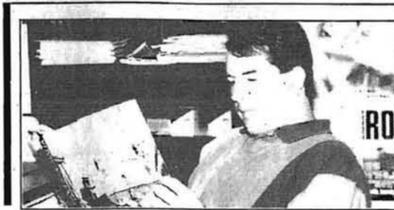


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Malta-bound

UM-St. Louis graduate student Eric Baumer is the winner of the first ever Student Fullbright Fellowship. He's leaving soon to do research in Malta.

EDITORIAL

Upset about student unity on campus? Editor-in-chief Matt Forsythe takes a look at the "Dunking Booth Debate."

FEATURES

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

SPORTS

The Riverwomen draw even in the Red and Gold Classic.

In the Light



Photo: Cinde Poli

MISSOURI TV UNPLUGGED: Members of the band "Roger from the Dark" perform outside University Center last Wednesday. The band's drummer, Francis Gomez, is also a member of the Sigma Tau Gamma fraternity at UM-St. Louis.

Seay sees need for change

Maya Angelou appearance scheduled for February; plays also to educate campus on cultural diversity

by Mark Strehl
of The Current staff

The Director of the Office of Equal Opportunity, Norman Seay, presented a comprehensive agenda on Tuesday before the University Program Board (UPB) which addressed ways to improve race relations on campus.

Included in Seay's agenda is a future appearance and presentation by the famous African American writer, Maya Angelou. Angelou's appearance has been scheduled for Feb. 28, at the Mark Twain Building. The ceremony will mark the culmination of a month-long celebration of African American History month. It will also signify, Seay said, the University's commitment to running activities and programs that encourage diverse groups to attend and participate.

"Angelou is a distinguished African American," Seay said. "Having her here will show the campus' commitment to improving race relations."

He said that many African Americans and Caucasians have never heard a distinguished poet such as Angelou. Angelou, whom critics have called one of the greatest writers in recent times, has been a civil rights activist, lecturer, poet and teacher. Her honors include a Pulitzer Prize nomination in 1972 and a lifetime appointment as the first Reynold Professor at Wake Forest University.

Seay hopes the forthcoming publicity from Angelou's visit will focus attention on the need for more under-

standing between cultural and religious groups on campus and in the community.

"What we're trying to do is to take the preventive approach and to have a variety of people on this campus participate in activities," Seay said.

"The key word is variety, Seay



Norman Seay

added. "Racial tension and a lack of communication among different racial groups can create an inhospitable environment for students, faculty and staff. It is necessary, in order to have a healthy campus, to continue creating activities that allow all students to feel important on campus."

Seay introduced one such activity, "Face to Face," that was part of his

agenda in his presentation to UPB. "Face to Face" is a fast-paced performance piece involving three or four actors. The actors perform monologues based upon their own experiences with difficult subjects such as racism and homophobia.

The actors are also involved in plays where they are thrown into difficult situations. Examples include an interracial couple losing their child or a black grandfather and granddaughter arguing over whether to take an African name. After the performance, workshops are set up to allow the audience the chance to get involved and express their own feelings regarding the subject matter they witnessed.

Although receiving less notoriety than Angelou's appearance, Seay said "Face to Face" has the potential to act as a vehicle for opening up dialogue between diverse groups on campus—an important factor in preventing racial tension. The program is expected to begin in October.

Seay said Angelou's appearance and the "Face to Face" program tie in nicely together. He said there "will be a part of a program which involves students, faculty and staff working for the same common goal, and that is making them more comfortable on campus."

In addition to outlining his agenda, Seay has requested a donation of \$8,000 from UPB to help cover the \$27,000 expected cost of bringing Angelou to UM-St. Louis. A decision by the UPB regarding Seay's request has not been made.

Curators Scholarship goes to Board for amendments; nothing resolved

by Jeremy Rutherford
news editor

The message to freshmen who receive the Curators Scholarship is keep those grades up. That's the impression UM-system President George Russell gave Student Representative Guyatri Bhatt.

The Curators Scholarship Program was reviewed at the Board of Curators meeting in Springfield, Mo., Sept. 1-2. The scholarship recognizes outstanding academic achievement, in high school, and rewards the student by paying his or her college tuition.

Students who excel academically, by current Curator rules and regulations, must be in the top 5 percent of their high school graduating class, and they must also have scored 28 on the ACT exam. Students must maintain a 3.75 grade-point average in order to retain the scholarship as a sophomore.

Bhatt attended the Curators' meeting July 14-15, and helped design a proposal, which would have softened those standards.

"At the meeting, we decided to keep the high schools requirements the same," Bhatt said of the class rank and ACT score. "But, we thought it was necessary to change the G.P.A. from a 3.75 to a 3.25."

Russell's decision, though, was that he would consider the Curators' proposal and discuss the issue in full at a later date, possibly the next Curators meeting, Oct. 20-21 in Columbia.

"Full flexibility was given to President Russell with Curators Scholarship," Bhatt said, "meaning, he'll see what changes need to be made."

That concerns Bhatt. "I respect their authority," Bhatt said, also including the four chancellors. "But I feel there needs to be more details outlined. The fact of the matter is, the Curators Scholarship should be outlined by the curators."

The proposal submitted to Russell also states the scholarship will be offered in a fixed amount of \$12,000 for four academic years.

"That's used for recruiting purposes," Bhatt said. "It's believed students think the scholarship looks more inviting."

Bhatt said students have reason to think that way.

"Because right now, with the difficulty to hold the scholarship, students are thinking of the Curators scholarship as a one-year deal."

Curator Adam Fischer agrees, and he is in favor of lowering the required G.P.A.

"If you look at other institutions, they want usually a 3.4," Fischer said. "We have good students, but as freshmen, that (requiring a 3.75 G.P.A.) is an enormous pressure. A 'B' and one 'C,' and they're out of a scholarship."

According to Fischer, students are also more apt to take less challenging classes in order to keep the scholarship.

"They (students) are somewhat reluctant to take difficult classes,"

Fischer said. "Sometimes, they may feel threatened as to which classes to take."

Bhatt said although she hasn't witnessed that aspect, she said that could be the case.

Growth of private income hits all-time high

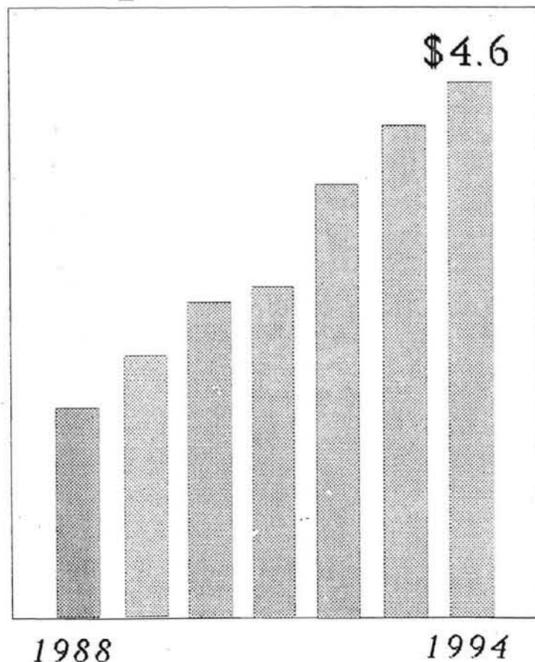
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Chancellor says 'Gifts show St. Louis' commitment to the University'

by Jeremy Rutherford
news editor

Private and corporate gifts to UM-St. Louis have been on the rise since 1988. This trend continued when the University announced Thursday that fund-raising during the 1993-94 school year reached \$4.6 million.

The new record is an increase of nearly 12 percent more than last year's record of private giving, which totaled \$4.1 million.

Kathleen Osborn, vice chancellor of University Relations, said the record shows that St. Louisans are very committed to expanding educational opportunities for the area's citizens.

"This past year has brought unprecedented change, growth and opportunities for UM-St. Louis, particularly in the area of individual giving to the campus," Osborn said.

Osborn cited the relationship with the contributor as

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UM-St. Louis joins Accelerated Schools Program

by Beth Robinson
of The Current staff

The School of Education at UM-St. Louis is joining the Accelerated Schools Program, after receiving a \$244,000 government grant to operate the program through the University.

The main goal of the program is to have all children accelerate their learning. At some schools, the grade levels are mixed so that a child is not limited as to how much he or she can learn. A child can excel in one subject while simultaneously learning at a slower pace in a problem subject.

Ilse Brunner, coordinator of the Accelerated Schools Center at UM-St.

Louis, said a good educational philosophy is, "school is only good for all children, if it is good for my child."

"The program looks at all children as being gifted and talented and wants to use curriculum and instruction that will bring out these talents," she said.

Brunner said there is a clear process a school must go through to become one in which all students learn. She said this process starts by taking an inventory of the types of programs the school presently has in place. Then, using input from students, families, faculty and staff, this group decides where they want the school to be. All the changes needed to reach the goal are listed and then prioritized. Brunner

said plan of action is then determined and a school can start implementing changes.

According to Brunner, a resource center for the program will be established. The center will provide up-to-date documentation on accelerated schools and provide opportunities for research on the project.

Margaret Cohen, associate professor in Behavioral Studies, was instrumental in bringing the program to UM-St. Louis. Cohen said there is potential for improving teacher education and finding avenues to answer research questions within accelerated schools.

"As more schools join and go through self-examination and learn

about what needs to be improved, we will be preparing undergraduate and graduate students to teach in these schools."

Accelerated Schools Program originated at Stanford University and was instituted in 1988 by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education in Jefferson City.

The program was created by Henry Levin, an economist turned educator. He was interested in helping children who were at risk of not completing school.

Joan Solomon, director of Urban Education in Missouri, wanted to bring

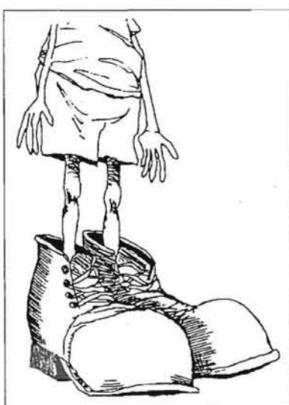
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ON YOUR MARK: Joan Solomon (left), associate professor of Behavioral Studies, and Ilse Brunner, director of the Accelerated Schools Program, are bringing the new accelerated program to UM-St. Louis.

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Overall campus unity should preside over organizations' egos

by Matt Forsythe
editor-in-chief

Working for *The Current* can be an arduous task. The compliments don't exactly pile up around here.

Last week I was pleasantly surprised by a comment from Beth Titlow, comptroller for Student Government Association (SGA).

Titlow is also president of the Panhellenic Association, a sorority governance organization. She took time to thank *The Current* for putting in a front-page picture of some Delta Zeta members involved in their fall-rush activities.

Titlow made it clear that she thought the picture was the first positive coverage that *The Current* has given Greek groups on campus in a long time.

This comment surprised me in a way. Why shouldn't *The Current* put in a picture of one of the more active groups on campus? It really didn't matter to me if that group was Greek or not. They deserve coverage just like every other group on campus.

I think I am touching on an idea that has remained unspoken on this campus for quite a while. The idea is that the different groups on campus are in some way in competition. They must fight against each other for a share of the limelight and somehow sharing or giving up their resources to put something toward a group effort is a waste.

This idea is a big mistake. Groups on campus need to communicate more, plan events together and see what a little team work can do for a project.

Imagine what an event like Pi Kappa Alpha's Localpalooza would have been like if a number of groups would have helped put on the event instead of just one. There would have been more people, more events and more money raised for charity.

The net effect of more student group interaction would lead to a better atmosphere here on campus. As Office of Equal Opportunity Director Norman Seay pointed out this campus needs more diversity. The purpose of the groups on campus should be to try to fight this negative atmosphere of division and open up this campus to a variety of experiences.

Now I hate to play the gadfly to

SGA President Chris Jones, but this phenomenon should be a top-down experience not something that we should just expect to happen spontaneously on campus.

One example that comes to mind is the dunking booth. For EXPO '94 I will be making my appearance in the dunking booth at high noon on Wednesday, Sept. 7. I was asked by the University Pro-



gram Board to participate in the event because I was a high-profile member of the campus community. These words I write are sure to draw a big crowd. In fact I wouldn't be surprised to see many members of

SGA lining up to take a shot at this little editor-in-chief.

I thought I would be able to bestow the same favor upon Chris Jones. Certainly the president of SGA is a high-profile position on campus. But when I asked Chris if he would be in the dunking booth he mumbled something about meetings and that he couldn't be soaking wet at a meeting.

Okay Mr. Wet Blanket.

The more and more I talk to Chris Jones, the more it seems like I am talking to a member of the

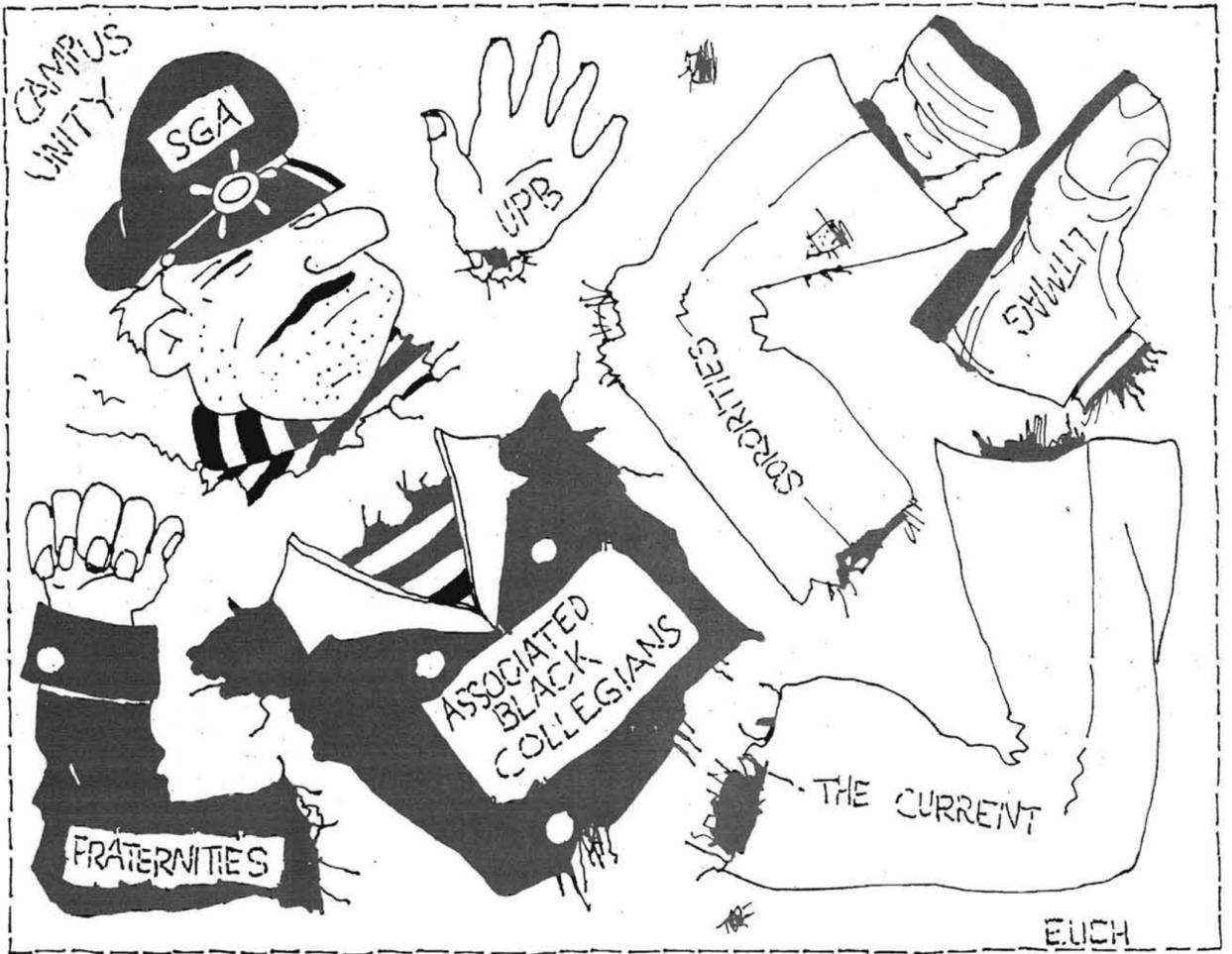
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administration. Meetings, meetings, meetings and "no comment" about anything that SGA is doing on campus.

"No comment" doesn't build student unity on campus Mr. Jones. "No comment" means no self-sacrifice and no progress.

Sooner or later SGA and the groups on campus are going to have to face the fact that they are all part of one campus community. If the students are going to have more say, if this campus is to improve, we, meaning all the groups on campus, are going to have to work together.

As a seer once said to the first colonies of what was to become the United States, "Join or die."



Cheers: Localpalooza, University Center expansion, others

by Clint Zweifel
managing editor

I would like to make a few comments three weeks into the new academic year. Unfortunately, this newspaper does not have the space to recognize everyone on campus. There have been recent events, though, that do merit recognition.

Cheers to:

•Pi Kappa Alpha

They did a wonderful job with local band-bash Localpalooza. The event, held at the Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity house, was better attended than most on-campus student events. The event was organized with true professionalism. Organizations should look at the event as a great example of bringing the students together for great entertainment and a great time.

•UM-St. Louis Counseling Service, Horizons and the Women's Center

The organizations offer a great service to the campus community. Through outreach programs and one-on-one counseling, the Counseling Service served nearly 30 percent of

student enrollment during the 1993-94 academic year. The Counseling Service has seen an increase in number of students served almost every year since 1984. The department understands that they cannot just sit and wait for students

to utilize their service. They have put their hand out to students, and in return, students have responded. Offering a variety of services ranging from career to personal counseling, the department is truly top-flight.

•Norman Seay, director of the Office of Equal Opportunity

Seay continues to make attempts at bringing all racial groups on the campus together in a first-class manner. He does not attempt to hide the fact that this campus's students are in need of diversity training. His request to bring the eloquent Maya Angelou to speak at the University is a great idea. Angelou's appearance will be something that is for all students. University Program Board should honor his re-

quest and donate \$8,000 to the cost of Angelou's appearance and students should follow his lead fighting against racial tension.

•University Center Expansion

It is about time. This campus, far too spread out, is in dire need of a student center that can serve as a central location for student services. A centralized student center could accomplish wonders for on-campus student life. It would be great to see a solid proposal put before the students' vote by the end of fall semester—a proposal that has the quality to reflect any increase in student fees. Brady Commons, here we come.

•UM-St. Louis Political Action Committee

With the Hancock II on the ballot in November, students need to be aware that there is an organization to help them fight an amendment that could cut the University's funding. Lance LeLoup, director of the UM-St. Louis Center for Metropolitan Studies, heads UMSLPAC (UM-St. Louis Political

Action Committee) and has said they will do everything in the committee's power to ensure that the amendment does not pass. Students, I am sure they could use some help. This University does not need to see a possible \$8 million gutted from its budget.

•Administrative Services and Police Departments

The departments wanted to increase police visibility. It seems to be working. A well-trained visible officers seems to be the biggest deterrent to crime. It also gives the campus community the peace of mind they deserve. Hopefully, other improvements the departments have made will continue to be implemented.

•Voice of the people writers

Letters are always encouraged by this newspaper. Readers, do not ever hesitate to give us your thoughts, as "Voice of the people" letters are always given priority. Your letters make *The Current* a better newspaper and do have a direct effect on student issues. Write us a letter and keep open dialogue among the campus community.



Voice of the people...

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 not informed 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 inexcusable 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

electronic mail contact

The Current's electronic mail and bulletin board 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. 12. "Voice of the People" letters will still be accepted through the mail. We apologize for any inconvenience.

Correction

•In Michael O'Brian's story "Pike party rocks campus" (issue 796) Doug Haldeman was identified as the former president of Pi Kappa Alpha. He is the president of Pi Kappa Alpha.

•In the same issue, Haldeman was misspelled in Jeffrey Struyk's story "Party for a cause."

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

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sometimes outweighing the amount of the donation.

"We look for ways to form partnerships with corporations and individuals to achieve this common goal," she said.

Chancellor Blanche Touhill said the University and the community are becoming more interrelated.

"This continued growth in private giving suggests that the community

identifies with the University more than ever before," Touhill said. "We have forged strategic alliances which continue to benefit the region."

UM-St. Louis received a private donation this year to establish an endowed professorship in nursing. The University has received another pledge from a donor for a second endowed professorship in nursing next year.

In the 1993-94 academic year, UM-

St. Louis started an endowed professorship in modern Greek studies. The University received more than \$300,000 in gifts and pledges toward that professorship. Included in that amount are funds raised at the Hellenic Spirit Foundation dinner last November.

Individual donations showed the largest growth, but St. Louis-based companies also made large contributions. Here is a list of some of those companies and how they contributed.

The University's precollegiate programs received at total of \$1.26 million from companies and founda-

tions such as American Honda Foundation, Builders Square, CPI Philanthropic Trust, Emerson Charitable Trust, Kmart Corporation, McDonnell Douglas Foundation, Mercantile Bancorporation Inc., Monsanto Fund and Union Electric Company.

Anheuser-Busch Foundation made a \$100,000 gift to support the Anheuser-Busch Ecology and Conservation Complex, the second of a five-year, \$500,000 pledge.

The McDonnell Douglas Foundation contributed \$150,000 to the UM-St. Louis-Washington University Joint Undergraduate Engineering Program.

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This brings to \$450,000 the foundation's total contribution to this program.

May Department Stores Foundation renewed its support of the May Scholars Program of the University's Pierre LaClede Honors College through a five-year pledge of \$200,000.

Southwestern Bell Foundation provided the funding to establish the innovative Graduating for Success Program for minority math, science and engineering students while continuing its support of the UM-St. Louis/Washington University Joint Undergraduate Engineering Program.

General American Life Insurance Company pledged to establish a computer research laboratory for the School of Business Administration. This donation augments a previous major gift for the laboratory.

Interco Inc. continued its long-term support of the Interco Scholars, a scholarship program for minority students.

University Relations contributed information for this story

the program to the state. Solomon contacted school districts and universities to meet in Jefferson City with Levin. A group of elementary schools were then selected to pilot the project.

The plan for the program is to work with existing accelerated schools, and expand them. Support groups will include faculty, staff and the parents of the children. Through the work of support groups, the school identifies its own problems and solutions. Some philosophies of the program are:

• Unity of purpose in the school community. Everyone in the surrounding area is involved in the program.

• Empowerment coupled with responsibility.

• Building on the schools' present strengths. The program emphasizes looking at what it is doing well, not at what it is doing wrong.

Currently, there are 900 schools in 39 states involved in the Accelerated Schools Program. In Missouri, 71 schools have joined. A center for the program was also started at Southwest Missouri State University (SMSU).

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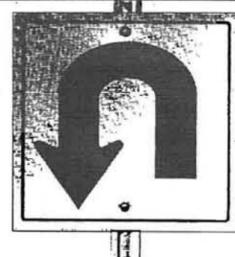
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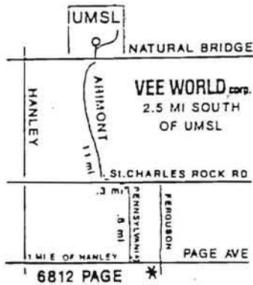
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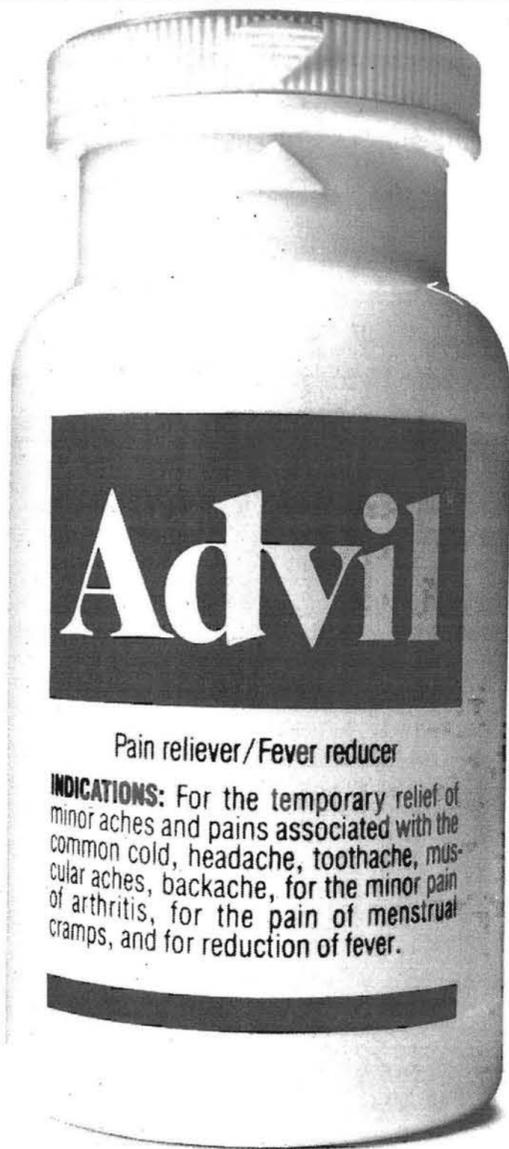
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Counseling Service sees four-year increase in people served

by Clint Zweifel
managing editor

Help! I need somebody.
Help! Not just anybody.
Help!

The Beatles, 1965

UM-St. Louis and other universities across the United States have given students greater accessibility to counseling services for help in dealing with pressures resulting from career, academic or personal problems.

Sharon Biegen, director of the UM-St. Louis Counseling Service, said counseling services on college campuses have given students a confidential way to deal with problems or conflicts in their lives. Since the Counseling Service provides a number of services ranging from career to personal counseling, Biegen said other students are not aware of the reason a person is utilizing the service.

"People come to the service for all kinds of things," she said. "If someone comes in here, no one is going to know what the reason is. It makes them feel more comfortable."

The department has served an increasing number of students each of the last four years and presently serves about 28 percent of the UM-St. Louis student population. During the 1983-84 academic year, the department served only five percent of the student population. Biegen said the increase results from the use of "outreach" programs that counsel students and student organizations on stress management and relationship skills. She said the "outreach" programs have worked well in serving students who would not normally utilize the service. The service conducted one-on-one sessions with 351 people in the 1993-94 academic year.

Nearly 30 percent of University enrollment utilize department

demically. They served an additional 2,927 members of the campus community through 'outreach' programs and workshops.

"We set up 'outreach' programs outside of our office so people don't have to come in here [to benefit from the Counseling Service]," Biegen said.

Top Day-Student Concerns

1. Choice of major
2. Depression
3. Career exploration
4. Identity issues and personal growth
5. Low self-esteem
6. Problem with couple relationship
7. Anxiety
8. Inability to concentrate
9. Mood swings
10. Difficulty making decisions

Statistics were compiled from a 53-item survey of 351 students who had one-on-one counseling through the UM-St. Louis Counseling Service during the 1993-94 academic year.

"It allows us to serve more people."

Doug Strauss is a staff psychologist for the Counseling Service and the adviser to Horizons, a peer counseling organization under the counseling service. Strauss said both of the organizations serve the campus community in different ways.

• UM-St. Louis Counseling Ser-

vice

The Counseling Service is made up of four professional doctorate-level staff psychologists. The service gives one-on-one counseling to students, faculty and staff and conducts "outreach" workshops for student organizations concerning relationship skills and stress management. The service will provide up to 25 one-on-one sessions. The first 6 visits are free with a charge of \$10 per subsequent visit.

Strauss said student bring in problems such as depression, choice of major, relationships and anxiety. Strauss said the problems, although sometimes similar, are usually more serious than the ones that Horizons deals with. Strauss said the Counseling Service deals with a variety of problems mainly concerning relationships or self.

"Aside from personal concerns, there'll be a lot of relationship problems," he said. "That's probably number one. These are relationships with boyfriends, girlfriends, friends as well as family. I see a lot of concerns with the area of personal growth and self-identity values. A lot of students are searching- 'who am I?' or 'how do I fit into this world?' And we'll see a lot of low self-esteem or poor self-image."

Strauss said a majority of the patients complete counseling after 6 visits, but some patients continue up to 25 visits. He said the staff sometimes recommends continued counseling depending upon the seriousness of the patient's problem or problems. In those situations, Strauss said the Counseling Service's main goal is to relax the immediate crisis.

"If we see somebody who we think

needs to continue counseling, we will do everything we can to make sure they get the proper care," Strauss said. "Some people come in with severe concerns. If someone came in with a severe psychological disturbance... if they were obsessive/compulsive, as a clinician I would diagnose them. They could benefit from medicine, so we would refer them to somebody who specializes in that."

"If somebody is what we call clinically depressed, as opposed to bummed-out because they broke up with somebody- they're not sleeping, they're not eating, they have suicidal intentions, we get them through the crisis. We never just let them out. We also might recom-

This story is the first part of a two-part series focusing on counseling organizations on the UM-St. Louis campus. The series will continue next week with a final look at other counseling organizations on the University's campus.

mend that they consult with a psychiatrist. We try to get them set up for that."

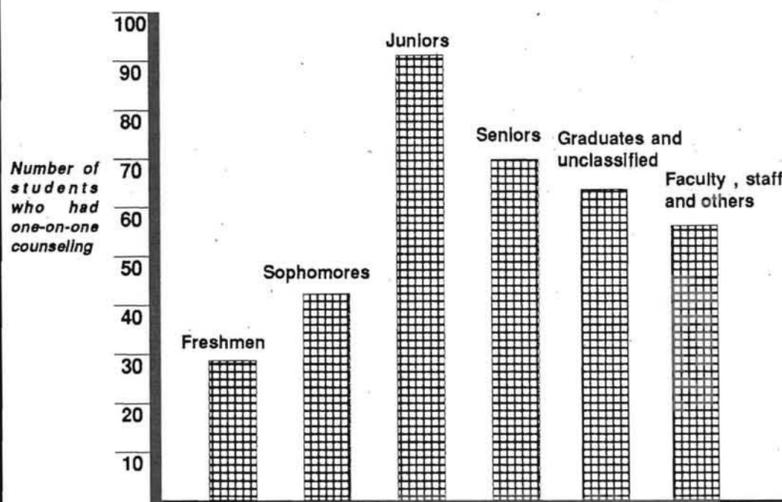
Strauss said if there is no immediate crisis, but the patient still might require long-term therapy, the counseling service will recommend them to outside therapy immediately. He said the department does this since it is hard for the patient to switch therapists after developing a bond with

one. Strauss said forcing the patient to change therapists could inhibit a patient's progress.

"Some [patients'] concerns often take a long time to work through," he said. "If we can sense that somebody is going to need long-term therapy, then we'll try to refer them out before they

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Demographics of clients served



Statistics were compiled from a 53-item survey taken by 351 students who had one-on-one counseling through the UM-St. Louis Counseling Service during the 1993-94 academic year.



Gallery 210 hosts 'Maus' that roared

by Craig D. Merston
of The Current staff

The roar of "Maus," a work by Art Spiegelman, has been heard around the world.

"A quiet triumph, moving, simple," said The Washington Post.

"A truly great eccentric book," said The Wall Street Journal.

"Maus" won a Pulitzer Prize in 1992.

UM-St. Louis Gallery 210 will open "Road to Maus," a show on Spiegelman's work, on Sept. 6.

The work for the show is based on accounts of Spiegelman's father's experience with the Holocaust.

Spiegelman has written two books that help comprise this exhibit: "Maus I: My Father Bleeds History" and "Maus II: A Survivor's Tale and Here My Father's Troubles Began." These

two books rely on unique artwork composed of intricate animal symbolism. He portrays his father's account of WWII and the Holocaust with the Jews as mice, the Germans as cats, the Poles as pigs and the Americans as dogs.

Tom Kochheiser, director of Gallery 210, said the exhibit is important and fascinating.

Kochheiser said he brought the exhibit to UM-St. Louis, because "I thought it would be good for the campus and St. Louis to see this exhibition. The mission of the gallery is to provide St. Louis and the campus with contemporary art programs of national or international importance that would not otherwise be seen in St. Louis."

"This exhibit was first put together at the Museum of Modern Art in New York City. The show was in Amsterdam before it came here,"

Kochheiser said.

The exhibit includes a computer with related media on a CD ROM. The disc contains interviews with Spiegelman's father, both books, background material, drawings and sketches.

"There is so much in this show that people will want to come back again and again," Kochheiser said. "There is so much to learn. There are more than eighty pieces to the exhibit. It's a rich exhibition."

The exhibit will be in the gallery from Sept. 6 through Oct. 8. The gallery hours are Tuesday 12 p.m. to 8 p.m., Wednesday 9 p.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The gallery is closed on Sunday and Monday.

The "Maus" books will be on sale in the gallery during the exhibit.

UM-St. Louis has first student Fulbright Student's initiative key to landing fellowship

by Matt Forsythe
editor-in-chief

A first for the UM-St. Louis and a first for the country of Malta.

That is the perfect way to describe the Fulbright fellowship that was awarded to Eric Baumer, a graduate student in criminology.

This program, instituted in 1946 by senator J. William Fulbright, allows graduate students to travel to different countries to conduct research. Each year, more than 700 American students take part in the program.

Baumer is the first graduate student from UM-St. Louis to win a Fulbright fellowship and Malta will be accepting Baumer as the first Fulbright fellow in the country's history.

Dr. Richard Wright, who described Baumer as "one of the best students I've ever had," said the credit belongs entirely to Baumer.

"There was no Fulbright program in the country of Malta until Eric called," Wright said. "This Fulbright fellowship was instigated at Eric's suggestion."

"It is a marvelous opportunity. I wish I could see more good, motivated students put in the work to get this kind of opportunity. The contacts that he is going to make on this trip will set him up for life."



Photo: Cinde Poli

MALTA BOUND: Eric Baumer is studying up for his trip to Malta. Baumer is one of two Fulbright fellows visiting Malta for the first time.

Dr. Joel Glassman, director of the Center for International Studies, wholeheartedly agreed.

"This is a very prestigious award. I feel proud that Eric is the first student from our university to be a Fulbright winner," Glassman said. "We feel it is a little financial support to give to a student who was selected out of thousands of applicants."

The center gave Eric an additional \$1,000 grant to help defray that part of

the \$16,000 that the Fulbright fellowship does not cover.

So what will this student be researching on this sun-baked, Mediterranean island, south of Sicily?

"My research will be on prison recidivism," Baumer said.

Recidivism, or the tendency of criminals to relapse into crime, will be an interesting subject to study, he said,

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Versatile New Coon Creek Girls release Bluegrass album

by Michael J. Urness
of the Current staff

One of the hottest bands touring on the bluegrass circuit, these days, is an all-girl band from the bluegrass state of Kentucky, The New Coon Creek Girls.

Named after another all-girl bluegrass group from the late '30s and '40s the New Coon Creek Girls were organized in 1979. Their recent release, "The L & N Don't Stop Here Anymore," is the group's sixth since its inception.

In true bluegrass style, the new release features impeccable musicianship, strong vocal harmonies and the delivery of an occasional gospel-grass inspirational.

The New Coon Creek Girls are: Vicki Simmons, on bass and baritone vocals, Dale Ann Bradley, on lead guitar and lead vocals, Pam Perry, on mandolin and harmony vocals, and

ing a fiery rendition of the bluegrass standard "Fireball Mail" featuring excellent vocal work as well as lightning-fast banjo and fiddle playing. The pace slows considerably on the second num-

anyone," a song that tells the mournful tale of a once-thriving coal mining community and its inhabitants once the mining company and railroad have moved on. "I Ain't Never," a rocking, country blues tune, brings yet another dimension of this amazing band into play.

Stylistically, these girls are as versatile as any I've ever heard. With influences ranging from bluegrass' Lester Flatt & Earl Scruggs to Elvis Presley, Dolly Parton, Emmylou Harris and Ricky Skaggs, they have a most diverse repertoire from which to draw.

"Stop, Look And Listen," a Vicky Simmons original, is a traditionally flavored gospel number as is the Girls'

In true bluegrass style, the new release features impeccable musicianship, strong vocal harmonies and the delivery of an occasional gospel-grass inspirational.

Ramona Church Taylor, on banjo and tenor vocals. Special guest help, on the band's latest release, comes from Deanie Richardson, on fiddle.

The first track finds the ladies do-

ber, "I should be with you," an emotionally charged love song which features excellent vocals.

Another song of note is the title track, "The L & N Don't Stop Here



New Coon Creek Girls

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because of the small population and unique demographics of Malta.

"The country is so small, that you can have a lot of control over your research project," Baumer said. "It's an island. You can go into the prison, there is only one, and the average population of the prison is 180. It is a very unique project because I will be able to do a lot of detail."

"I want to make it cross cultural. In other words, how does the recidivism rate in Malta compare to America's, and why might that be? What are those different elements that might come into play there? That is one dimension that you cannot get from a textbook," Baumer said.

Baumer, who graduated from Southwest Missouri State University

"How does the recidivism rate in Malta compare to America's and why might that be? What are those different elements that might come into play there? That is one dimension that you cannot get from a textbook."

**-Eric Baumer,
Fulbright winner**

in Springfield with a B.A. in political science, said the professors of the criminology department at UM-St. Louis have made all the difference in his reaching his goals.

He singled out Dr. Richard Wright, Dr. Janet Lauritsen and Dr. Richard Rosenfeld, for making a special difference in his life and work.

"They really motivated and inspired me to do things that I thought I couldn't do," Baumer said.

Baumer also said special thanks were due to Dr. Wright for being his

"Maltese connection."

"Dr. Wright met the deputy attorney general of Malta," Baumer said. "They both went to Cambridge. [Wright] was visiting him there last summer and collaborating with the University of Malta and the University of Missouri-St. Louis on a number of issues."

"On his visit, [Wright] found out that they would be very interested in having a student over there doing research," Baumer said.

Baumer leaves for Malta Sept. 20.

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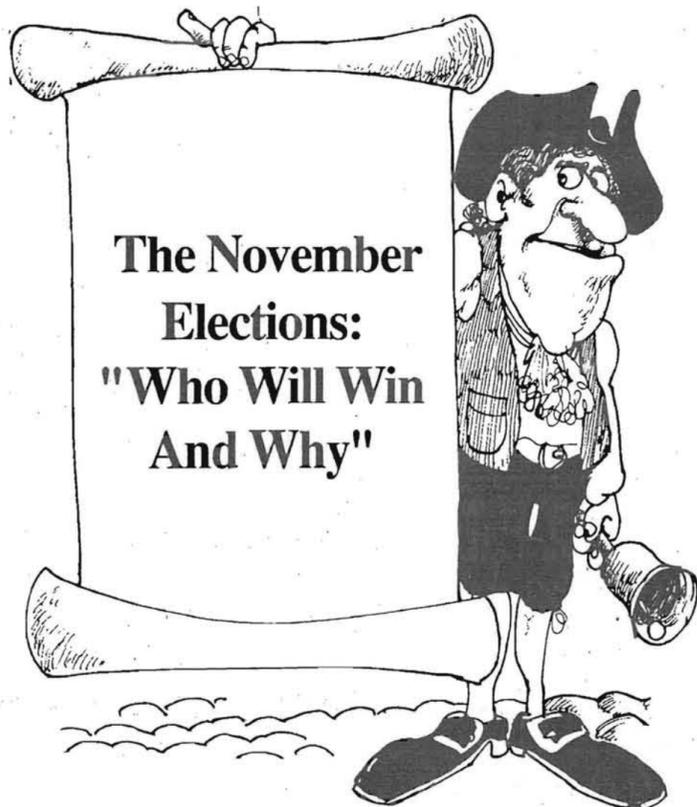
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Out In The Open



Baseball work stoppage gives fans raw deal

by Rob Goedeker
associate sports editor

We all have our opinions about the Major League baseball strike. Some of us feel the players are getting paid too much money, and others feel the players salaries are justified by the right to compete in a free market.

The owners say they are losing money, but we have yet to see any facts that would prove them right.

But, who is really right in this situation, the owners, or the players? I say neither.

Both sides are forgetting about the fans. The everyday person who has to work an eight hour shift and uses their hard earned money to take their family to a ball game. They are the real losers in a strike situation. The fans are the one's who buy the tickets, the paraphernalia, and in Anheuser-Busch's case, the beer.

Also, if baseball fans didn't care to watch their favorite players on television, baseball wouldn't receive as much revenue from the TV contracts offered by competing networks.

Among the other losers in the strike are all the people employed by the Major League franchises.

If the owners and the players are having so many problems managing their (our) money, maybe we should stop giving it to them.

Recently, I talked to UM-St. Louis baseball coach Jim Brady about the baseball strike. He had an interesting opinion about how to solve the problem. Brady feels that there is a way baseball can manage its money without having to go on a strike and locking out the fans. He says that a certain amount of the revenue generated by baseball should be allocated to different areas. Some of the money should be given back to the fans in terms of lower ticket prices.

"It's outrageous, people can't afford to go to the ball park anymore," Brady said. "That was not the way the game was ever meant to be promoted. It was always for the common folk, and now, it's just for rich people."

Brady also feels that some of the money should be used to bring more quality instructors in the minor leagues. People are always complaining about players having bad fundamentals when they reach the Major League level, and Brady feels that the players need to be counseled when they're in the minors.

"Baseball is such a physiological game," said Brady said. "It requires so much mental toughness, and the guys that are successful are the ones that can stay on an even keel."

Most of the time, the manager and coaches do not have enough time to spend with the player individually.

Through a long season of ups and downs, players need a counselor to be there to listen to them and give constructive criticism on how to play the game better. Then, in the majors, players won't have to re-learn the fundamentals.

"If players make a mistake in the minors, there's nobody there to correct them. They bring that same thought pattern with them to the big leagues," Brady said. "There are 162 games in a season, but each kid plays like it's his last game."

The way things look in baseball right now, that may be true.

Riverwomen serve up a split at Classic

by Rob Goedeker
associate sports editor

The Riverwomen were hoping to repeat last years championship performance at the Red/Gold Classic this year, but a lot has changed since then.

The Riverwomen are a different team with seven new players. There were a lot of questions about how the 'new look' Riverwomen would perform, but those were quickly answered as the Riverwomen survived the Classic with a 2-2 record and a second place finish.

"The chemistry on this team is perhaps as good as any we've ever had," said Riverwomen Assistant Coach Erik Kaseorg. "We're getting the maximum out of our players right now."

One of the most impressive performers this season has been freshmen outside hitter Anne Marie Gary.

"Anne Marie is probably the most aggressive outside hitter we've had at UMSL (UM-St. Louis) in a long time," Kaseorg said.

Gary has also been getting some recognition from her teammates.

"She's really aggressive, and she wants the ball," said setter Tricia Clendenen.

The Riverwomen's first competition of the season, Sept. 2, was a surprise loss to Quincy with the scores 9-

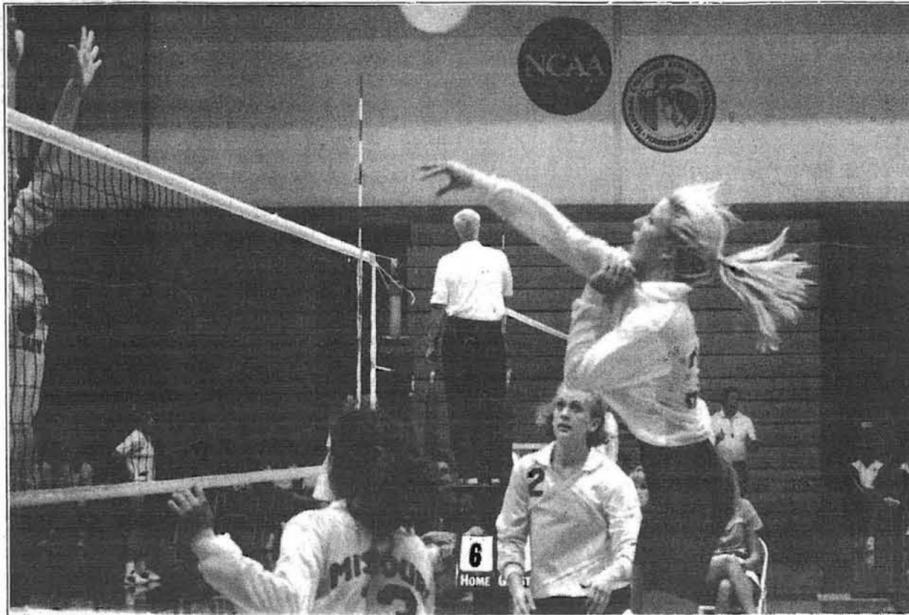


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SETTING UP FOR THE KILL: Middle Hitter Karen Basket spikes the ball, at the Red/Gold Classic against Quincy last Friday, as Tricia Clendenen (#2) and Kerry Mallon (#13) look on.

15, 15-12, 5-15, 6-15. The team thought Quincy would be a good team to warm up with, but as the match unraveled, the result was not what was expected.

"We underestimated them," Kaseorg said. "I based our strategy on

the Quincy team from last year which doesn't bare any resemblance to the Quincy team this year."

The Riverwomen looked timid in their first match. They fell behind early in every game except the one that they

won. Playing catch-up wasn't easy for this young team and the pressure seemed to be too much for them to handle. Every time the Riverwomen had a chance to change the momentum of the game, they would make a bad serve or

an ill-advised play.

In their second match of the day, the Riverwomen gained some respect and built an image of a more confident and relaxed team, beating the University of Colorado-Colorado Springs 16-14, 14-16, 17-15, 11-15, 15-12. Unlike their first match of the season, the Riverwomen jumped out to some early leads, which helped them relax and settle into a game plan.

The following day, Sept. 3, the Riverwomen swept the University of Alabama-Huntsville 15-11, 15-8, 15-2. The Riverwomen jumped out in front early, and set the pace of the match. In the first game, the Riverwomen jumped out to a 8-1 lead. Gary ended the game with an ace. She used a sinking serve that she has been working on in practice.

The Riverwomen's last match of the Classic was against Central Oklahoma, a team that they easily handled in last year's Classic. The same was not true this year, though, as the Riverwomen were defeated 6-15, 12-15, 5-15.

"We were a little out of sync," said Riverwomen Head Coach Denise Silvester. "We weren't aware of where are teammates were and what our responsibilities were. That creates indecision, which creates lack of ball control. The team that controls the ball the best is the team that's going to win."

Protector of pipes back in action: Lynn returns for the Rivermen

by Ken Dunkin
of The Current staff

After a two year absence from UM-St. Louis, soccer goalkeeper Mark Lynn is back between the pipes for the Rivermen.

Lynn started for the Rivermen his freshman year, but academic problems forced him to transfer to St. Louis Community College-Meramec.

He has some very good advice for freshmen who think college is just like high school.

"It's a lot easier to hit the books and get the grade point average up your freshman year, than to try to build it up junior and senior year," Lynn said. "You need to take college seriously, because it is a major part of your life."

While at Meramec, Lynn worked on getting his g.p.a. up to a respectful level. He did not compete in any type of soccer there. He kept in shape by

playing on select teams and in a senior league made up of mostly mid-20s players.

Now Lynn has returned to Rivermen soccer program, with a higher G.P.A. and some very high hopes for the season.

"I want to get as many shutouts as possible, win games and be a leader on and off of the field," Lynn said. "Our goal, as a team, is to get in the national tournament and hopefully get into the championship."

These expectations aren't very high when you consider Lynn was a member of the 17-1-2 team two years ago. He finished that season with seven shutouts in ten starts. The Rivermen had an undefeated record in the regular season and also made it to the quarterfinals of the NCAA tournament.

After Lynn departed, coach Tom Redmond described the goalkeeping as adequate.

"It hasn't been exceptional like it was in 1991," he said.

"From a coaching standpoint, I'll relax a lot more knowing Mark is in goal," Redmond added. "I'm certain his teammates will have an air of confidence knowing he is back there."

Forward Todd Rick echoed that statement, "I think he gives the whole team confidence. Even after two years of rest, he's a good goalie."

Lynn is determined to improve his game. Over the summer, he worked out to bulk-up so he could take more punishment in goal.

"Physically, he appears to be bigger, stronger and possibly a bit quicker, than he was in 1991," Redmond said. "I anticipate Mark will be a better goalie."

The major difference for Lynn this year is that he is the only goalie in the roster and barring injury the job is his no matter what.



Photo: Cinde Poli

THE SKY IS THE LIMIT: Rivermen Goalie Mark Lynn makes a save in practice last week. Following a two years absence, Lynn returns to the UM-St. Louis Rivermen soccer team. He is expected to resume a brilliant career in goal for the team.

Riverwomen ready for 'real thing'

by Pete Dicrispino
sports editor

Anticipation was brewing in the UM-St. Louis women's soccer practices last week. The team members are tired of playing against each other and are ready for real competition.

"I'm ready to see how we do 11 vs 11," head coach Ken Hudson said.

With only 13 total players, the Riverwomen have been finding it hard to scrimmage against each other.

"It's hard to find out how everyone plays, and you don't know what to expect," midfielder Lori Lueddecke said. "In the games you get to know more about each other."

Outside back Jennifer Frohlich agreed with her teammate.

"It's tough," Frohlich said. "You can only do so many four on four drills."

On the other side of the coin, Hudson is pleased with the way the team has come along.

"The players are looking really good, and they're real fit too," Hudson said. "We're knocking the ball around good."

So far two of the biggest surprises in practice have been freshmen Melissa Caldwell and Tammi Madden.

"Melissa has been a big surprise making this team as a walk-on," Hudson said. "She is one of the starting forwards."

Madden, meanwhile, has the ability to be a real impact player.

"She makes things happen," Hudson added.

"She good in the midfield, plus she talks a lot too," Lueddecke said.

Another thing Hudson is excited about is his team's balanced attack.

"No team should be able to key on just Jenni (Burton) this year," Hudson said.

Burton, the teams leading scorer last year, often found herself doubled-or-tripled-teamed last year.

"We're not going to be a one dimensional attack," Hudson said. "Madden and Caldwell will help make things happen."

The Riverwomen also should be better defensively. They have two very good goalies in Amy Abernathy and Julie Sachse, plus they are quicker in the backfield area.

"Leigha Gibbs and Dianne Ermeling are quick backs, I doubt anyone will get breakaways against us," Hudson said.

Add Frohlich to the list, and the defense appears to be solid.

The Riverwomen were hoping to get to know each other better last weekend during the first two games against St. Joseph's and Wisconsin-Parkside.

"We needed to get used to playing coach Hudson's style, and we need to see how each other plays," Frohlich said.

Hudson wanted his team to gain something from last weekend.

"I wanted to see how the freshmen react to the competition and handle the pressure," Hudson said.

With only 13 players, the six freshmen were thrown into the fire.

"They've received plenty of playing time, so they'll have to build on it," Hudson said. "They need to gain confidence."

Coaches Corner

Featuring

Tom Redmond

Rivermen Head Soccer Coach



Photo: Cinde Poli

by Pete Dicrispino
sports editor

In the business of sports journalism it might be hard to find a nicer guy than men's soccer coach Tom Redmond. His calm, friendly style helps make my job much easier.

Birthplace: St. Louis, Missouri.
I went to college at: St. Louis Community College-Meramec and Indiana University.

Favorite college memory: We won the National Championship, at Meramec, my freshman year, and I started at centerback. And, at Indiana University, I was an assistant coach in 1976 when we went to the finals.

Personal Hero: My father.

One thing I can't stand is: People

who don't use their turn signal when they drive.

People who knew me in college would say: That I was an OK guy.

Fantasy: To have enough money so I could devote more time to my family and my sport.

Two words that best describe me: Honest and friendly.

What I like best about coaching: The challenge of taking different personalities, abilities and attitudes and putting them together to work towards a common goal.

If I could change one thing about myself: I wouldn't change a thing.

Hobbies: I enjoy golf, and I like to read a book once in awhile. But, my main hobby is Lauren and Matthew. (Redmond's twins who were born December 2, 1993)

Greatest game I ever coached: 1992 season opener against Sonoma State. They beat us in the final game of 1991, and they came into the 1992 game cocky. We beat them 3-1. The game had an electrifying atmosphere.

Most disappointing game: Sonoma State 1991.

My favorite sport (other than soccer): Golf.

Favorite Golf player: Greg Norman.

My impressions on the way sports have become a business: I'm frustrated with the overall cost of living. It bothers me that all the key things in life cost too much money. Everyone's out for themselves, and greed has come into the sports business.

Greatest experience ever: My wedding.

Advice I would give to people raising twins: Do not turn down any help.

Favorite movie: "The Sting." I enjoy that movie as much as I've ever enjoyed any film.

Favorite Restaurant: Riddle's
Favorite childhood memory: Playing hockey on the ponds when they were frozen.

What would I want people to remember about me: That I was a good person who thought a lot about the people around him.

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