



NextJenn Bridge Program - Jennings School District

Letter from the Chancellor



Greetings!

While our newsletter is usually filled with stories about good work that has taken place in our community, this edition focuses more on "News You Can Use."

If you are a business owner, a highschool student, an avid gardener, a parent, or homeowner, there are great opportunities for you in our community. UMSL is excited to [invite local businesses to campus on August 28th](#) to learn about doing business with the university and for youth to [engage with UMSL's Bridge program](#). [Ferguson Youth Initiative](#) is expanding their offerings and the Normandy School District began construction of their [new early learning center](#). We encourage everyone to take advantage of these great opportunities and assets in our community.

The fall semester is also upon us, and classes will be starting up in mid-August. We look forward to welcoming new students and faculty to campus, as well as those returning after summer break. We are always grateful for the community welcoming back students and are excited to see you on and off campus this fall.

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

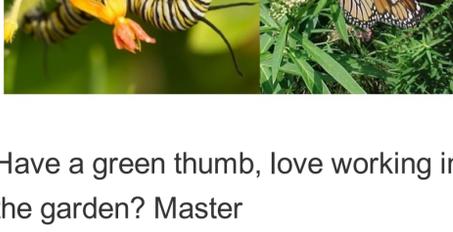


UMSL hosting Local Business Engagement Event

Are you a company in North County interested in doing business with the University of Missouri - St. Louis? Curious what programs the University offers that support business development? Come to UMSL on August 28 from 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in room 202 of the J.C. Penney Conference Center on campus to explore opportunities for local businesses.

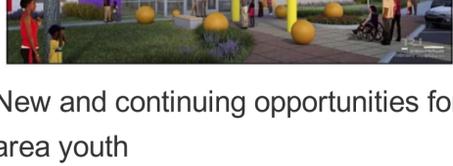
This [free event](#) will cover how to become a registered supplier for the University, information on UMSL's small contracts program, and a showcase of University programs and resources available to businesses. UMSL is committed to a stronger relationship with the local business community, as we work together toward a vibrant North County economy.

Please register and share this event with other local businesses in North County. We look forward to seeing you on August 28th. [Click here](#) for more information and to register.



Have a green thumb, love working in the garden? Master Naturalist/Gardeners Needed

Last year, UMSL planted a Conservation Garden comprised of native Missouri plants in a garden based on a design plan that encourages growth, beauty and functionality for study and conservation efforts. The garden is located by Stadler Hall near Natural Bridge. Community partners can make an enormous impact by helping with the upkeep of the garden. Please contact Katy Mike Smaistria at smaistrak@umsl.edu or (314) 516-6364 or Patricia Zahn at zahnp@umsl.edu or (314) 516-5267 to learn more about this opportunity.



New and continuing opportunities for area youth

Construction has begun for the new [Normandy Schools Early Learning Center](#). The new school will be located at the site of the current Normandy 7th-8th Grade Center and will be home to Normandy's pre-school, pre-kindergarten, and kindergarten programs. The new school is scheduled to open fall 2019.

The Ferguson Youth Initiative (FYI) is collaborating with [St. Peter's United Church of Christ](#) (1425 Stein Road, Ferguson, MO 63135) to offer an additional location for [FYI Drop-Ins](#) on Thursdays from 2:00 PM to 5:30 PM. FYI also has weekly Drop-Ins on Fridays from 2:00 PM to 5:30 PM at the FYI Backbay (106 Church Street, Ferguson, MO 63135). Drop-Ins provide a safe place for youth to play sports, video games, eat food, and hang-out with friends. For more information, [click here](#) or call (314) 494-4762.



UMSL Bridge Program's Express Scripts Saturday Academy

Applications are now being accepted from students in grades 9 through 12 for the UMSL Bridge Program's Express Scripts Saturday Academy. In this program, students are immersed in mathematics, science, written and oral communication, career research, personal and professional development and college planning. The program takes place on the first and second Saturdays of each month from October through March and provides an intensive 11-Saturday course of study. All activities will be held on scheduled Saturdays from 8:00 a.m. to noon on the UMSL campus in various laboratories and academic classrooms. Apply by Friday, August 31st by [clicking here](#).

The UMSL Bridge program also offers After School Clubs. The clubs meet during the school year and engage students in inquiry and discovery specifically in the fields of math and science.

Students meet weekly at their schools to conduct research and participate in math and science competitions. Bridge Clubs are gearing up for the school year at:

- Clyde C. Miller Career Academy
- Collegiate School of Medicine and Bioscience
- Hazelwood Central High School
- Hazelwood East High School
- Hazelwood West High School
- Jennings High School
- Normandy High School
- University City High School

One UMSL Bridge after school program is the NextJenn @ Jennings High School. NextJenn STEM TEAM members take their knowledge on the road by competing in numerous competitions! The more than 30 members have competed in CyberPatriot, FIRST Tech Challenge, WWT STEM Student Forum and Hackathon, as well as the "Show Me Manufacturing" Video Contest, to name just a few within the last year. Help spread the word to area youth about the opportunities with the UMSL Bridge program.



Need a home repair? Know a neighborhood who does?

Is your home, or your neighbors' home in need of safety repairs, grab bars, smoke detectors, handrails, or other maintenance that might put homeowners in danger? Rebuilding Together – St. Louis is accepting applications for FREE home repairs and for community projects to improve neighborhoods. Utilizing approximately 3,000 volunteers for projects throughout the year, their mission is to assist those who do not have the means or ability to make home repairs themselves, particularly homeowners who are over the age of 60, a US Military Veteran and/or individuals with disabilities. For community projects, Rebuilding Together – St. Louis can provide small groups of 10 volunteers to larger groups of 300 volunteers to complete those projects. [Click here](#) for information and applications.

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!

UMSL Community Connection

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UMSL Calendars

Interested in events on campus?
[Campus Calendar](#)
[Athletics](#)
[Performances](#)

UMSL Careers

Interested in a job at UMSL?
[Open Positions](#)

UMSL Contracts

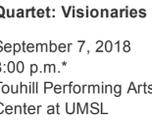
Interested in bidding on projects at UMSL?
[Procurement Bids](#)
[Construction Bids](#)

Upcoming Events



David Feherty: Live Off Tour
August 11, 2018
7:30 p.m.
Touhill Performing Arts Center

How do you describe the offbeat antics of David Feherty? The New York Times called him "a cross between Oprah Winfrey and Johnny Carson." With a sharp wit and irreverent style, the professional golfer turned show host and sports broadcaster has made a name for himself as one of the most hilarious and irrepressible personalities in golf. Ticket prices are \$51 to \$175. Call the Touhill Ticket Office at (314) 516-4949 or [click here](#) for tickets and more information.



Arianna String Quartet: Visionaries
September 7, 2018
8:00 p.m.*
Touhill Performing Arts Center at UMSL

The Arianna Quartet celebrates the start of their 19th season in St. Louis in style, with an opening concert featuring three of the masterpieces of the classical, romantic, and 20th century repertoire!

Tickets: \$29; \$27 for Seniors (65+); \$15 for Students/Youth

*This performance features a pre-show talk with the Arianna String Quartet. Please arrive 50 minutes early for the pre-show discussion.

[Click here](#) or call (314) 516-4949 for tickets from the Touhill Ticket Office.



Jennings Summer Concert Series
Fridays, 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Koeneman Park
8973 Lucas & Hunt, Jennings

August 17 - En Hodge
September 21 - TBA

For more information call (314) 388-3040 or [click here](#).



Free Ferguson Summer Movie Series
August 18, 2018
(Behind Ferguson Community Center) - Wrinkle in Time (PG)

Movies start around 8:30 p.m. These events are hosted by Ferguson MO Community Center and Ferguson Parks and Recreation. Movies at the Community Center and parks will be free, so be sure to bring lawn chairs and/or blankets and take this opportunity to enjoy a beautiful night under the stars.

Ferguson Farmers Market
Saturdays, May-October
8:00 a.m. to noon

PLAZA 501

501 S. Florissant Rd., Ferguson

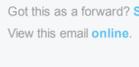
Music and entertainment as well as great produce! [Click here](#) for more details.

Bringing to Reduce Road Salt Use in St. Louis County
August 15, 2018
6:30 p.m.
Ferguson Public Library
35 N. Florissant Rd.

Winter use of road salt to melt snow and ice is a common practice in much of the US.

This salt is carried into streams, lakes, and rivers where it poses risks to infrastructure, human health, and aquatic life. Brining is one method to reduce the use of salt. Learn more about the impacts of road salt use and the effectiveness of brining to reduce those impacts at this public meeting.

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