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Ecological Awareness At UM-St. Louis

Biology Society Audits Policies

by Christine McGraw
associate news editor

An audit concerning the campus environment was conducted by the UM-St. Louis Biological Society. This audit, the first report of its kind to be released, was distributed as part of Earth Day 1990.

The Society considered potential ways to improve UM-St. Louis policies and practices concerning the environment. Interviews and investigations were used as sources of information. What follows is a summary of that report.

SOLID WASTE

"A program that would involve recycling of solid waste, garbage in plain language, is desperately needed to reduce the impact the campus has on the environment," the report stated.

62 pounds of trash were sampled from around campus. Each bag was sorted into five categories as follows: paper (68%), plastic (18%), metal (6%), food (5%), and glass (3%). Several small scale recycling receptacles are available on campus involving mainly aluminum cans; but hardly enough to accommodate for other solid waste valuables, the report stated.

HAZARDOUS WASTE

Hazardous waste materials, which are pretreated on campus, are picked up from campus every six to 12 months. Since there are no hazardous waste sites in Missouri, the waste is shipped to Illinois.

Most hazardous waste is collected from the physical facilities and science departments.

The biggest problem with collection of hazardous waste is the inaccuracy, the report stated. Most chemicals are poured down the drain, which is considered misconduct according to the UM-St. Louis regulations dealing with

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WHAT'S IN HERE? The Biological Society examined the make up of the trash on campus as part of their audit. (Photo by Eng Teng Yap)

Recycling Program Now Being Initiated

by David Barnes
news editor

A recycling program that covers the entire UM-St. Louis campus is in the process of being developed, said Mary Vosevich, manager of the grounds division of Administrative Services.

"[The program] involves paper recycling (including cardboard), aluminum cans, and all of our landscape debris," she said. The paper recycling program is already in effect in Woods Hall and the General Services Building. "We hope to have all the buildings on line by the end of December," Vosevich said.

The university will also investigate installing a small recycling center on campus that students can bring things in to. "Our goal is to recycle as many items that we can here on campus," she said.

"We are also looking into how we purchase things," she said. The Solid Wastes Management Act allows the university to pay up to 10% above the lowest competitive bid for products made of recycled material.

Ways to deposit or recycle chemical wastes and used tires and oil from university cars are also being investigated.

The costs of the recycling program have not yet been calculated, Vosevich said. The campus will make a little money from selling the paper

and aluminum cans to recyclers, she said, and bigger savings will come from not needing to empty the dumpsters as often.

Special trash receptacles will be spread throughout the buildings for the paper and cans recycling program. The receptacles for the paper will probably be made of cardboard and will have lists on them of what type of paper can be recycled and what types can't.

Student organizations are being asked to get involved with aluminum can collecting, Vosevich said. A program will be developed with their input on how to collect the cans from special receptacles in the buildings. A letter to student organizations should be going out soon.

"There are certain concerns that we do have," she said. "We can't have these cans sitting in the building for a long period of time because we would then have an insect problem."

Training sessions for staff in the buildings will be provided to teach them what products can be recycled. The reaction by staff members in Woods Hall and the General Services Building has been "great" Vosevich said.

Conservation of resources comes down to individuals, she added. "How many times do you go to the copying machine and make five copies of something when you needed four?"

Local Reaction To Iraqi Invasion

by Lee Conrad
reporter

Several UM-St. Louis professors recently gave their reactions and analysis to the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

"Time is on our side. He [Iraqi President Saddam Hussein] realizes the blockade is hurting his country...he's afraid of the presence of the U.S. military in Saudi Arabia," said Lance Leloup, chair of the political science department.

"We're not as dependent on oil as we used to be...the energy use per unit of GNP has gone down," said Edward Gamber of the economics department. This means that the U.S. is more efficient with one barrel of oil than it used to be - so if the price increases, it would not affect the country as much as it used to.

The employment report that came

out on September 10 was already expected to be bad Gamber said, and the Iraq situation wasn't the major cause of the drop.

Unemployment raised to 5.6% from 5.4%. There is no good way to measure how much, if any, of that difference is due to Iraq, said Herbert Werner of the economics department. "One factor that is typically blamed for the increase," he said, "is a slow-

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SGA Sets Goals, Selects New Officers, Investigates SABC

by Christine McGraw
associate news editor

Sunday evening the first official Student Government Association (SGA) meeting of the 1990-91 school year was held.

President Alla J. Pruzhansky and Vice President Mark Grimes presented to the SGA representatives the goals they have for the 1990-91 school year. These goals were made after the officers attended a leadership training development retreat.

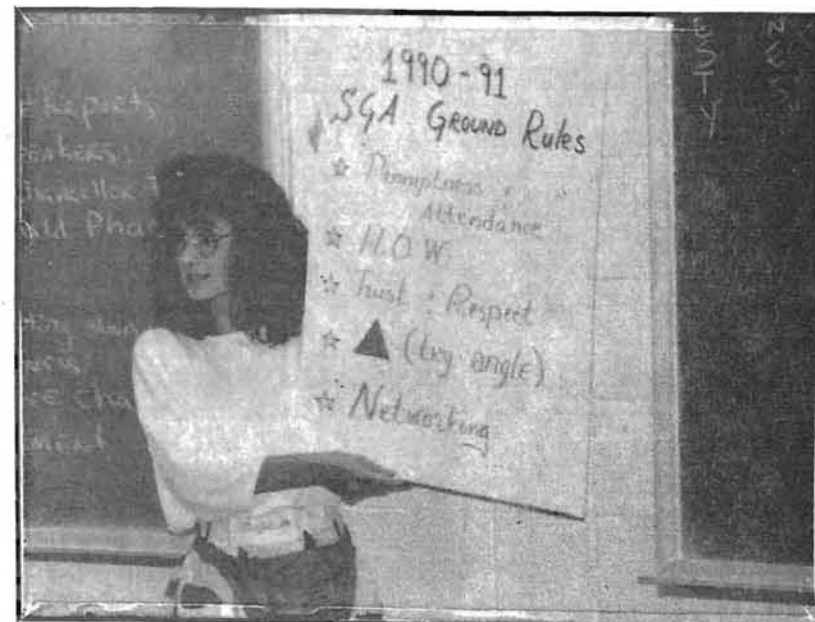
Promptness and attendance were first on the list of priorities. Pruzhansky said that since there are only four meetings per semester, everyone's attendance is essential.

Next on the list of priorities was honesty, openness, and willingness. "This gives members the opportunity to present a particular view without receiving stupid looks," Pruzhansky said.

Pruzhansky also wishes that members would be more receptive when examining different angles of an issue. "Remember your frame of reference but don't let it cloud your judgement," she said.

Pruzhansky concluded her goals with "networking." She said it makes for a friendlier atmosphere.

The meeting continued with the



GOALS: Alla Pruzhansky presents her goals for 1990-91. (Photo by Eng Teng Yap)

election of new officers. Dean Denton was elected as the new secretary for the 1990-91 school year.

Kathy Groh, a former SGA representative, was elected treasurer. She attends the evening college and plans to major in economics. "I love numbers, I think I can do the job," Groh said.

Kurt Costello, selected for parliamentarian, is a junior at UM-St. Louis and is presently the president of the forensics and debate team. He thinks

he can do the job because, "I have a good concept of time and timing and knowing what should be going on."

Rick Jenkins defeated Mike Finley for the position of chair. Jenkins, a former military squad leader and owner of a business in Clayton, Mo, referred to himself as "...the new guy in town. I'm a little older and I've been through a few more things," he said.

Also at the meeting, an ad hoc

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Serendipity



Siew Hian Lee, an undergraduate in business, relaxing under a tree. (Photo by Eng Teng Yap)

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hazardous waste, it said.

ENERGY CONSUMPTION

The state has in the past budgeted money for energy conservation programs. Even so there is no such program on campus.

During the 1988-89 fiscal year \$1,677,690 was spent on electricity and natural gas. On the UM-St. Louis campus there are 1,393,266 square feet of building space which are heated and cooled by gas and electricity. For each square foot of building space the cost to heat and cool is \$1.20.

"The university should seriously look into ending the constant problem of over-heating and over-cooling of certain rooms. Every student seems to have encountered the dreaded sweat box or ice box classrooms. Also, new buildings should have alternate energy sources incorporated into their design," the report commented.

WORKSPACE ENVIRONMENT

The UM-St. Louis health and safety policy applies to students and employees. However, only specific positions require safety training. Little safety training is required by the university for students in departments such as chemistry, the report stated.

There is a non-smoking policy on campus that prohib-

its smoking in classrooms, labs, auditoriums, and the library.

PROCUREMENT POLICIES

The Food Service has no firm environmental policy, the report stated. "We would suggest that foam cups and other foam items be replaced with washable or waxed paper. We would also suggest that Food Service make reusable insulated cups with a logo that would advertise their operation, to be sold and refilled at a discounted price. Finally, we would suggest recycled paper napkins and an alternative to plastic knives, forks, and spoons."

The University Bookstore was quite enthusiastic about initiating an environmental policy, the report commented. The director is currently investigating an alternate to the plastic bags used at the checkout. The bookstore was sent samples of recycled paper products (notebook and typing paper) and stated an interest in these as well as greeting cards, etc.

The Print Shop is interested in bond paper of no greater than 25% recycled content, the report said. Currently, no recycled bond paper products are purchased. The University Custodial Department has, however, requested toilet paper and hand towels with some recycled content. This department is in the process of changing this to 100% recycled content.

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down in automobile and housing production."

Leloup continued, "We're in new territory. We're working with the Soviet Union for the first time since World War II. The United Nations is becoming increasingly more important than it was even ten years ago...but anything can happen."

OPEC (Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries), a group of 13 Middle Eastern, African, and South American countries, sets an amount of oil members aren't to exceed and a price they're not to under-

sell. At the July 26 meeting, the price of a barrel of oil was \$16.50. Iraq wanted to raise the price to \$25, Kuwait wanted it at \$18 and Saudia Arabia desired a price between \$18 and \$21 per barrel.

Iraq claimed that for every \$1 drop in the price, their country suffered a \$1 billion loss. From January to June of 1990 the oil price fell to \$13.60 from \$20.50 because of, according to Iraq, overproduction from other countries. Kuwait, they pointed out, had been overproducing by 1.5

million gallons per day. With the acquisition of Kuwait, Hussein now

"We're not as dependent on oil as we used to be...the energy use per unit of GNP has gone down"

-Edward Gamber

owns 20% of the world's oil. Saudia Arabia controls another 24%.

the constitution. Mary Creason will be chairing that committee. Suggestions for revision will be accepted by any UM-St. Louis student, and must be returned by Oct. 14.

SGA meetings are held in room 222 of the J.C. Penny building at 7:00. The next meeting is October 14 and is open to any UM-St. Louis student wishing to attend.

of SABC should have been suspended because they had missed two or more SABC meetings. (After missing two meetings representatives are suspended.) Small was elected chair of this ad hoc committee. Also, Bob Schmalfeld, the director of student affairs, will be invited to discuss the funding by SABC.

Another ad hoc committee was formed to look into the revisions of

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committee was formed. This committee was organized to examine the process by which the Student Activities Budget Committee (SABC) loaned funds to the UM-St. Louis *Current* for computers. Terence Small, the representative for Associated Black Collegians (ABC), said that funds were distributed and approved unfairly by members of SABC. He stated that some members

ENVIRONMENTAL FACTS

DID YOU KNOW?

If one newspaper per week per family was recycled, 500,000 trees would be saved. This would equal one forest.

Every year the U.S. produces 154 billion tons of garbage.

It is estimated that 60-90 percent of human cancers are environmentally caused.

Spray paints, pesticides, nail polish, barbecue pits, floor wax, etc. contribute to almost half of the St. Louis metro area pollution Emissions per day.)

A trillion pounds of hazardous waste will be left behind when U.S. industries clock out at the end of 1990.

Hazardous waste is growing by 7.5 percent each year.

The U.S. generates about

400,000 tons of garbage everyday which is enough to fill the Superdome twice daily.

90 percent of the nations' trash goes into sanitary land fills.

We use about 1.5 million tons of lead each year. A rough calculation tells us that we throw away about 9 pounds of lead per person per year in America.

The average U.S. citizen generates about 1,800 pounds of solid waste in a year.

200 million Americans today generate some 360 billion pounds of municipal waste per year. This is enough trash to fill 5 million large truck trailers - a fleet that would stretch twice around the world if placed end to end.

If you brush your teeth twice a day with running water, you will waste 6 gallons of water per day.

WHAT YOU CAN DO

Wash your car from a bucket instead of letting the hose run out onto the ground.

Keep your car well tuned.

Turn off lights when you leave a room.

Close windows while air conditioning in car or home.

Turn off faucets while brushing teeth, shaving, or putting in contact lenses.

Discard facial tissue, grease, dead insects, etc. in trash or garbage but not in toilet.

Choose beverages in returnable containers whenever possible. Contribute to paper, can or bottle collection drives.

Keep foreign matter out of rivers and lakes.

Store left over food and serve again.

Hispanic Art Contest For Kids

An art contest for children is being sponsored by the Hispanic-Latino Association. The theme is "The Spanish World" and children are asked to draw or paint a picture of an Hispanic nature on paper no bigger than 14 X 20 inches. Three age categories exist:

- I. 1-4 years
- II. 5-8 years
- III. 9-12 years

The artist's name, age, address, and phone number should be included on a 5 X 3 index card. Mail the artwork to:

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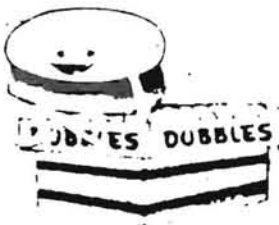
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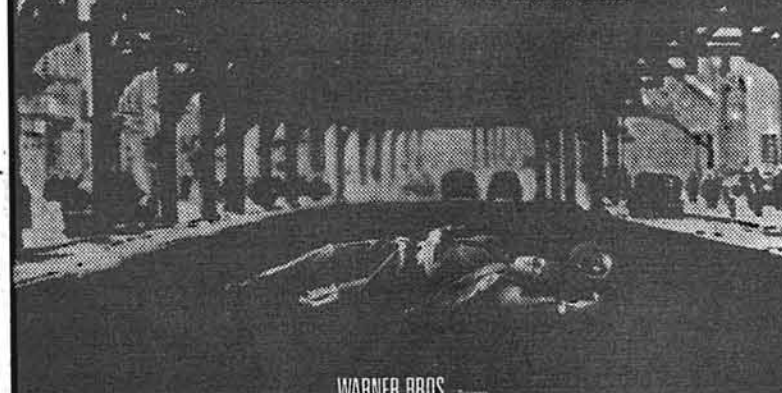


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What Happened To Yankee-Doodle-Know-How?

Obviously, the lesson didn't stick well if the United States can still be economically threatened by Iraq.

Why is there so much moaning and groaning and name calling? We gave them power to lord over us by not finding and utilizing other energy sources. We gave them the power when we keep our thermostats at eighty degrees in the winter, when we drive when walking is almost as easy and when we utilize the clothes dryer on nice days.

This country boasts of having some of the best universities and minds from around the world. It's technology far surpasses the majority of other countries. And yet, it still flounders when another country decides to play games with resources.

Japan and European countries have had to deal with expensive oil prices for years. What did they do? Being practically minded, they put their nose to the grindstone and developed mass transit systems which served many purposes; saved energy, cut down on pollution, and provided a public service.

In the meantime we've invested our most precious resource - brainpower - in defense. In turn, we've used that to strong-arm anyone or anything that has been perceived as a threat.

Besides oil, the United States currently imports more food and manufactured goods than it ever did. What will happen when another nation decides to play games? Will we send more soldiers and missiles? A bully can only last so long.

We've become a nation of finger pointers and excuse makers. What happened to good-ole-yankee-doodle-know-how? What happened to pragmatism, something our country was founded on?

Ten years ago the United States learned a hard lesson about being dependant on other countries for it's energy sources. The United States was forced to learn how to conserve and make better use of energy sources. Smaller automobiles were manufactured, thermostats were turned down and car pooling became popular. A small amount of that success was carried into the nineties.

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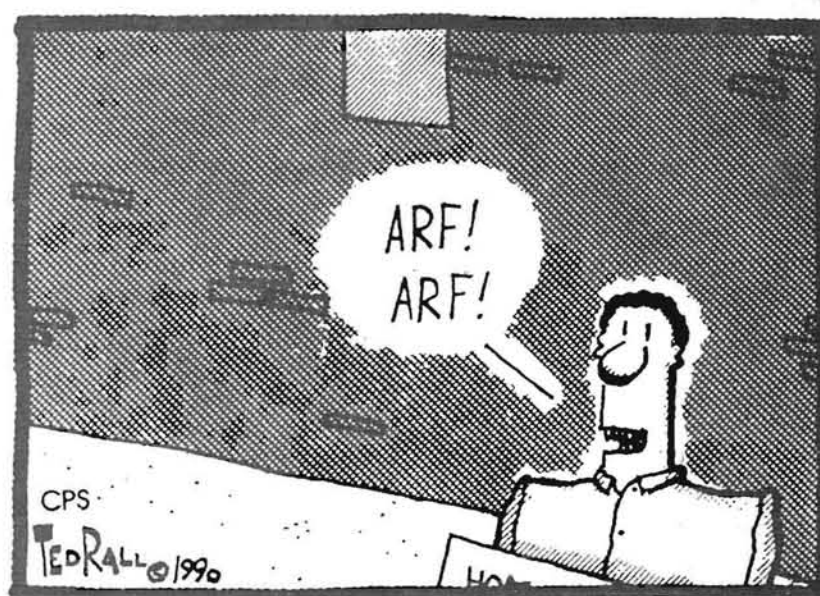
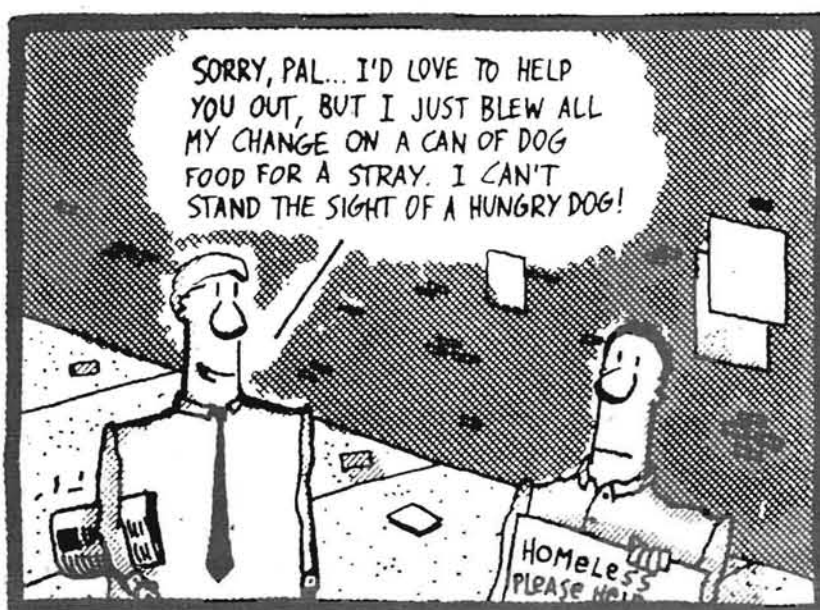
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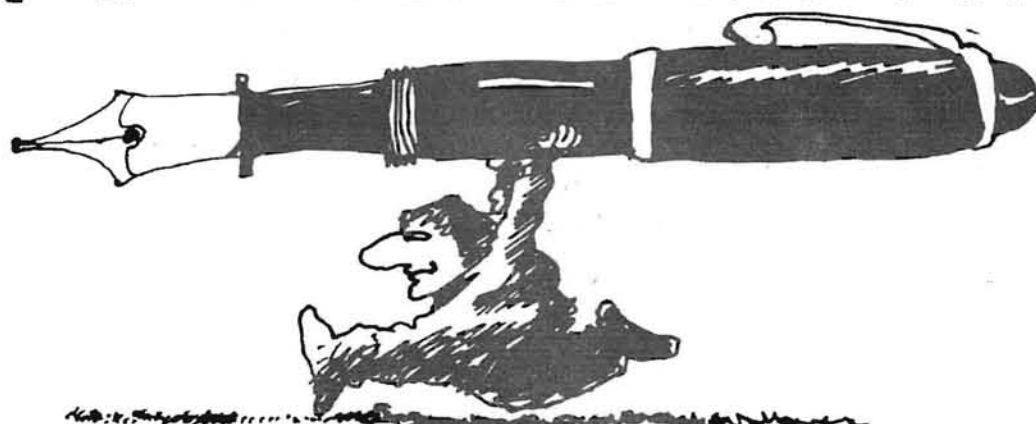
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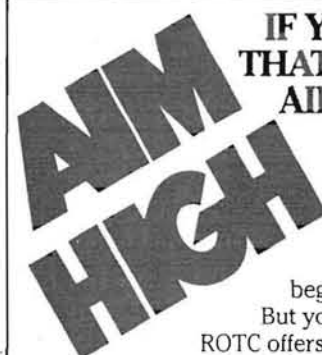
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FROM GUNS TO GRANNIES

TEACHERS TALK ABOUT TACTICS TO KEEP THEIR STUDENTS IN CLASS AND GLUED TO THEIR SEATS

by K.C. Clarke
features reporter

"This is my ninth sick day this semester. It's getting pretty tough, coming up with new illnesses. If I go for 10, I'm probably going to have to barf up a lung, so I'd better make this one count!" --Ferris Bueller, "Ferris Bueller's Day Off."

When Ferris Bueller skipped school in the movie "Ferris Bueller's Day Off", he really did it with style. From synthesized coughs called up on a keyboard to sophisticated hacking on the school's computers to change his absence reports, Ferris gave the time honored practice of playing hooky a whole new meaning.

While Bueller's ingenuity was mostly the stuff modern Hollywood comedies are made of, the movie focused on a universal theme older than Tom Sawyer. Some days, a blue sky and balmy breezes are hard to beat. And since being stuck in the confines of a dark lecture hall seems a waste of precious youth, it seems reasonable to assume; if you've got the syllabus and you've got the textbook, skip class and catch up later. What have you got to lose?

According to a sampling of professors and teachers around the University of Missouri-St. Louis campus, you could lose a lot! For example, you could put your grade point average in jeopardy. And if that isn't enough, on a more fundamental level, teachers insist interaction in the classroom is really what courses on the college level are all about.

According to the official UM-St. Louis Student Handbook, "University rules state that students must attend classes and may, at the instructor's discretion, be subject to penalties for not doing so. Instructors will usually inform students of their individual policies."

How teachers around UM-St. Louis interpret this rule is as interesting and as varied as the clouds on that balmy day you played hooky. And many teachers have come up with their own tricky ways to keep potential truants glued to their seats.

On the most basic level, many teachers, such as Ellie Chapman, a senior lecturer in English and the director of the Writing Certificate Program, simply take role.

"I make a point of checking the role and marking it every day," Chapman said. "And I do count it in when I go to figure final grades."

Some teachers will reportedly drop a grade one whole point if a student has more than three unexplained absences, which can really hurt a student hovering on the brink of probation. But Chapman said the real problem isn't a teacher's taking off for lack of attendance, it's what a student does to themselves by missing class.

"It shows up in the grades in my classes anyway," said Chapman, "because so much goes on in class as opposed to out of it, so you can't afford to miss it."

While taking role seems to be the easiest way to keep track of students, it's not always practical. Some very large lecture classes, like Dr. Charles R. Granger's biology lectures, have too many students to waste time taking the role.

"I thought I'd do that one year," Granger said, "and after I called 700 names, I could excuse the class and they could all go home!"

Granger doesn't believe that, on the college level, students should be forced to come to class. Granger said students have to be treated like adults and learn to take responsibility for their own learning. Part of that responsibility comes quickly when you learn Granger only uses the text as a reference tool, and if you miss the lectures, you're going to bomb on the exam!

Granger said he tries to make

his classes as interesting and relevant as possible, so students will want to come to class. And, Granger said, sometimes he gets a little help from nature when it comes to keeping up the attendance in his classrooms.

"Whenever we show sex films, every seat in the house is full," said Granger, "and not even that many students are enrolled in the class! They just walk in off the street and I don't know where they all hear about it."

Granger speculated there was a lesson to be learned there.

"If we could have a sex film every day, maybe that's a way to ensure attendance," Granger said, laughing.

But biology students beware! Granger also suggested that, in extreme cases, maybe pulling a gun on students might work too, although he didn't sound serious!

Like Dr. Granger, Scott Jensen, lecturer and co-director of Forensics doesn't let students get away with depending on their textbooks to skate through school.

"The number one thing I do is not read from the text," Jensen said. "Any and all lecture material does not come from the book. And I make sure the exam is one half lecture."

Jensen also feels teachers have the burden of making their classes more interesting and productive for students. For Jensen, that challenge pays off in rewards not only for the students, but for the teachers themselves.

"It's students that make professors good professors," Jensen said. "And it's a lot easier, and a lot more enjoyable when there are students there who are eager to learn."

Jensen said students who miss class, especially classes in communication, sell themselves short because of the importance of the classroom interaction. Jensen said there's no point in paying all that money just for a textbook.

"(Students) are not paying for the option to buy a textbook and take an exam," Jensen said. "If that were the case, all college courses would be correspondence courses."

Judi Linville, a lecturer in English, doesn't really take the role after the first few weeks of class. She usually knows the students by name then, and she can tell who's missing. And while she agrees students should be mature enough to make it to class and be responsible for assignments and class participation, she understands sometimes a student has a legitimate excuse for missing class. But there's a limit to how many excuses Linville will buy in a semester, a limit her students have come to know as "The Granny Factor".

"One year it seemed like a my students were attending a lot of funerals," Linville said. "Like, an inordinate amount! So, the next semester I announced to my students they would be allowed only two grandmothers (sick or dying) a semester. Any more would be viewed with suspicion."

Linville said at the very least, making it to class every day is a good way to get in practice for the more stringent demands of the real world.

"I think you should learn to push yourself to show up," said Linville, "Because you'll have to learn eventually to show up for work, or someplace else that you might not feel like on any given day."

Linville said it's all part of building a positive attitude.

"Get yourself used to thinking you can do something as opposed to you can't."

If that doesn't work, Linville said, you better make up a really good excuse.

"Of course, as a journalist, I'm always looking for a good story," Linville said. "Besides, they make good anecdotes to tell the next class!"

Magliozzis "Car Talk" May Drive You Silly



Hey, Ya Need Some Help?: Tom and Ray Magliozzi are talk show - car repairs extraordinaires.

by Jocelyn Arledge
reporter

Susan from Washington, D.C. has a tale concerning the thousands she has sunk into her '81 Olds Delta 88. Now the dealer is telling her she needs a new carburetor and new kingpins.

A voice responds, "Your car doesn't have kingpins. That's show bad your luck is! You don't even have them, and they have to be replaced!"

Is your exhaust system exhausted? Does your mechanic tell you your car needs a \$3000 overhaul when you take it in for a simple wheel alignment? Even if you have a simple question about the new cars on the market, there is help.

National Public Radio has given us Car Talk, a call-in car repair program hosted by Tom and Ray Magliozzi (pronounced "magli-i-OT-zee"). These uninhibited Boston brothers take the fear out of car repair as they give automotive first aid to public radio listeners. Tom, 51, and Ray, 39, are better known to their listeners as "Click and Clack - The Tappet Brothers" (who take their name from the clickity-clack sound made by aging autos).

The Magliozzi's both graduated from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and later decided to open a do-it-yourself garage in Cambridge, Mass. The "Good News Garage" provided rented space and tools to clients fixing their own cars. As car repair became more complicated, the Magliozzi brothers started offering more contemporary car service.

In 1976, National Public radio station WBUR-FM 90.9 in Boston, invited Tom and Ray along with other area mechanics to discuss car repair on a talk show. After Tom accepted the invitation, he was invited back. This time, he brought his brother along.

Subsequently the brothers were given their own weekly program, Car Talk, and quickly developed a large local audience. Car Talk became more popular and in 1987 the show premiered as a national program presented by National Public Radio.

"We knew we didn't have enough intelligence between the two of us to talk for a full hour so we needed a third party," Ray quipped.

Tom adds, "That's when we decided to start taking phone calls from other people."

The one hour program is broadcasted on more than 260 National Public Radio Stations nationwide. Other than hosting Car Talk, Tom teaches marketing at Suffolk University in Boston while Ray still runs the Good News Garage. They themselves find the fact that hosting a car-repair call-in show slightly absurd. ("You've endured another hour of Car Talk" is a frequent sign off.)

Try as they might the brothers can't shake the fact that they're more nice guys than wise guys and that they've spent more time

under the hood than behind the microphone.

The brothers also supplement Car Talk by writing a nationally syndicated twice-weekly newspaper column which is carried by more than ninety papers, including the St. Louis Post Dispatch.

Although approximately 58% of the shows audience is male, many women call in with their auto problems, too. Car Talk accepts calls nationwide and the Magliozzi receive quite a variety of questions.

In the course of one show, the subject of a Florida woman's differential, a New York woman's problem with her car backfiring, and a Philadelphia woman's question about what new cars would fit in her limited 175 inches of driveway were all covered in more ways than one. The answers were extensive and they even sent the woman from Philadelphia a list of cars her driveway would hold.

The listeners get to know the brothers as the subjects of a garbage eating Raccoon, Chinese food, and the newest induction to the Car Talk hall of fame are mingled with oil changes and faulty brakes. Tom and Rays quick wit draws listeners with or without car trouble.

"Hi this is John from Bolder, Colorado. I was wondering if you could settle a debate about what is meant by the phrase turning into the skid and what the classic driver training approach to that is?"

Ray responded by saying, "It depends on what religious persuasion one has, I mean Catholics are inclined to reach for the rosary beads I think."

Car Talk is not only a show about car repair, it is a meditation on the relationship between man and machine. The Magliozzi brothers aid in confronting our helplessness in the face of technology.

Dave from Connecticut has a problem with his '85 Honda Accord. He calls Car Talk and explains that the wheels "make a rhythmic sound similar to the squealing of brakes."

Tom and Ray sing in unison, "Eee-eee-eee-eee-eee-eee-eee-eee."

Dave responds, "It's higher pitched than that."

Tom adds, "Wait till I adjust my jockey shorts."

Ray then addressed the question seriously. "Your brake pads have a wear sensor to warn you that your pads are wearing out. If you were a dolphin, you would understand the sound to mean, 'Replace me, replace me.' If you don't the next sound you hear-"

Tom interrupts, "-will be the sound of \$100 leaving your wallet."

Car Talk debuted on KWMU-FM 90.7 on September 1. The show airs live on Saturday at nine a.m. and is repeated Sunday evening and seven p.m. Car Talk is part of the weekend line-up for the newly streamlined CAR, page 6

Elvis Hotline

by Greg Albers
columnist

Hello, let me introduce myself. My name is Greg, and I'll be your Elvis Hotline columnist for the year. I realize the proper time for an introduction like this would have been the first column of the year, but I put off writing this until it was too late. If you read my August 30 column about procrastination, you now have the satisfaction of knowing I practice what I preach.

For those of you who are new to campus and those of you who never picked up a paper last year because you didn't know they were free, I'd like to take this time to warn you about myself.

I'm basically a warped individual. I prefer writing about offbeat, bizarre topics, so if you have no sense of humor, or if you're prone to taking everything you read too seriously, you probably won't enjoy this column. By the way, if you are one of the aforementioned people, may I also suggest you should get a life.

There are several reasons why I write this column. Firstly, and most importantly, it is to satisfy a psychotic desire to

see ELVIS, page 6

The Tall Guy: Long On Laughs

by Brad Touchette
movie critic

Jeff Goldblum may never reach the superstar status of Eddie Murphy or Kevin Costner, but if he succeeds only in his roles of eccentric and idiosyncratic characters, Hollywood will have no regrets. I was first turned on to Goldblum in "The Big Chill", when he portrayed a less than likeable reporter from People magazine, but his best work was yet to come.

Since then, he's been in the underrated movie "Vibes" (in which Goldblum stole the show) and the highly unusual film "Earth Girls Are Easy". In both of these films, Goldblum showed an incredible talent and much promise, but in his new movie, "The Tall Guy", Goldblum comes into his own.

In "The Tall Guy", Goldblum plays struggling New York actor Dexter King. King is unhappy with his only acting job of straight man to London's hottest comedian, Ron Anderson (played by Rowan Atkinson). He knows his job is mindless, and at one point Anderson tells him a lobotomized monkey could do his job. The worst part about it, anderson is right, and King knows it.

King is also stricken with severe allergies and won't be treated because he's phobic toward needles. While at the hospital, though, he is awestruck by the nurse (Emma Thompson) that gives these weekly shots. So, much to his distress, he is convinced by his nymphomaniac roommate Carmen (Geraldine James)



Honey, Wait till I'm Dressed!!! Jeff Goldblum and Emma Thompson are the only two beacons of sanity in the insane new movie, "The Tall Guy."

to swallow his pain and get the shots.

After weeks of stumbling over words and flinching over shots, King finally gets the nerve to ask her out. A relationship ensues and the two end up sleeping together (to put it mildly) in one of the funniest scenes I've seen in a while.

Such is the way most of this movie goes. The humor is of a British nature, without the dryness that accompanies most British films. The characters are obnoxious, outrageous, and slightly nuts. In short, this movie is funny.

Some of the best scenes come after King gets fired from his job for being late after another wild escapade with nurse Lemon. After his termination, he runs to his agent who sends him on a variety of auditions, none of which want an american tall guy.

After many unsuccessful tries, he lands a role in a Broadway musical of the elephant man called "Elephant". From here on out, the

movie gets nuts. (no pun intended)

King can't sing or dance very well, but because of his awkwardness, the director casts him as the elephant man. The song's words are goofy, as is the storyline in this ridiculous stage production. Ironically, the play is met with enormous success. Other circumstances occur that you'll have to see to believe. This movie is a treat for the funny bone.

The laughs are hysterical, Goldblum's comic timing is at its best, and the movie promises to be a sleeper hit this fall. If you're a Goldblum fan, don't miss this film. If you're in the mood for some obnoxious comedy, don't miss this. If you're in the mood for drama, passion, and warfare, ... well, don't go see this. This movie is worth at least three and a half stars, but since I'm partial to Goldblum's talent, I'll give it 4. Goldblum does make this movie work.

ELVIS, from page 5

make myself feel important. Secondly, it is to try to make your life at UM-St. Louis a little more bearable. I try to give you something funny or interesting to read about between classes. Lastly, I write this column so I can pass along false information to the masses.

CARS, from page 5

lined format of KWMU. General Manager Patty Wente boasted "Car Talk was the most requested program on KWMU within the last two years." Wente added Car Talk has lots of support from the community. Listeners can join in the fun by calling Car Talk at 1-800-332-928

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Leonard Brown
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"The elevator was broke."

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International Business
Freshman



"I was studying for english."

John Ryan
English
Sophomore

ZOO U. by Mark Weitzman



"See? Your annual tuition is much lower when you figure it in dog years."



"My daughter missed her bus."

Lucrecia Brown
Elementary Education/
Special Education
Junior



"I was detained by my dorm director for 111 noise violations."

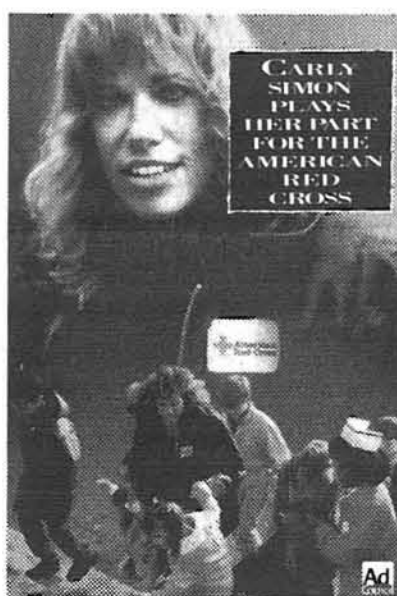
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Lewis Flew Over UM-St. Louis Soccer

Rivermen Stumble

by Melissa A. Green
sports editor

The UM-St. Louis men's soccer squad stumbled somewhat at the Lewis Flyer Classic on September 8-9 in Romeoville, Illinois. The Rivermen dropped a 2-1 decision of Lewis on September 8 before bouncing back with a 4-0 victory over St. Joseph's on Sunday, the ninth.

The Rivermen, who enter this week with a 1-2 record, found the loss to Lewis hard to accept. They outshot the host Flyers, 24-9, but came out on the wrong end of the score.

"We had the advantage in play, but we just couldn't put the ball away," UM-St. Louis head coach Don Dallas laments. "It was one of those games."

It was one of those costly games, too. The loss came against a Central Region foe, forcing the Rivermen into a must-win posture for several upcoming regional contests.

Lewis took a 1-0 lead on a penalty kick by Todd Wallace, but UM-St. Louis Greg Tietzer knotted the score at 1-1 just three minutes before halftime. The Rivermen had the better chances in the second half, but Lewis' Mark Swain broke free and scored the winning tally with just over 20 minutes remaining.

Against St. Joseph's, the Rivermen took a 1-0 lead in the first half on a goal by Bob Ferguson. Leading by just one goal at the intermission, the Rivermen exploded for three goals in the final 45 minutes. Ferguson scored his second goal of the game while Kevin Henessy added a pair to give the Rivermen a commanding edge. Goalkeeper Mark Dulle recorded his first shutout as a Riverman.

The loss to Lewis marks the first time UM-St. Louis has been beaten



A-r-g-g-g-h! Brian Kelleher aims for the goal as he heads the ball over an opposing player from Lewis University on September 8. (photo by Jeff Kuchno)

by the Flyers in men's soccer. The Rivermen had captured the three previous meetings between the two schools.

In addition, the loss means UM-St. Louis has opened the season with two straight losses for only the second time in school history. The previous 0-2 start came in 1983.

Five UM-St. Louis standouts were among the 11 athletes named to the all-tournament team at the Flyer Classic. Defenders Darren Starzyk and Brian Henessy made the squad along with midfielders Scott Litschgi and Brian Kelleher and forward Mike

LaPosha.

The Rivermen added to their injury list last week. Freshman Tom Edgar went down with a knee injury on the game with Lewis. Edgar will join ranks with teammates Steve Litschgi and Doug Wiese who are not playing due to knee problems and a stress fracture, respectively.

"We had great bench strength going into the season," Dallas said. "Now, we've used it up."

The Rivermen will host Missouri Southern on Wednesday, the twelfth, and California Poly-Pomona on September 16 at 5:00 p.m.

by Melissa A. Green
sports editor

Ken Hudson expected his UM-St. Louis women's soccer squad to be defensive minded this season. After the first week of play, just the opposite seems to be true.

The Riverwomen, who opened the season last week with four games in five days, went 2-1-1 during a hectic first week. They opened at home with an 8-0 win over Missouri-Rolla on September 5, then went on the road for three consecutive games over the weekend. They dropped a 3-1 decision at Wisconsin-Milwaukee on September 7, tied Lewis 3-3 on September 8, and edged St. Joseph's 3-2 on September 9. The latter two games were played in the Flyer Classic in Romeoville, Illinois.

With 15 goals in their first four games, the Riverwomen already have half as many goals as they scored last season. However, they also have allowed eight goals in the past four games, more than their coach expects from a team with a veteran defense.

"We can't be giving up two and three goals a game," Hudson said. "If we do that, we won't win any games this year."

On the other hand the Riverwomen are generating offensive opportunities. On the other hand the Riverwomen are generating offensive opportunities. In four games, they have outshot their opponents by a wide margin of 103 to 38. Even in losing to Wisconsin-Milwaukee, UM-St. Louis held a 23-9 edge in shots.

"In my mind, we should be 4-0

right now," Hudson said. "We've had some let downs in these first few games."

Offensive leaders in the early going include forwards Laura Schlenk and Kim Miller and midfielder Carmen Llorico. Schlenk leads the team with four goals, including three in the opener against UM-Rolla. Miller has scored a goal in three of the first four games and Llorico leads the team with three assists. The two newcomers are tied in scoring with seven points each.

Defensively, senior Sue Lammert has been steady in the first week. Lammert was a first team All-South

Region performer a year ago.

Three UM-St. Louis standouts make the all-tournament team at the Flyer Classic. Lammert and Llorico make the team along with midfielder Karen Merlo. Merlo scored the first goal in Sunday's win over St. Joseph's. Llorico scored the eventual game-winner in that same match.

The Riverwomen will face Maryville on Wednesday, September 12, host California Poly-Pomona on Sunday September 16 at 3:00 p.m., and travel to SIU-Edwardsville on Wednesday, September 19.



GO FOR IT! Kim Miller exerted herself as she tries to keep the ball away from Wisconsin-Milwaukee to score a goal. (photo by Jeff Kuchno)

Storm Day At UM-St. Louis

Sports Shorts

St. Louis Storm Day-

St. Louis Storm standout Terry Brown will be on hand to sign autographs at UM-St. Louis presents "St. Louis Storm Day" at the UM-St. Louis Soccer Stadium on Sunday, September 16.

Brown, an All-American at UM-St. Louis in 1986, was named the Rookie of the Year in the Major Soccer League last season. He will sign autographs at Sunday's

doubleheader featuring the women's and men's teams at UM-St. Louis and California Poly-Pomona. The UM-St. Louis women face Cal Poly-Pomona at 3:00p.m. The men's game is slated for 5 p.m.

In addition, fans attending Sunday's games will have the opportunity to win free tickets to a St. Louis Storm soccer game.

Upcoming Schedule:

Sept 14-15 Volleyball at
Converse Classic
Central Missouri
15 Men's soccer at
Northeast Missouri
16 Women soccer 3p.m.
Cal Poly-Pomona
Men soccer 5 p.m.
Cal Poly-Pomona
19 Women soccer at
SIU-Edwardsville

Red & Gold's A Classic Second

The UM-St. Louis volleyball squad advanced to the Gold division round and placed second in the annual Red and Gold Classic on September 7-8 held in the Mark Twain building.

Portland State, rated fifth nationally in Division II, captured the tournament championship with four consecutive wins. The Vikings won two matches in Pool A and then beat UM-St. Louis, the winner in Group B, in

the three straight games. They also downed Group C winner Southeast Missouri State, but took five games to do so.

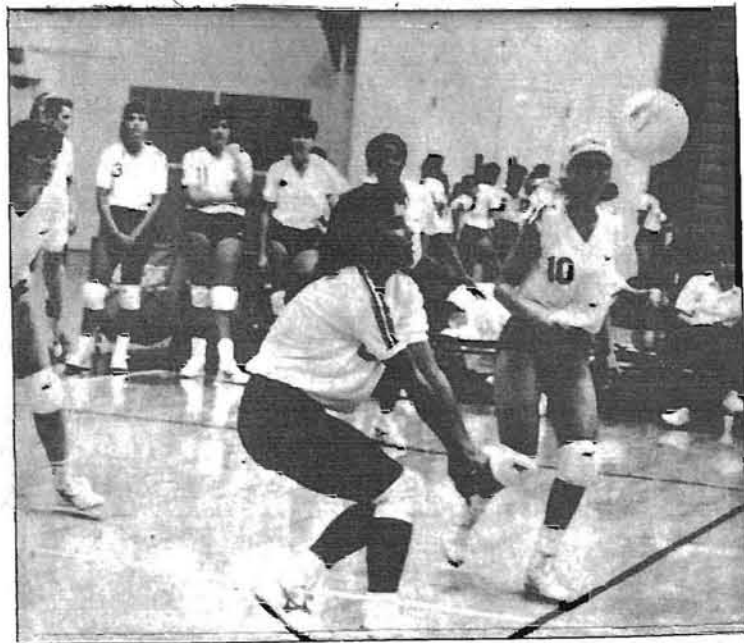
UM-St. Louis lost to Portland State in the final round, 15-11, 15-8, 15-8. In a previous match, Portland State edged Southeast Missouri State 15-9, 15-7, 8-15, 14-16, 15-3.

Northwest Missouri State beat Cameron and Quincy to win the Silver division title, while Missouri Southern toppled Lake Superior State and Southwest Baptist to grab the Bronze Division crown.

In pool play, UM-St. Louis had little trouble with its first two matches. The Riverwomen beat Cameron 15-12, 15-7, 12-15, 15-8. Later, they downed Lake Superior State 15-5, 16-14, 15-3.

Four of the Riverwomen made the All-tournament team. Seniors Jean Daehn, Geri Wilson, and Carla Addoh as well as junior Pam Paule were honored.

The UM-St. Louis volleyball team is now preparing for the Converse Classic at Central Missouri State. Eleven teams will be participating in the tournament, including North Dakota State, Central Missouri, Ferris State, Tampa, Metropolitan State, Angelo State, UM-St. Louis, and Minnesota Duluth.



UP, UP, AND AWAY! Tara Gray focuses on the ball as it comes her way over the net. She is backed-up by teammate Pam Paule. (photo by Nicole Menke)

Golf Team Putting For Future

Four individuals have signed letters of intent to attend UM-St. Louis and play golf for the Rivermen.

The four freshmen include Chris Sanders of Belleville West High School, Morgan Gonzales of Wentzville High School, Jake Allen of Kirkwood High School, and Kevin Erikson of Aquinas -Mercy High School.

"These four young men should help us turn the corner at UM-St. Louis" Niederkorn said. "It's one of the best recruiting classes we've ever had."

Sanders, who averaged 38.6 shots for nine holes as a senior, finished 17th at the Illinois State Tournament.

During his senior year, he won the Panther Invitational at Pinckeyville, Illinois and the Cardinal Creek Classic in Mascoutah, Illinois. A three-time all conference pick, Sanders helped Belleville West to a record of 42-4 in his three years on the varsity.

Gonzales also played on a successful team. He helped Wentzville to the Missouri Class 4A state title as a senior. His individual highlight was a second-place finish in the district championship.

Allen and Erikson also will make their felt in the program this year. They were among the top players at the respective schools.

Sanders and Gonzales gave an indication of their skills recently as the Rivermen finished fifth in the Eastern Illinois University Invitational on September 4 in Mattoon, Illinois.

Sanders and Gonzales both led the Rivermen with scores of 75, which tied them for fifth in the individual standings. Newcomer Jay Pettlon followed with a 79 and junior Curt Wichern and freshman Dave Loomis came in at 81.

The Rivermen finished with 310 strokes, good for fifth place in the 14-team event. Butler captured first place with 300 strokes, followed by Western Illinois (304), Indianapolis (308), and Eastern Illinois (309).

Current

Athlete of the Week



POWER! Carmen Llorico prepares to pass the ball as she is pursued by other Riverwomen and her opponents. (photo by Nicole Menke)

Sophomore Carmen Llorico

soccer-midfielder

- *Named to all-tournament team at Flyer Invitational
- *Scored game winning goal in match with St. Joseph's
- *Tied for second in team scoring
- *Transferred from Northeast Missouri State
- *Had a total of six goals and one assist for 13 points last season
- *4-year varsity player at St. Joseph's Academy
- *All-Conference Pick as a senior

"Carmen is a good player," head women's soccer coach said. "She makes her presence known despite her size."

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