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**That's A Winner:** UM-St. Louis Rivermen are undefeated in preseason action. For details, See Page 5.



**Taste of the Future:** The Underground's new Cybercafe gives students a chance to go on-line while they snack. See Page 3.

## NEWS FROM ALL OVER

### Parents sue Cornell over student's death

(U-WIRE) ITHACA, N.Y. — The University is being charged with negligence in the death of Peter K. Matzke, who fell in Cascadilla Gorge in August 1997.

Matzke's parents, Robert F. Matzke and Barbara Ann Turecek, are suing Cornell for \$3 million, according to a complaint filed with Broome County Supreme Court on August 7, 1998.

The suit alleges that the University "failed to exercise reasonable care to prevent injury or death to users of the premises" and "allowed the premises to be in a latent, dangerous condition, maintained a dirt path and/or permitted its existence and was otherwise negligent in failing to maintain the property in a safe condition."

"We will obviously deny these allegations," said Nelson E. Roth, assistant University counsel. Matzke's parents could not be reached for comment.

Matzke, 19, was visiting Ithaca with a group of five friends, one of whom is a Cornell student, Ryan B. Buck '00, according to Linda Grace-Kobas, director of Cornell News Service.

Cornell University Police officers responded to a noise complaint and reports of a streaking incident involving Buck and his friends at 4:13 a.m. on Saturday, Aug. 9, 1997 near the War Memorial Arch on West Ave. on West Campus.

Two other suspects were found, but not charged, and Matzke escaped. He was found naked by a family of hikers at 10:52 that morning in Cascadilla Gorge.

According to the toxicology report, Roth said Matzke's blood alcohol content was .198. .08 is considered legally drunk.

Roth, who investigated the scene, denies the existence of the dangerous "dirt path" that Matzke's parents are alleging in their complaint.

## A & S Dean search committee reopened

BY BRIAN DOUGLAS  
staff editor

The search for a new dean of the College of Arts and Sciences will reopen this fall because the candidate the University selected turned down the offer.

The college has been looking for a new dean since E. Terrence Jones was removed from that position in the summer of 1997.

Douglas Wartzok, associate vice chancellor of Academic Affairs, said the job had been offered to William Frawley, who works at the University of Delaware. Wartzok said Frawley declined, choosing instead to stay with his current employer.



Frawley

"As is usually the case with good people, where they're at often likes to keep them," Wartzok said. "We made an offer and the individual's place where he was employed made a counteroffer that he found more attractive, so he decided to stay rather than come here."

He said most of the members of the search committee had agreed to return, although some had not been contacted yet.

"What we anticipate doing is starting right away in the fall," Wartzok said.

Wartzok said that ads for the position would likely come out sometime in September, and that hopefully the applications would be in sometime in November. Wartzok said that former candidates had the option of reapplying for the position. He also mentioned one way a repeat of the situation encountered with Frawley might be avoided.

"Maybe this year we'll have more than one choice in case the first person doesn't work out, and by starting earlier we'll have more time to deal with follow-up people that we might consider as well," Wartzok said.

In the mean time, Wartzok said he believed that Martin Sage would continue in the role of interim dean for the next year.

## Welcome Back

New series of programs will 'immerse' students in U life

BY DAVID BAUGHER  
senior editor

UM-St. Louis is trying to make new students feel a little more welcome this semester.

"Welcome Days," a new series of programs and events which began Aug. 23, will last through Sept. 11 providing students with a variety of food, music, dancing and other entertainments.

According to Rick Blanton, interim manager of Student Activities, the idea behind the celebration is to get students "immersed into the University" with

"different programs that would appeal to different people, but do them early in the semester when students were still looking for things to do to occupy their time."

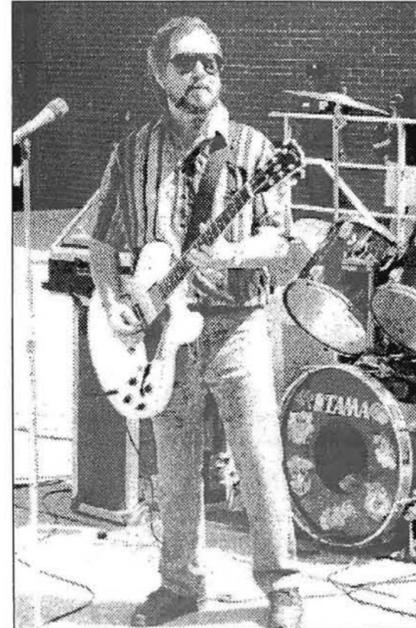
Blanton said most of the initial programs, such as the Aug. 23 kickoff "Jamaican Me A Riverman" Night, a Caribbean-themed party, have done well.

"There were probably in excess of 400 people there Sunday night," Blanton said. "It was a smash hit."

Blanton also said he was satisfied with the "eXtreme on the Patio" event which featured eXtreme radio 104.1-FM broadcasting live from the campus on the first day of fall classes.

He admitted however that the "In Cahoots with In Cahoots" line dancing event "could have been better."

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Stephanie Platt/The Current

**PEEK-A-BOO:** Billy Peek performs on the U Center Patio Wednesday as part of the "Welcome Days." program.

### Welcome Days

- TODAY**  
Gospel Choir Concert  
11:30AM-1PM-- U Center Patio
- WEDNESDAY**  
Fairchild in concert  
11:30 AM-- U Center Patio
- THURSDAY**  
Freaky Thursday  
10AM-2PM--U Center Lobby
- SEPTEMBER 9**  
Expo '98/Chancellor's Picnic  
10AM-6PM-- Alumni Circle
- SEPTEMBER 11**  
Dancin' in the Streets

For a complete list of events see the Bulletin Board, page 2

## Parking problems, traffic beset students

U Center construction cramps parking on North Campus; One-way stretch of East Drive provokes complaints

BY SUE BRITT  
of the Current staff

Construction on North Campus has caused new parking congestion for students.

A large focus of the construction is centered around Parking Lot E. The lot has mostly been eliminated at present. A new student center will be erected on this site, reducing the number of spaces in Parking Lot E by approximately 400 spaces. The estimated completion for construction of the center is in the spring of year 2000. Once completed, the center will include an enclosed walkway connecting it to Clark and Lucas Halls.

Campus administration is attempting to acquire the properties east of East Drive for additional parking garages. These garages would be located directly across the street from the new center. Donald Driemeier, deputy to the chancellor, said, "These [plans] are all in the discussion stage with the architects and engineers."

The north end of Garage H is also under construction. Bob Roeseler, director of institutional safety, attributed the delays to a lack of building materials.

"They are having troubles getting some steel for the steps," Roeseler said. "It will be completed in about six to eight weeks."

Construction on West Drive is causing further inconvenience as the road is closed to through traffic. The construction will eventually create a new road leading to Natural Bridge and a new 600-700 vehicle parking garage just north of Benton Hall. The garage will be another relief to the present parking congestion.

"Looks like it will be 12-18 months," Roeseler said.

Despite all the nuisances due to present construction, there are enough spaces available. Although it may seem there are not, Roeseler said, "we have never run out of parking; it's just a matter of it being farther away."

"In the long run," Roeseler said, "we will gain about 10 percent."

"In the short run parking will be a little tight, but we are doing some things in terms of permanent garages," Driemeier said.

Roeseler said future construction will "create a corridor between East and West Drives. The campus will flow basically from I-70 to St. Vincent's Park."

Driemeier said that the Master Plan developed by Sasaki Associates, a national architectural and planning firm, suggest, "We need to do a better job of connecting the North and South campus."

BY ASHLEY COOK  
senior editor

A recent change to East Entrance Drive on South Campus has raised safety and convenience concerns among University staff.

A week before classes began, the road was marked for one-way traffic just after the Kathy J. Weinman Advocacy Centre.

East Entrance Drive is one of two entrances to South Campus and is located south of Normandy Community Hospital, next to the South Campus Metrolink station. Parents at the University Child Development Center drop off and pick up their children at the center along the west side of Lot X, next to the Ward E. Barnes Educational Library. Center Director Lynn Navin said that she is concerned about the safety of children being dropped off at the center.

"Many of [the parents] have vans that only open on the right side, and children are now dropped off into traffic, where before they used to get out onto the curbed area," Navin said.

Bob Roeseler, UM-St. Louis director of institutional safety, said that his department was creating a drop-off area in front of the children's center.

"They are going to stripe the road, taking up about a lane and a half," Roeseler said. "We'll have hashmarks, barricades and cones for parents unloading children. There will be about ten feet of space available for them to unload the children in, and the kids should be safe."

Navin said that the police department originally wanted parents to use Lot XX for picking up and dropping off children. She said that the lot does not have adequate lighting, and is not completely paved.

"They just took some old tank out from under the road, and it's still in pieces back there," Navin said. "It is a safety hazard and an inconvenience for parents with several children."

Roeseler confirmed that he originally wanted to have parents use Lot XX.

"It was safer, but Lynn Navin didn't want it used for a variety of reasons," Roeseler said.

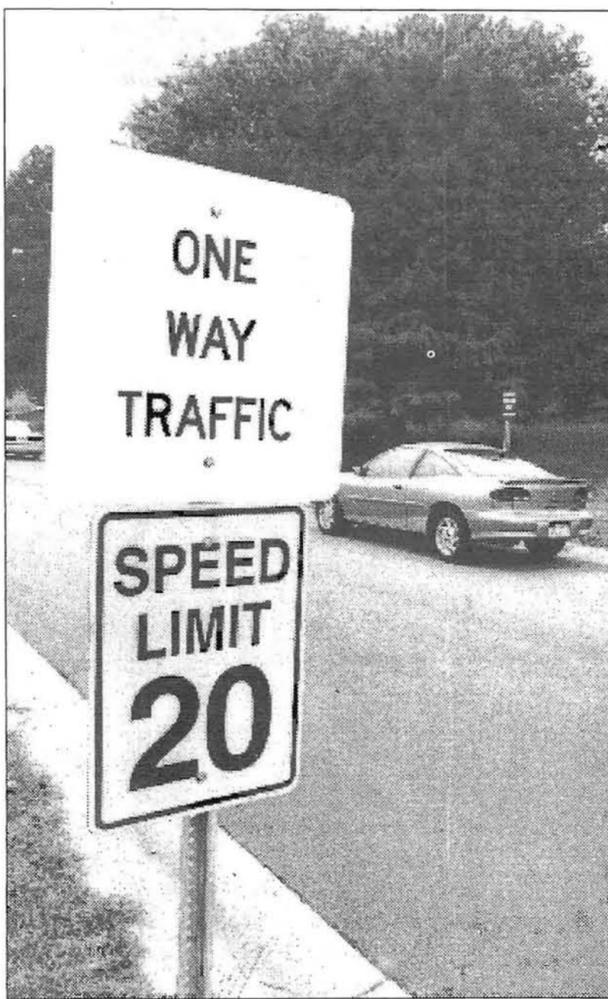
Navin said that she wasn't opposed to the change, but that she thought all the bases hadn't been covered.

"You've got to make sure there are enough signs for people to know it's one way," Navin said.

Virginia Workman, head librarian of the Barnes Educational Library, said that she was concerned about the area behind Seton Hall being hazardous in winter weather.

"The road back there is only big enough for one car, so if something gets stuck, then we're going to have to find another place to park," Workman said.

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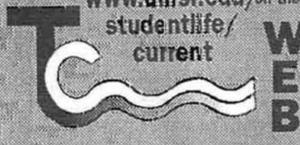
**WRONG WAY:** A sign marking the new one-way section of East Drive, east of Lot X on South Campus. Parents who use the University Child Development Center have complained that the one-way stretch makes it difficult to drop off their children safely, necessitating the creation of a special drop-off zone. The problem is only one of several traffic and parking related difficulties across both North and South campuses.

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**Monday, Aug. 31**  
• **Gospel Choir Concert:** The UM-St. Louis Student Gospel Choir will perform spiritual and gospel music between 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. on the patio.

**Wednesday, Sept. 2**  
• **Fairchild in concert.** Voted RFT's best St. Louis Rock Band, featuring Connie Fairchild, who has garnered the most "Best Female Vocalist" awards ever in the RFT annual poll of St. Louis area rock bands. Party starts at 11:30 a.m. on the University Center Patio.

• **Communion service** in the new chapel in the Newman Center at 12:10 p.m. Contact: Betty, 385-3455.

• **Guaranteed 4.0 Seminar 1** from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. in the J.C. Penney Auditorium. Contact: Linda Sharp, 6807.

**Thursday, Sept. 3**  
• **Student Social Work Association.** Dr. Hashimi, chair of the Social Work Department, will be discussing the MSW program from 5:15 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. in the Evening College Conference Room on the third floor of Lucas Hall. Time will be allotted for students to ask Dr. Hashimi questions pertaining to the MSW program. Contact: Terri Kettenbrink, 367-6385.

• **Chemistry Club meeting** in 446 Benton Hall from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Student elections to be held.

• **Campus Ministry** to host "Welcome Back" reception. The Campus Ministries of the Baptist Student Union, Campus Crusade, Catholic Newman Center, Lutheran and Wesley Foundation invite all faculty and staff to a reception in the J.C. Penney Lobby. Contact: Betty, 385-3455.

• **Freaky Thursday:** Karaoke, henna tattoos, palm readings, tarot fortunes, caricaturists and magicians on the Patio and in the University Center Lobby between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Come and participate or just watch others.

**Wednesday, Sept. 9**  
• **Get free BBQ and free ice cream** and learn about student

organizations at EXPO and the Chancellor's Picnic from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Contact: 5291.

**Thursday, Sept. 10**  
• **Student Networking Program** in 126 J.C. Penney from 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Contact: Linda Sharp, 6807.

**Friday, Sept. 11**  
• **Dancin' in the Streets or Shake, Shake, Shake Your Booty.** Music of two major St. Louis bands in alternating sets from 8:00 p.m. till midnight. There will be food, sodas, and if you're old enough beer may be purchased. Plenty of free parking at one South Campus parking lot and plenty of party at the other parking lot.

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## Get This

### Bookstore lines, parking and other facts of life

What is the point of paying good money (and a lot of it) for a parking permit if I can't use it?

It seems that the number of parking spaces on the UM—St. Louis North Campus has decreased dramatically since spring semester. This could have something to do with the fact that the large parking lot near Lucas and Clark Halls is currently under construction. The long-term plans may bring new and wonderful things in the future, but it's not too convenient for those of us caught in the crossfire.

Fortunately, as the students and faculty adjust to this frightening parking dilemma, the grid-locked lines are lessening. Maybe by mid-terms I'll actually make it to my 9:30 a.m. class on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Some may advise that I simply wake up and leave earlier to correct the problem, but I am not one to take the easy way out. I will conquer in my own way and on my own terms! Besides, that's really, really early in the morning.

In a colorful twist of fate, the parking is disappearing, and the lines in the bookstore are growing. Coincidence? I think not.

Maybe it's a simple case of my mind repressing a traumatic memory, but I don't remember the line for books ever taking so long. The employees in the bookstore have my deepest sympathy, as do the disgruntled students waiting and waiting...

Some of the University Bookstore stories have become legendary, a kind of treasured folklore. Who can forget the one about the naive freshman who ventured into the back alone one bright August day, and was never seen or heard from again? Or the bright triple-major student who collapsed in line under the pressure of the very books he loved? That mess caused an obstacle that held the line up for an additional two hours. Now that's scary.

Recently, a friend of mine went to visit his grandfather. They had a discussion about the trials, tribulations and minor hindrances of college life. According to Pappy (that's what my friend calls his grandpa), kids today have it easy. Apparently he had to walk 10 miles in the snow for his school supplies, and it was uphill — both ways.

I don't know if I completely trust the memory of a man who often misplaces his own teeth, but you never know.



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# CYBER CAFE

E-mail, chat rooms, net surfing, and best of all --- food!  
Denizens of the Underground go on-line at UM-St. Louis

BY AMY LOMBARDO  
staff editor

Welcome to the world of high-technology. Never before has there been so much information available at the simple click of a button. College students know this better than anyone. Hours are spent researching papers and projects, typing assignments and surfing the Internet. Some people consider computers to be beloved friends, or at least convenient tools.

But what if one is not available? The UM—St. Louis population is large, and doesn't show signs of getting any smaller. Many days there is a line for a terminal in the labs, and the computers are sometimes staked out by diligent students in for many hours of work in the same spot.

This can cause a problem for the average Joe who is in only in need of a quick e-mail fix. What is one to do?

The Cyber Cafe answers that question. It is a service created to provide a new area of computer connection for students. Following the trend of many cities nationwide, UM—St. Louis has set up this chat room for comfort, convenience and, maybe most importantly,



Stephanie Platt/The Current

Environmental Studies major Michael Salnykov works at a laptop in the new Cyber Cafe in the Underground. The Cafe will allow easy access to e-mail, chat rooms, and the Internet.

fun! The idea grew in a collaboration from Campus Computing and Auxiliary Services. Gloria Schultz is the director of Auxiliary Services and Jerry Siegel is the coordinator for Campus Computing at UM—St. Louis.

"I spoke to Dr. Siegel about putting some computers around campus and he was very

amiable to the idea. I also talked to faculty, staff and students," Schultz said. "At first I started thinking about doing it for the new University Center that is being built, but I was talking to Margo Hurwicz [associate professor in anthropology] and she said, 'You know, that's something that we could probably do now.'"

That moment of inspiration set the plans into motion.

The Underground provided the perfect setting for the project. It is very accessible, and located where students are sure to notice it. And it is certainly hard not to notice.

The area is redecorated in the University colors, red and gold. On the walls there is a display of international flags to make everyone feel at home. There are comfortable red couches and lamps on the table, giving it a much more relaxed feel than a computer lab.

"It's basically for students to go in and check their e-mail, to play games, sit around and visit," Schultz said. "That's why we call it the 'Cyber Cafe, an UMSL chat room'. There's a double meaning — chat on the computers, as well as to visit."

The Cyber Cafe is open until 10:30 p.m., three hours longer than the Underground. There is also a variety of food available — veggie sandwiches, sub-sandwiches, popcorn, flavored coffees, desserts and more.

The increase in the number of residential students at UM—St. Louis played a vital role in development also.

"The more residential students we get, the more we're going to have to accommodate them, be open and have things for them to do," Schultz said.

In addition, every Tuesday the cafe will host an open mike night from 6:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Students are encouraged to read poetry, play music, do stand-up comedy or vocals.

"The response [to the Cyber Cafe] has been unbelievable," Schultz said. "I've seen students in there at seven o'clock in the morning checking their e-mail."

## UNDER CURRENT

compiled by Erin Stremmel/staff photographer

### In ten words or less, describe UMSL's parking conditions.

"Merely a trifle. Soon all earthlings will obey me."

-Ryan Kiwala  
Sophomore/Sec. Education



"The parking situation is ridiculous. I dread the parking lot!"

-Kate Rosenthal  
Junior/Secondary Education



"I don't care because I don't own a car."

-Joyce Myers  
Sophomore/Mechanical Engineering



"Dangerous and time consuming. This problem should have been considered before the opening of Fall semester."

-Janie Williams  
Junior/History



"Parking at UMSL is like a party in my pants, and everyone is invited."

-Brian Gracey  
Senior/English



## Nursing student credits 'faith' for cancer recovery

BY AMY LOMBARDO  
staff editor

This year UM—St. Louis celebrated the graduation of many people from diverse backgrounds and unique circumstances. A closer look at one of these students shows that determination and self-motivation can overcome almost any obstacle.

Seven years ago, Gynda L. Gilkey-Mathison was working at the City of St. Louis Division of Health and Hospitals and taking a few classes off and on at UM—St. Louis. She was enrolled in the nursing program, but didn't feel any need to rush.

Her perspective on time was changed dramatically that same year when Gilkey-Mathison was diagnosed with a brain tumor.

"It's kind of scary to think that I had been doing my usual routine, my everyday things, and here's something that's growing in my body that I was unaware (of)," Gilkey-Mathison said.

Originally she was told that the surgery would last about eight hours, but it dragged on nearly twice as long. Her husband told her that the tumor was bigger than the doctors expected and, more importantly, it was deeper. The surgeons were forced to leave in the stem.

Gilkey-Mathison found herself looking at a difficult decision. Should she have another surgery or try radiation therapy?

"When they discussed the surgery the second time I was very fearful," Gilkey-Mathison said. "I didn't want to have it."

As fate would have it, a Magnetic Resonance Imagery (MRI) showed that the tumor had wrapped around an artery and ruled out surgery as an option. About six straight weeks of radiation followed, which resulted in some shrinkage, but not a large amount. For the next five years the treatments continued until finally it was determined that the tumor had shrunk down as far as it ever would.

A second surgery took place in 1996, and it succeeded in decreasing the mass of the tumor all the way around, containing the problem discovered in the MRI.

It took Gilkey-Mathison a year to recuperate after the ordeal, and it left her with additional health problems she continues to battle. One of the main difficulties was her lack of energy. All of

the hospital activity had drained her and made simple things like walking a struggle. Her face was temporarily partially paralyzed. Gilkey-Mathison also experienced a great loss in her vision. She no longer has peripheral vision, which causes her to have a sense of tunnel vision.

"Things just didn't seem to be exactly where they were," Gilkey-Mathison said. "At times it was hard to gauge with my depth perception."

Her diminished vision proved to be a nuisance when she went back to school.

"The biggest problem was me being able to see the board and the overhead," Gilkey-Mathison said. "Reading made my eyes quite tired."

To overcome these challenges, she received assistance in relearning seemingly simple things,



Gilkey-Mathison

like pouring water into a glass. She also went to speech and physical therapy at the hospital and learned to walk with a cane in some circumstances.

But the tremendous stress and pressure took an emotional toll as well. At one point, Gilkey-Mathison was overwhelmed with the amount of medication she needed, taking 12 different kinds simultaneously.

"My children were younger then and they would see me in the bathroom [taking medicine]. It was disheartening," Gilkey-Mathison said. "It

made me feel like I was a junkie."

Today, Gilkey-Mathison has beaten all of these hardships, and seems to be ready for whatever life has in store for her next. She graduated in August with a master's degree in nursing with honors. She was inducted into the International Honors Society for Nursing, the 1997-1998 Who's Who for American College and University Students, and received the Shirley Martin Award for outstanding nursing.

A few days ago, she sent her 18-year-old daughter, Whitney, off to college. She still has her 13-year-old daughter, Mykell, at home.

Throughout all of this, Gilkey-Mathison believes that it is her faith that got her through.

"When I was told about my illness I prayed and I told the Lord that I was placing myself in His hands," Gilkey-Mathison said. "If it hadn't been for my faith in God, I wouldn't have been able to accomplish any of this."

# COMMENTS

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### OUR OPINION

## SGA constitution comes first

### The Issue:

SGA's lack of a constitution is causing embarrassment not only for the organization but for the student body as well.

### We Suggest:

It should be SGA's first order of business to resolve the constitutional confusion.

### So what do you think?

Let us hear from you on this or any issue in a letter to the editor.

The fall semester has started, and the task force Jim Avery formed last March for the revision of the Student Government Association constitution will reportedly have the new document ready soon.

While we commend the efforts of SGA to tackle what is an admittedly ugly issue, we want to take this opportunity to urge the members to make every reasonable effort to see to it that this matter is resolved as quickly as possible.

The existing situation is a grievous embarrassment for SGA. Having to acknowledge that your organization isn't altogether sure what governance structure you've been operating under is the stuff of public relations nightmares. But this goes much deeper than making oneself vulnerable to a few jokes of poor taste made in private circles. By undermining public confidence and making the whole organization look frankly ridiculous, this fiasco hinders SGA's ability to be an effective force for the expression of student opinion.

More than that, it can make students as a whole look bad. Problems of this sort can cast doubt in the eyes of the faculty, administration and staff as to just how serious students really are. It should be remembered that only last semester some factions expressed a desire to see the student seats

removed from the University senate, this coming in spite of a great deal of interest in the election relative to years past.

It should be remembered that this mess came to light when the SABC refused funding to a number of student organizations for failing to attend mandatory budgetary workshops, resulting in a quagmire of political jockeying which went on for several weeks before Avery declared that the constitution SGA was operating under was invalid. According to the then accepted version of SGA's constitution, members of the SABC must be approved by SGA. That never happened and Sharone Hopkins, who led two of the organizations which faced a loss of funding, argued that the decisions of SABC were consequently invalid. Avery countered by pointing out that the constitutional provision mandating SGA approval of SABC members was itself invalid, having never been approved by the chancellor. That provision was part of a revision proposed in 1993 by then-president Andy Masters.

While the current SGA members should not necessarily be held responsible for this mess, again we want to remind them that this situation needs to be remedied as quickly as possible for a great number of reasons, and SGA needs to take steps to ensure a similar incident does not occur in the future.

## Early arrivals solution to parking troubles

The Fall semester here at UM-St. Louis has begun, and as usual finding a parking space is a challenge.

Every morning, cars are lined up in the turn lane on Natural Bridge as far as the eye can see, with masses of students jockeying for spaces between areas of campus construction.

The majority of students manage to get to their classes on time, despite the traffic headaches. Still, there are some who arrive daily about ten to twenty minutes late.

There are different solutions to this problem, the easiest being to simply get up earlier. At 8 a.m., there are very few cars arriving at the main University entrance next to Woods Hall. Students can avoid the traffic hassle by pushing their morning commute back by 30 minutes to an hour. Arriving early not only ensures a less-stressful start to the day, but also allows for time to review class material for those who have faculty that like to check attendance by giving a start-of-class quiz.

Another solution to the parking nightmare is to utilize alternate entrances to campus. While the south entrance of North Drive by Benton-Stadler is temporarily closed, there are still two entrances open on the north side of campus at Mark Twain and East Campus Drive off of Florissant Road, both accessible from Interstate 70.

Students might think that getting up early is a waste of valuable sleep time, but they will more than make up for it by maintaining good relations with faculty and fellow students alike who appreciate the effort to avoid interrupting class discussion. *tw all*

### GUEST COMMENTARY

## Pace yourself, kid

Everybody pay attention, especially the students (act like you're not in class). This is the beginning of a new school year. A fresh start for all. Don't mess this one up! Before I continue, let me give you a little background information that will help you see where I'm coming from.

Years ago, I was in the ninth grade. It was a day just like today. I decided this was the school year for me. I was young, naive and a bit ignorant if you asked me, but I didn't know any better so I don't blame myself. I blame my mother! But that's another story.

I started the school year off running, I couldn't be touched. People would say "Hey Rhashad! Where's the fire brother?" I told them it was in fifth hour. I was determined to make straight A's, be on the honor roll, and maybe even skip a few grades.

What happened? I asked myself at the end of the semester when I was lazy, unfocused and sitting in front of the TV watching "Days of Our Lives." I don't even like soap operas! There I was, yelling back at the TV screen, "He doesn't want you girl, he's a playal!"

Yes, I hit rock bottom. I didn't really get the grades I wanted and barely made the honor roll. Five years later and I see the light. Not only do I see the same tendencies that get me into trouble every year, but I also notice there's a couple of people out there with the same affliction.

I started off a little too fast and too strong for my own good.

So to all who dare to continue reading this commentary, I leave you with this: pace yourselves, don't over do it in the first couple of weeks and tire yourself out.

I'll even throw in a metaphor for your memories. Picture an out-of-shape nineteen year-old like myself going out on a breezy summer evening to play a friendly game of basketball. Now the group of young men that accompany me are in fairly good condition. I myself figure I'll be okay, even though the last time I did any type of exercising was during tenth grade gym class. A three-on-three fiasco was about to take place. I started off strong, hitting a couple of jumpers, making a few lay-ups and even stealing a pass from the opposing players. Next thing I know, my chest started getting an attitude with me. I asked him what was wrong, and he told me it was time to go home. Basically the moral of the story is to first see your destination down the road, plan on getting there and take baby steps doing it.

## Trade agreement gives multinationals power while media focuses on scandal

The media cannot get enough of what's been going on the Oval Office. So while the major news sources scramble for the latest testimony, the rest of the world continues. It is a shame that more attention is not being paid to the rest of the world, because some newsworthy things are happening. One of the greatest of these unheralded news stories is the MAI story.

The Multilateral Agreement on Investment is a treaty similar to the General Agreement on Trade and Tariffs and the North American Free Trade Agreement that is currently being negotiated by the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, a.k.a. the Rich Countries Club. I say similar only to describe the general aim of the treaty; in reality, the MAI is much more vast and far-reaching in scope. The MAI would set up an international corporate constitution, complete with a bill of rights. This agreement would grant a multinational corporation the right to be treated as a domestic company in a foreign country. It would also make illegal any local attempt to hinder the growth of business or the flow of investment and profit dollars. This seems to be in line with the current trend towards globalization, with many different societies growing closer and many different forms of government and cultures intermingling. However, with the MAI, the businesses of our separate countries are hurdling past anything some multicultural studies class on campus is doing. This global marketplace would not be too terrible were not

for one thing: there is no global government or society to regulate this marketplace. Thus, under the MAI, a multinational corporation would be superior to a local government.

Under the MAI, a multinational corporation could build a pollution-producing factory in a residential area. Then, when the local government protested, they could cite the MAI, claiming that in other (read, third world) countries, these environmental laws are not in place and therefore they hinder business here. Thus, an international corporate bureaucracy would be telling a country or state what it can or cannot do. Beyond that, multinationals could sue a striking labor union, citing it as inhibiting investment and business. Through the broad scope of the MAI and its nearly unlimited powers, environmental laws and unions would be greatly challenged.

The MAI is a complete deflation of local and national sovereignty, it is a direct challenge to the environment and labor rights and it could challenge human rights as well (through labor harshness and child labor). Not only that, it will also exploit third world countries and keep them from ever growing out of their poverty. This grand conspiracy is being run by the World Trade Organization. Thanks to their two strong arms, the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank, the WTO has ascended to a position of power over the world. Hopefully, the corporates will get too caught up bickering over how to divide our pie because I don't see any help in alerting the public to this outrage coming from the media any time soon.



**RHASHAD PITTMAN**  
guest commentator



**GENE MARSHALL**  
guest commentator

## Economics 101: It's A Wonderful Life

It's hard to admit to being totally ignorant about something. Economics is my weakness. Given that all my knowledge on the subject comes from old Hollywood movies, you can imagine how confused I was by the articles on the Friday Post's front page about Russia's current economic collapse and the ruble's weakness against the dollar.

Don't get me wrong, clearly I'm very upset about the ruble's decline against the dollar, but this is due less to my detailed knowledge of world markets and more because the article includes a photo of a number of desperate-looking Russians pushing one another in front of a bank, which shows no signs of opening anytime soon. These Russians did not appear eager to make deposits.

As leading financial analysts, or anyone who has watched "It's a Wonderful Life" can tell you, large, surly crowds gathered around banks are not typically considered a positive economic indicator. Obviously the ruble's decline is definitely a bad thing and we should certainly be distressed, but the point is that **DAVID BAUGHER** without the visual cue, I wouldn't editor-in-chief have known to be concerned.

The Post's sister story on the same page about the effect of the ruble on the Dow Jones Industrial Average is even worse. The paper worriedly informs me of a 357-point "correction" in the market. This sounds like an improvement to me. I assume it means that the market is 357 points more accurate than it was before it was "corrected."

It turns out however that a "correction" in stocks is even less pleasant than the kind picky professors do to my English papers. It means the Dow actually dropped by 357 points. This is apparently very bad, though my ignorance again comes into play. I'm ashamed to admit that I have never had the faintest idea what a "point" is, other than when they appear on scoreboards at sporting events or on my license after traffic tickets. George Bailey never had to worry about "points" when he ran the Bailey Brothers Building and Loan. Does this mean the Dow plays against other stock markets? "...Turning now to financial news...where the Dow Jones today trounced the NASDAQ 12-5 in heavy trading; elsewhere it was the S & P 500 beating the Nikkei 8-7 in a rain-delayed contest..." This would be a truly entertaining prospect if the traders would start giving high-fives and dumping Gatorade on each other at the closing bell.

The article goes on to state that the dollar is "close to being overvalued." Again, this sounds like a good thing. I like the idea of my dollars being overvalued, considering how little they seem to buy each week.

But it seems that the dollar's overvaluation will not lead to my money being worth more. Instead, it could lead, according to one analyst, to a "worldwide deflationary cycle," which definitely sounds bad or a "bond rally" which sounds good but apparently isn't because interest rates are too low.

As for myself, I'll stick to "It's a Wonderful Life."

## Toys that don't build character

Earlier this week, I saw a commercial for yo-yos, advertising the toy with the slogan, "this ain't the same old yo-yo." What was wrong with the old yo-yo? I remember trying to learn all the neat tricks like Walk the Dog or Around the World. Seems like I usually ended up bruising my shins. Come to think of it, a lot of my stuff wasn't quite what the commercials cracked it up to be.

The Kissing Barbie who only kissed once before the button on her back broke.

My jump rope that kept fraying at the ends despite the hollow plastic handles.

That Princess Leia doll whose hair would never get back into the donuts.

My Slinky that wouldn't slink past the third step.

My metal roller skates that were so loud you couldn't hear yourself think.

Water guns that only held enough water to get someone irritated, not soaked.

I guess maybe toys weren't all that great back then. Nowadays kids have CD-ROM adventure games and mega-loaded Super Soaker water toys that don't require a trip to the hose after every shot. They've got in-line skates and Barbie computer fashions and Laser Tag. Where's the imagination required here?

Don't get me wrong, I love technology and all the great things it has to offer. On the other hand, I think that along the way, manufacturers have left out the elements of role-playing and creativity that kids can use to increase their self-reliance and problem solving abilities. Okay, so I wish I could have had those smooth in-line skates, and my Barbie would have been a lot more color-coordinated if I'd had a computer to help me out. Still, I'm glad I had the chance to grow up trying to beat my friends back to the water hose and making doll clothes that weren't a fashion statement. At least I had to use my imagination, even if I did get some unwanted training in toy repair.



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## Latest Scoop

### Baseball the only success this summer

Well, school has finally started again, and what a summer it has been in sports.

The St. Louis Blues allowed Brett Hull to venture into the free agent market and sign with the division rival Dallas Stars.

This controversy left the St. Louis media in a frenzy. The Blues had lost their franchise player, but it was a financial move by Blues management to cut costs. Look for Hull's return to the Kiel Center to be sold out with a large ovation for the phenom.

The World Cup was played in France this year and won by the Frenchmen themselves.

The United States played terribly on their way to not winning a game in their bracket. Their lone goal of the entire tournament was scored by St. Louisan Brian McBride.

The U.S. were even defeated by Iran, a match which brought controversy and hostility to the sports associate feuding



DAVE KINWORTHY  
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nations. After a remarkable showing in 1994, where the U.S. defeated the powerful Columbia on their home turf, the squad was never able to capture the spotlight in the 98' Cup.

Saint Louis University bid farewell to their highly touted freshman guard Larry Hughes, the first Billiken to be chosen in the first round since Anthony Bonner. Hughes will team up with Allen Iverson of the Philadelphia 76ers to form a deadly 1-2 combination.

Edwardsville High School went undefeated in baseball on their way to the Illinois state title with a record of 40-0.

Later in the summer, their Post 199 Legion team won the national title. It was the first time since 1972 that a St. Louis team had captured the national title.

The UM-St. Louis men's baseball team advanced to regionals last spring, bowing out to rival SIU-Edwardsville. Also, Eric Blaha was named a second team All-American.

Last but not least, the St. Louis Cardinals have had a disastrous season. Pre-season polls predicted the Redbirds to win the division, but not to be battling it out with the likes of Pittsburgh and Milwaukee for third place.

If it weren't for certain players and teams in baseball right now, I would have no interest in the game and season at all.

Mark McGwire, aside from taking his androstenedione, has rejuvenated baseball. His monstrous blasts and heroics in the pursuit of Roger Maris' record has Busch Stadium packed for every home game.

The Yankees have astounded baseball as they attempt to break the record for most wins in a season. As they currently stand, they are 60 games above .500. I just wonder if they could loan the Cardinals some wins, or just teach them how to play winning baseball.

The last baseball player that gives the game hope for the future is the Chicago Cub's youthful Kerry Wood.

This young man has an arm and future like Nolan Ryan. His fastball is consistently in the mid-90s and he has the power to dominate a game on any given night.

## Rivermen sweep preseason schedule

Men's soccer wins 4-0 in preseason opener against McKendree, tops Columbia and Meramec

BY KEN DUNKIN  
staff editor

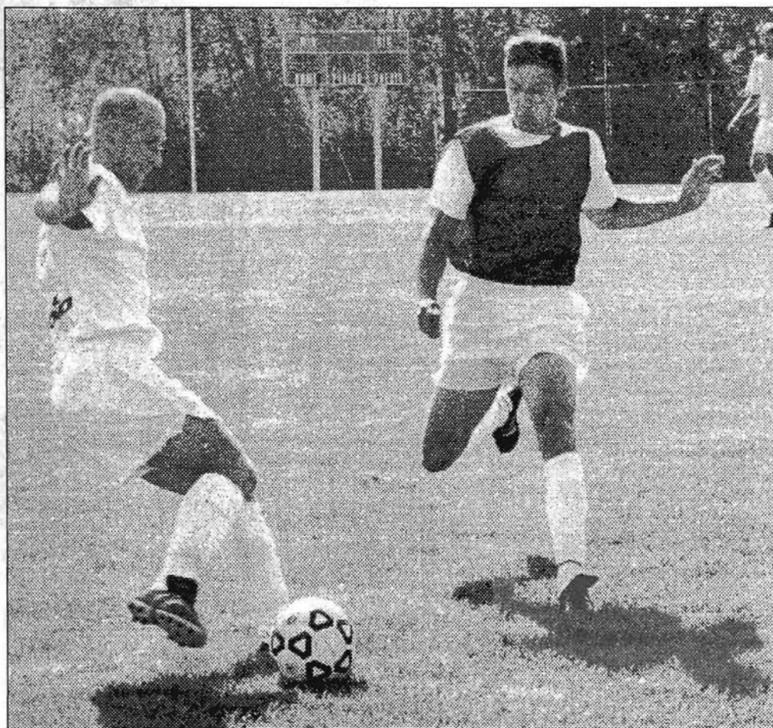
With three preseason games under their belt, the men's soccer team has high hopes for the season.

The Rivermen swept through their preseason schedule, winning three games. They won the preseason opener against McKendree 4-0. The team then had the tough challenge of playing two games back-to-back. They rolled over Columbia College 3-1 and Meramec Community College fell the following day 4-2.

"I knew that Meramec had a few days off before we played them," Rivermen Head Coach Tom Redmond said. "I scheduled the back-to-back games to get the guys ready for the season. It gave them a quick look at how the season is going to go."

The Rivermen have three quick challenges this season. They will play their first three games against teams which made the tournament last year.

"It is going to be tough for the guys this year," Redmond said. "We have West Texas A&M right off the bat. Then we head to Quincy to play Truman State and West Virginia Wesleyan. Those are three very good teams, but this team is going to fare well."



Joe Stdko (right) attempts to kick the ball away in an exhibition game August 26 against McKendree.

The optimism comes from the team playing well in practice. It is also attributed to the team coming into the preseason in great shape.

"I thought our training exercises

were getting stale last season," Redmond said. "I told them to go out and have fun in the off-season. They are college kids and they are supposed to have fun. But I still wanted them to stay

close to the fitness room. They did what they had to do and came into the season in good shape instead of having to work a month to get back into playing shape."

Redmond was also pleased with the return of mid-fielder Trent Woodrick. Woodrick was out all of last season. This year he returns as a co-captain and a key player in the Rivermen overall picture.

"I forgot how much difference Trent makes out on the field," Redmond said. "He moves the ball so well and makes everyone around him better."

One of the major differences for the team this year will be the team's experience. The team has very few underclassmen.

"If you look at most of this team, there are quite a few from the freshman class three years ago," Redmond said. "They had a really good freshman season, guys like Mark Mendenhall, Scott Luczak, Derick Kaspar. They had to grow into new roles when the upperclassmen left. I have always felt that it is tough for a sophomore to be a leader on the team. They fizzled their second year. This year they are ready for the season and it shows. They have grown up."

## Riverwomen soccer preview

Beth Goetz to lead Riverwomen in first year as head coach

BY DAVE KINWORTHY  
staff associate

The women's soccer team has begun practice under the guidance of first year head coach Beth Goetz. Here is a look at how the team looks for the 1998 season:

Emily Karl is a freshman from Oakville who will come in and be a big impact to the women's squad. She will see plenty of time in the midfield.

Cory Chik is another incoming freshman from Rosati-Kain who will play for the Riverwomen in the midfield.

Amber Godfrey is a transfer student from Meramec Community College. She is one of the more versatile players on this team. She distributes the ball well and has presence on the field. She will start the season at the midfield position.

Sam Grasshoff is the team's senior goalkeeper. She has good presence and is very tall. She is technically sound and needs to step up for the Riverwomen to be successful in the GLVC.

Michelle Hogan is another senior on the squad who will see time up front at the forward position as well as in the midfield with her great work ethic.

Wendy Hollon is a marking back for the Riverwomen. She is a tough and scrappy defender who will hold up the fort in front of Grasshoff.

Shannon Humphrey is a senior marking back as well. Goetz calls her "the best marking back who will be called upon to handle the opposing team's best player."

Sarah Kalish is a freshman from Ritenour/Incarnate Word who will see time in the midfield. She is a strong attacker with good field vision who will only bolster the line-up up front.

Lynn Lueddecke is a senior who has had been recently battling nagging injuries. If healthy, Lueddecke will be a strong asset to the squad.

Carrie Marino is the best technical player on this year's team. She is the leader and she will carry the load in the goal-scoring category. She came in fit in the preseason and looks to be a strong candidate for All-Conference honors.

Alaina O'Donnell is a freshman from Hazelwood Central who is a very aggressive midfielder and very strong in the air.

Beth Ostermeyer is a sophomore who will anchor the backfield at the sweeper position this year.

Julie Reiter is back in full gear as she returns with more confidence. She has a great shot and look for her to take more opponents on one-on-one.

Jennifer Terbrock is a forward who is hoping to come back with more confidence this season. She has a deadly shot which will help the Riverwomen in the long run.

Denise Thurman is a sophomore transfer student from Florissant Valley Community College who will see time in the backfield along with the defensive midfield position.

Missy Timpe is the fifth senior on this team who may see time at outside midfield. She is a very scrappy forward with a good work ethic and decent speed.



Goetz

## Media attack on McGwire's use of Andro shouldn't affect fans

Sports Analysis

The 1998 baseball season has been one of the most memorable and exciting seasons ever. The sport is experiencing unparalleled growth and popularity levels.

This season holds something for every fan: home run races, the Yankee's domination, the Big Unit's invasion of the National League and the emergence of young stars like Kerry Wood.

The true baseball fan also cannot forget the wild card race in the National League, Juan Gonzalez and Sammy Sosa's pursuit of Hack Wilson's RBI record, and, of course, Cal Ripken's streak.

Unfortunately, a black cloud has risen over one of the most intoxicating elements to this season—the home run race.

A dietary supplement named Andro is the cause of the controversy. Though banned in several sports and not sold by General Nutrition Centers, Andro can be obtained over the counter and is not illegal in baseball. Cards slugger Mark McGwire has admitted to using Andro. McGwire as of press time has 54 home runs and is on pace to break Roger Maris' home run record. His admission to using the controversial supplement has caused some to wonder if Andro had more to do with the home runs than McGwire.

In a prepared statement, Commissioner Bud Selig and Major League Baseball Players' Association Executive Director Donald Fehr said: "In recent days, there have been press

reports concerning the use of certain nutritional supplements by Major League players. The substances in question are available over the counter and are not regulated by the Food and Drug Administration. In view of these facts, it seems inappropriate that such reports should overshadow the accomplishments of players such as Mark McGwire."

Thank you, baseball. For once you did not drop the ball. The only reason this is such a controversy is that certain members of the media can't stand prosperity. The thought of a player from a non-New York team, worse yet a mid-western team from a smaller media market breaking one of the all-time great records, is unthinkable.

As a result these reporters have to do whatever they can to take away from McGwire's accomplishments. These reporters would rather baseball stay in the dark ages of a couple years ago when player strikes were more numerous than actual strikes and baseball was clinging to its tattered past.

Let it go, people. Barring injury, or walks, McGwire has a great chance to break the record and he will do it with no help from anyone or anything.

Andro can't hit a 95-mile-per-hour fastball. McGwire can.

So thank you, baseball, for standing by McGwire and giving fans not only a chance at sharing history, but a real reason to love the game.

-Joe Harris

## THIS WEEK IN SPORTS

Contact the Athletic Department for information about these and other events.	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
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Men		vs. Truman State 4:30 p.m. Quincy	vs. W. Va. Wesleyan 4:30 p.m. Quincy
Women		vs. Belmont Abbey U. 11 a.m. Evansville, IN	vs. Gardner Webb U. 11 a.m. Evansville, IN
Women	v. Christ. Bro. U. 4 p.m. (home) vs. Columbia Coll. 8 p.m. (home)	v. Miss. U. Wom. noon (home) vs. Stony Brook 4 p.m. (home)	

## V-ball looking for quicker offense

JOE HARRIS  
of the Current staff

Coach Denise Sylvester is optimistic about her Riverwomen volleyball team as they get set to open up their 1998 season this week.

A year's experience has helped the three returning freshmen not only with their overall game, but with their intensity and confidence as well.

"[The freshman] have really grown a lot," Sylvester said. "Not just volleyball-wise but in terms of their intensity and how hard they are driving themselves to succeed."

One thing Sylvester would like the team to improve on is ball control. She wants the Riverwomen to control the tempo and force the

other team to play on their heels.

"In any sport, the team that controls the ball more will have a better chance at success," Sylvester said.

Fans can expect the Riverwomen to play more of an up-tempo style of volleyball. Sylvester wants quicker offense as the Riverwomen will play a more run-and-gun style.

"We're not going to give the other team time to set up [defensively]," Sylvester said.

There will also be an international flavor to the Riverwomen with newcomers Holly Zrout and Yorhena Panama. Zrout from Germany and Panama from American Somalia should provide significant contributions to the Riverwomen this year.

“In any sport, the team that controls the ball more will have a better chance at success.”

# Governor visits campus child center

## Carnahan signs child care funding bill

BY ASHLEY COOK  
senior editor

Governor Mel Carnahan visited the University Child Development Center on June 17th to promote a bill he signed into law which assists low-income families by making affordable child care available.

"More and more children receive a large portion of their care outside the home," Carnahan said. "These Missouri families must find someone they can afford, someone they trust to take good care of their children."

House Bill 1519 distributes money from the gaming commission fund to education, with part of the fund going to support voluntary preschool education programs. The law mandates that at least ten percent of the money in that fund be used to increase reimbursements for low-income children attending accredited child care facilities.

Carnahan emphasized that the fund would not be free child care for parents, but would be used to assist those with financial needs.

"Parents who choose to use these programs will pay for their child's participation on a sliding scale determined by their ability to pay," Carnahan said.

Carnahan said that finding quality, affordable child care is one of the major obstacles for families trying to get off of welfare.

"We will be expanding access to child care for low-income families, particularly those moving from wel-

fare to work," Carnahan said.

Lynn Navin, director of the University Child Development Center, said that she is planning on applying for a grant, but that the funds had not been appropriated yet and would not be awarded until the end of 1999.

Navin said the center plans on using the grant to expand their facility and services, including adding a campus drop-in child care option.

"The drop-in service would be available to students who need child care only while attending classes, and not for a full day," Navin said.

Navin said that at one time there was a student and staff discount available for child care at the center, but that the discount was taken away in an attempt to reconcile the budget. She said that less than 25 percent of the parents at the school are students, and that almost half of parents are faculty or staff members.

According to Navin, the center was chosen for the Governor's visit because Missouri Representative Rita Days' children were taught by teacher Estella Rash at the center 18 years ago.

Rash continues to teach at the center, working with three and four-year-olds.

Navin said she was pleased with the Governor's visit and felt that the bill would have a positive effect on

the effort to improve early child-care education," Navin said.

"Committing this much money has never been done."

"Carnahan's commitment is a major step forward in childhood

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"I think UM-St. Louis students were afraid to try something new while other people were watching..." Blanton said. "I think that type of program, in hindsight, might have been better to have put that down in the Honors College at night or South Campus Residence Hall at night in one of their programming venues."

Upcoming events include concerts today and Wednesday on the University Center Patio, as well as a variety of attractions on Thursday.

"Welcome Week" will conclude with two major events, the Chancellor's Picnic/EXPO on Sept. 9 and a "Dancin' in the Streets" event, Sept. 11.

The Chancellor's Picnic/EXPO is an annual event featuring free food and information booths for student and other organizations. EXPO booths cost \$25 for on campus organizations or \$55 for off-campus groups. On-campus groups may share a booth for free. The deadline to reserve a booth is Sept. 2.

"Dancin' in the Streets" will feature food, beverages and beer for those 21 and older as well as music from "Reggae at Will" and "Tastes Like Chicken."

"We're going to have two bands so that the music never stops," Blanton said. "They'll play one hour sets."

## FROM PARKING, PAGE 1

Workman also said that she did not like the change in one-way traffic, as it redirects parking alongside the library.

"Parallel parking from the left instead of the right is hard to do," Workman said.

Renee Crandall, library clerk III, said that finding the library was confusing.

"I had to be shown how to get here," Crandall said. "They have little white arrows painted [on the road], but if it gets dark or rainy or there's a bunch of snow, you're not going to be able to see them."

Workman said that she would like the lot in front of the library, Lot X, to remain two-directional.

"We would like them to move the one-way back a little and let us use this part like it was, blocking it off back at the childcare center," Workman said.

Crandall was concerned that delivery trucks might block the road for emergency vehicles and other traffic.

"When the Daughters of Charity have deliveries, the trucks block the road back there," Crandall said.

Roeseler said that he wasn't aware that any trucks were blocking the road.

"I don't know if that's happening, but if it is, they will get a citation," Roeseler said.

According to Roeseler, improvements to Eastside Drive are coming soon.

"We have some signs that will be placed by Seton to direct the students leaving those lots as to which way to go," Roeseler said.

Roeseler said that the police department will not be ticketing violators on the one-way drive for at least a week.

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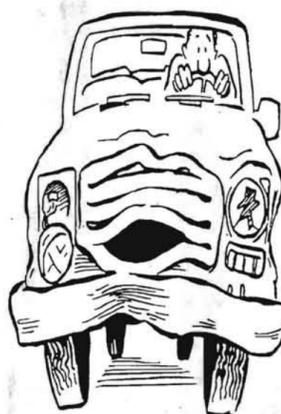
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