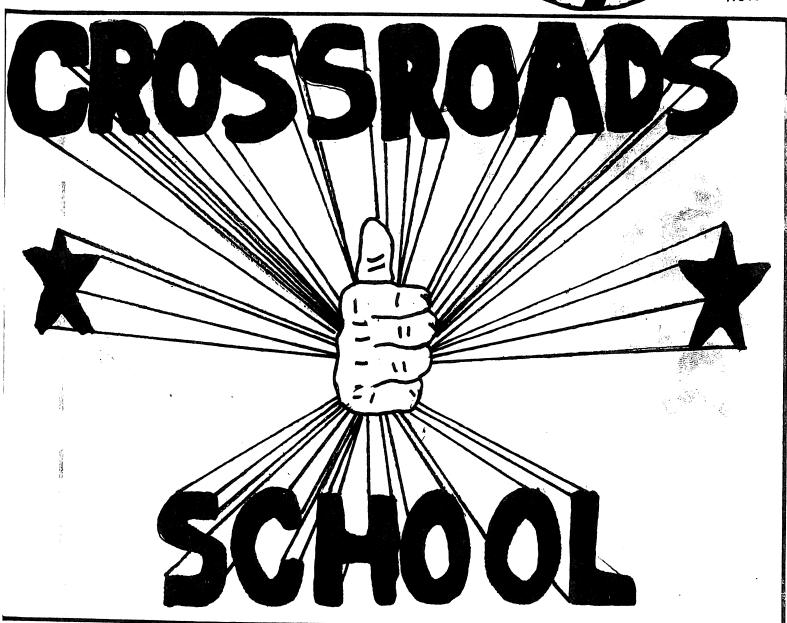
# Crossroads Urbanite



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# Shooting on Memari Street by Al Nerviani

On Tuesday November4, 1975 an article was published in the St. Louis
Post Dispatch. The article was about a shooting in the 1000 block of
Barton Street, on the corner of Barton and Menard. A Crossroads Urbanite news
toam, consisting of Judy Jordan, Susan McClelland, Michello Wesley and
myself, followed up on the story. Here is what we found out.

Norman Mitchell, 25 years old, of the 2400 block of Menard, was in an argument with then Farrell, 63, on Monday. Farrell lived in the 2300 block of Menard, even though he used to live in the same building as Mitchell, his neighbors said. Neighbors also aspect reported that Farrell was normally drunk and that he hated young kids because of the noise they made. Even though Farrell was 63 years old, he has been seen racing up and down Monard popping wheelies.

Mitchell supposedly was a "clean-out, hard working boy" according to his neighbor. On the day of the shooting Farrell was planning to move and he asked Mitchell to help him. Mitchell went in. Then around 4:30 there was an argument between them. Heighbors said it was probably because Farrell owed Mitchell money. Another rumor was that Mitchell insulted Farrell's common law wife.

Farrell got out his .22 caliber rifle and chased Mitchell. The Police said Mitchell ran left down the 1000 block of Barton. Witnesses reported to us, however, that he turned right and ran up the 1100 block of Barton. Neighbors said that Farrell shot Mitchell twice in the back.

On Tuesday Mitchell was listed in serious condition at City Hospital. Today he was listed as satisfactory.

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#### THE KAREN QUINLAN CASE

The prosecutor for the case said, "The last thing we want to do is put Karen Ann Quinlan on trial." But their whole case has been based on what Karen would have wanted, how she had said that she was scared to death of being kept alive by a machine, how she lived, and how this led to the actual strange happening. Karen was adopted at four weeks from a home for unwed mothers.

Karen was adopted at four weeks from a home for unwed mothers. Living in her parents two story framehouse until last fall, she led what appeared to be a normal middle-class girl's ille. She made average grades in the local parochial schools and her teachers and principals couldn't remember anything unusual about her. A kind of tomboy, she was interested in sports and at ore time took a job as a gas station attendant and assistant mechanic. In August 1974 she moved out of her parents house and moved in with a friend. Some of her friends denied that they were drug and drink-ridden and said that they only accasionally took pills and that "Karen might have taken some pills to get high, but she wasn't into drugs." But Thomas Fench, who was with Karen during the last few days of her active life, says she was "self-destructive, popping whatever pills she could get her hands on" and often drinking to excess.

On the night of April 14 she went with some friends to celebrate a friend's birthday. Fench said he saw Karen popping some pills and they had some gin-and-tonics before they got to the bar. When they got there she started to "nod out" after only one drink so "ench took her home. By the time they got home Karen had passed completely out. A few minutes later he noticed that she had stopped breathing and he started giving her mouth to mouth respiration. Friends called an ambulance. She

never woke up.

by Rachel Steffen

#### TO DIE OR NOT TO DIE

Some time next week Judge Robert Muir Jr. will make his decision on the Karen Quinlan case. Much interest has been aroused by the case. Karen Quinlan in her present state weight only 70 lbs. Her hair lies on her pillow in dull, matted strands. Her skin is yellow and pale and stretched tight over her skull. She has been connected to a respirator for the last 6 months.

Karen's parents, Joseph and Julia Quinlan, have arrived at the decision to have the respirator removed so she may be allowed to die. The doctops have offered no hope for Karen's recovery. Joseph Quinlan explained that, "I didn't want her to die. I just wanted to put her back in her natural state and leave her to the Lord. If the Lord wants her to live in a natural state, she'll live. If he wants her to die, she'll die."

#### TO DIE OR NOT TO DIE continued

Doos Karen Quinlan have a right to die or doesn't she?
Her parents think she does and their reasons are that if a person can't lead a natural and normal life, he or she shouldn't be forced to live at all. The defense on the other hand says that their reason to keep her alive is that there's a small minute chance that she might come out of it. The doctors won't turn off Karen's respirator because they fear murder charges which makes the state the defense.

Today the Urbanite tried to contact the Pope and the Cardinal of St. Louis, but the Vatican switchboard informed us that

the Pope was at general audience.

The Urbanite also went around the city asking questions on the Quinlan Case. And the turn-out is as follows:

	THE KAREN	QUINLAN CASE Disagree
l. Do you think Karen Quinlan's life should be terminated?	39	28
2. Would you react as K. Quinlan's parents if someone in your immediate family was in this same situation?	41	27
3. Do you think the courts bhould be made the guardian of the child in question?	19	46
4. Do you think K. Quinlan should have her wishes carried out and the systems of life support turned off?	36	19

by Bob Jordan

# QUESTIONNAIRE ON BUSING

Information for this survey was conducted by students in Candy Knight's Social Science Skills class this past mini-mester.

## QUESTION

- l. I know the law on the issue of busing in my state and in others.
- 2. Is there busing in the school district you live in?
- 3. Is the busing in your district for racial balance?
- 4. Are there other reasons for busing besides racial balance?
- 5. Does busing for racial balance cost you money in taxes?
- 6. Do your children get bused to school?
- 7. Is the reason because of overcrowding?
- 8. Is the reason for racial balance?

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- 9. Do you think busing effects one XEX group of people more than another?
- 10. Do you think forced busing for any reason is fair?
- 11. Do you believe there is a negative effect on the community when there is forced busing?
- 12. Is forced busing to balance schools racially worth the uproar?
- 13. Does it produce better schooling for disadvantaged black youngsters and no less for white youngsters?
- 14. Are there alternatives to busing for achieving desegregation and improving the education of black children.

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TOTALS MAY DIFFER FOR DIFFERENT QUESTIONS DUE TO THE WILLINGNESS OR LACK OF WILLINGNESS OF RESPONDENTS TO ANSWER PARTICULAR QUESTIONS.

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## QUESTION

- Does school desegregation worsen 15. race relations?
- Does school desegregation improve 16 . race relations?
- If your child were to be bused for 17. racial balance would you consider sending him/her to a private school?
- Should children's opinions on busing 18. be considered on this issue?
- Do you feel the federal government 19. should have the power of the law in the question of busing for racial balance?

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#### SCHOOL BUSSING

by Paul Paget

We are presenting information because forced school bussing seems to be what people are concened about today. Wewanted to see what other people from all over the country thought of forced bussing and the conflicts surrounding the issue of forced school bussing.

We went to public facilities and interviewed people from different parts of the country and got an abundance of information from people Ex concerning the issue of forcd school bussing. In 1954 the Supreme Court made the decision that schools were to be desegregated. The solution was forced bussing. In the \$00 s forced bussing played a major role in the nation's educational system. Now bussing seems to have as much effect in ther North as in the South,

The most important factor to be considered is the level of education that each student is receiving in this country at the present time. There is a drastic change needed so that each indivividual student gets an equal opportunity tomerhaine achieve in whatever he/she should choose.

Bussing is no answering this need.

Bussing for racial balance is enlarging the problem that the schools already face- inadequate education. We feel that racial balance in schools is very important, but we also feel that each individual student and their needs are more important. Our goal is for better education for all, not just some. But does bussing answer this need? We have been writing some options to bussing. We aren't saying that these will solve all the problems, but at least there are some options that we hope will be considered.

Put White teachers in Black schools and Black teachers in White schools

B. Change school districts. Build small community schools offering new methods of teaching, materials and smaller classes. This would make the school inviting to all parents who want the best for their children. And enabling the student to choose his of her education.

(This artical written with information given by social science skills course.)

#### LOCK AND DAM 26

#### RAILROADERS VS. RIVERMEN

by Ted Levino

As you probably already have heard, there is a great controversy about whether a new airport should be built in the Columbia-Waterloo, Illinois area. The new airport would cost \$350 million. Huch less has been said about the proposed new locks and dam 26 at Alton, Illinois which would cost \$50 million more than the new airport. This \$50 million is approximately the cost of the new Mercantile Tower in downtown St. Louis.

Hare are some opinions of some of the vital interests in this controversy:

RAILROADS OPINION: The project would lead to extension of the 12-foot MNX river channel for more barge traffic, resulting in diversion of existing rail traffic to garges.

BARGES OPINION: Replacement of the present facility is needed to eliminate delays that are very costly. They are costly to the shippersand ultimately to the consumers. Greater capacities of the new locks would remove the bottleneck.

#### ZHEXEBERRXURXENEZHEEKEX

The Corps of Engineers has hired divers to examine the present facility which was completed in 1938 at the cost of \$12.5 million. The examination will determine what repairs are needed to keep it operating safely for the next 15 years or as long as necessary.

The railroaders believe the Alton project would tip the scales in favor of barge lines and would force up rail rates.

The waterway association declared that railroads have received three times the public assistance which was provided to the inland waterways. "Railroads have been and will continue to be the all-time champions in the matter of federal financial aid."

In lock and dam 26% present state the barges have a delay of about 2% hours for passage through.

There is also mass traffic at lock 27 in the Chain of Rocks Canal this October and November. It is hindered by a 600-foot lock which has been closed for three years to permit construction of an upper guidewall. The locks are made to change the water levels so that a barge can go from high water to lower water.

will come in. Then they will open the valve and flood all the water out so that it is the level of the river. Then they will open the other lock and the barge will go out.

The reason there are locks on the Mississippi is that the river is not navigable naturally from St. Louis to Minneapolis. Prior to the 1920s, there were no locks. Low water and rapids prevented barge traffic. Thus, in the 1920s and 1930s the federal government built over 25 sets of locks and dams which deepened the river to eliminate the rapids.

#### Crossroeds Fublishes Newsrapap by Jeff Laurence

Some of you are probably wondering where and how we go the information needed to publish that this issue of the Urbanite. This article lists some of the ways we got information and also some of the tactics we tried but which didn't completely work.

About 10:00 this morning Logan Hartin, Larry Hiyasaka, Faun Potash, and Paris Jackson and I went into the Chase Hotel to get information about the shorrif who brought his prisoners in there for the night. We had a chance to have an appointment with the manager of the hotel tomorrou, but that wouldn't do us any good. Later, after we got back Ted LeVine called the secretary of the manager of the hotel. He told her that she just won \$500.00 and a man was waiting to give it to her downstairs in the lobby. He was hoping to get her away from the phone so Faun could call back and get the manager on the phone. But it didn't work. She just said, "Oh, no." like she didn't believe it.

Another unusual try for information was when Bob Jordan called the Vatican in Rome, Italy to speak to the Popo about the Karen Quinlan case. He called collect, and might have been able to speak to him. But the operator talked to someone in Rome who said that the Pope was in General Audience. She said to call back tomorrow and he might be able to reach him.

In our all day newspaper last year, all we used was cars for transportation. This year some kids biked to get articles. Some biked to Busch Stadium to talk to the publicity directors of the football and baseball teams. Others biked to the Arena to talk to publicity directors of the basketball and hockey teams. There were some people who biked to Hampton Villiage and the soc to talk to people about the Quinlan case. There were some people that went to the City Hospital to ask the lady at the front desk about a shooting victim's condition. They also went to the man's neighborhood to ask questions about the shooting.

# CROSSROADS vs. SATELLITE

by Maro Bellucot

Coming up Friday, November 14 is the big soccer game between Crossroads School and Satellite School. The game is being held at the field next to Harris Teachers College, Laclede & Compton. Kick-off will be 1:30 PM.

Last year, we played three games. Crossroads lost the first two and tied the third.

But this year we have a terrific line-up: FORWARDS: Charlie Pinckney, Al Nerviani, Brian McNeal, Kevin Villare.

WINGS: Frank Roy, Ted Le Vine, Adell Blackmon, and Sammy McRoberts.

HALFBACKS: Jori Martinez, Nikki Le Vine, Bob Jordan, Leo Rosen, and Curt Thomas.

#### RYKHHANY

FULLBACKS: Rachel Steffen, Billy Haub, Phoebe Santillana, Britt Booker, and Shannon McPherron

GOALIES: Jon Messenger, Marc Bellucci.

Yesterday, we had soccer practice in which the defense had six players and the offense had ten players (no goalie). We played half the soccer field. The defense scored by kicking the ball past the center line and receiving one point. The offense scored by shooting goals and getting five points for each goal.

With 20 seconds to go, the score was 10 - 9 in favor of the offense John Chasnoff scored the tieing goal by booming it from his fullback position.

Remember, real junior high school soccer on Friday, November 14.

#### FOOTBALL CARDINALS

by Cam Thomas & Kevin Villars

Wednesday morning, Cameron Thomas and Kevin Villars went down to the stadium and talked to Joe Rhein, public relations director of the Football Cardinals. We asked Mr. Rhein if the Cardinals use Terry Metcalf too much. He said that Metcalf is in good shape and he doesn't play every play. We asked him why did the Cardinals cut Ernie McMillan. Mr. Rhein said that if Ernie McMillan had been a starter, they would not have cut him. However, the team has two young linemen now who can benefit from playing on the special teams. We asked Joe Rhein if J. V. Cain is a good tight end. He said J. V. Cain played tight end in college. We also asked if Jackie Smith is badly hurt. Mr. Rhein said that Jackie will be playing in two weeks. Finally, we asked if the Cardinals have a chance to go all the way. He said the Cardinals have a good chance to go all the way.

#### BASEBALL CARDINALS

by Judy Begeby Ricki Perkins Lori Price

Urbanite reporters Lori Price, Ricki Perkins, & Judy Bagsby went down to Busch Memorial Stadium this morning to interview Jerry Lovelace, Public Relations Director of the Baseball Cardinals. We asked him his views on a number of issues:

- l. Willie Davis: "The reason why we traded Willie MMMIKMAN Davis was because we only needed him for the last two months of that season. We didn't plan on keeping him."
- 2. The Trade of Mike Garman to the Cubs for Don Kessinger

"As you well know, we have been looking for a shortstop for a long time. We consider Kessinger to be a good deal because he's a veteran and he knows how to play the field."

3. What if Kessinger ends up being like Ed Brinkman?

"He won't because we have seen Kessinger play more than Brinkman. We can hold onto Kessinger until Gary Templeton develops more in Tulsa."

4. The rumor is that Reggie Smith is going to be traded.

"We really do need right-handed hitting, and we have been needing it for years. WMM We have no plans to trade Reggie Smith."

5. The pitching.

"We have strong pitchers this year with Forsch, Denny, McGlothen, and Rasmussen. They will be more experienced."

6. Concession stand prices.

"We have no control over prices in our concession stand." The Cardinals do not own the stadium. It is owned by a private group.

7. Ted Sizemore trade rumor.

"Ted Sizemore will be in competition with Mike Tyson. If he makes it, he will play second base. If he doesn't, he will either sit on the bench or be traded."

8. Where Cardinal money goes.

"Money goes to the players for their salaries and if he wants to park his car or get a hot dog he has to pay for it out of his own salary."

#### **BLUES HOCKEY**

by Beth Dressel & Jill Hazelton

THESE ARE THE QUESTION THAT WE ASKED ALAN SOLOMAN, PUBLICITY DIRECTOR OF THE ST. LOUIS BLUES WHEN WE WENT TO THE ARENA:

- Q: "Do the players use any special brand of hockey equipment?"
- A: "There is no special brand that they use. The players skates are custom made, so private deals are made with different companies."
- Q: "Why do the Blues trade players so much?"
- A: "We don't really trade so much; it just seems that way because you're in St. Louis. Every time we trade, we trade to another team, so they trade just as much as we do."
- Q: "Do you think that the Blues have a chance to win the Stanley Cup this year?"
- A: "We have a good team with some good players like Derek Sanderson, Garry Unger, Bobby Gassoff, and Bob Plager."
- Q: "Do you think Gilles Gratton will turn out to be a good goalie?"
- A: "We think he'll turn out to be a good player. In fact, he's in the starting line-up tonight."
- Q: "Why do you have two sets of brothers on the team? Do they play together?"
- A: "Only the Plagers are related. They have another brother on Minnesota. He will be playing tonight. Gratton will also play against his brother tonight."
- Q: "Why has the attendance seemed to drop lately?"
- A: "It hasn't really. The season has just started. People start to think about hockey more as it gets colder."
- Q: "What do you think you will do about the parking problems?"
- A: "We really don't know, but there is an express bus that runs through Forest Park to the Arena. We wish people would use it."
- Q: "Do you think Derek Sanderson will turn out to be a good player, or fake injuries?"
- A: Derek likes to have a good time, but he is all business on the ice."
- Q: "Why did you change the starting line-up for tonight?"
- A: "To see if different players play better with others. Fore example, Gassoff might play better with Unger on the ice." WE
- O: "What do you think are the best skates made?"
- A: "I really don't know; I can't skate."
- Q: "Are there going to be any trades soon?"
- A: "Not at the present time."

Q: "Have there been any injuries recently?"

A: "Only Barclay Plager, but he's playing tonight,"

Q: "Who do you think are the best players?"

A: "Merrick, Sanderson, Plager; I think they really all good."

Q: "Why is Gassoff always getting into fights?"

A: "I think he's just quick-tempered."

Q: "What is the average attendance for a Blues game?"

As "Around 17,000."

Q: "What XXXXXXX teams bring the biggest crowds?"

A: "Probably Boston, Philadelphia, and New York."

Our thanks to Mr. Soloman for answering our questions.

#### SPIRITS BASKETBALL

by: Frank Roy Curt Thomas Charlle Pinckney

Urbanite reporters Roy, Thomas, & Pinckney talked this morning with Mike Recht, Publicity Director of the Spiritis of St. Louis Basketball team. From their interview came the following article:

The Spirits are starting off with a good season. They are tied for first place going into tonight's game against the Denver Nuggets.

When Don Adams came to the Spirits, he had bad things said about him. Some words were that he was a trouble maker, but these things have not been happening since he has been on the Spirits. The Spirits say that he has been a good player for the team, with a couple of others like Harry Rogers, a great ball player who surprised the Spirits. Another player is Don Chaney. The Spirits say that he is the best defensive guard in basketball. Rudy Hacket is another player that the Spirits picked up. They say he is another great player who can come off the bench to help win a game. The Spirits say they didn  $^0$ t really want to let Fly Williams go, but another player just took his position. The player that took his position is M. L. Carr. He has a pulled hamstring, but should be alright in a couple of days. Mike Barr has been a good contributor to the Spirits too. The Spirits say he has come through well for them. Marvin Barnes is coming off a leg injury. Marvin is just a good athlete and is doing we for the Spirits. Maurice Lucas had a good season last year and is having a good one now. He is laying off many fouls this year. The tal man with the Spirits is Paul Ruffner. He has not been playing in any of the games because he missed all of the Spirits training camp and hasn't practiced with them. He will be able to practice tomorrow with the team. Have a good year!

#### THE BIKE TRIP

# Friday Might by Christie McClelland

Friday after school we stayed and fixed up the bikes for the bike hikenext day. After we fixed the bkes some of us went on down to Andy's and some of us went to the los cream store and then came down to Andy's. We sat around and them we went out to the playground and for about an hour we were outside goofing around. We came inside, watched T.V. and ate dinner. For dinner we had meatless lasagna. After dinner we watched MASH and then we did the dishes. Andy went up to bed about 8:30 and the rest of us stayed up for a little while and talked. In the middle of the night, Jeff, Paul, Jamie went into the kitchen and ate Logan's 3 Musketeers bar.

#### Saturday by Jeff Lawrence

We left Saturday, Oct. 25. It was very cold, probably in the 40°s or 50°s. We were going to leave at 8:00, but we

weren't ready till 8:30.

We found that Andy had a flat tire so that delayed us about 35 - 30 minutes. Finally we got going at 9:00, and before we got I mile, Christie had a break down. Her rack started to fall off her bike. Then Paul Paget's rack started to fall off, we had to go to a hardware store to get some numes and bolts so to could put it back on. Nuts and bolts weren't the only thing to got there. Most of us didn't have gloves and it was cold that day, so we all bought some cheap \$1.00 work gloves that were too big.

We got started again and crossed over the river by way of Eads Bridge. Then we went south through east St. Louis. On our way through Cahokia we lost Arthur and Carol. Carol had a break down, but they would have fallen behind anyway. Besides they were only going as far as Jefferson Barracks Bridge. When we got to Waterloo, Illinois we ate lunch at a Dairy Wueen. We were all awake except Christie. Lunch game us a pretty big boost.

After lunch some of us went to Ben Franklin for candy. Andy and Paul went to a hardware store for more bolts. Meanwhile I was buying some gum and I handed the lady 13 cents. She said, "Here's your nickel back" and handed me a dime. The approxychizzy ride until we came to a valley. For the next 20 miles it was all falt. That was a relief! After we had gone a ways, we saw a man on a bicycle, but the said propeller on the back.

Some miles afterwards, Andy, Christie, and I fell behind. We only had 3 miles to go to get to the ferry that would take us back across the river to St. Genevieve. We finally and slowly got there. Across the river, we came to the town park. There we ran into some guys drinking beer. They gave Andy and Robin

#### THE BIKE TRIP continued

beer. They gave all of us directions to a pizza hut. It was practically a race there. On the way Andy got us permission from a policeman to camp in the public park. Then we went on to the pizza hut. There we filled our stomachs well with soda (and food), for we are all the free soda refills we wanted. The waitress wasn't too happy about that. Then we went back to the park to pitch camp.

#### Saturday night by Jamie Brady

We started to set up camp. It was dark and starting to get cold. Jamie, Paul, and Christie had down sleeping bags so they weren't col that night. Andy had a tent. We slept on a hill and all slid down off the ground cloths. At about 12:00 cars started to drag up and down the street, and all kinds of people started to come from all over. They were having a party and a drunk came up to Jamie and said, "Hey man, you wanta Beer?" When the people left, trains came for an hour or so. The sun came up and we stared off on our merry way.

#### Sunday morning by Jamie Brady and Larry Miyusaka

Sunday morning when we woke up, everyone was cold.

Jaul lost \$1.00 and Larry found a quarter of it. After everyone was cressed, we started out to get some donuts and coffee, but at 5:30 in the morning no one was up, so we just decided to go on riding. Almost everybody was numb. We rode for about 11 miles until te got to Bloomedale. There we got fruit pies, twinkies, Suzzy \$2.50, and donuts. We drank a half gallon of milk.

After we were finished eating, we left to ride another 20 miles. There were some break downs. Jeff and Logan's chains fell off and Larry's sleeping bag fell off. Riding was nice, practically all downhill. The hills that we did go over though were awfulk? They weren't steep; they were just long.

The rest of the way was mainly riding 10 to 20 miless We went to Crystal City and then headed back.

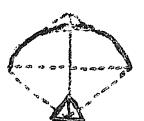
Everyone was sore, and some of the people stayed home, and some went back to school.

## KITE CLASS

#### by Kevin Porter

We have a lot of famous kites in our class like the famous KIKM EXXMMEXELYMENTERMY Paul Paget Eagle kite and the Indian Fighter which no one except Jamie could get up. It was a very exciting class. You could sit do with the radio on and build your kite. But when John left, it was a catastrophe. Jerome and Logan would have a fencing fight with the wooden dowls. Jerome is known for his chitlens and junker kites. He will get a good idea, then he won't take his time and build the kite right. There is a pile of debris of Jerome's kites. (Jerome gave his consent to all of these comments made about him.) Sometimes you can spend two or three classes on a kite and it won't fly. Brett is known for sitting on the couch through the class. Paget is always outside flying his Eagle kite, and Jerome is trying to get his junkers up.

#### INDIAN FIGHTER



STICKS:

Saveral pieces of bamboo. SETELEEL EX Vertical stick is 21" long. Horisontal stick 36" long. 3 smal sticks 5" long.

DIRECTIONS:

Soak the bow piece in warm water for one to two hours. Bend so that the edges are 7 l/2" down from the center sections. Tie the two &X large pieces together with thread about 4" from the top.

Band the bow stick so that the edges are about 7  $l/2^n$  down from the intersaction of the vertical and bow pieces. Tie strings from the ends of the cross pieces to the top and bottom of the vertical stick. Cover with rice paper. Build a triangular tail from 3 pieces of thin  $5^n$  long sticks and cover both sides of the tail with rice paper. Tail should be 10-25 feet long.

#### THE SPITWAD UNION OF CROSSROADS

by Kevin Porter

The the beginning of the year, the fun was spitwads. To join the union, we would draw a target on the board. You would have to stand 10 - 15 feet away and hit the target 2 out of 3 times. So, you had to be a good shot to be in the union. We had quite a few members. One of our favorite firing areas was Room 'A'==the Library. The door knob fell off so our Bic pens would fit through the hole. We hit everyone who went by. The target in Carol's math class was the blackboard. When Carol wasn't looking we would all take a daring shot at the blackboard. The teachers got sick of them so Carol spys out and the union diminished slowly til it was gone.

# CROSSROADS vs. BRITTANY

by Brett Rosenberg

In my opinion, Crossroads is one hell of a lot better than Brittany. I've counted 10 ways in which Brittany was worse than RMWHWHM Crossroads:

- 1. Amount of people (Space).
- 2. How nice people are.
- 3. How nice teachers are.
- 4. Choice of classes.
- 5. Girls.
- 6. Freedom to say what I wish.
- 7. Off campus passes.
- 8. Choices for lunch.
- 9. We're not stuck in a smally cafeteria.
- 10. Not crowded classes.

I could only count three things against Crossroads:

- 1. Amount of homework.
- 2. No lockers.
- 3. No busing EME to and from school provided by the school.

My decision is that Crossroads is best!

#### HANGOUTS

Skateland is on south Graveis and is a very big hangout for middle-aged kids and teenagers. Most of the big kids skate around and knock the little kids down. Some of the kids there usually smoke; they think they re really neat. Friday nights are the biggest for Skateland. You get to stay later than other nights. There's only one thing bad about Friday nights; it's too crowded.

Jack-in-the-Box is a big harbut, too. It's on Grand and Bates. The kids that usually hang out there are older teenagers. One reason why a lot of kids hang out there is because the people who work there are kids too, and when they work, their friends always come to talk to them.

Another big hangout in my nehghborhood is Stop & Fetch. This store is pretty little. All different ages of kids hang out there. Some of the kids smoke, but not too many. Sometimes these kids cause lots of trouble. The owner calls the police, but by then the kids have split.

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#### DINING IN ST. LOUIS

If you want to have a lovely night dining out in elegance, my recommendation would be a place like Tonis, Lombardo's, or Kemolls. The prices might be high, but after you eat you'll forget all about your check. The service is great. At Tonis the waiters walk up the steps backwards and light your cigarettes before you can get it to your mouth. At Kemolla, so much food is put on your plate that you go home with a stonach ache. The food is so mouth-satering you'll try to eat it all but its so much that you'll only make yourself cick. lombardos is so delicious that you'll be planning to come back the following evening.

If you are a Clam Chowder lover, you should be eating at Moahs Ark. I think they have the best New England Clam Chowder that I ve had in St. Louis. For all of you Mexican Food Lovers, El Sarape's is the place for you. My favorite plate there is a two and two. That's two tacos, and two enchiladas. They always have a bowl of hot peppers on the table,

and I always ond up eating them all.

If you are a pizza lover like me then head to Talaynas. Every time I go there I eat a large sausage pizza. I don't know amone who doesn't like their pizzas! They are finger lickin good.

The world is full of hamburger eaters, that s why I recommend, Park Moore, and their shakes are just out of sight! They are so big

Well for quite a while I've been telling you about some of my favorite restaurants. Now I'm going to name some of the worst restaurants Tive been to. They are: Shakey's, Church's Chicken, Denny's, Jack in The Box, Howard Johnsons, House of Fancakes on Lindell, and EcDonalds.

I took a survey of some other students opinions on restaurants. The top favorites were. Stouffers, and Burger Chef. The one they disliked the most was Thite Castle. Well, where's your favorite place to eat?

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