News Updates

Academic Minute: The Lives of the Phoenicians*
WAMC (NPR) - June 27, 2018
Today on the Academic Minute, part of University of Missouri week, Benton Kidd, researcher and associate curator of ancient art at Missouri, explores the colorful lives of the Phoenicians. Story also ran in Inside Higher Education.

Bug-borne diseases on the rise in Missouri
Columbia Tribune – June 26, 2018
Christelle Ilboudo, an infectious disease physician for University of Missouri Health Care, has seen more and more patients come in bearing symptoms of illnesses spread by blood-sucking bugs.

MU-KU alumni hoops game set, but participants in doubt
Columbia Missourian – June 26, 2018
A potential MU-Kansas alumni basketball game that was reported a couple of weeks back is now a reality only with a little doubt about which former players might actually be taking the court.
Similar story also ran on KSHB in Kansas City.

University of Missouri System

Unpopular Development Approved: New Homes Coming To Picturesque St. Charles Property
KMOX - June 26, 2018
The tally was 5-to-1, with one abstention, to approve developer Greg Whittaker's plans for 140 homes and additional townhomes on land near Highway 64/40 next to the Missouri River in. It is being sold by the University of Missouri.

OpenStax Announces 9 Institutions for 2018-19 Partnerships
Inside Higher Ed - June 27, 2018
Thirty-one institutions applied this year for the 2018-19 OpenStax Institutional Partnership Program. The nine finalists including the University of Missouri System, will work with OpenStax to develop initiatives around open educational resources.

Should universities practice what they teach?
St. Louis Post-Dispatch - June 26, 2018
Having moved to the beautiful state of Missouri some 46 years ago, I have been deeply impressed with what nature has to offer here to all of our citizens. I was able to deepen my knowledge of the state while serving as a member of the UM System Board of Curators from 1985 to 1990, and to realize what our fine university system has to offer in so many ways to all of the people of Missouri.

University of Missouri-Kansas City

His mission was to make neighborhoods better ... and 22 years later, he’s done it*
The Kansas City Star – June 26, 2018
Recently, UMKC awarded Christopher Harris its 2018 Alumni Achievement Award for the College of Arts and Sciences.

Let The Truth Be Known About Systematic Oppression; and Professor Ken Novak On Evidence Based Policing
KKFI – June 26, 2018
Host Margot Patterson talked with Ken Novak a professor of criminology at the University of Missouri-Kansas City specializing in policing in America and police behavior.

STL woman named interim dean at UMKC medical school
St. Louis Post-Dispatch – June 25, 2018
Dr. Mary Anne Jackson — a Lindbergh High (Class of ’72) grad who was born and reared in south St. Louis County — will be named Sunday as the interim dean of the University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Medicine.

Ex-state official Kander announces run for Kansas City mayor
Associated Press – June 25, 2018
"Yet the mayoral office would give Kander a new way to stay in the spotlight,” said Allan Katz, a political science professor at the University of Missouri-Kansas City and a former U.S. ambassador.

HAZMAT clears scene after suspicious package call at UMKC*
KMB – June 25, 2018
HAZMAT crews with the Kansas City Fire Department responded to a parking garage near 50th and Oak Monday after a call from UMKC police.

Missouri University of Science and Technology

Delbert Day Cancer Institute joins Siteman Cancer Network
The Salem News - June 26, 2018
The cancer institute is named after Dr. Delbert Day, curators’ professor emeritus of ceramic engineering at Missouri University of Science and Technology in Rolla, Missouri.

Dr. Yinfa Ma, distinguished chemistry professor, retires from Missouri S&T*
Phelps County Focus - June 26, 2018
"Fortunate” was the single word Dr. Yinfa Ma used to describe his life during a June 22 retirement celebration held in his honor at Missouri University of Science and Technology.

University of Missouri-St. Louis

Kirwan Commission on Education Puts Government Too Far into Classrooms
CityBizList - June 25, 2018
The report’s author, James V. Shuls, Ph.D., is an assistant professor and the graduate program director of educational leadership and policy studies at the University of Missouri – St. Louis. He earned his Ph.D. in education policy from the University of Arkansas.

The Chronicle of Higher Education

In Upholding Trump’s Travel Ban, Supreme Court Ratifies Worldview That Worries Colleges
The Chronicle of Higher Education – June 26, 2018
With the U.S. Supreme Court’s 5-to-4 decision on Tuesday upholding the travel ban, that fence is now a wall, hulking and durable. In siding with the Trump administration, the court, in a decision written by Chief Justice John G. Roberts, ruled that the order fell within executive authority over immigration and national security, despite the president’s sometimes incendiary and bigoted rhetoric about Muslims and foreigners.

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