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## 'Monkey business'

Riverwoman Melissa Yates is blocked out by a Pittsburg State Gorilla. See Sports for the rest of the monkey business.

### EDITORIAL

What is a 'stop hour'? Check out this week's Editorial page to get the full story.

### FEATURES

Is she a police officer, a student or Ms. Black Missouri? How about all three. Take a look at this week's Features page.

### SPORTS

It was the final hurrah for the seniors on the Rivermen Basketball team. Don't miss it!

## Bosley, Jones visit UM-St. Louis

### Five students receive awards from College Democrats

by Brian A. Dashner  
news editor

St. Louis Mayor Freeman Bosley Jr. presented scholarship awards to 20 students from four area colleges Wednesday.

The ceremony, held in the J.C. Penney Building, was sponsored by The Young Democrats Of the City of St. Louis, UM-St. Louis Chapter.

The awards, \$200 each, were funded by the Democrats. The requirements included a grade point average above 3.0, a minimum of two letters of reference and a current college transcript.

Five UM-St. Louis students: Adepero Adewale, Teresa Robinson, Lisa Sample, Harlan Hodge, and Tawana Moore, received the award.

The awardees were announced by Wayman Smith III, Vice President of Corporate Affairs for Anheuser Busch, a St. Louis company which sponsors activities for the Democrats.

Lisa Sample is a criminology major at UM-St. Louis. She said she would use the money for tuition during the summer session.

Teresa Robinson said another criterion was community service by the applicant. She said her award would help with the cost of books.

"You can get money from a lot of different places," Hodge said, "But it really means a lot when it's people your own age who are giving you the money." Hodge is a social work major.

Keil Ward, President of the College Democrats of UM-St. Louis and treasurer for the St. Louis chapter of Young Democrats, said the chapter is trying to work closely with other area colleges to form a united spirit.

Ida Woolfolk, a motivational speaker and a member of the Advisory Board for the Democrats, presided over the ceremony and outlined the Democratic Party Platform for St. Louis.

The event drew a large crowd.



photo: Monica Senecal

(L-R) Mayor Freeman Bosley Jr., College Democrats President Kel Ward and St. Louis City Comptroller Virvius Jones display democratic unity at the Young Democrat's scholarship awards.

Woolfolk estimated the number at nearly 200.

"The zone concept and the spirit of neighborhood schools will be here," Woolfolk said.

Woolfolk introduced the Rev. Earl Nance, a member of the St. Louis School Board, who conducted a prayer before speeches were given.

Virvius Jones, comptroller of St. Louis City, presented a speech which centered on African Americans' positions in American society.

"When people say that Affirmative Action hasn't worked—that's crap," Jones said "Affirmative action has worked. It has yet to fulfill the dream."

"With all the news [which] is out there about African males, you would think all the woes of America have been created by the African male," Jones said.

Jones cited republican conservatives and conservative legislation as major obstacles to African American economic equality. Jones said that Whites are afraid that Blacks will take over.

"The kind of paranoia you're creating in this country is causing a serious schism [between African Americans and Caucasians]," Jones said. He later named Rush Limbaugh, Bob Dole and Jesse Helms as some people who are creating paranoia.

Jones spoke about desegregation, bussing laws, and racism in St. Louis businesses.

Jones cited racism as a major problem in St. Louis business. He said that St. Louis businesses have no African American CEOs.

"The result of exclusion is that it creates disaffected people," Jones said.

"Inclusion saves money, exclusion costs."

Jones said that African American youths should not work for large corporations.

"The only way we [African Americans] are going to change the system," Jones said, "is if we become entrepreneurs and people who make money. I always feel much better at church when I've had breakfast."

Bosley was the next speaker. He said the city of St. Louis contracted UM-St. Louis to design and implement a safety program for the north side. Bosley described the program as a contest held by the federal government. Top prize was \$100 million. St. Louis received \$3 million.

"UM-St. Louis was a major player

see Bosley, page 4

## Phelps and the WBC to protest Angelou visit

by Matthew J. Forsythe  
editor-in-chief

Maya Angelou's performance at UM-St. Louis, scheduled for tomorrow, has been targeted for protest by the Westboro Baptist Church and Library.

The Church, lead by Pastor Fred Phelps, is planning to protest Angelou at 6:30 p.m. in front of the Mark Twain Building.

Phelps said his Church is protesting Angelou because she actively promotes homosexuality.

"She is a vigorous promoter of what the Gay and Lesbian movement calls 'their agenda'," Phelps said. "We call it the militant sodomite agenda."

Phelps said the group began targeting Angelou after the poet read at Clinton's inauguration. The poem, titled "On the Pulse of Morning," included a reference to "the gay."

In November of 1994, Angelou cancelled a performance at Emporia, Kan. similar to the one planned at UM-St. Louis after an encounter with Phelps and his followers.

Kenny Rahtz, Angelou's booking agent, described Angelou's first encounter with the protesters as a "brutal attack" in the Nov. 17 issue of the Kansas City Star. Rahtz said Phelps verbally attacked Angelou with "vile and disgusting" remarks. Rahtz said Angelou was concerned

see Protest, page 4

## Graduation switched from Mark Twain to Kiel Center

### Vantine: 'No limit to number of tickets'

by Amy Pierce  
associate news editor

The UM-St. Louis graduation commencement will take place May 16 at the Kiel Center. It was originally scheduled for May 14 at the Mark Twain Building on the UM-St. Louis campus.

The commencement, previously held at the Arena, was moved to the Kiel Center this year. The Kiel Center was not available to the University on May 14 because of the National Hockey League playoffs.

"We could have just planned to keep the date of May 14 and have the commencement in the Mark Twain Building, but the space is very limited," said Cindy Vantine, the director of

Special Events at UM-St. Louis.

This will be the first time a commencement will be held during the middle of the week. Some students were concerned about the change in date for the commencement from Sunday to Tuesday.

"The Tuesday night date may be a conflict to many students," Vantine said, "but, because, this year, there are no restrictions on the numbers of guests the graduates can invite, it overshadows the inconvenience."

Vantine said students and their guests may park at UM-St. Louis and take the MetroLink to the Kiel Center.

Vantine expects that, for the 750 graduates, approximately 5,000 guests will attend.

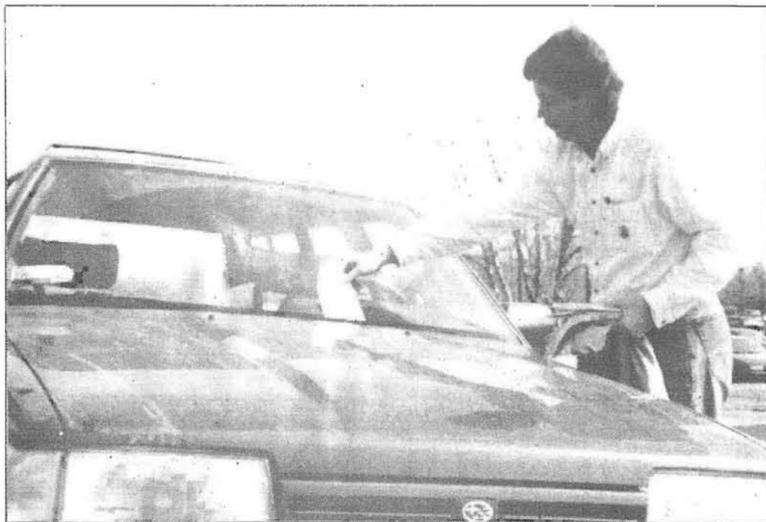


photo: Matthew J. Forsythe

Mark Gingrich, a student who parked on the side of West drive on south campus, takes a \$20 parking ticket off his car. Normandy officers ticketed cars on Wednesday.

## They're back: Normandy tickets more students

by Matthew J. Forsythe  
editor-in-chief

Students on south campus became the victims of the second round of the city of Normandy versus UM-St. Louis feud.

Normandy police officers again ticketed cars parked on the side of the road on the south campus Wednesday.

In the past it has been the policy of the campus police to ignore cars parked along the road because of the lack of parking on south campus.

Many students came out of class and were surprised to find parking tickets on their windshields.

"We have to pay for parking and they still don't have enough parking spaces and then we get a ticket," said Mark Gingrich, a History major.

"I think something should be posted here before they start giving out tickets," said Beth Bailey, an Education major.

Bailey also took issue with the fact that someone from UM-St. Louis had put up barricades to prevent the cars from parking on the side of the road after she had parked there.

"An hour ago those barricades were not here," Bailey said.

Director of Police and Safety Lt. Bob Roeseler said the barricades had been put up to prevent students from violating any Normandy ordinances.

"We had thought that the writing of tickets had ceased," Roeseler said. "When we found out it was continuing we put the barricades back up."

Beth Hullahan, the mayor of Normandy, said that any cars parked illegally or speeding

on south campus would be ticketed by Normandy officers.

"[South campus] is within the boundaries of the city of Normandy," Hullahan said. "We have always patrolled up there. If the University isn't recognizing our boundaries then we will have to [continue ticketing.]"

Hullahan met with the Chancellor Blanche Touhill on Thursday to talk about the new apartments.

Hullahan said she needed information from the Chancellor concerning the building codes for the new apartments on south campus.

Hullahan also said she had questions about whether or not the company constructing the apartments would have to apply for a building permit from the city of Normandy.

see Tickets, page 4

## Bel-Nor grants variance to Newman House boarders

### Board of Adjustments writes specific exception to accommodate new neighbors

by Matthew Forsythe  
editor-in-chief

The village of Bel-Nor gave the Catholic Student Center a very nice Valentine's present.

On the evening of Feb. 14, the Bel-Nor Board of Adjustments granted a variance to the Catholic Student Center that will allow two boarders at the organization's house at 8200 Natural Bridge Road.

Under the "E1" institutional zoning codes, section 400.160, paragraph C, section 2 the village of Bel-Nor specifies that only families can reside within a building housing an educational activity. The variance granted to the Catholic

Student Center allows exceptions to the zoning codes in a very specific way.

"They gave us a variance to the code with very specific limits by naming the two residents," said Betty Chitwood. Betty is co-minister with her husband Dennis Chitwood at the Catholic Student Center.

"If one of them had to move we would have to go before the board again [to apply for another variance]," Betty Chitwood said.

Dennis Chitwood said the process was long and drawn out, but he understands the concerns the village has about boarders.

"If these are the hoops that we have to jump through, then I understand,"

Dennis Chitwood said.

"[The Board of Adjustments] has been very fair and very thorough in understanding why we need the variance, and, at the same time, we understand that they want to hold on to the values of Bel-Nor.

"The Board had genuine concern for the residences of Bel-Nor, which includes the [Catholic Student Center]," Dennis Chitwood said.

Michael Perks, the student boarder who recently moved in, was ecstatic about the decision.

"I feel very pleased and very relieved," Perks said.

Perks is majoring in Biology at UM-St. Louis. He said the Catholic

Student Center's proximity to classes and the closeness of the spiritual community that the Center creates are two reasons why he wanted to move into the house.

"It is a small community, and that makes it a much more intimate and real experience," Perks said.

Don McCarty, the other boarder, who also has an UM-St. Louis connection, said the house was "perfect" for his needs.

McCarty, who is the student service coordinator for Student Activities, moved into the house in December.

The variance will allow him to continue to live at the Center.

## Greeting a future voter



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Mayor Freeman Bosley greets Adeola Adewale and her father Abiodun. They attended the scholarship award ceremony.

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## Only if there were 25 hours in a day

by Jeremy Rutherford  
managing editor

The University of Missouri at St. Louis has been criticized many times in its 30-year history for being a commuter campus. The Student Senate Affairs Committee is studying the effects of implementing a stop-hour, which would allow students to participate in campus activities.



Paul Travers, associate professor of the School of Education, and Rick Blanton, associate director of University Center, are working to see how students would accept the campus being closed from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. once a week. The plan is in the preliminary stages.

So what do you think? I already have my thoughts. They were formed when I joined this campus two years ago and witnessed the less-than-average definition of the words 'campus community.'

I think we should do whatever it takes to create a traditional - yet commuter - atmosphere at UM-St. Louis. If it's highjacking a classroom and cutting off all sources of 18th century information in order to get students updated on campus activities, so be it.

Three classes at the School of Education were polled, and the results were as follows: 57 students said they would be opposed to the idea of a stop-hour and 38 students were in favor. Three students were undecided.

Blanton said many students in favor of the stop-hour have verbally agreed it would be beneficial to UM-St. Louis, but they have not documented their opinions. Blanton said with those responses added in, the reaction is split, which he said is good.

Blanton said that, in addition to new campus activities, other departments and organizations would benefit from a stop-hour.

"More students would participate at the Senate meetings, and students wouldn't have to skip class in order to attend Student Government meetings. Also, faculty members could have regular office hours for students to

come in and visit," Blanton said.

Students who did not agree with the stop-hour made comments indicating that they could change their minds. Seventy-five percent of the 38 students in one classroom who said no also said they would change their minds if the time of the stop-hour was different.

One suggestion from students was closing down the campus at a different time such as 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. This would allow the hours during which most classes are held to be used for class time, and it would provide time for students to partake in student organizational activities.

Students said the stop-hour would allow them to attend meetings that ordinarily create a time conflict. Students said that they would enjoy working with other students on a committee.

The students at the University of Massachusetts-Boston, also a commuter institution, encouraged their administration to implement a stop-hour last semester. In 1982, the stop-hour was discontinued when the university merged with Boston State College.

The student government at Massachusetts-Boston has asked students each year since 1982 if they would like to return to the stop-hour. This year successful lobbying won the chancellor's approval.

"As a commuter institution, it is difficult to have a sense of community or community identity," said Donna Neal, director of Student Life at Massachusetts-Boston. "A free period can be instrumental in starting to build this sense of community."

Neal, a graduate of Massachusetts-Boston, said she has seen the shift in student opinion over time.

"Sometimes I am amazed at how out of touch some faculty can be with how students think today," Neal said.

Travers and Blanton plan to continue researching the stop-hour. Also, *The Current*, would like to hear from you. See sound-off on the stop-hour under this week's cartoon.



## Sound-off on the stop-hour proposal

The *Current* wants to know what you think about the idea of UM-St. Louis not offering class from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. one day out of the week, so that students can participate in campus activities.

Proponents of the idea feel that they could then become a part of the decision-making process at the University. They could play a larger role in the Student Government Association and could also attend Senate meetings.

Others feel this would conflict with their class schedule and even their work

schedule. These students feel there is ample opportunity already to become a part of an organization, but they do not have the time.

And yet some students felt that the time of the suggested stop-hour would be a major conflict. Many students feel that 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. is time that could be well spent in the classroom. Students also commented that they would support the stop-hour if other items were addressed, such as more campus activities.

Now it's time for you to decide. Do

you like the idea? Would you be willing to have a stop-hour if the campus offered more interesting activities?

*The Current* would like to hear from you.

Call us at (314) 516-5174 or write us at: attn: *The Current*, 8001 Natural Bridge Rd., Normandy Mo., 63121. *The Current* is located at 7940 Natural Bridge Rd., for students who would like to drop off their response.

*The Current* would like to hear from you. The results will be announced in a future issue of the paper.

### What do you think?

✓ Yes, the stop-hour is a good idea.

✓ No, the stop-hour would not work at UM-St. Louis.

## Letters to the editor...

### Faculty Council chairman gets low marks

Dear Editor,

As a member of the Faculty Council, and also a member of the Chancellor's Task Force on University Responsiveness, I fell a need to dissociate myself from the recent statement made by the Chair of the Faculty Council regarding the Task Force Report. Prof. Smith criticized the report for, first, characterizing students as "customers" and, second, suggesting that faculty are to blame for the perceived unresponsiveness of the university and that they need to become more student-focused. He somehow managed to misread totally the thrust of the report.

In calling students "customers," the

Task Force simply acknowledged the reality that Prof. Smith, like the entire UM-St. Louis faculty and indeed entire administration and staff, owe their livelihood in not insignificant measure to student tuition, fee and tax payments. Perhaps the Task Force could be rightly criticized for superfluously stating the obvious, but from Prof. Smith's response it would appear that some employees need reminding. This does not mean the customer is always right -- our job as educators is precisely to prod and provoke -- but it does mean we should never lose sight of who is paying the bills and is entitled to our utmost attention.

As for the criticism of the faculty, a central point made by the report was

that it is not the faculty but rather the system that should be blamed, i.e. UM-St. Louis, as virtually all research universities in the U.S., has a culture and reward structure that stresses scholarly publication and grant activity and provides few incentives for faculty to engage in not just good teaching but extraordinary teaching. How many faculty have been rewarded for teaching excellence on this campus with tenure, promotion, and salary increases?

How many seminars or workshops have we had here in the last decade or two on the subject of innovative pedagogy in higher education? How many conversations do we have in departmental hallways on experimental usages of instructional technology? I think

we all know the answer to these questions. What is needed is for us as an institution -- not just faculty but ever more so deans and other administrators to look at ourselves in the mirror and ask if we are doing all we possibly can to give our students the finest education we have to offer. Yes, we have an excellent faculty, the vast majority of whom are serious about not just knowledge production but also knowledge dissemination through our teaching. But we can do better. That was the simple, arguably Pollyannaish message the report wished to convey. In any event, there was no need to react so defensively and defiantly.

J. Martin Rochester

### Current Chatter is light-hearted

Dear Editor,

I was browsing through the Feb. 13, 1995 edition of *The Current*, when I came across Tonya Hutchinson's vitriolic diatribe against the forces of evil, those erstwhile journalists who produce *The Current* every week during the academic year. I recall another letter from the same writer last semester, in which she took a minor event and turned it into a *cause celebre*. There are

a handful of people out there who will do almost anything to call attention to themselves, and it seems that Ms. Hutchinson is one of them. Unfortunately, the squeaky wheel does get the oil, no matter how insignificant the cause of the squeaking.

*Current Chatter* is a light-hearted piece of photo-journalism, not an editorial mouthpiece for the staff of the newspaper. I was pleased to see that this week's piece shows a person that

appears to be of Anglo-Euro-Russo-Germanic descent saying "I have no clue. I was just looking at pictures." I will be interesting to see if you now print a letter from someone who thinks that the staff of *The Current* is out to paint all of our "European students" as know-nothing louts.

Hey let's try to keep things in a reasonable perspective.

Respectfully,  
W. Michael Johnson

## Correction

In issue 817 *The Current* reported that the UM-St. Louis School of Education was 'recently accredited' by the National Council of Accreditation of Teachers of Education (NCATE). Actually the School was recently re-accredited by NCATE. *The Current* apologizes for any confusion this error might have caused.

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that there might be a confrontation between Emporia students and followers of the Westboro Baptist Church. "She is held in such high regard by

college students, by black students in particular. She was afraid they might be overprotective," Rahtz said. The Westboro Baptist Church and

its various protests have been featured on television shows, including Rikki Lake, 20/20, Eye to Eye, and Jane Whitney. The Westboro Baptist Church

has protested every kind of event that does not agree with its fundamentalist doctrine.

The Church has protested all kinds of events which recognize homosexuality as a lifestyle. Marches and funerals of famous gay and lesbian individuals who have died of AIDS have been protested.

Phelps said the protest at UM-St. Louis would be peaceful and involve about 25 to 30 people.

Norman Seay, director of the Office of Equal Opportunity, said UM-St. Louis is taking every safety precaution.

"This group has agreed to obey our rules and regulations," Seay said.

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"The Chancellor is going to get back to me with those answers," Hullahan said.

Hullahan said it was never her intention to interfere with the University's progress.

"I want the University to progress. I want to see advancement," she said.

Bob Samples, director of University Communications, said the University has never been under the jurisdiction of any of the surrounding municipalities.

"We are a constitutional entity and we do not fall under jurisdictional municipal codes under any municipalities," Samples said.

Bosley from page 1

in the development of the St. Louis Area Empowerment Zone." Bosley said.

Bosley described the zone as a geographical area within St. Louis, consisting of about 50,000 residents. Bosley said Lance LeLoup and the staff of the UM-St. Louis Business Department were major players in the program.

"We received \$3 million to help create job opportunities and UM-St. Louis played a very major part in that," Bosley said.

Bosley also spoke about desegregation, bussing, affirmative action, and public safety. He said desegregation is working in schools, citing his childhood experience while attending a segregated school. He spoke positively of affirmative action.

Bosley said police officers cost the city \$50,000 each. He included training and a police car as part of that sum. Bosley said he would rather open recreational centers which provide children a safe haven from crime than hire more police officers.

Bosley said he is continuing to work with youths to help them to avoid gang activity. He said the recreation complexes which are now open until midnight in some areas have attracted 44,000 members. Bosley said this is up from 15,000 members three months ago. Bosley said he interviews youths and adults to remain informed of ways to help children avoid gangs.

Bosley said he often hears only praise from people when he meets them in person. He said most people give him a slap on the back and tell him he's doing a great job. Bosley said he prefers people to specifically tell him what is good and bad with their neighborhoods. He said this information is the best way to gauge the effectiveness of city programs.

"I don't like backslappers that much," Bosley said. "I like people who will rise to the occasion."

Sal Martinez, executive director of the Young Democrats, and Wayman Smith III each spoke about the Democrats' unity within St. Louis.

Mike McMillan, president of the Democrats, presented plaques to several members of the board, including: Norman Seay, director of the Office of Equal Opportunity at UM-St. Louis, Ida Woolfolk and Wayman Smith III. Bosley was available for more than half an hour after the ceremony to meet members of the audience and answer questions.

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## Gimme' a (Spring) Break



by Scott Lamar  
features editor

As a commuter campus, most of the students here at UM-St. Louis come to class, leave, and then go to a job. We do it every weekday with very few days off to serve as a break. We work study hard in class, take off down the highway and battle traffic and slave away at our thankless dead end job.

This scenario is not the case at other traditional universities and colleges. Students there have far greater leisure time to goof off, sleep or whatever.

Free time was exactly what students at SMSU and the community colleges at Meremac and Florissant Valley had last Monday, Feb. 20. They had President's Day off. We didn't.

That made me think. Is our nation's first president, Gen. George Washington, not worthy of our honor? Or Honest Abe Lincoln, the president credited with freeing the slaves? It seems that even their collective greatness piled into one day doesn't get us out of class.

Martin Luther King has his day of observation. He was a great man, who accomplished an invaluable amount in the areas of civil rights, and a failure by the government to recognize him in a national holiday would be a travesty.

Not only does President's Day honor Lincoln and Washington, but all of the other great leaders of America. You know, Theodore Roosevelt, Harry Truman, John F. Kennedy and Nancy, oops, er, uh Ronald Reagan.

All of these men should be given a national holiday to help everyone remember the contributions and decisions they've made to make this country what it is today.

Yeah, you might say by saying that I just want the day off to sleep in, and you're right. Many friends and acquaintances of mine asked me to spend the day gallivanting around with them (the weather that day was beautiful, if you'll recall). I wanted to skip class but I had a test that day and I feel really guilty when I don't go to school.

Yes, I have ulterior motives, sue me. But either way, The president's should have their day. And we should have our day off.

On top of having a day off on the 20th, spring break should be pushed back until April. Isn't a little odd that our spring break is in the winter time. For those of us who can't afford to jet off to South Padre Island, we'll be here toughing out the cold and snow. If our spring break was in April, then perhaps we could all enjoy the warmer temperatures.

Furthermore, it always seems like students' interest in school falls after returning from the week off. Following our spring break (starting March 4 and ending March 12) we will have 8 weeks of classes remaining. For 8 weeks I've been trying to get focused on my studies.

Upon return from the break, I will have to think back to what it is we were talking about over a week ago. Just when do get back into the study "zone", it'll be just in time for my out of state college friends to be on their spring break.

"When is your spring break Scott?" they'll say.

"Oh, it was about a month and a half ago. But hey, go on ahead without me."

Oh well. I guess I'll just go with the flow.

Have a good spring break people.

## Not just a pretty face:

### UM-St. Louis student and Ms. Black Missouri exhibits brains, beauty and bravery

by Scott Lamar  
features editor

Wauneen Fuller is a busy, busy woman. She is the current Ms. Black Missouri and the newest addition to the campus police force.

Last August, Fuller was first runner-up at the National Competition in San Antonio.

Wearing the crown means making appearances to speak at hospitals, schools and children's homes.

"My focus is on juvenile gangs," Fuller said. "Some schools will have drug awareness weeks and I'll go and speak to them. A lot of it is PR for the pageant and for things that I feel are prevalent."

Fuller is a senior majoring in criminal justice and minoring in sociology. She said she only has one more semester until she receives her degree.

For Fuller, 31, accomplishing her



Wauneen Fuller

goals has had its obstacles. Fuller who is a single mother, has had to alter her schedule so that she could watch her son, Freddy. When the evening care

was cancelled, it created more problems for her.

"Finding a baby-sitter is pretty hard," she said. "I've had to drop a couple of classes to stay with my son. It threw me back and made me do some readjusting."

As far as crime goes, she said UM-St. Louis is a pretty tame campus compared to others.

"For the most part," Fuller said, "it's pretty safe for being in the midst of a city, although we're not as large as some of the other campuses."

After spending four and a half years on the St. Louis Police Metropolitan Department, Fuller said patrolling the streets of St. Louis dealt her some difficult situations.

"Last year, my son's godfather, and my close friend, was shot getting out of his car," she said. "I was the second car called to the scene."

Her responsibilities at UM-St.

*'I never said I want to be a policeman when I grow up. My friends...kind of talked me into it...'*

-Wauneen Fuller, UM-St. Louis police officer

Louis include patrolling north and south campus, parking lot security, and escorting people in and out of buildings at night.

Fuller said she applied for the position before the Hancock II hiring freeze. She began working last Monday on the 3 p.m.-11 p.m. shift.

Ironically, Fuller said she never intended to be police officer, but that she was coerced into by her high school friends.

"I never said, 'I want to be a policeman when I grow up,'" she said, "my

friends who are on the force kind of talked me into it. I just had gotten divorced and was getting out of the military so I gave it a shot."

During her college career here, Fuller said she has made a lot of friends of all ages.

"Some of the friends I've made are fresh out of high school and some are returning to school like me," she said.

Fuller attended mostly evening classes her freshman through junior

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## Rat's Reviews

### Chaquico strives for global consciousness

NEW AGE  
Craig Chaquico-  
"Acoustic Planet"

Craig Chaquico (cha-KEE-so), the virtuoso who played lead guitar for Jefferson Starship for nearly 20 years (beginning when he was just 16), is currently touring in support of his latest Higher Octave release, "Acoustic Planet."

In addition to the club dates on his current tour, (Westport Playhouse Mar. 11), Chaquico is visiting several hospitals along the way as a member of the National Association for Music Therapy, an organization that has promoted the healing properties of music for 34 years.

Therapy, on "Acoustic Planet", which has been nominated for a Grammy as well as a BAMBIE (Bay Area Music Award), Chaquico continues to pursue his visions of heightened global consciousness, harmony and balance. Just as he did on "Acoustic Highway", Chaquico

attempts to reach these goals by incorporating delicately layered rhythms and intricate blendings of several different musical styles into his songs.

In addition to Chaquico on acoustic guitar, "Acoustic Planet" features; Ozzie Ahlers, keyboards; Jim Reitzel; bass, and Wade Olson; drums as well as several bit players.

In the past, I have done my best to avoid all-acoustic releases. With his last two efforts, Chaquico has helped to alleviate this old bias.

This is fine music produced by musicians who have honorable goals and intentions where their music is concerned. If you like New Age, Adult Alternative or just plain ass-kickin' acoustic guitar playing, give "Acoustic Planet" a try.

--Michael J. Urness

BLUEGRASS

Kevin Williamson & Shadow Ridge-"Out of the Shadows"

The son of a songwriter, Kevin Williamson has been around music all his life. On his second release, "Out of the Shadows," Kevin sounds like a seasoned veteran.

This music is bluegrass to be sure, but the lyrics of several of the cuts give one the distinct impression of country. Kevin and company do a good job of not overdoing either style.

The lead track, "Shadow Ridge," is a sorrowful, Romeo and Juliet-type song featuring Kevin's powerful lead vocals, the beautiful backing vocals of his wife Debbie and the excellent banjo playing of Michael McLain.

Shadow Ridge is: Kevin Williamson, guitar and lead vocals; Debbie Williamson, lead vocals; Matthew Mundy, mandolin and vocals; Andy Todd, bass; and Michael McLain, banjo, guitar and vocals.

Guest artists include: Randy Howard, fiddle; Rob Ickes, dobro; and Bobby Hicks, fiddle.

In keeping with the bluegrass tradition, Williamson and Shadow Ridge spread the word on "Out of the Shad-

ows" in the form of a gospel-grass inspirational like "Leaning On The Everlasting Arms," which features some of the best vocal harmonizing I've heard in a long time.

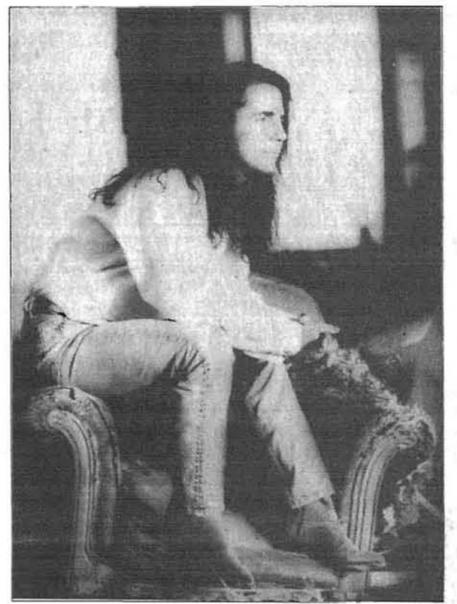
Other favorites include the fast paced "Backwoods Saturday Night," the heart-wrenching "Half Past You" and the last track, "Prairie Dog Shuffle."

The best surprise on this release was the debut of Debbie Williamson, whose lead vocals on "Stitch in Time," and "If the Fire Still Burns" are reminiscent of those of bluegrass-babe gone country Rhonda Vinet.

Kevin Williamson is an excellent

songwriter, nine of the 12 songs on this disk are originals of his. In Shadow Ridge he's put together a group of talented musicians. See them if you get a chance.

--Michael J. Urness



Craig Chaquico

## Current Chatter

by Monica Senecal  
photography editor

### Do you feel safe on campus?



*Yes, I feel very safe on campus. I think tht the perception of crime is overrated.*

Steven Wilmes  
Junior  
Criminal Justice

*Yes, but I don't come here at night so I don't think I have anything to be afraid of.*

Delisa Moore  
Junior  
Nursing



*I feel safe mainly because I'm never here at night.*

Nathan Pack  
Senior  
Biology

*I don't have a problem with it. If I needed to I could call the campus police and there are enough lights on campus.*

Jennifer Smith  
Junior  
Accounting



## Orthwein Theatre Co. presents play from woman's point of view

by Michael O'Brian  
of The Current Staff

What happened before Othello put the pillow on Desdemona's face and smothered her when she was sleeping? How did Cassio get the handkerchief that so enraged Othello that he would kill his beautiful wife? The rage of men affected by the antics of women is the story told in Paula Vogel's "Desdemona," which is currently playing at the Orthwein Theatre Company through March 5.

"Desdemona" is a play that draws a possible scenario for Shakespeare's

classic, "Othello," from a contemporary, women's point of view. Vogel, who is the author of the acclaimed "Baltimore Waltz" which also played locally at the Orthwein, has once again taken a tragedy and kept us laughing until its dark end.

The play begins when Emilia, played by Lavonne Byers, finds a lace handkerchief on the floor of Desdemona's washroom. She steals the handkerchief because her husband, Iago, has put her up to it as a joke. This is the handkerchief which Othello will eventually find on his lieutenant, Cassio.

In the first scene, Desdemona, played by Laura Turner, is frantically

looking for the handkerchief given to her by Othello while Emilia washes clothes. From the beginning of the play, Turner and Byers create a mood of sisterly love intertwined with sibling rivalry between the two characters. They have different opinions about sex and faithfulness in marriage which they constantly debate. Emilia is always aghast at the crazy things Desdemona is doing such as working an evening as a prostitute for a friend, Bianca, played by Debbie Dawson, who performed sensationally in BBC recorded "Small Domestic Acts," which was written by St. Louis author Joan Lipkin.

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## Job fair offers opportunities for future

by Dan Holtzer  
reporter

For the fourth consecutive year, UM-St. Louis will host over 100 employers and an estimated 600 students at the Gateway to Careers Job Fair. The event will take place in the Mark Twain building on Thurs., March 9 from 9 a.m. to 3p.m.

The job fair is designed for people who have just graduated or who will be graduating shortly. Possibilities exist for full and part time degree related jobs. Many companies will be seeking potential employees with computer skills, but this is not the central focus. There will be many different companies looking for many different skills.

"There will be about 100 companies attending, and it is a good opportunity to meet with companies and do your one-minute commercial," said Deborah A. Kettler, director of Career Placement Services.

Forty-six colleges and universities from Missouri and Illinois sponsor the fair. It will be available to students as well as the general public at fees ranging from \$5-\$10.

The companies involved include financial service companies such as Northwestern Mutual and Mass Mutual, retail companies such as Osco Drug and Auto Zone, and government agencies such as the US Dept. of Labor, Secret Service and, conveniently near tax time, the IRS.

McDonnell Douglas, Southwest Bell and Master Card will also attend.

"If students approach it correctly they do get job offers," Kettler said.

There will be many brief interviews, so Kettler advises students to be at their sound-byte best.

"This is an opportunity to meet face-to-face with employers, and you don't get that very often. You will be able to hand them a resume, and that's something everybody should take advantage of," Kettler said.

The \$5 registration fee only applies until March 3. The University will charge \$10 a person at the door. More information is available in the career placement office.

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Desdemona is also always criticizing Emilia for not recognizing the beauty of the "new woman" image that she believes entails so much freedom.

Emilia and Desdemona make jokes about the size of men's penises, and they talk openly about sex. Turner lies

on a table and erotically rambles about her experience in the brothel. The two make the dialogue believable thanks to some excellent script writing and beautiful accent work.

About halfway through the production, Bianca comes to the castle to

meet with Desdemona. Dawson takes what has already been a hilarious production and steps it up to another level. In one verbal exchange, Emilia, who seems jealous of the relationship between Desdemona and Bianca, says that Bianca needs to get her vowels straight if she's to be hanging about the castle. Bianca responds "Thayre's nuttin' wrong wit me bowels."

Director of "Desdemona," Carolyne Hood, has been with Orthwein Theatre Company since its first season.

She also co-starred with Dawson in "Small Domestic Acts." Hood is one of the top organizers of the theatre scene in the St. Louis area, and she has once again given us something of which to be proud. The motion dynamics on stage are exquisite and are complemented by the communication between the three actresses. Hood uses the stage to its maximum potential by utilizing the full space of the small, but intimate, Vincent Price Theatre.

Five stars to the set design by Wm

Daniel File. The set design interplays with the actresses like a dance. The size of the set never really interferes with the visual motion of the play thanks to the white theme in its design. The play looks like animation across a canvas backdrop.

Students get a two dollar discount at the Orthwein Theatre Company located at 101 Warson. "Desdemona" plays its final weekend March 3, 4 and 5. Friday and Saturday shows begin at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 7 p.m.

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years has recently switched over to the day.

Fuller said that UM-St. Louis is good at handling the needs of non-traditional students but not so hot at dealing with students enrolled in the evening college.

"UM-St. Louis caters well to the needs of the non-traditional students," she said. "Unfortunately, evening college students get the shaft. They pay the same activity fees yet they don't get to participate because all of the events are held during the day."

Right now, she's treating this job just like any other.

"You just stay with it until it ends or until somebody gets tired of somebody else."

Fuller plans to attend law school next year at Washington University.

She said she wants to emphasize on sports and entertainment law.

"I'm sick of the criminal side," Fuller said. "Plus, they pay more."

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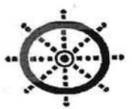
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## Out in the open



### Primary sportswim away with attention

by Rob Goedeker  
sports editor

When I covered the Mideast Classic at the St. Peters Rec-Plex recently, I realized just how exciting it was to sit and watch a swimming meet.

I can't understand why, so many times in the past, the swimming program has gotten the shaft from the UM-St. Louis sports information department and, sadly enough, *The Current*.

Around this time last year when I first started reporting for *The Current* as a non-paid staff writer, I had no idea that UM-St. Louis had swimming as a sport. Other sports, like basketball and baseball, grabbed all of the attention away from the swimming program.

Last semester when I worked with Pete Dicrispino as associate sports editor, we both decided that the swimming program deserved some coverage in the newspaper.

I was given the story, and I was surprised to find out how difficult it was for me to get any information on the swimming program.

Every time I've needed some information for a sports story I have always gone over to the athletic department and asked someone in sports information. They have always come through with good, relevant information. When I asked them about the swimming program, however they gave me a blank stare in return. I got the feeling that I was going to be sent on a wild goose chase in order to find the information needed for my story.

Finally, after scrambling through a pile of papers in the corner of a room, they pulled out last year's swimming media guide and handed it to me as if to say "good luck."

The swim team had their first swim meet of the 1994-95 season on Oct. 28, but the media guides for this season just came out last week. This is just a small example of how the swimming program has been short-changed by the sports information department.

After handing me a lot of outdated information, they suggested that if I wanted to know any more about the swimming program I should go talk to the coach.

So I did. When I first met head coach Mary Liston, she was glad to see someone from *The Current* actually doing their job. She gave me all the information I needed to know, which is fortunate considering that she was the only one in the athletic department who knew anything about the swimming program.

Liston works hard to maintain a respectable swimming program almost single-handedly and with extremely limited funds. Without any coverage, her program doesn't get the respect it deserves. When I realized this, I felt it was my job as an aspiring journalist to give them some well-deserved attention.

Even though *The Current* has made the effort to bring the swimming program out of the dark, the sports information department has continued to ignore it. When I went to them to find out about the Mideast Classic, they again looked at me as if I was at the wrong place. Well, in this instance, I guess I was.

The sports information department needs to be fair to all of UM-St. Louis' athletic programs, but, until then, when it comes to swimming, Coach Liston is where I'll get my sports information.

# Basketball teams takes good with bad Riverwomen seniors shine for last time

by Rob Goedeker  
sports editor

Going into Saturday night's basketball game against the Pittsburg State Gorillas, the UM-St. Louis Rivermen were trying to end a six-game losing streak, the regular season and their last conference home game with a win.

The Rivermen prevailed and beat the Gorillas 108-97, holding on to the lead late in the game.

"It's nice to have a big lead and hold on," said Rivermen head coach Rich Meckfessel. "It's just a matter of playing with confidence."

The players were also glad to be able to hold on to the lead.

"It was kind of shaky at the end," said Rivermen guard Marcus Albert, who led the Rivermen in scoring with 21 points. "We won, and that's all that matters."

Albert who has been struggling lately, was glad to get his touch back.

"It's been a long time since I've shot good," Albert said. "I've been working on it."

Rivermen guard Jim Robinson was 5 of 9 from the field for 15 points.

"Everybody played real well tonight," Robinson said. "We moved the ball a lot better and got some confidence back in our shooting."

This was the last regular-season game for four Rivermen seniors. Sporting the Rivermen uniforms for the last time were Albert, Robinson, Mike Graves and first-year transfer Eric Lytle.

"They all played well," Meckfessel said. "Marcus Albert and Jim Robinson had their best shooting nights in a long time. Graves came in and hit a couple 3's, and Lytle got some offensive rebounds and putbacks that really helped us."

For Graves, it was only his second start this season. Graves is glad for all the memories he had as a Rivermen that he can hold on to.

"I was really looking forward to playing in this game,"

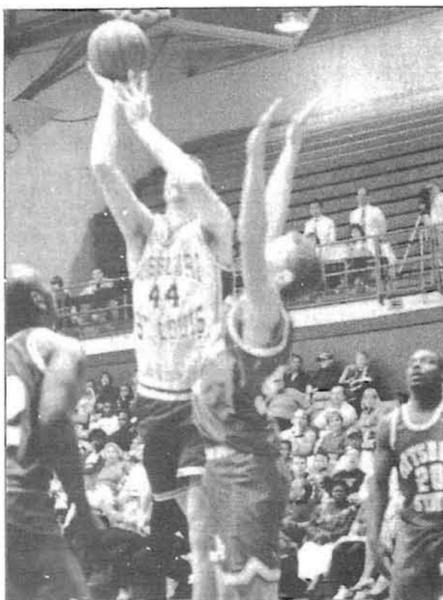


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### UM-St. Louis Rivermen center Eric Bickel drives to the hoop against the Gorillas. He had 13 rebounds.

said Graves, who scored six points for the Rivermen. "I started looking back over my whole career and thought about all the things that I accomplished. I had a lot of fun when I was here, a lot of good times. That's really all I can ask for."

Albert, a transfer from Howard County Junior College in Big Springs, Texas, was glad to be able to play for the Rivermen for the two seasons he was here.

"I've enjoyed playing at UMSL and for coach Meckfessel, coach [Bill] Walker, and coach Chico [Jones]," Albert said. "We had a nice season."

With the win, the Rivermen will advance to the Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association Tournament and will play today at Northeast Missouri State. Meckfessel was glad to win the last game of the season, going into the

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by Ken Dunkin  
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The UM-St. Louis Riverwomen finished their season on a sour note as they lost to Pittsburg State Saturday night 78-62.

The Riverwomen were competitive against the Gorillas who came in with a 20-5 overall record. They were within one point early in the second half after Laura Satterfield hit a jump shot. The game was down hill from that point.

"They [Pitt.] are a very good team," said head coach Jim Coen.

The Riverwomen fell to 7-19 overall and 2-14 in the Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association. A nine game losing streak was the breaking point of the season. Although

the losing record may lead many to think the season was a disappointment, yet when you consider that they only had seven players, sometimes six due to injury or ineligibility, it doesn't seem so bad.

"When you only have seven people it is hard to keep the same intensity that we had at the beginning of the year," said Jade Turner. "I know next year we will have nine or 10 players, so hopefully next year will be better."

"You can't fight a war with pee shooters," said Coen. "We could have won a few more games, but we could have lost a lot more."

Although hopes are high for next season this game was the last for Satterfield in a Riverwomen jersey

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### Riverwoman Melissa Yates keeps the ball away from a Gorilla.

# Volleyball is all for move to Great Lakes Valley Conference

by Rob Goedeker  
sports editor

UM-St. Louis assistant athletic director and head volleyball coach Denise Silvester confirmed last week that she would support a move to the Great Lakes Valley Conference.

"For the overall athletic program we would be more evenly aligned with the schools in the Great Lakes Valley Conference," Silvester said. "Most of the schools in the Great Lakes Valley Conference have high academic standards in terms of admission policies and quality of education. That is more in line with the policies that we have here at our university."

She feels that UM-St. Louis is at a disadvantage when competing against other schools in the Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association. With higher academic standards in the GLVC, the number of athletes available to recruit is decreased. UM-St. Louis presently has those same standards, which restrict them when re-

cruiting in the MIAA. In the GLVC, they will have an equal opportunity to recruit those athletes.

"Many of the schools in the MIAA have open admission policies," Silvester said. "There are many students who can't get into UMSL who have no problem getting into other schools in our conference. We would be on a more even playing ground with the schools in the GLVC."

The schools in the MIAA are more focused around athletics, so each of their programs are given more money to allocate for scholarships. UM-St. Louis' sports programs, on the other hand, don't receive as much money to allocate for scholarships. The GLVC has scholarship limitations on their secondary sports, which fits in with the philosophy of UM-St. Louis.

If UM-St. Louis moves to the GLVC, the volleyball program would have to endure some changes, but Silvester said she would be ready to adapt.

"We would miss the ties to the

rivalries in the MIAA, but, as times change, you change your rivalries," she said.

Silvester said that new rivalries usually start because of the schools'

**'We would miss the ties to the rivalries in the MIAA, but, as times change, you change your rivalries.'**

**-Denise Silvester, UM-St. Louis volleyball head coach**

close proximity and quality of competition. With schools like Quincy and SIU-Edwardsville in the GLVC, there shouldn't be any problems.

"It might take a couple of years for new rivalries to be established, but I'm

sure they eventually will," Silvester said.

Assistant volleyball coach Erik Kaseorg also would support the move.

Kaseorg likes the idea of moving to the GLVC because the schools in the conference are in larger cities.

The MIAA consists of mostly small country towns. The only major metropolitan areas in the MIAA are St. Louis and Kansas City.

In the GLVC, there are large cities like Chicago, Indianapolis, Cincinnati, and Louisville. Most of the schools in the GLVC are at or around those cities.

With the GLVC having those big-city markets, Kaseorg feels UM-St. Louis could improve its prestige.

"The possibilities for publicity and corporate sponsorships are much greater with this large population base," Kaseorg said. "That's definitely something you would want to take into consideration."

Kaseorg said that travel would be easier in the GLVC because of those major cities.

"Going to schools in the MIAA you have to travel on a lot of secondary highways late at night," Kaseorg said. "There's a pretty good highway system that goes to almost all of the colleges in the GLVC, with the exception of Quincy, but we play them anyway." Kaseorg said another possible advantage of moving to the GLVC would be an increased opportunity to use a travel. Southwest Airlines flies to Chicago, Indianapolis, and Louisville daily. For conference championship UM-St. Louis teams could fly to the games.

Overall, Kaseorg feels the move would be in the best interests of UM-St. Louis.

"There are better recruiting advantages, better media exposure, and better opportunity for us to tap in potentially larger and more lucrative corporate sponsorships," Kaseorg said. "In the MIAA, you're not going to fit too many companies, outside of St. Louis and Kansas City, in a position support sports on a corporate level."

# UM-St. Louis baseball team begins season in Arkansas

by Ken Dunkin  
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The UM-St. Louis Rivermen baseball program started off its season last weekend against Central Arkansas, scores were not available when *The Current* went to press.

The Rivermen went into Central Arkansas with high hopes. They went in ranked eighth in the preseason Division II poll, while Central had tallied up a 7-2 record. Central swept Southwest Baptist, which is a member of the Mid-America Athletic Association. Southwest is a team the Rivermen will be playing four times in the regular season and, possibly, in the MIAA playoffs.

The line up for the Rivermen will be hurt by the loss of speedster Shawn Moser, who will miss the trip with back spasms. He was one of the best base stealers in the junior college circuit last season. Moser may be able to return later in the season although his back hasn't responded to early treatments. His speed will be missed.

The starting pitcher for the first game on Saturday will be Trevor Woolfe, the teams ace. He will be

expected to be the teams No. 1 pitcher again this season.

"Trevor knows how to pitch," said head coach Jim Brady.

The starter for the second game will be flame thrower Reed Hensley. Brady said Hensley is a power pitcher perhaps the hardest thrower in the Midwest.

Rob Rogers is the teams closer who more likely than not saw some time last weekend. Brady said he was going to use him early in one of the games to get him some work.

The pitching looks solid for the Rivermen; they have several great players that should do well this season.

"Pitching is our backbone," Brady said. "We know pitching is our heart and soul."

Brady feels that heart and soul is off-set their questionable offenses. "We have got a few questions offensively," Brady said, "but if we score four or more runs a game, we will win most of them."

In the next issue after spring break *The Current* will run season preview and player profiles for the baseball, softball, and tennis teams.



by Ken Dunkin  
associate sports editor

## Coaches Corner

Featuring  
**Ron Meyer**

### Women's Assistant Basketball Coach

I was into my golf game.

**Fantasy:** I would like to make a 30 foot shot on the 72nd [the last hole] hole in the Masters to win the tournament.

**Two words that best describe me:** Helping others.

**What I like best about coaching:** The people I work with are a great group of girls. I have learned a lot about women's sports, and I have learned a lot from the girls.

**How I got into coaching:** I have been coaching grade school kids for eight years.

**If I could change one thing about myself:** I would relax more.

**My favorite sport (other than basketball):** Golf, although I don't really like to play anymore.

**Favorite golfer:** Arnold Palmer. I caddied for him in the Ryder Cup when it was in St. Louis in 1971. He was great. He was just

fantastic.

**My impressions on the way sports have become a business:** I don't like it. I wish people could enjoy sports for sports and not for how much of a profit it will generate. It's a shame that it has gotten that way.

**Favorite TV show:** Home Improvement. I have been told I look like Tim Allen.

**Favorite restaurant:** Zia's on the Hill. It's an Italian restaurant.

**Favorite fast-food restaurant:** Fazoli's.

**Favorite childhood memory:** Playing in the St. Vincent basketball tournament. They introduced your name and everything. They had a parquet floor like the Boston Garden. It was a great tournament.

**What I would want people to remember about me:** That I'm giving; I enjoy working with people.

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tournament.  
 "This game was critical," Meckfessel said. "We're going to go up there with a positive attitude, and I think we'll have a chance to win."  
 The Rivermen end the 94-95 season with an 8-8 record in the MIAA and 14-12 overall.

**Rivermen 108, Gorillas 97**

Rivermen		Gorillas	
Player	Min FG 3pt FT Rb F PT	Player	Min FG 3pt FT Rb F TP
Thomas	26 3-10 3-7 5-6 2 4 14	Smith	24 6-10 1-1 3-4 9 2 16
Graves	14 2-7 2-6 0-0 1 2 6	Comstock	23 4-8 2-3 2-2 4 3 12
Lash	23 2-3 2-3 4-4 4 3 10	Sanders	12 2-5 1-3 1-2 1 0 6
Albert	28 6-13 5-9 4-4 1 2 21	Stewart	19 1-6 0-3 3-4 7 2 5
Robinson	32 5-9 3-7 2-2 7 1 15	Roberts	31 5-13 0-0 0-0 5 4 10
Hawthorne	21 6-11 0-0 5-7 4 2 17	Clevenger	12 1-3 0-0 6-6 3 5 8
Lytle	16 3-10 0-3 1-2 5 4 7	Wesley	22 4-7 0-0 2-3 8 1 10
Reddy	3 0-1 0-0 2-2 1 2 2	Harris	29 7-12 0-0 4-5 7 4 18
Bickel	30 4-9 0-0 7-9 13 1 15	Byrd	15 4-6 0-0 1-1 1 2 9
Tuckson	7 0-1 0-0 1-2 2 1 1		

**Week in review**

Feb. 22	Feb. 25
Basketball (men): Lost to Northwest Mo. 89-64	Basketball (men): Beat Pittsburg St. 108-97
Basketball (women): Lost to Northwest Mo. 92-67	Basketball (women): Lost to Pittsburg St. 78-62

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The senior had a good game hitting three 3-pointers and grabbing two steals. She also finished tied for second with 12 points. This season Satterfield led the team in points and drained an amazing 100 3-pointers, she also played well on defense as she finished second on the team in steals with 47.  
 "Laura had a great two years here," said Coen. "I don't think this is the way she wanted to end her career. Without her we wouldn't have won seven games."

Several Riverwomen had good performances. Turner pulled down a game high 16 rebounds. Nicole Christ had a team high 14 points, dished off three assists, and stole the ball two times. D.J. Martin had 12 points while yanking down 9 rebounds.  
 "This is the best game we have played in a while," said Turner. "We usually play pretty well at home because we have some fans."  
 The part where the Riverwomen fell apart was they turned the ball over a little too much. They had 24 turnovers as opposed to the Gorillas 12 which helped the Riverwomen drop another game.  
 The Riverwomen also had a tough time shutting down the Gorillas top two scorers Jenni Miller and Jenny Pracht. Miller scored 24 points and Pracht scored 16 they were the main two players that led the attack when the Riverwomen fell behind by as much as 19 points.  
 "We overcame a lot of obstacles," said Coen. "We did a great job this season."

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Gorillas		Riverwomen	
Player	Min FG 3pt FT Rb F TP	Player	Min FG 3pt FT Rb F TP
Miller	36 9-16 6-10 0-0 7 3 24	Ermeling	6 0-0 0-0 0-0 0 1 0
Cropper	34 5-17 0-1 2-2 3 2 12	Satterfield	33 4-15 3-10 1-2 1 2 12
Pracht	36 6-16 0-0 4-6 11 1 16	Yates	27 3-9 0-4 1-1 2 2 7
Ellis	12 1-3 0-0 0-0 0 1 2	Christ	38 4-11 2-4 4-4 5 2 14
Brady	11 0-4 0-0 0-0 2 0 0	Stubblefield	26 3-5 0-0 3-3 10 4 9
Randolph	28 4-7 2-3 0-0 3 2 10	Martin	34 5-12 0-1 2-2 9 0 12
Schleier	1 0-0 0-0 0-0 0 0 0	Turner	36 4-8 0-0 0-1 16 3 8
Ludien	25 4-9 0-0 2-2 6 4 10		
Sanborn	17 2-4 0-0 0-0 5 5 4		

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