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### From the desk of the editor



## Editor remains loyal to Rams

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The unbelievable has happened. My all-time favorite sports team, formerly known as the St. Louis Rams, has moved back across the country to Los Angeles. Many readers might look at this and laugh, but for someone who has followed this organization and grown up watching them represent my hometown, the thought of them moving away was tough to grasp. And practically overnight, the St. Louis Rams are now just a memory.

Since I became a fan of football during the late 1990s, around the time the Rams were deemed the "Greatest Show on Turf," I have developed a passion for Rams football. They were fast, explosive and fun to watch. I've had the pleasure of meeting a number of current and former Rams, including defensive back Aeneas Williams, wide receiver Chris Givens and cornerback Janoris Jenkins.

My favorite memory as a Rams fan was seeing the offense do the "Bob & Weave" following a touchdown. One player would spin the ball on the field, while others formed a circle around the ball and swung their arms. I would practice the Bob & Weave with my friends and relatives all the time, and I would do it right along with the team as if I was in the end zone with them.

I was able to make it to the team's final game at the Edward Jones Dome Dec. 17 when the Tampa Bay Buccaneers came to town. It was nice to see the team go out with a 31-23 victory, but it really began to settle in that the team would be leaving when the crowd started chanting, "Keep the Rams!"

The popular question is now, "Will you become a Chiefs fan?" My answer is no. I've grown up watching the team in blue and gold, and I will continue to cheer them on from the Show-Me State. The Indianapolis Colts were also looking to recruit Rams fans, but no thank you, I'm good.

St. Louis will not be the same without the Rams or any professional football team. Despite how much the city loves its baseball and the fact that Rams fans haven't had a lot to cheer about for nearly a decade, losing a sports team is not a good look for downtown. It hasn't been easy being a Rams fan recently, but many will realize how much they will miss the Rams once the football season starts this summer.

So for those who are from the St. Louis area — which is a lot of us — and are unconcerned by the relocation of the Rams, pay attention to how the city changes during 2016. Who knows if it will be for the worse, but it can't be for the better. If the city is fortunate enough to have another professional football team call the Gateway to the West home, I hope we can get them to stay put. But until then, go Rams.



### Grace Fodor

Sophomore Grace Fodor placed first in two events against NCAA Div. I Missouri State University. During the Bulldogs' final home meet of the season, Fodor finished her 100 Backstroke with a time of 1:00.16 and the 200 Backstroke in 2:07.55. Truman's next duel will take place in St. Louis against Div. I competitor Saint Louis University Friday, Jan. 22 at 5pm.

## PLAYER of the WEEK