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Quick Eats

Monday, April 11, 2016

Today's Weather

Expect some rain in the morning, but then it should clear up with temps in the 50s. If I were you, I would wear a light jacket and pack an umbrella.

Have You Heard?

[Respect and Excellence halls unavailable for incoming students](#)

On Friday, another two residence halls became the latest victims of declining enrollment. When ROAR opens today at 4 p.m., Respect and Excellence will no longer be available to live in. Laws and Lathrop are out of commission next year too, and Laws will definitely be demolished. If you were banking on these Res Halls for next year, you might want to make different plans



[Earl and Schafer take office, closing the book on a tumultuous six months for MSA](#)

MSA has seen a resignation, an interim president and a special election this semester. And now, the student government finally has a president and vice president. Sean Earl and Tori Schafer were elected in March but made it official at the inauguration ceremony over the weekend. The two thanked their friends and family, and they looked toward the future.

"I wish they could see how the Mizzou family can come together because we want a better university," Schafer said in her speech. "Students, alumni, faculty, staff and administration truly care about making this university great for generations to come."

[Columbia Missourian: Democracy Now host Amy Goodman discusses value of independent media](#)

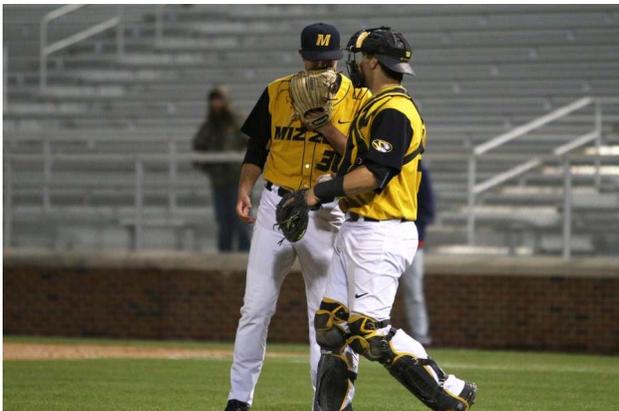
Amy Goodman stopped by Columbia this weekend. She read from her new book, "Democracy Now! 20 Years Covering the Movements Changing America," and touched on the how recent events at MU fit into the what's happening in America.

Let's dig a little deeper.

Enrollment is expected to drop by 1,500 students for next year. Respect and Excellence halls might open back up if enrollment increases, but it's not looking good. Closing the four halls amounts to 995 rooms that are no longer available.

MU officials have been expecting this decrease since the number of graduating seniors is down. However, the events of the fall semester also played a role, according [to interim Chancellor Hank Foley](#). MU is also preparing for a \$32 million budget loss. To save money, a 5 percent budget and hiring freeze have been implemented.

Real Quick from the Sports Desk:



- [Missouri baseball wins second straight SEC series](#)
- [Columbia Tribune: Boycott presented unprecedented challenge for MU athletic department](#)
- [Columbia Missourian: 'Uncharted waters': No. 15 Missouri softball swept at home by No. 10 Georgia](#)

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- [X Ambassadors concert brims with soul and passion](#)
- [The Front Bottoms perform with raw emotion](#)
- [Columbia Tribune: 9th Street Video closes, makes way for Hitt Records expansion](#)

Need something to do today?

MU alums Wright Thompson and Seth Wickersham will be speaking tonight at Jesse Auditorium as part of the Words Matter conference. The two ESPN senior writers are talking about domestic violence and sports. The talk is hosted by the School of Journalism and Women and Gender Studies. Click [here](#) for more info.



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Today's Weather

It's (finally) starting to look like spring again with sunshine, a high of 59 and a low of 37.

Have You Heard?

[Improving AAU status is a long-term game following budget cuts, leadership changes](#)

Because of all the changes in leadership and budget cuts during this past year, MU's goal to improve its Association of American Universities standing has slowed, but it hasn't stopped. Read why and how the university is addressing this goal.

[Residence Hall Guide](#)

With incoming freshmen getting ready to ROAR, this comprehensive guide of all the residence halls gives the low-down on what living in each hall is really like, including in memoriam tributes to Lathrop and Laws halls.

[Columbia Missourian: Graduate students will vote on unionization April 18 and 19](#)

The Coalition of Graduate Workers will allow graduate student workers to decide if the group can officially represent them in collective bargaining.

Let's dig a little deeper.

MU's Strategic Operating Plan, or Mizzou 2020, was a high priority goal for the university to improve its AAU ranking. Now, Mizzou 2020 Evaluation Committee chairman Dennis Miller said it has "taken a backseat to other important issues," so the university can focus on addressing issues such as campus climate and hiring a new president and chancellor. However, AAU membership is still important to MU because it helps its reputation and ability to collaborate on research.

Real Quick from the Sports Desk:

- [What to watch for in the Missouri football 'Black and Gold Game'](#)
- [Cox heads to Mongolia, sets sights on Olympics](#)
- [Plasmeyer rolling after earning his place in starting rotation](#)



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- [X Ambassadors, The Front Bottoms and Kurt Vile all performed in Columbia this week](#)
- [Review: "Eye in the Sky" emphasizes the the game of risk](#)
- [Here's what it's like to see 'Hamilton' in the flesh](#)

Need something to do today?

A conversation titled "Sexual Assault within Pop Culture" will be hosted by the RSVP Center for Sexual Assault Awareness Month. RSVP educators will talk about problematic references in pop culture, how sexual assault is perpetuated within the media, and the history of interpersonal violence. Click [here](#) for more info.



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Wednesday, April 13, 2016

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Happy spring — it will be sunny with a high of 68 degrees today.

Have You Heard?



[Graduate workers to hold union authorization election after year of administrative pushback](#)

Last Friday, the Graduate Professional Council sent graduate students an email informing them that a union authorization election would be held April 18–19. The email sparked a response from interim Chancellor Hank Foley, who said the students hadn't informed him of the plans for the election and that the university would not recognize a vote to unionize. The

Forum on Graduate Rights responded, saying they had emailed Foley and other administrators days before informing them of the election.

[Respect and Excellence halls' student staff not guaranteed floor positions](#)

MU announced last week that two more residence halls will not be available for incoming residents during ROAR, and student staff members in the halls were told Friday they are not guaranteed floor staff positions. Nothing has been finalized yet and the halls aren't officially closed, but students could be reassigned to other positions within the department.

[Three things to watch at this week's Board of Curators meeting](#)

The UM System Board of Curators released the agenda for their meeting later this week. The main topics of discussion will be the search for the next UM System president and approval of new degree programs and renovations. The curators haven't approved tuition and fees for the 2016–17 school year yet, though, and UM System spokesman John Fougere said he doesn't know when they will be voting on tuition.

Let's dig a little deeper.

The UM System has hired outside legal counsel to assist them in determining the employee status of graduate workers, which will determine if they are allowed to unionize. The UM System is paying law firm McCarthy, Leonard & Kaemmerer, L.C. \$330 per hour, according to a contract obtained by The Maneater.

"I believe, if my math is correct, that before lunch, he makes as much as I do in a week," Coalition of Graduate Workers Co-Chairman Eric Scott said. "And you know, I actually teach students at the University of Missouri. It's very troubling to me that they have this contract with Mr. Kaemmerer in the first place. ... We've heard that there are probably going to be layoffs or that there are vulnerable nontenured faculty and staff being laid off or having their workloads increased. At the same time there's a lot of crying poor, system HR is paying for this lawyer whose job is primarily to obstruct our constitutional rights."

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Real Quick from the Sports Desk:

- [Buckley and Missouri men's golf prepare for SEC Tournament](#)
- [Mizzou baseball drilled by Missouri State](#)
- [Gallery: Missouri wins series against Auburn](#)



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- [Listen to This: The Lumineers' sophomore album is perfect for springtime](#)
- [Vox Magazine: Give your car a quick spring tune-up](#)
- [MUTV: MU celebrates Pride Month at Let's Get Loud drag show](#)

Need something to do today?

The Latin@ Graduate Professional Network is hosting an event titled "Theatre of the Oppressed: A Workshop and Performance" to discuss issues of systemic oppression and racism through theater. [The event](#) is from 6–8 p.m. tonight in the Walt Disney Room in Memorial Union.



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We'll get another glimpse of summer today with the sun shining and temperature coming in at around the upper 60s, lower 70s. It may be a little windy, though, so don't forget a light jacket!

Have You Heard?

[Gallery: CS1950 takes on Million Student March](#)

Racism and student debt were a hot topic on college campuses yesterday as brought up by Concerned Student 1950 members. The group protested the concerns on campus and inside Jesse Hall against MU Police Department's wishes.

[Columbia Tribune: Loftin receiving full pay from University of Missouri as future job is developed](#)

What exactly is former Chancellor R. Bowen Loftin doing now-a-days at his new MU position? No one really knows — it's still being worked out.

[Out-of-state students share tips about getting residency](#)

Staying in Columbia over the summer to hopefully get in-state tuition? The Maneater talked to out-of-state students about their experiences getting residency so that yours will hopefully go smoothly. Yeah, you're welcome.

[Let's dig a little deeper](#)

Concerned Student 1950's protest yesterday was a part of Million Student March, a group of students and teachers across the country that hopes to curb an "education crisis," according to their [website](#). Protests across college campuses were requesting for the group's four demands to be met:

1. "Tuition-Free Public College
2. Cancellation of ALL Student Debt
3. A \$15 Minimum Wage for ALL Campus Workers
4. Divestment from Private Prisons by ALL Colleges and Universities"

Real Quick from the Sports Desk:

- [Missouri softball takes field for Wichita State double-header](#)
- [Chicago Tribune: Blackhawks drop playoff opener 1-0 to Blues in overtime](#)
- [Columbia Tribune: Witter prepares for potential role as workhorse tailback](#)



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- [Fashionably Late: On body positivity](#)
- [Vox Magazine: MU's Art Department showcases seniors' final work](#)
- [Vox Magazine: Quiz: Which of the Internet's musical microgenres are you?](#)

Need something to do today?

Ready for some laughs? Battlewhale will be having their annual sketch show, this year entitled "Eve of Destruction." The [event](#) is free at 7 p.m. tonight in Corner Playhouse. Can't make it? Don't worry, the show will also be shown tomorrow at the same time and 8 p.m. on Saturday!



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Today is the beginning of a very beautiful weekend, with highs reaching into the upper 70s through Sunday. It'll be slightly cloudy, but don't leave your sunglasses at home because knowing Missouri, the weather is sure to change!

Have You Heard?

[MSA Operations looks into removal of chief justice](#)

Due to the continued absence of Student Court Chief Justice Whitney Barr, the MSA Operations Committee has changed MSA's bylaws to clarify the removal process for chief justices. Barr has been working in Washington, D.C., and the Senate cannot hold impeachment proceedings until her return to the university.

[Presidential search committee approves qualification statement](#)

As promised, the UM System's presidential search committee has decided upon the qualifications they're looking for in the next UM System president. After four open forums across the four campuses, they all agreed that hiring someone who has "fluency in, and passion and respect for, the culture of higher education" is one of their top priorities.

[Gallery: Loud and Proud: LGBTQ hosts annual drag show](#)

On Saturday, five drag performers walked across the stage in Stotler Lounge as a part of LGBTQ's annual drag show. The performance was put on to celebrate MU Pride Month, which takes place throughout April. Pride Month will feature more events throughout April, including discussion sessions and film screenings, culminating in a parade April 27.

Let's dig a little deeper.

Although the MSA Operations Committee is looking to impeach Student Court Chief Justice Whitney Barr on the grounds of nonperformance of duty, they can't do so until she is back on campus. According to the MSA constitution, Barr must have the opportunity to defend her position before full Senate during the impeachment. She cannot present to Senate while in Washington, D.C.

"You can't hold an impeachment trial for somebody who's not here," Operations Chairman Josh Tennison said. "But that would be the only thing stopping us from seeing an impeachment trial. If there were a way for her to be here to be impeached, I definitely would expect that (to happen)."

In the meantime, Senate is amending the bylaws to more appropriately address the removal process for chief justices.

Real Quick from the Sports Desk:



- [Cohesiveness was key for Missouri softball in doubleheader win](#)
- [Columbia Missourian: UM System releases financial aid records of athletes to comply with subpoena](#)
- [Columbia Tribune: Missouri announces signing of Garfield Heights guard Hughes](#)

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- [Vox Magazine: Let's do lunch!](#)
- [Vox Magazine: Your guide to making a sushirrito](#)
- [Vox Magazine: Dive into the world of art quilts at the Columbia Public Library](#)

Make a MOVE this weekend

Need something to do today?

MU is having their very first [LIVE late night show](#), MU Tonight, today from 9–10 p.m. in The Shack. This free event features host Lily FitzGibbon, MSA President Sean Earl and the winner of Mizzou Idol, Breanna Lehane. MUTV promises nonstop laughter and an

entertaining night as student voices are portrayed through improvisational comedy.



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