The University of Michigan School of Kinesiology is always on the move! Here’s what we’ve been up to over the past few months.

**Worth a Thousand Words**

**Countdown to Kraus**

Construction on our new building (Kraus) is in full swing! What’s happening now:

- Fence graphics have been installed.
- Demolition is ending; renovation has begun.
- Window installation has begun.
- The North University entrance is being cleaned and repaired.
- Restoration of exterior terra cotta has begun.
- Irrigation work around the perimeter of the building has begun.

Read more

**In the News**

**Equal pay for play**

Title IX was passed in 1972, but institutionalized gender inequities persist in sports. Marissa Pollick, Sport Management lecturer (and lawyer), spoke to NPR about why the pay discrimination lawsuit filed by the U.S. women's soccer team against the U.S. Soccer Federation is so significant.

Listen to the segment

**Concussion discussion**

Concussion diagnosis, care, and prevention have advanced over the years - but there are still a lot of unknowns. On the Michigan Minds podcast, Steve Broglio, professor of Athletic Training, discusses how the newly created Michigan Concussion Center aims to answer those questions.

Listen to the podcast
Biomechanics 101

You might know that biomechanics is the study of mechanical influences on bone and joint health - but did you know there's a National Biomechanics Day (NBD) each April? To celebrate this year's NBD, Movement Science Professor Brian Umberger invited local high schoolers and their teachers to explore what happens in the SoK biomechanics labs.

Neighborhood (health) watch

Research has shown that your zip code might affect your health more than your genetic code. Natalie Colabianchi, associate professor of Applied Exercise Science, explains why in the U-M School for Environment & Sustainability's Lightning Talk Series: Cities, Mobility, and the Built Environment.

Going for grad

In April, the NCAA voted down a proposed rule to penalize colleges that accepted graduate transfer athletes. That's good, according to Rod Fort, professor of Sport Management, who called the proposal "draconian" in a New York Times article.

Alumni Spotlight

Making a statement

Former U-M basketball captain and current Detroit pastor and entrepreneur David Merritt (SM '08) started Merit, a cause-based fashion brand. 20% of the company's sales goes toward Give Merit, Merit's nonprofit arm, which funds college scholarships for under-served youth in Detroit.

Connect with classmates

Alumni Online Communities is a great new way to stay connected with fellow Wolverines on subjects that matter most to you. The School of Kinesiology community is going live on June 18! Through this platform, you'll be able to connect with all SoK alumni to chat, network, reminisce, give/get help, and so much more.

Student Voices

Stellar scholars

The American Kinesiology Association has given 2019 National Scholar Award honorable mentions to Movement Science master's student Indica Sur and undergraduate student Seraphina Provenzano. While not selected to be the winners of this year's national awards, these students' honorable mention speaks volumes concerning their distinguished academic and leadership records.
Pomp and circumstance

This year's School of Kinesiology Commencement ceremony featured alum Barry Franklin (M.S. '71), Director of the Cardiac Rehabilitation Program & Exercise Laboratories at William Beaumont Hospital and Professor of Physiology at Wayne State University School of Medicine. Student speakers were Sport Management master's student Bedar Noor and Sport Management undergraduates Katharine Bohlmann and Okpalefe Edevbie. The singer was Sport Management master's student Jeffrey Walker.

See the photos | Watch the video

Save the Date

U-M Night with the Detroit Tigers

Join us on Friday, September 13, at 7:10pm, as the Detroit Tigers take on the Baltimore Orioles. This special ticket package includes:

- Game ticket (different price levels available)
- Exclusive University of Michigan/Detroit Tigers baseball cap (pictured)
- Donation to the Pat Maloy Scholarship Fund

Buy tickets at tigers.com/um. For groups of 15 or more, email jessica.ruddy@tigers.com.

Homecoming

Join us for the Kinesiology Homecoming Celebration on the evening of Friday, October 4. The homecoming game against Iowa is on Saturday, October 5, at noon.

Invitation to follow.

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