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BUDGETING: Members of the Student Activities Budget Committee discuss the requirements for funding student organizations. [Photo by Wiley Price].

Money available for activities

The Student Activities Budget Committee is accepting budget requests for the 1980-81 Activities Budget. The Committee is allocated a \$5.00 portion of the \$27.00 Student Activities Fee.

Budget policies are as follows: monies are allocated only to recognized student organizations and departments within the Student Affairs Division who apply and meet specific deadlines; all expenditures must conform to State and University guidelines; organizations may not discriminate by sex or race; monies may not be spent for food except for certain designated exceptions; monies may not be spent for alcohol; no organization can use funds for capital improvements; the money may not be given away, e.g. personal gifts, political donations, charity, etc.; if a group uses Student Activity money to generate funds for a charitable purpose, the original amount of the Student Activities fees used to finance the project must be returned to the account; money an organization raises may be used as that organization determines within State and University guidelines; income

generated as a budgetary requirement by organizations such

as University Player, **Current**, and Programming are not discretionary funds; monies raised in excess of budgetary requirements may be considered as discretionary funds not to exceed \$2,000.

Procedures for consideration of Budget proposals are: past spending records (especially unspent money) and fiscal management by groups and departments will be considered when allocating Budget monies, requests should show that cost research (comparative shopping) has been performed and prices listed are as low as possible; money is allocated by line items but individual organizations have discretionary spending powers within the line items, e.g. an organization may be funded for a newsletter with the number and cost per newsletter determined by the organization.

The funding rationale will be such that organizations benefiting the greatest number of students will have higher priority; the purpose, cause or philosophy of the requesting organization

will not be used as criteria; the group's service to

the University will be considered and requests should be for financing "normal" group operations.

Appeals will be heard by the Committee and the University Senate Student Affairs Committee after the initial budget is determined and printed in the **Current**, then the budget will be finalized and the Committee will forward recommendations.

The Budget Committee will listen to appeals by student groups or departments not granted approval for expenditures and may make a recommendation concerning said appeal and/or situation.

Deadline for budget request submission is Friday Feb. 22, 1980 4 pm. Bring it to the Office of the Dean of Student Affairs, Room 301, Woods Hall. The Committee will schedule hearings after the review.

For more information, contact Julia K. Miller, Dean, or a member of the Student Activities Budget Committee. They are as follows: David Adam, Cedric Anderson, Sharon Angle, Teddy Branom, Gary Esayian, Belinda Jackson, David Pearson, Yates Sanders, Earl Swift and Linda Schmidt (alternate).

Homecoming plans announced

This year's Homecoming activities will be jointly sponsored by Student Activities and Alumni Activities.

The Alumni Homecoming Night basketball game, UMSL vs. Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville, will be Friday, February 15 at 7:30 pm.

According to Rick Blanton, director of student activities, seven women and five men will make up the final court, deter-

mined by student elections last November.

The court will be introduced at half-time of the Homecoming basketball game. The King and Queen will be officially crowned at the dance.

The dance will be held in the Carpenter's Hall—1401 Hampton Ave.—at 8:30 pm, February 16.

Dancing will be from 8:30 pm to 12:30 am, with music pro-

vided by Synod, a six-piece band from Chicago.

The dance tickets are \$4.00 per person. This fee includes soda and ice for the entire evening.

Tickets for the dance will be on sale at the Information Desk from Friday, February 1 to Friday, February 15 or until they sell out. Only 400 tickets are available and are being sold on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Weekday movies to begin by March 1

As we enter the fifth week of school, a decision has finally been made concerning the films to be shown this semester.

The UMSL programming board decided yesterday to discontinue the Friday night films in favor of weekday films. The decision was made at a meeting that only four board members attended.

Lack of attendance was cited as the major reason for the change. The attendance figures have been very bad in the last year, according to board member, Terri Reilly.

The new daytime films will be shown wednesdays at noon and Thursdays at 12:30. They will be "The Best of the Worst." While the actual decision on the films has not yet been made, some films under consideration are, "Mary Jane," a film in which

Fabian gets arrested for selling marijuana. "Bedtime for Bonzo," a Ronald Reagan classic and the original "Dragnet."

"The films should be fun if no one takes them too seriously," Stephanie Kries, coordinator of programming and cultural events, said. The films will cost 50 cents for students.

"We're hoping to start pretty soon," Kries said, "certainly by the first of March."

The Monday/Tuesday night free movies will be a comedy series. "...But we have barely begun to work on them," Kries said.

The other two major campuses, Washington U. and St. Louis U., are having booming successes with their weekend films. Kries says that the lack of success here is mostly due to the commuter nature of the campus.

Oops. . . Wrong number

The telephone exchange for all UMSL phone numbers has been changed to 553 from 453. The base numbers are the same.

The new exchange is expected to make Bell switching operations for the university more

efficient. Although the Bell spokesperson did not elaborate, more news concerning the new exchange and UMSL telecommunications are forthcoming.

The new number for UMSL Information is 553-5148.



COMMUNICATING Mary Scholtz, president of the St. Louis U. Chapter of Women in Communications, talks to a group of 20 UMSL students. [Photo by Wiley Price].

newsbriefs

BAP wants your blood

Beta Alpha Psi is sponsoring a Blood Drive to be held on February 19 and 20, from 9:00-2:00 pm in 126 J. C. Penney.

Every student organization on campus is urged to get all of their friends (and at least 50 percent of their members) to donate. The group that has the most donors (and at least 50 percent of their members) will receive a free key of beer.

A sign-up list can be found through Professor Dave Ganz, 553-5411 or room 1202 of SSB Tower. The goal set for UMSL this year is 350 pints.

Conflict seminar here

"U.S. and U.S.S.R.: Conflict in the 1980's" will be discussed by Edwin Fedder, director of the Center for International Studies and professor of political science, Monday, Feb. 11, 1980. The discussion will be held from 1:00-2:30 pm in the McDonnell Conference Room, 331 SSB. All interested members of the UMSL community are encouraged to attend. Refreshments will be served.

This talk is being sponsored by the Center for International Studies and the Political Science Academy.

Investments club formed

A group of UMSL students has organized a new club to explore the world of investments. Membership is open to any UMSL student with an interest in the securities markets as an alternative source of income. Stock, bond, options, mutual funds, U.S. Treasury Bills and Bonds will be among the investment alternatives explored.

An investments game will also be a regular item on the agenda of each meeting. Individuals or groups may establish unique portfolios to suit their needs and observe the trend of their portfolios.

The club plans to host several guest speakers from the investment, banking and academic community to assist students in strengthening their knowledge of investments and investment related career opportunities.

The next meeting will be held Wednesday, Feb. 13, at 1:00 pm in SSB 334. If there are any questions, call Chuck Wiese at 892-3593.

Anxiety workshop offered

Does the thought of having to do math scare you? Have you become a math avoider?

If so, help is now available. The Center for Academic Development's Mathematics Unit and the UMSL Counseling Service are co-sponsoring a math anxiety workshop. It is aimed at helping students deal with math anxiety which may be inhibiting academic success.

There will be six 1½ hour sessions scheduled between Feb. 4 and Feb. 22, 1980. The time of the sessions will be arranged according to participants' schedules. The workshop is free of charge and is open to both male and female students.

Applications are available in 424 SSB (CAD Math Lab) or 427 SSB (Counseling Service). For more information call 553-5194 or 553-5711.

Correction

Some of the biographical information on Paul Kohl, an UMSL art teacher, was incorrect in last week's *Current*. Kohl graduated from the San Francisco Art Institute and taught at Washington University over the summer only. Last semester Kohl taught at Florissant Valley Community College and Maryville College.

Hockey played computer style

Susan Gantner

"The puck goes to Federko; he shoots. . .he scores!"

These familiar sounds of a hockey game can be heard on Sunday afternoons in room 46 of the Blue Metal Building, except the players are computer cards and a tabletop takes the place of ice. This unusual and exciting game is just one of many played by the Tablegamers, a small club here at UMSL.

Tony Bell organized the Tablegamers in 1977 along with Dan Flanakin, Phil Boone and Alan Woods. Bell saw an ad in a magazine offering table games made by the Joseph W. Woodlock Corp. They manufacture baseball, basketball and hockey games, each with an initial cost of \$25.

Each game includes computer cards on which are printed the name of real players, the team the player is on and statistics about his playing ability taken from the previous year. Two teams play at a time. Five player cards and one goalie card is

laid out for each team and the game begins. The plays are called out as they come up on cards. There are faceoffs, penalties, goals attempted and held, and when a player scores, it's almost as exciting as the real thing. A hockey game lasts about 45 minutes and a baseball game can be played in 25. 32 hockey games are played during the course of a season along with all-star conferences to determine the best teams. "We try to parallel real life as much as possible," said Boone.

The Tablegamers receive a \$100 stipend from UMSL, which they use to pay for office supplies, advertising and making copies of scorecards.

The Tablegamers' main members are Bell, Flanakin, Boone and Woods. They are usually the only four who play hockey, but

have more members who play baseball.

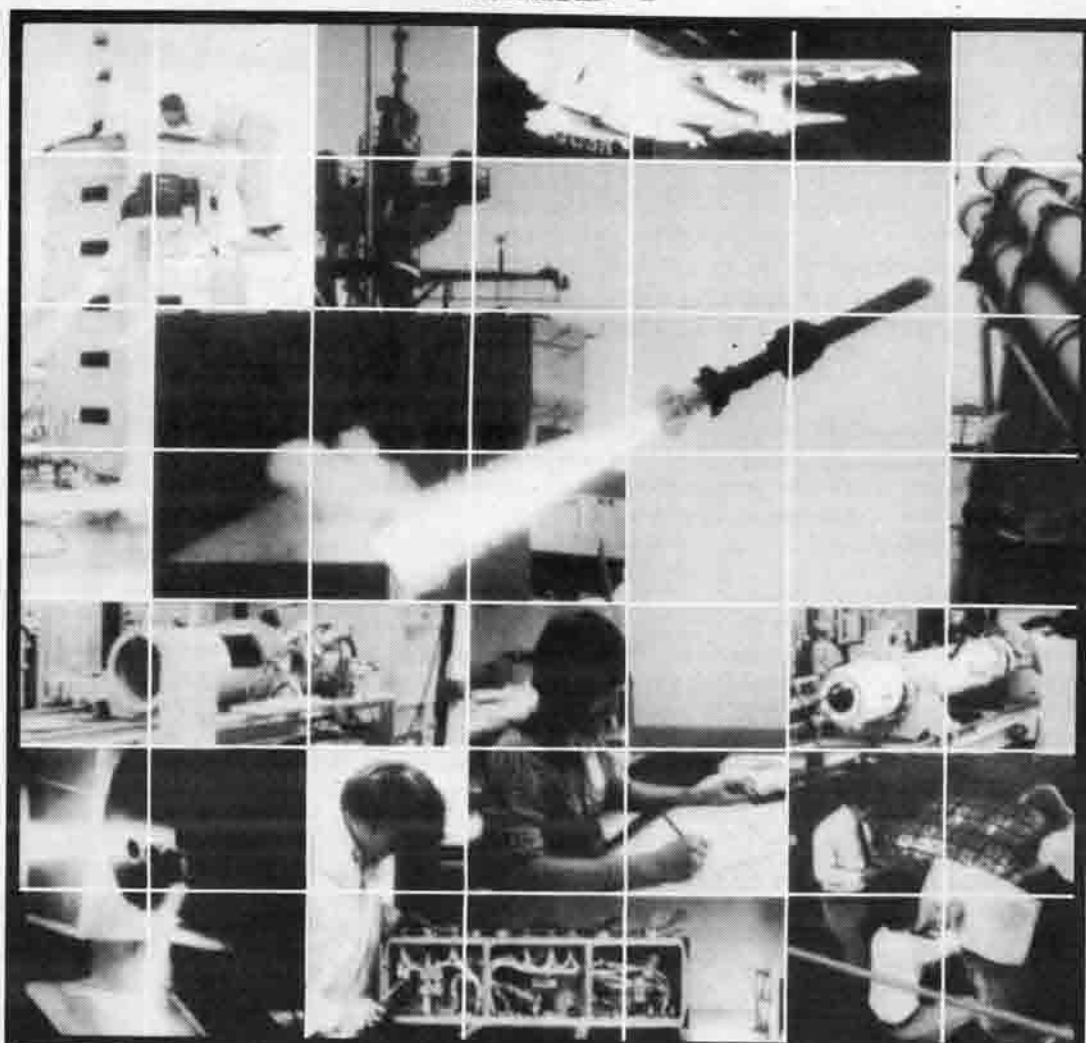
"We have to turn people away for baseball which is played during the summer. Not many people play hockey because it's played during the school year and more people are interested in baseball anyway," said Flanakin. The group also plays games like monopoly and scrabble occasionally, but concentrate mainly on the sports games.

There aren't many girls to be found around room 46. "We wouldn't turn them away. Not many of them are interested. None play hockey or baseball," said Flanakin.

The Tablegamers welcome all new players and can be found in 46 Blue Metal Building on Sunday afternoons about 1. "We need hockey and baseball managers, but mostly hockey managers," said Boone.



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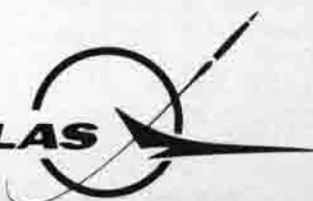
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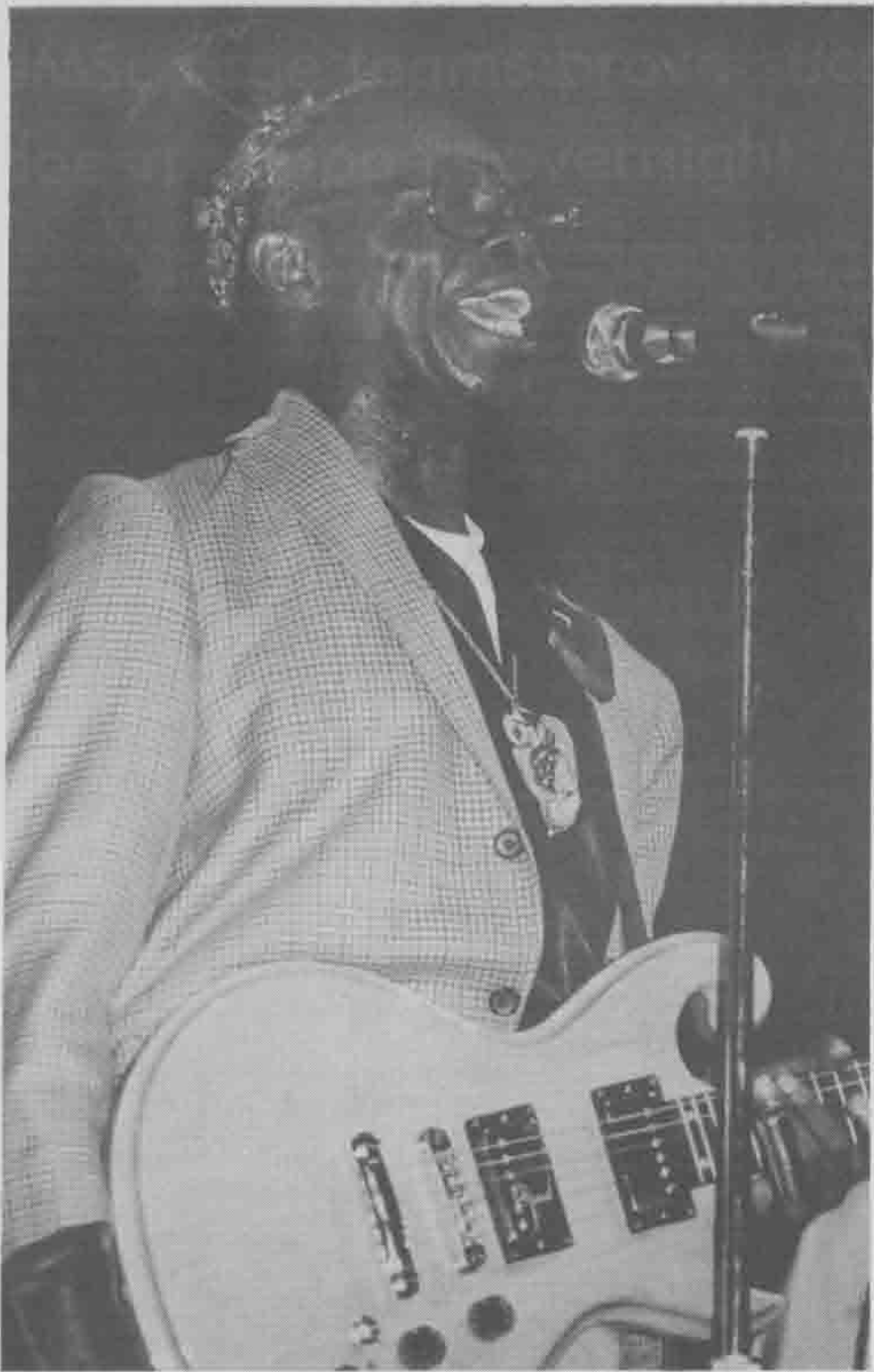
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Big sounds to fill U. Center lobby

Many of the area's finest musicians will be appearing this semester in the University Center Lounge. The free concerts will range in scope with disco, jazz, country and western, rock ragtime and blues all being represented.

The concerts will be held Wednesdays from 11 am to 1 pm. "These are some of the best bands in their fields in the area," according to Ron Edwards, who is in charge of booking the concerts.

The series will begin with the disco sounds of the Steiker Feb. 13. Last year the Steiker performed weekly in the University Center.

Then on Feb. 27 the jazz-fusion group "From This Moment On" will appear. "This is one of the finest young bands around," Edwards said. "They may just be the finest group to come to campus this semester."

The March and April bookings have not yet been made, but they will begin right after spring break with a concert March 19. The series will then be weekly through the end of the semester.

Edwards is also hopeful of getting one band that is not in the series. J. B. Hutto and the New Hawks, who came to campus last semester, may return this spring. "Right now they're in Europe recording an album; but if we can, we will get them to play an outdoor concert in early spring," Edwards said.

"Hutto is the greatest urban blues slide player alive. It will be great if we can get him," Edwards said.

The concert series is paid for through Student Activity monies.

Sounds from last semester

Last semester the free concert series featured these performers. [upper left] J. B. Hutto appeared along with the New Hawks. The performance was held in the J. C. Penney auditorium. [middle left] the Geyer St. Shelks, this band is named after a street in South St. Louis. [Lower left] Leroy Pierson [1] and the Rev. Spellmeyer. [Lower center] Bernie McDonald. [right] Dave MacKenzie. All of the groups last semester had at least one UMSL alumni in the band.



Photos courtesy of Ron Edwards and the University Center darkroom.



viewpoints

editorial

Registration not needed

An informal survey in last week's *Current* indicated that at UMSL, like campuses across the nation, there is a great division on the question of draft revitalization. This division of student beliefs comes at a dangerous time.

Seldom before have students had so much to lose. When, in the early '70s, the draft was ended and the volunteer army took over, the youth of our nation gained a great freedom. We gained the freedom to decide whether we believed that the way to support and defend our country lies at the end of a rifle.

A peacetime draft must not be tolerated, especially if the only gain is re-election. Less than two months ago, President Jimmy Carter said that the volunteer army, in its present condition, was adequate to defend the interest of this country. Nothing has happened to change this prediction.

The Soviet takeover of Afghanistan is not a move to capture the Persian Gulf. Instead, it is a move to control an unstable area that is already pro-Communist. While the Soviet's actions were deplorable, it was not a move against the United States. If the Soviet Union was planning to attack the Persian Gulf through Afghanistan, they chose the wrong

route. The Soviet-Iranian border is much more passable than the mountainous Afghanistan-Iranian border. The Soviet Union has taken over the fifth-poorest nation in the world. That is a problem for them.

It has been said that the resurrection of registration is a sign to the Soviet Union that the U.S. takes their action seriously. The youth of America should not be threatened with the draft for a symbol.

President Carter has long been a user of symbols. There was "the down home image" and the short-lived ban on the playing of "Hail to the Chief." Now, we find the president hiding in the safe confines of the rose garden.

The most recent symbols employed by the president will fair no better than the previous ones. The Soviets understand that the U.S., as well as most of the world, condemns their military actions in Afghanistan. Threatening millions of draft-age Americans with conscription will do nothing to make this point more clear.

It is ironic that the biggest threat of another cold war comes on the heels of the creation of a presidential committee to look into establishing a peace academy.

Informal Survey on Draft Opinion

In favor of registration:

Yes	No	Undecided
33	12	5

In favor of women drafted:

Yes	No	Undecided
18	16	0

In favor of women in combat:

Yes	No	Undecided
13	29	4

Would consider evading draft

Yes	No	Undecided
20	20	7

CHANGE: Above is the corrected survey from last week.

letters

Dear Editor:

This is an open letter to UMSL students to inform them of two positions now open on the Board of Directors of the Associated Students of the University of Missouri (ASUM).

ASUM is your student lobby. We send student interns to the state capitol in Jefferson City to lobby for issues pertinent to students. These interns receive academic credit for their lobbying efforts. Along with many on-campus projects, ASUM sponsors a political speakers circuit, holds voter registration drives and publishes literature on student-related issues.

The Board of Directors is the eight-member policy-making group of ASUM. It determines for which issues student interns will lobby. It oversees the hiring of a four-member professional staff, and directs them to carry out all board-initiated projects.

As ASUM is a two-campus organization, its monthly board meetings are held alternately on the UMSL and UMC campuses.

Although Board membership does take some time, it can be a tremendous learning experience.

A Board position holds great potential for concerned students.

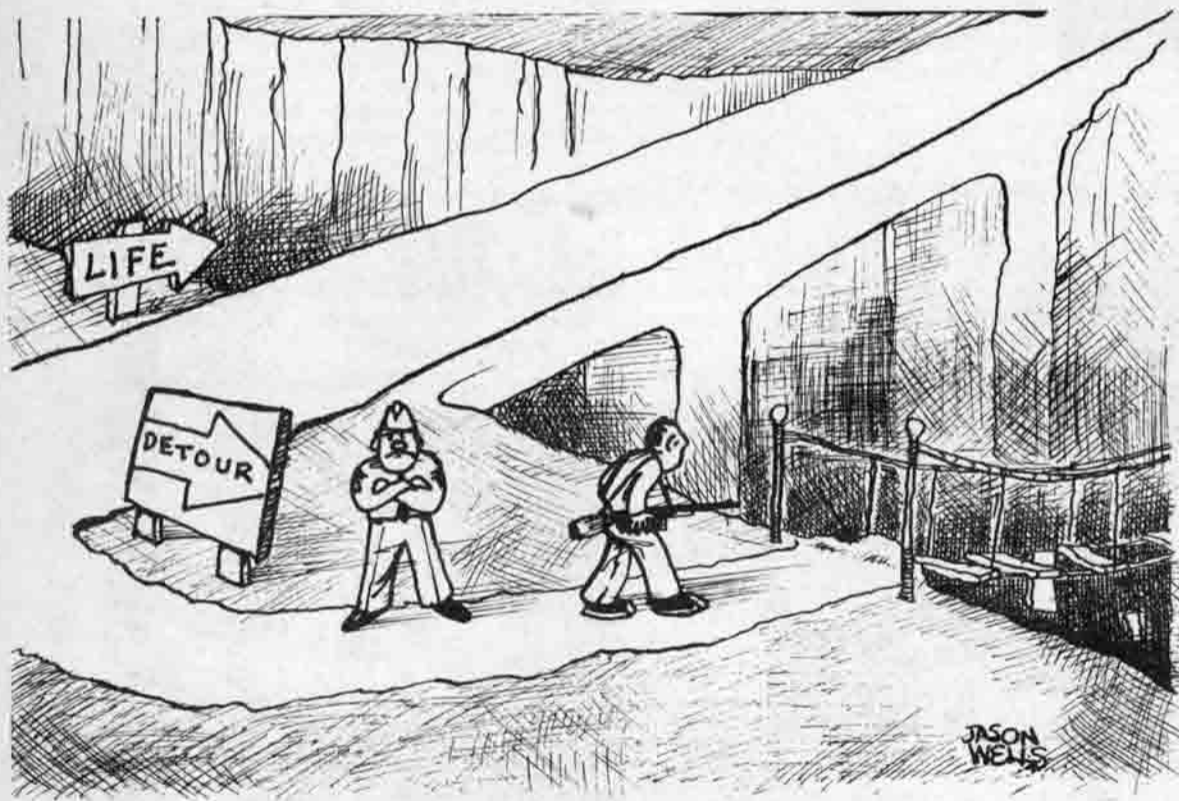
To learn more about ASUM, and how you can become a member of the ASUM Board of Directors, call UMSL Campus Coordinator Terri Reilly at 553-5919.

For the students,
Neil Croak
Chairman,
ASUM Board of Directors

Answer to letter to the editor:

In response to the letter from Theresa Moore, I agree with her that there should be areas in both the snack bar and cafeteria set aside for non-smokers. There should be no smoking in elevators as that is a fire hazard. But to ask for non-smoking areas in the study rooms may be too much. Theresa can go in any of the empty class rooms to study and escape the smoke-filled areas.

A smoking student



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MSSC president discusses UMSL activities

HUGH PHILLIPS is president of the Minority Students Service Coalition.

Current: What is the Minority Student Service Coalition [MSSC] and what is the function of the organization?

Phillips: The MSSC's basic purpose is to provide a service to minority students and make their way through college a lot easier. A large majority of blacks come from city schools that aren't really preparing students for college, and also UMSL's curriculum is not designed for that type student. UMSL's curriculum is basically a fast-paced curriculum.

C.: Right now what are you doing for the students at UMSL?

P.: At present, we are setting up programs to bring high school students on campus to expose them to the college environment. We handle any student's grievance, any minority student's grievance concerning an instructor, policeman, class, or in any situation where there is a problem on this campus. We also attempt to go out into the community and help where we can. We don't have the resources to help as much as we'd like. We also try to arrange programs for students, all students in general, in which they would like to participate. The week we have "Black Week." We have "Black History Week" coming up, and later on, we hold various snack and raps. A snack and rap is when a student can just come in and ask questions, as the sign says, "snack and rap."

C.: How large is your organization?

P.: We operate basically with a core of about twenty people. As time and requirements go, various students will fill in from time to time. As you know, this is a commuter campus, and the majority of students here have jobs and handle school, too. So, it depends on what we're doing.

C.: I would like now to ask you about your feelings on the coverage that the Current has given to minority students.

P.: If you go through the pages of the Current over the last 15 years (or when the Current was first started, you'll find that the Current has consistently managed to avoid covering black issues. I'm not going to say that this is prejudice on your part or on the Current's part. On this campus, the Current is indicative of the campus; that is, you come from all-white backgrounds and know all-white things, and so it's easy for you to cover all-white things. There is no real black representation on this campus other than the MSSC or other black organizations. Within recent years, there has been more attempts made to cover more things that are done by all students, and more activities done by minority students; but, like you said, it's a very slow process. I wish it would speed up. This campus needs a lot more things done for the minority students.

C.: What do you think about Mark Knollman and Yates Sanders?

P.: I've had an opportunity to work with both of them directly and indirectly, and I have no real opinion. I mean that they are like anyone else who comes from an all-white high school, or a majority-white high school, and have lived in the suburbs all their lives. They do not know how to talk with people. I'm sure, in time, as they grow older, they will learn.

C.: Do you think the policies of the University are discriminatory?

P.: Now, when we talk about policies, the policies as they are set up are not discriminatory. BUT the way the policies are instituted by an individual can make these policies seem racist, discriminatory. So, when you say "the policies of UMSL," you would also have to ask, "Whose implementation of the policy? Is he/she coming across as a racist, or is the policy being fairly implemented?" then, again, one has to look at the history of the majority of students and faculty that run this institution. Most come from majority-white high schools, the majority have lived in the suburbs all their lives, and they really don't know how to communicate with nor feel comfortable in communicating with black students, minority students, or whatever you want to call them.

C.: Then is the racial problem here at UMSL the "average white persons fault?"

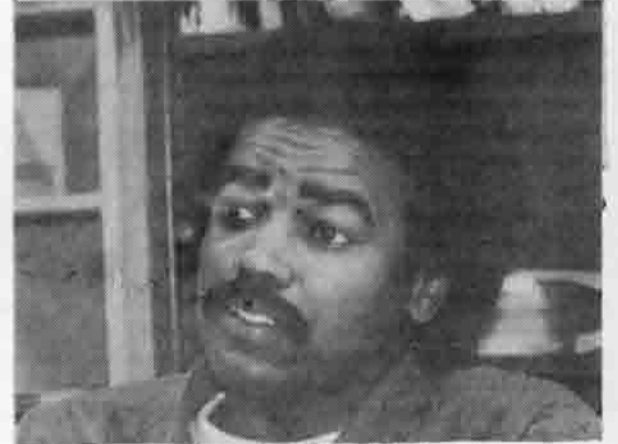
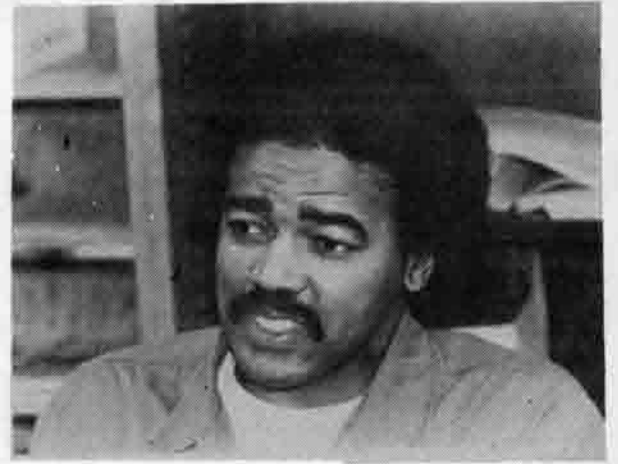
P.: The majority of students and faculty are people who originally abandoned the city because they could not live with blacks. Can you expect immediate conversation and co-existence? This is the first time many white students have had to work with black students. Many of them have pre-conceived ideas about what a black person is supposed to do, to act or to talk.

C.: Do you have anything you want to add?

P.: As long as the students on this campus are open to assisting the MSSC when the need arises, then I am happy.

C.: As far as Central Council, administration and whole inter-racial relations goes, are you optimistic for the near future?

P.: No. Generally, before things get better, they get worse. Since 1968, I personally feel that the black movement has fallen short of many of its objectives, and many of the doors that were opened after 1964 are slowly being closed. So, undoubtedly, there will be racial flareups. Then, the cycle will continue. It will be better for awhile and then worse. We all need to live together. Basically, we can't do that now. To sit back and say, "I hope," is not very effective. We now have one race trying, and the other race constantly ignoring or giving half efforts. Nothing will be achieved until there is a change in mental attitudes on both sides.



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Community service: The other side of Greek life

Barbara Langhorst

Imagine that you are playing a word association game and fraternity or sorority is mentioned. What is the first word that pops in your mind? Most likely it is parties, initiations or rushes. Least likely would be community service.

While most do not link civic activities with the chapters, community service is one of the cornerstones of greek life. Of the fifteen chapters, ten dedicate themselves to service for the community. However, the projects are underplayed and pass unnoticed.

Many members agree that negative coverage by the media shapes the public's attitudes towards greek life. David Beckel, president of Tau Kappa Epsilon thinks that "negative press" is the major problem. "A lot of the philanthropy projects would not make the front page," he said.

Bob Zak of Pi Kappa Alpha agrees that media creates a poor image of the greeks. "The press labels incidents back to the frats," he said.

Cindy Packard, president of Alpha Xi Delta said that these parts attract a lot of attention. "The media doesn't help much," she said. "They blow things out of proportion."

Sharon Cox, philanthropy chairman of Delta Zeta also feels that because UMsl is a commuter campus most seek out greek life as a way to meet people. "Therefore, they are attracted by the social life," she said.

Despite the negative publicity, the fraternities and sororities continue to render service and plan new projects. Some have special service or philanthropy committees to organize activities, while others make suggestions as new business during the meetings.

Problems do not lie in a shortage of activity suggestions or volunteers, but in a lack of time. Cox said that there are difficulties because this is a commuter campus and many girls hold down jobs. "However,

most come when they can," she said.

"We always have a good turnout," Packard said.

"Once a project is organized, we don't have much trouble getting help," said Patrice Douglas of Epsilon Beta Gamma.

The activities the greeks plan range from Christmas carolling to Old Newsboys to removing a woman's hedge. Other projects are planned as fund raisers for the chapter's national philanthropy, a cause endorsed nationwide by the chapters of a fraternity.

Alpha Phi Omega (APO), a coed fraternity, sponsors the APO Bookpool and a blood drive for Red Cross. Muscular Dystrophy is the fraternity's national "pet project" according to Joe Tator, a member. As part of the philanthropy, APO members manned telephones at the Jerry Lewis Telethon for MD. They also donated the proceeds from a booth at the Fete de Normandie to research for Hutchinson's disease. Currently, APO is UMsl's contact group for "Super Dance," a dance marathon for MD* which will be held at Meramec Community College.

Alpha Xi Delta, a 35-member sorority, raises funds for the American Lung Association for its national philanthropy. At Thanksgiving and again in April they donate money to the national chapter which distributes educational grants to graduate and undergraduate students. Part of the donation also funds the Grace Ferris Memorial Awards. Named in honor of a national officer who died of tuberculosis, \$500 grants are made annually to hospitals across the country for use in TB research.

Alpha Xi Delta, which has always placed in the top 20 of its 110 chapters, is spearheading a drive for all greeks to form a canned food drive. "The cans would be distributed by a collection of churches," Packard said. The sorority also works the phones at the Variety Telethon every February and makes

donations to St. Joseph's vocational schools.

Delta Zeta, a national sorority, focuses on deaf children as their national philanthropy. They send money to the national chapter which makes donations to the Gallaudet College for deaf students in Washington, D. C. In conjunction with the national project, the 30-member sorority plans activities for the autistic children at the Judevine Center. They threw a Halloween party and an Easter egg hunt, hiding popcorn-filled eggs in the center's gym. "We try to get the kids to talk," Cox said. She said that they were hoping to make felt gloves as toys to work up a few skits and songs to perform.

Delta Zeta also rented a house across from UMsl and threw a Christmas party for the children in the area, complete with a magic show, and pictures with Santa.

Epsilon Beta Gamma, a two-chapter frat sorority, sponsors food and clothing drives at Thanksgiving. They raise money to donate to different causes like the United Negro College fund and research on sickle cell anemia. The 90 members plan holiday parties and field trips for the elderly and orphans.

Omega Psi Phi is "basically civic-minded" according to Daryll Parker, a member. The members give performances, throw parties and carnivals, and plan field trips for different orphan's homes, like Annie Malone's. "We also work with ABC Clowns at different orphanages," Parker said.

The members have canned food drives the year 'round, and raise money for the National Association of Colored People (NAACP) and the United Negro College fund.

Pi Kappa Alpha (PIKE), a 45-member fraternity holds a pumpkin-pie eating contest every Thanksgiving to raise money for St. Vincent's Children's Home. "We collected about \$300 to \$400 last time," Zak said. They also hid Easter eggs for the children of St. Vincent's. The PIKEs held a



GREEK LIFE: Sorority sisters talk it over after a function last year. [Current staff photo].

winter spades tournament for multiple sclerosis and participated in the Superstars 700 for Big Brothers.

Sigma Gamma Rho, a national sorority, "tries to bring a little joy into someone's life" according to Valerie Cannon, an inactive member. The 35 members are required by the national chapter to do at least one project per month. Sigma Gamma Rho's projects revolve around the elderly and the orphans. They give Christmas and Valentine parties, Easter egg hunts and field trips to the parks. At Christmas, they spon-

sored a dance, charging canned goods as admission. The canned goods were donated to the St. Louis Post Dispatch's "100 Neediest Cases."

Sigma Pi, a national fraternity carolled for the St. Louis Christmas Caroling Association. They also demolished their old frat house which burned down. Sigma Pi members hope to have a snow removal service this winter and paint house numbers on curbs this spring said Bill Wings, a member.

Sigma Tau Gamma, a 25-

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member fraternity raises money for activities by collecting tolls at Natural Bridge and Hanley Road. Recently, they gave a dinner for senior citizens at the Bel-Ridge Community Center. They also volunteered to paint a house in Arrowhead Park with paint supplied by the city. Sig Tau holds a bike-a-thon annually for the American Cancer Society. Pledges are collected for each mile pedalled on the exercycle. "We collected \$160 just from the cans alongside the rider, said Jeff Prince, a member.

Tau Kappa Epsilon (TKE), a 45-member fraternity, has worked Old Newsboys and gave gift certificates to a senior citizens' home last Christmas. They hope to set up a keg roll this spring as part of a national project to raise funds for St. Jude's Center for Children. Pledges will be collected for each mile the two-man teams pull a 30-pound keg, according to Beckel. The TKEs also hope to set up a softball game with the children of St. Vincent's.

Zeta Tau Alpha, a national sorority raises part of its funds for activities by selling candy

cans at Christmas and running a singing telegram service for Valentine's Day. Part of the money is donated to the National Association for Retarded Children (NARC) as their national philanthropy. They also dyed Easter eggs and played Santa for retarded children here. The 22 members collected toys and games for the Toys for Tots drive. Barb Zeis, the membership chairman, said that they hope to sponsor musical chairs during Greek Week. The proceeds may go to the UMSL Commons development fund, she said.

Four other greek chapters are organized on campus. These honorary societies are not structured for community service like the other fraternities are; however, they do sponsor a few projects.

Beta Alpha Psi, a national honorary society in accounting, runs a tax service from February to April for the elderly and poor at the different community centers in St. Louis. They also sponsor a blood drive for Red Cross in the fall and spring.

Kappa Delta Pi is an honorary society in professional education

majors. Kerry Fox, a member, said that their main thrust is to hold monthly meetings featuring guest speakers. "We are not structured to do things in the community," she said. The society does make donations to UMSL for projects like the Commons development fund.

Pi Epsilon Kappa is an organization of physical education majors. "I don't consider ourselves greek," member Sue Hyde said. The members volunteer at a gym summer camp during the first weeks in June.

Pi Sigma Epsilon is a marketing fraternity backed by area executives. Although they are not organized for community service, according to Daniel McAteer, a member the fraternity sponsors the UMSL Boat Race annually. They also provided administrative services for Spirit Week and for the 15-year anniversary celebration. "A possible project in the future is distributing folders to the students," McAteer said.

So again imagine yourself playing a word association game and hearing the word fraternity or sorority. Now what is the first word that pops into your mind?

Student activities

Eric Poole

Have I got some shocking news for you.

Did you know that—according to a recent *Time* magazine poll—only 25 percent of all college students are having intimate relationships with one or more faculty members? Now I ask you, is that the very best we can do? I think not. This being the age of permissiveness, of relaxed morals, of nonexistent discipline, one would think that this percentage would be much higher.

order to share their wealth of knowledge with those students in whom they saw fabulous academic potential.

Likewise, 97 percent of the students interviewed quoted passion and lechery as their motive for professorial intimacy. Only 3 percent expressed any hopes of academic growth (this question was often greeted with shrieks of laughter) or financial security in their relationships with the faculty.

As you can see, student-

Lunacy Prevails

a new humor column

But apparently some of you out there aren't trying.

Of course, there are two possible explanations for this ridiculously low figure. One part of the problem may lie with the professors. At schools such as UMSL—and at most other state universities—the faculty-student ratio is at least 1-18. Therefore, certain older professors—particularly male—may have trouble maintaining intimacy with their quota of eighteen students.

Another possible answer may be that both the professors and students have religious or personal convictions that forbid such sexual conduct. Now, these party poopers are not to be looked upon with disfavor, for one cannot always help being inhibited, hung-up or frigid.

A recent poll undertaken by several aggressive friends (UMSL students) and me revealed that: of the professors who were surveyed, an overwhelming 83 percent became involved in extracurricular affairs for reasons of unbridled lust. Of the remainder, 16.5 percent expressed the desire to recapture their youth, and .5 percent stated that they became romantically involved in

faculty liaisons are a simply marvelous method of releasing those pent-up frustrations and tensions. And there are other advantages: Of the 25 percent of American university professors who have at some time enjoyed an alliance, only 31 percent have been sued for divorce one or more times; and of the same number of college students involved who wedded their former teachers, no less than 43 percent remained legally married for at least six weeks.

The year 1980 has been designated by the League of United Student Teachers (LUST) as Year of the Immoral Student. In this time of political and economic strife, we as a student body must do our share to uphold those impassioned virtues of voyeurism and immorality which the American people hold most dear. It is my belief that together the students and faculty of the University of Missouri can unite and stand tall; for better or worse, in sickness and in veneral disease, till pregnancy do us part. In closing, permit me to paraphrase the immortal words of Sophie Tucker: "Give me Lechery or Give me Smut."



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UMSL WOMEN ATHLETIC PROGRAM will sponsor a fund raising newspaper drive Feb. 4-15. For more information call 453-5641.

KWMU Fusion 91: birthday celebration. Winners of the Fusion Artist of the Decade will be announced from 11pm-7am.

SPORTS: Lincoln University will play UMSL Riverwomen at 7:30 here.

ART EXHIBIT: Faculty Exhibit in 210 Lucas Hall from 9-9 M-Th and 9-5 Fri.

SATURDAY

SPORTS: Culver-Stockton will play UMSL Riverwomen at 7:30 here.

SUNDAY

KWMU SUNDAY MAGAZINE: More and more women are doing work previously thought of as "for men only." The Sunday Magazine talks to two women construction workers about their careers from 11-midnight.

MONDAY

KOFFEE KLOTCH: The Evening College is sponsoring a Koffee Klotch from 5:30-8:30 in the Lucas Hall lobby.

DEADLINE: Last day to buy **Current** Valentine Day ads. The cost is \$1 per column inch. For more information call 553-5174.

INTRAMURAL: Women's Basketball Tournament in Mark Twain at 2:00.

INTRAMURAL: Handball Tournament in Mark Twain Feb. 11-15 from 3:15-6:30.

WORKSHOP: Learning essential writing skills sponsored by CAD in 409 SSB from 9-10.

DISPLAY: Omega Psi Phi and Delta Sigma Theta will have a display in the University Center lobby from 9-5.

SPORTS: Wright State will play UMSL Rivermen in Dayton, Ohio.

TUESDAY

WORKSHOP: Robert Killoren will instruct a workshop on grant proposal writing skills on Tuesday evenings from 7-9 Feb. 5- March 11 as a part of UMSL's Continuing Education Program. Registration fee is \$50. For more information call 553-5961.

KOFFEE KLOTCH: The Evening College is sponsoring a Koffee Klotch from 5:30-8:30 in the

Lucas Hall lobby.

DISPLAY: Alpha Kalpa Alpha and Alpha Phi Alpha will have a display in the University Center lobby from 9-5.

INTRAMURAL: Last day to sign up for the Coed Volleyball League.

WEDNESDAY

INTRAMURAL: Last day to sign up for the Men's Racquetball Tournament.

SPORTS: SIU-Edwardsville will play UMSL Riverwomen in Edwardsville at 7:30.

INTRAMURAL: Women's Basketball Tournament at Mark Twain at 2:00.

DISPLAY: Sigma Gamma Rho and Kalpa Alpha Psi will have a display in the University Center lobby from 9-5.

MEETING: The Investment Club will meet in 334 SSB at 1:00. Membership is open to any UMSL student with an interest in the securities markets as an alternative source of income. For more information call Chuck Wiese at 892-3593.

THURSDAY

DISPLAY: Phi Beta Sigma and Zeta Phi Beta will have a display in the University Center lobby from 9-5.

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Southeast Missouri St. dumps UMSL again

Mike Hemen

Southeast Missouri State defeated UMSL for the second time this year Saturday night at the Mark Twain Building. The Indians had won the first game, and this time they emerged victorious by a score of 70-67.

The Rivermen were forced to play without the services of their leading scorer, senior guard Rick Kirby, who injured an ankle in practice Friday. Picking up the slack for UMSL was William Harris, a 6-3 sophomore guard, who led all scorers with 28 points.

"We didn't have much time to prepare for Kirby's absence."

said Rivermen coach Tom Bartow. And considering this unexpected setback, Bartow was pleased with his team's performance. "We played fairly well," he said. "I don't feel badly about our effort. I feel we played with intensity."

The game was close throughout. In the first half the lead continually changed hands, and when it ended, SEMO led by three, 35-32. The second half was no different. Again the lead changed hands, with SEMO's biggest lead seven points, and UMSL's three.

UMSL tied the game, 65-65, with 1:10 left on 20-foot jump shot by Harris. But nine seconds

later SEMO's Ray Bartle scored on a jump shot. Then John Sanchez dropped in two free throws to put the Indians up by four. Harris came back and hit on another jump shot to cut the lead to two, but a late free throw pushed the final margin to three.

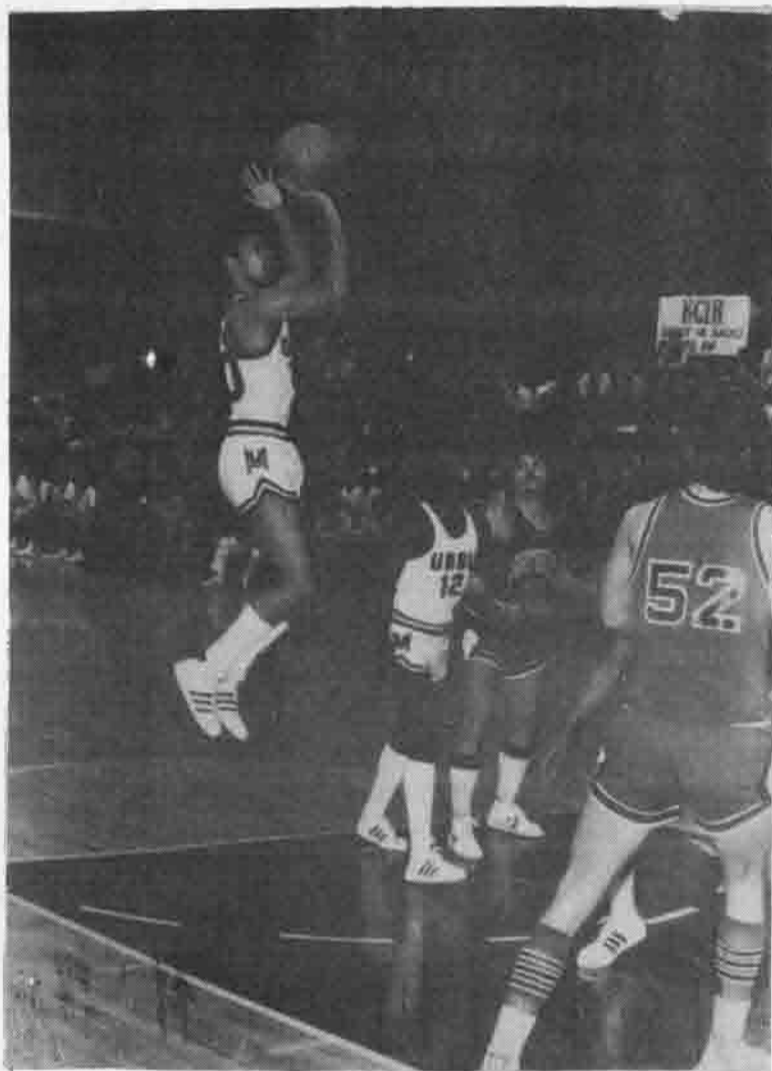
Two areas that might have decided the game were UMSL's total number of turnovers and their free throw shooting. UMSL made 15 turnovers, including two that led to SEMO baskets late in the second half. As for free throw shooting, the Rivermen were only five for 11 from the line.

"We have a young team," said Bartow. "Young teams tend to make mistakes at the wrong time. Tonight the turnovers we made when we had the lead were critical and crucial. If we had won a few more games, we would have won this game."

Following Harris in the UMSL scoring parade were Tom Houston with 14 points and Donald Brown with 12. No one else was in double figures.

Otto Porter, who Bartow calls "possibly the best forward in the MIAA," led the winners in scoring with 25 points.

The loss dropped UMSL's season record to 6-11. The Rivermen played at home Wednesday night against Southwest Missouri State.



TAKING CHARGE: William Harris pumps in two of his game-high 28 points in UMSL's 70-67 loss to Southeast Missouri last Saturday night at UMSL. [photo by Wiley Price]



TOUGH GOING: William Harris finds his path to the basket a little crowded in the game against SEMO. [photo by Wiley Price]

Kirby may miss rest of season

Jeff Kuchno

UMSL's hopes of finishing the season with a respectable record have been considerably diminished by the loss of star guard Rick Kirby, who injured his ankle in practice last Friday.

The injury occurred during a defensive fundamental drill as the Rivermen were preparing for last Saturday night's game against Southeast Missouri State, which UMSL lost, 70-67.

The seriousness of the injury is uncertain, but there is a

strong possibility that Kirby may miss the remainder of the season. And his services will be sorely missed since he leads the team in almost every offensive category.

Kirby leads the team in scoring (17.5 points per game), Field Goal percentage (.578) and Free Throw percentage (.784).

In addition to his scoring prowess, Kirby has committed only 29 turnovers, which is the least amount for any UMSL starter. This statistic is highly indicative of Kirby's value to the

team because he handles the ball as often as anyone during a game.

Should Kirby fail to return to action during the final three weeks of the season, he will complete his career at UMSL with 683 points, which would put him in eleventh place on the UMSL all-time scoring list.

His current field goal percentage is the best of any Rivermen for a single season. The record is .574, set by Hubert Hoosman in the 1975-76 season.

Matmen look solid

Rick Capelli

Well, one might not think a sixth place finish in an eight team tourney very satisfying, but coach Tom Loughery was extremely optimistic about the showing of his matmen in the Chicago State invitational last weekend. And with good reason.

The young grapplers, wrestling without standout Roger Toben, turned in a solid performance in a tough tournament.

"We certainly showed that we are not a one man team," said Loughery. Helping the coach prove his point were Steve Jansen and Henry Petty. Jansen, wrestling at his own weight class for a change, thoroughly dominated the 158-pound bracket and took first place. Junior College transfer Petty came on to take third place at 150 lbs.

"Henry had some nagging injuries in the early going this year but lately he's been showing just what kind of wrestler he can be," said Loughery.

John Vahey, at 167, made it to the semifinals but then lost his chance to place in a tough match with the second-seeded wrestler in the tourney. Heavyweight Len Debert also narrowly missed

placing as he won one match and lost two.

Roger Toben sat out the match with a knee injury and it might have been a little different story for the Rivermen if he had wrestled. As Loughery pointed out, "The man who won Roger's weight class was beaten rather easily by Toben last year. It would have been interesting if Toben could have wrestled in the tournament."

By "interesting" Loughery meant that a first place finish by Toben at 142 would have vaulted the Rivermen into fourth place overall.

But returning to reality, the outlook in this tournament next year is bright. "We'll have Toben, Jansen and Petty all stacked in there together at 142, 150, and 158 plus everybody else back, so it's going to be a fun trip down there next year," said Loughery.

"We more than doubled our point total from last year here and I think everybody did a very fine job. We're improving every week."

Hopefully, the grapplers will continue that improvement this week, too. It certainly is a busy one. Tonight the Rivermen will

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Women cagers defeat SEMO as key district games approach

Terri Moore

For those who decided to journey through the snow to the Mark Twain Building last Wednesday, the decision proved to be a good one. Not only did they see UMSL's women's basketball team play an excellent game, but they saw one of basketball's more unusual endings.

With 10:04 remaining in the game, UMSL held a 62-35 lead when one of Southeast Missouri's players pulled down a rebound and began swinging her elbows, which got her a technical foul. SEMO coach, Amy Spence, who had been questioning the officials all evening, began to protest and also received a technical. She then pulled her team off the court, and left the building.

The game was not a forfeit, so the final score, 62-35 will stand. SEMO coach Amy Spence has been suspended for her behavior.

"We played so well, I think it was a matter of frustration," said coach Joe Sanchez. "If we played every game this year with the same intensity we could have won 20."

UMSL used a full court press effectively, forcing Southeast to turn the ball over 26 times, with Pat Conley and Myra Bailey forcing four each. As a team, the women shot 24 of 57 from the field and outrebounded SEMO, 29-21. Connie Lisch played a very aggressive game, grabbing 12 of the 29 rebounds and scored 14 points.

Pat Conley also played well, leading the team in scoring with 20 points, Conley led the team

in scoring against William Woods, with 13.

"We were ready to play, we knew what we had to do and we executed well," Sanchez said. "We shot down their offense, which was the key."

The victory, UMSL's 12th of the season, assured the team of a third place finish in the division, and left them with a possibility of a wild card spot in the Missouri State playoffs. A victory in the game against Lincoln Friday at UMSL, will tie the women for second, giving them an outside chance for first. If William Woods should lose to Lincoln; SEMO and UMSL, there would be a three way tie for first.

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UMSL cage teams prove success doesn't happen overnight

In 1978-79, UMSL basketball was an all-around flop for both the men and women's squads. The respective records were 7-19 for the men, the worst season in UMSL history, and 5-19 for the women. Simply put, it was pitiful.

At the beginning of this basketball season, though, a bright glimmer of hope and optimism shown upon the cagers. This was the case because both teams entered the season with new coaches and key returning personnel. In addition, both coaches were successful in recruiting promising freshmen, which made the prospectus for the future even better.

Looking at the records of these two teams with approximately three weeks remaining in the season, one can plainly see that neither is exactly setting the world on fire. In fact, both have been struggling below the .500 mark, but that is somewhat deceiving. Improvement has been made.

Entering last night's game against Southwest Missouri State with a record of 6-13, the Rivermen find themselves one game better off than a year ago at this time. That doesn't look like much improvement, but consider this...

In UMSL's first 13 losses last year, nine of them were decided by 14 points or more and, this year, only five have been lost by more than 14 points. UMSL has also lost four games this year by only four points or less. Had the Rivermen won those games, they would be over the .500 mark for the season.

Another factor to be considered is the schedule. UMSL undoubtedly has the toughest Division II slate in the nation. Last year, the Rivermen played such teams as Drake, Harris, St. Louis U., George Williams and Missouri Baptist, but this year, those teams were replaced by Arkansas, Wisconsin-Green Bay, Illinois, Northwest Missouri and Murray State all of whom defeated the Rivermen. UMSL was

3-2 against the former. So, if the Rivermen had played last year's schedule this year, they would probably have a few more games racked up in the win column.

Of course, this may sound like a forum of excuses for losing, but give the Rivermen credit. They have handled a ridiculously tough schedule rather well with a relatively young team. Sophomores William Harris and Dennis Benne have started almost every game and freshmen Tom Houston, Debrit Jenkins and Tony Kinder have also seen plenty of action.

Thus, it seems the Rivermen and coach Bartow have a bright future ahead of them.

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On the other side of the court, the women cagers have enjoyed their best season ever. They have yet to reach the .500 mark, but in the past, such a thought was unthinkable. The women have won more games this year, 12, than in the last two years combined.

A lot of the credit for this success should be given to first-year coach Joe "must win this game" Sanchez. An engineer of winning programs, Sanchez came to UMSL this year after two years at William Woods where his teams won 52 and lost 9.

Sanchez, who approaches every game as if it's his last, is committed to building UMSL women's basketball into a national power. And even though the team has a losing record, Sanchez and his cagers are moving in the right direction.

Sanchez has benefitted from the return of four starters from last season, but the key has been the excellent team depth. Almost every player has made a contribution in one way or another this season. Veterans Myra Bailey and Pat Conley have been the most consistent scorers, while fine performances have been given by newcomers Connie Lisch, Lori Smith, Kim Ayers, Karen Lauth and Lori Davidson.

The men and women have proven one point: success is not an overnight occurrence. It takes time to build a winner and nobody likes a loser. But take heart. The best is yet to come.

Maier's swimmers down SLU, 68-61

Mary Dempster

Swim coach Don Maier belonged to SLU last year. UMSL claimed him this year. So, it might have seemed a little awkward to him, at first, when Maier saw his old team swimming last Thursday in the UMSL pool. But only for a moment.

The UMSL women latched onto a 15 point lead over SLU at the very beginning of the meet and held on to it up until the very end in a 68-61 victory.

Obviously a meet which played on his nerves at certain suspenseful moments, Maier was anxious since two of his swimmers were sick. "I was afraid of what I knew they (SLU) could do," he said. "It was always in the back of my mind." His only goal was to keep the women's narrow lead from dwindling any further.

He need not have worried. Maier was blessed with solid performances from every swimmer. Patty Wilson easily handled the tough competition from SLUH by capturing honors in the 50 meter freestyle. Bitzie

Hebron found herself pitted against last year's Division II All American champ in the 50 butterfly, but "she really hung tough" and shaved two seconds off of her time. "If she would have had a little faster turns," said Maier, "she might have been able to tag her."

While the men could not boast of a victory, 57-12, Maier had some favorable comments about their performance. Steve Walters knocked 13 more seconds off of his time. "He did one heck of a good job. Maybe he's not a superstar, but he's got the ability." Walters has really been looking to improve himself this whole season. As Maier explained, it's hard for a swimmer to work on bettering his times, when there isn't a chance in the world for his team to win. "I'm very proud of the way he's swimming," he said.

The Rivermen will be contending with Washington University and SLU this Saturday, Feb. 9th, in the SLACA meet. "It's a championship meet," said Maier, "and SLU is really going to be tough."

UMSL to play at Kiel

Thursday, February 14, will be UMSL NIGHT at Keil Auditorium as the Riverwomen play SIU-Edwardsville at 5:45 pm, in a preliminary matchup, to the St. Louis Streak game against the Milwaukee Does in the women's professional basketball

league. The second game starts at 7:30 pm.

UMSL students, staff and faculty can buy \$4.50 tickets for \$2.50 if the tickets are purchased in advance. Tickets are on sale at the University Center information desk.

Tennis players needed

There will be a meeting for all full-time undergraduate females interested in trying out for the women's intercollegiate team on

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Women's basketball

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EYES ON THE BASKET: UMSL guard Debbie Busch eyes the basket in a recent game against Principia. [Photo by Paul Killian].

"We can't hope for this, we must go out and win the next two games. We've got to beat Lincoln. It's a must game," Sanchez said.

UMSL came out cold in its game on Saturday against William Woods. The women shot 24 percent from the field in the first half and fell behind 28-18 by halftime. The women got hot in the second half and shot 47 percent, making a close game of it, losing 64-52.

"If we had played anywhere decent in the first half, we could have won the game," Coach Sanchez said. "The game was lost at the free throw line. They shot two of eleven free throws, and that's the difference in the ball game."

"I don't want to use the excuse of pressure for our loss; we beat ourselves," Sanchez added.

Last year, when Sanchez coached at William Woods, they beat UMSL by 43 points using the same lineup they put on the court this year, which shows how much UMSL had improved.

The women have one remaining game with William Woods at home. "If we play with the same intensity we did against Southeast, we'll beat William Woods and Lincoln," said Sanchez.

UMSL attempted to get revenge of an earlier 73-65 defeat by St. Louis University on Wednesday. The team will face Lincoln on Friday at home in a very important division game, and play Culver-Stockton Saturday at UMSL.

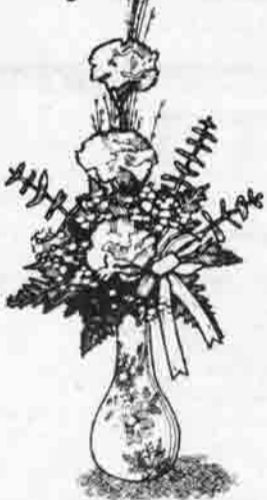
"We're back to a key game," said Coach Sanchez, "it seems as if we keep making it harder on ourselves."

Wrestling

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host Forest Park Community College along with the powerful Indians of Southeast Mo. State. After a dual meet in Kirksville Friday night with Northeast Mo. State they will have their final home match of the year Saturday at 1 pm against Missouri-Rolla and Lincoln.

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Dedicated UMSL showgirls are worth waiting for

Jeff Kuchno

If you ever go to an UMSL basketball game and dislike what you see in the early going, please, don't leave. At least stay until halftime. That's when the players leave for intermission and the UMSL showgirls take center stage.

The UMSL showgirls? That's right. This first-year pom-pom squad of 14 young women who perform numerous dance routines is one of the many products of coach Tom Bartow's school of promotions.

When Bartow took over as head basketball coach after last year's dismal 7-19 season, the worst in UMSL history, he vowed to pump some life into a breathless program by way of promotions (i.e. the UMSL showgirls). And, thus far, Bartow's brainchild has been a hearty success.

"They've had to organize their own routines and I think they do a tremendous job," said UMSL sports information director, Pat Sullivan. "It's been extremely successful."

How did the UMSL showgirls get its start? Well, Bartow inquired about the possibilities of a pom-pom squad and that led him to Debbie Fallon and Laurie Berres. Bartow then asked these two UMSL students to formulate the squad. And he couldn't have picked two more qualified people to do so.

Fallon, a junior at UMSL, is the daughter of UMSL physical education professor, Dennis Fallon, who has written three books on dancing. She has been teaching a disco dance class, along with her father, in nearby Florissant, and enjoys that very much. But, she has always aspired to be a pom-pom girl.

"I've been going to UMSL basketball games for eight years, and I was interested in someday being a pom-pom girl for UMSL," (UMSL discontinued its pom-pom squad four years ago), said Fallon. "I wanted to start a squad last year, but it never came about."

Thanks to Coach Bartow, though, Fallon's dream of being part of a pom-pom squad has become a reality. Bartow and the basketball team have funded the showgirls while Fallon and Berres make all the other decisions.

However, Berres, who has a lot of experience in being a pom-pom girl, is also a model for Famous-Barr and her time spent with the squad has been limited. So, Fallon has had to step forward and lead the way.

"We never really elected a captain or anything like that," said Fallon, "but I guess I've been kind of a leader."

Indeed, when the squad was in its developmental stage, Fallon organized the practice sessions and engineered dance routines. Tryouts for the squad began in October and approximately 25 or 30 girls tried out. After a few weeks, the squad was whittled to 14.

Once the squad was down to that final number, Fallon and the other showgirls began serious work. Practice sessions took

place three times a week and consisted of two to two and one-half hours of dance routines.

"Laurie and I introduced the dance steps we already knew but the other girls offered suggestions for some steps they liked," said Fallon. "So, it's really been a combined effort. I think it's exciting to be a part of it. I love it."

Not everything has gone smoothly, however. Problems have surfaced, especially when practice sessions interfere with work commitments. But, according to Fallon, the 100 percent cooperation of the squad members has alleviated some of these problems.

Another point of concern is the small crowds at UMSL home games, which have been a disappointing factor for both the

team and the showgirls. After all, a performance becomes more meaningful when it is witnessed by many.

"It would be nice to have bigger crowds," said Fallon. "It gives the team a lift and makes us want to perform that much better."

But don't get Fallon wrong. She's very pleased with the way things have gone so far this year. "Since this is only our first year, we've worked extra hard," she explained. "Next year, it's going to be a lot better."

So, next time you go to an UMSL basketball game, make sure you don't wander off at halftime. Instead, stay in the stands and shift your attention to the court where the showgirls with the maroon outfits and little white boots will entertain you.

You'll be glad you did.



Debbie Fallon



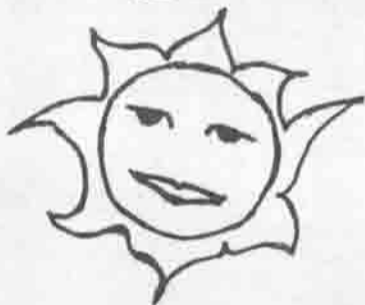
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