



The campus community gathered on the Oval April 25 to remember those members of the Ram Family who departed this life in the past year. See page 7 for a complete list of those memorialized. *Photo by Kyle Deuschle*

CSU, UHealth partner to improve health care for campus, community

Colorado State University and UHealth have announced a landmark partnership focused on academics and health care. The partnership includes:

- UHealth will work with the CSU Health Network to build and help staff the new CSU Health and Medical Center. UHealth physicians will work in the new Center – as will CSU Health Network health care providers including CSU physicians – to continue providing the very best medical care while significantly increasing convenience for CSU employees, students and the community in one location.
- UHealth will continue to serve as the preferred in-network health care provider, increasing the quality and value of health care for CSU and supporting employee wellness. Currently, the majority of CSU employees already use UHealth physicians and facilities.
- The partnership will provide events for the Fort Collins community to promote health and wellness.
- CSU and UHealth are extending their longstanding relationship with Rams Athletics to care for CSU's

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\$13 million gift supports scholarships, construction

By Tony Phifer

Colorado State alumnus Michael Smith has made a series of donations to the university that will fund new scholarships focused on business, natural resources and chemistry, complete funding for a new natural resources building in the Warner College of Natural Resources, and contribute to the funding of the new on-campus stadium.

Smith is the chairman and chief executive of Freeport LNG, which is completing an

liquefied natural gas export facility in the port of Freeport, Texas. Prior to Freeport, he was the chairman and chief executive of Basin Exploration, a Colorado-based E&P company he founded in 1981 in Fort Collins and sold to Stone Energy in 2001.

"I owe much of my success to the education I received at CSU and the combination of strong science and mathematics that enabled me to learn the oil and gas business," Smith said. "My career has been built around the opportunity this

country's energy business has spawned, and I hope my gifts help CSU to continue providing a premier education to generations of geologists, chemists and business leaders."

About the gift

In total, the \$13 million gift will include:

- A \$5 million gift to create 50 full-tuition scholarships in the College of Business, in honor of the College's 50th anniversary – 13 endowed Michael Smith Elite Business Scholars awards and 37 Michael

Smith 50th Anniversary Scholarship awards.

- A \$3.7 million gift to complete funding to build the Michael Smith Natural Resources Building in the Warner College of Natural Resources.
- A \$3.5 million gift to the new multipurpose on-campus stadium project; the Michael & Iris Smith Alumni Center within the stadium will be home to the University's 205,000 living alumni.

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APPLAUSE

COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES

Temple Grandin, professor of animal sciences, was elected to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences among 213 new members announced April 20 in Cambridge, Mass. Grandin is an internationally recognized leader in animal handling innovations and and autism advocate. She joins **Diana Wall**, University Distinguished Professor and director of SoGES, as CSU’s living faculty who are members of the academy. Pulitzer Prize-winning poet **Yusef Komunyakaa**, an alumnus of the College of Liberal Arts, was inducted with Grandin part of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences Class of 2016.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

Cara Neth has been honored as a Woman of Distinction by BizWest Media for her contributions to the

vitality of Northern Colorado. Neth serves as Director of Presidential and Administrative Communication in the Office of the President at CSU, and although she is perhaps one of the most sought-out people on campus on a daily basis, she rarely takes credit for her calm, kind, consistent leadership.

WARNER COLLEGE OF NATURAL RESOURCES



Kurt Fausch, professor in the Department of Fish, Wildlife and Conservation Biology, is the 2016 recipient

of a Sigurd F. Olson Nature Writing Award, presented on Earth Day every year since 1991. *For the Love of Rivers: A Scientist’s Journey* won in the category of adult literature.

Maritza Arizaga, a first-generation senior ecosystem science and sustainability major, is the 2015-2016 CSU Student Employee of the Year,



winning in a strong field of 60 nominees. She works at the Center for Protected Areas Management and was not only

CSU’s winner, but also the winner from the State of Colorado, and the Western Region’s Student Employee of the Year, where she was selected from among nearly 600 other nominees.

STATE YOUR PURPOSE

Rams, you really do Love Your State. You proved it April 21 during the second annual Love Your State Day of Giving. The goal for the day was to have 1,870 gifts to funds supporting students and programs in all eight of CSU’s colleges. By day’s end, 1,974 gifts totaling \$127,245 from 43 states were received in the Day of Giving. **The College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences** and the **Rams Against Hunger** fund had the most gifts. The smallest gift was \$10, while the largest was \$10,000.

DIVISION OF EXTERNAL RELATIONS

The Division of External Relations was named 2016 Colorado PR Team of the Year by the Public Relations Society of America. CSU is the first university team ever to receive such an honor, and the award was presented in early May at the PRSA Colorado Chapter Gold Pick Awards ceremony in Denver.

CENTER FOR ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT OF MILITARY LANDS

CEMML employees at Fort McCoy, Wis., were recognized by the CSU Employee Appreciation Board in March for their dedication and service to the university as they serve at a U.S. Army installation far from Colorado. While busy with controlled burns, plant surveys, rehabilitation jobs and archaeological work, they enjoyed receive a small “party in a box” full of Ram shirts, hats and cookies, sent by the EAB.

The CSU Employee Appreciation Board recognizes employees for their hard work and promotes community spirit among CSU faculty and staff through events such as breakfasts and luncheons. Each month, the Board hosts a prize drawing for all faculty and staff who submit an entry form, including a coveted reserved parking space for a full month.

The board meets monthly during the academic year to discuss and plan employee recognition events, as well as to help promote university events.

Have a department or office you want to nominate? Please visit csueab.colostate.edu/nominate-a-unit/ to submit a nomination form!

PRESIDENT’S Community LECTURE SERIES

Colorado State University
presents
Dr. Amy Prieto
Associate Professor, Chemistry
Colorado State University



Inexpensive, Efficient Approaches for Energy Conversion and Storage

Tuesday, May 24, 2016 • 6:30 p.m. • Lory Student Center North Ballroom

Amy Prieto’s passion is developing new ways to make materials that have applications in energy storage and conversion. She and her students are contributing to the knowledge base in photovoltaics, hydrogen storage, and batteries. Their ultimate goals are to develop new materials that enable better devices for the energy economy, but with an eye toward making these solutions safe, environmentally friendly, and inexpensive. Amy is the Founder of Prieto Battery, Inc., based in Fort Collins, and will be working in partnership with two Fortune 500 companies to bring energy storage solutions to a diverse range of applications from computing devices and the Internet of Things to cordless power tools and lawn equipment.

This lecture is free and open to the public, however, tickets are required as space is limited. Tickets will be distributed on a first-come, first-served basis, and available at <https://advancing.colostate.edu/PresLectureSeriesMay2016>.



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Best Teachers of 2016 honored on April 18

Each year the CSU Alumni Association recognizes outstanding university educators with Best Teacher Awards. Teachers are nominated by students and alumni, and final selections are made by a committee that includes faculty, students and members of the Alumni Association.



Denise Apodaca

School of Music, Theatre, and Dance
College of Liberal Arts

Denise Favela Apodaca received her B.A. in piano performance from the University of California at Santa Barbara, a master's in piano performance and a second master's in piano pedagogy from Northwestern University. She graduated with honors from both universities.

She has been on numerous faculties and has performed throughout the U.S. both as a soloist and as a chamber artist. Apodaca has been an adjudicator for several music teachers' associations and has given workshops on piano technology, piano pedagogy, performance, music education, Latin American music and early childhood music. She currently serves on the Early Childhood Council of Larimer County and was a member of the executive committee for Beet Street in Fort Collins.

Apodaca is currently Piano Proficiency Coordinator, teaches Piano Skills for Music Therapists, Piano Skills for Music Educators, and Music Appreciation at CSU.



Ray Black

Ethnic Studies
College of Liberal Arts

Ray Black is an assistant professor of ethnic studies focusing on African

American studies; he has been at CSU for just over two years.

He is interested in the African American experience in the U.S., with a primary academic focus on representations of black life in the slave narratives and other 19th century documents, and how these depictions use literary irony and the folkloric trickster to conceal various modes of survival.

His current research is on how current students of color succeed in

higher education. Black has taught early childhood education (Head Start), been a coordinator for a non-profit program seeking to keep young men of color in high school, and led campaigns for reform-minded school board candidates. He follows the lesson of one of his teachers: "All students are flowers. Some take longer to bloom."



Marisa Bunning

(Ph.D. '07)

Food Science and Human Nutrition
College of Health and Human Sciences

Marisa Bunning is an associate professor and food safety extension specialist in the Department of Food Science and Human Nutrition at CSU.

Her teaching, research and outreach efforts are focused on improving food safety all along the food chain. Current projects include best practices for growing and handling fruits and vegetables to ensure safety; consumer food preparation practices; and local food system issues.

One of her favorite parts of her job is mentoring graduate and undergraduate students in the development and delivery of outreach education materials. She is a collaborator with Colorado Integrated Center of Excellence in Food Safety, the Western Regional Food Safety Training Center, and currently serves as the co-leader of the Animals, People and the Environment concentration in the Colorado School of Public Health.

Bunning is a member of the CSU Extension Food Systems Team and the One Health Food Systems Working Group.



Chuchang Chiu

Foreign Language and Literature
College of Liberal Arts

Chuchang Chiu is the senior teaching

appointee for the Department of Languages, Literatures & Cultures at CSU.

She grew up in Taiwan and received a B.A. in journalism from Chengchi University in Taiwan in 1979. Chiu's graduate study focused on mass communication. She received a master's from the University of Minnesota, and taught at Colorado College and the Foreign Language Center in Colorado



Springs in the 1980s. She also held various positions at Hewlett Packard in Oregon in the '90s.

Chiu has been teaching all levels of Chinese courses at CSU since 2003 and is the advisor of the Chinese Club.

Chiu previously received the CSU APACC Outstanding Teacher Award in 2012, and the CSU College of Liberal Arts Excellence in Teaching Award in 2007.



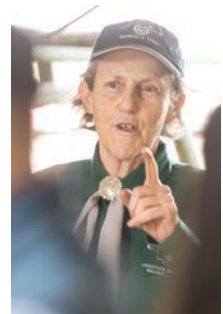
Tod R. Clapp

(B.S. '96, M.S. '99, Ph.D. '04)

Biomedical Sciences
College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences

Tod Clapp received his B.S. in biology, his master's anatomy and his Ph.D. in biomedical sciences, all from CSU.

Clapp is an assistant professor of biomedical sciences for the College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences. He has received numerous awards including: the Water Pik and CSU Athletic Department Excellence in Education Award; the Outstanding Academic Advising Award in Graduate Education, College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences; and the Lisa Marie Craft Memorial Graduate Scholarship for exhibiting career promise in teaching. Clapp has served as Honor's thesis adviser and committee member for numerous students, and he is a member of the Teaching Academy of the Consortium of West Region Colleges of Veterinary Medicine, the American Association of Clinical Anatomy, and the Association for Chemoreception Sciences.



Temple Grandin

Animal Sciences
College of Agricultural Sciences

Temple Grandin is a

designer of livestock handling facilities and a professor of animal science at CSU, and one of the newest members of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

In North America, almost half of the cattle are handled in a center track restrainer system that she designed. Her writings have helped many people to reduce stress on their animals during handling. Today she teaches courses on livestock behavior and facility design at CSU and consults with the livestock industry on facility design, livestock handling, and animal welfare.

She obtained her B.A. at Franklin Pierce College and her M.S. in animal science at Arizona State University. Grandin received her Ph.D. in animal science from the University of Illinois in 1989.

In 2010, *Time* magazine named her one of the 100 most influential people, for both her work with livestock and her activism on behalf of people with autism.

She is the author of more than 400 articles in both scientific journals and livestock periodicals as well as books including *Thinking in Pictures*, *Genetics and the Behavior of Domestic Animals*, *The Autistic Brain* and *Humane Livestock Handling*. Her books *Animals in Translation* and *Animals Make Us Human* were both on the *New York Times* bestseller list. Her life story has also been made into an HBO movie, "Temple Grandin," which starred Claire Danes and won seven Emmy awards and a Golden Globe.



Parks and Recreation Celebrates 50 Years

In 1966, City Council authorized the formation of a Parks and Recreation Department for Fort Collins. This year, Parks and Recreation is celebrating 50 years of providing a legacy of service to the Fort Collins community. Show your love for Parks and Recreation and join us as we celebrate 50 years.

Parks and Recreation was a part of Fort Collins even before it was official. Parks and Recreation was managed by the nonprofit organization, the Parks and Recreation Commission, for 29 years prior to 1966 when the City of Fort Collins absorbed the commission as an official department. H.R. Phillips was hired as the first director of Parks and Recreation and operated with a budget of \$57,000 to serve a community of 25,000 people. Fifty years later, Parks and Recreation serves a community of 166,000 people with a budget of \$44.5 million.

As the population in Fort Collins grew, so did our need for recreational spaces. Our fleet of parks, facilities and programming has grown to encompass three golf courses, ten recreation facilities, 875 acres of park land, including 6 community parks and 42 neighborhood parks, and more than 40,000 city property trees. This year, our golf courses were rebranded with fun and leisure in mind, more trees were planted, and our newest recreation facility, Foothills Activity Center, opened inside the newly renovated mall, Foothills.

Today, nearly 700 Parks and Recreation staff help keep our facilities running and our parks beautiful. Thank you to our team for helping us create one of the best places to live.

This summer, we're honoring the message of Parks and Recreation by showcasing fun, movement, and healthy well-being.

You can begin registering for summer programming on May 12. Pick up a copy of our groovy Recreator publication at any of our facilities. The Recreator includes information about hundreds of programs available for individuals and families interested in learning new dance moves, joining a sports league, or riding ponies.

On May 15, hundreds of kites will fill the skies near the foothills during the Kites in the Park Festival. Expert fliers from around the country will fight, dance, and perform with kites. Kids can make their own flying machines at the kite making station, and activities will be scattered all around Spring Canyon Park. Parking is available at Hughes Stadium with free shuttle service to the park.

A tie is alright when it's with dad. Run dad's favorite race – Father's Day 5k – on June 19. The race begins and ends on Mountain Avenue with a concert celebration to follow. This race is also part of the Healthy Kids Club Running Series.

Show your patriotic spirit on the 4th of July by day at the parade along Mountain Avenue, and by night at City Park by jamming to concert music and fireworks.

Move to the beat at our summer concerts on June 17, July 15, and August 20.. In June and July, we'll experience the majesty of the foothills in the back garden at the Senior Center. In August, performers will delight families at Heritage Park for an afternoon of musical entertainment.

This summer, Parks and Recreation will celebrate 50 years with style, and we'd love for you to join us. For more information about the history of Parks and Recreation, and upcoming events and programming, visit fcgov.com/recreation.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Finals Week

May 9-13
Extended hours at Morgan Library, Lory Student Center

Commencement

May 13-15
Congratulations graduates!



Summer Terms Begin

May 16
37th Annual Lillian Fountain Smith Nutrition Conference
May 19-20
Hilton Fort Collins
Hosted by CSU's Department of Food Science & Human Nutrition. fshn.chhs.colostate.edu

Mountain Campus Getaway

May 28-30
mountaincampus.colostate.edu/getaways

Memorial Day

May 30
University holiday – no classes, offices closed

Surplus Property Store's 5th Annual Tent Sale

June 18
Surplus Property Warehouse
201 W. Lake St.
Shop approximately 20 tons of used goods donated by students at the end of the school year as part of the "Leave it Behind" program. All proceeds will be donated to the Eco Leaders Student Organization at CSU to help fund programs like Leave it Behind, Recycle Mania, the Green Warrior energy campaign, several Earth Week programs, and the annual trash audit. surplus.colostate.edu

Fiscal Year 2017 Begins

July 1

Mountain Campus Getaway

July 2-5
mountaincampus.colostate.edu/getaways



Independence Day

July 4
University holiday – no classes, offices closed

Mountain Campus Getaway

July 29-31
mountaincampus.colostate.edu/getaways

Emerging Women Leaders Series

July 12, 11 a.m.
Lory Student Center
training.colostate.edu/calendar.html

Summer Classes End

Aug. 5
Community Open House and Ice Cream Social
Aug. 10, 5 p.m.
Lagoon west of Lory Student Center

Peach Festival

Aug. 20, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.
Hughes Stadium
Help Rotarians raise funds for local charities, and stock up on fresh peaches from the Western Slope.
Fortcollinspeachfestival.com

Fall Classes Begin

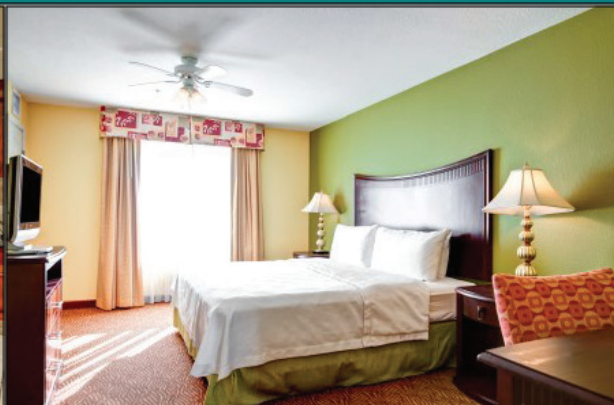
Aug. 22
Mountain Campus Getaway

Sept. 2-5
mountaincampus.colostate.edu/getaways

Labor Day

Sept. 5
University holiday – no classes, offices closed

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Spring 2016 Remembrance Ceremony

The annual Rams Remember Rams event held April 25 on the steps of the Administration Building on the Oval memorialized those faculty, staff, alumni, students and other members of the Ram Family who have passed away in the past year.

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| Linda Ahuna-Hamill | Paul Gilbert | John Mulnix |
| Robert Allerheiligen | Barbara Goff | Lt. Col. John W. Mosley |
| Yegor Andrianov | Harold Golus | Donna Newton |
| Alan Ashbaugh | William Gray | Alexandra Oborsh |
| Charles “Chuck” Baker | David G Hall | Pam Occhiuto |
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| Greg Bullard | Clara Kahler | George Splittgerber |
| Harry Campbell | Jennifer Fish Kashay | Dr. Marvin and Bonnie Stone |
| Ariel Cartin | Karen Kitchener | Thomas Utts |
| Cody Childerston | Donald Klein | Patricia VanDeventer |
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JULY 28
Jake Owen
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JULY 23-31
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Health Partners

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student-athletes. Under this agreement, UCHealth extends its role as the exclusive health care partner of CSU Athletics.

Additionally, the University of Colorado School of Medicine will explore the possibility of expanding medical education opportunities with CSU, setting mid-2017 as the target date for developing a plan that could lead to a medical school branch in Fort Collins in the future. The universities already work together closely through a joint venture for the Colorado School of Public Health and as partner members in the University of Colorado Cancer Center.

“This is an extraordinary day for CSU in every dimension,” CSU President Tony Frank said. “I am excited to expand a critical partnership with UCHealth and open the possibility of an expanded academic and research partnership with the CU School of Medicine, a wonderful partner for CSU.”

“We’re excited to deepen our relationship with CSU with this partnership in health care, academics and athletics,” said Kevin Unger, president and CEO of UCHealth’s Poudre Valley Hospital and Medical Center of the Rockies. “As someone

who graduated from CSU, I’m proud to work closely with my alma mater and ensure CSU’s staff, athletes and students receive the very best health care.”

“The partnership with UCHealth gives us the ability to continue to provide excellent care and to dramatically increase the convenience in accessing that quality care for our students, faculty and staff,” said Anne Hudgens, executive director of the CSU Health Network. “By partnering with UCHealth, we will be able to provide an even broader range of health care services to the entire campus. We’re thrilled about the possibilities this offers to serve our community together.”

“There’s no question that CSU and CU compete with one another for a few hours each year on the field and court,” Frank said. “But we also work extraordinarily well together when it comes to what really matters: service to our state, our communities and the advancement of knowledge. Our partnership with UCHealth has served CSU so well for many years. This agreement takes these commitments to a whole new level.”

About the Health and Medical Center

The 113,000-square-foot building



will be home to the existing CSU Health Network, which provides a full range of medical, mental health, and health education and prevention services to CSU students. The new center also will house public health care services, including a walk-in clinic and occupational health services. In addition, the facility will feature the

Columbine Health Systems Center for Healthy Aging, providing space and a framework for collaborative research on aging and educational, outreach programs. Construction is ongoing at the northwest corner of College Avenue and Prospect Road, with a goal of completing the project by spring 2017.

Can your social network make you healthy?

By Kimberly Burke

It is interesting to watch children form friendships because these interactions shape their personalities and behavior. The same can be said for adults. We often don’t realize how influenced we are by our friends, peers, colleagues, and family. These people make up a piece of our social environment, and influence a lot of our decisions from the clothes we buy to our health.

The group dynamic

As humans, we are constantly interacting with everything around us. Often called the Social-Ecological Model, this framework displays the interactions of individual, social, and environmental factors. When one is altered, it can (and likely will) impact the other areas. Some of these interactions may be clear, like a neighborhood walking group that allows people to be physically active and get to know each other better. Some may be less obvious, like factors of our environment such as the 65 parks that exist within Fort Collins and Colorado’s average 300-plus days of sun a year that offer opportunities to get outdoors.

Social network

Thinking broader than just your friends on Facebook, your social network is constantly evolving and not just

influenced by your five closest friends, but their friends, and their friends’ friends. Did you know that when your friends are obese, that increases your likelihood of being obese by 45 percent? When friends of friends are obese, you’re still at 25 percent increased chance of being obese. Even at third tier (friends of friends of friends), there is still a 10 percent risk for you.

We can think of these interactions in several ways. One, if I gain weight, you as my friend gain weight. Our friends influence our behaviors and perceptions, so we could both put on extra weight because we often meet up for coffee or drinks.

It could also be a matter of perception. We tend to change our own personal definition of what’s overweight based on how we or our friends appear. If a friend has put on a few extra pounds, we will change our view so that our friend’s appearance no longer fits into our definition of “overweight.”

The second interaction is the idea of homogeny – we gravitate towards people who are like us. More sedentary people tend to hang out with other less active people. And third, some confounding variable of a common environment, like lack of access to recreation centers or other opportunities to be active may have



an influence on us.

All the statistics above are from studies by well-known researcher Nicholas Christakis, who understands the delicate interactions of our social network and health outcomes: “If we took time to realize and appreciate how complex our social networks are we’d be spending a lot more time nurturing them.”

So should we ditch the friends with a BMI greater than 30 kg/m2? Absolutely not! It means that while our friends influence us, we also influence them. So if you want to impact the health of others, start impacting your own health. Your thinking and behavior will integrate its

way into your social network and benefit everyone around you.

Kimberly Burke is the director of the Adult Fitness Program, an outreach program through the Department of Health and Exercise Science. Adult Fitness offers exercise opportunities for employees of CSU as well as community members, while providing hands-on learning experiences for health promotion students.

hes.chhs.colostate.edu/outreach/adultfitness/

THREE TASTES

for summer



With summer weather comes strolling weather - and luckily for residents and visitors of Fort Collins, a walk down North College Ave makes it easy to visit three distinct local craft alcohol producers.

242 N. College Ave is the home of Pateros Creek Brewing Co., creators of leisure beer gone local. PCBC presents The Legends, their five standard brews named after classic Fort Collins locations, and The Renegades, their line of rotating seasonal and limited edition beers. If you happen to visit on a Thursday, you might even get to taste The Outlaw – produced in only one keg and served for one day a week.

Next door at 244 N. College Ave., CopperMuse Distillery encourages you to “Find Your Muse.” Featuring a tasting room, a patio, and distillery tours, visitors are welcome to enjoy premium artisan vodka and rum.

Down the street at 215 N. College Ave is Scrumpy’s Hard Cider Bar, Sandwiches, and Sweets. Visitors can grab a bite and a flight of the 18 ciders on tap. Scrumpy’s also ferments and kegs their own ciders, complemented by offerings from around the world.

After you experience these spirits at their places of origin, you can pick up your favorite Pateros Creek beer, CopperMuse rum and vodka, and Scrumpy’s cider at Wilbur’s Total Beverage.

By Paige Beaufort

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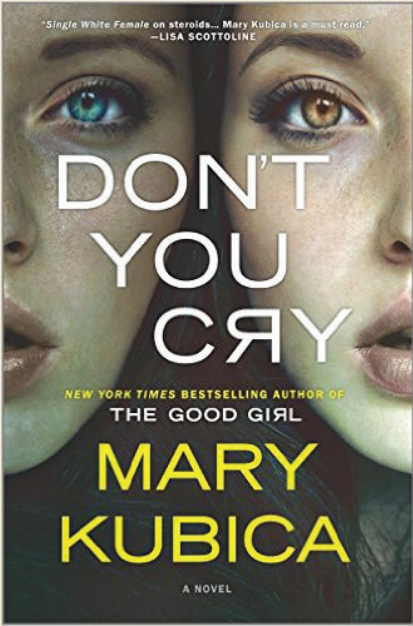
ENTERTAINMENT CALENDAR

Art & Literature

An Evening with Author Mary Kubica

May 18, 7 p.m.
Hilton Fort Collins
401 W. Prospect Road | lib.colostate.edu

Mary Kubica, best-selling author of thrillers *The Good Girl*, *Pretty Baby* and the soon-to-be-released *Don't You Cry*, will discuss her work in a free Evening with an Author event, presented by the Friends of Morgan Library and The Poudre River Library Friends. No tickets required, seating is first come, first served, doors open at 6:30 p.m. Book sale and signing will follow the discussion.



Touching Strangers: Richard Renaldi

May 27-July 24
Fort Collins Museum of Art
201 S. College Ave. | ftcma.org

Since 2007, Richard Renaldi has been working on a series of photographs that involve approaching and asking complete strangers to physically interact while posing together for a portrait. See the results in this striking exhibition.



Music & Dance

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July 20
Winchester Holiday

July 27
Union Gray

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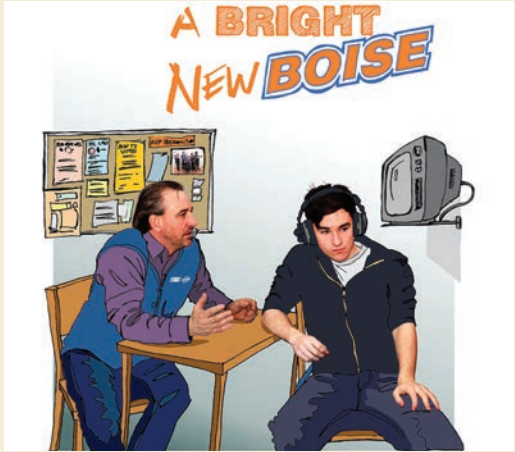
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Theatre

A Bright New Boise by Samuel D. Hunter

May 13-28, Friday and Saturday, 8 p.m.
OpenStage etc.
Magnolia Theatre, Lincoln Center | lctix.com

An unexpected dark comedy about the importance of making human connections, *A Bright New Boise* takes place in the break room of a Hobby Lobby in Idaho, where someone is summoning The Rapture.



Good People by David Lindsay-Abaire

Bas Bleu Theatre
May 28-June 26, weekends
401 Pine St. | basbleu.org

Margie, a tough middle-aged “Southie” from the wrong part of Boston, who loses her job and is one Bingo game away from homelessness. Reaching out to an old flame — now a successful doctor — Margie risks all as she tries to find a fresh start. An insightful comedy of class and culture, darkly funny and sweetly tender.

Taming of the Shrew by William Shakespeare

OpenStage Theatre and Company
June 4-July 2, weekends, 7 p.m.
Columbine Health Systems Park
947 Worthington Circle, Fort Collins | lctix.com

What's summer without Shakespeare under the stars? Lawn chairs, blankets, coolers welcome; food and ice cream trucks will be on site.



Michael Smith

From page 1

- A \$400,000 gift to create 10 full-tuition Michael Smith Scholarships in the Department of Geosciences in the Warner College of Natural Resources.
- And another \$400,000 gift to create 10 full-tuition Michael Smith Scholarships in the Department of Chemistry in the College of Natural Sciences.

“Michael Smith is a brilliant, visionary business leader who, with this gift, has extended that vision to Colorado State University,” CSU President Tony Frank said. “We are humbled by his generosity and profoundly inspired by what we believe this will do for our students, alumni, and academic programs. The breadth and reach of the generosity from Michael and Iris Smith is truly unparalleled, with the potential for a transformative impact on three of our top academic colleges and our new on campus stadium currently under construction.”

Natural Resources Building

The Michael Smith Natural Resources Building will be a new, LEED-certified facility for the Warner College of Natural Resources. The student-centric, interdisciplinary

building will expand capacity for natural resources and environmental education, enhance collaborative research and policy, and amplify the Warner College’s legacy of excellence and leadership. This significant donation is the final gift needed to secure the \$20 million in private and public funding support necessary to break ground.

“Michael Smith’s gift really opens the doors to the future of Warner College,” Dean John Hayes said. “It’s a powerful commitment to both exceptional learning facilities and academic excellence in the geosciences. We are deeply appreciative of his thoughtfulness and his strong belief in the importance and potential of our College.”

About Michael Smith

Michael Smith is an energy entrepreneur whose academic and business roots are in Colorado. A CSU Chemistry major with a minor in mathematics, Smith attended Colorado State in the 1970s and holds an Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters from the school.

He has been extensively involved with the University in many ways over the years, including co-founding the



Michael Smith received an honorary doctorate from CSU in 2008.

Development Council and supporting Ram Athletics. He has many business and community affiliations throughout Colorado and a long history of philanthropic involvement including service on the boards of National Jewish Medical and Research Center, Colorado

Ocean Journey, and as a member of the Colorado Governor’s Minerals, Energy, & Geology Policy Advisory Board. He is a past president of the Colorado Oil & Gas Association and served on its board for more than 10 years.

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University Distinguished Teaching Scholar



Branislav Notaros, professor, Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering
Branislav Notaros has been

recognized for his exceptional achievements in undergraduate and graduate teaching of electromagnetics and related courses.

2016 Scholarship Impact Award

Given by the Office of the Vice President for Research, the Scholarship Impact Award comes with a \$10,000 grant to support the recipient's research.



LeRoy Poff, professor, Department of Biology
LeRoy Poff was honored in recognition of his exceptional biology research. Poff,

stream and river ecologist and director of the Graduate Degree Program in Ecology, focuses his research on how human-caused ecological consequences change natural patterns in rivers and modify the interactions between species, structure and function of aquatic and riparian ecosystems.

Board of Governors Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching Award



Lori Peek, associate professor, Department of Sociology
Lori Peek, co-director of CSU's Center for Disaster and

Risk Analysis, teaches courses on contemporary race and ethnic relations, the sociology of disasters and qualitative research methods. She is one of the top-rated CSU instructors on the online system CSU students use to rate their professors.

Monfort Professors

Each year, two Monfort Professors are selected by a provost-appointed committee to receive \$75,000 per year to further their research and teaching.



Shrideep Pallickara, associate professor, Department of Computer Science
Shrideep Pallickara's research is

in the area of cloud computing and big data. Pallickara plans to use the Monfort resources to extend his research efforts in designing systems for collecting and processing data streams generated in health care settings.



Sudeep Pasricha, associate professor, Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering
Sudeep Pasricha has

authored or co-authored more than 120 articles in peer-reviewed journals and conferences, many in the most prestigious IEEE journals, with these articles being cited more than 1,950 times. Six of these articles have also been shortlisted for Best Paper Awards at IEEE or ACM conferences, with four receiving the honor.

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Conference and Event Services

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Theresa Barosh

Ecology Ph.D. Student

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Fish, Wildlife, and Conservation Biology

Tom Milligan

Vice President for External Relations

Steven Fletcher

Atmospheric Science

Margaret B. Hazaleus Award

Keri Canada

Department of Anthropology

Monica Rivera

Women & Gender Advocacy Center

Enrollment & Access

Distinguished Service Award

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Multicultural Staff and Faculty

Network Distinguished Service Award

Tom Biedscheid

Student Financial Services

Shane Kanatous

Biology

Maria Martinez

Apartment Life, Housing and Dining



Outstanding Achievement Award

Teresa McClure

Graduate School

Linda McDowell

Occupational Therapy

Lynne Shanahan

Veterinary Teaching Hospital

Chris Bachman

CSU Health Network

Karen Kahler

Chemistry

Distinguished Administrative Professional Award

Susan MacQuiddy

CSU Health Network

Melissa Reese

Electrical and Computer Engineering

Kathryn Ernst

College of Business

Karolien Deneff

Chemistry, Central Instrument Facility

Oliver P. Pennock Distinguished Service Award

Christopher Melby

Food Science and Human Nutrition

Catherine Kennedy

Health and Exercise Science

Irene Vernon

Ethnic Studies

Laurie Stargell

Biochemistry & Molecular Biology

Jack E. Cermak Advising Award

Anne Van Arsdall

Human Development and Family Studies

Leslee Becker

English

Nancy Levinger

Chemistry

Brett Bruyere

Human Dimensions of Natural Resources

Interdisciplinary Scholarship Award - Team



Maria Fernandez-Jimenez

Forest & Rangeland Stewardship

Linda Stanley

Psychology

Randall Swaim

Psychology

Kathleen Kelly

Marketing

Jennifer DeLuca

Biochemistry & Molecular Biology

Exceptional Achievement in Service - Learning Student Award

Interior Design class of 2017

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Exceptional Achievement in Service - Learning Community Partner Award

Catherine Dillion

Natural Areas Service Learning Educator – City of Fort Collins

Susan Schafer

Natural Areas Education and Volunteer Coordinator – City of Fort Collins

Instructional Innovation in Service-Learning Award

Elizabeth Sink

Communication Studies

Spirit of Philanthropy Award

William (Bill) Wailes Jr.

Animal Sciences

Innovative Excellence Award

Bryan Willson

Mechanical Engineering

John Mizia

Engineering Institute

Morgan DeFoort

Mechanical Engineering

Provost's N. Preston Davis

Award for Instructional Innovation

Aaron Sholders

Biochemistry and Molecular Biology

Technician of the Year Award

Esther Musselman

Microbiology, Immunology, Pathology

Spring 2016 Commencement Schedule

Friday, May 13, 2016

Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVM) Program

8:00 a.m.
Moby Arena

Air Force ROTC Commissioning

8:00 a.m.
Lory Student Center, Theatre

Army ROTC Commissioning

9:30 a.m.
Lory Student Center, Grand Ballroom

College of Engineering

11:30 a.m.
Moby Arena

The Graduate School

3:00 p.m.
Moby Arena

College of Health and Human Sciences

7:30 p.m.
Moby Arena

Saturday, May 14, 2016

College of Natural Sciences

8:00 a.m.
Moby Arena

College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences

8:00 a.m.
Lory Student Center, Grand Ballroom



College of Agricultural Sciences

11:30 a.m.
Moby Arena

College of Business

3:00 p.m.
Moby Arena

College of Liberal Arts I (Art, MT&D)

4:30 p.m.
Lory Student Center, Grand Ballroom

College of Liberal Arts II

7:15 p.m.
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Sunday, May 15, 2016

Warner College of Natural Resources

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How do you commute? Transportation at CSU

By Aaron Fodge, manager of Alternative Transportation

Our campus is evolving and how our students, employees, and visitors commute and experience the campus is changing with it. Parking on campus is shifting from surface lots on the interior of the main campus to a new parking garage (Pitkin and College) and a commuter lot at the Veterinary Teaching Hospital.

More than any time in the University's history, CSU has more transit routes (including MAX) and service hours due in large part to our swiftly increasing ridership. On top of all that, CSU is now nationally recognized for our long-term commitment to becoming a Platinum Bike Friendly University.

How do we travel

When we look at our campus as a whole (students and employees), the changing landscape how we commute is evident. Annually, CSU conducts a statistically valid survey for mode split (or, what they use to travel to campus). Forty percent of our daily commuters consider transit, biking, and walking as their primary mode of transportation to work. When we look at their secondary mode, those same modes make up 39 percent.

These findings are consistent with the nationwide slowing (www.ssti.us/wp/wp-content/uploads/2015/03/Figure1.jpg) of Annual Vehicle Miles Traveled per capita (VMT) over the last decade. Commuters are prioritizing how and when they travel with a personal vehicle. We see this prioritization at CSU by the election of transit, bicycles, and walking.

Employees and transportation

Certainly, our students significantly influence the overall mode split of our campus. Yet, many achievements have helped our employees shift their commuting priorities:

Free Transit Pass – Since 2014, all employees can use their RamCard to ride all Transfort buses for free.

Commuter Tax Benefit – Thanks to Teri Suhr in HR, employees are now eligible to use pre-tax money to pay for vanpool and transit expenses (www.hrs.colostate.edu/benefits/commuter-transit.html)

Emergency Ride Home – Employees who elect to use transportation in lieu of a parking permit are eligible for two free cab or Zipcar trips annually for when an emergency arises (pts.colostate.edu/employee/emergency/)

Parking Permits for Alternative Transportation Users – CSU now offers monthly permit options and Daily 10 Packs for the few days when a bicycle, transit, or carpool user needs to drive to campus (pts.colostate.edu/employee/)

Travel Training – Parking and Transportation Services now contacts all new employees to discuss travel training

options to help them decide how they will commute to campus. These trainings are open to all employees and can be hosted by any department on campus.

Supporting the shift through sustainability

Colorado State University has been recognized through AASHE as the first institution to achieve STARS Platinum (green.colostate.edu/). Our investments in transportation through infrastructure and programming have helped achieve this recognition and the associated greenhouse gas emission reduced by our commuters traveling by other than their personal vehicle.

Transit

ASCSU and CSU invests over \$1.5 million annually through a collaborative partnership with Transfort. That has translated into increased ridership well over a million trips in 2015. MAX now brings bus rapid transit to campus every 10 minutes while the Around the Horn shuttle moved over 210,000 passengers last year. For those living outside Fort Collins, the FLEX (free to employees with RamCard) and the Bustang connect directly to Boulder and Denver respectively.

Bicycle

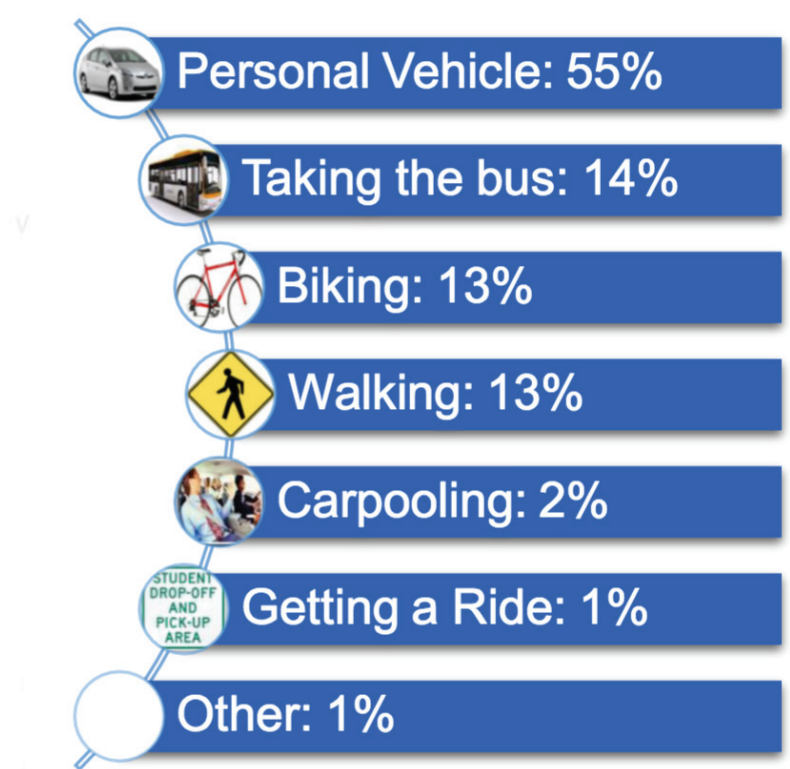
The Bicycle Friendly University Platinum designation is the direct reflection of our 10.4 miles of trails and our leadership to bring separated trails (bicycles and walkers) to campus. We are actively working with the City of Fort Collins to create the Pitkin Bikeway — a low stress route from Taft to Timberline through campus along Pitkin. The stadium project will bring a trail extension of the Aggie Trail on the west side along with an underpass at Prospect and Center. Likewise, a new bike trail segment of the Prairie Loop will be constructed between the new Chemistry and Biology buildings. By 2018, we will grow to 18,000 bike parking spaces while adding innovative treatments like contraflow bike lanes, buffered bikes lanes, and cycletracks.

Electric Vehicles

CSU is recognized as a nationwide leader in workplace electric vehicle charging. In 2016, we will expand our chargers to 26 thanks to successful grant awards from the Colorado Energy Office. Our employees are “first movers” — growing our EV parking permits on campus to over 30. CSU just added four electric vehicles to our fleet to support work-related trips.

Aspirations

Our unprecedented construction cycle certainly provides an opportunity to think about the future and what transportation amenities our future campus should consider. Many of our new buildings have amenities (break



Source: 2016 CSU Mode Split Survey. Primary Mode of Transportation (All Users). Neon Global Research

rooms, lactation rooms, meditation rooms, commuter showers) that help our employees reduce the number of personal vehicle trips they need to make while supporting their efforts to use alternative transportation.

Bike share and departmental bikes loom on the horizon. These bicycle programs help employees with workday trips and last-mile (to your office)

connections from transit stations and parking lots. We are collaborating with the City of Fort Collins to bring both to campus.

CSU hopes to build on its strong partnerships with Transfort. The West Elizabeth Enhanced Transportation Corridor plan (www.fcgov.com/westelizabeth/) is investigating MAX-like service along the corridor in the future.

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PET HEALTH

Heartworm real concern for all types of pets

By James L. Voss Veterinary Teaching Hospital staff

No matter where you live or what time of year it is, your dog, cat or ferret can contract heartworm. Heartworms are small parasites that enter your pet’s bloodstream through mosquito bites. The larvae, or immature worms, work their way to the large blood vessels of the lung and into the heart, causing damage and interrupting normal blood flow. The infection can cause severe lung and heart disease.

New heartworm cases appear across the country every year as society, and pets, become more mobile. Regular use of preventive products is the best way to reduce the risk of heartworm disease and reduce risks of resistant populations of parasites, the Companion Animal Parasite Council advises. An added benefit is that most preventive products also protect against intestinal parasites.

Symptoms of heartworm

Dogs: Those recently or mildly infected may not appear ill until adult worms have developed in the lungs. As the disease progresses, your dog may cough, become lethargic, lose his appetite, have difficulty breathing, or tire rapidly after moderate exercise. Dogs can develop heart failure and a swollen belly due to excess fluid in the abdomen.

Cats: Coughing, respiratory distress, difficulty walking, and vomiting may indicate heartworms in cats. They can faint, have seizures and accumulate fluid in the abdomen. In some cases, a cat may suddenly die from heartworms.

Ferrets: Even indoor ferrets are at risk of heartworm infection. The signs are similar to those seen in dogs, but they develop more rapidly. Just one worm can cause serious disease in a ferret. Your veterinarian can prescribe heartworm medication approved for use in ferrets. The American Heartworm Society recommends year-round prevention for ferrets.

Testing for heartworm

Any pet exposed to mosquitoes should be tested.

Dogs: The American Heartworm Society recommends annual testing starting at 7 months of age. The test detects the presence of heartworm proteins in a few drops of blood and can be performed in most veterinary clinics.

If heartworm is detected, chest radiographs (X-rays), a blood profile and an echocardiogram (an ultrasound of the heart) may be necessary to confirm the diagnosis, to evaluate the severity of the disease, and to determine the best treatment plan for your dog.

Cats: Diagnosis can require a series of tests. In general, both antigen and antibody tests are recommended for cats to give the best chances of detecting the presence of heartworms.

Preventing heartworm

Preventive medicine comes as a pill, a topical medication or as an injection. It works by eliminating the immature (larval) stages of the immature heartworms. Because heartworms must be eliminated before they reach this adult stage, it is extremely important that heartworm preventives be administered strictly on schedule – monthly for oral and topical products and every six months for injectables.

Preventives do not kill adult heartworms, and will not eliminate heartworm infection or prevent signs of heartworm disease if adult worms are present in the pet’s body. Therefore, a blood test for existing heartworm infection is recommended before beginning a prevention program to assess the pet’s current heartworm status.

Treating heartworm

Dogs: The goal of heartworm treatment is to kill the adult and immature worms as safely as possible. When a dog is being treated, the heartworms are dying inside the dog’s body, so a pet must be much



less active than normal. That’s because physical exertion increases heartworm damage in the heart and lungs.

Treatment protocol involves several steps and medications, including antibiotics, pain control, preventive medication and melarsomine, the drug that kills adult heartworms.

Six months after treatment is completed, your veterinarian will perform a heartworm test to confirm that all heartworms have been eliminated.

To avoid the possibility of your dog

contracting heartworm disease again, your pet will need heartworm prevention year-round for the rest of his life.

Cats: There currently is no effective and safe medical treatment for heartworm infection or heartworm disease in cats. If your cat is diagnosed with heartworms, your veterinarian may recommend medications for pain control; drugs to reduce inflammatory response and resulting heartworm disease; or surgery to remove heartworms.



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CSU to host two national conferences on research ethics

By Carolyn Broccardo

The Research and Integrity and Compliance Review Office will be hosting two national conferences over the summer, and is offering special registration fees for CSU affiliates and students.

The second annual National Data Integrity Conference will be in Denver, June 2-3 at the Student Commons Building on the University of Colorado Denver campus. The topic is “Data Sharing: The How, Why, When and When Not to Share” and will include conversations on data privacy, openness, policy, education and the impacts of sharing data. Sponsored by CSU, CU, and the Society of Quality Assurance, speakers and attendees come from diverse fields such as academic research, information technology, quality assurance, regulatory compliance, private industry, grant funding and government.

Registration fees are \$50 for CSU and CU affiliates and \$250 for non-affiliates. The conference will be preceded by a Data Carpentry Workshop on May 31 and June 1 (\$100

registration). This year, organizers are accepting proposals for 10-minute lightning talks. For more information, visit www.sqa.org/NDIC16 or contact NDICAnnual@gmail.com with any questions.

Then, in July, “Keeping the Pool Clean: Prevention and Management of Misconduct Related Retractions,” will be held at the Hilton Fort Collins, July 20-22. Research is iterative and necessitates a clean “pool” of knowledge. Join us for a discussion on how to identify and handle fraudulent submissions, communication practices, whistleblowing, responsibility and ethics, retraction notices, and relevant tools. Speakers include those from the ORI, NSF, *Science*, *The Lancet*, COPE, AAAS, Retraction Watch, and others. The conference is funded by CSU and the DHHS Office of Research Integrity.

CSU affiliates receive a special rate of \$200 and students can join us for \$50. This rate includes a hot breakfast, lunch, snack, and an evening reception and a stellar lineup of speakers. For more information, visit vprnet.research.colostate.edu/oriconference/ or contact Carolyn.Broccardo@colostate.edu.

Parking fully enforced this summer

Don't get a parking ticket this summer!

Parking and Transportation Services will enforce regular parking hours in all lots on campus this summer. Permits will be required in all lots from 7:30 a.m. to

4 p.m. Monday through Friday, unless otherwise posted.

This is a change from previous years, when parking enforcement was limited to the Lake Street Garage, hourly parking and A lots only.



CONGRATULATIONS OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT STAFF

Operations Management March Employee of the Month



Jerrell Siler Jerrell always goes above and beyond the call of duty, preforming his job with a positive attitude at all times. A genuinely great person to be around and work with. Always willing to step up and lend a hand when needed, it has been a genuine pleasure working with Jerrell.

Operations Management Hourly Employee of the Semester



Matt Whitehead Matt Whitehead has been an hourly employee with Housing and Dining for many years now. He is dedicated to his job duties and always has a great attitude. He goes above and beyond his daily duties to make sure that our customers are satisfied and the warehouse is in order. Matt, thank you for all that you do!

Operations Management March Team Award

Safety Committee

This team is amazing! Each year they work so hard to plan and put together a successful Safety Training Day, and every year is better than the last. Thank you to each person on this committee.



New monthly assignment turned out to be not so bad

By Jim Rodenbush

I have a confession to make. I was not a big fan of this column, when I first learned that it would be one of my regular tasks as the Student Media Adviser at Rocky Mountain Student Media.

Scratch that. I really, really didn't like the idea.

Just like me, the monthly column in *CSU Life* was new to the position. As it was explained, it was a concession to the previous adviser, who left the job in part because of a desire to write more. Great, but what did that have to do with me? I didn't see the logic.

Fast-forward seven months. As I write my final column for the 2015-16 academic year, I do so with a feeling of accomplishment and a hint of sadness. So, what changed my thinking? I give most of the credit to you, the reader.



Your response to my words was unexpected, whether it was an email thanking me for the weight-loss column or a stranger stopping me outside the

Lory Student Center to tell me how much he enjoyed reading about my daily commute. Each time it was a surprise, much appreciated, and your reaction would ultimately become the best part of my day.

I didn't know that this column would give me to opportunity to meet people and learn more about the Colorado State campus. So for that, thank you. The writing part wasn't so bad either. It turns out there was something to that logic after all.

When this column returns in September, it's going to need a different direction. By then, I will have been in Fort Collins for a full year and hardly a new resident anymore. So, now what do I write about?

I have some ideas, but I also want to know what you think. Below are three ideas for next year's column. Love them? Hate them? I'd love to hear about it. Just send me a note, or stop me if you see me out-and-about.

Jim's Good News

The title definitely needs some work but it's pretty self-explanatory.

Each month, I would let you know about something positive happening on the Colorado State campus. It could be anything, from a professor's research to a student's award or the accomplishments of an organization.

CSU's Hidden History

I wouldn't exactly be looking for buried treasure. Still, the history of Colorado State interests me; particularly the things that might not be well known to the masses.

What I learn month to month, I would pass on to you.

All About Me

I won't be the new guy in Fort Collins anymore but, if you still want to read about my life, I'd be more than happy to share.

Topics could range from my kids, to my job in the media, to what I really think about the Colorado weather. I promise it would be worth a few laughs.

Jim Rodenbush is the Student Media Adviser to the Rocky Mountain Student Media Corporation. Send him your ideas at Jim.Rodenbush@colostate.edu

Classified Personnel Council looking ahead

The CPC is going strong in order to pursue its mission to represent the interests of CSU State Classified employees and to make sure their voices are heard. Through the hard work of Council members and the various CPC Committees, the issues impacting CSU State Classified employees and recognizing the amazing achievements of CSU employees remain at the forefront of CPC's efforts.

Increasing the number of Council Members – Updates to the CPC Constitution and Bylaws

The desire to increase the size of the Council is intended to:

- Allow for better participation in the practice and opportunities of shared governance at CSU
- Better enable CPC representation on an ever growing list of University Committees.

While approving the change to the size of the Council up to 30 members, the Council also approved removing the distinction of "alternates" – now, all elected representatives of the Council are "voting" members.

You can read the updated CPC Constitution and Bylaws here: cpc.colostate.edu/2016/03/22/updated-cpc-constitution-and-bylaws

Advocating in Advance

Ten members of CPC headed to Denver for their annual visit to the state capital on April 20. The visit is a learning opportunity to see firsthand the state legislative process, spend time on the floor of the House of Representatives, and best of all, have face-to-face conversations with our elected officials, adding our personal voices to the issues and concerns of CSU State Classified employees. While the legislative session continues for a few more weeks, we are turning our attention to FY18! For several CPC members, this was their first return to the state capital building since middle school. While the activities and business happening in the chambers and hallways isn't always clear to a visitor, the building and the process is something we can all be proud of.

CPC members were fortunate to share lunch and a spirited conversation with State Sen. John Kefalas, State Rep. Jeni Arndt, and State Rep. Joann Ginal. The major topics of conversation included:

- Pay increases for State Classified employees in FY18 and a discussion of how to begin advocating through the next budget cycle.
- Requesting information and support to change the annual evaluation



Stacey Baumgarn, CPC Chair, Eric Gardner, CPC Council Member, Wayne Hall, CPC Council Member



Eric Gardner gaining more insight from State Representative Lois Court.

process from a 1-3 rating scale to a 1-5 rating scale. Plans are in motion to arrange meetings with the Colorado Division of Human Resources, the Colorado Department of Personnel & Administration, our elected State Representatives, CSU Department of Human Resources, and the CPC Executive Committee.

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New stadium builds for future greatness

By Diego Felix

Thousands of Rams fans joined together for a six Saturdays every fall for an event that bridges CSU tradition and on-campus culture, could you imagine?

Planners on the Game Day Experience Committee can.

Less than 18 months out, a board of university leaders and city officials is working on a framework plan for the 2017 inaugural kick-off of CSU's on-campus stadium.

Through intra-university collaboration among departments ranging from Facilities Management, to Housing and Dining, to Athletics, the GDE committee is pooling input from all corners of CSU to create a vision for how game day should look and function on campus.

In addition to students, staff and faculty, the committee is taking into account the concerns of the Fort Collins community while also receiving feedback from universities nationwide on the best on-campus stadium implementation strategies.

"We want to make sure September 9, 2017, when we open this thing, that it runs as smoothly as possible," said Senior Associate Athletic Director of Marketing Ben Lorenzen. "We're confident that what we've come up with so far, and what we'll iron out in the next 12 to 14 months, will create one of the best fan experiences in the country and it will be something that this community, and this

state, will really want to be a part of."

For CSU football traditionalists, tailgating, as it's typically thought of, will remain available in designated parking lots on campus. Moves to incorporate "program" tailgating (think Ram Town at Hughes Stadium) are also being considered, including ideas for adding live music, student-specific zones and corporate-sponsored areas.

At a capacity of 41,000, the on-campus stadium adds close to 10,000 seats to Rams home games.

Parking Plans

For parking, 8,500 spaces are planned to be reserved for patrons.

According to the current framework plan, students living in residence halls may be required to move their vehicles to accommodate for game day parking, but will have their on-campus parking privileges reserved.

The Lake Street parking garage and the in-construction Pitkin parking complex, in addition to the south lots near CSU's Veterinary Teaching Hospital, will help hold the influx of vehicles expected on game day.

Automobiles, however, are not expected to make up the bulk of commuter travel, according to Fred Haberecht, assistant director of facilities management.

Haberecht explained that CSU's campus is already embedded with plenty of commuter options, such as the transit center, MAX stations, and a



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system of bike paths leading to a campus that's home to 15,000 bike spaces. He said bringing the game day experience on-campus would give way to new traditions and a foster a richer university atmosphere.

"Twenty years from now, when you come back with your kids (on game day), you can say 'hey, this is where I went to college, look at all the changes.' You can say 'here's the stadium.' So it's a touchstone of your experience at the

university," said Haberecht. "If you go out to Hughes Stadium, and it's not game day, you're coming out to a parking lot with your kids to say 'this is where it all happened.'"

While the Rams former football arena holds plenty of memories for current students and alumni alike, the potential for the on-campus stadium extends past D1 football.

The stadium would serve a dynamic combination of athletic and academic interests, said Blanche Hughes, vice president of student affairs and co-chair of the GDE committee.

"Ram Welcome, convocation; imagine how cool it would be to have some of the larger events right there," said Hughes. "Down the line, maybe concerts, but again, working with the city on what that would look like. I know for the first couple of years we won't do that until we get a better feel for how these events will happen. And that's just on the field."

CASA, for instance, will be consolidating its services — which are currently split between offices in the TILT and Aylesworth buildings — into one location on the stadium's east side. Often times the Lory Student Center, which rents space for student and community needs, can get booked up, exposing an need for additional activity space.

The horizon is bright for CSU. If that future shines too strong for Hughes Stadium hold-outs, perhaps watching the Rams continue playing on Sonny Lubick Field will act as some consolation come fall 2017.

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Leaving a legacy of student access and achievement in higher education

By Diego Felix

Paul Thayer has embodied the land grant mission of Colorado State University since before he became a Ram in 1979.

A man with a deep passion for family and community values, Thayer, the associate vice president of student success, knew early on in life that he wanted to make a difference; to do something that had some significance for people.

In the early 1970s, as a community organizer working with neighborhoods battling the effects of urban decay and economic plight in the inner city of his hometown Rochester, New York, Thayer arrived upon the realization that the key determiner in affecting legitimate positive change in someone's life rests squarely on the shoulders of their education.

"We focused on whatever the neighborhood was concerned about," said Thayer, reflecting on his time serving the Brown Square district of downtown Rochester, creating youth programs and working with city



government to improve living conditions.

"There are lots of way for people to improve their life possibilities but education is the most

important. Getting somebody out of high school, into college, literally transforms their life. I think I brought that understanding with me when I ended up at CSU."

Since beginning at Colorado State as the director of Upward Bound, Thayer has made student access and success in higher education the hallmark of an astonishing career that's stretched nearly four decades.

Thayer spent 18 and a half years creating and fostering programs aimed at pre-college student access, followed by 18 and a half years developing systems at the institutional level to help students succeed once admitted.

May marks his final month before he

officially retires, leaving behind a legacy of successful programs: the Mentoring Program, the First Generation Award Program, the Bridge Program, Talent Search, EOC, all of which eventually got wrapped up and collectively labeled as "the Access Center."

At the start of his time on campus, Thayer and his close-knit team would travel around to schools in the area, working with high school students on making the transition to a collegiate institution.

In his first year, Thayer's association helped draft new language for the 1980 Higher Education act, which would prove to be a pivotal shift toward further helping facilitate student access and success.

Included in the draft was a study conducted by a University of Wyoming professor that analyzed students from low-income families, who were also first generation (meaning their family did not attend college). The results concluded that students who shared both those characteristics were having the least amount of success in education.

At the time, Thayer said the work he

was doing to serve these students gave a sense of meaning to his life.

"All that mattered was our 100 students; if every one of those 100 students succeeded, life was great," Thayer said. "But soon the question became, what systems could we put in place within the program to help students be successful? How do we help our students to have more access to resources than we can provide?"

After stepping down from pre-collegiate work, Thayer moved to affecting change institutionally. In 1998 he implemented the Key Communities, fostering what he had done at pre-collegiately, this time at the university level.

"It was exciting to build stuff in Brown Square, exciting to build stuff in Upward Bound, then building this at a broader university. It's been really thrilling and I've been so lucky," said Thayer. "I'm so committed to CSU because when I look at other institutions they aren't doing this. Some of them have more prestige, some of them a lot more money, but nobody's doing this like we are. So there is something really good at CSU making it possible to do this."

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Colorado State Forest Service urges residents to help resist destructive pest

By Melissa Leavenworth

The Colorado State Forest Service will complete the deployment of more than 120 traps targeting the Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) in Boulder come mid-May. Similar to last year's efforts, entomologist Dan West leads this year's project to determine if the EAB has moved outside of the currently known infested area.

The EAB is a green menace that attacks and kills native North American ash trees. The pest is so aggressive that it can kill ash trees within two years of infestation. The beetles are dark green, about 1/2-inch long and are most active from late May through July. They feed on ash trees and their larvae tunnel into the bark to feed on the inner layers of the tree.

Threatening 15 percent or more of all trees within Colorado, the EAB poses a serious threat to urban and community forests in Colorado.

The pest is expected to permeate to areas outside of Boulder and has the potential to destroy millions of ash trees in the metro Denver area alone.

With summer coming up, it's important for everyone in Colorado to know that they can help protect the ash trees. Avoid planting new ash trees and prepare to replace ash trees lost to EAB with trees outside of the true ash species (genus *Fraxinus*).

By immediately determining if you have an ash tree, you can keep an eye on trees that are at risk and put a treatment plan in place for trees with potential for infection. Without



ongoing treatment, infested trees will surely die.

The Colorado State Forest Service urges everyone to help fight the EAB by not transporting hardwood or firewood. "We're only one piece of wood away from this showing up somewhere new," said West. The only way the EAB can move over long distances is through human-assisted spread.

Information on identifying ash trees and possible infection, as well as other resources including a newly updated quick guide about the EAB can be found at csfs.colostate.edu/forest-management/emerald-ash-borer/.

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Spice up your summer coleslaw with this Mexican spin on an old favorite, from the Kendall Anderson Nutrition Center.

Ingredients

- 4 green onions
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- ½ head red cabbage
- 2 cups of carrots (approximately 5 carrots), shredded
- ½ cup cilantro, chopped
- 1 lime
- ¾ cup nonfat Greek yogurt
- 1½ Tbsp sugar
- 1 tsp salt
- ½ tsp pepper

Directions

1. Chop the green onions with a bias (diagonal) cut. Shred the cabbage, and toss the cabbage, carrots, onions and cilantro in a large bowl.
2. Zest the lime into a small bowl, then add the juice from the lime. Add the yogurt, sugar, salt and pepper, mixing well. Toss the cabbage mixture in the sauce and serve.

Serving Size: 1 cup | Yield: 12 servings



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Campus telephone migration in the home stretch

By Dave Hoffman, ACNS/Telecom Project Manager

Replacing the aging campus phone system with a new Voice over IP (VoIP) system has been in the works for almost 5 years. Most of campus has been converted and Telecommunications is entering the last round of conversions before the final cleanup phase.

This last phase of conversions will take us through the end of the calendar year and will complete the Engineering buildings, Yates, GSB, CEMML/VocEd, Weber and Foothills Campus. With this final stage complete the total footprint of telecommunications infrastructure will have been dramatically reduced and consolidated.

After the final conversions are complete the cleanup phase will begin where we will review and move any remaining phone numbers that have been overlooked, abandoned, or have simply gone unused for a long period of time. With this complete we can unplug the old telephone system.

So what does this mean for you? It means that Telecommunications can



Wiring to connect to all campus phones

begin looking at additional functionality on the phone system and consolidating rates that are charged for phones, voicemail, long distance, etc. With technology changing as fast as it does, it will be exciting to see what we will be able to do with our phones in the future.

Campus Trivia with Russ Schumacher

This final question for the semester proved to be a little trickier than usual. While there are plenty of places on campus that are wildly popular – Lory Student Center and the Oval, for example – the most visited place, by tourists and locals alike, is the **Annual Trial Garden** at Lake and Remington streets, according to Visit Fort Collins. In fact, it's the single most visited place in the city.

You might think that **Kevin Nolan** would have used his mad computer skills to get this one, since he is in charge of training and support for the Canvas online learning system through ACNS. But he's a hard-core trivia player.

"I play a lot of TriviaCrack, and always try to figure the answer out rather than looking it up," he said. "It just made sense, when I thought about it."

The New Jersey native also had his nearly 20 years with the University to draw on.

"My first job in 1997 was to prepare CSU for Y2K," Kevin recalled. "Now we can deliver courses anywhere in the world in real time. It's a job that changes all the time."

For having his answer chosen at random from the handful of correct answers submitted, Kevin



received a \$10 gift certificate to Mary's Mountain Cookies, and a CAM the Ram bobblehead autographed by Russ Schumacher, assistant professor of Atmospheric Science and the winningest Ram to every appear on *Jeopardy!*

Russ and CAM will return with more campus trivia in September, when *CSU Life* resumes publication for the 2016-17 academic year.

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Commitment to Campus: SafeWalk

Commitment to Campus benefits encompass a wide range of programs provided to CSU employees. In addition to discounts on athletic tickets and personal development opportunities are services such as SafeWalk.

Colorado State University Police Department provides SafeWalk — a student escort trained in safety and security who can walk you to your car or a location within a few blocks of campus after dark.

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from dusk until dawn, seven days a week, year-round. In extremely cold weather, the CSOs may also have access to a warm vehicle for the escort.

"SafeWalk is available to anyone – faculty, staff, students and guests – who is on campus after dark," said CSUPD Chief Scott Harris. "Because this service is provided by our student employees, it does not slow or interfere with response time to calls that our officers answer, and our CSOs can be available to escort you within a few short minutes of your call for an escort."

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Orientation and Transition ready for summer

By Melissa Leavenworth

This summer, Colorado State University's Orientation and Transition Programs (OTP) staff will welcome each incoming student with the mission to create dynamic, student-centered experiences that inspire purposeful transitions.

OTP staff aim to suit the varying needs of students with customized programs focused on first-year, transfer and international students. Students will find support through their transition from high school to college with the help of Ram Orientation, Online Ram Orientation, Ram Welcome, Mountain Experience and other events.

A wide array of responsibilities are divided among a team of directors and coordinators. The team works toward the goal of creating a foundation of support for all students and better assisting the needs of racially/ethnically diverse students, first-generation college students, adult learner and veteran students, and other student populations.

"Our work in OTP is incredibly rewarding," said Kerry Wenzler with OTP. "We get to work with incredible colleagues at CSU who are dedicated, collaborative, committed to our land grant mission and focused on serving

students." In addition to collaboration among University staff, the OTP staff supervises over 280 student staff members in nine different student leadership positions.

The staff tackles the challenge of helping students develop a sense of belonging within the larger University and smaller communities on campus. In addition to their efforts toward first-year students, OTP assists second year students through the Year 2 @ CSU program as well as transfer students through the Transfer Programs at CSU and hopes to extend services toward more experienced students.

"We have made great progress with efforts to develop current programming," said Wenzler. "However, we would like develop more programming to serve senior students as they prepare to transition out of the university and graduate students to assist in connection with the university."

Through collaboration across campus, OTP staff builds a strong foundation for transitioning students that encourages academic success. "We have received great campus support for our programs," said Wenzler. "We are able to show a positive correlation between engagement in OTP programs and higher retention rates."



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