WEEKLY MEDIA COVERAGE HIGHLIGHTS APRIL 26-MAY 2, 2021

**MSU-WP officials to host modified commencement ceremonies May 15**

West Plains Daily Quill

Officials at Missouri State University-West Plains will recognize graduates in two modified traditional ceremonies May 15 at the civic center, 110 St. Louis St.

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4,478

**Building renovations to occur within College of Natural and Applied Sciences**

Standard - Online, The | Desiree Nixon, News Editor

Renovations and additions are set to begin around campus as part of the College of Natural and Applied Sciences Master Plan announced in June of 2019.

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9,019

**The Pros and Cons of Hiring Contractors vs. Employees - Alum Frank Granatino**

Thinking Bigger Business Online | Frank Granatino, CPA

When you’re ready to expand your business and grow your team, you generally have two options for increasing your workforce: hiring employees or engaging independent contractors.

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1,984
The eFactory is seeking Missouri startup companies for its 2021 'Accelerator' program

Springfield News-Leader Online | Gregory J. Holman
April 30, 2021 09:00 PM

Timothy Baynes told the News-Leader Friday that when most people think about the "startup ecosystem" for tech companies, they associate sources of early capital investment with places like Boston and Silicon Valley.

But Baynes, CEO of a Springfield-based startup devoted to optimizing the ecommerce shopping experience through "smart recommendation," said heartland entrepreneurs with a winning idea don't have to venture so far away in search of seed capital.

Dr. Andy Cline: “Audio is the most important technical thing”

Thrive Global | Edward Sylvan
April 30, 2021 09:00 PM

As a part of our series about “Filmmakers Making A Social Impact,” I had the pleasure of interviewing Dr. Andy Cline.

Dr. Andy Cline is a documentary filmmaker and professor of media, journalism and film at Missouri State University in Springfield. He is co-founder of Carbon Trace Productions, a non-profit documentary film studio with a dual mission: documentary education and humanitarian service. He and his students have completed 11 films, including four prize winners, since 2014.

Could Declining Funds and Tenure Threats Put Public Higher Education at Risk? - Dr. Julie Masterson

ASHA Leader Online, The
April 29, 2021 08:06 PM

The legislation failed to advance, and much of the higher-education funding has been restored, helped by the departure of Greitens, says Julie Masterson, CSD professor and associate provost and dean of the Graduate College at Missouri State University. His successor, Gov. Mike Parson, has been supportive of higher education, she notes.
In today's episode of STEM Spots, Dr. Cornelison converses with Dr. Judith Martinez, an assistant professor in the Modern and Classical Languages Department at Missouri State University.

Updated figures show that college enrollments for the spring, 2021 semester are seeing a growing divergence: Undergraduate enrollment is down 5.9%...

Once upon a time, so the story goes, there was a Wise Old Master who, despite his wisdom, seemed uncharacteristically glum one morning. When asked why, he responded: “It was a clear beautiful night last night, with the most spectacular full moon. So I decided to take the disciples outside for a wordless sermon. Standing among them in a field, I simply pointed at the moon.”

The Missouri legislature is advancing a higher education bill that, among other actions, would remove the cap on public college tuition increases that was imposed by the state several years ago.
Intelligent.com Announces Best Online Project Management Degree Programs for 2021

Intelligent.com analyzed 104 schools, on a scale of 0 to 100, with only 63 making it to the final list for Online Project Management Degree Programs. Missouri State University made the list.

Survey: Pandemic stress is the last straw for 10% of Missouri teachers - Dr. Jon Turner

The only profession in Missouri that creates all other professions has been struggling for years to recruit workers. New information indicates the state’s teacher workforce problem is headed down an even rockier path.

A Missouri State University survey says 1 in 10 public school teachers have had enough. They plan to call it quits this year.

2021 Capital Gains Tax Rates: Everything You Need to Know - Dr. Jeff Jones

Q&A with Dr. Jeffrey S. Jones, Department Head, Finance and General Business Department, Missouri State University.

CEO Roundtable: Business School - Dr. David Meinert
Springfield Business Journal Editorial Vice President Eric Olson discusses higher education with local college of business deans Eveline Lewis of Evangel University, David Meinert of Missouri State University and Clifton Petty of Drury University.

Intelligent.com Announces Best Online MBA Programs for 2021

Benzinga | PR Newswire  
April 26, 2021 05:51 PM

Intelligent.com analyzed 116 schools, on a scale of 0 to 100, with only 52 making it to the final list for Online MBA Programs. Missouri State University made the list.

These Tick Repellents And Clothing Sprays Can Majorly Reduce Your Risk Of Tick Bites - Dr. David Claborn

MSN Health & Fitness | Jasmine Gomez, Lauren Krouse  
April 26, 2021 11:30 AM

“With the exception of some parts of northern Alaska and the tops of some of the taller mountains, you will probably find ticks in most places if you know where to look. They are remarkably tough animals,” says David Claborn, DrPH, an entomologist and the director of the master of public health program at Missouri State University in Springfield.

Intelligent.com Announces Best Online MBA in International Business Degree Programs for 2021

Benzinga | PRNewswire  
April 26, 2021 11:00 AM

Intelligent.com analyzed 172 schools, on a scale of 0 to 100, with only 57 making it to the final list for Online MBA in international Business Degree Programs. Missouri State University made the list.
On Wednesday, April 21, the Missouri State University Board of Governors met to discuss plans for the fall semester regarding COVID-19 protocol.