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India's Green Queen

National Green Tribunal judge and jurist, Justice Rajendra Singh, addressed Mason's College of Science mini degree celebration event on Wednesday, May 12, 2021. Singh is a renowned environmental law scholar, author, and litigator who has often been called India's Green Queen. He has won numerous awards and recognition around the world for his work in the environmental field, including the prestigious and highly competitive Goldman Environmental Prize. Singh delivered the address to the class of 2021 during the College of Science mini graduation celebration on Monday, May 10, 2021.

Speech delivered to the crowd.

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Saleet Jafri, Director, Neurobiology of Cancer Drug Sensitivity at George Mason University, has been selected as the recipient of a $1.249 billion grant from the National Cancer Institute (NCI). The two-year award will support Jafri's team to evaluate the mechanisms of resistance to cancer drugs. His project is based on the development of a computational method that uses machine learning applied to feature sets derived from molecular simulation to predict the functional consequences of genetic variation. Jafri's research is vital in the development of new therapeutics for cancer patients.

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Environmental science aims to focus on sustainability in order to ensure the planet's future

Thomas Lovejoy, Mason Professor of Environmental Science and Policy, delivered a speech at the Mason Science Community Mini Graduation Celebration on Monday, May 10, 2021. Lovejoy's address highlighted the importance of environmental science in our world and the need for sustainability. "Life is not about being asked to survive it, but to impact it negatively or positively," Lovejoy said. "As a researcher in sustainability, it is our responsibility to promote the importance of this field." Lovejoy's words were a call to action for the audience to take responsibility for the planet's future and to ensure that sustainability is a priority for everyone.

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Mason researcher appears on the Today Show to discuss air pollution during COVID-19

A Mason researcher appeared on the Today Show on Wednesday, May 19, 2021, to discuss air pollution during COVID-19 and the lasting impact of the pandemic. "We have seen a significant decrease in air pollution during the pandemic," the researcher said. "However, as the world begins to reopen, we must be prepared to address the issue of air pollution and its effects on public health." The researcher's appearance was a call to action for the public to remain vigilant in the fight against air pollution.

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10. Take a moment to hear his speech, advice for his classmates, and his thanks to Forensic Science Department faculty and staff.

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Listen to the speech

Kelly Knight, Associate Professor of Forensic Science, addressed the class of 2021 during the College of Science Mini Graduation Celebration on Monday, May 10, 2021. Knight's speech focused on the importance of science in our world and the role that the Forensic Science Department plays in educating the next generation of scientists. "Forensic science is an incredibly exciting field," Knight said. "It is a field that uses scientific principles to solve crimes and keep society safe. As you leave Mason, I hope you will continue to use these skills to encourage others. Our audience represents the potential for a bright future. Some of you will go on to become leaders in the scientific field, perhaps even around the world."

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Happening at Mason

- RVZ opens new budget with no hiring freeze on April 30, 2021. More than 150 RVZ departments have their own independent budgets, and the new RVZ budget will allow these departments to have more autonomy in spending. This is a significant change for the university and a step towards greater transparency and accountability.

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