News Updates

**MU hosts Gov. Mike Parson on his two-day listening tour of Missouri**
Columbia Missourian – June 13, 2018
While MU officials boasted of the university’s state economic impact and research during Gov. Mike Parson’s visit to Columbia, his appearance on campus just 12 days after taking the oath of office also sent an important message.
*This story ran in multiple media outlets across the state including the Sedalia Democrat and Fox2Now in St. Louis*

**Parson backs higher education funding needs in MU visit**
Columbia Daily Tribune – June 13, 2018
*University of Missouri* leaders got what they wanted Wednesday from a visit by Gov. Mike Parson — a clear signal that they shouldn’t be worried he will impose large budget cuts when he acts on appropriation bills.

**Missouri’s Parson: “We cannot keep kicking that can down the road”**
MissouriNet – June 14, 2018
Missouri’s new governor said Wednesday in Columbia that infrastructure must be a top priority. Governor Mike Parson (R) briefed reporters at the *University of Missouri-Columbia’s* campus.

**Governor Parson visits MU to discuss the focus of his administration**
KOMU - June 13, 2018
Governor Parson made his first stop of a statewide tour at the *University of Missouri* Wednesday morning. The governor talked about his future partnership with higher education institutions.

**Governor Parson meets with top Mizzou officials about ongoing research**
KRCG TV - June 13, 2018
Governor Mike Parson met with *University of Missouri* leaders and Columbia officials to discuss moving Mizzou forward as a research institution.

**MUPD looking for suspect in theft at Hitt Street parking garage**
KOMU – June 13, 2018
A theft occurred on *MU campus* at Hitt Street parking garage. The theft happened May, 22 2018 around 8:30 at night.

**Despite risks, many Americans want cancer screenings**
Futurity - June 13, 2018
“There is inherent value in cancer screenings—especially for those who are at higher risk, or for whom cancer may have a familial or genetic component,” says Laura Scherer, assistant professor of psychological sciences at the University of Missouri.

Fixing the flaws of forecasting*
KTVO-TV, Kirksville ABC affiliate - June 13, 2018
Rainfall forecasts have flaws, as failure to take into account factors such as evaporation can affect accuracy. Researchers from the University of Missouri are developing a system to improve our forecasting precision.

University of Missouri: Patients prefer to have cancer screenings despite risks and warnings*
KTTN of Trenton, Mo. – June 14, 2018
A large proportion of the American public opts to receive cancer screenings with the hope that testing will reduce their chance of cancer death. Now, a team led by University of Missouri psychological science researchers has determined that patients may want cancer screenings even if the potential harms outweigh the benefits.

Why do some people get blackout drunk?
BBC – June 14, 2018
Mary-Beth Miller, an addiction psychologist at the University of Missouri, found that a simple intervention technique could help blackout drinkers reduce their drinking, a finding she first showed in ex-army veterans and then extended to university drinkers.

Cooling shelters offer relief from the heat
Jefferson City News-Tribune – June 14, 2018
The University of Missouri Extension said April was the second-coldest in Missouri since the National Weather Service began keeping records. Last month was the hottest May the state has ever had.

University of Missouri System

In another break from Greitens, Parson says he won’t shy away from using state plane
St. Louis Post-Dispatch - June 14, 2018
Mun Choi, president of the University of Missouri System, said that though the state reversed planned cuts to public universities this year, nationwide, state support for public higher education was trending down.

Parson stops in Columbia on listening tour
Jefferson City News Tribune - June 13, 2018
University of Missouri System President Mun Choi said the system has an economic impact of $5.4 billion per year to the state. For each dollar invested in the system, it returns $13.50 to taxpayers, Choi told Parson.

Tax break process to begin for proposed nuclear medicine facility in Columbia
ABC 17 News - June 13, 2018
The proposed location is just south of Columbia off Discovery Parkway in the University of Missouri System owned Discovery Ridge.

University of Missouri-Kansas City
Editorial: Gov. Mike Parson is giving Missouri a desperately needed fresh start
Kansas City Star – June 12, 2018
In Kansas City Tuesday evening, Parson pledged new cooperation with city leaders. Then he backed that up by pledging to sign a bill funding a new UMKC music conservatory. “I do think it’s important for Kansas City,” Parson said. “And I do think it’s a good investment for the state of Missouri.”

During KC visit, Gov. Mike Parson says he’ll reconsider bill to fund UMKC arts campus
The Kansas City Star – June 12, 2018
Missouri Gov. Mike Parson told Kansas City leaders he would reconsider a downtown arts project vetoed by his predecessor during his first visit to the city since taking the reins of state government.

Parson renews hope for UMKC’s downtown arts campus
Kansas City Business Journal – June 13, 2018
The quest for a new downtown arts campus may be resurrected, The Kansas City Star reports. During his Kansas City visit, Missouri Gov. Mike Parson said he would reconsider providing funding for the University of Missouri-Kansas City’s $96 million project, which former Gov. Eric Greitens rejected.

Missouri’s new governor lays out priorities in KC stop
KSHB – June 13, 2018
Governor Mike Parson was pressed on supporting the UMKC Conservatory of Music project downtown. Former Governor Greitens vetoed the project. Parson, in the legislature, supported it.

Voters Take Final Step In Proposed Kansas City Streetcar Extension
KCUR – June 12, 2018
After 5 p.m. Tuesday, certain voters in Kansas City, Missouri, won’t be able to weigh in on whether to effectively extend the streetcar route to the University of Missouri-Kansas City campus.

KC Streetcar expansion explained
KSHB – June 12, 2018
“What we’ve seen downtown, we’re optimistic we can extend the benefits through Midtown and down to the University of Missouri-Kansas City and really reconnect our city in a new and exciting way,” Tom Gerend said.

The Online Learning Consortium Announces New Executive Leadership Appointments
Education Drive – June 12, 2018
Devon Cancilla, Ph.D., UMKC vice provost for Academic Innovation, joins Online Learning Consortium as its new Chief Knowledge Officer, effective Aug. 1.

Shawnee Girl Scout earns prestigious Gold Award
Shawnee Dispatch – June 12, 2018
Sara Babcock, a UMKC student from Shawnee, recently earned her Gold Award designation, which is the highest level in Girl Scouts.

Why do gun-makers get special economic protection?
Phil’s Stock World – June 12, 2018
The article was written by Allen Rostron, William R. Jacques Constitutional Law Scholar and professor of law at the University of Missouri-Kansas City.
Missouri University of Science and Technology

IUB come first among Asian teams in the University Rover Challenge 2018
The Daily Star Net – June 13, 2018
"Team Attendant" from Independent University, Bangladesh (IUB) secured first position among Asian teams in the University Rover Challenge (URC) 2018 held at Utah, USA...PCz Rover Team from the Czestochowa University of Technology came first, MRDT from Missouri University of Science and Technology, USA secured second position...

Titan Rover completes desert challenge
The Orange County Register – June 13, 2018
The Titan Rover came in 21st in the University Rover Challenge in the Utah desert during the May 31-June 2 event, up one place from last year. The 36 teams competing were narrowed from an earlier field of 95. Czestochowa University of Technology in Poland came in first while defending champs Missouri University of Science and Technology came in second in the competition, a project of the Mars Society.

University of Missouri-St. Louis

How to get over a broken heart, according to science
The Mercury News - June 13, 2018
You know that BFF who immediately starts trashing your ex? She deserves her spot in your inner circle. A small new study, conducted by the University of Missouri – St. Louis and published in the Journal of Experimental Psychology, shows that letting go of your intense feelings of love is the key to healing your heart and moving on.

Inside Higher Education

A Student’s Online Advances to Women Went Viral. Now His College Is Investigating Him
The Chronicle of Higher Education – June 13, 2018
The University of Iowa is investigating allegations of online harassment and stalking by a male student.

*Story generated by efforts of the university’s PR team.*