

Committees Formed To Study Campus Image

Steven Brawley
managing editor

A program that will analyze the university's image in the St. Louis area is being promoted by interim Chancellor Arthur C. MacKinney. "Interim Chancellor MacKinney is very interested in image," said interim Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Blanche Touhill. Touhill has been appointed by MacKinney to oversee the development of the image analysis.

"There is a recognition that we haven't organized what message we want to get out to the community," Touhill said. Working with the administrative council, Touhill is forming two committees to focus on the way the St. Louis community perceives the UM-St. Louis campus. According to MacKinney the university's image is inconsistent. "Our image is very variable and is good in some quarters and not so good in others," he said.

The data compiled so far reveals that among business school alumni, UMStL's image is very positive. However, among St. Louis high school seniors, UMStL's image is not as good. One of the items being looked at is the changing of UMStL to UM-St. Louis on all university publications, parking stickers and signs. "In a memo, MacKinney suggested using the letters 'UMStL' might be a factor in how the university is looked upon.

Touhill said, "If we are going to try to move from UMStL to UM-St. Louis then we have to change the vision we have been giving to everyone." Part of the process of changing the university's image will involve looking at various ways of advertising the university. "The university has previously never been able to advertise," Touhill said. In the past, she said, the university has made announcements in

newspapers, but never could advertise on television like the community colleges. Presently a development study is being conducted that is looking at the possible ways of marketing UM's 150th anniversary. "Our image organization I think will tie in to the 150th anniversary," Touhill said. The two committees formed by Touhill will look at the various ways of approaching a drive to reinforce the positive aspects.

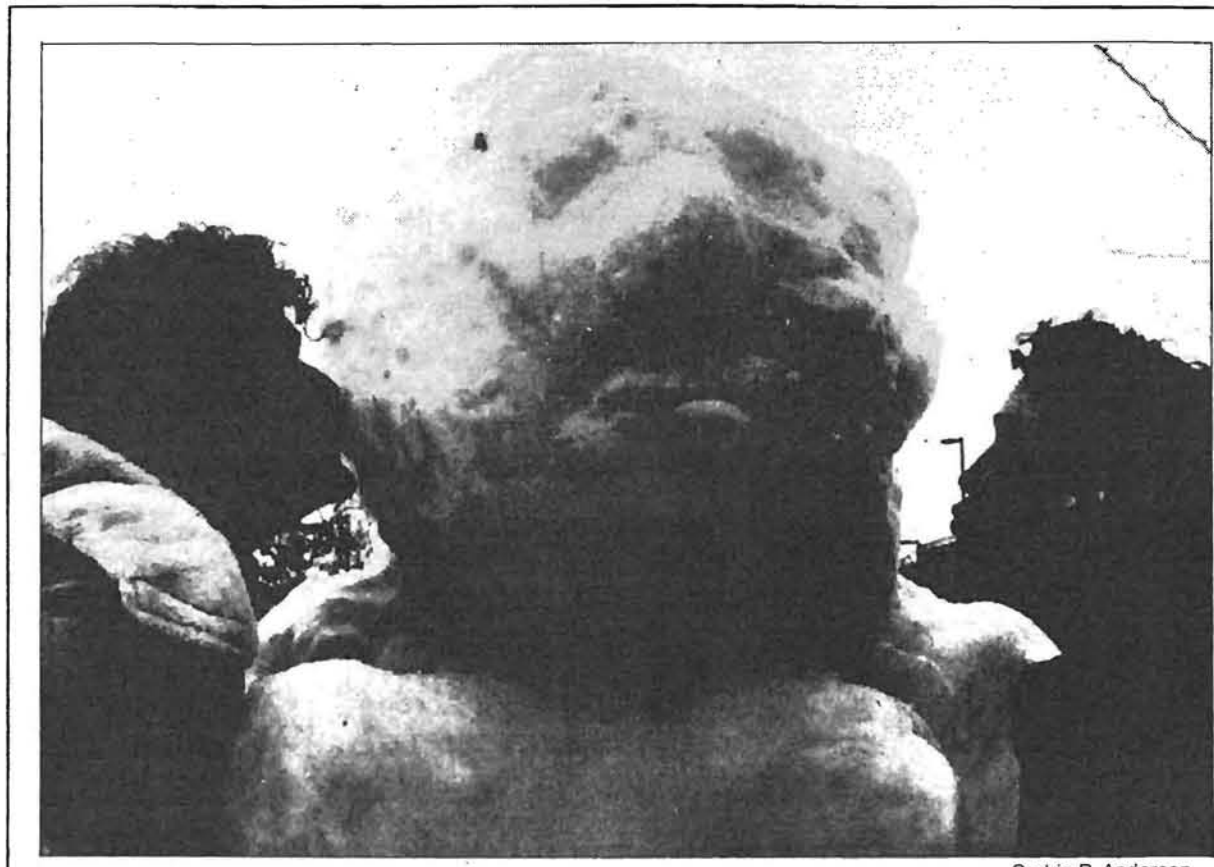
The first committee will be comprised primarily of faculty members. "They will think about what kind of an image we want to present to the St. Louis community and come up with two to five different messages," Touhill said. Possible messages might include how UM-St. Louis helps the St. Louis community. A subdivision of this message might be the university's role in preparing kindergarten. See "Image," Page 4

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UM To Issue ID's

Students, faculty and staff members on the university's four campuses will soon be issued uniform identification cards as a result of action taken last week by the Board of Curators at its meeting last week. Not only will the cards provide standardized conventional identification throughout the university, but when used in conjunction with computerized card readers will save money by allowing the university to improve control over access to facilities such as dining halls and streamline transactions such as check cashing, says Tom Hussey, interim vice president for administrative affairs. The university now uses several different ID cards, and many are not compatible with automated identification systems, Hussey says. But the new cards will contain an individual's identification code in magnetic form, in addition to a photo and printed information, allowing them to be read in the con-

ventional manner or by the computer. The low bid of \$398,775, from Grifon Technology of Victor, N.Y., provides for a three-year lease on card-making equipment, including cameras and magnetic stripe encoders, for each of the four campuses. The university will lease for three years special computerized card-reading systems for the Columbia and Rolla campuses. These will keep track of the services and facilities each card-holder is entitled to use, and maintain records of such use. The central computer system will also make it easier to update ID-related information, according to Hussey. For example, the UM-Columbia computer database will contain the names of those currently enrolled, eliminating the need to apply a validation sticker to their cards. If a student drops out, his or her name will be removed.



SNOW KISS: Students on the UMStL campus found time on Feb. 14 to express their Valentine's Day greetings to a snow person. These and other students found eight inches of snow covering UMStL and the entire metro area. Cedric R. Anderson

U. Singers To Perform In D. C. Area

University of Missouri alumni living in the Washington, D.C., area will fill the Terrace Theater of the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts to hear the UMStL choir on Sunday, March 16. Ticket requests have already surpassed available seating in the upper level auditorium. The Terrace Theater was provided by the government of Japan as the Bicentennial Gift to the United States in memory of John F. Kennedy. Part of a 10-day concert tour, the University Singers performance in Washington, D.C., is sponsored by the UM-St. Louis Alumni Association with additional support from Columbia, Kansas City and Rolla campuses and alumni. A pre-concert brunch for special guests including members of the Missouri Congressional Delegation will be hosted by UM President C. Peter Magrath and Mrs. Diane. See "Singers," Page 3

GLSU Members Work To Improve Gay Awareness Here

Linda Belford
reporter

When the Gay and Lesbian Student Union formed last year, there were about four core members meeting every other week. That number has more than tripled. Between 15 and 20 people now attend the weekly meetings of the GLSU, and in addition other groups have formed including: the Women's Interface Social Hour, and the Gay Men's Rap Group.

The groups are set up so that members can provide one another with support and nurturance, according to J. Hulsey-Mazur and Leslie Knapp, the club's president and vice-president. Hulsey-Mazur says the need for the GLSU arises because many other groups on campus simply are not aware of the needs of gays and lesbians and are consequently not set up to meet those needs. "Most members are thrilled there's a group," said Knapp. "It provides social and emotional sup-

port, and a feeling of belonging on campus. A lot of members are just coming to grips with their own sexuality, and the group provides a connection with gay life and gay culture." The GLSU has recently moved its offices to 7940 Natural Bridge, a house they will be sharing with other student organizations. They are also in the process of developing a library of interest to gay people, along with resource listings of gay organizations, businesses and places.

In the future, the group plans to have Peer Counseling train their staff so they can provide in-house services. GLSU's activities this semester center around making the UMStL community aware of the issues and needs of gay students. They are providing an on-going Speaker's Bureau in which members of the organization will participate in question-and-answer sessions with students on topics such as gay history, gay culture and gay politics, as well as what it means to be gay in a non-gay culture. Hulsey-Mazur, being president of a recognized student organization, holds a seat on the UMStL Student Association. As a representative, he recently was involved with the passage of a motion to form a committee to research and develop guidelines for the university in regards to AIDS. If passed, these guidelines would set a policy for dealing with any student, faculty or staff who would develop AIDS.

Knapp and Hulsey-Mazur agree there is a division in the GLSU between the students who want to be politically active and those who don't. "Although the group hasn't done anything political, our very existence is political," said Hulsey-Mazur. Hulsey-Mazur says there are gays and lesbians employed in the UM. See "GLSU," Page 4

Stokes Took Long Way To UMStL

Special to the Current

Maxine Stokes, a UM graduate who has dedicated herself back to the university for the last 20 years, where she is now the Assistant Dean of the School of Business Administration, isn't ready to quit now. She recently received her 20-year service award from the university, and has no plans of curbing her service to the university. After all, it was a long road in teaching UM. She is hoping UMStL alumni are willing to dedicate themselves to the university as well. Stokes was born and lived in Calcutta, India, until she was 12. She went to school in Switzerland for three years and her family scattered all over the globe. Her parents moved to Naples, Florida, where she graduated from high school. Then it was back overseas with her family to Teheran, Iran. After living there for a couple of years, she moved back to the U.S. and attended the University of



LONG ROAD: Maxine Stokes has seen many changes in the University over her 20 years of work on the campus. Cedric R. Anderson

UM Extension Could Face Cuts

President Reagan's proposed 1987 budget would cause "irreparable damage" to the University of Missouri extension programs, according to John Oren, director of the university's extension service. The proposed budget would reduce federal funds coming to the extension service by 59 percent. Missouri could lose \$5 million in federal funds for extension. "This would mean we would have to let one of every three of our employees go," Oren said. "Our agricultural, home economics, 4-H and other programs would be severely crippled." Extension programs in the St. Louis area the cut would affect include business and industry, continuing education, community development, agriculture and horticulture, 4-H and Home Economics. In addition, the budget calls for the complete elimination of several specially funded programs including the expanded food and nutrition education and urban gardening programs. More than 5,000 low-income families in St. Louis stand to lose benefits they receive from these programs if the proposed 1987

Proposed 1987 UM Extension Cuts		
Item	1986 Funding	Decrease
Smith-Lever Formula Funds	\$240,035,000	47%
Smith-Lever Funded Programs		
Expanded Food and Nutrition Program	60,224,000	100%
Pest Management	7,486,000	100%
Pesticide Impact Assessment	1,706,000	100%
Urban Gardening	3,479,000	100%
Farm Safety	1,014,000	100%
Farm Financial Management	1,491,000	100%
Integrated Reproduction Management	49,000	100%
Rural Development Centers	720,000	100%
Totals	316,204,000	59%

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EN GARDE

Terence C. Martin, UMStL English Professor, recalls his early days when he served in the Irish Guard at Buckingham Palace in London, England.

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VISITOR

James Martin is an exchange student from England and he tells of the many adjustments he was forced to make upon his move to the United States.

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SLIM HOPES

The Rivermen, win or lose this weekend at CMSU, don't control their own destiny in the MIAA, and must now rely on circumstances to hand them a playoff berth.

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UMSL, UM-St. Louis

Students, faculty, staff and the St. Louis community have been saying it for over 20 years. Many of them probably don't even know how it got started. However, when the University of Missouri-St. Louis became too much to articulate, the word UMSL was born. UMSL, an abbreviation, became a word out of the stroke of luck that the four letters U, M, S, L make a sound when articulated simultaneously.

When interim Chancellor Arthur MacKinney issued a memorandum that suggested UMSL didn't stress a positive connotation about the university, people questioned the idea.

However, people don't slur the letters UMR and UMKC together when referring to the Rolla and Kansas City campuses. Why should UMSL be treated any different, due only to phonetics.

The Columbia campus, fondly known as "Mizzou," has three references. They are Columbia, UMC and Mizzou. The letters UMC are each said independently of each other.

No one could safely argue that by saying the letters UMSL separately or by calling the campus UM-St. Louis peoples impressions will be changed.

However, it will remind students, faculty, staff and most importantly the St. Louis region that their is a "UM" campus situated in the St. Louis region. A region that can boast about its arts, sports, entertainment and educational opportunities.

The tuition at UM-St. Louis, UM-Kansas City, UM-Rolla and UM-Columbia is the same. If tuition is equal, than so is the "UM" reference and location of the campus in everyday conversation.

Sledding To School

Remember back in grade school, or even back in high school, when snow was something to look forward to? The snow days, cancellation of classes and the opportunity to sleep late, were welcome breaks. Driving over snow-covered roads back then wasn't a job, it was an adventure. It was fun, huh?

Well, last Friday wasn't much fun. Some of the UMSL students, some of the UMSL faculty, and some of the UMSL staff didn't receive the opportunity to sleep late. Driving to school for morning classes wasn't an adventure, it was a job — a job some of us would expect to be paid dangerous pay for.

It was dangerous. The only adventure, it seemed, was getting out of the driveway. The highways were in terrible shape, sidestreets were in worse shape, and roads were jammed with traffic moving at a snail's pace.

The decision not to cancel school Friday was unsound. It put a lot of students, because this is a commuter campus, in serious jeopardy. Just ask the driver of a Ford Bronco wrapped around the telephone pole directly across from the Florissant Rd. entrance. Or ask the driver of the Lincoln Mercury

jammed into the railing on Interstate 70.

There are a lot of factors that contribute to the decision of closing school: The paying of staff members who are ready and willing (?) to come into work, then told to stay home and weather the storm. The number of hours available for classroom work for Monday, Wednesday and Friday classes and Tuesday, Thursday classes should remain equal. The ability to inform everyone of cancellations is a must.

But we feel safety should be the No. 1 objective in such a decision. The safety of the students, faculty and staff are of keen concern.

It was not a measure of safety to hold classes Friday, with some part of the St. Louis area receiving as much as seven inches of snow. Only those students, faculty and staff that decided to remain at home eluded the jeopardy of driving to school despite traveller's advisories.

And what's more, many students made the journey to campus only to have their classes cancelled by the professor. They struggled through the inclement driving conditions for nothing. It was a poor decision all the way around.

Bookstore Gets Lift

The University Bookstore will begin plans for remodeling, and possible relocation during that time period, tomorrow, in essence, making its resources unavailable to UMSL students, faculty and staff.

It may have seemed short notice last week when an ad appeared in the Current, informing students of the bookstore's plan. The ad announced its plans of preparations for remodeling. With that comes a need for the bookstore to begin returning books, thus the management of the bookstore urged students, faculty and staff to make any necessary purchases.

But what seems as an inconvenience at this time is in fact an effort to make the bookstore more convenient, more accessible, and more customer-oriented.

In trying to reach the levels of appearance and customer-flow standards in tact at other university bookstores throughout the state, UMSL's bookstore will hope to become more pleasing aesthetically, with better service offered to the patrons.

Too, the University Center will connect Building A and Building B and will add an entrance on the lower level of the bookstore, making it more accessible to handicap students.

It seems the changes can do nothing but improve the image and the overall operations of the

bookstore. The time period between the beginning of remodeling plans and its completion is crucial, however.

Measures must be taken to ensure that rush periods will be handled routinely. The bookstore must take measures to ensure operations for summer student and fall semester student rushes.

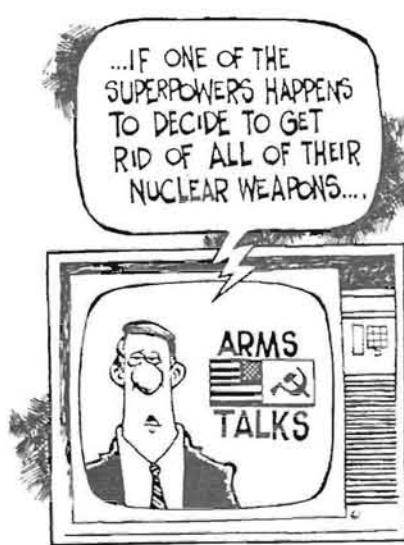
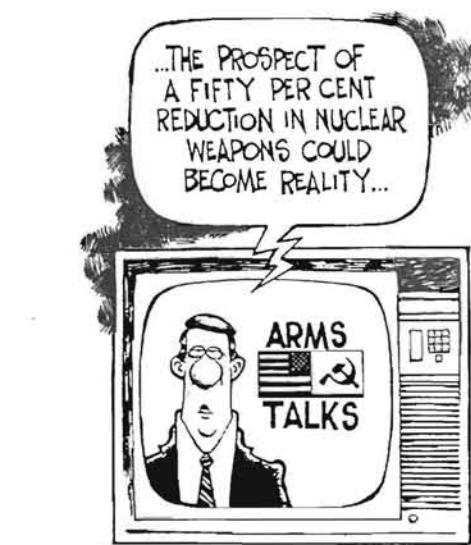
Should the remodeling be delayed for any period of time, a place of relocation on campus must be found. What students have perceived as long lines and long waits in the past would only be compounded if plans aren't completed for the next rush period.

Hopefully, plans will be completed on time and the addition of a lower level entrance will aid the handicap students. The enclosure of Buildings A and B is an added attraction, too, especially during inclement weather.

The bookstore has come under much criticism in the past. A Student Association committee is looking into what changes would be possible, including changes that would challenge the prices of textbooks and other materials.

Without any concrete recommendations or alterior plans from the committee, however, the bookstore management will continue to act on its own. In this case, it's not a bad decision.

But remember to make your purchases as soon as possible.



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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Inspired With Support Group Of Mountain

Dear Editor:

I'm writing in behalf of our Big Mountain Support Group. Last Monday we had an informational and letter-writing campaign in the University Center. We were encouraged by the response. I want to thank the people who stopped, and encourage more people to become aware of the issue. Please write your representatives about repealing PL93-531, and watch for more

upcoming events. These include some films, speakers, and food and clothing drives for the folks at Big Mountain. For more information, call Mark at 553-6024.

Sincerely
Trish Means

Florida's MADD Group Notes Safety

Dear Editor:

Florida Mothers Against Drunk Driving, MADD, hopes that this year's College Spring

Break will be safe for everyone. Last year's tragedies included three students who fell to their deaths off hotel balconies and two others who were murdered hitchhiking to Florida. We sympathize with their parents because we understand the anguish of senseless loss.

We want you to come to Florida to have good times and enjoy well-earned vacations. But please do not come to drive and drink or use drugs.

Sincerely
Florida Mothers Against
Drunk Drivers
Tom Carey
President

Scholarships Available To Students

Several scholarships have been made available to college students at UMSL and around the St. Louis Area.

Applications are now being accepted for the St. Louis Mayor's scholarship. The award will cover the student's incidental fees for fall and winter undergraduate studies for the upcoming year.

Qualifications for the St. Louis Mayor's scholarship are:

- Students must be residents of Missouri and full or part-time undergraduate students of UMSL, with a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.0 for 24 hours of graded course work at UMSL.

- Students must give evidence of having a commitment to public service in the city of St. Louis, and must submit a statement describing their experiences in serving the community and their plans for applying their university education in that direction.

- Students must provide evidence of their academic ability and potential for public service by presenting a minimum of three letters of recommendation, one of

which must be from a faculty member at UMSL.

Recipients of the award will be selected upon recommendation from the Office of Student Financial Aid and the Faculty Senate Committee on Student Financial Aid.

The Lucia Kramer Collins Memorial scholarship is open to UMSL students who returned to college as part of a significant lifestyle or career change, and support themselves and one or more dependents. Applicants must be enrolled in a regular course of study at UMSL seeking a bachelor's degree. They must have completed sufficient higher undergraduate work to qualify for a degree with four additional semesters.

They must also demonstrate financial need and must carry close to full-time academic loads. The deadline for application is May 31.

UMSL students who are descendants of honorably discharged veterans of World War I may be eligible for the La Verne Noyes Scholarship, which covers incidental and activities fees for an academic year (fall and winter

semesters) or a summer session.

Applicants must be U.S. citizens, and furnish documentary evidence of the ancestor's service during the war. They must also provide an affidavit which shows their direct descent from the individual, and they must be admitted or currently enrolled students at UMSL. Financial needs and academic records are also important. Application deadline is April 15.

Applications are also being accepted for the Lucinda DeLeftwich Templin Scholarship which assists needy young women; and for the Gene S. Bennett Scholarship, which provides awards for students of good moral character from a community with a population of less than 100,000. Deadline for these applications is April 15.

The UMSL Department of Modern Foreign Languages is now accepting applications for two scholarships. Deadline for applications is April 15.

For more information on these scholarships stop by or call the Office of Student Financial Aid at 553-6397.

The first is the German

Scholarship, which is an educational fee waiver for qualified junior and senior German majors. The scholarship is funded by the St. Louis Strassenfest Corporation, and covers in-state educational fees. The scholarship is renewable each semester on a competitive basis.

The department is also accepting applications for its Alumni Scholarship. Funded by contributions from department alumni, the scholarship is also renewable.

For more information, contact the Department of Modern Foreign Languages at 553-6240.

The Missouri Council on Public Higher Education's scholarship program will provide \$1,000 scholarships to eight outstanding seniors from the state's public colleges and universities who are completing undergraduate preparation for careers as mathematics, biology, chemistry or physics teachers at the elementary and secondary levels.

For more information contact John Vaughn, MCOPHE, 109 Harris Hall, University of Missouri-Rolla, Mo. 65401, or phone (314) 341-4033.

NEWSBRIEFS

Lenten Program Sponsored

The UMSL Wesley Foundation and the United Methodist Campus Ministry are sponsoring a Lenten program on Wednesdays, through March 19, at noon at the Normandy United Methodist Church, 8000 Natural Bridge Road.

Each week there will be a brief time (20-25 minutes) of spiritual reflection. Lunch will follow for a nominal fee. Themes each week are based on the questions asked of Jesus during his last week: Which is the greatest commandment? What do you think of Christ? Are you the son of God? Should we give tribute to Caesar? Are you the king? For more information, call 385-3000.

Business Students Offer Tax Help

Volunteers from UMSL are offering income tax preparation services for the disadvantaged and the elderly at 13 locations in the St. Louis metropolitan area. The program is coordinated by the School of Business Administration, and co-sponsored by the Gamma Psi chapter of the Beta Alpha Psi national accounting fraternity and the Internal Revenue Service's VITA program.

About 40 UMSL business students will be stationed during regular hours at neighborhood centers and branches of the St. Louis County St. Louis City and St. Charles county libraries. Shut-ins may call to set up appointments in their homes.

Over 16,000 persons have been served by the UMSL Personal Income Tax Service since it began in 1973. For more information on center locations and hours, call 553-5621.

Business Week To Be In Tower

The Student Policy Committee will sponsor Business Week In The Tower Feb. 24-28.

The program will be an opportunity for students to meet with UMSL's business professors. Students are urged to drop by for coffee and conversation at these days and times:

- Monday, Feb. 24: Accounting 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Tuesday, Feb. 25: Finance and Law 10:30 a.m. to noon
- Wednesday, Feb. 26: Management 10:30 a.m. to noon
- Thursday, Feb. 27: Marketing 12:30 p.m. to 2 p.m.
- Friday, Feb. 28: MIS 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Video Dance Party To Be Held

A Chevrolet "IROC 'n Roll Video Dance Party" will be held in the Mark Twain Building here Friday March 7, at 8 p.m.

Admission is \$2 with current I.D. from any college or university. Proceeds will benefit the T.J. Martell Foundation for Cancer and Lukemia research. More than 200 attendance prizes will be awarded.

For more information call 553-5536.

KWMU Walkathon Offers Prizes

Both student groups and individuals are eligible to win prizes in this year's "Walk for Public Radio" to be held at noon on May 4th on campus.

"We're hoping this will be one of the big student events on campus," said Diane Landmann, chairperson of the walkathon planning committee.

This year's walkathon proceeds will update the KWMU student broadcast lab, operated jointly by KWMU and the UMSL speech department.

Groups and individuals will be eligible for prizes by obtaining pledges from sponsors. KWMU, with walkathon sponsors the St. Louis Post Dispatch and Grey Eagle Distributors, will offer food, drinks, appearances from St. Louis celebrities, and live entertainment following the one and one-half mile hike around the campus.

For registration information about the walkathon contact KWMU at 553-5968.

Collins To Perform Show Here

The gifted black actor, Dwight Collins, will present his one-man show, "Dark Symphony ... Poetry of a People," on Feb. 26 at 8 p.m. in the J.C. Penney Auditorium.

Collins is currently appearing in the Steven Spielberg production of "The Color Purple," based on Alice Harvey's Pulitzer Prize winning novel. His show is being sponsored by the University Program Board to mark Black History Month.

In "Dark Symphony," Collins dramatizes a selection of masterpieces by the literary legends of the Harlem Renaissance such as Langston Hughes, Countee Cullen, James Weldon Johnson, Jean Toomer and others.

He traces the assimilation of African cultures and the transformation of Africans into Afro-Americans. The selection reflects a whole range of expressions from a soulful sermon to the efforts of a mother teaching pride and beauty to her children.

A reviewer for the Princeton Spectrum wrote: "Mr. Collins'

versatility is obvious in 'Dark Symphony.' He handles heavy drama as easily as he handles lighter pieces. He is emotionally and physically involved in every piece."

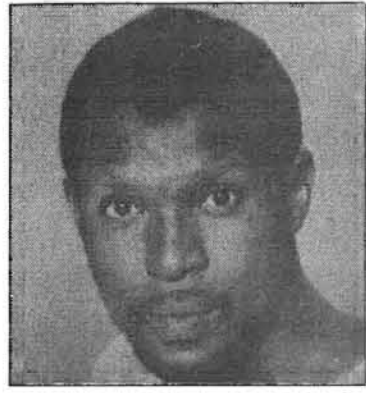
Collins, who grew up in Columbus, Ohio, was by his own description, "an inner city kid and I did my share of fighting to prove myself. My mother worked as a domestic. She was a classic black woman. She instilled in me a sense of responsibility and accomplishment."

At 14, he became involved in "Upward Bound," a scholarship program for disadvantaged children, which he says, "provided me with an avenue for getting into the theater."

He graduated from Oberlin College and earned a masters degree in fine arts from Rutgers University.

He has been a professional actor for 15 of his 33 years, performing on the stage both here and abroad. He has appeared in ABC-TV's "All My Children" and "One Life to Live."

He is also a teacher, having



Dwight Collins

taught at both the university level and with public school systems. He has conducted workshops for community theater groups, inmates of a public workhouse, teenagers in a juvenile detention center and for senior citizen groups. He also serves as an arts advisor to the Ohio Arts Council.

Tickets for "Dark Symphony" are \$7 for the general public, \$5 for UMSL faculty and staff, and \$3 for students and children. For further information call 553-5536.

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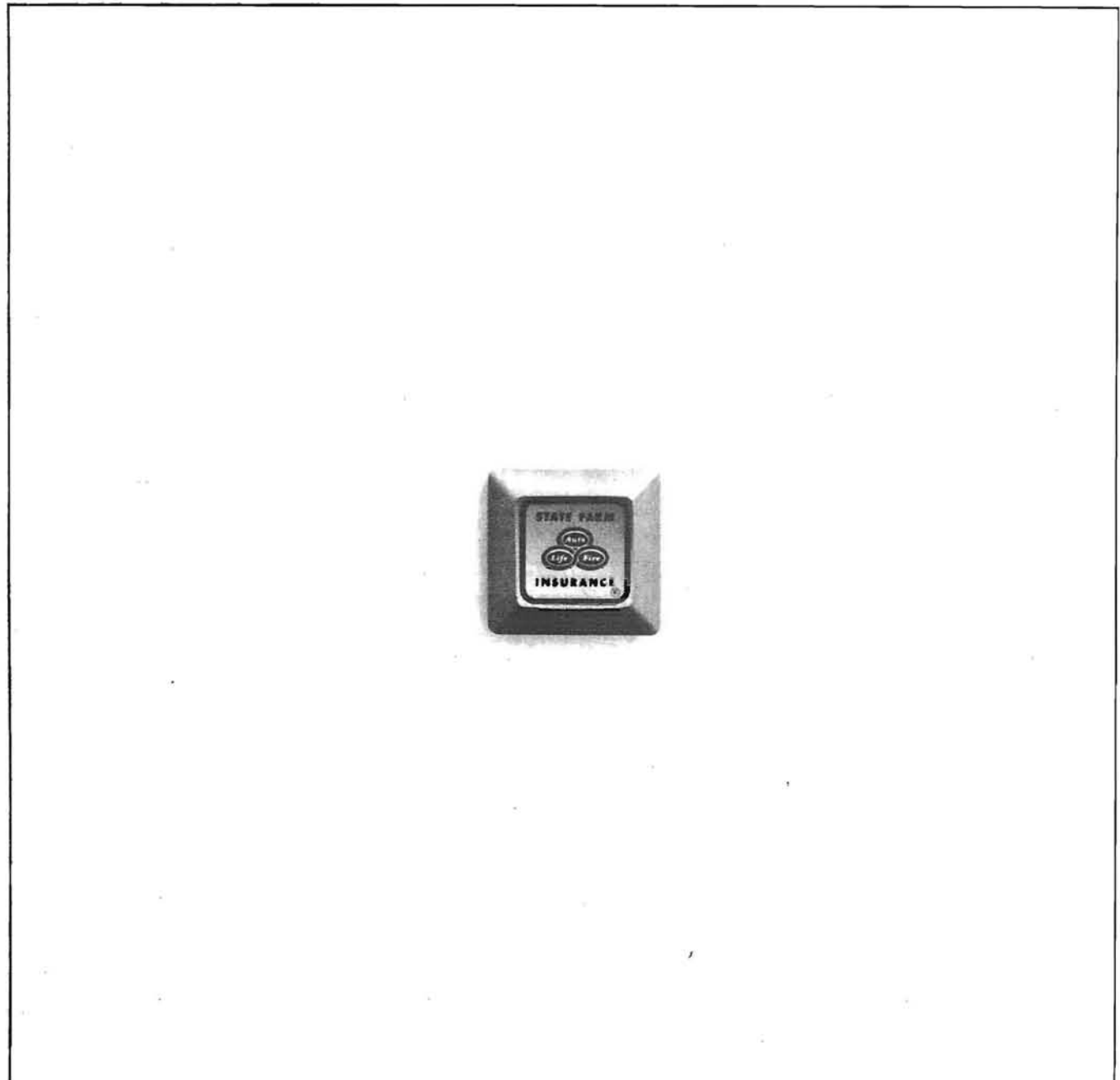
Skomars Magrath. After the performance, the Magraths and Interim Chancellor and Mrs. Arthur MacKinney will visit with alumni and guests at a reception for the singers in the Kennedy Center Atrium.

Plans for the Washington event began nearly four years ago as the University Singers established their annual concert tours including performances in concert halls and on community and university artist series throughout the country.

The Kennedy Center Terrace Theater was booked for 1986 and plans went ahead for a March 1984 concert-luncheon on Capitol Hill for UMSL alumni and Missouri legislators in order to introduce them to the University Singers.

"Kennedy Center is our nation's most prestigious concert hall," said Bruce Vantine, conductor of the University Singers since 1980.

"It is a symbol of excellence in the arts, and the University Singers are proud to be able to represent our campus and the university in such an environment. The response from interested alumni and from the four university campuses has been terrific," he said.



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Federal Budget Cuts Cause Panic

(CPS) — Initial reaction on campuses around the country to President Reagan's new proposal for the 1987 fiscal year federal college budget is less than calm.

If the Congress approves the proposals, bankers say they'll have to stop lending, students say they'll have to stop studying and colleges say that, once again, they'll have to raise tuition.

"If you're not from a wealthy family, you're going to get killed," says Richard Brenner, a University of Rochester freshman who worries his \$9,400 annual tuition may rise another \$1,000 next year.

Brenner, who describes his background as "middle class," now meets expenses with a \$5,900 aid package, which includes a \$2,500 Guaranteed Student Loan.

Told of the kinds of limits the president wants to place on aid to middle- and upper-class students — including making GSLs harder to get — Brenner wasn't sure how he was going to be able to afford to re-enroll at Rochester next year.

"Maybe I'll go out to California,"

he muses, "establish residency and return to school."

California historically has charged low tuition rates — called "registration fees" — to in-state students.

Various student aid officers around the country say there are several million students like Brenner, who might have to leave school if denied aid money.

"The ultimate consequence would be drastic," says Bob Nelson, who manages financial aid at the University of North Dakota, where about half the students receive some form of federal aid.

Nationwide, about 5.5 million students — out of a total of about 12.3 million collegians in America — got federal aid this year.

Nelson said it's too early to tell exactly what the Reagan budget's impact would be, but predicts "there would be a number of students who would elect not to attend college."

Even the tougher "needs test" the president proposes students pass in order to get aid would hurt,

especially in farm states like North Dakota.

"Many families, although they are low-income, would show high assets" in farm land and equipment, Nelson argues. "Therefore, their children would be disqualified from getting aid."

Bankers say they won't be lending much anyway if the president's plan to slash the government's "interest subsidy" to them is approved.

Now, the government pays 3.5 percent interest to banks on loans to students who are still in school.

Under the new plan, the "allowance" would be three percent.

"I don't think you're going to find a full-scale defection (from the GSL program by banks) right away, but we will become more selective to whom we lend to," contends Bob Zagazdon, manager of the student loan program for the First National Bank of Chicago, which lends about \$20 million a year in GSLs.

"Right now it's an access program, but it will turn into a credit worthiness program, that is, if the program could survive," adds Bob Clohan of the Consumer Bankers Association, a lenders' lobby group in Washington, D.C.

Reducing the allowance by half a percentage point would wipe out about two-thirds of the profit banks make on GSLs, Clohan says.

The reaction and alarm doesn't surprise the administration, however.

In fact, it hopes making all aid recipients — not just those who get Pell Grants — pass needs tests and start repaying loan interest while in school, and making banks more selective in granting loans, will result in about one million students leaving federal aid programs next year.

Students coming from more affluent families will be ineligible for assistance, while many others will have their aid reduced, explains Sharon Messenger of the Department of Education.

Furthermore, a family of four wouldn't be able to earn more than \$23,400 — down from \$28,000 this year — in order to receive a Pell Grant, she adds.

The administration, she says, hopes such cuts will minimize the size of the federal deficit.

A number of Education Department officials, moreover, entered office pledging to reduce the federal role in higher education.

Now some educators fear the whole budget proposal, calling for other cuts that don't have anything to do with education directly, also will hurt students.

With Washington no longer paying for programs like highway construction, states won't have the money to help colleges compensate for the federal funding they lose, says Lyle Gohn, vice chancellor-Student Services at the University of Arkansas.



Cedric R. Anderson

PROMOTING AWARENESS: Jay Hulse-Mazur, president of the GLSU, and Leslie Knapp, vice-president, strive to promote gay awareness on campus.

GLSU

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system who are afraid to attend meetings for fear of being fired or losing respect. "As long as gay people don't express themselves publicly, there isn't any blatant discrimination. It's when we start to become visible that homophobia rears its ugly head and people start getting fired," said Hulse-Mazur.

According to Hulse-Mazur, it is

possible in the state of Missouri to fire someone for being gay.

Future plans for the GLSU include a permanent program of appeal to a large gay audience. The program would consist of two major motion pictures, and one speaker per semester.

The GLSU also hopes to begin an Alumni Outreach program to request participation through contribution of services, materials and money.

Extension

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budget is approved by Congress.

Oren said he hoped that Missourians who are familiar with extension programs and are convinced of their value would speak up on behalf of the extension service.

The extension service was founded in 1914 when the U.S. congress passed the Smith-Lever Act. That legislation provided for funding at the federal, state and local levels, forming a three-way partnership

that has existed throughout the years.

For more than 25 years extension specialists have met the educational needs of the people in the city, suburbs and rural areas in and around St. Louis. Extension centers are located at 724 N. Union in St. Louis city and 701 S. Brentwood in St. Louis county, as well as in the counties of Jefferson, Franklin and St. Charles.

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through 12th grade teachers.

The second committee will be comprised of university staff who have expertise in delivering messages.

"Once we decide what the messages should be, this group will talk specifically on how to deliver them," Touhill said.

One idea being discussed is the formation of a monthly newsletter

that would emphasize the messages the university is trying to get out.

The newsletter would be sent out to various groups in the community such as alumni of the School of Business or teachers.

Touhill would like to have the committees submit an initial report to the administrative council by April.

She will then take the recommendations to MacKinney.

Stokes

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Missouri-Columbia, where she received a baccalaureate degree in German.

Stokes is very active in alumni affairs. She has served on the Alumni Board for eight years, and continues to work with the School of Business Administration alumni as the dean's representative from the school of business.

"The alumni meet every other month and I meet with them. I try to work with the alumni boards to help in networking and in an attempt to maintain contact between alumni and faculty," she said.

"There have been occasions when professors or organizations have come to me with a request for a business school alumni to speak. We have a congenial group of alumnus who are willing to do this and I am generally able to provide them with a name," said Stokes.

Before Stokes graduated, UMSL announced that it was looking for someone to start an advising program on campus. She applied for the job and was hired as an Academic Advisor and structured the Academic Advisory Program here in the College of Arts and Sciences, which, at that time, was the only official college.

"When UMSL first started in the 60's, the classes, as well as the number of faculty and staff, were small in size. The whole university was housed in the old country club building of the old Belleview Country Club. At that time everyone knew each other, as well as their families and backgrounds," she said.

"It was a very close-knit group. When the first groups of alumni started getting together, almost everyone would participate. Today we are considerably larger and it is very difficult to keep in touch," said Stokes.

"Today there is an attempt to

form alumni sub-groups to get people closer again. It's difficult, however, to get the new graduates to do this because the university is so much larger and diverse. Therefore we need to do a better job of trying to communicate and keep in contact with our alumni.

"One exciting aspect is interviewers coming on campus, because a large number of them from various corporations are our own graduates. They have worked their way up in the corporations and in the community, and are now at a level where they can come back and conduct interviews with students and faculty on campus," Stokes said.

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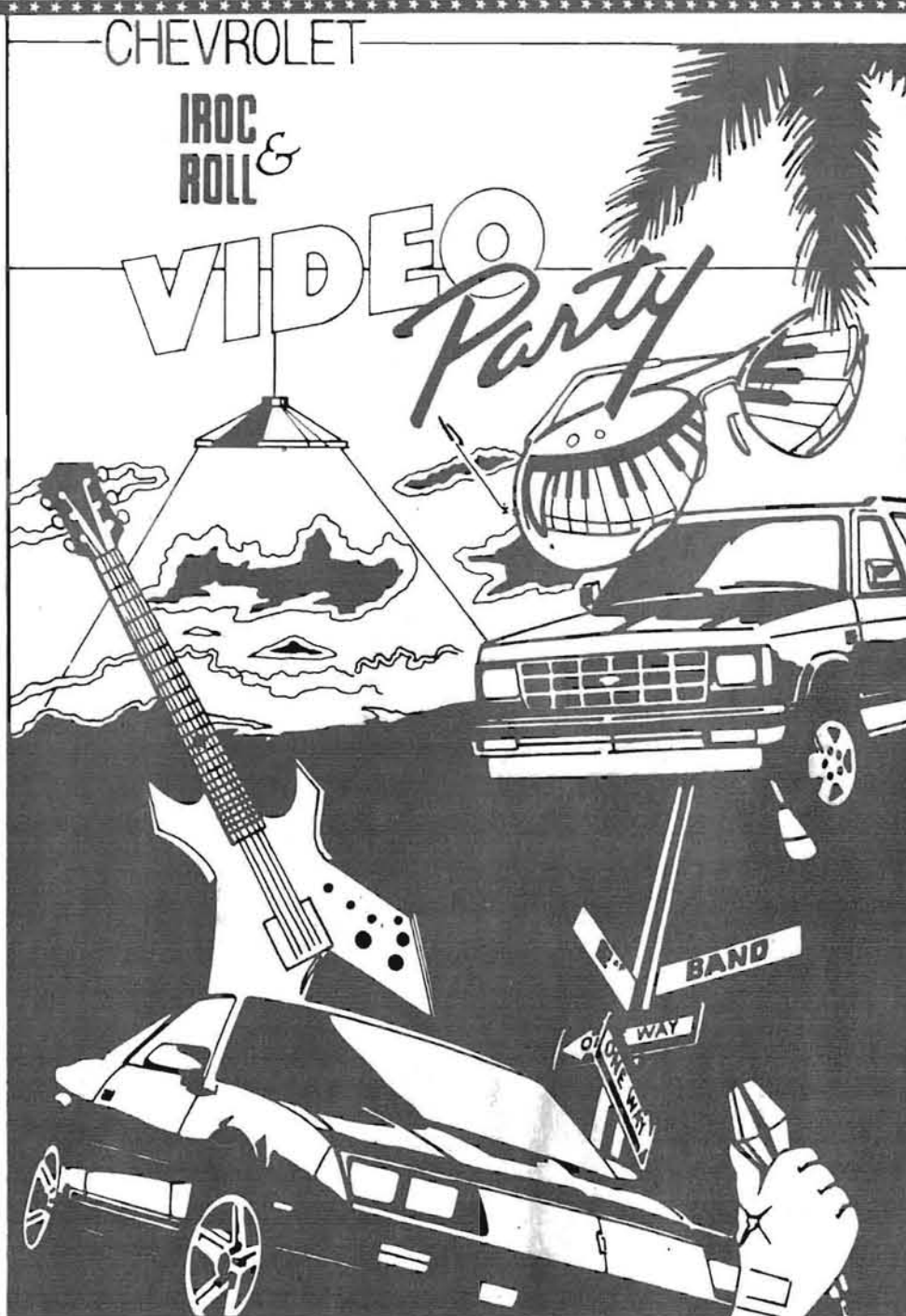
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exhibits...

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A two-day symposium will coincide with the opening of the exhibit. The first session will begin at 2:30 p.m., Feb. 23, in Room 100 Lucas Hall. Scholars in the arts and sciences from St. Louis and throughout the country will explore the significance of photography as an interdisciplinary, humanistic medium. They will also discuss the types of information they gain from photographs from the perspective of their various disciplines.

The second session will begin at 10 a.m., Feb. 24, in the J.C. Penney Auditorium. Admission to the exhibit is free. Gallery hours are 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., Monday through Thursday, and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday. For more information about the exhibit, call 553-5976.

Admission to the symposia is free and open to the public. For additional information about the symposia, call 553-5257.

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Friday

● The UMSL University Singers will perform at 8 p.m. at Principia College, Elsah, Ill. For ticket information, call 553-5980.

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Sunday

● "Honoring Black History Month" will be the topic of this week's segment of "Creative Aging" airing from 7 to 8 p.m. on KWMU (FM 91).

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Monday

● The Student Policy Committee will sponsor "Business Week in the Tower," from Feb. 24 to Feb. 28 on the 13th floor lounge of SSB Tower. In this event, students will have the opportunity to informally meet with various UMSL business professors. The meeting times are as follows:

February 24: Accounting, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
 February 25: Finance and Law, 10:30 a.m. to noon.
 February 26: Management, 10:30 a.m. to noon.
 February 27: Marketing, 12:30 to 2 p.m.
 February 28: MS and MIS, 10 to 11:30 a.m.

● "Women's Legal Issues: Divorce" will be the topic of a talk sponsored by the UMSL Women's Center from noon to 1 p.m. in Room 107A Benton Hall. Attorney Barbara Gilchrist will talk about the legal system and how to choose a lawyer will contemplating divorce.

● The UMSL Counseling Service and Women's Center will sponsor a workshop on "Leadership Training for Women" from 1 to 5 p.m. Participants will learn to recognize the unique skills that they have to offer in a leadership position. Participants will also learn assess and enhance their leadership skills and potential.

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Tuesday

● "Mathematics Education: Charting the Course Ahead" will be the topic of a talk cosponsored by the UMSL department of mathematical sciences and the Mathematics Club of Greater St. Louis from 4 to 5 p.m. in Room 78 J.C. Penney Building. John Dossey, of Illinois State University and president of the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics, will be the guest speaker. The talk is free and open to the public. For more information, call Richard Friedlander at 553-6350.

● The Newman House, the Wesley Foundation and CMLS will sponsor a Lenten Prayer from 11:30 a.m. to noon in Room 266 University Center.

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Wednesday

● The UMSL Counseling Service will sponsor a two-session workshop on "Test Anxiety" from 10 a.m. to noon in Room 427 SSB. This workshop will help participants cope with their test anxiety and improve their grades. To pre-register call 553-5711.

● "Prayer for Busy People" will be the topic of a discussion sponsored by the Newman House, 8200 Natural Bridge Rd. from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Fr. Gary Braun, associate pastor of Our Lady of Sorrows Parish, will address the spirituality of people in the marketplace. All students are welcome to attend.

● "Get Involved! Politics are for Women" will be the topic of a talk presented by the UMSL Women's Center from noon to 1 p.m. in Room 107A Benton Hall. Joan Horn, chairwoman for the Women's Political Caucus, will discuss how women can become more involved in politics.

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Thursday

● The University Program Board will present "Ghostbusters" in this week's "At the Movies" feature. The movie will run today at 5 and 7:30 p.m. and tomorrow at 7:30 and 10 p.m. in the Marillac Auditorium on the South campus. Admission is \$1 for students with a valid UMSL ID and \$1.50 for general admission.

● The UMSL Restoring Your Rights group will present a talk on "Spiritual Abortion" at 12:30 p.m. in the J.C. Penney Building.

...more exhibits

● The exhibits listed below are currently on view at UMSL. For more information, call Exhibits and Collections at 553-5820.

"A Voice for Women: St. Louis Black Feminists" This exhibit includes historical materials of a sample of St. Louis black women who have worked against prejudice on the local, state and national levels. It will be shown on the main level of the Thomas Jefferson Library through March 27.

"Instruments of Note" Photographs of historical musical instruments on loan from the Jefferson National Expansion Memorial will be on display on the first and second floor exhibit locations of the J.C. Penney Building through Feb. 26.

"Patches of Memory: Quilts and Their Makers" This exhibit includes quilts, patterns and historical materials on this distinctly American art form. Shown in the Education Library on the South campus through March 27.

"Images of Liberty" Photographs covering 100 years of the Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island will be on view on the third levels of Lucas Hall and Stadler Hall through Feb. 26.

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Changing The Guard, Trooping The Colours At Buckingham Palace

Amy Dean
reporter

Crowds of tourists gather every day in London, peering over the heads of others to catch a glimpse of a colorful ceremony known as the Changing of the Guard. Every 48 hours, the members of the Queen's Guard, in their characteristic bearskin hats and scarlet tunics, troop the Queen's Colors from St. James' Palace to join their contingent at Buckingham Palace. The new guard, headed by a band, arrives from Chelsea or Wellington Barracks for the ceremony, which lasts about 30 minutes.

The ceremony is famous the world over. For Terence S. Martin, Ph.D., a faculty member in the English department at UMSL, it is an experience he will never forget.

Martin participated in the ceremony many times as a member of the Irish Guards, considered one of the most successful regiments in the British military.

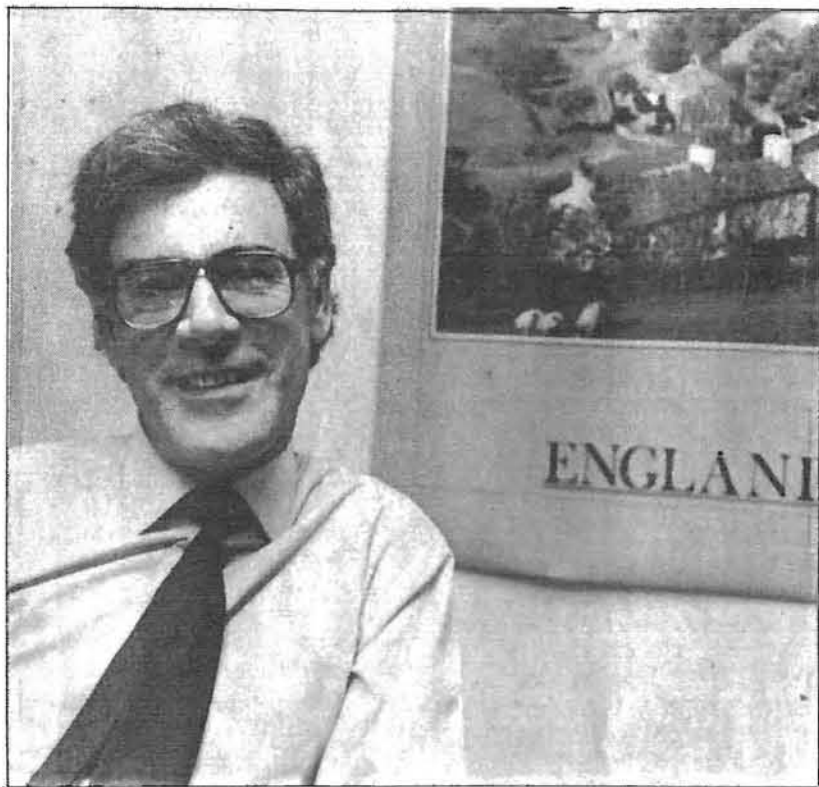
Martin, who was born in England, joined the Irish Guards when he was 17 years old. "I had visions of myself as a John Wayne type," he said with a chuckle. "fighting to save the free world."

Martin said he liked the idea of being a soldier, and he even considered joining the Foreign Legion. "But they spoke French, and I could never master that," he said.

The regiment of Guardsmen began as protectors of the reigning monarch. From that role they developed into elite military units, with rules and regulations that don't always apply to the rest of the army, Martin said.

The Guardsmen are divided into five regiments — the Grenadier, Coldstream, Irish, Welsh and Scots Guardsmen. There are also two regiments of Horse Guardsmen. These regiments are fairly small. At the time Martin was a member, the Irish Guards numbered only about 450 men.

The Changing of the Guard is conducted by guards stationed in London. It is considered to be a



Cedric R. Anderson

WORLD TRAVELER: UMSL's Terence Martin "liked moving around." Just as well, for he attended 22 schools, moving with his Royal Air Force family.

public duty. The soldiers who guard the palace today are there mostly as a tourist attraction. Martin said. They have no ammunition in their guns, and if someone should run through the gates, the police would probably take care of the situation.

Two battalions — each from different regiments — are always stationed in London. The other guards can be stationed all around the world.

Martin was stationed in Egypt and in various parts of England during his three years with the Irish Guards.

When Martin joined the Guards, he went through six months' basic training, as opposed to six weeks in most military units. The first three months were composed entirely of learning how to dress properly, taking care of equipment and drilling.

The Guards are famous for their precise maneuvers with rifles and fancy drillwork. The soldiers are able to drill in time together, although their groups are on separate sides of the courtyard.

Martin began basic training with 29 men in his squad, but only 18 were left after those six months. "There is a lot of harassment, just as in the United States Marine Corps," Martin said. "A lot of men can't take it." Martin spent 18 months stationed in London. During this time he was constantly on duty. The Irish Guards regiment was so small that they were frequently shorthanded for guard duty. Many times his battalion had to do what they called 48-hours on, 48-hours off. This would be two days of guard duty, two hours on duty and four hours off duty. This doesn't sound too bad until you realize that at no point did the soldiers get more than four hours' rest, day and night.



ON GUARD: An early photograph shows Martin in his uniform as a member of the Irish Guards.

When a Guardsman is on duty, Martin said, he is not allowed to move or talk. "The Guards have it easy these days," he said. "When I was a Guard, you had to stand outside the gates, and people could come right up to you."

The Guards are now stationed inside the gates to avoid some of the torment that Martin suffered. "People would stick apples on my bayonet, and young ladies would put notes and phone numbers on my belt," he said. But there were always police there, in case the crowds got out of hand, he said.

The uniforms worn during Martin's guard duty were actually patterned after those worn in the late 18th century. They were designed to make their troops look imposing. The tall bearskin hats made the already-tall soldier look like a giant. Red tunics were worn in case the soldier was shot, he said, so that the blood wouldn't show.

Today the Guards wear khaki-colored uniforms like those most other soldiers wear.

Martin was born in a small town in England, about 60 miles from Plymouth, in the south of England. He said the town is so small that it doesn't have a pub, and in England if a town doesn't have a pub, then no one has heard of it. Because his father was member of the Royal Air Force, his family traveled a great deal.

Martin attended 22 schools in England, Singapore and Milan. "I liked moving around. It gave me a chance to experience different cultures," he said. He has practically no accent now because, he thinks, he has never been in one place long enough to acquire one.

In 1959, after three years in the military, Martin came to America on a freighter. "A friend told me you can get an education in America if you can run," Martin said. "So I saved my money and came to America." He enrolled at the University of Houston, where he ran track.

Martin has taught at the University of Houston, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, St. Louis Community College at Meramec, and Sierra Nevada College. He is teaching business writing, technical writing and Shakespeare at UMSL.

Martin says he is proud to be an American citizen and is happy he had the opportunity to come to America. "I wasn't too enthusiastic about being a Guardsman," he said. "I had good times, and I also had miserable times. I guess it wasn't so bad. The older I get, the shorter those three years seem."

He graduated from the University of Houston in 1963 and worked as a teaching assistant until 1966, when he worked with the Peace Corps in the Dominican Republic. He received his master's degree from the University of Houston in 1966 and his doctorate from Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, in 1972.

Scoffs at Galactic Traveler's British TV Message

Chris Stolte
columnist

I'm big on conspiracies. Ask any of my friends: they'll tell you, that is, if they're not too busy plotting against me.

So I took special notice when a Letter to the Editor appeared in the Feb. 6 issue of the Current under the heading "TV Programs Cosmically Interrupted." I thrive on this stuff.

DON'T GET ME STARTED

The letter writer, Elmer N. Stuetzler, purports that on Nov. 26, 1977, television broadcasting in southern England was "interrupted" for three minutes by a voice claiming to come from a galactic traveler on a planet called Asteron, and it told us people on earth that we must destroy all of our weapons of evil and live together in peace, or leave the galaxy.

Now, I know what you're thinking: "Leave the galaxy, Elmer? And just where the hell would we go?" Maybe you find it hard to believe that a "galactic traveler" from a planet with a no-good 1950s sci-fi sounding name like "Asteron" would suddenly intrude on our good clean fun via television, inexplicably restrict his message to southern England, and have the gall to tell the 4 billion people of this planet that if they can't play nice, they'll have to leave the recreation room.

Maybe you feel that way. And hell, maybe you're right. Maybe this guy's angry with his parents for naming him "Elmer." I mean, how many Elmer's have there been of any historical significance? You're absolutely right. So, maybe Elmer's just pissed off about being forever associated with glue-makers and bunny-hunters.

On the other hand, maybe not. Perhaps, as I believe, Elmer is on to something. The facts, after all, are documented. The "alien" did indeed interrupt TV broadcasting in southern England. In fact, some eyewitnesses claim that during the audio interruption, the message was accompanied by a showing of alien vacation slides on their screens from the "galactic traveler's" summer jaunt to the Crab Nebula.

In his letter, Stuetzler is curious as to why this event has been hushed up by the media, and damn it, I'm with him. Just what is the government keeping from us? Elmer and I demand to know!

Well, I did some further investigation into this matter, and turned up some damned interesting information. I hope you're sitting down, because some of this stuff is pretty staggering, not to mention just plain scary:

Item No. 1: The channels interrupted by the alien were British channels 2, 4, 5, and 11. These numbers add up to 22, the very date that JFK was assassinated. Smell a conspiracy yet? Read on, my friend.

Item No. 2: One hundred and twenty seven couples in southern England were making love during the cosmic event, and every one of them conceived during the broadcast. Their 127 children, all male, will turn nine this year. They're all blond, they all play cricket in the same Little League, and they all glow in the dark. Had enough? Wait, there's more.

Item No. 3: Even though Winston Churchill was long dead at the time of the broadcast, several people reported that for the duration of the message, they "felt like smoking one of those big, fat, Winston Churchill-type cigars." Curiouser and curiouser.

Item No. 4: Eighty-two domestic beatings were occurring at the time of the phenomenon, but the aggressors suddenly stopped the thrashings of their own accord, claiming to be "filled with a sudden overwhelming peacefulness." After the broadcast, however, they resumed the beatings, some ending in fatalities.

Item No. 5: Lastly, a detail that Stuetzler somehow failed to mention, the knowledge of which has kept me awake at night, shivering in my sleep. Even now the full ramifications of this event are just too horrifying to try to imagine. You see, just after the galactic traveler concluded his message, a pleasant, feminine voice, just above a whisper, was heard on those thousands of television sets in southern England. And it said: "We're Beatrice."

Case Studies Turn Into Mystery Vignettes

Loren Richard Klahs
book critic

Picture if you will "The National Enquirer" in book form.

Now focus on the subject of murder. Try to think like a murderer thinks. Put yourself into the shoes of the potential killer. Let your imagination go wild! For now you too can vicariously play the part of

the deranged murderer. A blood and guts killer . . .

Psychiatrist Martin Blinder M.D. has put together a nifty little volume titled "Lovers, Killers, Husbands And Wives: A Court Psychiatrist Looks At Crimes Of Passion" (St. Martin's Press, 175 pages, \$12.95.)

Twelve little vignettes of murder await the potential reader of this spicy volume. The actual mur-

Many times, his case studies more resemble an anthology of detective stories, rather than any kind of academic study.

der cases are divided into five categories (ie: 'The Dissociative Killer,' 'The Powerless Killer,' 'The Psychotic Killer,' 'The Masochistically Dependent

Killer,' and 'The Psychopathic Killer.')

In dissecting each case in "Lovers, Killers, Husbands And Wives," the author shares with us a few common denominators. Apparently the majority of killers and victims knew each other. Sometimes even intimately. Frothy with idiosyncratic thought and behavior, each case takes on a life of its own.

The author is quick to point out that in most cases, underlying motives for murder are imbedded deep within the subconscious of the alleged killer. What appears to be the so-called obvious is many times both deceiving and inaccurate.

Unfortunately, or fortunately, (depending on your point of view)

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All Choked Up

Counseling Advises How To Avoid 'Exam Tension'

[Editor's note: This article is part of a continuing series, Person to Person, submitted by members of the UMSL Counseling Service. Today's column was written by Robert Carr, Ed.D.]

Generally, most students feel some tension before taking an exam. Being a bit nervous may actually help you to perform better.

This is similar to athletes who experience tension before competing. Experiencing such tension helps athletes in getting "psyched up" and may lead to a peak performance. Experiencing too much tension, however, can cause both athletes and students to do poorly and fail. Such is the case with test anxiety: the student's nervousness has become excessive and affects his/her ability to perform effectively.

If you have experienced test anxiety, you may think that you are one of a very few and that some-

thing is wrong with you. This is not the case; it has been estimated that as many as 20 percent of all students experience test anxiety at some time in their lives. If you are one of these people, you may wonder how you got to be this way and what you can do about it. If so read on.

Like most human behaviors, test anxiety is a result of learning. The test anxious student has taught himself or herself to be tense and anxious. Let's take a simple example to illustrate how this might happen. Students often think that worrying will help them to improve their performance, so they may tell themselves things like the following: "If I don't get an A on this midterm, I'll probably flunk the final. If I flunk the final, I'll be behind a semester and I may not graduate. If I don't graduate, I'll probably never get a decent job. If I don't get a good job, I'll end up having a lousy life. Maybe I should just quit now and admit I'm

a failure." This hypothetical student has in a few fleeting seconds progressed from thinking about a midterm exam to seeing his or her life as a

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failure. Such reasoning is, unfortunately, all too easy to do. Most of us have the capacity to criticize ourselves mercilessly. Such criticism can greatly affect our physical and emotional state and our ability to perform effectively.

Contrary to an all too popular myth, worrying does not help. If you want to be successful on your exams, stop worrying and try some of the following suggestions: — Prepare well in advance. There is simply no substitute for adequate preparation for an exam.

Start to study way before your exam and break your preparation down into manageable steps. Be sure to reward yourself for studying. Think of something pleasant or relaxing to do at the end of each study session.

— Avoid cramming. Studying for long periods of time is notoriously inefficient. Your mind can only absorb so much material in one sitting. You cannot master a semester's work by doing an "all nighter."

— Take care of the basics. Some students in their rush to prepare for exams forget to take care of themselves. Make sure you eat well and get sufficient sleep. Avoid caffeine and "uppers" while studying. Make time for physical activity and for relaxation. Exams naturally create some stress so pamper yourself.

— Plan ahead. Be sure to get a good night's sleep before your exam. Stop studying early and do something relaxing. Begin your day

with a good breakfast and allow plenty of time for getting to campus. Find a quiet place and compose your thoughts. Tell yourself you are ready for the exam and view it as an opportunity for you to show as much of what you know as you can.

Plan to get to the test location a few minutes early but not too early. Avoid classmates who generate anxiety and who are looking for last minute answers. If waiting for the test to begin causes anxiety, distract yourself by reading a newspaper or magazine.

— Ask for help. The Counseling Service provides assistance to students who are having difficulty with test anxiety. A workshop on coping with test anxiety is being offered beginning on Wednesday, Feb. 26. Students can also be seen individually for help if they cannot meet the scheduled times. Let us hear from you. Maybe we can help.

John Cryer Plays Self In New Film "Pretty In Pink"

Mike Luczak reporter

If there is any young actor in Hollywood who might suffer from an identity crisis, it probably would be Jon Cryer. Why? Well, it seems that Cryer finds himself always being mistaken for the ever popular Matthew Broderick.

Cryer doesn't seem to mind it, though. After all, why should he? Matthew Broderick is one of the biggest stars in Hollywood.

"Being in the shadow of Matthew Broderick isn't so bad. Heck, I could be in the shadow of Don Knotts," Cryer said.

When interviewing Cryer though, one gets the feeling that he'd like to cast the shadow of Broderick off, and develop his own personal Jon Cryer Fan Club. Perhaps this is why he decided to star in Paramount Pictures' newest film "Pretty In Pink."

In "Pretty In Pink," Cryer plays a zany and nerd-like character named Duckie Dale, who has a crush on a very unique girl by the name of Andie Walsh (Mollie Ringwald). Andie, as it turns out, is too busy thinking about Blane McDonough (Andrew McCarthy).

In order to play Duckie, Cryer said he had to tap into his comic abilities as an actor. For Cryer, the Duckie character wasn't really all that difficult to do, since he sees himself as a comical person by nature.

"When I want people to like me, I try to hone in on my humor," Cryer said.

Cryer said he would have been very disappointed if he hadn't received the part of Duckie.

"When I first read the script, I thought to myself, 'This guy is just like me,'" Cryer said, and screenwriter and producer of "Pretty and Pink", John Hughes, must have agreed with him.

Working with John Hughes, who is famous for the writing and directing of such teen-age films as "Sixteen Candles" and "Breakfast Club," was a different experience, Cryer said.

In tapping in on his comic abilities, Cryer said he was surprised and pleased by how much John Hughes allowed him to improvise.

"At first, John and Howie (director Howard Deutch) would tell me 'let's do an improv scene' and I didn't know what to do, but then as things went on I began to understand," Cryer said.



PRETTY BOY: John Cryer would like to cast off his Matthew Broderick shadow. He's like to develop his own Jon Cryer fan club.

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In speaking of Hughes, Cryer said, "He is an extraordinary man. He has a wonderful ear for how young people speak."

Cryer said he felt the main reason Hughes gets such good performances out of younger actors and actresses is because of his style of writing and directing.

"If an actor or actress wants to change the script because it doesn't feel right in the first two weeks of shooting, then John Hughes is willing to go back and rewrite, and I think that's why he's so successful," Cryer said.

Cryer said that even though he enjoyed acting the character of Duckie, he would really like to play a serious part in the future.

"I like doing comedy, but there's so much pressure on you. It's very hard to do. It makes you self-conscious," Cryer said.

Cryer said he has been acting for a total of six years, and that he prefers on-stage performing rather than film. His stage career has included major performances in Broadway and Los Angeles productions of Harvey Fierstein's "Torch Song Trilogy" and a starring role in Neil Simon's "Brighton Beach Memoirs," in which he took the place of none other than Matthew Broderick.

Cryer said he enjoys working on the stage as opposed to film because he can judge his performance by the audience's reaction.

"When I make a movie, I would give my eyeteeth to see how people would react when I do something funny. That way I could know right away if I was funny or not," Cryer said.

Cryer's only other film performance was in Columbia Pictures' "No Small Affair," in which he portrayed an amateur photographer spellbound by an attractive San Francisco singer (Debbie Moore). The movie was a bomb at the box office, and Cryer admits he wasn't pleased with either the movie or his performance.

"I just couldn't relate to the character, and I wasn't really sure of my acting abilities," Cryer said.

Cryer said he feels he has more confidence in his acting now than he did when he was working on "No Small Affair."

"It's taken me a while, but I've finally understood that I can't allow everybody's opinion to matter," Cryer said.

In regards to the future, Cryer said he'll keep acting just as long as he can keep having fun. And what if he stops having fun?

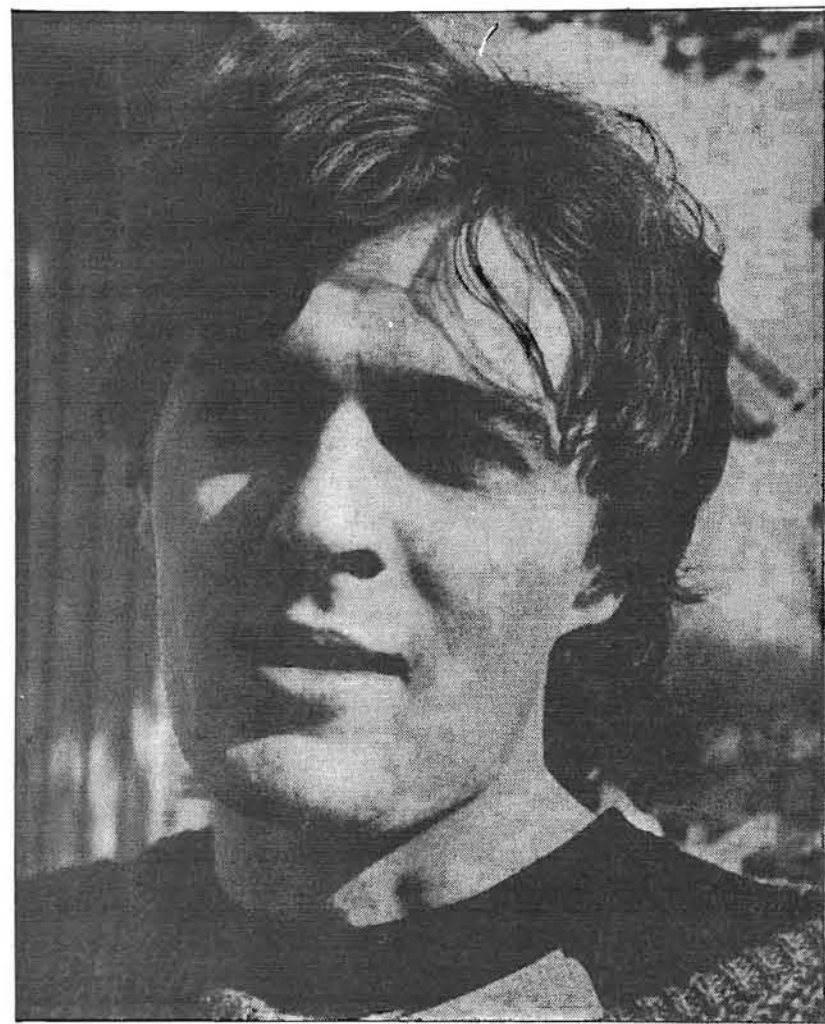
"I think I'd like to direct an action film like Steven Spielberg," Cryer said.

British Exchange Student James Martin Finds Surprises In United States

Estelle Perlstein reporter

Have you ever judged a fellow by his sweater? Picture a square face, strong nose, light brown hair always somewhat tousled, set on a broad-shouldered, rangy frame. The sweater, knitted in a loose weave of greys, blues and greens, gently hangs in a comfy way, stretched enough so that it will not quite stay on both shoulders.

"Car banking and fast food drive-ins amazed me. Another surprise was the variety of home construction." — James Martin



Cedric R. Anderson

This one-eighth Irishman, born on St. Patrick's Day, 1965, is James Patrick Martin, UMSL's exchange student from Lancaster University, England. His home is in a village named Tulford, near Birmingham. When he found a notice about the exchange program on the bulletin board at his university, he applied, was interviewed and accepted. He changed places with UMSL student Robert Pultz.

"When I told the family about going to St. Louis, Mum cried. Dad was enthusiastic, and my two brothers were envious," he said.

"I found the society in the U.S. to be completely car-involved," he said. "Car banking and fast food drive-ins amazed me. Another surprise was the variety of home construction. In England, in each neighborhood, the style of home is the same."

Martin said he expected to find conservative students at UMSL. He said that at the university back home there is a Labor Party Club, where the students are more political and more vociferous.

"UMSL students seems to be more mature," Martin said. "Attending university, in the United States is seen as a job by the student, I think."

"The government pays for education in England. However, unemployment is quite high among university graduates."

Martin lives in Normandy, within easy walking distance from UMSL. When he arrived in St. Louis, he was rather disappointed that the school did not help with practical matters, such as finding an apartment for him, he said.

The biggest revelation Martin found in the States, was to find that

EXCHANGED: Partly Irish, Jim Martin is glad he decided to spend a year at UMSL. He chose the Midwest because he thought he'd have a better chance of being accepted than in the Eastern universities.

Bruce Springsteen really did reflect American society, and that people really did take President Reagan seriously!

About England's Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, he said, "She has a black-and-white view of the world. Doesn't see complexities. All 'yes' men in her cabinet. The 1979 policy of monetarism — not to borrow money — is an economic theory which has not worked, but she cannot change. Taxes are high. Remindful of Dicken's time, Mrs. T. wants those Victorian values which reflect a total lack of understanding of social problems facing England," he said.

"Racial tension has increased as a result of the recession, which has affected the immigrant population in the inner cities with a greater intensity than the rest of the population," he said. "The recession, however, has hit all groups and races."

"Today, with industry closed, like coal mining and nothing replacing it, whole communities are dying.

These people have to go on welfare for years; total hopelessness."

"Men between 45 and 50 years of age are considered too old to get a job again. There are riots because people are unemployed, and there is no sympathy from the government. Thatcher has made an issue of law and order, but the real thing is 'no jobs.'"

"Hoplessness permeates the whole society. Even the middle class is affected; it's in debt, bankrupt, and those with education are unemployed. There are subsidies to the multinational corporations."

Martin's major is political science. He is interested in journalism as a first step, and then wants to obtain a position in the diplomatic corps.

"I'm glad I came here for a year," he said. "It is hard to imagine living back in England again. The approach to life here is more tolerant. The English attitude is 'I'm right; you're wrong,' and I find the American attitude easier to live with," he said.

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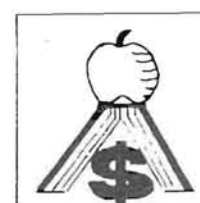
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Explains How To Care For Your Bicycle

Jim Schwartz
reporter

About 5,000 years ago, some bright caveman saw the possibilities of a rounded rotating device which he could use to move around whatever it was that he had to move around, and get from place to place faster. It only took man a few thousand more years to invent the "Wooden Horse," and the "Boneshaker," two early versions of the bicycle.

Bicycles have come a long way since then. Matt Lundberg will attest to that.

Lundberg is an UMSL student, majoring in math but he has more than formulae and numbers on his mind. He is a bicycle enthusiast who knows his stuff.

Aside from bicycling and presiding over the math club, he is also an accomplished photographer and an active member of the Kayak Club.

A look around his spare living room is proof that bicycling is No. 1 on his list of interests. For, hanging from their assigned hooks on the ceiling, were six bicycles, each in a different style and color.

"This one here, and those two over there, are mine," he said. "The rest of them are my brother's." Lundberg shares his cycling experiences with his brother, Andrew.

Both brothers work at Touring Cyclist on Big Bend Avenue.

"The one I ride the most for average commuting is my 'Terranaut,'" he explained.

(Terranaut is Latin for land traveler.) "I can get from home in University City to UMSL in about 15 minutes in decent weather on it," he said.

"Another favorite of mine is this one," he said, indicating a black stodgy-looking machine, his mountain bike. Unlike the slender body of the Terranaut, the mountain bike had stubby, reinforced handlebars, knobby tires and dried mud splattered on the frame. It was definitely an "off the road" machine.

But what of the life of a bicycle repairman? What does it consist of? "Mostly fixing flats, adjusting fittings, replacing worn brake and gear cables," Lundberg said. "The most common cause of flat tires occurs when the owner allows the tires to become underinflated. Bicycle tires lose air quickly right through the tires. They need to be inflated at least every week. Bike tire pressure should be at least 95 pounds, some need as much as 120 pounds. Underinflated tires are also more easily accessible to puncture by sharp objects. Or you could ride over a bump; the tire bulges in one spot, pinches in another, causing a flat.

"Most anything that goes wrong with your bike can be repaired in one day at the Touring Cyclist shop," Lundberg said. He said that most bikes now have interchangeable parts, which makes repair much easier, except for the heavier bikes; they demand sturdier parts.

such as Lundberg's mountain bike.

"The best bikes are Japanese built," he said. "American bicycles aren't circulating very well, because it's cheaper for an American retailer to buy a Japanese bike than to buy an American model. Even Schwinn, one of the last American bicycle companies, has its bikes built in Japan. There are some good Italian bikes, but Japanese bikes seem to be the norm.

Who's buying bikes these days? "There are more and more people buying bikes to use to commute to work and back," Lundberg claimed. "Also, there are a lot of health enthusiasts who prefer cycling over jogging. Bicycle riding is a unique form of exercise, whereas jogging demands a certain amount of energy just to stay on your feet.

"Bike riding takes virtually no energy to maintain your balance. Therefore you can exercise to your farthest limit, pushing yourself to exhaustion."

One of Lundberg's favorite places to ride is West Tyson State Park, off I-44. The park has numerous hills and horse trails, great for riding his mountain bike.

And what does a smart bike rider wear, when the weather turns cold? "A lot," Lundberg emphasized. He wears two to four layers of polypropylene undergarments, to keep warm in cold weather. He claims that polypropylene is better than cotton, because it doesn't hold

water, and while the rider sweats, the moisture is drawn away from his body, which keeps the rider dry. A wool cap, polypropylene face mask and rain repellent windbreaker complete his winter riding wardrobe.

In addition to practical clothing, Lundberg keeps a tire pump and plastic water bottle with him at all times. The water is especially a necessity during the humid Missouri summers. Winter riding is slowed by the additional layers of clothing, so water isn't such a major need as it is in the summertime, he said.

Although he rides back and forth to Forest Park, Lundberg avoids the bicycle trails there. "There's usually broken glass or joggers on the path there," he said. But muggers and joggers aren't the only threat to the cyclist. Cars are a constant danger to riders. But, he said, "It's usually the rider who runs the stop signs that causes accidents."

He considers himself to be lucky; he's never had a bike stolen or been involved in an accident with a car.

Lundberg is truly one of the more active students attending UMSL. I think the rest of us would be better off to follow his example of being involved in so many activities. The college process often seems long and dull, with nothing much to do in between classes and semesters. With such an assortment of activities as he has, maybe school wouldn't seem so boring.

Book

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author Martin Blinder has presented his material in a rather sensational and overblown manner.

What passes for insight is usually nothing more than a few special effects thrown in for good measure. Many times his case studies more resemble an anthology of detective stories, rather than any kind of academic study.

Take for example the case of (ahem . . .) "The Perfect Couple."

On the eve of his 15th wedding anniversary, a man by the name of Solly celebrated by giving his wife 15 perfectly executed stab wounds. One stab for each year of "perfect" marriage.

The author points out that the man was not really guilty of premeditated murder, because he happened to have been "sleepwalking" at the time of the crime.

In a veritable sleep-walk trance, Solly killed Roslyn only because he was acting out a fantasy long held deep within his subconscious. During the act of sleepwalking, Solly was able to dissociate himself from the actual act of killing. In his mind, he was watching someone else do the terrible deed.

The jury was convinced and Solly is currently alive and living "alone" in Chicago.

A more popular case in recent times is discussed by Blinder with

a few extra added touches of melodrama. That case is the one concerning Dan White of The City of San Francisco's Board of Supervisors.

Remember? Dan White, upset over losing his job, went "crazy" and gunned down the mayor. Then he went down the corridor of San Francisco's City Hall just in time to . . . empty his gun into the body and head of another supervisor . . . Harvey Milk."

Since Harvey Milk was something of a living symbol for a huge segment of the San Francisco population — the homosexuals — his sudden murder by death gave off a variety of mixed signals. The gays were mad as hell and they were not going to take it anymore!

But that was not to be the case. Blaming his irrational behavior on a variety of things (including a junk food diet of too many Hostess Creme-Filled Twinkies and Coca-Colas) Dan White's lawyers were able to convince the jury that White truly was not himself the day of the fatal double-shooting.

I suppose a book like "Lovers, Killers, Husbands And Wives" is basically harmless fare.

Written in a conversational tone with an emphasis on lurid details, the study is anything but academic. In spite of its subtitle ("A Court Psychiatrist Looks At Crimes Of Passion") this is a book that used to fall under the category of dime-store novel.

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What If...
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Dan Noss
sports editor

There's a game us folks in the sports media business like to play. It's called "What if" For instance, "What if Don Denkinger had called Jorge Orta out at first in the eighth inning of the sixth game of the 1985 World Series?" Or, "What if the Dodgers had not pitched to Jack Clark in the final game of the National League Championship Series?"

TIME OUT

I'm sure players and coaches take part in the same game, but sportswriters have it down to a science. More than anyone else, our hindsight is an impeccable 20-20. We could have told Tom Lasorda anytime after the game that he never could have gotten Clark out in a million years. That's how sure we were after the game. And now, almost four months later, we are more certain.

When you've experienced a season such as the Rivermen have, you've heard a lot of "What ifs". Especially during a season that began with as many "ifs", "maybes" and "could bes" as this one did. But, hey, I'm just doing my job.

What if coach Meckfessel had decided earlier in the season that no combination of centers would work as well as reliable Ron Porter? What if Meckfessel said, "Okay, I've got Porter as my center and Dellondo Foxx as my outside gun. What do I have to compliment those two?"

What if Meckfessel had decided to go with Jeff Wilson and Kevin Morganfield nine games into the season when the center combination of Ken Liszewski and Mark Stanley was averaging a less-than-inspiring 8.8 points and 7.3 rebounds a game? Or perhaps he should have acted even quicker, making a switch six games into the season when the Liszewski-Stanley duo was averaging 9.8 points and 7.6 rebounds per game.

The latter timing would have given Meckfessel five games before the Missouri Intercollegiate Athletic Association schedule began. If the right chemistry did not materialize, Meckfessel still would have had time to revert to his old lineup or scramble once again before the important MIAA games came around.

As it stands right now, the statistics of Liszewski and Stanley (6.7 points and 4.9 rebounds per game) do not surpass the numbers of Wilson and Morganfield (8.6 points and 3.5 rebounds per game). The differences are small, and I may be talking apples and oranges, but it appears now it was worth testing earlier.

Especially when you remember Meckfessel's pre-season expectations for Duane Young: averaging ten points a game. He has averaged only 6.6 points a game and has hit in double figures in only eight of 24 games this season. Wouldn't an even split between Young's and Wilson's playing time been advisable?

On an intangible level, what if the chair-throwing incident had not occurred during the SEMO game? And, what if Foxx had not been pegged as the sacrificial lamb for it all? Certainly he would have made the difference in the Rolla rematch (in which UMSL was held to a season-low of 55 points) as he did in the first Rolla game when he scored 31 points.

Foxx may even have been the deciding factor in the second SEMO game in which UMSL fought a tough battle until they ran out of gas and fell, 99-85. It was definitely a better showing than the one presented during the game in which the "big guy, little guy" incident occurred. Foxx would have been the difference.

Finally, what if SEMO's coach Ron Shumate would get a technical foul called on him for leaving the coach's box.

Finally (Part Two), what if UMSL students actually came out and supported their sports teams? Nobody expects perfect attendance at every game. Let's face it, some of UMSL's opponents aren't that thrilling to watch. But, come on, when the visitors bring more fans than the home team, that's a bit ridiculous.

Once again, it's free folks. You've already paid for your ticket, why not use your seat. What if there were no athletics at UMSL?

Riverwomen Clinch Playoff Berth

Playoff Picture Uncertain, Winning Season Assured

Dan Noss
sports editor

The pre-season expectations of the UMSL Riverwomen finally became reality when they defeated Northwest 82-69. With the victory, the Riverwomen were assured of a spot in the Missouri Intercollegiate Athletic Association playoffs and of a winning season.

The Riverwomen, 6-5 in the conference and 14-11 overall, are presently in third place. But, their playoff opponent and site are yet to be determined. UMSL will be on the road versus either Central Missouri State or Southeast Missouri State (both are 9-1) Thursday, Feb. 27.

UMSL must wait for the results of the games played by Central, Southeast, Lincoln and Northwest before they will know where and who they will play. If Southeast and Central remain tied at the end of the regular season, Southeast will be the top seed.

UMSL can be assured of a third seed if they defeat Central on Saturday. Otherwise, they will have to depend on Northwest defeating Lincoln in their final regular season meeting. But, if Lincoln were to defeat Southeast before playing Northwest, then UMSL would be the fourth seed.

The defeat of Northwest was the second consecutive win for the Riverwomen over the Bearkittens, after losing the first ten meetings between the two teams. It also gave UMSL five victories in their last six games, including three in a row at home. The Riverwomen have also won four out of their last five MIAA contests.

The Riverwomen used a full-court press and a tight man-to-man defense, resulting in 30 Northwest turnovers. That, combined with the fact that Northwest shot just 35 percent from the field (22-62), was enough to give UMSL a 13-point victory.

MIAA STANDINGS		
MEN	WON	LOST
Central Missouri	8	2
Southeast Missouri	8	2
Northwest Missouri	6	4
Rivermen	4	6
Northeast Missouri	4	6
Lincoln University	4	6
UM-Rolla	3	8

WOMEN	WON	LOST
Central Missouri	9	1
Southeast Missouri	9	1
Riverwomen	6	4
Lincoln	5	5
Northwest Missouri	4	6
Northeast Missouri	2	8
UM-Rolla	1	9

The only redeeming factor in the Bearkitten's play was an efficient 78 percent (25-32) free throw shooting mark.

Kim Scamman led Northwest with 24 points. Christy Huddlemeyer had a team-leading 10 rebounds.

Before 1,100 spectators at the Mark Twain Building, the River-

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Patient Larson Has The Riverwomen Winning

Dan Noss
Diane Schlueter

After leaving Southeastern Community College in Burlington, Iowa with three winning seasons and two undefeated conference marks his last two seasons, Mike Larson came to UMSL ready to do the same thing here.

But, Larson found the going tough his first few years, unable to crack the .500 mark and the tough Missouri Intercollegiate Athletic Association top four (four fifth place finishes). He kept working, though, despite odds that always seemed to go against his efforts. Through injuries and lack of personnel at various positions, Larson has finally brought the winner he has worked for to UMSL.

"We have had our fingers crossed that he would have a good season, and he has," assistant athletic director Judy Berres said.

"I think his patience has paid off there. We are pleased with his overall performance."

Athletic Director Chuck Smith echoes Berres' comments and outlined Larson's characteristics that brought him to the school's attention when hired.

"We felt he was someone young with enthusiasm and he would bring that to UMSL," Smith said. Smith added that UMSL was pleased with his success at the junior college level and felt that he was right for the task of leading the Riverwomen in the MIAA and Division II basketball.

Larson had a desire to coach on the college level, but the type of coaching he is doing now, was not on his mind when he graduated from Trinity College (Deerfield, Ill.) in 1973 and George Williams College in 1977 with his master's in the the administration See "Larson," page 10

Rivermen Cling To Slim Hopes

Dan Noss
sports editor

The 1985-86 basketball season is slowly slipping away. So are the opportunities for the UMSL Rivermen to gain a berth in the Missouri Intercollegiate Athletic Association playoffs. The chances are so slim, that they really don't even control their own destiny. Win or lose at Central Missouri State on Saturday, the Rivermen (4-7 in the MIAA, 10-15 overall) still won't decide their own fate.

They appear to be victims of their own inability to take advantage of earlier MIAA games. Coach Rich Meckfessel is aware of that fact.

"If we were deserving of being in the playoffs," he said, "then we would have already clinched a spot by now."

Meckfessel has his goals for the Rivermen centered on their final two opportunities of this season and hopes that they are a springboard for better things next year.

"We would just like to win our last two games. A win over either team (Southern Illinois University - Edwardsville or Central) is something we could build on. If we get in the playoffs maybe we will get that great game we haven't had all year. We will try to end the season on a positive note."

If UMSL does not beat Central, then Northeast Missouri State (4-6), Lincoln University (3-7) and UMSL must tie for fourth place with 4-8 records before UMSL has a chance to qualify for the playoffs. The Rivermen would get the nod based on a better head-to-head record against Northeast and Lincoln (3-1 versus Northeast's 2-2 and Lincoln's 1-3).



Cedric R. Anderson

LOOSE BALL: UMSL's Ron Porter and Northwest's Joe Hurst go up unsuccessfully for a rebound in last weekend's game at the Mark Twain Building.

Northeast has Central at home before traveling to Southeast to finish the season. Lincoln will take on Southeast and Northwest Missouri State at home.

The Rivermen passed up a chance to solidify their playoff chances when they lost in overtime to Northeast, 74-73. UMSL had defeated the Bearcats at Northeast in their first MIAA game of the year, 72-56, but allowed them to take control of the playoff situation.

In their 99-85 loss to Southeast, the Rivermen showed just how important Dellondo Foxx is to the team. The Rivermen trailed only 43-41 at the half, before running out of steam early in the second half and falling hopelessly behind. If Foxx were available, the score might have remained close enough for UMSL to take a run at Southeast

down the stretch. As it was, though, the game represented the biggest offensive output since the overtime win at Lincoln on Jan. 11. The Rivermen topped that point total only three times this season.

To look at the UMSL statistics, without having the Southeast numbers alongside, one would get the impression the Rivermen were victorious or fell by just a few points. Ron Porter led four double-figure scorers with 23 points to go along with a team-high six rebounds. Mike Starter had 19. Kevin Morganfield had a strong game with 15 and Duane Young totaled 10 points with five rebounds.

UMSL shot 54 percent from the field (31-57) and 92 percent from the free-throw line (matching their See "Rivermen," page 10

Golf Swings Into 1986 Spring Sports Picture

Three freshmen will make up the rest of the squad. Mike Ebert, Mark Kessler and Bill Davidson will give the team depth and make it more competitive.

This season the golf team will be playing in a number of different tournaments. Five players will make the traveling squad for each tourney. The first tournament of the year will be held March 26-27 at Park College in Kansas City, and will include some Division I schools. Other major tournaments include the SIU-Edwardsville Tournament in Wood River, Illinois and the Missouri Intercollegiate Tournament at Tan-Tar-A. The UMSL golf team will host the Rivermen Invitational at the Normandie Park Golf Club on April 7.

The golf team will also get some experienced players in juniors Bob Cissell and Ken Koememann and sophomore Doug Mars. Cissell and Mars are both transfers from Southwest Missouri State University. Of Mars, coach Neiderkorn said, "I'm expecting some big things from him. He should help us immediately."

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Date	1985-86 UMSL Opponent	GOLF SCHEDULE Place	Time
March 27-28	Park College Inv.	Windbrook C.C. Parkville, Mo.	9:00 a.m.
April 4-5	SIU-E Spring Tourn.	Belk Park C.C. Wood River, Ill. Tamarack C.C. O'Fallon, Ill.	9:00 a.m.
April 7	Riverman Invitational	Normandie Park C.C. St. Louis, Mo.	11:00 a.m.
April 10-11	Crossroads of America	Twin Hills C.C. Loma Linda C.C. Joplin, Mo.	9:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m.
April 12-13	Mo. Intercollegiate	Oaks C.C. Tan-Tar-A Osage Beach, Mo.	9:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m.
April 17	St. Louis University	Norwood Hills C.C. St. Louis, Mo.	12:30 p.m.
April 25-26	Rolla Best Ball	Oak Meadows C.C. Rolla, Mo.	12:00 p.m. 9:00 a.m.
May 1-2	MIAA Conference	Oaks C.C.	8:30 a.m.

UMSL Spring 1986 Intramural Update

COED VOLLEYBALL

Blue Division	Won	Lost
"The Team"	2	0
Net Results	2	0
Beta Alpha Psi	1	1
The Nons	1	1
Math Team	0	2
NFC	0	2

Green Division	Won	Lost
ROTC	3	0
Pikes	2	2
Velocity Plus	1	1
Standpipe Express	1	1
Sting Rays	1	1
PEK	1	1

Blue Division Results
The Nons over NFC 15-0, 7-15, 15-7

"The Team" over Math Team 15-7, 15-6

Net Results over Beta Alpha Psi 15-4, 15-5

Beta Alpha Psi over NFC 15-8, 13-15, 15-2

Net Results over Math Team 15-5, 15-9

Green Division Results
Sting Rays over PEK (forfeit)
Standpipe Express over Pikes 16-14, 15-7
ROTC over Velocity Plus 15-8, 15-12
Pikes over Sting Rays 15-1, 15-5
ROTC over PEK (forfeit)
Vel. Plus over Express 15-12, 10-15, 15-9
ROTC over Sting Rays 15-6, 8-15, 15-3
Pikes over Vel. Plus 15-12, 15-8
PEK over Express 9-15, 15-11, 15-6

DAY BASKETBALL

Western Division	Won	Lost
Trotters	2	0
United Blacks	2	0
Over The Hill Gang	0	2
ROTC	0	2

Eastern Division	Won	Lost
Mahvelous Ones	2	0
Thew's Crew	1	1
O.C.T.	1	1
Sigma Pi	0	2

Results
United Blacks 54, ROTC 45
Trotters 40, Hill Gang 33
Mahvels Ones 60, Thew's Crew 31
O.C.T. 33, Sigma Pi 31

NIGHT BASKETBALL

North Division	Won	Lost
Run.Gun. Custodians	2	0
US	1	1
Sig Tau	1	1
Scleral Spurs	0	2

South Division	Won	Lost
Projectives	1	0
Strabismic Garzias	1	0
Spectacular Spectacle	0	2

Results
Custodians 68, Sig Tau 38
US 39, Scleral Spurs 35
Projectives 46, Spectacles 35



INTRAMURAL: The 1986 Spring Intramural schedule has commenced with day and night basketball leagues and a night volleyball league. Competition is open to students, faculty and staff. A one-night volleyball tournament, cosponsored by the UMSL Intramural Office and Ford will take place on Monday, March 10 at 6:00 p.m. in the Mark Twain Gym. There will be a Men's and Women's Division.

Mike Straighter On The Basketball Court Than Off Court



Cedric R. Anderson

UMSL RIVERMAN Mike Strater puts up a shot against an early season opponent. Strater, a junior college transfer, is averaging 11.5 points and 5.7 rebounds a game.

Diane Schlueter
asst. sports editor

Who's that guy in the dark glasses? Jim McMahon? No, it's No. 33 Mike Strater, 6-foot-5 junior forward for the UMSL Rivermen basketball team.

Strater, a free spirit, is known to his teammates as Jim McMahon. "Ron (Porter) started calling me Jim McMahon because I always wear sunglasses to practice," Strater said.

Having a positive personality, Strater feels that this helps himself and his teammates.

"I think it (my personality) does help me because I get to know the other players better and they get to know me, and that helps us to communicate better on the floor," he said. "I'm kind of crazy off the floor, but on the floor, I am serious."

"His attitude rubs off on everyone else and that helps the practice," said teammate Jeff Wilson. "He's strange, but he's cool," Dellondo Foxx said. "He gets along with everyone on the team."

A positive attitude was exactly what Strater needed at the beginning of this season. He was recruited to help replace some of the outside shooting which was left open with the graduation of Joe Edwards, Bob McCormack and Ted Meier.

"I felt a little bit of pressure, but I knew that I could score if I got my shots," Strater said. "I never really thought of the pressure."

Strater, a junior college transfer from Parkland Community College, is an aggressive player, both defensively and offensively, with good passing and shooting skills. His shooting is one ability that comes naturally for him.

"When I was younger, I could always shoot well," he said. "I could always do that better than anything else."

Strater is currently third in scoring with 11.5 points per game, and second on the team in rebounds with 137, 5.7 per game.

Throughout his basketball career, Strater has always been responsible for a large portion of the rebounding on his teams.

"I led my high school team in rebounds," he said. "In junior college, I was second behind a guy named Glenn Phillips (MIAA's leading scorer with 22 points per game), who is now playing for Northwest."

"I'm kind of crazy off the floor, but on the floor, I am serious."

—Mike Strater

Strater's role on the team is "to make the outside shot, to rebound and to guard the best offensive player on the other team," he said.

"He was to replace Ted Meier, our small forward position," said UMSL coach Rich Meckfessel. "We look to him for outside shooting, particularly on outside defense. (He is to also) guard our opponent's best scoring forward."

Named most valuable player in his senior year at Rantoul (Ill.) High School, Strater averaged 17 points and six rebounds a game.

After high school, Strater attended the University of Eastern Illinois, but did not play any competitive basketball.

"I played intramural basketball, and I also went to the Eastern Illinois games," he said. "I missed the competition, though. I always thought I could play on their team, and I wanted to see if I could do it. The best way for me to get back to basketball was to go through junior college."

During his sophomore year at Parkland, Strater averaged 14 points and five rebounds a game.

Besides UMSL, Strater was recruited by three other schools in Arkansas, Indiana and Oklahoma. One reason he chose UMSL was because it was closer than the other schools to his hometown of Rantoul, Ill.

"UMSL was closer and was a better school-education wise," he said. "I also knew that Meckfessel was coach of the year last year, and I wanted to play under a good coach."

"He played in a good junior college program," Meckfessel said. "He's the kind of student and player for this type of program."

And when looking at this year's statistics, UMSL basketball fans would have to agree.

Larson

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of physical education.

"I had aspiration for coaching on the college level," he said. "I never thought at the time I'd be coaching women."

Larson has also coached softball at both Southeastern C.C. and at UMSL. He gave up his duties as softball coach here after the 1984 season, compiling a record of 67-96.

The 34-year-old native of Gottenburg, Nebraska is very involved in the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. He is responsible for bringing such speakers as Big Red wide receiver Pat Tilley and former Cardinal pitcher John Denny to relate how the FCA works for professional athletes.

The FCA is more than just a sports organization to Larson.

"Being a part of FCA makes me more consistent in every aspect of my life," Larson said. "Just being a Christian, you try to exemplify Christ. I have to exhibit consistency as a value."

"He is very patient, warm, kind and very giving," Berres said of Larson.

His wife Denise and his two daughters must possess patience, also, to deal with the schedule that Larson must handle.

"My family has been very supportive," Larson said. "I spend a lot of hours away from home - scouting opponents, watching high school students and fund raising. When we don't have a game, I'm always out doing something with basketball."

This season has been a satisfying experience for Larson. "Our goal at the beginning of the season was to make the play-offs," he said on the night he accomplished the

feat with a victory over Northwest Missouri State.

But just making the playoffs isn't good enough for Larson. He has set his goals for higher levels and would like to ultimately advance to the highest level.

"Now that we are going to be in the playoffs, we want to make it to the finals - then to win it (the MIAA title)."

With a strong "win" attitude being displayed by his current team on and off the court, Larson sees no comparison to last year's team. He says this for various reasons.

"The thing about last year was that we were playing people out of position. We had people playing guard that had never played guard before. We didn't have the people playing their positions."

He feels that this year's team did not fall into the trap of getting down about losing (the Riverwomen went through a small four-game losing streak at midseason) because of a good attitude. Last year's team did not have the same attitude.

"You can't compare this year's team to last year's."

Now that the Riverwomen are in the playoffs, Larson must hope that his team gets the respect they deserve. So far, that has not happened.

"Most people say that our chances are slim," Larson said about the Riverwomen's chances of advancing in the playoffs against tough competition. "If we are at the top of our game, we have a good chance of beating (teams like) Central Missouri."

With everybody but Chris Andrews returning to the UMSL lineup next season, success should certainly breed success for the Riverwomen and Mike Larson.

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highest total from the charity stripe with a 23-25 count. Unfortunately, Southeast shot 63 percent from the field (40-63) and 76 percent from the line (19-25).

Southeast was led by MIAA player-of-the-week Ronny Rankin with 32 points and seven rebounds and Riley Ellis, who had 29 points.

Against Northeast, the "Ron Porter-Dellondo Foxx show" was airing on the big screen at the Mark Twain Building. To Northeast's advantage, though, no one in the supporting cast was playing up to roles.

With the shooting percentage falling to 44.8, UMSL got a one-of-five performance from Morgantfield and a two-of-eight night from Strater. Both players were in double figures against Southeast.

Porter did the job again with 26 points and eight rebounds before fouling out at 2 minutes and nine seconds of the overtime period.

Foxx had 25 points, six rebounds and five assists. Strater led UMSL in rebounds with 10 to go along with four assists.

Northeast missed enough shots (they were a miserable 34.9 percent, 29-83, from the field) so that UMSL could have controlled the game. But the Bearcats were tough on the boards, grabbing 57 rebounds to 40 for UMSL. Joe Hurst, Jim Calcatera and Jim O'Neil each had nine rebounds.

Hurst and Gerald Harris had 17 points to top Southeast in scoring. Glenn Phillips joined them in double figures with 10 points.

A good sign for the Rivermen came in the way of low turnover totals for the Southeast and Northeast games. UMSL committed just 15 in each, causing one to believe that one part of the game has come together.

Riverwomen

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Gina Gregory led UMSL with 17 points (only her second MIAA game under 20 points), followed by Kris Wilmesher's 16 points and Kathy Rubach's 11 points. Chris Andrews led the Riverwomen with nine rebounds to go along with her seven points. Grace Gain and Rubach each had seven rebounds.

The efforts of Wilmesher and Andrews were important to UMSL, and gain more importance now that the Riverwomen have qualified for the playoffs, because both players usually enter the game as substitutes.

Deb Moreno handed out 10 assists, adding to her team leading 130. Her season-ending total will place her second on the all-time Riverwomen assist list behind Chris Meier's 180 (1980-81).

As a team, the Riverwomen are in line to set a few single season marks. They will surpass the 65 percent free throw mark set in 1981-82

with their current mark of 70.9 percent. They also will set a new field goal shooting mark if they retain their present mark of 45.4 percent. The old high of 44.8 percent was set in 1982-83.

In the Riverwomen's other game last week, against Southeast, it was a case of poor first half and good second half in an 84-56 loss. The 28-point deficit was UMSL's biggest margin of defeat this season.


Southeast had four players in double figures: Pat Colon, 22; Sandy Heitschmidt, 12; and Sherri Shirrell and Nina Menifee, 11. Colon also had 12 rebounds and Heitschmidt dished out 10 assists.

The Riverwomen were led by Wilmesher's 16 and Andrew's 12 points. Gregory led UMSL rebounders with seven. UMSL shot just 38 percent from the field (24-62) for the game. They were saved from a first half of shooting at 22 percent (8-33) by the second half, in which they shot 55 percent (16-29).

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