**State System News Highlights**

**Gov's budget - State universities see increase; Pitt and other state-relateds flat-funded again**
Tuesday, February 6, 2018
While the 14 state-owned universities would see a 3.3 percent or $15 million boost in support under Gov. Tom Wolf's 2018-19 spending plan, the University of Pittsburgh and Penn State, Temple and Lincoln universities would see no increase.
*By Bill Schackner, The Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*

**Edinboro Living Museum honors Black History**
Tuesday, February 13, 2018
Edinboro University of Pennsylvania’s Pogue Center became a living museum Tuesday as students and staff portrayed historic black Americans. Pertrina Marrero, 44, and the university’s director of diversity and inclusion, portrayed Ida B. Wells, the African American journalist, suffragist and civil rights activist.
*By Jack Hanrahan, GoErie.com*

**West Chester U. to host lecture series on Frederick Douglass, courtesy of borough's first African American mayor**
Wednesday, February 7, 2018
More than 120 years ago, prominent abolitionist Frederick Douglass delivered his last public lecture on West Chester University’s campus. Now, the importance of his life and work will get even larger exposure at the state university, thanks to a gift from West Chester Borough’s first African American mayor, Clifford E. DeBaptiste.
*By Susan Snyder, The Philadelphia Inquirer*

**They considered themselves white, but DNA tests told a more complex story**
Tuesday, February 6, 2018
As more Americans take advantage of genetic testing to pinpoint the makeup of their DNA, the technology is coming head to head with the country’s deep-rooted obsession with race and racial myths. This is perhaps no more true than for the growing number of self-identified European Americans who learn they are actually part African.
*By Tara Bahrampour, The Washington Post*

**ESU named among top schools for community college transfers**
Monday, February 5, 2018
East Stroudsburg University has been recognized for the third year in a row as a member of the 2018 Transfer Honor Roll.
*The Pocono Record*

**Search for Slippery Rock University's next president down to 5**
Saturday, February 10, 2018
The list of candidates to become Slippery Rock University’s next president is down to five, and a search committee will host each individual for a campus visit and interviews beginning Sunday.
*By Bill Schackner, The Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*

**Articles from subscription sites**

**$42.7 million Tippin Gym renovation gets state go-ahead**
The $42.7 million Tippin Gymnasium renovation project at Clarion University has officially been
awarded, and construction is expected to begin next month. The announcement was made Tuesday by the Pennsylvania Department of General... - *Oil City Derrick*

**Cal U announces statistics and data science degree program**
For students who would like to dissect the ins and outs of how Facebook knows which user tag in a photo, or how Netflix determines which movie to recommend a viewer, California University of Pennsylvania has a degree for them… - *Uniontown Herald-Standard*