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Hulkamania is here: The Athletic Department has announced a new sports program on campus: wrestling. The University has hired a professional wrestler to coach the team. **See page 4.**



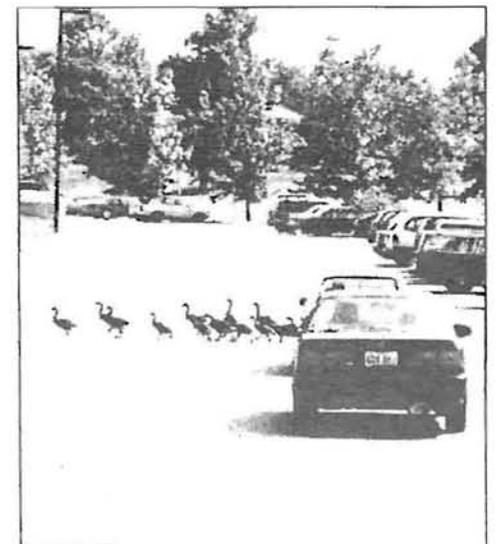
The sun never sets on the DUMSL empire: The chancellor announced Thursday that the University has "acquired" the neighboring city of Normandy. Earlier this year, city board members had complained that DUMSL's acquiring of land was depleting their tax base. Residents of other neighboring municipalities have expressed strong concerns that the University will acquire their cities, also. **See page 2.**

City of Normandy

population: 5,063
Area: 1.81 sq. mi.

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Strange occurrences: A green light in the sky, supposedly from a UFO, Thursday, has sparked a number strange occurrences at DUMSL, including geese gaining the ability to talk. One goose explains the reasons for all of the goose feces on campus. The rationale ranged from public protest of the United States' governing body to just plain relief. Our reporter shares his encounters with a goose and two students that were affected by the beam of light. **See page 5.**



**This is
University
at
Night**

U buys Normandy

Coot Valley residents fear their city is next, flee in terror

BY DAVEY BOOGER
staff writer

DUMSL Chancellor Belinda Spudhill announced at a press conference Thursday that the University would be acquiring the municipality of Normandy for an undisclosed sum.

"This acquisition is completely in line with previous expansion efforts," Spudhill said. "It is clearly in the best interests of both the University and Normandy."

Spudhill, who recently revealed that she is an alien named Princess Zagorda from the distant planet Galaxia, said the deal had been conceived in response to recent complaints from Normandy officials about University land purchases eroding the municipality's tax base.

"We really couldn't fix the city's tax base," Zagorda said. "So we just decided to buy the city itself."

Zagorda said the expansion was a logical choice for the University, which has acquired large sectors of Normandy over the past several years.

"We already owned most of it anyway," Zagorda said. "So we figured why not just buy the whole thing."

Zagorda stressed that the purchase was only an extension of the campus' Master Plan, an extensive and thoroughly detailed blueprint for

University expansion into the 21st century, consisting of two sentences written on the back of an envelope which administrators recently misplaced.

"It's around here somewhere," Zagorda said.

Zagorda also said that the purchase would help boost sagging enrollment figures, since Normandy residents would immediately become UM-St. Louis students, whether they wanted to or not.

The chancellor also acknowledged that not everyone would be happy with the plan but said opposing voices should be listened to, weighed carefully and then "suppressed with brutal efficiency."

Reaction among other municipalities was mixed. Coot Valley residents were reported to be fleeing the city in large numbers, while most Bel-Nor residents were remaining to assist in the construction of a large protective moat between their town and UM-St. Louis.

"We plan to fill it with boiling oil," said lifetime resident Irwin P. Golddigger. "Let's see 'em get through that."

Zagorda attempted to calm fears among the University's worried neighbors, noting that it would be "several years, at least" before they too were absorbed into the rapidly expanding campus. □

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-Belinda Spudhill
DUMSL chancellor

Pen is mightier than the sword.



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Stagnant writer Scoop Harold, right, lunges into Sissy Blabber, captain of the debate team. Harold, armed only with an ink pen, proves that words cut deeper than the blade.

Tuition increase will aid evil plan

Students find difficulty in paying higher 'educational fees'

BY DAVEY BOOGER
staff writer

Calling herself Princess Zagorda of the Planet Galaxia, Chancellor Belinda Spudhill called a surprise press conference Thursday to announce a 400 percent tuition increase.

"To make things easier, students should just transfer all of their worldly possessions to the University," Zagorda said.

Zagorda said the extra funds would be used to "smite my enemies and thwart the evil forces of the Cosmic Emperor Zeldar."

Zagorda added that leftover funds may be used "for sidewalk repairs and stuff like clean-up of goose crap."

Donning a tin foil and coat hanger hat, Zagorda then began receiving "coded messages from Venus."

"Oop, Beep, Oop," she said. "Boop."

Terry Trace, vice-chancellor for Student Affairs, denied recent rumors about the chancellor's mental stability.

"She's fine, completely fine," Trace said, adding, "Please don't fire me."

He also stated that his office's name would be changed from Student Affairs to the Department of Making Students' Lives a Living Hell (MSLLH).

"It is really a more accurate title," Trace said. "Besides students are having fewer affairs these days anyway."

Trace said MSLLH will encompass the Divisions of: Parking, Morning Finals and Professors Who Give Pop Quizzes.

"In the area of parking, we're hoping to

cut the number of spaces by half as early as next semester," Trace said.

He noted that parking would eventually be eliminated altogether.

"Students will just drive their cars directly into the backs of large trucks which will then carry the vehicles away," Trace said.

The money received from the recycling company for the cars will be considered as part of a student's tuition payment.

Other administrators also agreed with Zagorda's decisions.

"I think educational fee readjustments within the University environment are really a profligate indication of a movement towards a more reactionary direction, monetarily elocution," said Barton Hornswoggle, vice-chancellor for Really Large Words.

However, freshman student Karl Marx III said the decision to raise tuition would only strain his budget even more.

"I've already sold my house, my car and two of my three kids," Marx III said.

Marx III, who is majoring in Basal Graphic Barometric Pressure Paradigm Shift Parameter Design, with a minor in Modern Dance, said he may soon start selling pints of his blood and possibly small internal organs.

"I can spare a kidney or two and I can let you have a good pancreas cheap," he said.

Stupid Government President Tim Bravery scheduled his own press conference to protest Zagorda's move but was eaten by geese. □

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Construction worker finds oil reserve

Chancellor wants pump in place of new garage

She is seeking approval to close the University for a few years

BY TOMMY BOY
staff writer

On Friday at approximately 3 p.m., one of the crew members hired by the University to erect the new parking garage near Benton Hall struck oil while digging trenches for a foundation.

After hearing the news, Chancellor Belinda Spudhill immediately arranged for an oil pump to be erected in place of the garage.

"The students always come first, but this is something I think the University can benefit from," Spudhill said.

Spudhill is meeting with the DUM Board of Bureaucrats April 3 to see if it would be possible to close the DUMSL campus for a few years in an effort to begin drilling on the entire campus. All existing buildings would remain, but the parking garages and lots would be removed. If approved, renovations of garages C, D and H would be put on hold.

Other places on the North Campus that are slated for test drilling include: Founder's Circle, Bugg Lake and the site proposed for the new University Center. Some of the



Ned Hazyview/ The Stagnant

Construction crews began taring down small buildings on campus last week to clear land for oil drilling.

Construction workers struck oil on Friday as they were in

the early stages of building a parking garage near Benton Hall. The chancellor has plans to tap the ground for all the money it is worth.

drilling has already begun between the Thomas Jefferson Library and Benton Hall.

Many students are in favor of the drilling process. While others think it is just another ploy made up by the chancellor to fund her pet projects at the students' expense. However, students are not the only ones in disagreement with the chancellor's actions.

The geese of DUMSL who have been

seen standing on top of Clark Hall and dropping their entrails at various locations on campus will begin picketing Bugg Lake if the chancellor's petition to the Board of Bureaucrats goes through. "Quack quack quack quack. Quack, quack [hiss] quack: quack, quack, quack quaaack!" said one angry duck when asked her opinion of the oil drilling plan.

Many are in shock over the chancellor's recent decisions. However students didn't seem surprised when she announced that if classes are cancelled for oil drilling, the tuition spent for the summer session of 1998 will not be refunded.

More information regarding the chancellor's decisions will be announced at a press conference next week. □

President Clinton visits DUMSL campus, selects chancellor as his new intern

BY JASON SCOTT LEE
special to The Stagnant

President Bill Clinton visited the UM-St. Louis campus last Friday in search of a qualified candidate to fill the intern position recently vacated by Monica Lewinski.

Clinton said that after reviewing over 20 applications, he selected our own Chancellor, Belinda Spudhill, based on the fact that "She possesses those qualities that a man in my position is looking for. She is experienced enough to wend her way through the political arena without getting bruised.

"I feel that a woman of her stature can

work effectively in politics and not get caught with her pants down. At least I hope she won't," Clinton said.



Clinton

Spudhill, who now prefers to be called Princess Zagorda, said she was "thrilled," when asked about her new appointment.

"I have always been a bit of a money grubber and a power-broker, so this is just the best thing that could happen right now.

"With the tuition — I mean, educational fee — increase, the purchase of Normandy, the plans for the new Fine Arts Center and the new U Center

well on its way, I really feel that I will be leaving the University with a sound base for even more improvement," Zagorda said. □

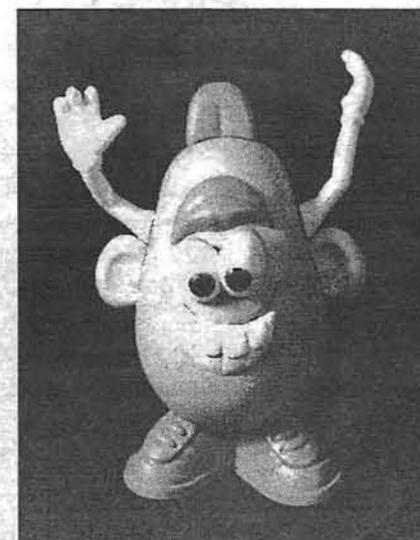
Now who will lead us?

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Now that DUMSL Chancellor Belinda Spudhill, or Princess Zagorda as she now prefers to be called, has decided to take a job as a White House intern, administrators are searching frantically to take fill her position.

Willie Nelson, vice chancellor for Substandard Education, said he is doing everything in his power to find the best person he can in the shortest amount of time. This includes a notice in a local newspaper's help wanted section, Nelson said.

"Since we were already running an ad for a tenured professor in the Nursery College, the paper gave us a discount," Nelson said. □



**Belinda Spudhill
former DUMSL chancellor**

DUMSL Athletic Department adds wrestling to program

BY BRUCE BEAVER
staff writer

There have been many new sports added to the DUMSL Athletic Department in the past few months. The most recent is wrestling.

There has long been a growing fan base for wrestling at DUMSL. The fans demanded it, so the University responded as it always does to students' demands.

"We looked at the world of professional wrestling and thought 'hey it could be a way to get people to actually go to some games,'" said Pat Dollar athletic director.

The Athletic Department pursued many avenues when looking to develop the program. First it sought after famous St. Louis wrestling greats Dick the Bruiser and Lou Theiz. They helped the program.

The next step was to find a coach. The Athletic Department chose perhaps the most prolific wrestler in history, Hulk Hogan.

"Oh yeah, all my little Hulkamaniacs are going to be running rampant in the Mark Twain Building come this fall," 'Hollywood' Hogan said. "I just have to take care of the

Macho Man next month, and then I'm ready to get this program started."

DUMSL already has one recruit and their mascot. Tonto Bambino has signed his letter of intent. I.P. Freely has also signed on to become the team's mascot and manager.

In addition to being the head coach, Hogan also has been given the task of spreading the word about DUMSL athletics.

"I told Ms. Dollar that instead of wearing a NWO shirt when I go to Starcade this summer, I would have my lucky Rivermen shirt on. Got to look out for the school that gave me a shot," Hogan said.

Several students were asked what they thought of all the mayhem that the wrestling program might bring the athletic department. Several gave very upsetting answers.

"You mean we have sports on this campus? I thought the Mark Twain Building is where all those gym teachers went to like learn something," said Ima Dumbass.

Her friend then followed up to sum up the new program.

"All I gotta say is DUMSL for life," shouted Mark Hambone. □



Hulk Hogan
new wrestling coach

Contamination of dirt, walk ways linked to toxic geese

BY WINDY VEERLEFT
staff writer

As the long trenches gouged in front of the Thomas Jefferson Library have multiplied in recent weeks, generating mounds of unearthed dirt, most DUMSL students have witnessed the process with little understanding of its dire implications for the whole campus.

"I thought they were putting in new sewer lines," Caroline Newsome, a freshman communication major said.

Another student, Hubert Tribocker, a junior computer science major, was similarly misled.

"I was sure new fiber-optic cables would go in the trenches," he said. "I can't believe I was so naive."

In fact, before yesterday, most people on campus didn't realize that the holes were actually significant for what was coming out of them, that crews have been extracting rather than installing.

Only after an emergency meeting this past weekend did the chancellor and key administrators decide to expose the well-kept secret.

"What we have is a goose situation," Lucky to the Chancellor Bernie Fife announced in a prepared statement, read before an assembly that included several members of the press and representatives from the DUM system.

According to Fife, this situation, which

many are now calling "the bird crisis," began several weeks ago when a physics class experimenting with a Geiger counter pointed the device at the concrete walk leading to Stadler.

"We got a strong reading," Jenny Mit, a member of the class explained. "We moved the counter an inch and the radioactivity vanished; we moved it back, and there it was."

Unfortunately, it was in a most inconvenient spot, a spot of goose poop.

The class soon discovered contamination in every goose dropping in sight, and after corroboration by senior members of the science faculty, official government agencies were notified.

"The trenches on North Campus have resulted from extensive soil testing," Fife said. "We are hoping to contain this obviously quite extensive problem."

Officials are still seeking the source of contamination but assert that radioactive geese can often be distinguished from "clean" specimens by their nasty behavior.

Despondency has not touched every corner of the campus, however.

John Sell, a fourth-year student who has not declared a major, promises to make the most of the situation.

"I see so much potential in this," he said. "I am planning a line of bumper stickers and t-shirts with timely slogans, like 'DUMSL geese's do-do glow' and 'Riverman in the hot zone.'" □

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UFO emits 'wicked green light' over campus

Beam has strange effects on geese, male students; Stagnant reporter shares his encounters

BY JOHN MARTINSON
staff writer

When an enormous flying saucer arrives on Earth, many things are anticipated to transpire. Although officially there has never been a documented report of alien spacecraft ever visiting Earth, everyone still seems to know what to expect.

The occasional sucking beam of light, the odd humming noise, the sudden electrical disturbances . . . all are to be predicted. That's why no one could have foreseen the bizarre changes that the glowing sphere witnessed high above the DUMSL sides have seemed to cause, Thursday.

Within minutes of the UFO's arrival, DUMSL students began to sense a curious energy in the air.

One student (who opted not to disclose his name) had this to say: "I was juggling in the courtyard, like I always do during lunch, when I began to feel rather strange below the waist. When I looked up and saw [the ship], well, needless to say I grabbed my balls and hauled ass!"

Another student who was lying on the grass eating lunch added, "It happened so suddenly . . . one minute I'm sitting there eating cashews, then outta' nowhere comes this wicked green light!" He went on to add, "I didn't know what it was . . . but I knew it wanted my nuts, and I wasn't about to

give them up."

Even though the extraterrestrial visitors have yet to declare the true reason for their arrival, *The Stagnant* is under the suspicion that they might be plotting to steal various expensive items from students.

Since the UFO's appearance one student has reported missing his "family jewels" to the campus police, while another noted having a "torn sack." Although *The Stagnant* was unable to discover what was in the student's "sack," we suspect that it may have contained "jewels" as well.

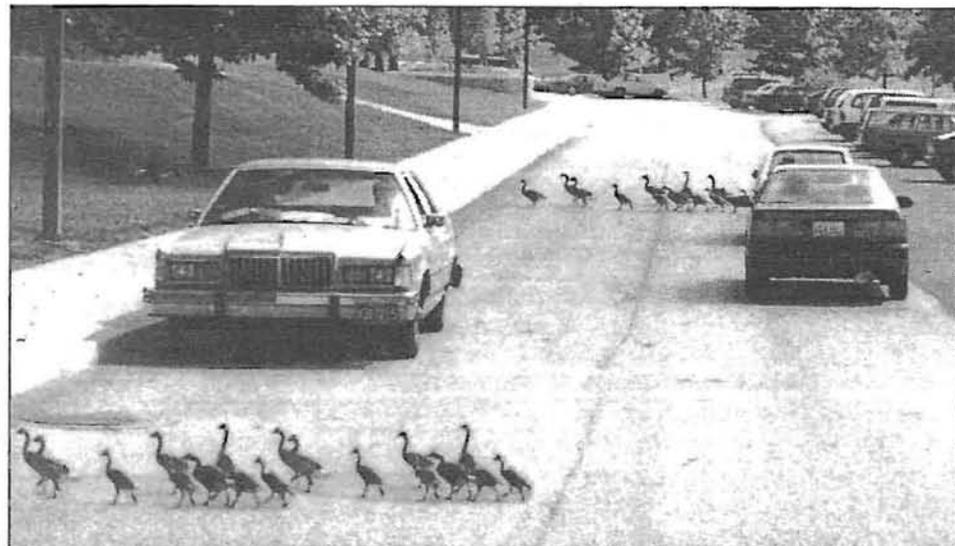


We poo poo on the sidewalks as a demonstration against the horrors occurring in war struck areas of the world, areas where freedom is a dream . . . and death a reality.

-Enrico
a goose

had the wrong idea about why we dookie all over the sidewalk. They think it's just because we're (@# %in' gross.

"Now that I have a voice I'd like to clear



paparazzi

Geese line up across West Campus Drive, blocking cars from passing. As a result of a UFO's light, geese gained the ability to speak the English language. The geese began to speak in protest of humans' actions; however, simply talking wasn't enough said "Enrico," a representative for the geese.

the air, so to speak, on why we choose to crap on your designated public walkways. One word, my friend, protest.

"We poo poo on the sidewalks as a demonstration against the horrors occurring in war struck areas of the world, areas where freedom is a dream . . . and death a reality. We poo poo in disapproval of the way the featherless capitalist pigs who run your so-called democracy, treat the innocent small countries of the world — in the name of liberty no less.

"Finally, we poo poo because if we didn't, our little goose colons would become impacted, and 300 constipated geese is the last thing you yuppie pin-heads need on your hands."

After Enrico the goose finished his Marxist diatribe, he proceeded to lift up his hind feathers and "pinch one off" on this *Stagnant* reporter's shoe.

So what will become of these new revelations that have arrived with the advent of the now infamous "DUMSL Saucer." In closing I asked Enrico what changes he would like to see happen here on campus, and in the world.

"Listen here Potsey . . ." he replied, "my list

of demands are simple. Number one, I would like the United States to lift itself out of its own filth, and finally embrace the warm bosom of communism.

"Number two; I would like for the senseless fighting that occurs everywhere in the world to come to an end. And most importantly, number three . . . I would like for them to bring back *Charlie's Angels*, but this time use bra-less geese instead of women."

Fed up with this demented space-fowl's commie propaganda, and buzzin' from four coffees and pack of Shock Tarts, I jammed my pen in Enrico's thorax and ran away. As I fled from the scene of the bloody goose homicide, my mind began to stray. I wondered if the world would ever be the same.

I wondered what would happen if the effects of the UFO never went away, and we were forced to live this way forever.

Finally, and most disturbingly, I wondered why I was oddly aroused by the thought of a bra-less "all-geese" *Charlie's Angels* show. Ahh, It's probably because of that damn UFO. □

Two Stagnant writers killed in unrelated homicides

BY MAC BURGER
formerly of the Stagnant Staff

In what appears to be to unrelated deaths, two *Stagnant* staff members were viciously murdered.

On March 19, managing editor Billy Bob Bumpkin was gunned down while traversing the campus. An anonymous source was quoted as saying, "A gunman appeared from a corner office in the Tower, aimed and took his life." This source also said it was eerily similar to Dallas and the Kennedy assassination.

Harry Douglas, editor of *The Stagnant*, said "Mr. Bumpkin will be missed. I'm not

sure who will get my coffee for me in the wee hours of the morning ,now. Billy worked hard, but was continually embarrassing us with his apparent lack of knowledge and understanding."

The second murder was later that night at a local movie theater where entertainment editor Mac Burger was killed in a similar vein as

Mr. Bumpkin will be missed. I'm not sure who will get my coffee for me in the wee hours of the morning, now.

-Harry Douglas
Stagnant editor

the opening scene in *Scream 2*. Police sources still have no clues about the killer, except they believe the killer to be of unsound mind, and perhaps, a patient of a clinical psychologist.

Douglas was also quoted as saying "Mac definitely will not be missed, I fired his naive, worthless ass every day. He would not get the hint, he must have been getting popcorn every time I told him he was fired. I personally think, he ate too much popcorn and his brain turned to popcorn kernels or something."

In the wake of these two unfortunate happenings, the campus will be closed while the investigations continue. A police source said, "The people responsible for these acts are two sick individuals. I bet they watched violent films before they did these horrendous acts. I hope they burn in hell." □

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