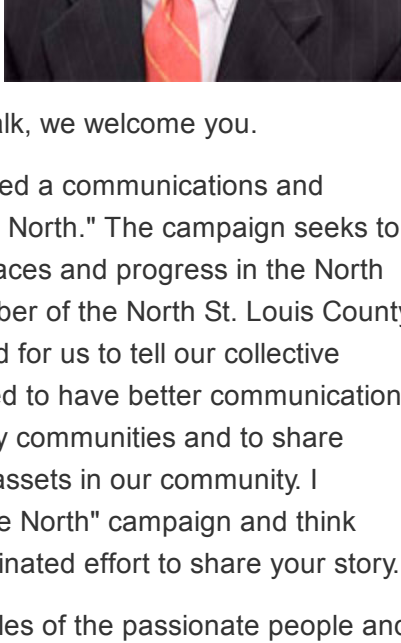


High schoolers on an admissions tour spot some impromptu poses for the camera as they walk past a bed of purple and white tulips.

Letter from the Chancellor

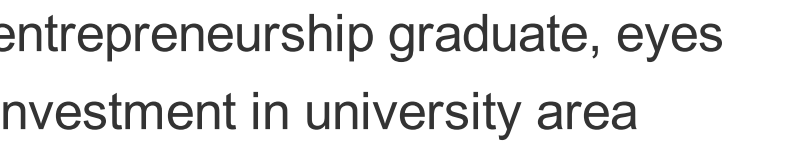
Greetings!
What a great time to be at UMSL! It is summertime, the flowers are blooming, and we have many visitors and newcomers on campus. If you find yourself on campus for a show, or to use the recreation center, or simply for a summer walk, we welcome you.



Recently, North County Inc. unveiled a communications and storytelling campaign called "True North." The campaign seeks to lift up stories about the people, places and progress in the North St. Louis region. As a proud member of the North St. Louis County community, we recognize the need for us to tell our collective stories. This newsletter was started to have better communication between the university and nearby communities and to share stories about the great work and assets in our community. I encourage you to look at the "True North" campaign and think about how you can use this coordinated effort to share your story.

The stories here are great examples of the passionate people and opportunity that exists in North County. We hope you enjoy this month's newsletter.

Thank you,
Tom George, Chancellor, University of Missouri - St. Louis

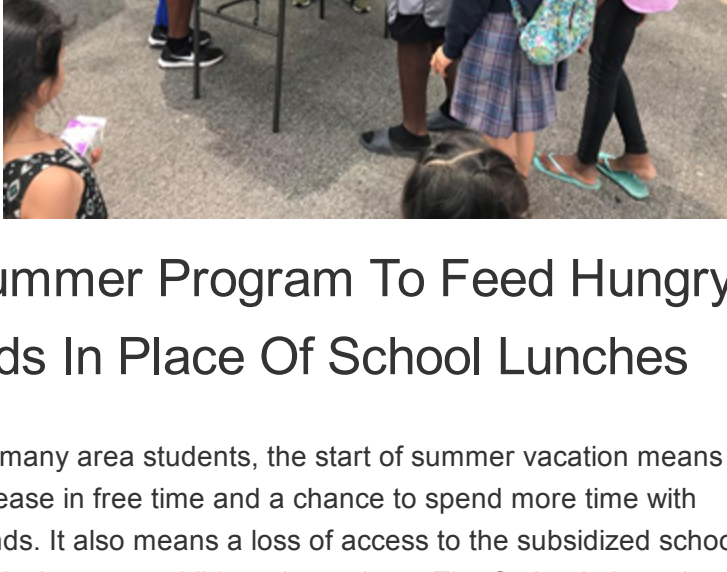


Alex Zvibleman, UMSL's first entrepreneurship graduate, eyes investment in university area

Alex Zvibleman didn't intend to be at the University of Missouri–St. Louis for long. He assumed the local institution would be a one-semester stop as he spent time with his ailing grandfather. But three years later, Zvibleman's still networking in the Millennium Student Center, scheduling meetings with university administrators and captivating UMSL audiences with his entrepreneurial ideas.

"I just couldn't leave," Zvibleman says with a smile. "I was going to go to Tulane University, but this place is just so cool, and there is so much potential here. You can really be a big fish in a small pond. What you put into it, you'll get out."

The potential Zvibleman originally saw in UMSL will keep him in the area a little longer. He plans to open a coffee shop later this summer about a block from campus down Natural Bridge Road. The business' name – Seize the Bean – and concept center around Zvibleman's desire to foster a community of fellowship and drive social development among UMSL's commuter population. He says patrons can expect a quality cup of their favorite caffeinated beverage and to be greeted at the door with reminders to seize the opportunities around them. [Click here](#) to read more.



Summer Program To Feed Hungry Kids In Place Of School Lunches

For many area students, the start of summer vacation means an increase in free time and a chance to spend more time with friends. It also means a loss of access to the subsidized school meals that many children depend on. The St. Louis-based nonprofit Operation Food Search aims to fill that gap during the summer months. It plans to serve 100,000 afternoon meals to children for 10 weeks, beginning June 3. That would be an increase of 8,000 from last summer's total. To read more of the article [click here](#).

Operation Food Search will provide free lunches to children at the Natural Bridge Branch this summer, Monday-Friday. Kids can stop by and enjoy a nutritious lunch along with some fun activities. Friday is pizza day. Meals will be available free of charge for children ages 0-18. Groups, should contact the branch at least 24 hours prior to attending so that the proper amount of food may be ordered. For information about lunch at the Natural Bridge Branch, call (314) 994-3300.



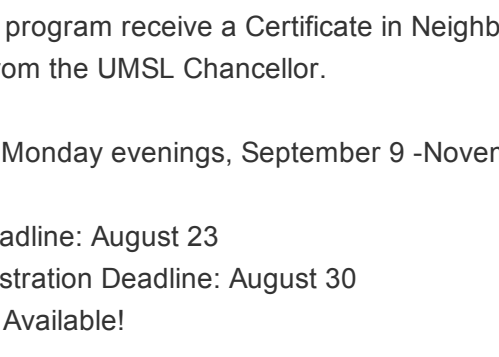
North County Inc. Launches "True North" Campaign

May 14, 2019, [STLPartnership](#)

North County Incorporated (NCI) today launched a campaign to highlight authentic stories of people, places and progress in the northern part of the St. Louis metro region. The "True North" campaign will feature authentic stories of the diverse communities and people in North County, through engaging graphics, content and photos. "This region has so much to offer residents, businesses and visitors," said NCI President and CEO, Rebecca Zoll. "We're so thrilled to have a platform that helps celebrate and share our successes as a community."

The aim of the campaign is to further NCI's mission of fostering growth and prosperity in north county, encouraging individuals and businesses to "find their true north" within the area's vibrant landscape of neighborhoods, commerce and tourism. The campaign was designed to be a grassroots effort, so community stakeholders can easily participate and promote good things happening in north county by sharing their stories of success...

For more information and to read True North Stories, please visit the campaign's website, truenorthcounty.org or email nci@northcountyinc.org.



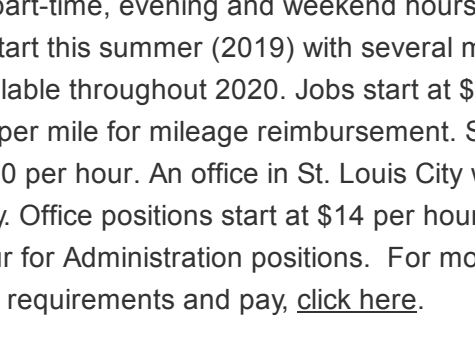
Registration is now open for the 2019 Neighborhood Leadership Academy!

The Neighborhood Leadership Academy (NLA), created in 2002, connects resources at UMSL- Creating Whole Communities and University of MO Extension - with residents and neighborhoods throughout the metropolitan area who are interested in improving their communities. NLA provides hands-on leadership training that emphasizes community building principles and strategies, project planning, organizational leadership and management practices, and personal leadership skills.

Participants are actively involved in their neighborhoods and represent communities from throughout the St. Louis region. Academy participants may be neighborhood association members, community leaders, resident volunteers, community-based organization staff, business owners, local government staff, and municipal elected officials. Participants who successfully complete the program receive a Certificate in Neighborhood Leadership from the UMSL Chancellor.

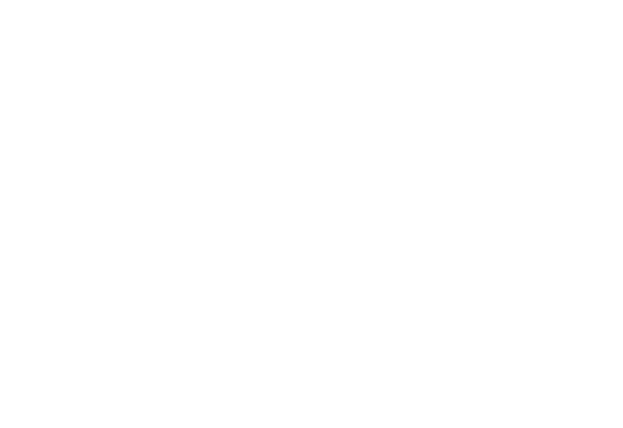
Class Dates: Monday evenings, September 9 -November 18, 2019
Early Bird Deadline: August 23
Regular Registration Deadline: August 30
Scholarships Available!

[Click here](#) for additional details or contact Claire Rippel at wolffca@missouri.edu.



St. Louis Promise Zone Releases Annual Progress Report

"The St. Louis Promise Zone entered the third year of its designation in 2018 and with that came many new opportunities, challenges and areas of growth...With more than 100 partners total providing services to residents within the 60 square mile boundary, the region continued to prioritize the Promise Zone geography through innovative programming, targeted outreach, and alignment of activities. This report shows the collective work and impact of many of our partners over the past year as a way to amplify and elevate those doing the heavy lifting. It is by no means all encompassing, but features highlights of their collective efforts." Erica Henderson, Executive Director, St. Louis Promise Zone. To read the full report, [click here](#).



Join the 2020 Census Team!

The Census Bureau is committed to hiring people for jobs in their own communities. Applicants may work flexible schedules including full, part-time, evening and weekend hours. Field positions will start this summer (2019) with several more positions becoming available throughout 2020. Jobs start at \$19.50 per hour with 58¢ per mile for mileage reimbursement. Supervisors will earn \$21.50 per hour. An office in St. Louis City will be opening in July. Office positions start at \$14 per hour for clerks up to \$30 per hour for Administration positions. For more information on requirements and pay, [click here](#).

Questions, Comments or Share a Community Story?

We'd love to hear from you about how we can improve our communication with the community and hear your questions and comments about UMSL and neighboring communities. We also welcome stories about great things happening in our communities. Your thoughts will help shape content covered in future newsletters to be pertinent to you and your neighbors. Leave any suggestions, questions, or stories [here](#).

Thank you!

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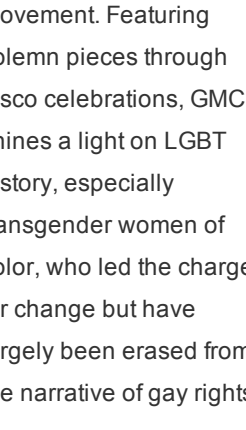
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Upcoming Events

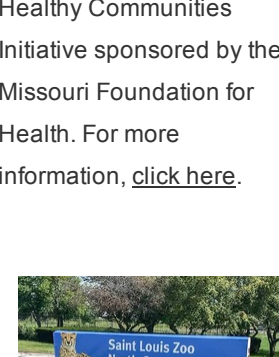


Gateway Men's Chorus

June 22-23, 2019
UMSL Touhill
Performing Arts Center

It was the Age of Aquarius, Woodstock, the moon landing, and the Stonewall Riots in Greenwich Village. 1969 marks the 50th anniversary of Stonewall, the flashpoint for the LGBTQIA+ rights movement. Featuring solemn pieces through disco celebrations, GMC shines a light on LGBT history, especially transgender women of color, who led the charge for change but have largely been erased from the narrative of gay rights.

For more information on the show, [click here](#).

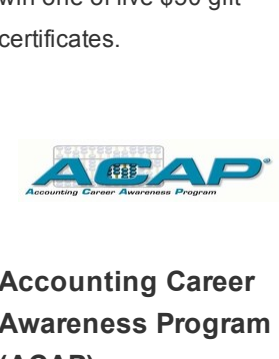


WEDO X Back Trap Yoga

June 25, 2019
7:00 – 8:00 p.m.
Emerson Family YMCA

All levels of practice are welcome! This free class is available for women residing in North St. Louis County who identify as mothers or female caregivers. Please note: Early arrival is strongly suggested. No one will be allowed entry after 7pm!

This class is brought to you by WEDO as part of the Healthy Schools Healthy Communities Initiative sponsored by the Missouri Foundation for Health. For more information, [click here](#).

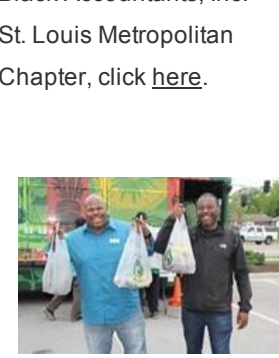


The Saint Louis Zoo wants to Hear from You!

Now thru July 15, 2019

As a part of the Zoo's plan for their new North Campus in Spanish Lake, the Zoo would like to offer educational opportunities at and around the new property that are specifically relevant and add value to the surrounding community.

What kind of Saint Louis Zoo educational programming would be relevant and valuable to North St. Louis County residents? [Click here](#) to fill out a 10-minute survey before July 15, 2019. Respondents ages 20 and older who leave their contact information will be entered in a drawing to win one of five \$50 gift certificates.



Accounting Career Awareness Program (ACAP)

June 21 -Applications deadline
July 21 – 26, 2019 program at UMSL

The ACAP is an all expenses paid, one-week, summer residency program for high school students who are interested in college and are open to considering accounting, finance or business as a major. Participating students will have opportunity to receive a college scholarship. Hosted at UMSL, field trips, lectures, and some fun will make this a most memorable week. The application deadline has been extended to June 21.

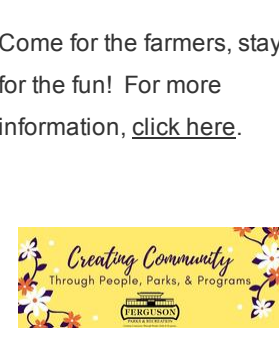
For more information about this program of the National Association of Black Accountants, Inc. St. Louis Metropolitan Chapter, [click here](#).



North County Fresh Friday's Farmers Market

Fridays thru November
4:30 – 6:30 p.m.
Ferguson Community Empowerment Center

The St. Louis Metro Market Bus will be at North County's Fresh Fridays Farmers Market every Friday from now until November 22nd from 4:30 to 6:30pm! Come shop for fresh, affordable fruits and veggies at the Ferguson Community Empowerment Center (9420 West Florissant, St. Louis, MO 63136). EBT and Double Up Food Bucks are accepted! This event is sponsored by the Missouri Foundation for Health: Healthy Schools Healthy Communities, Urban League of Metropolitan St. Louis, The Y, and St. Louis Metro Market.

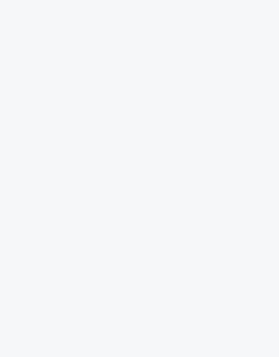


Ferguson Farmers Market

Saturdays through July 13, 2019
8:00 a.m. - noon
Plaza 501

If it's homemade, handmade or fresh and tasty, you can buy it at the Ferguson Farmers' Market. Please join us at our next market for lots of delicious fresh fruits and veggies, meats, breads and cheeses, prepared foods and more! Get your garden started right with beautiful plants and flowers.

Come for the farmers, stay for the fun! For more information, [click here](#).



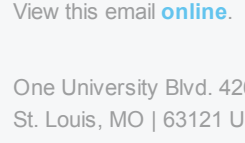
Ferguson Summer Movie Series

Saturdays - June 29, July 27, August 31
8:30 p.m.

Ferguson Summer Movies at the Community Center and parks will be free and include complimentary popcorn. Be sure to bring your lawn chairs and/or blankets and take this opportunity to enjoy a beautiful night under the stars.

For more information on the series, [click here](#).

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