News Updates

Former neurosurgery resident sues MU Medical School for $50 million
Columbia Missourian – July 5, 2018
A former neurosurgery resident at the MU School of Medicine is asking for $50 million in a lawsuit alleging that the chief of the neurosurgery program persistently harassed him and eventually fired him without good cause.

Ancient Toddler Was at Home on the Ground and in the Trees*
Smithsonian - July 5, 2018
However, even if the species did sleep and hide in the trees, that doesn’t mean having two feet planted on the ground wasn’t important. In fact, Carol Ward of the University of Missouri who is currently examining Selam’s spine and ribs tells Hickock that the child’s grasping power doesn’t really compare with apes.

How to Get a Six-Pack, According to 3 Women With Crazy Strong Cores*
MSN.com - July 5, 2018
Most fitness experts recommend setting goals that establish healthy habits rather than fixating on visible results like uncovering your six-pack for good reason: “Very few people can achieve this look, regardless of what they do,” says Stephen Ball, professor of nutrition and exercise physiology at the University of Missouri. “Most women who make this their goal will fail and ultimately give up exercise all together.”

MU equine clinician offers advice on respiratory disease*
Bolivar News (Bolivar, Mo.) – July 5, 2018
A Zoonotic disease, Rhodococcus equi can also infect people who are immunocompromised, such as HIV-AIDS patients. Philip Johnson, a professor of equine internal medicine in the University of Missouri College of Veterinary Medicine, has seen several cases this season and cautions that horse owners, especially those with foals between 1 and 4 months old, should remain vigilant and attentive to the signs of Rhodococcus equi, especially as summer temperatures continue to climb.

County deputies, city police sent to 181 fireworks calls
Columbia Daily Tribune – July 5, 2018
University of Missouri Health Care saw seven fireworks injury cases system-wide.

Columbia police respond to over 160 fireworks calls in less than 24 hours
KMIZ - July 5, 2018
ABC 17 News also spoke to MU Health about fireworks injuries. A spokesperson said they saw seven fireworks injury cases and 10 heat-related injury/illness cases during the holiday period.

**Roger Williams University President Donald J. Farish Dies After Sudden Illness**
Rhode Island Public Radio – July 6, 2018
His five decades in education included a teaching stint at the University of Missouri. He later became president of Rowan University in New Jersey.
*Similar stories ran in multiple outlets in Rhode Island and New Jersey.*

**Missouri University of Science and Technology**

**SRSWMD board approves grant funds for two local projects, elects new officers**
Three Rivers Publishing – July 5, 2018
Ozark Rivers Solid Waste Management District (ORSWMD) approved grant funds for the Missouri S&T Eco-Miners and the Rolla Recycling Center in Rolla at its full council meeting on June 12 at MRPC. The Missouri S&T Eco-Miners were looking for a more permanent way to offer recycling at the school’s sports fields and sporting events.

**University of Missouri-St. Louis**

**Social worker Elizabeth Fuchs follows a dream formulated at UMSL**
UML Daily - July 5, 2018
Elizabeth Fuchs was one of the three University of Missouri–St. Louis students Professor Margaret Sherraden chose to present a project at the Missouri Capitol in Jefferson City as part of the annual state Undergraduate Research Day in the spring of 2012.

**Story Collider brings the St. Louis community a night of storytelling and science**
St. Louis Public Radio - July 5, 2018
Thursday night, Chen also introduced a new Story Collider producer, Emma Young. A grad student majoring in Biology at University of Missouri-St. Louis, Young takes over for Stovall as he returns to New York’s Story Collider. St. Louis can expect to see Young at the next Story Collider event on October 4, 2018.

**Charlie Brennan Show, July 3, 2018; 10-11am**
KMOX - July 3, 2018
Charlie begins second hour with the "Whine Line" including a few people that want Bob Costas to run for president. He is then joined by James Shuls assistant professor of educational leadership and policy studies at UMSL, they discuss his recent studies that show tests have been getting easier, students’ scores are going up on the state test but scores are staying same on national test, and they take phone calls.

**The Chronicle of Higher Education**

**How Independent Are Those ‘Independent’ Investigations Into Campus Sexual-Assault Scandals?**
The Chronicle of Higher Education – July 5, 2018
Two years ago, Baylor University released a 13-page document outlining the “fundamental failure” of administrators and others to adequately respond to sexual assault on the campus. The scathing language in those “findings of fact” was based on a campuswide, “independent” investigation by Pepper Hamilton, a Philadelphia law firm.

**A Professor Called Out a Student by Name on His Blog, Should That Cost Him His Job?**
The core of McAdams v. Marquette University, a case before the Wisconsin Supreme Court that will determine the fate of a conservative professor trying to save his job, is a contractual dispute. But far more is at stake. Exactly what depends on whom you ask.

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