

Project 1 Report - *Ryan Rouleau*

Features added

An image for each article item is now displayed underneath the article title if present in the rss.

Database Changes

To be able to store the image links for each article, I altered the items table with a new column to hold the image link called `itemImg`. I used the following SQL command to do this:

```
ALTER TABLE items
ADD itemImg varchar(255) CHARACTER SET utf8 COLLATE utf8_unicode_ci NOT NULL;
```

Code Changes

To grab the image link, I modified a few parts of `fetchsimplepie.php` to be able to parse the image link from the article. To accomplish that, I first updated the insert queries with the newly created `itemImg` column. Then to grab the link, I used `$item->get_enclosure()->get_link()`. Then the result of the call was put into the updated insertion queries so it can be stored in the database.

I decided I wanted the image to be displayed directly underneath the title of the article. This determined where I put the code to echo the image link from the database (under the echos for the title in `index.php`).

To be able to grab the image link, I updated the selection queries at the top of the file to include our new column `itemImg`. Then I added this code:

```
if ($item['itemImg'] != NULL) && (strlen($item['itemImg']) > 0) {
    echo "<img src=\"";
    echo $item['itemImg'];
    echo "\" style=\"width:100%\" />";
}
```

to the `displayItem()` function directly under the echo's for the title.

This work produced the following result on the homepage:

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LATEST: President Trump visited survivors and first responders of the Las Vegas massacre Oct 4 12:20pm

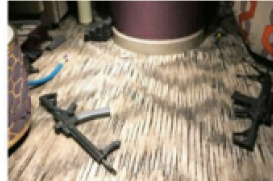


A distinctive grief shared among Las Vegas survivors Oct 4 9:28am



Tony Burditus never got a chance to say good-bye to his high school sweetheart.

Police: Gunman fired for at least 9 minutes Oct 4 1:57pm



It took about 10 minutes for Stephen Paddock to carry out the deadliest mass shooting in modern US history.

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Dozens die as plague menaces Madagascar Oct 4 11:03am



An unusually widespread outbreak of the plague is menacing Madagascar.

Nobel prize awarded for imaging molecules Oct 4 7:58am



The Nobel Prize in Chemistry 2017 has been awarded to three scientists for pioneering work on new methods of visualising biomolecules like the Zika virus.

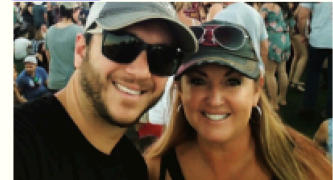
This 900-year-old Chinese bowl just sold for \$38 million Oct 3 12:52pm



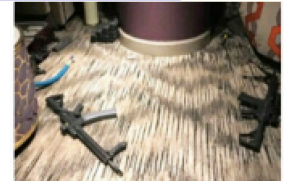
An antique Chinese bowl

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A distinctive grief shared among Las Vegas survivors Oct 4 9:28am



Police: Gunman fired for at least 9 minutes Oct 4 5:30pm



It took about 10 minutes for Stephen Paddock to carry out the deadliest mass shooting in modern US history.

How killer turned rifle into a machine gun Oct 4 2:32pm



The gunman in the Las Vegas massacre may have rigged his guns with devices that enable a shooter to fire bullets rapidly, mimicking automatic fire.