Whoever said there is no “night life” in the area, did not manage to visit “Morphy”, the amazing corpse plant (*Amorphophallus titanum*), whose magnificent bloom heralded in the month of June. Thanks to the knowledgeable greenhouse caretakers Terry Barry and Dana Ozimek, as well as Ann Lavanway of the Department of Biological Sciences for the best date night ever – albeit perhaps not the nicest smelling one! Looking forward to all the summer undergrads and new graduate students joining MSB labs this month – lots of exciting science in bloom!
July 15 - Meredith Brown (Pattabiriman lab)
August 8 - Kamran Tariq (Luikart lab)

KUDOS

Congratulations PhD graduates:
Bradley Bartholomei (Dunlap/Loros lab)
   Stephanie Lee (Yeh lab)
Marek Svoboda (Bosco lab)
Nicole Traphagen (Miller lab)
2022 Faculty Mentoring Award Recipients:
Todd Miller and Kate Nautiyal

The Faculty Mentoring Award is designed by the Graduate Student Council (GSC) to recognize outstanding commitment to fostering the professional and personal development of graduate students.

MSB 2022 RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM
A big thank you to MSB post-docs and 2021 Tenney Fellows for presenting their research at the May 9th symposium. Also, thanks to Dr. Erika Brown for her keynote talk on the importance of allies in science.

WELCOME
Welcome Jaden Devine-Brilliant to MSB! Jaden, a recent biology and public health graduate of Oglethorpe University, moved up from Georgia to oversee the Vail zebrafish facility for the Halpern and Kasper labs. Jaden looks forward to experiencing new outdoor activities in the Upper Valley.

**MCB graduate students joining MSB labs!**

Elisa Carloni (Havrda)
Angelique Cortez (Whitfield)
Beatriz Mercado (Kasper)
Kathleen Paul (Havrda)
Alyssa Roberts (Miller)
Carolyn Winston (Kasper)
Huijuan Yang (Miller)
NOTABLE COMMENTARY & ENTERTAINMENT

What To Watch
Three strangers share an obsession with true crime and suddenly find themselves wrapped up in one. When a grisly death occurs inside their exclusive Upper West Side apartment building, the trio suspects murder and employs their precise knowledge of true crime to investigate the truth. Perhaps even more explosive are the lies they tell one another. Soon, the endangered trio comes to realize a killer might be living among them as they race to decipher the mounting clues before it's too late.

What To Read

Summer Solstice 2022: The First Day of Summer
In 2022, the June solstice occurs on Tuesday, June 21, marking the start of summer in the Northern Hemisphere. Here’s everything you should know about the summer solstice—what it means, why it’s the longest day of the year, and how to celebrate.

The Science Behind Fireflies
Running around the backyard on warm summer nights in an attempt to catch fireflies is a fun pastime. These insects, also known as lightning bugs, can light up the night with their magical glow. But, what actually makes them flash? Read on to learn about the science behind this
dazzling summer bug. You might be “enlightened!”

What To Listen To

[YouTube video thumbnail]
RECIPE OF THE MONTH

Healthy Strawberry Oatmeal Bars | Well Plated by Erin Clarke
The easiest, best strawberry oatmeal bars with butter crumb topping. One bowl, simple ingredients, and 100% whole grain—perfect for a snack or dessert!

For the Strawberry Bars:

- 1 cup old-fashioned rolled oats gluten free if needed
- 3/4 cup white whole wheat flour or substitute all-purpose flour or 1:1 baking flour to make gluten free
- 1/3 cup light brown sugar
- 1/4 teaspoon ground ginger
- 1/4 teaspoon kosher salt
- 6 tablespoons unsalted butter melted (or substitute melted coconut oil to make vegan/dairy free)
- 2 cups small-diced strawberries about 10 ounces, divided
- 1 teaspoon cornstarch
- 1 tablespoon freshly squeezed lemon juice from about 1/2 small lemon
- 1 tablespoon granulated sugar divided

For the Vanilla Glaze: (optional)

- 1/2 cup powdered sugar sifted
- 1/2 teaspoon pure vanilla extract
- 1 tablespoon milk any kind you like

Dartmouth College employees,

Please be aware that any remaining vacation time that hourly employees intend to take in this year should be used by Saturday, June 18, 2022. Vacation time for salaried employees should be used by Thursday, June 30, 2022.

The paid time off policy for hourly employees can be viewed here:
The paid time off policy for salaried employees can be viewed here:

https://policies.dartmouth.edu/policy/paid-time-salaried-employees

COVID-19 UPDATE

Take-home and in-person PCR testing will no longer be available through Dartmouth’s testing program after June 11 and in-person antigen testing will no longer be available after June 13.
Several COVID-19 testing resources will remain available to faculty, staff, and students:

- Face masks and take-home rapid antigen tests continue to be available to faculty, staff, and students at pick-up locations across campus.
- COVID-19 tests are also available through local testing resources listed on the state health department websites for New Hampshire and Vermont.

Please read below for details on testing availability through June 13:

May 25 through June 11

- All testing locations are open regular hours.
- In-person PCR testing and all pick-up and drop-off locations will be closed on May 30 due to the Memorial Day holiday and will resume regular hours on May 31.
- June 11 is the last day for PCR testing.

June 12

- In-person antigen testing for students experiencing symptoms is available from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., in the Maynard parking lot (11 Rope Ferry Rd.). Employees who are experiencing symptoms should call Axiom at 833-408-1338.

June 13

- In-person antigen testing for students experiencing symptoms is available 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., in the Maynard parking lot (11 Rope Ferry Rd.) Employees who are experiencing symptoms should call Axiom at 833-408-1338.
- June 13 is the last day for in-person antigen testing.

For instruction on testing, isolation, or quarantine, students should contact Dartmouth College Health Services and employees should contact Axiom Medical at 833-408-1338.
If you have questions, please reach out to the COVID-19 response team at Covid-19.info@dartmouth.edu.

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