News Updates

**MU Greek leaders discuss new policy to fix public image**
KOMU.com - April 20, 2018
As more and more fraternities face misconduct charges across the nation, the Greek community of **MU** is looking into recommendations to fix its policies and image.

**Palestinian activists to speak at MU**
Columbia Daily Tribune – April 21, 2018
The **University of Missouri** will host two Palestinian activists Tuesday to talk about resistance against Israel as violence rages in Gaza and some push for MU to adopt a definition of anti-Semitism.

**Racial bias in campus discipline: When will universities look in the mirror?**
The Washington Post – April 22, 2018
In this post, Ben Trachtenberg, an associate professor of law at the **University of Missouri**, explains why he thinks that’s a problem.

**3.6 million-year-old footprints suggest early human ancestors were excellent walkers** *
Washington Post – April 23, 2018
Walking set the stage for all of those things that come later,” notes Carol Ward, a professor of anatomy at the **University of Missouri**. But when did our ancestors begin to walk the way we do? Footprints can provide a clue.

**Experts offer advice on helping international students with mental health issues**
Columbia Missourian - April 20, 2018
International students at **MU** often face a barrage of obstacles, such as adjusting to a new culture, finding a new identity and dealing with racism. Two psychologists, a student and a professor made up a panel held at MU’s Memorial Union on Friday.
Tribune's View: United Airlines needs time to fly
Columbia Daily Tribune - April 20, 2018
Some of the organizations that contributed to the Central Missouri Air Service fund last year to cover United’s financial losses — the city of Columbia, Jefferson City, Boone County, Cole County, the University of Missouri and local businesses — have said the investment was worth it.

How Trump's tariffs could affect Missouri farmers
Columbia Daily Tribune - April 20, 2018
Patrick Westhoff, director of the food and agricultural policy research institute and University of Missouri professor of agricultural and applied economics, said although pork is not Missouri’s biggest market, it could still affect the state because there are not a lot of other places to sell our products.

The MU Theatre Department will honor Missouri playwright Lanford Wilson*
VOX Magazine - April 22, 2018
When Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright Lanford Wilson passed, he left a little something for MU. According to the Missourian, Wilson left “his entire manuscript collection including short stories, correspondence, photographs, programs and awards.” To celebrate his life and work, David Crespy, professor of playwriting, acting and dramatic literature at MU, organized “Missouri Self-Taught: Lanford Wilson and the American Drama.”

University of Missouri System

Judge hears final arguments in historic MU grad worker unionization case
Columbia Missourian - April 20, 2018
However, inside the courtroom, that question was still up for debate as 13th Circuit Judge Jeff Harris heard final arguments in Coalition of Graduate Workers v. the Curators of the University of Missouri.

University of Missouri graduate assistants present their case in court
Columbia Daily Tribune – April 20, 2018
Graduate assistants at the University of Missouri are either employees who also happen to be students or students who receive pay for work that also furthers their education.

MU graduate workers fight for right to unionize in court
ABC 17 News - April 20, 2018
More than a year after the Coalition of Graduate Workers sued the UM Board of Curators over unionization, lawyers for both the plaintiffs and the defendants laid out their arguments Friday in Boone County court.

As tuition increase looms at MSSU, students worry about their financial future
The Joplin Globe - April 21, 2018
That compares with its next closest institution, Missouri State University, at $11,669 and the institution at the top of the list, the four-campus University of Missouri System, with $17,066.
University of Missouri’s economic impact $5.4B annually
The Seattle Times - April 21, 2018
The University of Missouri System has a state economic impact of about $5.4 billion a year, according to a recent study. Similar stories appeared in Associated Press media outlets.

Missouri University of Science and Technology

What Is the Liberty Based Response to Illiberal Speech?
USSA News - April 21, 2018
Tyler Curtis is working toward attaining a B.S. in Economics at the Missouri University of Science and Technology.

Governor Greitens Makes Eight Appointments to Boards and Commissions
Fox 14 TV, Joplin - April 20, 2018
Daniel Oerther, of Rolla, was appointed as the public member of the Missouri State Board of Nursing. Dr. Oerther is a professor at Missouri University of Science and Technology.

Geophysicist wins teaching excellence award at Missouri S&T*
Phelps County Focus - April 20, 2018
Dr. Stephen Gao, professor of geology and geophysics at Missouri University of Science and Technology, has won the 2018 Governor’s Award for Excellence in Teaching.

Urgent Search On For 700 Pounds Of Explosives Stolen In PA
Pennsylvania Patch - April 20, 2018
"If I were evil, I could do a lot of damage with those explosives," said Paul Worsey, an explosives expert at the Missouri University of Science and Technology. He said the explosives would be capable of bringing down a building only by someone with an advanced knowledge of demolition and only after "a lot of work drilling holes and such."

Now Playing Onstage in Kansas City - Week of 4/20/2018*
BroadwayWorld.com – April 20, 2018
FORBIDDEN BROADWAYS GREATEST HITS VOL. 4
Missouri University of Science and Technology
4/19-4/22/2018

Potosi Elks Lodge Honors Seniors
MyMoInfo.com - April 20, 2018
Three future Missouri S&T Miners and a SEMO Warhawk accepted scholarships in a ceremony focused on family and future.

TV tower collapse in Missouri leaves 1 worker dead, several injured, officials say
Farmington Daily Times – April 20, 2018
John Myers, a structural engineering professor at Missouri University of Science and Technology, said it’s extremely rare for any type of structure like a TV tower to collapse without some type of major event, like a hurricane or tornado.
This Associated Press story was carried by several other news outlets in Missouri and elsewhere.
Ladue News spotlights Chancellor Emeritus Blanche M. Touhill*
UMSL Daily - April 20, 2018
Chancellor Emeritus Blanche M. Touhill was featured in a recent story in Ladue News that highlights the indelible mark she’s made on the University of Missouri–St. Louis.

Alumnus Don Mueth returns to UMSL 33 years later as member of inaugural DBA cohort*
UMSL Daily - April 20, 2018
Don Mueth in recent years has logged significant volunteer hours for various committees at the University of Missouri–St. Louis.

Education Professor Mark Pope receives Thomas Jefferson Award*
UMSL Daily - April 20, 2018
University of Missouri–St. Louis Chancellor Tom George this week awarded College of Education Professor Mark Pope with the Thomas Jefferson Award on behalf of University of Missouri System President Mun Choi.

James Comey vs. Donald Trump: What makes a good man?
Yahoo News - April 20, 2018
Marvin Berkowitz of the University of Missouri-St. Louis summarized the science of character education: “First, it is clear that the primary influence on a child’s character development is how people treat the child.” Upon this developmental platform of attachment and love, a boy comes naturally to extend his care to others.

200 performers set to take audience on musical journey to Chaco Canyon, home to ancestral tribes
St. Louis Public Radio - April 20, 2018
Jim Henry has yet to visit New Mexico’s Chaco Canyon, the hallowed, high-desert landscape once home to ancestral Pueblo tribes. But the choral director has already fallen in love with the place, as have his music students at the University of Missouri–St. Louis.

Many lawmakers still reluctant to take a public stand on Greitens
Columbia Missourian - April 22, 2018
David Kimball, a political science professor at UMSL specializing in political behavior, said there are a few reasons lawmakers might still be reluctant to state an opinion.
No One Wants to be Your Dean. Here’s How You Might Fix That
The Chronicle of Higher Education – April 22, 2018
They need to develop a vision, motivate the faculty, transform the curriculum, manage resources, and raise funds. Sometimes their jobs become even larger than that, as happened at the University of Missouri, where deans worked behind the scenes to remove the university's leader.

Scholarly Publishing’s Last Stand
The Chronicle of Higher Education – April 22, 2018
In 1916, Thorstein Veblen submitted The Higher Learning in America for publication in University of Missouri Studies, an in-house organ and predecessor to the university’s press.

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