students.

Doug Strauss, adviser to Horizons and a staff psychologist at the UM-St. Louis counseling service, said there are three main student concerns the peer educators see.

Of those problems, he said career concerns are the most prevalent. He said some students are just beginning their college career and are unsure of what their major choice should be. Other students are close to graduation and are concerned about getting a job that is right for them.

"The number one concern that [Horizons counselors] see has to do with career concerns," Strauss said. "And that would range anywhere from 'I don't know what to do, I don't know what major to be in or I'm not doing very well in my major and I think I might need to change.'"

Strauss said Horizons has two computer programs that help students define what type of major or career field might be most appropriate to their personality or interest. He said Horizons focuses on what he calls "career

exploration"—helping students make decisions on career or major choices. Once students define their interests, he said Horizons then can refer them to Career Placement to see what opportunities are open.

Strauss said relationships are another main concern of students. He said Horizons does not conduct any formal counseling, but the peer educators will listen to the students' problems. If the problem is severe enough, a peer educator might refer them to the Counseling Service where professional counseling can be conducted. Because there are four professional psychologists on staff, Strauss said the Counseling Service usually deals with relationship issues more often than Horizons. Strauss said, though, occasionally a person will come in after having a fight and just will need to be calmed down. In that

the teacher? And a lot of time students are afraid. They don't want to go talk to a teacher because teachers can be intimidating. And one of the things we try and teach people is that teachers are approachable depending on how you approach them."

Strauss said he trains the peer educators for six weeks prior to the beginning of the semester. After that, they are trained one hour per week for the entire year.

He said the peer educators are attractive helping hands for students, since they too are students. Strauss said, though, the peer educators have an upper hand in helping a student with a problem—listening skills. Strauss said even the best of friends may not have the necessary listening skills to help someone who has a problem.

"The initial training has a lot to do with how to be a good listener," Strauss said. "So I will teach them basic counseling skills, which would be active listening, how to develop trust with some-

body who doesn't know you.

"They are also trained in crisis intervention, because there's always that possibility that someone will come in and they flunked a test and they're thinking about ending their life. I don't think that has ever happened with the peer educators. It does happen with the Counseling Service, though. What they would do then is try to calm the person down and come get one of us from the Counseling Service."

Horizons also sponsors "outreach" programs such as Alcohol Awareness Week and Sexual Awareness Week. Both programs hold workshops and distribute information concerning the topics.

*This story is the second part of a two-part series focusing on counseling organizations on the UM-St. Louis campus. This story focuses on a specialized counseling organization, the Women's Center, and a student peer educator organization, Horizons.*

## Fast Facts on the Women's Center

•The Women's Center, in operation since 1973, is composed of a coordinator, Joanne Bocci, and three Social Work practicum students.

•The organization conducts short-term one-on-one counseling, educational programs and free of charge.

•The predominate age group served by the Center is 20 to 35 year-olds.

•The number of students served by the Center has nearly doubled in the last four years. Four thousand five hundred students were served throughout the 1989-90 academic year. Eight thousand students were served during the 1993-94 academic year.

•The Center refers students in need of long-term counseling to the UM-St. Louis Counseling Service or another outside agency.

# Librarian wins Internet Award

by Scott Lamar  
of The Current staff

Raleigh Muns, reference librarian at the Thomas Jefferson Library, is the recipient of the 1994 Online Computer Library Center, (OCLC), On the Front Line Award for establishing a "virtual library" gopher on the campus mainframe computer.

The annual award honors an outstanding reference librarian for making effective use of electronic reference products at work, displaying knowledge, creativity and an eagerness to help library patrons.

OCLC is a nonprofit computer library service and research organization.

Muns received the award, which included a check for \$1,000, at the National Online Meeting in New York City.

"I was honored that my boss considered me for nomination," Muns said, "Winning was just icing on the cake."

Sandra Snell, head of reference services at TJL, nominated Mr.

Muns for the award.

"Raleigh is integrating traditional nuts-and-bolts reference work at an

academic reference desk with creative implementation of the latest technologies on a shoestring budget," said Snell in her nomination letter. "The best example of this is his one-person crusade to take the most useful public domain, U.S. Federal Government information, and make it available to the campus, community and the world.

"Raleigh maintains a 'virtual library' gopher on the campus mainframe computer," Snell continued. "Using custom software, which he created, he has uploaded over a thousand files from such

federal CD-ROMS as the National Trade Data Bank. Many of these files are unique to the Internet."

Muns said this is possible because TJL is a federal depository library.

The "virtual library" gopher in the UM-St. Louis library allows you to call up full-text documents from the "Government Documents" section. Or you may retrieve a book or periodical from the "Online Collection."

"Gopher" is a piece of software, developed at the University of Minnesota, that connects you to information on the Internet.

To get into "gopher," go to any campus computer lab and select op-



Raleigh Muns

case a peer educator would talk to the person and evaluate whether further counseling may be needed.

Strauss said Horizons also does a great deal of counseling concerning students' academic problems. He said students may have concerns about their performance in a particular class or just want to improve their study habits. Many times, Strauss said, students want to talk to a professor about a grade but are unsure of how to approach them.

"Either somebody just bombed a test or they've got test anxiety," he said. "Sometimes it's that they're not doing very well in a class and they don't exactly know what to do. Should they drop the class? Should they talk to

## Women's Center

The Women's Center is composed of three Social Work practicum students and the coordinator of the organization, Joanne Bocci. Bocci said women have special problems that are distinct from those men have. Those problems, she said, are the focus of the Women's Center. The organization is multifaceted, dealing with issues of education, short-term counseling and referrals.

Part of the Women's Center focus is educating the campus on women's issues. Bocci said the Center shows films, hosts speakers and leases books that can educate the campus about social, psychological and political issues affecting women. She said the educa-

tional devices act as an supplement to formal academics. Bocci said, although there is a focus on women's issues, there are a number of men who utilize the Center's resources.

"We have a lot of men that come to the programs," Bocci said. "There are educational programs for anyone. A lot of them are related to women's issues but we do racial and ethnic issues besides."

Bocci said some men visit the Women's Center to find out how to help women who are in abusive situations. She said the staff can send them

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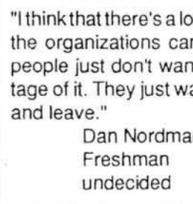
by Tracy Hallquist  
of The Current staff

Do you think that the student organizations add to student life on campus?



"Yes, because this is a commuter college most students would just go to class then home without any student interaction."

Shanetta Reed  
Sophomore  
Psychology



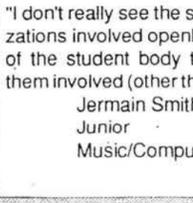
"I think that there's a lot of activities that the organizations can add but some people just don't want to take advantage of it. They just want to go to class and leave."

Dan Nordmann  
Freshman  
undecided



"I guess it does. I'm not really involved but it seems to have increased (gotten better) since I came here three years ago. I guess it helps."

Julie Westhoff  
Senior  
Education



"I don't really see the student organizations involved openly with the rest of the student body to try and get them involved (other than the expo)."

Jermain Smith  
Junior  
Music/Computer Science



# Doing the UM-St. Louis 10 Step

by Don Barnes  
of The Current staff

What could it be, this UM-St. Louis 10 step thing? A special way of walking across the stage when you graduate? UM-St. Louis' alternative to the "Just Say No" campaign? A new dance created at the Wednesday Noon Live Series? A program to help you pass that intro foreign language class (the first time)?

Actually, you all know what it is. So before I make you go "ahhh," let me tell you how I became aware of this campus wide phenomenon.

I was at a barbecue over the Labor Day weekend, slamming Bud Lights and talking with people I had never met before, when the conversation became focused on a woeful adventure I had recently experienced at a small town, out-of-state university. As my tale progressed, I mentioned how sur-

prised I had been at the way people on that campus had acted toward me. Both staff and strangers were genuinely friendly. They didn't avoid making eye contact. They often smiled. They even said hello to me.

At this point, one of the people listening to my account asked me what university I normally attend.

"UMSL," I said.  
"That explains it," he said.  
"Explains what?" I asked.

**I had even performed the act on several occasions. But I had never bothered to name and define it.**

At first I wasn't quite sure of how to respond to this behavior because it had been so long since a complete stranger smiled at me and greeted me without then asking me for some spare change or an extra cigarette. But I adjusted after a couple of days and started smiling back and saying hello to people like I owned the place.

"Why you weren't used to people acting that way. You're used to the UMSL 10 step."

Fearless as I am when it comes to admitting my ignorance on subjects foreign to me, I braved to question, "Which is?"

Kindly he explained to me that "the UMSL 10 step is when you take 10

steps, look up from the ground to make sure you're not going to run into anybody, then look at the ground for another 10 steps, and so on until you reach your class or your car."

I was amazed. I had witnessed this practice on our campus hundreds of times. I had even performed the act on several occasions. But I had never bothered to name and define it.

I began searching for explanations for the 10 step's dominance across our campus. Maybe UM-St. Louis students are too tired from all of that studying to lift their heads more than every 10 steps? Maybe they have cramps in their necks from reading and test taking? Maybe? Maybe? I was making excuses.

My new acquaintance continued. "You see, most of the people who attend UMSL live off campus (uh-huh), and most of them still live in the

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# Cusco mixes music of ancient, modern

by Michael Urness  
of *The Current* staff

While alternative rock and contemporary country music appear to be the choice of the masses, other forms of music are alive and indeed flourishing thanks to the efforts of a few independent record labels. One such alternative to the norm is New Age Music.

New age is defined in Webster's College Dictionary as, adj. 2. of or pertaining to an unobtrusive style of music using both acoustic and electronic instruments and drawing on classical music, jazz and rock.

One of the most popular New Age groups today, and one that fits Webster's definition to a tee, is a band named Cusco. On Cusco's sixth and most recent release, "Apurimac II:

Return to Ancient America," Michael Holm and Kristian Schultze have managed to blend flutes and pan flutes with electronically programmed rhythms and synthesizer music to produce an

excellent sound.

exemplary interpretation of indigenous life in the Americas," say the liner notes. "With titles such as 'Goddess of the Moon,' 'Maya Temple,' 'Dance of the Sun Priest' and 'Quetzal's Feather,' Cusco expresses the importance of the rediscovery of Gaia, the connective life

force of the Earth."

Aside from the concept of using latter-day instruments like synthesizers and programmed drums in promoting or honoring the earliest inhabitants of the Americas, what intrigues me most is that the men doing the interpreting are German, and yet they do it all so well.

Much of the project sounds as though it could be used to score either a "Dances with Wolves"-type movie or a movie portraying the ancient tribes of Latin America.

Songs that worked especially well for me on this release include: all those named above, "Montezuma" and "Temple of Remembrance."

If the stuff you have been hearing lately has left you craving something more, Cusco may be just what you need.

**If the stuff you have been hearing lately has left you craving for something more, Cusco may be just what you need.**

Cusco's newest release "Apurimac II: Return of Ancient America"

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on the right track for help by referring them to the Counseling Service or another outside agency.

"May be their wife or sister has been sexually assaulted or abused in another relationship and they're trying

to get them help and help for themselves," Bocci said.

She said counseling students and making them feel comfortable on campus has been an important focus for the Women's Center. She said

comfortableness on campus is especially important for the non-traditional woman student. Bocci said more women are beginning college at a later age and have a difficult time adjusting to the new lifestyle. Many of these

women, Bocci said, are single mothers who are trying to juggle the combination of parenting, work and school. She said many of those women need an outlet to talk about their feelings.

"We acquaint ourselves with them

to help them feel comfortable," she said. "We help them in their adjustment to the University by making them feel welcome.

"There are a lot of non-traditional age women students that have issues [to deal with] like child care. They might be 40 or 50 and not fit into the

world. Men have had ways to be out in the world and get their education. It's changing now and women are starting their education right out of high school. But, we're talking about women that graduated from high school in the '50s. You just got married and you stayed home. Twenty-five years later the hus-

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areas in which they grew up, like Hazelwood or St. Charles or wherever. So they're still in touch with the same people they grew up with. They still run with the same crowd that they ran with in high school, even though that crowd doesn't attend the University. Plus, if they do meet someone on campus, the probability of that person living forty miles away is pretty good. And you've got to take into account all of the nontraditional students there, the ones with a spouse or kids or full-time jobs. So people aren't too friendly. They go to class and they go home or to work. They don't try to meet anyone."

I knew that all he was saying

was true, and figured that we could probably discover a few other reasons as to why UM-St. Louis students, seemingly with purpose, avoid personal contact with each other. But the conversation, thus our attention, was diverted to something else, and my lesson on the UM-St. Louis 10 step ended.

I've wondered about it since, though. What about simple recognition; acquaintanceship as opposed to friendship? How often do you actually meet (as in get more than the name of) a classmate? How often do you converse with the person standing next to you smoking a cigarette on a break? How often do you just smile at, or maybe even say hello to, someone you

pass everyday in the hall or see everyday in the Underground? Probably not too often. Not many of us do.

Of course it's impossible to make eye contact with everyone you pass. It's unrealistic to smile at everyone you see. And you can't greet everyone you find yourself next to. If you did you'd soon be labeled as that friendless guy or girl with the "I'm so happy I'm crazy" smile who's always staring at people and saying hello. And besides, who wants to look at, greet or meet everyone they see? Not me. But consider this: the people you go to school with, attend classes with and pursue the same or similar degrees with, are probably going to be the people you end up working with when you finally gradu-

ate and get a job. That job that you get possibly because one day you said hello to someone at school.

Don't misunderstand me. I'm not saying we should be kinder and friendlier to one another simply to network for our futures. I'm merely saying recognize that there are people around you, most of whom you might enjoy meeting. People you might find interesting. People you might find helpful. People you might find attractive. Who knows what could come of it. You might even start looking forward to the drive here.

Now smile a little, would ya? And don't look so crazy.

**"It's kind of a haven for them to meet other women in their same situations...that have the same kinds of problems."**

**-Joanne Bocci, Women's Center Coordinator**

mainstream. It's kind of a haven for them to meet other women in their same situations...that have the same kinds of problems."

Bocci cited an example of a prevalent problem women face.

"A lot of women were interrupted in their education to stay home and raise families," she said. "They just can't come out and go prancing in the

band walks out and she has no income and children to support and she's trying to get back in school so she can earn a living. These are some huge difficulties that some men might face but it's not the norm because they are usually the one who had been out working. It's a very difficult thing to deal with."

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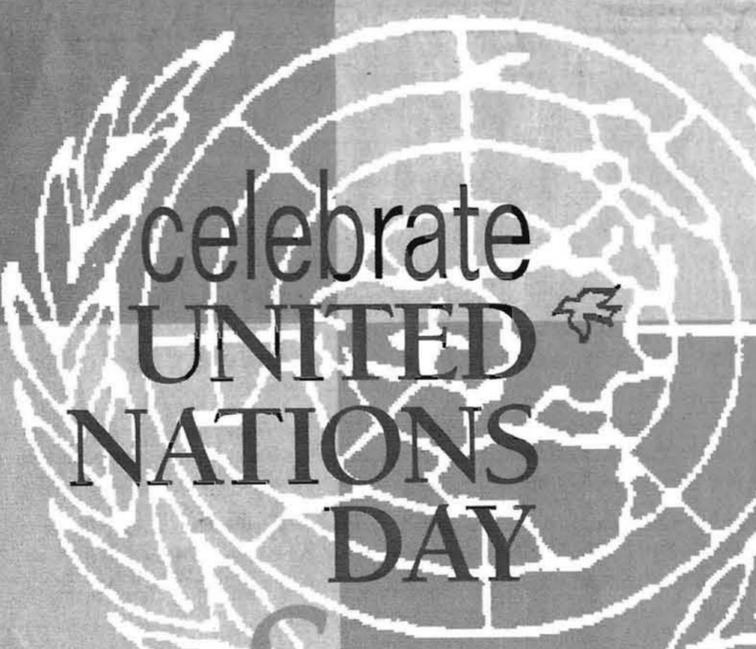
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## Dream come true

*Former UM-St. Louis student, community leader appointed to University of Missouri Board of Curators*

by Jeremy Rutherford  
news editor

As a student at UM-St. Louis, Malaika Horne looked at members of the University of Missouri (UM) Board of Curators as community leaders. Now, a curator herself, Horne realizes the responsibility that accompanies the respect.

Horne was appointed a member of the UM Board of Curators by Missouri Governor Mel Carnahan on Aug. 31. In the 1st Congressional District, she replaces Cynthia Thompson, who moved earlier this year. Horne is now the second curator of the nine-member Board that attended UM-St. Louis. St. Louis-based CPA Mary Gillespie, appointed to the Board in January of 1993, is the other.

"I told the group last week when I was appointed that I feel very blessed and honored, and also that I am very humbled by the experience," Horne said. "I never thought that I would make it to that level. These (curators) were people we looked up to at being the top level of a large institution."

Horne, who is currently the managing director of the Narcotics Service Council (NSC), pursued the curator position in more ways than one.

"I was able to get the support of the community," she said. "I called the governor, and I wrote the governor about my being capable and deserving for the position."

Horne's persistence then won Carnahan's support.

"He didn't say this, but I sensed that he liked the fact I had a working-class background," Horne said. "I believe mass Missourians want the opportu-

nity and the access to education. Missouri has that policy to educate, and I think as a state, it will advance leaps and bounds."

UM-St. Louis Chancellor Blanche Touhill said Horne comes to the Board with a different perspective than most current curators.

"Her experiences are based in education and social services, not law and

Horne said her education at UM-St. Louis is very important to her.

"I thank the University for a quality education," she said. "As I look back, and it's been a while, I believe the education I received is the best preparation for the kinds of things I'm doing now."

The perspective she brings to the Board is different, she said, "I like what I have to offer."

"I do know research, and that's an area I know the System wants to pursue," she said. "I think it's good if I can come in with a different perspective."

The Board now faces the Hancock II amendment, which recently garnered the appropriate 131,000 signatures to make the November ballot. If the amendment passes, the UM-system's budget of \$510 million could be cut by \$60, including UM-St. Louis losing \$12 million. Twelve million dollars is approximately the budget of the College of Arts and Sciences at UM-St. Louis.

Hancock II passing, Horne said, is unthinkable.

"It would be a disaster," she said. "The people have to be educated on the consequences (of Hancock II) passing. Right now, we've got to mobilize and agitate it."

Hancock II was on the Board's agenda Sept. 1 and 2 at its meetings in Springfield, Mo. It was Horne's first chance to look at things from a curator's point of view.

"The meetings were very informative," she said. "I learned a lot. But it's a very complex system, so I'm going to take it slow. I was just amazed to see all the activities that are going on at the various campuses."



Malaika Horne

business," Touhill said. "Malaika is a strong choice. I believe the University System will benefit from her leadership, particularly in regard to the emerging role of urban education."

Horne received her bachelor's degree from UM-St. Louis, and her master's and doctoral degrees from St. Louis University. In addition to working with the NSC, she currently serves as a postdoctoral research fellow at Washington University and as an adjunct professor at Webster University.

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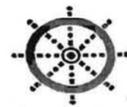
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## Out in the open



## Inside bits and pieces of UM-St. Louis sports

by Rob Goedeker  
associate sports editor

•The Rivermen soccer team kicked off the season the weekend of Sept. 3-4, by winning the championship of the Gardner Cup Classic at Northeast Missouri State in Kirksville, Mo. The Rivermen's first game of the season was a shutout against Mercyhurst. They won by the score of 2-0. Forward Todd Rick scored both goals in the second half for the Rivermen, and Goalie Mark Lynn recorded his first shutout of the season.

The next day, the Rivermen started right where they left off, as they shut-out Drury 6-0 to take the Cup. Rick lead the Rivermen in scoring with his first hat trick of the year. Lynn recorded his second shutout in two days and made a career-high eight saves.

•Todd Rick's five goals, in the Classic, earned him the Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association (MIAA) player of the week during the week of Aug. 29 - Sept. 4. His six goals and 13 points are the best start to a season by a Rivermen player. He is now 21st on the Rivermen's all-time scoring list. Rick has a shot at breaking the record for most goals scored in a season. Mark Reiter did it in 1987 with 17 goals.

•If there were any doubts about Rivermen Goalie Mark Lynn returning to the same form of two years ago, when he helped lead the Rivermen to a 17-1-2 record and the NCAA tournament Quarterfinals, those were buried at the Gardner Cup Classic. Lynn collected two shutouts, 14 saves on 19 shots, in his first two games of the season and now has nine shutouts in 11 career games for UM-St. Louis. It seems as though he never left.

•The Riverwomen soccer team opened the season with a win and a tie at the St. Joseph's tournament (Sept. 3-4) in Rensselaer, Ind. The Riverwomen beat host St. Joseph's by a score of 1-0. All-region forward Jenni Burton scored the deciding goal. The next day, the Riverwomen tied Wisconsin-Parkside 1-1. Both teams were held scoreless in regulation time. The Riverwomen took the lead, in overtime, when freshman forward Laurie Casso came off the bench to score at the 108th minute. But Wisconsin-Parkside scored two minutes later to end the game in a tie. The Riverwomen won the tournament, but were misprinted in the press release given out by St. Joseph's. The release said that UM-Rolla won the tournament, instead of UM-St. Louis. Named to the All-Tournament Team were: Riverwomen Jennifer Frohlich (defender), Dianne Ermeling (Midfielder), and Amy Abernathy (Goalie). Surprisingly, Jenni Burton wasn't selected to the All-Tournament Team. She finished the tournament with a goal and an assist for three points. She has been the catalyst of the Rivermen offense so far this year.

•Congratulations to Riverwomen Volleyball players Tricia Clendenen and Anne Marie Gary for being selected to the All-Tournament Team at UM-St. Louis' Red/Gold Classic.

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# Riverwomen 4-0-1, remain undefeated

## Game 1 Friday Night vs. Colorado Christian

by Pete Dicrispino  
sports editor

Jenni Burton scored 16 minutes into the game, and goalie Julie Sachse made it stand up, as the UM-St. Louis women's soccer defeated Colorado Christian 2-1 last Friday at home.

It was the opening game in the Kickoff Classic Tournament which also features Missouri-Rolla and Southwest Baptist.

The Riverwomen came out flying early in the first half and mounted some good offensive attacks towards Cougars goalie Jodi Farrell.

A minute into the game, Burton walked around a Cougar defender, but her shot was stopped by Farrell.

The Cougars answered with a chance of their own two minutes later.

Forward Nicole Lambert hit the crossbar on a left-footed bomb from just inside the penalty box.

Riverwomen forward Marcie Scheske had a good chance, 13 minutes in, but her shot sailed wide.

Again the Cougars came right back as Lambert tried to beat Sachse with a shot to the far corner. Sachse had other ideas and drove to her right making a fantastic save and kept the score tied at zero.

The save turned out to be crucial, as Burton buried her third goal of the



Photo: Cinde Poli

**BARELY HANGING ON:** High flying Riverwomen Goalie Amy Abernathy makes the save as Colorado Christian Forwards look on in disappointment during last week's Kickoff Classic at Don Dallas Memorial Soccer Field.

year on a crossing pass from Tammi Madden.

The play started when back Jennifer Frohlich led Madden with a great pass down the right side of the field. Madden, without settling the ball, crossed it to Burton who drilled the ball home out of mid-air.

"It was a pretty goal," Head Coach Ken Hudson said. "Anytime Jenni gets the ball from six-feet away, it's going to be a goal."

After the goal, the Cougars turned up the pressure and controlled the rest of the half. Sachse's goaltending was tested often and she held the

Cougars scoreless.

"Julie did a nice job, she came up with some big saves," Hudson said.

"Both of our goalkeepers Julie and Amy have been playing well, it's hard to pick one over the other."

Sachse made six saves in the first half, and at least four of them where

from close in.

With seven minutes left to go in the first half, Cougar forward Lori Wamhoff broke in alone on the right side. Sachse came out and cut down the angle and made a terrific driving save to her right to preserve the lead.

The Cougars had the ball on the Riverwomen side for the rest of the half.

"We didn't mark at all in the first half, they owned the whole middle of the field," Hudson said.

"We didn't mark up very well in the first half," Sachse said. "I was yelling at them from back there."

Thanks to Sachse, the Riverwomen were lucky to come out of the first half leading 1-0.

"I told them at half (time), if you don't mark up, your coming out of the game" Hudson said. "We did a better job in the second half of marking and controlling the middle of the field."

The second half started out more like a chess match than soccer. Both teams were feeling each other out awaiting their next move.

Mid-way through the half, Sachse again came up big, as she stopped a free kick by Wamhoff and a rebound shot by Lisa Morris.

Two minutes later Riverwomen defender Leigha Gibbs showed her teammates how to mark up, and in the process might of saved a goal.

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## Duo returns as backbone of new-look volleyball team

by Leon Devance  
of The Current staff

Sheri Grewe and Debbie Boedefeld both share a common interest. They are both totally enthusiastic about the game of volleyball.

Grewe and Boedefeld, sophomore middle hitters on the Riverwomen volleyball team, said they try to keep the mood upbeat and positive during the game. They hope the enthusiasm is passed on to their teammates. Grewe and Boedefeld said enthusiasm is an important element of the game. They said the enthusiasm can come in the

form of a handshake or a word of encouragement if the team is down.

"As one of two returning players, I feel that I have to take on a leadership role somewhat," Grewe said. "I try to

Debbie, it is up to the three of us to try to point out things and pass along our experience to the other players."

"Ever since the seventh grade, I always loved to play volleyball," Grewe explained. "And I like to show my enthusiasm for the game. If I can show my enthusiasm and excitement at a high level, everybody else on the team will see it, and then it will catch on to the rest of the team."

"It helps to talk out there, to give encouragement to each other and talk about what happens

*"It helps to talk out there, to give encouragement to each other and talk about what happens sometimes on the floor."*

*-Debbie Boedefeld, women's volleyball player*

talk to my teammates and answer questions they might have. Along with Tracia Clendenen, who is our quarterback, and

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## Current Player of the week

### Todd Rick



Photo: Alfie Ali

- Has 6 goals in first three games
- Was named first Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics soccer player of the week this season.
- Scored game-winning goal in overtime victory against Washington University.

## Rivermen, Rick trap Bears 1-0 in overtime

by Rob Goedeker  
associate sports editor

The Rivermen soccer team played spoiler, last Thursday, coming out of Francis Field with a 1-0 victory over Washington University Bears.

Their record fell to 0-2-1, the Bears' worst start in 23 years. The last time the Bears started the season off without a victory, in their first three games, was in 1971. The Rivermen improved their record to 3-0-0.

Going into the game, the odds were against the Bears. The last time the Bears sunk the Rivermen was in 1985 by a score of 2-1. The Rivermen now lead the series 20-2-2.

Even though the bears lost the game they didn't go down without a fight. In fact, the bears probably outplayed the Rivermen most of the game. The Rivermen were outshot 26 to 13.

"They just kept coming at us," said Rivermen Midfielder Todd Rick.

"We're their big game of the year, so we knew they would come out strong."

UM-St. Louis Head Coach Tom Redmond agreed.

"They're a hard team to play," Redmond said. "They're very organized and balanced."

Redmond was happy to get the win before the Rivermen prepare for their Central Region games.

"We've got a lot of work to do," Redmond said. "But I'm happy with the victory."

If it wasn't for the spectacular play of Rivermen Goalie Mark Lynn, the

Bears may have grabbed the game away, and avoided digging up memories from the past.

"We're very fortunate to have him back in our program," Redmond said. "He's a solid goalie, and the players around him have confidence in him."

The game was held scoreless at the end of regulation time and was forced into overtime. Both teams had numerous chances to take the lead during regulation time. The first half went pretty smoothly with both teams using a cautious style of play, but the second half was played roughly different.

As the game progressed, both teams played a more physical type of game. In all, the Rivermen had 36 fouls and the Bears had 31.

Playing physical isn't the Rivermen's style of play. Redmond felt that the Rivermen weren't moving the ball around very well, and got themselves caught up into a physical game. There were even some scuffles in the game, one resulting in Rivermen Joe Carroll being ejected after receiving his second yellow card.

The intensity kept building as the minutes diminished.

Finally, in the first overtime, the Rivermen scored what would be the winning goal, just minutes after Kevin Neebes of the Bears almost put Washington U. ahead.

Rivermen Forward Kurt Bruening dribbled the ball up the left side of the field into Bear territory and passed the

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## Coaches Corner

Featuring

### Ken Hudson

Riverwomen Head Soccer Coach



Photo: Cinde Poli

by Pete Dicrispino  
sports editor

**Birthplace:** St. Louis, Mo.  
**College:** UM-St. Louis, graduated in 1975 with Education Degree.

**Favorite college memory:** Winning the National Championship in soccer in 1973. We went undefeated that year.

**Personal Hero:** Robert E. Lee. He was like me and stuck with his ideals and stayed with the South.

**One thing I can't stand is:** Laziness. I believe in working your tail off.

**People who knew me in college would say:** That I was a little crazy. I did whatever I wanted to and I believed in living life to the fullest.

**Fantasy:** I want to fly in one of those Air Force jets someday. Maybe a F18 or

ride in the space shuttle some day.

**Two words that best describe me:** Calm and collective.

**What I like best about coaching:** I like the interaction with the players. I think coaching is satisfying when you see the players contribute and get something out of the program.

**If I could change one thing about myself:** Be more organized. I'm not the most organized person.

**Hobbies:** I love to read. I collect Tom Clancy books.

**What I'm reading now:** "The Chamber," by John Grisham.

**Greatest game I ever coached:** When we beat North Carolina 2-1 in 1982. We're one of only six teams ever to beat them.

**Most disappointing game:** A few years ago we scheduled a throw-in game against Colorado Christian. They had a bad record so we decided to rest some of our top players. They beat us 3-2 and you could hear a pin drop in the van on the way back to the hotel.

**My favorite sport (other than soccer):** Basketball.

**Favorite Basketball coach:** I'm a big Bobby Knight fan.

**My impressions on the way sports have become a business:** It's almost next to impossible to go see a professional game these days. I hope the college sports don't become the same way.

**Greatest experience ever:** My wedding and when my two children were born. It's unbelievable seeing something like a birth taking place.

**Favorite movie:** "Top Gun." I've watched it three dozen times.

**Favorite Restaurant:** Cannoli's

**Favorite childhood memory:** On my fifth or sixth birthday, I went to the store with my mom and grandma. Outside they had like a rocking horse and I got some money from my grandma to ride it. I went to put the money in and jump on the horse at the same time. Well, the horse threw me right through the front window of the store. I ended up spending my birthday in the hospital getting stitches in my forehead.

**What would I want people to remember about me:** That I was a fair and honest person.

# Riverwomen, Burton sneak past the Bears

by Ken Dunkin  
of The Current staff

The Riverwomen have started their season off with a bang by going 2-0-1 in their first three games.

They found their way to victory last Thursday against Washington University. They won 2-1, and proved that they will be a force to be reckoned with this season.

"We had to work, they gave us a battle. We knew it was going to be a good game," Coach Ken Hudson said. "We were a step behind all night. That hurt us more than anything."

The entire defense was being tested in the first five minutes, yet they withstood the attack.

Defender Jennifer Frohlich saved a goal when a Washington player had a partial breakaway. The team seemed to rally behind the play and was able to mount some offensive attacks.

The first goal of the game came fifteen minutes into the game.

Marcie Scheske grabbed a great pass from Jenni Burton and put it in the right corner. The goalie dived, in a great effort, but the shot was placed perfectly in the corner.

Laura Miller, of Washington University tied, up the game on a deflected pass that surprised Goalie Amy Abernathy.

Abernathy found herself getting shots fired from all angles. She faced 14 shots on goal, making nine saves.

A particularly great save was mid-way into the second half. Washington U. Defender Angela Brock fired a shot towards the left post, and Abernathy quickly grabbed the ball.

"Amy played good in goal, on their goal there was nothing that she could do," said Coach Ken Hudson. "She was going for the ball that was deflected."

It didn't take them long to get back into the lead, twelve minutes after the Bears goal, Burton connected on a pass from Frohlich, which she drilled into the right corner.

"You could tell they work together all the time because one knew what the other was going to do with the ball," Hudson said. "If I wanted two people in on that play, it was those two."

The defense had to come through with some big saves, Dianné Ermeling had some great plays.

Mid-way through the first half,



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**CAUGHT IN A JAM:** Washington University Midfeilder Kate Weinrieb (#19) looks back as Riverwomen Defender Dianne Ermeling (#6) moves in to clear the ball away from danger giving the Riverwomen a 2-1 victory at Francis Field last Thursday.

she deflected a hard shot from Laura Miller, and minutes later stole the ball when the momentum seemed to be shifting to the Bears.

A key move by Hudson also improved the defense for the game, he moved Tammy Madden from midfield to defense.

"Tammy has been our marking midfielder," Hudson said. "When we were lacking a little defense, we moved her into the back field to help out. She stopped a breakaway, which prevented an opportunity to tie the game."

The Bears team had a lot of heart and didn't give up until the final buzzer. "We came out a little flat most of the game. When we had to play, we played," Hudson said. "The last ten minutes, defensively, I thought we did good."

The win provided some much needed momentum for the Kickoff Classic which was held last weekend.

"I think we were playing good as a team," Burton said. "We've come together as a team, not knowing who would be coming back from last year or what new players would be coming in this year."

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ball to Midfeilder Ben Davis in the corner. Davis slid a perfect pass across the goal mouth to Midfeilder Todd Rick for a one-timer. Bear Goalie Stewart Bradley never saw it coming.

Rick's goal was his sixth of the season and his second game-winning goal. This isn't surprising, though, Rick has scored six of the Rivermen's nine goals, that's 67 percent for you Math 30 students.

"I've just been in the right place at the right time," Rick said.

But Coach Redmond feels Rick has more than just luck on his side.

"Todd's an opportunist," Redmond said. "He takes advantage of any space he gets. I'm real pleased with his play. He's a hard-working player."

Although Rick scored the only goal, he was held to only one shot, which turned out to be fatal for the

Bears.

Bears Midfeilder Daam Barker did an excellent job defending against Rick.

"He (Rick) is a good player," Barker said. "He's very quick and very supple on his feet. It wasn't too difficult to keep up with him, because I was a head or so taller, but he caught me a couple of times."

In the end, Barker realized that once was enough.

Late in the second overtime, the Rivermen almost let the Bears tie the game, but Lynn was there to save them.

"He won the game for us," Rick said. "He saved at least five point-blank shots that could have been goals."

Lynn seems to be at his best with three shutouts in three games, but he doesn't want to take all the credit.

"I don't deserve all the credit,"

Lynn said. "The defense has really worked hard, and I appreciate that. It's really nice to get shutouts because that means I'm working hard, and my teammates are working hard to keep the ball out of the net, but I would rather the team win than for me to get a shutout."

The Rivermen's next game is on the road against Wisconsin-Parkside Sept. 17 at 1:30 p.m.

### Leading Scorers

Name	GP	S	G	A	Pts	GWG
Todd Rick	3	7	6	1	13	2
Skip Birdsong	3	3	1	2	4	0
Kurt Brumming	3	8	1	2	4	1
Ben Davis	3	2	1	1	3	0
Joe Thompson	3	3	0	2	2	0
Matt Guber	3	2	0	1	1	0
Greg Crawford	3	3	0	1	1	0

### Goalkeeping

Name	GP	Min.	SH	S	G	SHO	GAA
Mark Lynn	3	300	45	21	0	3	0.00



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**IT'S A WASH-OUT:** Rivermen Defender Ken Henry (#21) is getting ready to kick the ball as Washington U. Midfeilder David Katz hustles back to prevent Henry from clearing the zone.

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sometimes on the floor," Boedefeld said. "Somebody will see something and bring it to our attention. Then we will come together as a team to discuss it and how to improve on it."

Grewe, five feet 10 inches, and Boedefeld, five feet 11 inches are small for middle hitters, yet they are constantly matched against players bigger than themselves. They accept that kind of challenge, though.

"It's fun to block somebody's hard shot or dig their spike out or slam it down yourself," Grewe said. "As a middle, hitter you go for blocking the shot, quick sets and spikes to freeze the other team's middle hitter and create a one-on-one situation."

"When that happens, and you capitalize on it, it gives you an incredible feeling-like you accomplished your goal."

Last year's team did not have that cohesiveness of a close-knit team. Despite the record of 26-10 and a third place finish in the Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association (MIAA), freshman and seniors did not work well together. This did not

well for the Riverwomen. Coach Denise Silvester expects things will be different this year.

"I would say that the seniors and freshmen did not blend in well," she said. "The freshmen did not have a lot of experience, and the seniors expected more."

"Sheri and Debbie are soft spoken, but effective, leaders. They set a level of expectations for this team and point out the little things about being a team player."

"We want to improve ourselves as players to help the team win," Boedefeld said. "We have different styles. Our approach to the game is different. Sheri is more intense and I am laid back."

"We always try to help each other and balance things out. And Sheri and I try to install a good work ethic for the team. Our summer workouts consist of lifting weights, jump training over cones and sprints. So, there is no separateness. We are one big tree, with Sheri and I as the trunk."

Coach Silvester said Grewe and Boedefeld have an added quality that makes them good team players.

"I only recruit good students and good athletes," she said. "These girls are that and more."

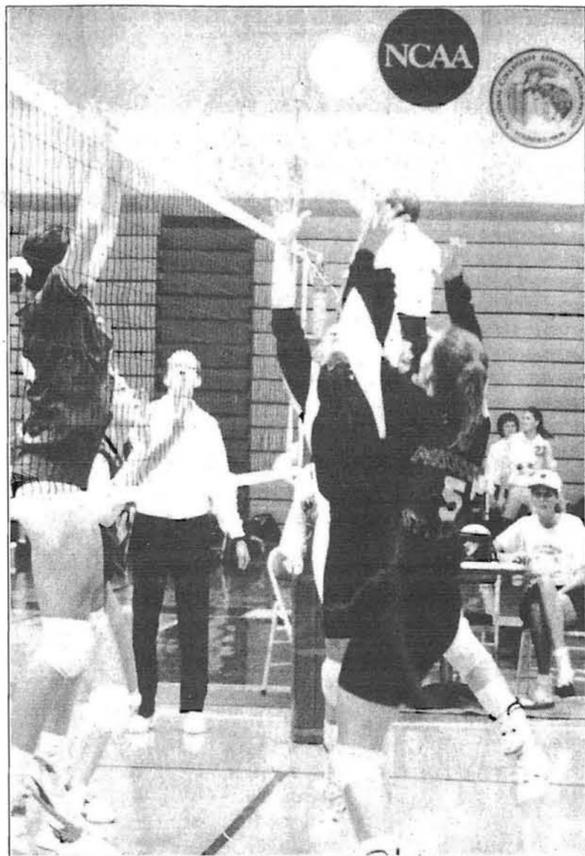


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**REACHING FOR THE SKY:**Riverwomen Tricia Clendenen sets the ball for teammate Sheri Grewe (#5) at this year's Red/Gold Classic.

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On the play, Cougar forward Stacy Zeir beat Frohlich with a move to the outside. Zeir had a clear-cut breakaway until Gibbs came over from the other side of the field to knock her off the ball and turn away a scoring chance.

"We adjusted well in the second half," Hudson said. "We just need to play smarter out there."

With just under six minutes remaining in the game, the Cougars poured on the pressure and nearly tied the game.

A cross by a Cougar player slipped through Sachse hands and went right on the foot of Zeir. She had a wide open net, but sailed a shot over the crossbar. Luck was also on Sachse side.

Sachse made the save of the night to close out the Cougars with two minutes left in the game.

Wamhoff took a pass from a corner kick and blasted a shot to the right upper corner of the net. Sachse leaped to her left and punched the ball out of play.

"I felt good out there. I like having a lot of action, it keeps you in the game," Sachse said.

Sachse finished with 12 saves and was, without a doubt, the star of the game.

The Riverwomen improved their record to 3-0-1 on the year.

**Game 2: Saturday night vs. Southwest Baptist**

Forwards Jenni Burton, Marcie Scheske and goalie Julie Sachse each scored two goals as the UM-St. Louis women's soccer team breezed by Southwest Baptist 9-1 last Saturday in the final game of the Kickoff Classic.

With the win, the Riverwomen took home the trophy even though Missouri-Rolla won both of their games too. The difference was decided on goals allowed in the tournament and Missouri-Rolla allowed two, while the Riverwomen only allowed one.

The game looked more like a

scrimmage as the Riverwomen were far more talented than the Lady Bearcats.

"We had a couple of goals set at the beginning of the game. One, we didn't want them to score, and two we wanted to knock the ball around more," Head Coach Ken Hudson said.

The Riverwomen started early as freshmen Tammi Madden scored her first goal of the season on a free-kick three minutes into the game.

For the Riverwomen, the rout was on, and the goals kept coming in the first half.

Eighteen first half shots were fired at Lady Bearcats' goalie Amy Stockton and six found the back of the net.

Scheske scored both of her goals in the first half, the second one came on a breakaway with goalie Amy Abernathy getting the assist.

Senior Angie Kaighin and freshmen Tammi Madden both scored their first goal of the year in the first half. The Riverwomen's leading goalscorer Burton, also collected her first of two in the half.

In the second half, Hudson played third-string goalie Jodi Passwater in goal and played his other two goalies, Abernathy and Sachse, at forward.

"This game allowed me to rest some of the players who had some nagging injuries," Hudson said.

Sachse didn't look out of place at all, as she netted her first two goals of the year, both on pretty setups by Jennifer Frohlich.

Burton also scored in the half to increase her team lead to five.

"This game will help us because we needed to find the net more," Hudson said.

The Riverwomen finished the game with 43 shots, while the Lady Bearcats only had one. The one shot took a bad bounce and went over Passwaters' head.

The Riverwomen are off to their best start since 1982 with an 4-0-1 record and will try for number 5 Friday, September 16 against Northeast Missouri State.

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**•UM-St. Louis Tennis Coach Carl Walker** recently attended the U.S. Open Aug. 28- Sept. 6 at Flushing Meadows, N.Y. While there, he attended a tennis teachers conference for teaching professional tennis players. Aside from the conference, Walker had the chance to sit in on some of the excitement at the U.S. Open.

"It was neat to see some of the upsets that happened this year," Walker

said. Walker just missed seeing No. 1 player Pete Sampras upset by unseeded Peruvian Jaime Yzaga.

"I was on my way back home, at the time it was happening, but I got in town just in time to see the end of it," Walker said.

**•Last week, UM-St. Louis just completed resurfacing their tennis courts.** This is great news for UM-St. Louis tennis players. Last season they

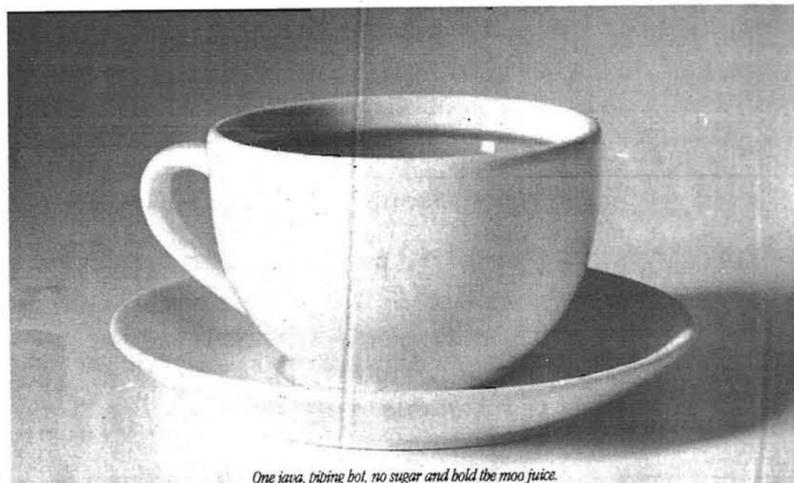
had to hold their home matches at the Dwight D. Davis Tennis Center, because of the condition of the courts.

**•Rivermen's No. 1 Doubles tennis team** of Rich Durbin and Pat Hahn won't be back next year. It has rumored that Durbin is going to take a year off from tennis, and Hahn has been given a scholarship to play tennis at Saint Louis University. Hahn and Durbin were the Rivermen's No. 1 and No. 2 players

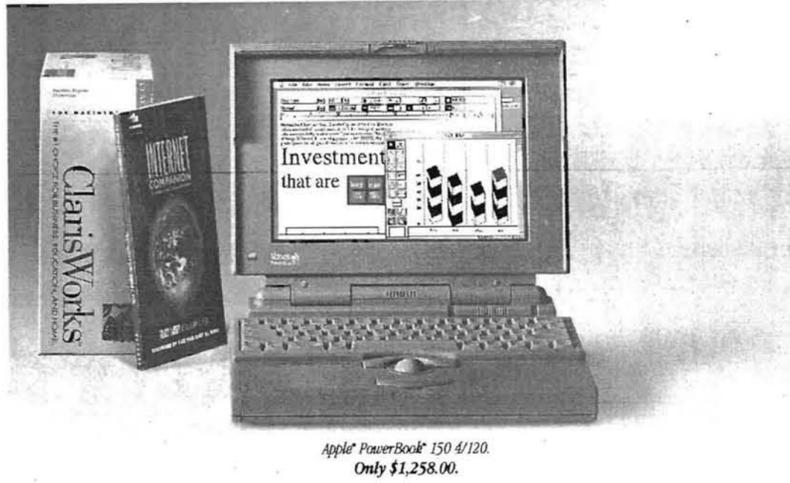
respectively. They will be deeply missed, unless Coach Walker can find some equal replacements.

**•Interested in playing tennis this coming spring?** UM-St. Louis tennis coach Carl Walker is thinking about holding a tryout for the men's and women's teams. For more information, call the Athletic Office at 553-5661.

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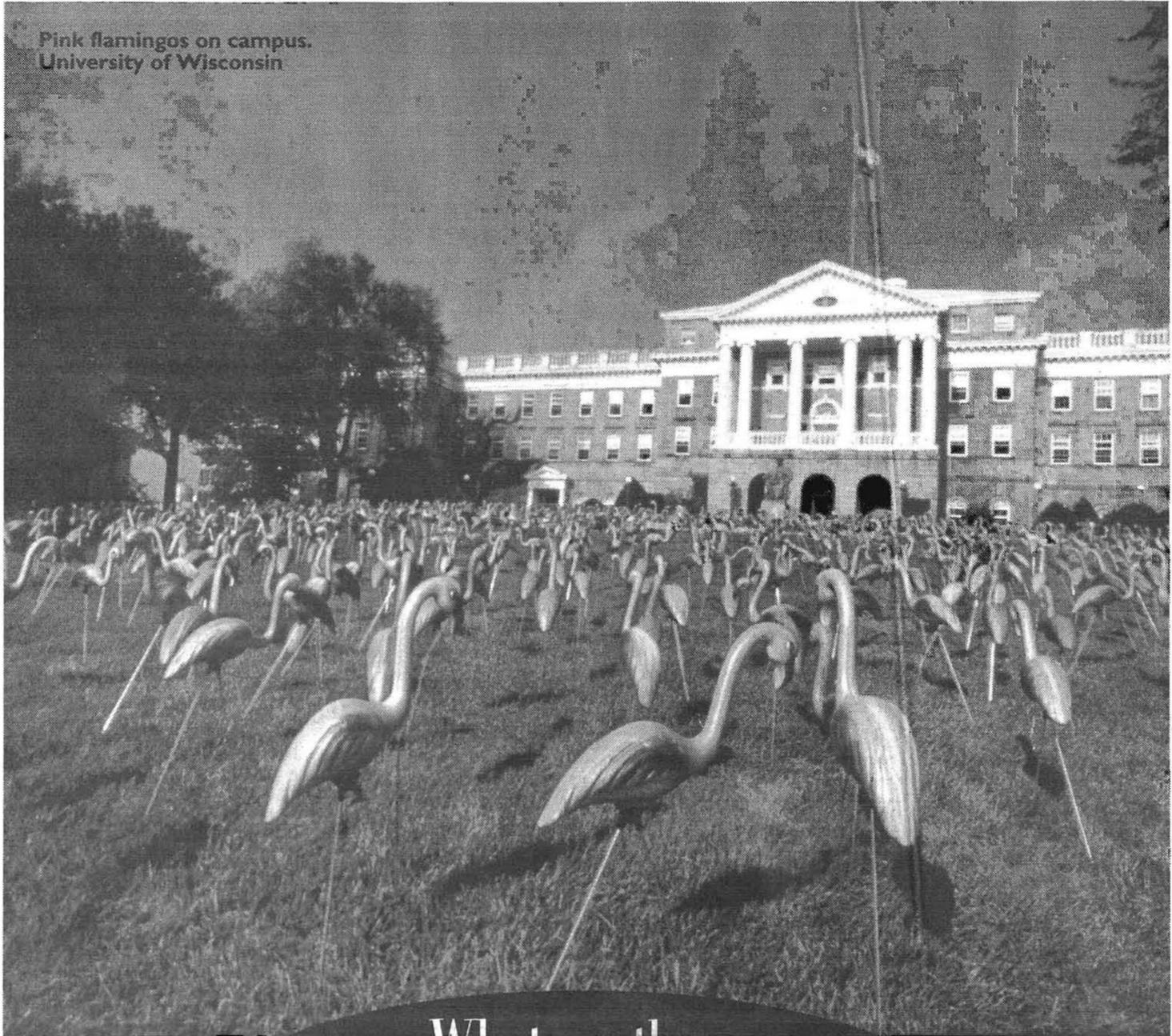
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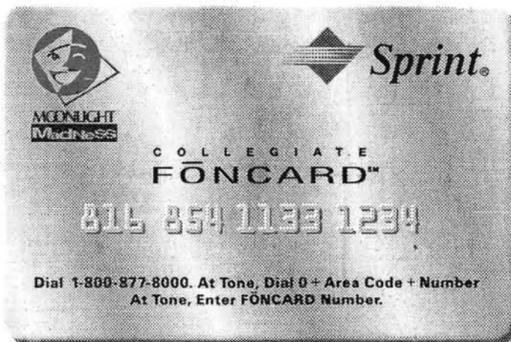
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