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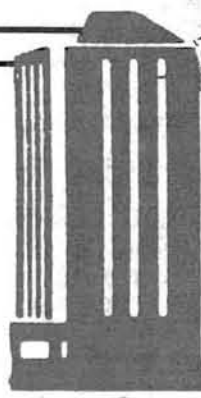
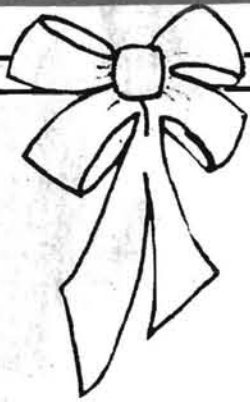
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AND THE WINNER IS: Interim Chancellor Blanche Touhill presents the Anderson Medal Award to the UM-St. Louis community for its work with Partnerships for Progress. (photo by Nicole Menke)

Senate Discusses New Chancellor

by Max Montgomery
associate news editor

Funds for higher education, and an update on the search for a new chancellor were of high-priority topics for the University Senate at its Feb. 13 meeting.

During the beginning of the meeting, Lawrence Friedman, Senate Chair, informed the assembly that one of the candidates for the chancellor position, Thomas George of the State University of New York at Buffalo, has already visited the campus and gone through the interviewing process. Furthermore, UM-St. Louis Interim Chancellor Blanche Touhill is going through the process

this week.

After Friedman announced that the third candidate, James Hefner, president of Jackson State Univ., Jackson Miss., would be on campus to be interviewed next week, a message was given to Friedman about Hefner that he relayed to the Senate assembly.

"James Hefner, president of Jackson State University, has asked that his name be withdrawn from the finalists for the position of chancellor of the University of Missouri-St. Louis," Friedman said.

Friedman said that in a brief letter to C. Peter Magrath, president of the UM-System, Hefner indicated that he is a finalist for a position at Tennessee

State University, and that Hefner expressed appreciation for Magrath's confidence and the kindness of the search committee. The search will be continued between Touhill and George as to which one will be chancellor of UM-St. Louis.

Interim Chancellor Touhill announced the retirement of Edwin H. Fedder, director of the Center for International Studies in her report. She said Joel N. Glassman, associate professor of political science, will be acting as director until a new director is found.

Touhill then presented to the assembly the Anderson Medal Award,

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SGA Proposes Swim Complex

by Melissa A. Green
news editor

Blanche Touhill, interim chancellor, and Lowe "Sandy" McLean, vice chancellor for Student Affairs, proposed a new swimming and diving complex during the Feb. 17 Student Government Association meeting.

The complex will be added to Mark Twain for use during the 1994 Olympic Festival. It will be situated where the tennis courts stand now.

The complex will consist of three pools: an outdoor pool, a waveless lap pool, and a diving pool. The diving pool has special dimensions with seven feet at both ends and nine feet in the middle.

UM-St. Louis was chosen as the site for the pool due to its neutral location within the city and county. The pool would be financed by a tax initiative of the city and county voters. The taxes would be presented in a Sunset clause, divided into seven parts. The seven parts will be disbursed into four parts for the county, two parts for the city, and one part for UM-St. Louis.

McLean suggested a potential way that UM-St. Louis would fund its share of the costs. He proposed raising the student facilities fee by an additional \$1-\$1.50 per credit hour. The increase will raise approximately \$220,000 to \$340,000 per year.

The cost of building the complex will run from \$8 million to \$20 million.

The cost of maintaining the building and pools will be \$500-\$600 thousand a year. The money raised from the fees will help with these costs. All students paying the fee will have unlimited access to the outdoor pool, and access to the other pools during supervised hours.

"We are not prepared to spend state resources unless the city/county tax measure passed gives UM-St. Louis the pools in a free way"
-Blanche Touhill

"This is an opportunity that UM-St. Louis can ill-afford to not take up," said Steve Bushold, Evening Council representative.

After the Festival is done, additional money for support of the pool will be raised through a Wellness program. Touhill stated that the university is estimating \$65,000 will be produced by memberships to the pools, and renting out the pools to groups.

Touhill and McLean presented the idea to the assembly to determine their response to the offer by the Olympic Festival committee.

"We are not prepared to spend state resources unless the city/county tax measure passed gives UM-St. Louis the pools in a free way," Touhill said.

Touhill said that as part of the proposal, the Festival committee will pay for rebuilding the tennis courts and the missing parking spots taken when the building is constructed.

Also discussed in the meeting were the requirements for incoming freshman in 1991. At an Inter Campus conference in Columbia, with UM-Columbia, UM-Rolla and UM-St. Louis, admissions standards were discussed. The standards were raised with UM-Rolla and UM-Columbia receiving the top one-third of the stu-

dents in Missouri and UM-St. Louis receiving students in the top one-half. UM-St. Louis representatives at the conference were not supportive of the plan and made their opinions known.

The incoming freshmen will have stringent requirement for entrance into this university.

Later in the meeting, student Representative to the Board of Curators Paul Matteucci discussed the 12 percent tuition increase effective in the fall. He also added that a curator wants to add another increase during the winter semester.

"My concern is that out of all the money from the increases, none is going toward need-based financial aide," said Matteucci. "It is the state's responsibility, but the state has yet to live up to their responsibilities, and never will."

Matteucci said that the increase will be set and not be ever-increasing.

In administrative business, a petition was sent around to impeach SGA Chair Rick Jenkins for his failure to attend a number of meetings. Signatures from 52 members are needed to impeach the chair. The petition has 46 signatures. The petition was first circulated during the Feb. 17 meeting.

Later, Administrative Committee Chair La Donia Payne began presenting the proposed changes to the Constitution. The discussion was limited to 20 minutes, and any additional changes can be submitted to Payne before the next meeting.

SGA Vice-President Mark Grimes announced the annual Legislator Day for United States Student Association will be on March 18. Those attending will be able to hear Congress in session.

Grimes also announced that the

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Student Court Releases Frozen Funds

by Max Montgomery
associate news editor

The Student Court overturned the Student Government Association's decision to freeze the budgets of student organizations that failed to have representation at three or more meetings.

SGA had previously sent letters to the organizations that were missing meetings, warning them of the consequences they could face.

Jeff Edwards, Student Court Justice, said that the court overturned SGA's decision after some organizations filed grievances and the matter was investigated.

"The constitution that they went by, to suspend the funds, hadn't been approved at the first or second meeting like it was supposed to have been, therefore they really couldn't do this," Edwards said.

The reversal of the decision became official when Alla Pruzhansky, SGA president, read a letter from the

I think they made a very poor judgement. There should have been better communication between the different organizations before they would be subjected to that kind of penalty.

-Martin Rochester

Student Court, to the assembly on Feb. 17.

"After taking an informational poll, I found out that the majority of students at that meeting felt it was in everyone's best interest to freeze the funds," said Pruzhansky. "That's why I went through with it."

Edwards also said that he thinks Pruzhansky was more or less wanting to make a point to everyone that they needed to start attending the meetings. Pruzhansky said that the Court's

decision is fine with her. "I have no problem with that whatsoever," she said.

"I don't think Alla is really all that upset. I think it was more intended for people to wake up," he said.

The process was not a trial. Edwards said that the court made its decision informally.

"We didn't want to go through every different case. We felt that we would rule the same on every one," said Edwards. "We looked at the facts given. We really didn't have to look that far to see that they really couldn't use those bylaws to do anything to anybody."

Midwest Model United Nations is one of the organizations that had their funds frozen.

UM-St. Louis Political Science Professor Martin Rochester, of that organization, said he can understand the student leaders' frustration about organizations not actively participating in the meetings but he was outraged at the way SGA went about "sanctioning."

"I think they made very poor judgement. There should have been better communication between the different organizations before they would be subjected to that kind of penalty," Rochester said.

Rochester said that when he found out about his organization's funds being frozen, he spoke to Pruzhansky, Edwards, Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Lowe "Sandy" McLean, and Vice-Chancellor for Administra-

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Construction Cuts Lines



Light Rail construction workers severed university phone lines Tuesday, Feb. 19 at 2:30 p.m., interrupting phone service in the Blue Metal Office Building and parts of the General Services Building. Service was restored on Wednesday, Feb. 20, around 2 p.m. University officials reacted to the problem promptly and notified the affected departments in person. (photo by Nicole Menke)

Young Blacks Receive Harsh Care

by Robn Mayo
Current staff

A UM-St. Louis Administration of Justice Department professor said that a study shows Missouri black youths are mistreated by police more than white youths.

Robert L. Bing, III said that the studies have found the risk of apprehension is higher for minorities than for whites, even when both groups report similar involvement.

"Many offices have reported that relative to their white counterpart, blacks receive harsher treatment by police," he said.

Bing, Scott H. Decker, chairperson of the AOJ Department, and Kimberly Kempf, an AOJ assistant professor, discussed "An Analysis of Apparent Disparities In Handling of Black Youth Within Missouri's Juvenile Justice Systems," on Feb. 14.

The authors of this particular study go on to suggest that this disproportionately may be related to the finding that black juveniles are more inclined to admit their wrongdoing to the police officer," Bing said.

Bing said this admission was for the more serious offenses.

Bing went on to say other studies

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you have another outstanding game. Steven

Poopsie, were you as sore as I was? You've really got to get your fingernails trimmed. Teddie

ASS- Project D is accomplished so what do I do now? How's Ducky? Jay call you lately? Don't worry my mouth is sealed. In the immortal words of ASJ: To embarrass one is to embarrass all. Love C.C.

Riverwomen: Good luck in your game Saturday night against Washburn. Let's win it! Your favorite fan, Steven

Muffi dearest, My life is in shambles. The beamer is in the shop, Mummy is screaming about a broken nail, my credit cards are to the limit, and the club dues are late. Help me! Chipster

Laura ZTA, don't be so choosy I wasn't. P.S. you guessed wrong.

CALENDAR

THURSDAY, FEB. 21

THE FUTURE OF EUROPE: Shirley Williams, Professor of the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University, will speak on the future of the European community. The lecture will be held in Room 331 of the Social Science and Business Building from 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. Ms. Williams was a co-founder of England's Social Democratic Party and its president from 1982-88.

ATTACK ON BLACK LEADERSHIP: There will be a panel discussion concerning the issue "Attack on Black Leadership". The session will take place in Room 126 of the J.C. Penney Building from 7:30-9:30 p.m.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND THE LAW: The Women's Center will sponsor a film and discussion on the legal aspects of domestic violence. Mary Sue Guenther of Advocate Services for Abused Women will show a twenty minute video and lead a discussion from 12:30-1:30 p.m. in Room 211 of Clark Hall.

FRIDAY, FEB. 22

ANALYZING MR. CLEAN: The Facilities Management program is sponsoring a two-session course reviewing the composition and use of disinfectants, detergents, and floor care products. Chemical controls will meet from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. on Friday and Saturday on campus. The fee for the program is \$65.

CAMPUS RAPE: The Women's Center will show a documentary style film discussing rape on campus. The film is hosted by L.A. Law stars, Susan Dey and Corbin Bernsen and will be presented from 1-1:30 p.m. in Room 211 Clark Hall.

MONDAY, FEB. 25

MONDAY NOON SERIES: The role of Asian Americans in achieving modern America's cultural diversity will be discussed by featured speaker, Ron Takaki, professor of ethnic studies at the University of California-Berkeley. The program will be presented at noon in Room 229 of the J.C. Penney Building. For more information, contact Sally Fitzgerald at 553-5180.

BLACK MAN'S THINK TANK I: A discussion will be held from 7-9 p.m. in Room 254 of the University Center presenting "Black Man's Think Tank I". For more information, contact Gail Rucker at 553-5666.

ASPECTS OF MALAYSIAN CULTURE: Aion Zarina, a UM-St. Louis student and Secretary of the Malaysian Student Association, will present a video and discussion on the characteristics of the Malaysian Culture. The presentation will be held from 7-8 p.m. in Room 211 Clark Hall.

A NOTE TO VOTE: Voter registration will be held from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. on Monday and Tuesday in the University Center Lobby. This opportunity is available to those registering in the St. Louis City and County and is sponsored by the Social Work Student Association.

TUESDAY, FEB. 26

SCIENCE CAREER DAY: The Biology Club is sponsoring a day filled with a series of twenty minute talks, each followed by a ten minute question and answer period. The talks will be given to familiarize science and non-science majors with careers in these fields. They will be held in Room 102 Benton Hall from 12:45 to 3:15 p.m. All students and faculty are invited.

HOPE AFTER ADDICTION: Patty Finley, of Hopeline Recovery, will examine life for women who choose to recover from relationship or chemical addiction. This discussion will be held from 7-8 p.m. in Room 211 Clark Hall.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 27

IT'S NOT HATE, IT'S PAIN: The University Program Board will sponsor a discussion led by Ronald J. Henry focusing on race relations and black contribution. The presentation will be held from 1:30-3:30 p.m. in the University Center Lounge.

BLACK MAN'S THINK TANK II: A second discussion featuring "Black Man's Think Tank II," will be given from 7-9 p.m. in Room 72 of the J.C. Penney Building. For more information, call Gail Rucker at 553-5666.

TEEN SUICIDE: Mary Jo Sutton of Hyland Center will examine signs and symptoms of suicidal teens and how parents can seek intervention. She will speak from noon-1 p.m. at the Women's Center in Room 211 Clark Hall.

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What was the technicality? Student Court alleged that the Student Government Association failed to re-enact it's bylaws at the beginning of the winter semester. Therefore, the bylaw which would freeze organization's funds that failed to send representatives to three SGA meetings, is null and void.

Neither Robert's Rules Of Order nor the present Student Government Association's constitution makes reference to the necessity of re-enacting bylaws at any time.

Section Two, Article VII of the acting constitution does give Student Court the authority to rule on matters of grievance between individual students and groups of students, as well as to interpret the association's constitution and bylaws when so requested by a member of the association.

Student Court could have exercised its power to rule on the grievances. Instead of reviewing individual cases, Chief Justice Jeff Edwards and the other justices made a blanket decision reversing the freezing of funds for every organization affected, not just the ones grieving.

Student Court could not have interpreted the constitution because there weren't any references to re-enacting the bylaws every year.

Being ignorant of SGA's constitution or Robert's Rules of Order should make students wary of the competency of the court justices. One must also wonder why the court gave funds back to organizations that did not care enough to file a grievance.

It's a shame that the first strong stand SGA has taken this year could be so easily overturned just because a group of whiners got on a few people's backs. What is point of having bylaws, or even a constitution, if the laws are are going to be overturned anytime somebody whines.

SGA President, Alla Pruzhansky, failed to stand behind the assembly's decision when she commented that organizations had learned a lesson and there shouldn't be future problems with attendance at meetings. Since when have scare tactics been an accepted management skill?

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President's Day Gets Minimal Campus Respect



by Melissa A. Green
news editor

Monday was a day of celebration and remembrance of two great men.

George Washington and Abraham Lincoln were two of this country's presidents. Washington shaped the history of this country through his leadership as the first president. His

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example was followed by many presidents.

Lincoln, our sixteenth president, went down in the history books for his work toward peace and freedom during the Civil War.

To honor these presidents—government offices, mail services, banks and schools take a holiday.

This is a well-deserved treat, similar to Martin Luther King's birthday. Both days are viewed as a national holiday, yet this campus only honors one of these holidays.

I protested my classes on Monday. If I am given a holiday on King's

birthday, why can't I have one for Lincoln or Washington?

My favorite president is Lincoln. He persevered through a trying war between brothers and came out a winner. He was killed for his beliefs, but no action is ever made without risk. By freeing the slaves, Lincoln became, in essence, one of America's first civil rights leaders. Without Lincoln, blacks might have waited longer for freedom.

Since the end of slavery, blacks have been trying to gain the dignity that they lost during their years of imprisonment. King was a strong fighter for the rights of the blacks during the 60s. He was a great man. He did a lot for this country and deserves a day for himself.

But now I have to gripe. Why did I have to go to school on President's Day when I was given the day off for King's birthday? Lincoln paved the way for King. I am not asking for much, just equal justice. You are granting one holiday to me and giving them both.

Two years ago I remember starting the winter semester on King's birthday. I didn't mind. But starting school three days early and taking my weekend just to give me one day off is unfair. I was up at school anyway, so I did not receive a holiday.

I only question the reasoning behind giving UM-St. Louis King's birthday off. One might say it was reverse discrimination.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Terry, Wake Up

To the editor;

Ken: Earth calling Terry Inman, come in Terry.

Terry: This is Terry.

Ken: Terry, you made some inane comments in the *Current* two weeks ago. I decided to call you to give you the straight scoop.

Terry: Cool man. Shoot. I mean go ahead.

Ken: First of all Terry, you claimed that the war is George Bush's war. Yes, George is a major player in it, but there is an organization called the United Nations (its members are a whole bunch of countries) which is also participating.

Terry: Oh.

Ken: You also made the statement, "Kuwait was a wealthy

enough country that it could have defended itself." Terry my boy, when was the last time you saw someone ward off a would be attacker with a dollar bill?

Terry: ZZZZZZZ

Ken: You also quoted George Washington and Thomas Jefferson as imploring the U.S. to stay out of foreign wars. While I concede you this point, I don't believe they would make such a blanket statement if they lived in the world we live in. When they made those comments there were no planes, trains, automobiles, and most importantly, Intercontinental Ballistic Missiles were not yet developed.

Sincerely yours,

Kenneth M. Hand

Mr. Opinion - On Politics

To the editor;

First of all, I'm very opinionated person and I regard all of my opinions as facts. Here are some. More will follow.

1. If Mr. Ronald Reagan had lost the 1980 presidential election, this country would be in the same sad shape it was in prior to World War II. "A first world nation with a third world military."

2. If Mr. George Bush had not reacted quickly to Saddam Insane's invasion of Kuwait, there would be no Middle East now - just Iraq.

3. If Congress had let the U.S. Military fight during the Vietnam War, there would be no communist run government in Vietnam today.

4. Foreign wars involving the U.S. have always been and always will be the best way to improve the economy and technology of the U.S.

5. Nuclear weapons saved thousands of lives in World War II by negating the need for an invasion by U.S. troops. History would do well to repeat itself in Kuwait and Iraq.

Mr. Opinion

Organizations Question New World Order

This letter was written to President George Bush on Jan. 16, 1991.

Dear Mr. President;

In your recent letter to college students and at your Jan. 10 press conference, you used the phrase "a New World Order" several times. We, the undersigned, do not believe a New World Order can be achieved by going to war. Deploring the use of force, we urge you to pledge now to support the following elements of a New World Order if Saddam Hussein withdraws from Kuwait:

1. Strengthened U.N. Peacekeeping Forces to insure the security of all nations in the Middle East.

2. U.N.-supervised reduction of all armaments in the entire Middle East region, including the elimination of all nuclear, chemical and

biological weapons.

3. A special U.N. Arbitration Panel to determine the merits of any claims Iraq has against Kuwait.

4. A U.N.-supervised election for the people of Kuwait.

5. A separate U.N.-sponsored international conference on all Middle East problems.

6. An impartial International Criminal Court to try heads of state who violate international law by initiating wars of aggression.

7. Initiation of a Helsinki-type process to protect the human rights of all citizens throughout the Middle East.

8. Strengthening and restructuring the United Nations to give it the authority and funding it needs to insure world peace, economic progress and a healthy global environment.

We respectfully suggest, Mr. President, that war is a tactic of the old world order - not a New World

Order. A true New World Order, we maintain, should include stronger U.N. Peacekeeping Forces, U.N. supervised reductions of armaments, arbitration panels, free elections, international peace conferences, Helsinki-type processes to protect human rights, impartial international criminal courts, and a new and strengthened United Nations.

None of the above elements should be regarded by anyone as "unacceptable linkages" or as rewards for Saddam Hussein's aggression. Instead of going to war, we simply ask you, Mr. President to spell out your vision now of a New World Order.

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CAMPUS BRIEFS

Universtiy Singers To Tour Midwest

The UM-St. Louis "University Singers" will end its five-day tour of the Midwest with a concert of sacred and secular choral music at 7:30 p.m. on Sunday, March 3 at Faith Lutheran Church 1610 S. Florissant Rd.

The choir will perform works by J.S. Bach, Debussy, Gallus, Tschesnokov, Christiansen, Sjolund, and University Singers conductor Bruce Vantine.

During the five-day tour, the choir will perform in many locations such as Memphis, Tenn.; Jackson, Tenn.; New Orleans; and Pine Bluff, Ark.

Conferences On Economics Offered

Three conferences on economic curriculum are planned during February for elementary, middle-school, and secondary educators. The programs are sponsored by the UM-St. Louis Center for Economic Education.

Mini-Society will meet from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday Feb. 15 and 16. The fee is \$65, including continental breakfast and lunch.

This conference helps teachers learn to teach economics through the experiences that students have in the society of their own classroom and in debriefing sessions during which concepts, decisions making, and problem solving are discussed.

Econ and Me will meet from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Friday February 22. Fee for the program is \$40, including continental breakfast and lunch.

This conference introduces elementary teachers to a new video series that teaches economics to students in grades 2-4.

Each conference participant will receive a videotape of the five student programs in scarcity, opportunity cost, consumption, production and interdependence, and a teaching guide.

Course Is Offered For Productivity

Individuals who work in the business or government sector are keenly aware of the problems associated with poor record-keeping.

A course is being offered to improve productivity in offices suffering from information congestion by the School of Business Administration Management Development Institute and the Department of Continuing Education-Extension at UM-St. Louis.

The course, Establishing and Managing Successful Records Management Programs will be held in two sessions: from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Monday, Feb 25 and Tuesday, Feb. 26 at the Holiday Inn Airport/West St. Louis.

It is also being offered on Thursday, Feb. 28 and Friday, March 1, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the

Truman State Office Building in Jefferson City.

The cost of the program is \$265. To register or for more information call 553-5961.

Scholarship Offered For Women Seniors

The American Association of University Women, Creve Coeur Branch, is offering a \$500 tuition scholarship.

The scholarship is for a woman whose studies have been interrupted for a minimum period of five years, and who will be a full time student in her senior year at UM-St. Louis during the 1991-92 academic year.

Applicants must also meet the following criteria: 3.5 GPA on a scale of 4.0, a declared major, and financial need.

Applications and necessary documentation should be submitted to Pierrette F. Murray in care of Dr. Lois Pierce, acting associate vice chancellor for academic affairs, by March 15.

Applications are available from the Office for Academic Affairs, 401 Woods Hall.

Phone Books To Be Recycled By UMSL

The UM-St. Louis campus will be recycling Southwestern Bell telephone books in conjunction with Project Redirectory being sponsored by Southwestern Bell Telephone Co.

This recycling drive will be sponsored concurrently with Project Redirectory from March 23- April 13, 1991.

Specific times and locations are not available yet, however everyone is urged to save their telephone books to be recycled.

Top News Stories Heard on KWMU

Top news stories about the Missouri Legislature, reported directly from Jefferson City, can be heard

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KWMU subscribes to the daily statehouse news service offered by KBIA in Columbia, Mo. KBIA currently has seven reporters working in its Jefferson City Bureau.

KWMU's "Morning Edition" is heard weekdays from 5-9 a.m. and "All Things Considered" is heard weekdays from 4-6:30 p.m.

Presidential Awards Nominations Are Due

Nominations are now being accepted for the 1991 Presidential Awards for excellence in science teaching, administered for the White House by the National Science Foundation through the National Science Teachers Association and in cooperation with the State Department of Education and UM-St. Louis.

Three science teachers for the state-level awards will be chosen by the state selection committee. One of the three state awardees will be selected for the national Presidential Awards for Excellence in Science Teaching, which will be made at a conference in Washington, D.C.

The goal for the awards is to identify and reward excellence in science teaching.

Elementary and secondary-level science teachers in the state of Missouri can be nominated by colleagues, administrators, students or student's parents. Nomination forms and general information can be obtained from Charles Granger, chairperson of the State Science Selections Subcommittee for Secondary Education and professor of biology at the University of Missouri-St. Louis.

Completed nomination forms must be received by March 15, 1991, and the final applications are due by May 1, 1991.

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Dating Game Makes Comeback

by Jenny Doll
Current staff

Do the words *blind date* send chills up your spine? Would the scary uncertainty fade if you could ask a few personal questions before the date actually happened? Better yet, what if you could interview a few *different* date prospects, and choose the person that best suited your fancy?

Four UM-St. Louis students took advantage of a rare opportunity to do just that on Valentine's Day. A Valentine's Dating Game, sponsored by the Associated Black Collegians (ABC), reenacted a former television show on the stage of the JC Penney auditorium. In each of the four rounds a student interviewed three prospective dates who were hidden from the interviewer (but not the audience) by a screen. Based on the answers to these questions, the interviewer chose the most intriguing "bachelor" or "bachelorette."

The questions, aimed at highlighting some aspect of the interviewee's personality, spanned a wide spectrum of topics. Rod Pratt, program chairperson for ABC, and the game show host for the evening, accounted for this diversity.

"The contestants made up their own questions. We didn't censor them or anything," said Pratt.



The UM-St. Louis Dating Game was different than the television show in that all the contestants were students and therefore may already know each other by name. To ensure fair

play, anonymity dominated the entire event—until the final selections were made. Participants were randomly selected out of a box of applications completed by student volunteers. The

contestants were introduced to the audience as "bachelor(ette) number one," "bachelor(ette) number two," and "bachelor(ette) number three," followed by a short list of hobbies and interests. Furthermore, the responsive audience was quieted during the actual decision process so as not to influence the interviewer.

Out of four rounds of entertaining interrogation, four couples emerged: Greta Vaughn and Derrick Brown (round one), Eugene Taylor and Michell Barnum (round two), Anjanette Bordeaux and Lorenzo Rounds (round three), and Jacque Land and Kelle Young (round four). The couples' first dates—a free night at the movies—will be sponsored by ABC.

Eugene Taylor, a sophomore in the School of Business Administration, was the inquisitive interviewer of the second round. When asked how he felt about getting up on stage, he confessed to initial jitters.

"At first I was nervous, but I got more relaxed as I went along. It was the first time I did something like that," Taylor said.

Taylor decided to let his date, Michell Barnum, decide what movie the two will see on their first date.

The Valentine's Dating Game was one of the many social activities that are planned for African American History Month. Other events include film presentation, lectures, seminars and an Alice Windom presentation, "A Tribute To Malcolm X." For more information call 553-5731 or 553-6630.

Computer Sends Messages To Gulf

by Jocelyn Arledge
features editor

St. Louis area residents with access to a computer and a telephone modem are now able to electronically transmit letters to soldiers in the Persian Gulf through a system recently established at UM-St. Louis.

This system will allow letters to be delivered in less than half the time of conventional mail service at no cost to the users or the university. Users create their messages on computers and transmit them to an electronic bulletin board system at UM-St. Louis' School of Optometry, which in turn transmits the letters through the network in California. The messages are then sent to bulletin board operators in Saudi Arabia. The letters are printed out and hand-delivered to U.S. military postal authorities.

This service, called the MailStorm Project, is being organized by the Association for Electronic Communication (AEC).

This project was started by a bulletin board service run by an individual in California in early January. When this service started, it was used solely for the use of the originator so he could send messages to his own relative in Saudi Arabia. Some other people found out about his system and felt that the linkage he had established was

worthy of broader access. Through funding from the military, and sponsorship from a variety of businesses, a nationwide network was established.

The network at UM-St. Louis (run by David Davidson, a professor of the optometry school) began sending messages to Saudi Arabia on Wednesday, February 13. The system is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week and can receive numerous messages.

"The system can handle two calls simultaneously 24 hours a day," Davidson said, "it's great that we are able to provide this service, because mail is a tremendous morale booster when you're stationed so far away from your family and friends. I have been told by people running similar systems that delivery is averaging about 48 hours."

Presently the user of this system must have access to a computer with a modem. However, Davidson hopes that by next week this will not be necessary. He is trying to organize a program to make it possible for people to submit handwritten letters.

"Let's say someone would like to take advantage of the service but doesn't have a computer. They could send a hand written letter to me. This letter would then be given to volunteer students to key into a computer," Davidson said.

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Infamous Pages Of Gold Help To Find Treasures Untold



by Jocelyn Arledge
features editor

shades of grey

was walking canes. (Walking canes usually don't taste as good and look awful on my Christmas tree.) If you're in the market for a cane, look up the House of Canes and Walking Sticks. Since this sounds kind of like a retirement center, I can't guarantee that the canes are new, but I'm sure they've got some great stories to tell.

Two wonderful categories of the Yellow Pages are clergy and Dial-a-Devotion. If you don't presently own any clergy—here's your chance. To me, Dial-a-Devotion is kind of like having a drive-through confessional. You would just stop buy and yell your sins into the face of a big plastic priest. Of course you probably wouldn't be able to understand how many Hail Marys you should do.

-Combustion Controls. I can't tell you how relieved I am to see this. I have always had this fear of spontaneously combusting. This must be some kind of new technology that lets you take a pill or attach something to your body to prevent this impending disaster. All I can say is let me at it.

-Congressmen. Oh yea! We don't have to vote for them anymore; we can just get one from the Yellow Pages (does it really make a difference?). Great, now I can go get a congressman of my very own.

-Drugs-wholesale. Okay this is a little bit ridiculous. I know that the drug racket has excelled within the past decade, but this is a little extreme. I can just see this store. "Attention wholesale customers, for the next fifteen minutes there will be a blue light special on cocaine in aisle two..."

-Eyebanks. I have brown eyes and have thought about getting colored contacts to turn them green. But now, why bother? I could just make a withdrawal and get some new ones. I wonder what the interest rate on eyes is this time of year.

-Foot appliances. What? I never knew feet needed appliances. I guess every adult foot craves a Quisinar. Maybe that's how toefu is made.

-Honey. I love honey and was tempted to call and get some but I have a problem with the listing of Gibbons Bee Farm. I don't like bees; they sting me and make me wear baking soda on my arm all

day. I certainly don't want to give my money to a place that harvests them. I only have one question. How do they get the bees to stay in the ground long enough to grow sprouts?

-Ice. I've never been much for cooking, but ice is relatively easy and leaves hardly any dirty dishes. What amazed me was an ad for a company called Instant Ice. They claim to have an "emergency ice service." I don't know, I guess maybe some people wake up in the middle of the night screaming for ice, but I'll just wait until morning.

-Paper-Shredded. Now what on earth am I going to do if my paper is shredded? I wouldn't be able to read the funnies, and the coupons would be useless.

-Sidewalk contractors. I always had a problem with sidewalk contractors. They aren't as annoying as door to door light bulb salesmen, but they were always my biggest competitor as a child. Those guys would set up right next to my lemonade stand promising to give people the best lemonade this side of the Mason-Dixon line if they would bring their own lemons and have the money up front. Of course I had an edge—speed of delivery. They estimated the completion time of a glass, with ice, to be about two weeks. But then that's just an estimate.

-Smoke stacks. This struck me as rather odd. I guess if you wanted your house to look prestigious or better than the Jones's, then you wouldn't get yourself some smoke stacks. But, wouldn't a chimney be a lot easier?

-Post cards. If you want people to think you spent your vacation in Barbados when you stayed at the Econolodge in Easley, Mo., then give these people a call. Personally I think it's a little insincere, but who am I to judge?

-Rubber clothing and footwear. Now here's a novel idea. You don't have to worry when it rains. To top it off you wouldn't have to wash them; you could just hose them off in the back yard while watering your gardenias.

These are some of my favorite parts of the Yellow Pages. But, don't take my word for it; find out for yourself!!!

Story Leaves You In L.A. Smog

by Fera M. Black
and Cole P. Hunter
entertainment critics

O.K.—We just don't get it. That's all we can say, we just don't get it. The slogan of the movie "L.A. Story" is "Something Funny is Happening In L.A...." We suppose that may be true, but nowhere in the movie did we find out what that "something" is.

This film, starring Steve Martin, definitely lacks the suave comedy that Martin is capable of. Instead, the movie tries for an "Airplane" type comedy and proves unsuccessful.

Martin plays the part of Harris, a zany weather man who is not happy with his job, his relationships or his life. One day, while at lunch with his flippant girlfriend Trudi, played by Marilu Henner, he is introduced to Sara, a conservative yet outspoken writer for *The London Times*, played by Victoria Tennant. Sara is in L.A. to write about the idiosyncrasies of the city and its people. She becomes involved with Harris while interviewing him for the story.

Now cut to Harris, shopping one afternoon with Trudi. Harris, however, is paying more attention to the other female patrons in a typical L.A. boutique. It is here that he meets SanDeE, played by Sarah Jessica Parker, the overly enthusiastic, sales girl who can't seem to sit still throughout the entire film.

So far, Harris has met two completely opposite women, who are nothing like his Trudi.

On the way home from shopping in Trudi's Mercedes (of course), the car suddenly dies in front of an electric freeway sign. While Harris is trying to get the car running, the sign, which usually reads FREEWAY CLEAR depending on the road conditions, now says "HI...HUG ME." Harris does, and somehow the sign miraculously starts the car. From there on out, the sign is solely in control of Harris's destiny. Before Harris leaves, the sign imparts its wisdom in a riddle reading "HOW IS DADDY DOING?"

Now, we have no problem with believing in the supernatural, as far as fiction goes. However, on a believability scale of one to ten, this flick falls into the negative numbers. It is at this point that a cup of cappuccino started sounding real good.

While still trying to unscramble the riddle of the sign, Harris breaks up with his significant other after he finds out about her three year affair with his agent. He is, however, less

than disappointed about regaining his freedom.

Harris starts pursuing both SanDeE and Sara and revisiting his omnipotent sign for further guidance.

Now, the plot gets really confusing.

Sara is falling in love with Harris, but at the same time is still seeing her ex-husband Roland, who is trying desperately to repair their relationship. Harris is drooling over Sara but dating SanDeE who is living with her boyfriend. Harris and SanDeE decide to go to Santa Barbara for the weekend. Coincidentally, Roland and Sara decide to do the same. As if that's not enough... Surprise! Both couples are staying in the same hotel, which, when translated into English, is named Chicken of the Sea. After getting settled into rooms right next to each other, all four of them decide to jump into the sack. Not together, mind you, but Harris with SanDeE and Sara with Roland. During these not so steamy love scenes, Harris is fantasizing about Sara and Sara is fantasizing about Harris, while both Roland and SanDeE have Mel Gibson on their minds.

Is it all too much to swallow?

Exactly. While reaching for a deck of cards, we were just wondering what the sign was doing during all of this.

Upon their arrival back in L.A., Roland and Harris are both begging Sara not to return to London. Roland has no luck, but remember, Harris has an all-powerful freeway sign on his side.

As if the script for this film wasn't mind-boggling enough, the film throws in various small vignettes and surreal types of experiences that Sara and Harris go through. This would be fine if they emphasized a major point in the storyline or had any kind of symbolism. These implanted scenes succeed in only confusing the audience even more. The script didn't flow and it lacked any originality. Every once in a while, Martin came through with a funny one-liner that brought back old memories of his style of comedy. However, those five minutes of the film weren't worth our hard earned dollars.

Overall, the film wasn't interesting enough to make us stop to scrape the mud off our boots.

Rating—One star, two yawns and a belch.



KISS DE GIRL... Steve Martin and Victoria Tennant star in satire about Los Angeles.

Editors Must Watch What Goes Into Print

(CPS)

Student editors of the University of Lowell (Mass.) Connector thought they had found a good cartoon to publish in an early December edition of the paper.

The choice of cartoons and the chain of events it started, however, has threatened to cost editor Geoffrey Pahl his job.

The reason: two readers thought the cartoon was racist, and Pahl fired back with an editorial suggesting its critics were "stupid" for thinking so.

Pahl, it turns out, is only one of a number of student editors nationwide who have gotten into trouble recently

for printing opinions that someone on campus saw as critical of women, minorities, gays or other disadvantaged people.

During the last two months of the fall term angry students broke into newsrooms, conducted sit-ins or called for editors' resignations at Northern Kentucky University, Saddleback Community College in California and the universities of Missouri-St. Louis and Arkansas.

At Sonoma State University in California, protesters actually conducted a public burning of one edition of the Sonoma Star, which printed a cartoon that Spokane-based artist Milt

Priggee says was meant to blast the lack of federal jobs program for black youths.

"I was trying to satirize two different types of extremists," added Paul Tarr, the Boston-based cartoonist who produced the cartoon that the two Connector readers saw as racist.

(Tarr's cartoon and the Milt Priggee cartoon that prompted the public burning at Sonoma State were distributed nationally to some 600 campus papers by College Press Service, which also wrote and distributed this story.)

"It's almost silly" to think someone saw it as endorsing the extremism,

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It is also not yet possible for letters from individuals stationed in the Persian Gulf to be sent back to the U.S. via this system. Davidson said it is feasible but it would take a lot of military personnel. Even if the amount of people needed to complete this

type of service were available, it is difficult to gain access to a computer in the desert.

Messages sent to Saudi Arabia can be up to 200 lines long. To have a message sent to an individual stationed in the Persian Gulf—the

recipient's name, military serial number, social security number and unit as deployed must be included.

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Baseball:Brady's Bunch Starts Season 0-2

by Christine M. McGraw sports editor

The UM-St. Louis baseball squad began their 1991 season last weekend at North Alabama in one of the earliest season openers in school history. North Alabama, who were rated 12th in the Division II pre-season national poll, defeated the Rivermen 2-1 and 3-2 during a double header on Feb. 16. The game scheduled for Feb. 17 was cancelled because of weather conditions.

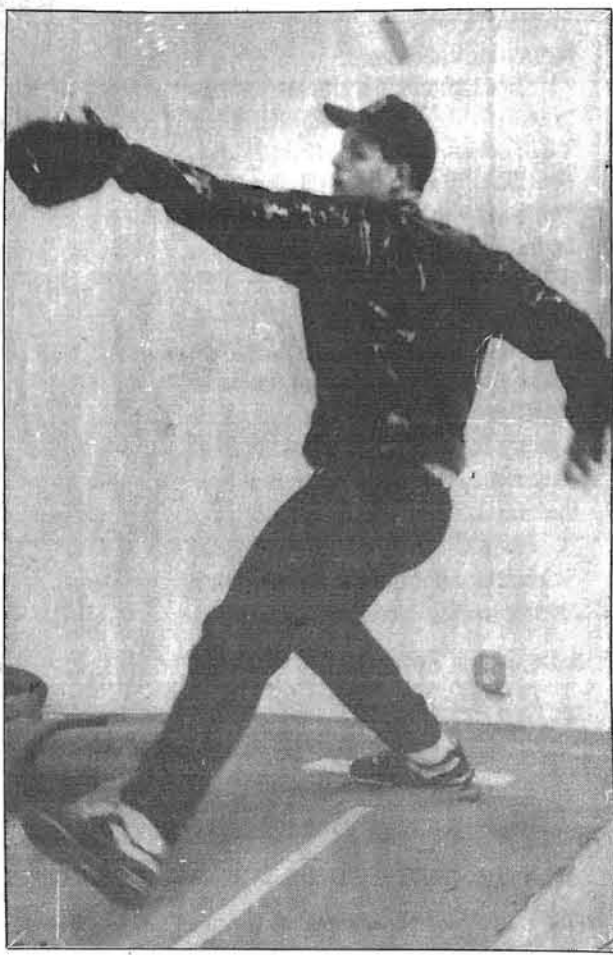
During the first game, junior Chris Meador pitched the first five innings and allowed only two hits and gave up one earned run. Meador was then relieved by Keith Kalusniak, who pitched the next four innings and gave up one unearned run.

Senior Bill Hansel scored for the Rivermen with help from sophomore Scott Kaestner. Hansel got on first base by a fielders' choice and Kaestner drove him home with a double.

During the second game the starting pitcher was junior Jim Foley.

"Jim went the distance and gave up only four hits," said Head Coach Jim Brady, "He walked a guy and the next guy had a home run. ... he pitched very well."

Sophomore Brian Rupp double,d to lead off the game and senior Dennis Turner walked, to put runners on first and third. Rupp then beat the throw



AND HE WINDS UP: UM-St. Louis baseball squad pitchers Rob Rixford (Left) and Andy Runzi (Right) practicing in the Mark Twain pitching room. (Photos by Nicole Menke)

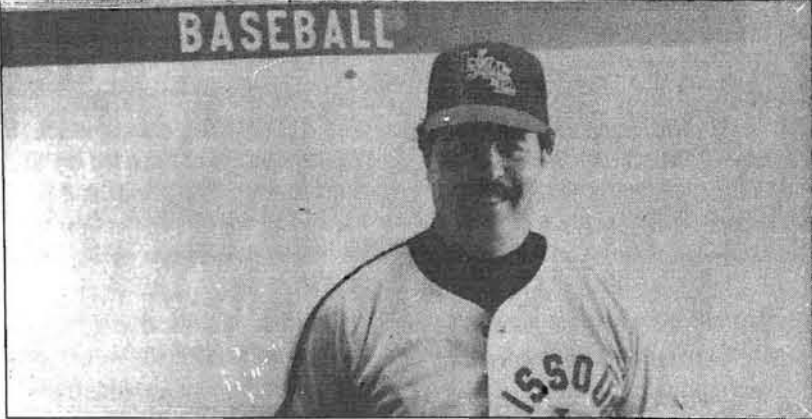
home and scored while Turner made it safe to third. Craig Porter hit a grounder to second and Turner ran home making the score 3-2.

Brady said that even though the team came home with two losses, North Alabama was very impressed.

"The other team was very im- pressed and when we left they had a great deal of respect for us. You could tell by their actions after the games."

The Rivermen go to Memphis State for a single game Thurs., Feb. 21.

"We have a difficult early schedule," Brady said. "But if the guys can hold together and learn from the early-season experiences, this team could be very good. ... all of their hard work and effort is going to pay off."



Head Baseball Coach Jim Brady

1991 Rivermen Baseball Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
Feb. 21	Memphis State	Memphis TN	2:00
Mar. 2-6	Armstrong Invitational	Savannah, GA	TBA
Mar. 8	Eckerd College	St. Petersburg, FL	3:00
Mar. 9	Eckerd College	St. Petersburg, FL	12:00
Mar. 16	Quincy College (2)	Home	1:00
Mar. 19	Lincoln (2)	Home	2:00
Mar. 20	Southern Indiana (2)	Evansville, IN	1:00
Mar. 21	McKendree	Home	2:00
Mar. 23	Southeast Mo. State (2)	Home	Noon
Mar. 24	Southeast Mo. State	Home	1:00
Mar. 25	Harris-Stowe College	Home	3:00
Mar. 26	SIU-Edwardsville	Home	3:00
Mar. 27	Lincoln University	Jefferson City, MO	5:30
Mar. 29	Missouri Southern	Joplin, MO	7:30
Mar. 30	Missouri Southern	Joplin, MO	1:00
Apr. 2	Washington University	Home	3:00
Apr. 3	Missouri (2)	Columbia, MO	4:00

Mark Twain Vandalism More Than Just A Hole In The Wall

by Christine M. McGraw sports editor

While the UM-St. Louis base- ball team was slugging it out on the road in a doubleheader against North Alabama last weekend, a few people decided to do a little batting practice of their own back home.

The Rivermen returned late Sunday night to find a significant amount of damage done to their equipment downstairs in the pitching room in the Mark Twain Building.

Head Coach Jim Brady said that the pitching machine had been drug across the floor, leaving divots in the wheel of the machine and causing the machine to produce hazardous curve balls. As the balls were driven into the drywall they left big gashes.

"They were taking batting practice inside. ... they were down there having fun. ... shooting baseballs in there and they were banging off the walls. A couple of balls were hammered into the drywall," Brady said.

In addition to the damaged wheel, a fuse had blown in the machine and the cord had been yanked out of the wall and destroyed. Brady said the vandals apparently decided to use the other machine to throw balls in the air at an arc which led to the destruction of three different light systems shattering fluorescent light bulbs and leaving glass everywhere.

"Shattered glass was all over," Brady said. "A couple people went in there and had a heck of a time. Luckily, it didn't damage the whole unit."

Brady feels that lack of security or lack of responsibility on his teams part is what allowed this to happen.

"Maybe we forgot to lock the door when we left. ... The guards were here this weekend, they didn't see any one go in there. Maybe it was an oversight. We're not doing a very good job of keeping the area securely locked," Brady said.

Brady estimated the damage at around three hundred dollars.

At the time of this article, UM-St. Louis Police Captain James Smalley said that no report on the incident had been filed.



SHATTERED REMAINS: The UM-St. Louis pitching room in the Mark Twain Building was vandalized leaving an estimated \$300 tab for the Athletic Department. (Photo by Nicole Menke)

Rivermen And Women Weren't Scared By The Gorillas Or Lions

by Jason Buchholt for the Current

The UM-St. Louis men's basket- ball team travelled to Missouri South- ern for a game against the Lions, never looking back from a first half lead that clipped the Lion's manes in a 99-83 conference win.

The leading scorer for UM-St. Louis was Chris Pilz with 32 points followed by Barry Graskewicz with 15 points.

The Riverwomen travelled to Missouri Southern with the men and were equally successful with a 89-88 victory over the Lady Lions. Missouri Southern lead most of the first half and at one point, the Riverwomen lead by as many as twelve points. But by halftime the lead was cut to five as the Lady Lions led 47-42.

The Riverwomen, lead by Lisa Houska with a game high 25 points, came back and took the lead at the 13:52 mark of the second half and lead by as many as ten points. But

with :47 seconds left the Lady Lions regained the lead by a point only to watch the Riverwomen pull it off in the end.

On Mon., Feb.18 the Rivermen took their 18-5 record into the John Lance Arena, home of the Pittsburg State University Gorilla's. The Gorilla's got off to a quick start scoring 11 unanswered points and carried their lead into the half time intermission with a 39-29 lead over the Rivermen. At 5:51 of the second half the Rivermen turned it around and took the lead to 61-59. The Rivermen kept their lead the rest of the way, ending up with a 77-71 victory over Pittsburg State. Clarence Ward lead the Rivermen with 24 points.

The Riverwomen took their 13-12 record into Pittsburg State as well. The Riverwomen got off to a slow start and trailed at half time 49-42. The Riverwomen took the lead for

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Hockey: The Game Behind The Sport

Commentary

by Greg Albers for the Current

There's an old sports saying that goes, "I went to the fights the other night and a hockey game broke out." At times, this little one liner seems pretty close to the truth. Hockey has always been a physical game, but since the early 70s, to the delight of the fans, the NHL has come to rival the WWF.

One of the most memorable teams of all time was the Philadelphia Flyers' "Broad Street Bullies." They won two consecutive Stanley Cups through intimidation and by beating the op-

posing team to a pulp. The fans loved it.

In 1977, Paul Newman starred in "Slap Shot," a merry little tale about a struggling minor league hockey team that turned their season and careers around by "foiling up" and dropping their gloves. The Hansen brothers spawned a cult underground follow- ing.

So where is this all leading? The National Hockey League has time and time again insisted that fans watch hockey to see the game, not the fights. It's about time the NHL faced the music and stopped pretending they don't condone violence.

When interviewed, league offi- cials have always pointed out that

hockey is physical game in which emotions run high. The rhetoric of the officials is true, but then they insult our intelligence by saying they don't encourage fighting, that they in fact punish players who fight. Yeah, for five minutes. In other professional sports, players are ejected, suspended and fined for things that wouldn't even be called "roughing" in the NHL.

I'm not saying fighting should be removed from the game. On the con- trary, I freely admit that one of my all time favorite Blues was Dwight "Sconan the Barbarian" Schofield.

Since the Flyers proved they could dominate without an abundance of talent, the game has been forever changed. I say there's nothing wrong

with that; goons are good for the game. A team with minimal talent can still draw in the fans and make money by playing a physical game. It's exciting to watch Todd Ewen square off with Joey Kocur. The game wouldn't be the same without it.

Instead of denying the popularity and drawing power of fights, the NHL should take advantage of it. Maybe they could stage a boxing tournament featuring the leagues toughest en- forcers during the All Star break skills competition. They could sell high- light videos of the best fights of the year. The reputation of the league wouldn't be lessened. They look more foolish now playing their silly cha- rade.

SPORTS BRIEFS

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Rivermen:	Riverwomen:
UMSL 99, MO Southern 83	UMSL89, MO Southern 88
UMSL 77, Pittsburg State 71	UMSL82, Pittsburg State 76

Rivermen Baseball:

UMSL 1, North Alabama 2
UMSL 2, North Alabama 3

WHAT'S NEXT

Rivermen And Women Basketball

Feb. 23 : UMSL vs Washburn U; Women 5:30, Men 7:30
Feb. 25: Rivermen vs SIU-Edwardsville; 7:30
Feb. 27 Rivermen vs Norhtwest Mo.; 7:30

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awarded to UM-St. Louis for its outstanding participation in Partners For Progress. Touhill traveled to Tucson, Ariz. on Feb. 2 of this year to accept the award.

"It really was a wonderful event and I want to thank all the people on this campus. It was a gigantic effort on the part of all our faculty and all the people who played a role in the program."

She also announced that the Governor of Missouri has recommended a budget, which for practical purposes, means no money for the University of Missouri.

"Unfortunately, this does mean that we will not have enough money for any raises in salary for faculty," said Touhill.

Donald Phares, vice chancellor for Budgeting, Planning and Institutional Research, reported on the different projects and bills that different organizations are trying to pass for funds for the use of higher education.

Phares, representing the Budget and Planning Committee, said that he does not think there has been a year in recent history, perhaps ever, during

which so much attention has been given to higher education.

Vicki Sauter, business administration, reported that over Christmas break, the sprinkler system in the Thomas Jefferson Library broke, flooding parts of the library. No books were lost and Facilities Management was there to handle it. Because of the system breaking, they found some other defects in the system.

"[Those defects], which have since been fixed, caused the library, unknowingly, to be without fire protection during the winter," said Sauter.

Sauter also reported that librarians on all four campuses are currently re-examining automation at the libraries, considering updating or replacing the Lumin computer system and other things to support the library's needs.

The Senate then discussed whether or not the chair of the Senate should be a faculty member. Also, a resolution to the current bylaws was that the chancellor give the chair a one-on-one teaching load as well as an 11 month contract.

The Senate voted on these issues and both were passed unanimously.

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search for a new chancellor is ongoing. Chancellor candidate James Hefner, of Jackson State University in Mississippi, was to be interviewed on Feb. 26-27, but he withdrew from the race to run for president of Tennessee State University. Thomas George, of Buffalo State University in New York and Touhill are the remaining candidates.

On a lighter side, University Program Board announced that their TGIF series will kick off on Friday, Feb. 22. UPB will present "Funnybone on Tour" with "Happy" Cole at 7 p.m. in the Summit Lounge. Admission will be \$2 at the door. The March 22 TGIF will be a carnival.

Mirthday is set for April 24. Applications for booths are available in the SGA office. Any organization can sign up for a booth, the cost is free. Any money the organization makes is theirs to keep.

For the social committee, Julie Schwartz announced an idea for Homecoming. Schwartz suggested using Mark Twain as a Casino/tec

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Services Laurence Schlereth requesting that they re-think what they had done.

He said he does understand SGA's frustration and he is thankful for the concern of all the parties involved.

"I personally would like to extend my appreciation for their second thoughts," Rochester said.

Edwards said that the court simply had to see what was best for everyone.

"The other justices and I felt that the best bet would be to let everybody have their funds back, revise the constitution, and make sure from now on they follow it more closely instead of just picking out what they do and don't want to follow when it suits them," Edwards said.

Pruzhansky said that the Student Court even felt that the goal was accomplished, when the people found out their budget was frozen.

"When it comes to [an organization's] money, they are scared," Pruzhansky said. "Nothing else scares them. Therefore if their money is in trouble, then they are willing to do anything. Next year they are going to be very scared not to attend the meetings," she said.

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good as Steinhoff hit a three pointer with 5:07 left in the game. Steinhoff led the team in scoring with 30 points as the Riverwomen prevailed to a 82-76 win over the Gorillas.

night. With the upper balconies as casino's and the pool, gym and other facilities available for use the whole night.

In announcements during the meeting, Mike Horton, chair of the University Senate Student Election committee, told the assembly about

the 25 seats available to students and announced that elections are on March 12-13. The next SGA meeting will be March 17.

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showed that the rate of black arrests was higher, but no racial prejudice could be identified as the reason for higher rates of arrest.

"The literature examining the role of race and discrimination is voluminous, an interest in the topic extends over several decades, researchers have attempted to examine the extent to which race and other non-legal variables impact upon the processing of juvenile offenders," Bing said.

For the study the group selected the eight of 44 juvenile courts in Missouri with the highest percentage of black youths. The eight circuits chosen represent about 96 percent of the black youth in Missouri, and each of the eight circuits had at least five percent of a black juvenile population. St. Louis City ranked highest with a black youth population of 61 percent.

There were 43,073 cases in those eight circuits over those two years, with an almost 50-50 break between black and white youths.

Hispanics, and other minority groups were not studied, only the processing between black and white youths.

"We're working with just a black-white difference," said Kempf.

A youth is usually referred by the police, parents, teachers or other agents. A youth can have more than one offense on one referral, and can have more than one referral.

The percent of black youths among the referrals was higher than the percent of actual black youths. It was higher in every circuit represented.

This study looked at referrals from 1987-88. Kempf said they agreed that they didn't want to look at all the case files that had been referred during 87-88.

"We wanted to set up a sampling frame and sample within categories in each of these eight circuits," said Kempf.

Offenses include status offenses, misdemeanors, and felonies.

Status offenses include curfew

violations, incorrigibility, behavior injurious, truancy, and running away.

In each urban circuit, 50 cases from each offense were looked at, and in the rural areas 25 cases or as many as possible, from each of the three offenses, from both black youths and white youths.

"Obviously the concern here, is to look separately at how black and white youths are processed," Kempf said.

"We're unable, in our report, to say anything about how children are brought to juvenile court, we know that most of the kids are referred . . . but we don't know how the police decide to bring in a youth and not bring in a youth, we can't say anything about that, and that's certainly something we had to contend with, and might be an issue for juvenile justice. What we wanted to know is, once the kids got here, how were they handled?" Kempf said.

One of the major findings was that the rural courts processed more than half of their youths informally, while the urban courts only processed about one-fourth of their youths informally.

Informal processing means that a juvenile officer makes all the decisions and informally supervises the child, without involving any court hearing.

"Informal supervision is a fancy word for driving them [kids] around in a pickup truck in December when they're truant from school," Decker said. "Paragraph therapy was, I think, the most predominant form of informal supervision."

The recommendations included stricter regulations for juvenile officers, a better system of hiring to assure adequate representation of black police officers, and mandatory cultural sensitization training for juvenile officers.

"There is some evidence in our survey that harsher attitudes toward punishment for juveniles were held by our black respondents, when compared to our white respondents," Decker said.

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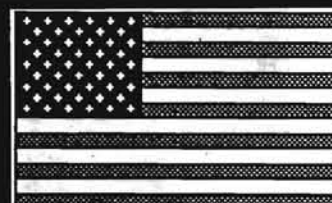
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