News Updates

It's Harder Than You Might Expect For Charities To Give Back Tainted Money
The Huffington Post - August 7, 2018
Yet some charities opt to maintain the donor’s name despite sullied reputation. Almost 10 years after the Enron scandal broke, the University of Missouri at Columbia appointed its first Kenneth Lay Chair in Economics.

Soy diet can reduce osteoporosis risk in menopausal women, boost bone health*
Hindustan Times - August 8, 2018
Women undergoing menopause face serious health concerns including osteoporosis, decreased physical activity and weight gain. In a new animal study, researchers from the University of Missouri have discovered that soy protein found in food might counter the negative effects of menopause on bone and metabolic health. Similar stories appeared in more than 65 international media outlets.

Free Speech Scholars to Alex Jones: You're Not Protected
MSN and the New York Times - August 7, 2018
The law professors who signed the amicus brief were Lyrissa B. Lidsky, dean of the University of Missouri School of Law, Tamara R. Piety at the University of Tulsa College of Law, David A. Strauss from the University of Chicago Law School, and Carlos A. Ball of Rutgers.

Health benefits of cats, on International Cat Day check out 5 scientific reasons why you need one*
Hindustan Times - August 7, 2018
Researchers from the University of Missouri found that the social interaction of children with autism dramatically improved when around pets. In a study, half the families that participated had cats, with parents reporting strong attachments forming between them and their kids.

'Anti-Union Forces Awoke a Sleeping Giant': Voters Overturn a New Anti-Union Law
Governing – August 7, 2018
Whatever happens with future right-to-work legislation, unions will need to adapt in the current climate, says Rafael Gely, a law professor at the University of Missouri. This may involve restructuring how they collect fees or market their services, he says, but it will take some "innovation and creativity."

Sponsored Content: Four Early Signs of Dementia to Look Out for in Your Loved Ones
Columbia Daily Tribune – Aug. 7, 2018
Nearly everyone will experience some degree of memory loss and forgetfulness as they age. The big question: When do these common symptoms foreshadow dementia? Karli Urban, MD, a geriatric medicine specialist with MU Health Care and the Department of Family and Community Medicine, says dementia’s warning signs are often missed.
Mizzou football to switch sidelines starting this season
Mizzou football to switch sidelines starting this season. The Tigers had been on the east sideline for the last 18 years. Similar stories appeared in the Columbia Missourian, the Columbia Daily Tribune, KRCG and multiple statewide outlets.

University of Missouri System

Textbook Costs Drop as Nearly Half of Colleges Use OpenStax*

The nine institutions participating, chosen from 31 applicants, are: Arkansas State University, Louisiana Community and Technical College System, Palomar College, San Diego City College, San Jacinto College, Santa Monica College, Thomas Nelson Community College, University of Missouri System and William Rainey Harper College.

Three-fifths of Missouri and Illinois college students graduate with debt
Roughly three-fifths of college graduates in Missouri and Illinois carry some student debt, according to a report by website LendEDU. Averages debts from UM System include: University of Missouri-St. Louis, $25,873. University of Missouri, $27,364. Missouri University of Science and Technology, $27,500.

Missouri University of Science and Technology

Welker calls appointment an honor
Missouri Gov. Mike Parson has appointed Avery Welker of Perryville, Missouri, a Ph.D. student in petroleum engineering at Missouri University of Science and Technology, to serve as the student representative to the University of Missouri Board of Curators, the governing board for the four-campus university system.

New method can print porous battery electrodes with complex geometries
Additive manufacturing, otherwise known as 3D printing, can be used to manufacture porous electrodes for lithium-ion batteries... Researchers from Carnegie Mellon University and the Missouri University of Science and Technology have now developed a revolutionary new 3D printing method that can create a 3D microlattice structure with controlled porosity.

University of Missouri-St. Louis

Stenger notches narrow win in Democratic primary for St. Louis County executive
Dave Robertson, chairman of the political science department at the University of Missouri-St. Louis, said before primary day that he thought Stenger’s position was strong because of his union backing.

This Navy veteran is the first African-American woman to serve on O'Fallon City Council
She is working on a doctorate in science education (teaching and learning)/curriculum at the University of Missouri-St. Louis and hopes to achieve that in 2019.
Rep. Billy Long to face former Willard mayor Jamie Schoolcraft
Springfield News-Leader - August 7, 2018
Dave Robertson, a political scientist at the University of Missouri-St. Louis, noted in July that union members "could play an outsized role in choosing the Democratic nominee" because the state's "right-to-work" law was up for a vote on the same ballot.

The Chronicle of Higher Education

Abuse Scandals Involving Doctors Have Shaken Several Colleges. Now Others Are Making Changes
The Chronicle of Higher Education – August 7, 2018
When top officials at North Carolina State University’s student health center huddled this summer to discuss how they respond to patient complaints, headlines from around the nation were at the front of their minds.

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