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With the arrival of spring, we hope all of you are enjoying the beautiful weather.

The UM System released the <u>UM System Economic Impact Study</u> earlier this year and was presented to the Board of Curators in February. The report shows the impact that the University System has on the State of Missouri. There are also reports from each university on what their local impact is in each of their communities.



Please mark your calendars for the next UM System Retiree Virtual Town Hall on May 18, from 1-2 p.m. which focuses on the <u>university's retirement plans</u>. The town hall is hosted in cooperation with the four UM System campus retirees' associations. Watch your email and the <u>UM System Retiree webpage</u> for more information regarding the event. We hope you can join us!

Thank you for your continued support of and advocacy for the University of Missouri. Please let us know how we can assist you as engaged leaders in your communities!

Sincerely,

Marshall Stewart, Ed.D Chief Engagement Officer, UM System

## In Memoriam

They were our colleagues, our friends, and part of our UM family. Together, we remember those who shared their lives with us. Please keep their families in your thoughts. <u>View</u>

by Samantha Moog, MA, LCSW, Director of Refugee Services at Catholic Charities of

monthly curated listing of free online programs (with details on our website at Events
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Dr. Diuguid established Du-Good Chemical Laboratories and Manufacturers in St. Louis where he conducted research on cancer cures and other chemical inventions. His work was recognized by the St. Louis Section of the American Chemical Society and the American Cancer Society.

to join the UMSL Retirees Association (RA) as a duespaying member. In the past, we have been able to use campus support to invite all retirees to our spring luncheon. With no campus support forthcoming after the event this spring, we will only be able to personally invite members of the RA. The RA is a wonderful organization to stay connected with your former colleagues and the UMSL campus. Most importantly, as a member you support an association that monitors retiree benefits and advocates for the best benefit packages possible. If you are not currently a member, please join the UMSLRA, so you will be sure to receive invitations to all of our activities! You can find information on becoming a member at <a href="https://umsl.edu/retirees/">https://umsl.edu/retirees/</a>

We are encouraging nominations for the UMSL Retiree of the Year Award in both the faculty and staff categories. These awards recognize service after retirement to university, civic and welfare services, career and professional activities, or other noteworthy accomplishments. A nomination form is available at: <a href="http://www.umsl.edu/retirees/files/pdfs/retiree-nomination-form-2022.pdf">http://www.umsl.edu/retirees/files/pdfs/retiree-nomination-form-2022.pdf</a>

We have two events in the works. One will be a winery tour (details TBA) and the other event is our Spring Banquet and Business Meeting. The date is June 10th at Glen Echo Country Club. Information will be forthcoming and will be posted on our web page (see above) and our UMSL Retirees Association Facebook page!





The annual Spring Luncheon of the UMKC Retirees Association was held on Saturday, April 9, and the event combined awards and scholarship presentations with a provocative keynote presentation titled "Am I What I Have? The Predicament of Possessions in Later Life."

aging or gerontology, and Going for Excellence Scholarship recipients are both pursuing nursing degrees.



UMKCRA Scholarship in Aging recipients for 2022, Maya Baughn (left) and Payton Wolff (right)

A May 5 offering for UMKCRA's Breakfast Series will feature Dr. Roger Pick, Professor Emeritus in the Henry W. Bloch School of Management at UMKC. Dr. Pick will share his incredible Antarctica experience in a talk titled "Over the Top Vacation at the Bottom of the World."

Summer programming for UMKCRA members and guests will include a visit to the newly renovated Kansas City Museum, which focuses on local and regional history and aspires to tell the "whole story" of Kansas City history and its multicultural roots.

Of interest to both retirees and the Greater Kansas City community (and beyond) are a range of programs and initiatives brought together through UM's Community Connect. Here are a couple of items involving UMKC:

 As noted in a recent report by Tripp Umbach, a nationally recognized firm specializing in economic impact studies, UMKC generated nearly \$600 million in economic impact in Missouri in 2021:

- \$231.4 million generated by academic medicine; 2,435 jobs;
- \$186.3 million by UMKC research; 1,300 jobs;
- \$23.1 million by athletics; 259 jobs; and
- \$33.4 million state and local taxes generated by UMKC.
- Additionally, \$7.8 billion was generated in economic impact by 44,043 UMKC alumni living and working in Missouri.
- The UMKC School of Dentistry closed out February's Children's Dental Health Month strong, screening about 900 students at the University Academy, a Kansas City charter school serving K-12 students. More niveTB 30 nts. and rehyg433h 71 imy Cluf i. Hdres tosch. Tt tD screens

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