CSU supports Nepal in time of need

By Kate Hawthorne Jeracki

More than 20,500 up-to-date textbooks and recent scholarly journals – that’s over 33,000 pounds of materials packed into 641 boxes – are on their way to Hawassa University in Ethiopia, thanks to a dedicated group of volunteers and a generous commitment from Colorado State University.

CSU and Hawassa signed a memorandum of understanding to develop collaborative relationships between the two universities’ colleges of agriculture and natural resources in 2012.

When CSU President Tony Frank visited the natural resources college at Hawassa University three years ago, he said, “I came away from our visit to Ethiopia feeling very enthusiastic about the possibilities, large and small. So much of the credit for our strong ties in the country and with Hawassa University lies with (Natural Resource Ecology Lab research scientist) Paul Evangelista, whose personal passion and research interests have laid the groundwork for an enduring partnership around areas of real strength at CSU: wildlife management, sustainability, water resources, and more.”

However, Frank and Evangelista both noted during that visit that while Hawassa had a new library facility, it lacked sufficient library materials to fill its shelves and fully support the needs of the academic community. So Frank and Evangelista turned to CSU’s “boots on the ground” in Ethiopia to rectify the situation.

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CSU partnership helps stock Hawassa University library with new books, journals

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Our entire Colorado State University community joins with people worldwide in offering our deepest sympathies and support for the people of Nepal as they confront the devastation of the recent earthquake. This crisis hits very close to home for our students from Nepal, and I ask that we all join in lending them whatever comfort and assistance we can during this terrible time.

We also know that there are members of our local Fort Collins community who were involved in climbing expeditions on Mount Everest who have been impacted, and they, too, are in our thoughts.

When our CSU staff met with members of our Nepali Student Association, the students expressed their desire to encourage people to contribute in whatever ways we can to the recovery effort. At this time, the best way to help the people of Nepal is with a financial contribution to the international aid agencies that are actively engaged on the ground in rescuing, housing and feeding people in distress.

The USAID has published a list of agencies actively working in Nepal that are in need of support at www.usaid.gov/nepal-earthquake, and our Nepali students are focusing fundraising efforts on the Red Cross, the United Nations World Food Program and Handicap International. (Links to all these organizations are on SOURCE, under Campus Announcements.)

Ours is a caring and compassionate community, and we are privileged to have strong international academic partners around the world, including Nepal. Our hearts and spirits are with them now, and in the difficult days to come.

— President Tony Frank
College of Health and Human Sciences

Chris Melby, professor in the Department of Food Science and Human Nutrition, is completing a five-month Fulbright Fellowship in Ecuador, where he has been studying obesity and cardiometabolic diseases, risk factors that give an overall indication of chances of developing type 2 diabetes and cardiovascular disease. Melby has also been teaching about clinical disease risk at the schools of public health at the Universidad San Francisco de Quito (USFQ) and the Escuela Superior Politecnica de Chimborazo (ESPOCH).

University Advancement

The Constituent and Gift Information team was named the Outstanding Campus Unit by the Employee Appreciation Board for April. The team consists of Nancy Andrews, Michelle Applebaum, Jackie Archuleta, Tawny Chase, Pamela Eppler, Melinda Gartrell, Hiroko Ishimaru, Donna Koopman, Elisa Lilly, Patti Nash, and Auli Summerhays.

The CGI team makes sure the University’s donations from private donors, corporations, and foundations are posted accurately to the Advancement donor database and with the CSU Foundation. They make sure the donor’s intent for the donation is honored as they manage complex donations.

“Were an eclectic mix,” Summerhays said. “We come from a variety of backgrounds. We have team members from the U.S., Japan, Scotland, and Finland. Four people on our team have been with us for less than a year. We’re detail-oriented people who care about our work and each other. During year-end (calendar and fiscal), there’s a lot of overtime work to make sure the gifts get processed in a timely manner.

“We have various dietary needs so we have to work at finding a restaurant where we can all lunch together,” she added. That’s why the recognition event for the team took place over lunch appropriately enough on Tax Day, April 15, at the Rainbow restaurant. The CSU Employee Appreciation Board, originally formed in 1968, recognizes employees for their hard work and promotes community spirit among CSU faculty and staff through events such as breakfasts or luncheons.

College of Liberal Arts

Dan Beachy-Quick, associate professor of creative writing, has been named a fellow by the John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation. Beachy-Quick was one of 175 scholars, artists and scientists selected from more than 3,100 applicants to receive a 2015 Guggenheim fellowship and one of 10 recipients in the organization’s poetry category. He is the first CSU professor from the humanities to win the prestigious award and only the fourth professor from the university. The award will enable Beachy-Quick, who also is a CSU Montfort professor (also the first humanities professor to be awarded that title) to spend the next year writing.

College of Natural Sciences

Jessica Witt, associate professor of psychology, is one of six psychological scientists who will be honored by an international association for “pushing the limits of their field.” The Association of Psychological Science will give the Janet Taylor Spence Award for Transformative Early Career Contributions at its annual meeting in May. With more than 26,000 members in 80 countries, APS is one of the largest professional associations in the field of psychology.

Witt’s research focuses on understanding how actions shape perceptions and vice versa. This is the second early career award she has won in the past six months. In December, the Psychonomic Society honored her with its 2014 Steven Yantis Early Career Award.

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 Classified Personnel Council (CPC) has been going strong this past year fulfilling its mission to represent the interests of CSU State Classified employees and to make sure their voices are heard. Through the hard work of the council members and the various CPC committees, the issues impacting our State Classified population and the amazing achievements of CSU employees have been at the forefront of CPC’s focus.

CPC's accomplishments this past year include:

- Hosted a special CPC meeting with the Director of Parking Services for State Classified employees.
- Advocated for the delay of the tiered parking presentation to the Board of Governors so other options could be explored and as a result, gradual changes will be made to the current parking model while continuing to study assumptions and implications of other parking models.
- Advocated for administration to provide funding for an EAP Community Resource Coordinator to help employees connect to resources in the community.
- Helped elevate the importance of shared governance at CSU and the voice of State Classified employees.
- Hosted a Colorado Statewide Liaison Council meeting at CSU
- Co-hosted the 5th Annual CPC/APC Employee Appreciation Event at the Trial Gardens with over 700 people in attendance.
- Outreach events at the Lory Student Center and Animal Sciences.
- Recognized numerous recipients for outstanding achievement and excellent day-to-day performance making CSU a great place to work.
- Awarded 13 Educational Assistance Scholarships ($500 each).
- Created the CPC Communicator, an electronic newsletter geared towards State Classified employees.
- Hosted two on-campus visits from State Sen. John Kefalas, including an open forum for State Classified employees during the Colorado Statewide Liaison Council meeting.
- Tracked General Assembly bills related to State Classified and higher education.
- Coordinated a CPC State Capitol visit which included meetings with the Chair of the Joint Budget Committee, Rep. Jeni Arndt, Sen. Kefalas and the interim CSU Chancellor.
- Advocated for mandatory supervisor training to improve awareness, consistency and accountability.
- Created a State Classified “Resources” page on the CPC website.
- Hosted the first CPC election since 2007 due to increased visibility and communication of the Council.
- Participated in School is Cool, a community outreach effort that provides backpacks and school supplies to K-12 students in Fort Collins and surrounding areas.

Issues already on CPC’s radar for FY16 are:

- Developing a survey to better understand State Classified needs in order to create an on-campus fair to connect employees with resources to address those needs.
- Exploring ways to create knowledge sharing opportunities across campus.
- Working with the Administrative Professional Council on a recommendation for Volunteer Leave.
- Monitoring the implementation of a fund to help low-income parking permit holders with increasing permit costs.
- Continuing to work with state legislators to influence positive changes for State Classified compensation.

If you would like more information on CPC, please visit our website at cpc.colostate.edu or send us an email at cpc@colostate.edu.
Change for the better: How to manage life transitions

By Allyson Kraus

With graduation and summer vacation on the horizon, students as well as faculty and staff may be feeling nervous and excited about big changes in their daily lives. Times of transition can occur because of a natural end, such as the end of high school or college; because change is being imposed on us, such as when our partner ends our relationship; or because of choice, such as when we change jobs.

Regardless of the way the transition presents itself, the idea of leaving something behind in order to move on to something new can be daunting and nerve-racking. You may also be excited and have positive feelings about the upcoming transition, so learning how to utilize this positive energy is important as well.

Here are some tips for thriving through these periods of uncertainty:

1. Acknowledge that change is happening, but try not to get caught up in it. When we experience a loss, such as when someone close to us dies, it is normal to be upset. After a while, we are expected to be less upset so that we can be less overwhelmed by our emotions.

Recognize that you've been through similar situations before and have survived, and that your anxiety should not hold you back from seeing this transition as a new opportunity for growth.

If you are not feeling anxious about the transition, then this is likely a sign that the change is beneficial and you may be gaining something that has a more positive impact on your life than what you are leaving behind. Be careful not to get swept up if the transition leads to many positive changes at once, and be purposeful in your attempts to gain everything there is to gain from the transition.

2. Try to view the uncertainty you may feel as a chance to change your routine. When we go through transitions, we are trying to figure out how to function in our lives in a new way. While this process unfolds, we are sometimes presented with opportunities to change ourselves.

If you worked long hours at your old job and had no time to get to the gym, take advantage of your new schedule and make going to the gym part of your new routine! If you have a period of unemployment (as many recent graduates do), take this as a chance to explore your passions or to delve deeper into a hobby.

Your attitude and behavior impact others, so having a positive attitude about the transition can promote more positive and healthy relationships. However, it is also important to look out for signs that your new routine is counter-productive. While reconnecting with friends is usually a good idea, having too much time to settle into a routine that pulls you further away from your long-term goals is not. Monitor yourself and be sure that the changes you want to make help rather than hurt you.

3. Seek support from those who may be one step ahead of you. Whatever transition you are facing, others have also experienced this, so lean on them for support. Reach out to family and friends who have watched you successfully transition before for reminders that you have the skills to make it through. Seek out mentors and advisors who have had positive experiences in your position, and feed off of their excitement for you!

When you are going through a big change, it is inevitable that you will not have all the answers. Reminding yourself that others are aware you are not an expert and want to help you learn and grow can help ease anxiety. Be realistic about how long it will take to feel comfortable in new surroundings. Reasonable supervisors will expect that you need time to adjust, so give yourself a break in this area as well.

Use the opportunities before you to make transitions positive and exciting. Those who are stuck in the same routine for years report boredom and regret, so take what life gives you and embrace the chance to improve your life!

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For more information, see www.cfct.chhs.colostate.edu

Looking for a story that has previously been published in CSU Life?

Go to facultyandstaff.colostate.edu and click “CSU Life”
CSU Blue Ocean Challenge is back — and needs volunteers

One of the nation’s richest annual business pitch competitions, with a grand prize of $250,000, returns to Fort Collins this month — and needs volunteers.

“We have competitors coming from as far away as Boston and San Francisco as well as from Boulder and Grand Junction this year,” said Christine Chin, interim director of the Institute for Entrepreneurship in the College of Business, and co-director of the CSU Blue Ocean Enterprises Challenge. “We are so happy to have all of our events taking place in the beautifully renovated Lory Student Center this year, and we will need a number of volunteers from the CSU community to help us make this a spectacular event.”

The Challenge kicks off on Wednesday, May 27, with the Collegiate Competition. Thirteen teams of entrepreneurs from CSU, University of Colorado Boulder and Colorado Mesa University will compete in the Cherokee Park Ballroom for $20,000 in business capital and a chance to move on to the new csu-eid and ‘csu-guest’ network and to make the campus wireless compatible with the changes.

Campus wireless has csu-guest for visitors and ‘csu-eid’ for students, faculty and staff. Now we’re ready to enable a new network called ‘eduroam’, the final of our three primary campus wireless networks.

Eduroam is an internationally recognized network name that can be used wherever it exists by members of participating organizations. Eduroam is for the benefit of higher ed members across the world.

While at CSU, you are encouraged to continue to use csu-eid, but if you travel to participating campuses or if colleagues from other universities travel to CSU, the benefits are twofold:

1. CSU members who travel to other higher ed institutions can log into ‘eduroam’ with eid@colostate.edu and their normal password.

Some advance setup is required. You are encouraged to go through the setup before leaving for the other institution. Setup details can be found at www.acns.colostate.edu/Connect/eduroam.

2. Visitors from other institutions can use their username@their Higher ed_ institution.edu to login to CSU’s Eduroam WiFi, provided they have completed the setup in advance of arrival.

Jim Farnell is an IT professional with CSU’s Academic Computing and Network Services. If you need assistance with wireless connections on campus, stop by the Help Desk in Morgan Library. If you have a general question about on-campus wireless services, email Jim at helpdesk@colostate.edu with “CSU Life question” in the subject line.

To find out more and to sign up to volunteer, go to blueoceanchallenge.com

CSU Life is looking for CSU’s secret life

We want to know the hidden talents, hobbies and passions of Colorado State faculty and staff. Do you have a co-worker who skydives? Know someone on your team who devotes nights and weekends to mountain search and rescue? Skates roller derby under an amusing alias? That’s who we’re looking for.

Starting next semester, CSU Life will feature the other side of life at CSU each month, but we need your help. If you or someone you know who works at Colorado State does something interesting with his or her off hours, drop us an email at csulife@colostate.edu with Secret Life in the subject line.

Be sure to include an email address for the person you think would make an interesting story to share with our off-campus Ram Family.

Zenaida has gone above and beyond her normal duties to pick up the slack when other employees were out for extended periods. Her supervisor, Glenna Franz, notes, “No job is too big or small for Zenaida. Whatever needs to be done, she is always willing to lend a helping hand. Zenaida is known for being outgoing and provides our students and guests with great service!”

Congratulations, Zenaida!
Rub pets the right way with medical massage

By Dr. Narda G. Robinson

Have you ever had a massage? How did you feel afterward – more relaxed, less stiff, “at home” in your body? Do you typically turn to massage before or after an athletic event, to improve performance or recover from overexertion? Would you have welcomed massage after surgery to reduce pain and discomfort?

All of these are good reasons for you – and your dog – to receive massage. Unlike a massage at the spa, a medical massage practitioner identifies specific problems and employs various techniques to address those concerns; a medical massage is performed with the intent of improving conditions following a medical diagnosis.

Practitioners learn how to palpate, or examine, the muscles and fascia of an animal to determine where tension, pain, and restrictions in range of motion exist. This becomes extremely important in order to accurately and completely determine where and why an animal is hurting. This information can also aid in identifying non-invasive means of treatment and unnecessary surgery.

It is important to work with your veterinarian to determine whether massage would be appropriate for your dog and to find a well-trained practitioner.

Three ways massage can help dogs

Back pain and disk disease

Many dogs suffer from back pain, but this often goes under-recognized and, sadly, under-treated.

Palpation of the muscles near and around the spine can reveal areas of twitchiness, tenderness, heat and pain. Medical massage, alone or in conjunction with other supportive physical medicine measures, may alleviate tension and pain in the back, leading to improved mobility and comfort.

Conditions such as disk disease make a dog’s spine vulnerable to excessive force; although massage is relatively safe, too much pressure on an unstable spine could cause more problems. Massage should be comfortable – not stressful!

Geriatric and hospice care

For older dogs and those nearing the end of life, medical massage affords a way to reduce medication requirements and counter social isolation. Research indicates that end-of-life patients who regularly receive massage become more peaceful and comfortable.

Massage alleviates constipation and encourages the elimination of metabolic end products from tissue; promotes circulation; relaxes muscle tension; settles the nervous system; and relieves psychological strain.

For hospice care in particular, a medical massage practitioner visiting a home or working in a veterinary clinic may also identify environmental sources of stress for the patient such as noise, hygiene and skin-related concerns, patient bedding and mobility issues, and previously unrecognized areas of tenderness or dysfunction.

Hind limb lameness

Not all pelvic limb lameness in dogs is joint-related. While advanced imaging and arthroscopy can provide insight into the cause of the lameness, neither method reveals muscle pain, which is a common source of tension and altered gait in dogs.

Only touch and informed palpation can quickly and accurately identify myofascial discomfort and strain patterns that may ultimately contribute to cruciate ligament dysfunction. Sometimes, treating muscle tension and restriction alone can lead to marked improvement in weight bearing, depending on the actual source of the lameness.

Whether or not the dog has surgery, massage and other integrative approaches such as acupuncture and laser therapy can play pivotal roles in recovery.

Dr. Narda G. Robinson is director of the Center for Comparative and Integrative Pain Medicine at Colorado State University’s James L. Voss Veterinary Teaching Hospital, where the first veterinary program in medical massage was introduced in 2009. She is co-author of “Canine Medical Massage,” (2015, American Animal Hospital Association Press).

Sadie is an eight-year-old Mini Pinscher. She is looking for a nice quiet home where she can snuggle with you on your lap and gets lots of love and affection. Price: $125.

To visit with featured pets or any other adoptable animals, stop by Larimer Humane Society at 6317 Kyle Ave. in Fort Collins. The Shelter is open 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. For more info, call (970) 226-3647 or visit larimerhumane.org.

SAY HELLO TO SADIE

Provided by the Larimer County Humane Society.
COMMUNITY EVENTS

Finals Week
May 11-15
Extended hours at Morgan Library all week

Commencement
May 15-16
Moby Arena

Summer session begins
May 18

Memorial Day
May 25
No classes; University office closed

CSU Blue Ocean Enterprises Challenge
May 27-30
One of the nation’s richest annual business pitch competitions takes place in the Lory Student Center. Volunteer to help with this spectacular event or register to watch the live competition at blueoceanchallenge.com

Lagoon Summer Concert Series
June 17-Aug. 5
Every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.
Free weekly concerts by some of Colorado’s favorite bands playing for free outdoors by the Lagoon west of Lory Student Center. College sponsorships available for selected dates. Little Kids Rock open for some bands at 6:15 p.m. See the lineup at lagoonseries.com

Colorado Brewers Festival
June 27-28
11 a.m.-6 p.m.
Celebrate all things beer at Civic Center Park and Washington Park in Downtown Fort Collins.

Independence Day
Observed July 3
No classes; University offices closed

Western Water Summit
July 27
The CSU Water Archives at Morgan Library hosts experts, thought-leaders and officials in the critical area of water management for a day-long conference on campus.

School is Cool
Aug. 11-13
For more than 25 years, OSU volunteers had donated, collected, packed and delivered school supplies to Poudre School District schools for students who can’t afford them. Since 1992, School Is Cool has helped more than 34,000 children — 2,516 students in 46 schools in 2014 alone — and current figures indicate over 26,000 PSD K-12 students are eligible for the free or reduced lunch program. A $25 donation provides a brand-new backpack filled with an average of 13 grade-appropriate school supplies.
Make a donation or volunteer some time at schooliscool.colostate.edu

President’s Community Open House & Ice Cream Social
Aug. 12
4-6 p.m.
The East Lawn of the Student Rec Center will be the place for free ice cream, giveaways, live music by Post Paradise, games, inflatables and fun for the whole family.

Ram Welcome
Aug. 20-23
They’re baaaaack, and all CSU faculty and staff are urged to welcome the newest members of the Ram Family — and their families — to campus.

USA Pro Cycle Challenge Stage 6
Aug. 22
The next to last leg of America’s bike race is from Loveland to Fort Collins, for both the men and the women this year. Cheer the riders on as they descend from Horsetooth Reservoir through downtown Fort Collins.

Peach Festival
Aug. 22
Rotary Clubs will be raising funds and providing dictionaries for third-graders through peach sales at Hughes Stadium. Lots of peach-related activities and family fun, too.

Fall Classes begin
Aug. 24

Community Welcome
Aug. 26, 4:30-8 p.m.
Fort Collins police officers, staff and residents join CSU police officers, staff and students as they hit the streets to distribute information to neighborhoods near campus in this annual event that welcomes new and returning students and non-students to the community, provides helpful information about living in Fort Collins, and offers the opportunity for Q&A with University and City representatives.

Labor Day
Sept. 7
No classes; University offices closed
Hawassa Books | CSU helps stock library in Ethiopia

At the time, Peace Corps Volunteers Bob and Nancy Sturtevant were posted at Wondo Genet College of Forestry, a campus of Hawassa University north of the town of Shashemene (home of the Rastafarians). Although Bob had already retired from CSU, and their Peace Corps tour of service ended in December 2012, they put their two decades of experience collecting books for disadvantaged schools around the globe toward stocking the Hawassa library.

Since 2013, the Sturtevants have gathered excess academic books and journals and other materials from CSU students, faculty, staff, and community members as well as from other universities around the nation and prepared them to send to Ethiopia.

On April 16, they finally packed the massive collection, which includes texts on subjects from health and psychology to computer science and statistics as well as natural resources and agriculture, into a semi-trailer container for shipment, which is expected to take from three to six months, depending on how long the boxes take to clear Ethiopian customs. Total cost of the effort is about $11,000, funded by the CSU President’s office.

“Bob and Nancy Sturtevant have a remarkable history, during their years at CSU, of conducting book drives—and they were able to use that knowledge and experience to build a collection that will really be transformative for Hawassa University,” Frank said. “I cannot say enough how grateful we are to the Sturtevants for their tireless work to make this happen in a way that will really serve the international academic community. Their leadership on this project has been exceptional.”

The Sturtevants were aided in this massive undertaking by Evangelista and a group of dedicated volunteers—both graduate students who study with Evangelista and the other NREL faculty who teach at Hawassa and members of the on-campus service fraternity Alpha Phi Omega. For three years, this group has collected, sorted, stored, and prepared books for the Ethiopia shipment, using vacant space in the old Centers for Disease Control Building on the Foothills Campus.

“Countless people across our community donated their scholarly resources to make this shipment possible,” Frank said. “This has been an important project for CSU as well as for our academic partners in Ethiopia, and it’s a wonderful demonstration of the strong bond between our institutions and the people of Hawassa and CSU. Thanks to all who have made it possible.”
Theater

Beckett’s Women, featuring Wendy Ishii

May 24, 7:30 pm
Bas Bleu Theatre, 401 Pine St.

Fort Collins’ own Bas Bleu Theatre has been invited to perform in Ireland at the Happy Days Enniskillen International Beckett Festival, July 23-Aug. 3. CSU professor of theatre Eric Prince has adapted the plays of Samuel Beckett to showcase the voices of the playwright’s remarkable female characters; Bas Bleu artistic director Wendy Ishii has played many of them and will perform this new and exciting collaboration one night only to help raise funds to make the trip to the festival. Sponsored by Bas Bleu Theatre, the City of Fort Collins, and Colorado State University: The Center for Studies in Beckett and Performance.
basbleu.org

The Servant of Two Masters, by Carlo Goldoni

May 30-June 27, 7 p.m., matinee pricing on Sundays
OpenStage Theatre & Co., performing outdoors on the lawn at Columbine Health,
501 Pine St.

This classic Commedia dell’Arte dish serves up a feast of laughter, romance, and mistaken identities. When clever Truffaldino attempts to serve two masters at once, he finds himself falling for the delectable housemaid, Smeraldina, and his madcap plans over-boil with searing hysteria. For the delectable housemaid, Smeraldina, and his madcap plans over-boil with searing hysteria.
lib.colostate.edu

Side Man, by Warren Leight

May 30-June 28, 7:30 p.m., matinees 2:30 p.m.
Sundays, 6:30 p.m. curtain on Thursdays
Bas Bleu Theatre, 401 Pine St.

This Tony Award-winner highlights a pivotal period for American jazz musicians. Told through the memories of the son of a side man, this comic and tender story swings back and forth in time, riffing rhythmically between cause and effect.
basbleu.org

Art & Literature

An Evening with Author Hampton Sides

May 26, 7-9 p.m., doors open at 6:30 p.m.
Hilton Fort Collins, 425 W. Prospect Road
Free and open to the public; no tickets required

An award-winning editor of Outside magazine, Hampton Sides will talk about his latest book, In the Kingdom of Ice: The Grand and Terrible Polar Voyage of the USS Jeannette, as part of the free author evening series sponsored by the Friends of the CSU Libraries and the Poudre River Friends of the Library, supported by the City of Fort Collins Fort Fund.

On July 8, 1879, the USS Jeannette set sail from San Francisco in search of the North Pole to cheering crowds in the grip of “Arctic Fever.” Two years into the harrowing voyage, the hull was breached by pack ice and the crew were marooned a thousand miles north of Siberia with only the barest supplies. Thus began their long march across the endless ice—a frozen hell in the most lonesome corner of the world.
lib.colostate.edu

Scrimmage

Aug. 28-Dec. 17, Opening reception Aug. 28, 6-8 p.m.
University Art Museum, University Center for the Arts
Free

The quintessentially American sport of football, which had its origins in the 19th century in the Ivy League colleges, has been the subject of works by artists including Winslow Homer, Frederic Remington, George Bellows, John Steuart Curry, Thomas Hart Benton, Andy Warhol, Robert Rauschenberg, and a host of others. Scrimmage gathers original works for the first comprehensive survey of football in art. Through paintings, prints, sculpture, photography and new-media art featured in the exhibition, football can be read as cultural narrative that reflects attitudes and transitions in our country's history. Following the CSU show, the exhibition will travel to the Jordan Schnitzer Museum of Art at the University of Oregon.
artmuseum.colostate.edu

Music

Kids Do It All: Summer Music-Theatre Camp

6 one-week sessions:
June 8-13, June 15-20, June 22-27
July 6-11, July 13-18, July 20-25

The annual Kids Do It All youth music-theatre program is a week-long collective creation intensive day camp. CSU theatre faculty and CSU upper-classmen guide students in different age groups (7-9, 10-11, 12-13) through the entire process of theatre—devising and experiencing a practical application of all aspects of theatre practice from acting, movement, voice, props and scene design, and songwriting—to the final performance. Tuition is $299 per session, $20 discount for additional children from the same family. Financial assistance available.
theatre.colostate.edu/about/summer-camp/

Greeley Blues Jam

Saturday, June 13: Friday beginning at 5:30 p.m. on the Ninth Street Plaza, no cover charge to 14 venues
Island Grove Arena, Greeley

This year’s headliners are Elvin Bishop and Delbert McClinton, but they just top off the nonstop blues extravaganza that has become one of the must-do summer tour stops for world-class musicians. The two stages keep the party rolling from 10:30 a.m. on through the night, with food vendors, merchandise, and the educational Blues 101 Stage sponsored by the Colorado Blues Society. Tickets available at Union Colony Civic Center or online.
greeleybluesjam.com

Bohemian Nights at NewWestFest

Aug. 14-16, Old Town Fort Collins
No admission charge

Say Happy Birthday to Fort Collins with an incredible lineup of Colorado musicians and three national headline acts. In addition to music and entertainment, the festival features a variety of art, specialty and food booths. With a variety of genres, there’s music for everyone at family-friendly Bohemian Nights at NewWestFest. The lineup will be announced in early June, and while you’re waiting, check out Thursday Nights Live at 345 Walnut St., 7-9 p.m. Listen live and local.
www.bohemiannights.org
Project manager by day, musician by night

By: Courtney Deuschle

Dan Kozlowski spends his days as a project manager for Remodel and Construction Services at Colorado State University, but at the end of the day, he grabs his guitar and moves from a construction site to a music stage to play with his band. Kozlowski’s band is called Equally Challenged and is made up of four friends who enjoy playing music together.

Paul Malley, Jesse Turner and Garrett Evans join Kozlowski, bringing their skills on different instruments such as the trumpet, organ, drums, guitar, vocals, and mandolin. Kozlowski explains how the band got its start.

“Paul and Jesse started the band as the drummer and bass/keys player, respectively. They would have different guest musicians play with them—whom they dubbed ‘equally challenged.’ I was one of the guest players and became a permanent member. Then the trio was further expanded with the addition of Garrett on drums.”

On their website, they describe their sound as pop/folky pop/reggae/funk/hill-billy/rock/jam. Basically, no genre is verboten for these talented musicians.

The band comes together to practice a couple times a week, but because they are all busy with their individual families and careers, they have a no-pressure, no-attitude policy. Kozlowski has two children of his own, and two other bandmates are also fathers.

“We often joke that we are ‘Uncle Jesse and The Dads,’” Kozlowski said.

As a CSU alum who studied jazz, Kozlowski says that his favorite thing about being part of a band is writing music, sharing ideas and collaborating with the group.

“Our best gigs are often in the practice room,” he said.

The band writes most of their music themselves, and they try to keep their sound new and fresh for fans, friends and family who watch their sets.

Kozlowski explains how the band came up with its name.

“We are all equally challenged as we journey through life—so the saying goes now. Really, no one has a real advantage handed to them, you have to go out and get it. So, we are doing just that.”

They preface their latest album, titled EQC2 by saying, “We are all Equally Challenged as we hustle through space on this planet ship, so here is your soundtrack to provide perspective and lighten your mood.”

Since Kozlowski works for Facilities Management at CSU, the band wrote a song as a way to rebrand the department. The band performed their song live at the Lory Student Center Theatre for more than 300 facilities personnel.

In addition to the occasional on-campus gig, Equally Challenged performs around town a couple times a month. They frequently play at breweries such as High Hops, Equinox and Odell’s, as well as restaurants such as Avo’s and their latest gig on April 24 at La Luz.

Learn more about the band by checking out their websites:
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The cache also included documents pertaining to Delph’s son, Donald, who was a water judge in Greeley for 30 years from the 1950s to 1978. Rettig said the collection contains other materials, such as photographs, some documented, some not. One unlabeled photo from around 1921 shows two people at Mesa Verde.

The water archives also recently acquired irrigation research papers covering 40 years of work by Ralph Parshall’s team, a joint collaboration of the university with the US Department of Agriculture. The engineers studied and developed various equipment to help more accurately predict water runoff available to farmers and measure water diverted to fields.

“Three-quarters of the collection is original research data, drafts and reports,” Rettig said. “The rest is photos — about 3,000 images detailing experiments and equipment — that no one has seen before. They show what irrigation techniques and equipment were like back in the first half of the 20th century when they were still figuring out the best way to do things.”

Rettig is particularly anxious to digitize this collection, because many of the images are either fragile glass plates or unstable nitrate negatives. She would like to raise enough funding to dedicate a staff member full time to this project. The newest collection, both to the archives and in time, is from E. Bruce Jones, a CSU watershed science alumnus. He primarily worked as a consulting engineer in environmental cleanup and was deeply involved in the cleanup of groundwater contamination at Rocky Mountain Arsenal in the 1980s and ‘90s.

In March, Rettig brought back 15 boxes of files from a trip to Cody, Wyoming, where Jones lived for 20 years until his death in 2013.

“The biggest challenge is that some of the material is stored on 5-1/4-inch floppy disks,” she said. “First we have to find a machine that will read the disks, then we have to hope we can find the software to open the files. That period can be a challenge, as more of these disks are surfacing without printouts, and vendors charge dearly just to see what's on them. It may be unreadable, or unusable, or of no historical significance. It can be a difficult decision to spend our money on it.”

CSU faculty or researchers with an interest in any of these collections can have access before the inventory is completed by calling the archives at 491-1844.
Meet 2015’s Best Teachers

Each year, students and alumni have an opportunity to recognize the positive impact a CSU teacher has had on their lives. From numerous nominations, six teachers are selected by a committee.

This year’s Best Teachers were recognized at an awards dinner April 20 at the Lory Student Center Theatre.

College of Health and Human Sciences

Raoul F. Reiser II, Ph.D. (Ph.D. ’00) Department of Health and Exercise Science

Raoul F. Reiser II entered academia to be a researcher, but developed a passion for teaching after seeing “the light turn on” for students as he helped them understand difficult concepts in the classroom or laboratory. He’s a firm believer in teaching solid fundamentals, and engages students in these basics through the use of vivid, creative, and innovative examples.

Reiser helps students develop their own passions in his courses at Colorado State University, including anatomical kinesiology, biomedical principles of human movement, and muscle and joint mechanics. He earned his B.S. from Cornell University in mechanical engineering (’91), an M.A. in exercise science from the University of Texas, Austin (’93), and his Ph.D. in mechanical engineering (’90) from CSU. Reiser currently serves as assessment director for the department of health and exercise science, and plays an integral role with several CSU programs including, the Center on Aging, Colorado Injury Control Research Center, and Human Performance Clinical/Research Laboratory.

Brenda K. Miles
School of Social Work

Brenda K. Miles is an instructor and director of the undergraduate social work program at Colorado State University. She received her master’s degree in social work from the University of Tennessee (’77) and has worked in child development, medical education, day activity for adults with developmental disabilities, and state and agency administration. She was also a faculty member at Vanderbilt University Medical School. During her time at CSU, Miles has taught organizational practice, group practice, individual and family practice, developmental disabilities, practicums, and field seminars. Keenly interested in agency program development and administration, she has served on several agency boards, most recently, on a task group developing standards for school social workers for the state of Colorado. She is also a member of the selection committee for awards for special education excellence in the Poudre School District.

College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences

Karen Gebhardt, Ph.D. (M.A. ’03, Ph.D. ’11) Economics

Karen Gebhardt, special assistant professor in the economics department at Colorado State University, has a passion for teaching. She instructs large introductory courses in macro and microeconomics; small honors sections in introductory courses in macro and microeconomics; upper-division courses in public finance, microeconomics, and international trade; as well as a graduate course in teaching methods. She is an early adopter and strong advocate for technology in the classroom because she sees the difference it makes in student engagement and learning. Gebhardt has taught online courses since 2005 and coordinates her department’s online program. She also supervises and mentors the department’s graduate teaching assistants and adjunct instructors.

She is the author of The Economy Today, The Macro Economy Today, and The Micro Economy Today (14th edition, with Bradley Schiller). Before joining CSU, she worked as an economist at the USDA/APHIS/WS/NWRC, where she researched the interactions of humans and wildlife.

In her free time, Gebhardt enjoys rock climbing and camping in the Colorado Rockies and beyond.

College of Liberal Arts

Mark Fiege, Ph.D. History

Mark Fiege doesn’t like classrooms without windows, which is fitting for a professor specializing in the relationship between our past and our environment who enjoys sharing his love of books, ideas, writing, and landscapes with his students. He has taught American history, the history of the American West, and environmental history at Colorado State University since 1994. A Washington state native, he holds degrees from Western Washington University (B.A. ’81), Washington State University (M.A. ’85), and the University of Utah (Ph.D. ’94).

Fiege is the author of The Republic of Nature: An Environmental History of the United States (2012) and other works. From 2008 to 2013, he was William E. Morgan Chair of Liberal Arts at CSU. This spring, he is the Wallace Stegner Chair of Western American Studies at Montana State University.

College of Environment,

Marie E. Legare, D.V.M., Ph.D. Environmental and Radiological Health Sciences

Marie Legare has been a part of the Colorado State University community for 15 years and is currently an associate professor in the College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences specializing in toxicology and pathology. Throughout her time at CSU, Legare has created classroom environments where students feel welcome and free to engage with their professor and their peers. As an educator, she’s rejuvenated by the “aha” moments when everything falls into place for a student. Legare has taught a variety of courses, including toxicological pathology, industrial and occupational toxicology, and environmental toxicology. She earned bachelor’s and master’s degrees from Montana State University (’79, ’83) and her D.V.M. and Ph.D. from Texas A&M University (’91, ’95).

In her free time, Dr. Legare is learning the cello and is a fan of a good science fantasy book.
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Ellen Wohl, professor of geosciences in the Warner College of Natural Resources, has received the Scholarship Impact Award, one of the highest faculty honors at Colorado State University. Wohl, who received her Ph.D. in geosciences from the University of Arizona, joined the CSU faculty in 1989. Her research focuses on river process and form and how the physical components of rivers influence communities of organisms in a certain area or over a period of time. Wohl has conducted research on every continent except Antarctica.

Wohl is also an international speaker in high demand and a highly regarded classroom instructor, consistently receiving excellent ratings from her CSU students.

During her career, Wohl has published several articles in peer-reviewed journals and numerous scholarly books and book chapters. She also has written several general interest books about rivers and landscapes.

Scholarship Impact Award
Ellen Wohl

Stephanie Clemons, professor in the Department of Design and Merchandising, has won this year’s Board of Governors Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching Award.

Clemons has been teaching interior design at CSU for more than 25 years. Her innovative teaching methods include incorporating service-learning community projects, a focus on diversity, peer critiques, game-based learning and the “flipped” classroom.

Clemons is also well-known nationally for her contributions to interior design education. She was a pioneer in the use of computer-aided design in the classroom, and many of her publications and service work focus on disseminating classroom instructional innovations, as well as furthering K-12 interior design curriculum.

She was named a fellow by the American Society of Interior Designers in 2008 and currently serves as chair of the organization’s board of directors. In addition, she was named fellow of the Interior Design Educators Council in 2003 and currently serves as chair of its K-12 Task Force. Clemons was named a University Distinguished Teaching Scholar in 2014.

Board of Governors Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching Award
Stephanie Clemons

Subhas Venayagmoorthy, associate professor in the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, has been named a Monfort Professor, one of the university’s top honors.

The Monfort Professor Award was established in 2002 through a gift from the Monfort Family Foundation. Venayagmoorthy will receive $75,000 annually for two years to support his research projects and teaching efforts.

For the past six years, Venayagmoorthy and his students have worked with the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment on a series of water research projects that have used experiments, computational modeling and theoretical analyses to provide a scientific knowledge base for effective design of small drinking water systems.

Venayagmoorthy plans to use part of the money from his Montfort award to expand that research to develop effective and sustainable solutions for treatment of drinking water in the U.S. and the developing world.

Venayagmoorthy received his doctoral degree in civil and environmental engineering from Stanford University in 2006 with an emphasis in environmental and computational fluid dynamics. He joined CSU’s Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering in 2008.

In addition, van den Heever regularly volunteers in local elementary and middle schools, giving presentations as well as serving as a mentor to young women in high schools.

Monfort Professor
Susan van den Heever

CSU Ventures Award for Innovative Excellence
Fausto Belletzio, College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences
Dean Hendrickson, College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences

Instructional Innovation in Service Learning Award
Aaron Eakman, Occupational Therapy

Exceptional Achievement in Service Learning Award
Jeret Benson, CSU Pet Hospice

Exceptional Achievement in Service Learning Community Partner Award
Stacy Poncelow, Poudre School District

Margaret B. Hazaleus Award
Alex Bernasek, Economics
Irene Vernon, Ethnic Studies

Outstanding Achievement Award
Natanya Bowen, Construction Management
Maria De Lourdes Zavala, The Accessa Center
Connie Jaime-Lujan, Student Financial Services
Courtney Loflin, CSU Extension
Margaret Parks, Management

Oliver P. Pennock Distinguished Service Award
Kirk Hallahan, Journalism and Technical Communication
Peter Hellyer, Clinical Sciences
David MacPhee, Human Development and Family Studies
Bruce Forda, English
Mary Vogl, Foreign Languages and Literatures

Interdisciplinary Scholarship Award
Katharine Leigh, Design and Merchandising
Laura Malinin, Design and Merchandising
Elizabeth Ryan, Environmental and Radiological Health Sciences
Sue VandeWoude, Microbiology, Immunology, Pathology
Kevin Crooks, Fish, Wildlife, and Conservation Biology
James Bamburg, Molecular, Cellular, and Integrative Neurosciences

Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarship Award
Dominique David-Chavez, Human Dimensions of Natural Resources
The annual Celebrate CSU! Awards were presented on April 16, at a ceremony that featured entertainment by students from the Department of Music, Theater and Dance. Photos by Bill Cotton

Office of International Programs
Distinguished Service Award
Maria Fernandez-Gimenez, Forest and Rangeland Stewardship
Lou Swanson, CSU Extension
Nancy Murray and Mark Oberschmidt, Fort Collins International Center

Multicultural Staff and Faculty Network Distinguished Service Award
Carla Barela-Bloom, CASA
Salome Cardona, Student Access Center
Lumina Albert, Management

Enrollment and Access
Distinguished Service Award
Barb Musleswhite, CASA

Jack E. Cermak Outstanding Advisor Award
Amber Paulson-Hofseth, CASA
Karolin Luger, Biochemistry and Molecular Biology
Lisa McCann, Microbiology, Immunology and Pathology

Provost's N. Preston Davis Award for Instructional Innovation
Robert Jordan, History
Joseph Cannon, Marketing
Brian Fugate, Management

Distinguished Administrative Professional Award
Andrew Mullen, Hartshorn Health Network
John Parry, CSU Bookstore
Evelyn Swiss, Research Integrity and Compliance Review Office
David Warner, Physics

Spirit of Philanthropy Award
Mike Ellis, Lory Student Center

Residence Life recognized for staff, programs

By Sylvia Cranmer

Students on the CSU campus say they appreciate the efforts of the Residence Life staff in creating safe, supportive and inclusive learning communities. Outside of CSU, Residence Life efforts also are being recognized at the state and regional levels, through several awards received recently from professional organizations in higher education.

Residence Director Ashley Grice recently received two prestigious honors: one for her work on the CSU campus enhancing awareness, education and understanding about social justice and another for being exemplary as a new professional in the field of student affairs. Grice received the coveted Professional Social Justice Action Award from the 62-member Association of Intermountain Housing Officers (AIMHO). She also received the New Professional Award from the College Personnel Association of Colorado (CPAC) for her work growing, nurturing, challenging and educating not only herself, but also for her residence hall staff and CSU students in the areas of diversity, inclusion and social justice.

Assistant Residence Director JR Rosario, a graduate student in CSU’s Student Affairs in Higher Education program, was also recognized by CPAC as the Outstanding Graduate Student of the year. Rosario was selected based on his work creating meaningful partnerships on campus, maintaining a high level of personal drive to support change in the department, and exploring and promoting Social Justice initiatives in the department and beyond — all while supporting students in leadership positions and students in crisis.

“Are we thrilled that both Ashley and JR are being recognized regionally for their extraordinary work with students,” said CSU Director of Residence Life Laura Giles. “We know how outstanding they are, and now others do as well. It is well-deserved recognition.”

Programs that stand out in higher education

Residence Life student leadership groups on the CSU campus have also received recognition. The Residence Hall Association (RHA) and the National Residence Hall Honorary (NRHH) were honored among peer institutions for outstanding achievements on campus and regionally. RHA received School of the Year, and NRHH received Chapter of the Year, both of which are the highest honors that member schools can attain from the Intermountain Affiliate of College and University Residence Halls (IACURH) — a student-run, nonprofit organization dedicated to improving residence halls in seven U.S. states and two Canadian provinces.
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Campus Trivia with Russ Schumacher

Allison Penfield, assistant director of Resources for Disabled Students, is this month’s trivia winner. Allison correctly named Rockwell West, Behavioral Science and the Scott Biomedical Engineering buildings as three of the 14 LEED Gold certified buildings on campus. (To see a list of all the LEED certified buildings on campus, as well as CSU’s growing number of accolades for sustainability, go to green.colostate.edu)

Since we asked the question in the April issue of CSU Life, Colorado State has added its first Platinum LEED certified building: The Pavilion at Laurel Village. Allison, a self-confessed trivia nerd and Jeopardy! fan, said that since CSU is such a green campus, she picked three of the newest buildings that would have to be the most energy efficient.

For having her answer selected from all the correct answers received, Allison received a CAM the Ram Bobblehead autographed by Russ Schumacher, the winningest Ram ever to appear on Jeopardy!, and a $25 gift certificate to Mugs.

Thanks to everyone who submitted trivia answers this semester. CSU Life is taking the summer off, so study up on those obscure factoids about campus and be ready to play again in the fall.

And if you have a little-known nugget about Colorado State, send it to csulife@colostate.edu. We may use it in an upcoming issue!

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For more information and to register, go to mountaincampus.colostate.edu/getaways

Campus email on the move

By Dave Hoffman

This summer ACNS will begin migrating Central Exchange email accounts to Microsoft’s cloud-based Office 365.

In addition to email and calendaring, this move will give faculty and staff access to one terabyte of storage on Microsoft OneDrive for Business, as well as Skype for Business.

Once the move is complete, your Outlook software will automatically connect to the new server after restarting your Outlook client. However, you will need to reconfigure any mobile devices used to access your email. Instructions for this are available online at O365help.colostate.edu

ACNS staff will be moving one department at a time in order to preserve any calendar sharing and delegate functionality. You will be notified one week before your department is scheduled to move.

Look for more information, including the schedule of upcoming open forum information sessions, at O365help.colostate.edu and on SOURCE.

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By Jeff Dodge

An aspiring veterinarian working closely with people whose pets have cancer is Colorado State University’s 2015 student employee of the year and has received similar honors at state and regional levels.

Amanda Meeks, who will graduate in May with a bachelor’s degree in biological science, works in client services at CSU’s Flint Animal Cancer Center and in the research laboratory of virologist Barry Beaty, a University Distinguished Professor.

The campus honor earned Meeks a $1,000 scholarship, which she will apply to studies in the one-year CSU VetPrep Program before entering the university’s Doctor of Veterinary Medicine Program.

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Student Employee of the Year takes state, regional honors, too

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Crab and Avocado Canape

**Ingredients**

- 1 lb. jumbo lump crab meat
- 1 large avocado, diced
- 2 Tbsp. extra virgin olive oil
- 4 Tbsp. sherry vinegar
- 2 Tbsp. lime juice
- 1 Tbsp. fresh chive, snipped
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 2 large English cucumbers
- Seeds from 1 pomegranate

**Directions**

1. In a large bowl toss the crab, avocado, extra virgin olive oil, sherry vinegar, lime juice, chive and salt and pepper. Taste the mixture to check the seasoning.
2. Slice the cucumber into quarter-inch round coins.
3. Place some of the crab mixture onto the cucumber coin.
4. Garnish with a few pomegranate seeds and serve.

The four-course meal is the culmination of the Hospitality Management Catering and Culinary Techniques class; students execute all aspects of the dinner, including some excellent wine pairings.

This year’s menu was inspired by the French countryside, with wines selected by Fort Collins-based D’Vined Wine Distribution and a special appearance by the winemaker himself from the vineyard in the heart of Alsace.

James Musetti, a trained chef who is receiving his master’s in food science and nutrition this summer and helping teach cheese and sausage classes in the College of Health and Human Sciences’ Fermentation Science and Technology program, created the pre-dinner Amuse Bouche. Lump Crab and Avocado Canape is a light bite that would be a delightful nibble at any spring or summer gathering, paired with a crisp Sauvignon Blanc as it was at the WineMaster Dinner.

To see the complete WineMaster menu, go to www.chhs.colostate.edu and click on Featured News.

Bon appetit!

**Brewing the best business: Mayor of Old Town offers beer and commmunity**

By Sarah Sparhawk

Just one block north of campus, Mayor of Old Town knows Colorado State University well.

With 100 rotating beers on tap, it is no surprise that the business has become well-known to CSU’s neighboring faculty and staff, too! This is what owners Kevin and Barb Bolin hope – for customers to find a beer that suits their own style.

“We want [the Mayor of Old Town] to be approachable for everyone,” said Kevin.

Previously owners of the well-known rental company, Kevco, they had taken some time off to travel, but ultimately could not stay away from Fort Collins – their home for 20 years.

“We traveled all over trying to find a place we wanted to move too, and Fort Collins won,” said Barb. “Every time we came home from a trip, we were like, “this is the place to be”. So, in 2011, Kevin and Barb opened the Mayor of Old Town, inspired by the beer bars they discovered in their travels.

“Four and a half years ago, believe it or not, this town really didn’t have a lot of diversity in the craft beer selection,” she said. “… We knew that people, especially the brewers here, would really appreciate having the opportunity to have more craft options”.

From their travels, the Bolin’s had received the chance to see what other potential Fort Collins had. After two successful businesses, they have honed in on why people want to be here.

“Fort Collins…is incredibly easy to work with, as far as helping you our and being pro the idea of starting a new business,” said Barb.

Since opening, more options for craft beer have as well. Yet, it is the comfortable environment and Kevin and Barb’s passion for the Fort Collins community working behind the scenes that has made the Mayor of Old Town a CSU favorite.

“I feel like we have evolved into something that is somewhat of an anomaly,” said Barb. “We have exceptional standard for our beer and beer quality. We are always trying to get better every day… just a better experience day in and day out.”
**Rosé Wines in Summer Time**

In 1975, Sutter Home Winery experienced a ‘stuck fermentation,’ but little did the company know, what it thought was a problem turned into one of its best-selling wines.

A stuck fermentation is when the yeast in wine dies out before it consumes all of the sugar in the batch. The Sutter Home batch was set aside. A winemaker tasted the problem batch and ended up preferring the taste of the sweet, pink creation.

Sutter Home gradually became successful producers of the White Zinfandel wine, and the company remains as one of the largest producers of wine, shipping over four million cases annually.

The sweet taste, inexpensive price and striking color drew consumers in for more. The increased popularity of the wine sparked the interest of other wineries to produce a similar product, and today, rosé wines range anywhere from expensive French and Italian names to more affordably-priced bottles.

Owner of Wilbur’s Total Beverage, Mat Dinsmore said that rosé wines are generally popular with all types of consumer groups.

“Little old ladies love them, but guys come in to buy a bottle for a night-in with his wife, too,” Dinsmore said. “A lot of different people purchase rosés.”

The wine is typically served chilled, but varies based on personal preference. Dinsmore’s favorite rosé wine is a French La Vieille Ferme.

Dave Schierling has been the wine buyer for Wilbur’s for the past four years but has over 20 years of experience in the wine distribution and buying industries.

Schierling talked about how the wine buying process relies on established relationships with distributors. He generally returns business to the vendors he knows well and vice versa.

“Companies present the wine, we taste and evaluate them, and then decide if we want the product on our shelves,” Schierling said. “Then, we see how consumers respond to the product.”

One of the major ways Schierling determines if he thinks a bottle of rosé will sell is based on the label.

“It is unfortunate because it could be a bottle of really great wine, but if it has a bad label, it won’t sell,” he said. “People sometimes miss out on these awesome products because of the visual.”

Over the past three to four years at Wilbur’s, rosé wine sales have been continually improving. Although rosé wines still take more hand selling than most red or white wines, Schierling mentioned that the public perception of rosé wines is continually changing.

“More people are becoming educated about rosé wines,” he said. “They are beginning to realize that there are sweet rosé wines out there but also really fresh, crisp, dry bottles, too. They go great with food.”

Schierling said you can always expect a dryer product from a French rosé wine, but that the Italian and wines from Spain are also increasing in popularity.

Schierling and Dinsmore agreed that rosé wines are preferred during the upcoming summer months. They usually see an increase in sales during the warmer weather.

“Rosé wines are perfect for summer nights on the back porch,” Dinsmore said. “They’re crisp, clean and refreshing.”
BOOK REPORT

Hogler’s book offers a look at unions, context for upcoming presidential election

By Sarah Sparhawk

Raymond Hogler, professor of management at Colorado State University, published *The End of American Labor Unions*, his sixth book on labor relations and employment policy. In it, Hogler argues that organized labor unions are at an all-time decline. Hogler decided to write this book because his long time interest in history and “how laws change with historical periods.” He is well versed in the topic, with years of experience working with and teaching management consulting. Prior to becoming a teacher in CSU’s College of Business in 1988, Hogler taught at Penn State for five years and, before then graduated from Fort Lewis College in his home town of Durango, Colo.

 “[Labor unions] no longer have the power to influence labor markets and set levels of pay and benefits, which is the end of meaningful collective bargaining between workers and employers,” he said.

Hogler believes there may be several “theories” behind this decline.

“One is that illegal employer activities have discouraged workers from seeking union representation. Even if they vote for one, unions lack the organizational strength to negotiate contracts, so they have to give up and walk away,” he said. “Another theory is that work has changed in this country, and there’s less manufacturing activity that gave unions a strong base.”

A third theory, which Hogler favors, connects union decline to the rise of “right to work” laws. His book expands on these laws, dating back to their conception.

*The End of American Labor Unions* could be a particularly interesting read for faculty and staff in the upcoming months, according to Hogler.

“The material I teach and write about will be at the core of the next presidential election. I’m lucky to be able to work here and deal with the important issues of our time, like inequality, poverty, and opportunity.”

In addition to that, Hogler says his book can provide some context for current social issues. As he explains in his book, current debates involve many policies that came about because of the New Deal and whether or not we should continue them as country.

“Unions are an important part of that debate,” he said.

These are some of the views Hogler is happy to share with his students, as well.

“I hope my students take away some useful insights from my classes.”

More than 400 people turned out April 18 to help Stuff ‘n Mallows set the unofficial Guinness world record for the most people simultaneously roasting s’mores at CSU. Dawn DeTienne, whose entrepreneurship class spawned the idea for the chocolate-chip-stuffed marshmallows now sold nationwide, and newly elected Fort Collins mayor Wade Troxell were both on hand to get the roasting started. Photos by Shaylyn Boyle
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