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 (currently known as the Kraus Building) is in full swing! What's happening now:

- Demolition is progressing nicely. (Check out the welding action in the video on the right!) 
- The 4th floor has mostly been torn out and the rebuild is beginning. 
- A crane has been installed for heavy lifting of steel beams and other materials.

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In the News

Brain trust

The U-M Biosciences Initiative awarded our school $5.6M to create a comprehensive concussion research center for the university. The center, led by Athletic Training professor Steven Broglio, will use a multidisciplinary approach to answer crucial questions about concussion prevention, identification, and management.

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Changing it up

The Michigan Association of State Universities (MASU) formally approved a new name and curriculum for the Health and Fitness program - it's now called Applied Exercise Science (AES). Students are able to choose between a management track (for business-oriented careers) or a clinical track (for more "hands-on" careers).

Read more about AES
Let's move

Rebecca Hasson, associate professor of Applied Exercise Science and Movement Science, is featured in the newest edition of This Is Michigan, which highlights how U-M experts are helping individuals and communities across our state. The story details how Hasson's InPACT (Interrupting Prolonged sitting with ACTivity) program gets kids moving throughout the school day.

Read more and watch the video

Social status

Dae Hee Kwak, associate professor of Sport Management, doesn't think that Facebook's recent scandals will affect its streaming partnership with the MLB - unless Facebook fails to deliver a quality product.

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Pec success

David Lipps, assistant professor of Movement Science, and Ph.D. student Josh Leonardis are working to preserve the shoulder function of breast cancer patients after they have surgery - which enables them to keep doing everyday things, like put on a shirt, by themselves.

Read more and watch the video

Philadelphia story

Two-thirds of Philadelphia School District elementary schools don't have playgrounds. Natalie Colabianchi, associate professor of Applied Exercise Science, explains why playground equipment is a good investment for both kids and their communities.

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Alumni Spotlight

Sharing history

Jarrett Irons (SM '96, MA '99) and two colleagues are donating copies of the Emmy-nominated documentary Black and Blue - The Story of Gerald Ford, Willis Ward, and the 1934 Michigan-Georgia Tech Football Game to every Michigan public high school in honor of Black History Month and President's Day.

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Alum fun

Alumni in NYC and Southern California got together (at 30 Rock and the Los Angeles Country Club, respectively) to network, reminisce, and hear updates about the school during two mixer events in November and January.

Alumni and friends in Southeastern Michigan helped raise money for the MATS (Managers and Athletic Trainers) Scholarship at a U-M/Detroit Pistons game night in January. Special guests included Glenn Robinson III (former U-M basketball player now with the Detroit Pistons) and Devin Gardner (former U-M quarterback).

Join the fun - stay tuned for more alumni events!
Student Voices

Word scholar

Brianna Kennedy isn't just an Athletic Training student - she's also a poet. Brianna recently published her poem "Life as a Black Woman" in the Harvard Journal for African American Public Policy (and U-M President Mark Schlissel gave her a shout-out during this year's MLK Day Symposium).

Read Brianna's poem | Watch the symposium

Serving & learning

Sport Management master's student and veteran Steve Smith left his Coast Guard community to go back to school - but found a new community in the School of Kinesiology.

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Slam dunk

Movement Science major Austin Davis knows all about balancing a rigorous course load with basketball. (An assist from Kathy Clark, Movement Science lecturer and associate program chair, definitely helps.)

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Save the Date

Kinesiology Commencement Ceremony

Date: Thursday, May 2 at 4:30pm
Location: Hill Auditorium
Speaker: Barry A. Franklin, Ph.D., Alumnus, Director of the Cardiac Rehabilitation Program & Exercise Laboratories at William Beaumont Hospital, and Professor of Physiology at Wayne State University School of Medicine

Learn more

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