

Renovation of Morgan Library

Pat Burns, Dean of Libraries, VP for IT, Professor of Mechanical Engineering

The Morgan Library has just completed a two-year renovation project, conducted in twelve phases to modernize the facility, funded by students at \$16.8 million by the University Technology Fee. The University Facility Fee Advisory Board approved the project after more than two years of discussion that culminated in the students voting to raise their University Facility Fee by \$5 per credit hour per semester.



A principal outcome of the renovation was to provide more and better study space for students. This included consolidating books in the basement in compact shelving, allowing much more additional space for student studying in the Collaboratory on the third floor, as well as adding several quiet study spaces, at the requests of the students. Nineteen group study rooms are able to be reserved on line, and are augmented by ten group study rooms in the Behavioral Sciences

Building that were constructed as a Library Annex to accommodate spill over during the remodel. Two additional computer classrooms were added to provide additional capacity for hands-on computer-based instruction, bringing the total to four such rooms. An events hall was added, that accommodates up to ninety-five people, with a hardwired Google Liquid Galaxy GIS system – the only one of its kind in the world. Spacious desks for the 350 desktop computers were added. Other furniture was upgraded to provide greater comfort for longer studying periods. A 24x7 study space, the “cube,” was added on the north side of Morgan, and provides study space all hours through the night when the main building is closed. A new internet café, Morgan’s Grind on the first floor, provides caffeinated and non-caffeinated beverages, as well as light food and snacks. An Internet video conferencing room is available to be reserved for use by all at CSU. A new service, RAMkidz, operated by Adult Learners and Veteran Services, is now available between the hours of four to eight pm, for parents to drop off their children to be supervised for up to two hours, while they are in the building. Map and microfilm/microfiche cases were moved into the basement to provide space for the reference collection. Non-structural elements of the building were removed to open up the vistas inside the building and facilitate way finding.

Students have commented that they are extremely satisfied with the remodel. Visitors and donors also favorably regard the remodel. Morgan Library is already being heavily and effectively used.

Upcoming Events

The speaker series this fall and spring is being offered jointly with the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute. Note that we now meet from 3:00-4:30 pm in the Lodge, MacKenzie Place, 4751 Pleasant Oak Drive, Fort Collins, 80525.

September 17

“Plug-In Electric Cars.”

Tom Bradley, Mechanical Engineering

October 15

“The Great Drying: Historical Changes along Headwater Streams in Rocky Mountain National Park”

Ellen Wohl, Geosciences

November 12

“Trafficking”

Sue Ellen Charlton, Political Science

December 10

“The Election of 2012 and the Future of the Supreme Court”

Eric Waples

January 28

“The Role of Fires in US Air Quality”

Sonia Kreidenweis, Atmospheric Science

February 18

“Human-Computer Symbiosis: Superhuman Intelligence for Us or a Dystopian Nightmare for Society”

Pete Seel, Journalism

March 18

“Percussion: The Long and Rich Past and the Very Bright Future of Hitting Things”

Erick Hollenbeck, Music

From the President

Hello. My name is Tom Boardman and I am the new president of the CSU Society of Senior Scholars (SSS). The Executive Committee of SSS had its first meeting of this academic year in late August. We plan to have at least two more during the academic year. To see more details on SSS please visit our website at www.seniorscholars.colostate.edu

Another change for this year is that SSS is now more officially connected with and supported by the Provost's Office of the University. Kathy DuQuoin is our main contact at kathy.duquoin@colostate.edu. She is Provost Miranda's Executive Assistant.

I will attend the biennial conference of the Association of Retiree Organizations in Higher Education (AROE) at the University of North Carolina later this month. And, like other presidents before me including David Lindstrom, Bob Zimdahl, and Jerry Eckert, I look forward to an exciting three days learning about the energy and activities of our colleagues across the country.

You will find other information about what our SSS EC is undertaking this academic year in this newsletter and on our website. However, I would like to call your attention to an issue which was raised at our EC meeting regarding retirees donating to worthwhile non-profits, especially ones in Larimer County.

Many Society of Senior Scholar members participated in the Colorado Combined Campaign (CCC) during their tenure at Colorado State University. The CCC started 24 years ago by a group of State employees and became the only way in which State employees could be solicited for charitable gifts each year. Once a year the CCC would take place and staff and faculty would have the opportunity to make a charitable contribution through payroll

deduction and other gift types to approved charities listed in the brochure. In 2011, 329 CSU-Fort Collins employees contributed \$128,654 with an average gift of \$391 which is very good. The average gift for the statewide campaign is \$272.35. The giving spirit of philanthropy lives on at CSU!

Retired employees no longer have the opportunity to support their favorite charities via payroll deduction or through the CCC. It is important to note that many charities never received donor contact information through the CCC so are not able to stay in touch with donors that are no longer at CSU and may have been contributing for years.

Please reach out to your favorite charity today to reconnect with them and continue your support of their work.

While there are many worthwhile non-profits in Larimer County, we were approached by United Way of Larimer County. They are particularly interested in reconnecting with you. If they appeal to your interests, you may contact them directly by working with Keely Mendicino at 970-407-7004 or kmendicino@uwaylc.org.

By the way, we are always pleased to receive suggestions about projects that SSS could undertake. Recently, Celia Walker suggested that SSS take on assisting the annual CSU **School is Cool** project next summer. We will let you know more details in the spring.

Tom Boardman
President



GIVE BACK!

The Society of Senior Scholars recently organized a second successful book donation with Books4Cause based in Skokie, IL. Since 2009, Books4Cause has collected and delivered books from any discipline to help fund and support various initiatives locally, nationally, and around the world. They have raised thousands of dollars for non-profit partners and salvaged tens of thousands of books that were headed for landfills or sitting unread on bookshelves.

Donated Books are processed in several ways. Those with resale value are sold in online marketplaces. For every book sold, three are sent to Africa, with the assistance of Human Service Resources, Inc (HSRI), a non-profit partner. HSRI runs the Good

Books for Africa program distributing books to children in classrooms and libraries in Ghana and elsewhere in Africa. More than 300,000 books have been sent to Africa. Books that are not fit to be reprocessed are pulped and recycled.

This year eighty eight boxes of books were donated by CSU faculty and staff. Each donor was pleased to donate books to a worthy cause. We must also note many spouses were pleased. The Society plans to arrange a depository on campus so books can be donated throughout the year.

Robert Zimdahl
SSS Executive Board

Living Fully in Retirement

Jack Hautaluoma retired from CSU in 2005 after 40 years as a professor of psychology in the industrial/organizational psychology program. He also was associate dean of the College of Natural Sciences. While at CSU he consulted with many departments there and for businesses and government agencies in the U.S. and overseas. He started working overseas by doing training and selection of volunteers for the Peace Corps in Afghanistan. Some of his early projects there were with other CSU employees: Maury Albertson, Pauline Birkey, Bill



Griswold, and George Thornton. For a year, Jack's family had an Afghan student live with them. The student later became Dean of the Kabul University of Engineering. Jack had three Fulbright teaching Fellowships in Iceland, Finland, and Croatia. In the 1980s he was with the National Science Foundation, Division of International Programs.

When Jack retired he planned to continue his overseas work and to spend more time golfing and getting good at fly fishing. Some major back surgery hindered his golfing and fishing, but he feels good and maintains a diligent workout regime of water aerobics and walking. Jack continues to do conflict resolution and other professional work. He has had several large projects since retiring and he co-taught a graduate course at CSU on coaching managers.

The biggest project Jack has had since retiring was as a member of a team that went to Afghanistan last fall. The team, sponsored by the Department of Commerce, was established to do a feasibility study for a Center of Excellence for the Extractive Industries in Afghanistan. The country has vast deposits of copper, iron, rare earths, and other minerals, and the U.S. would like to help the country develop them for the benefit of the Afghans. Jack's role was as organizational design specialist. The project covered most of last fall and Jack was in-country for part of October and November.

Besides his professional work Jack keeps busy with other activities. His two children both graduated from CSU. His daughter is a lawyer in San Diego and his son is the speech writer for the director of NASA in Washington, DC. Jack and his wife visit them frequently. Jack also volunteers through his church. He is on a committee to help provide housing in churches for homeless families. He was on a committee of several churches to help educate the members on the millennium goals to reduce poverty. For our Senior Scholars Society he organizes tours of local interest for our members. A few years ago he led a strategic planning exercise for the Society. In

addition, he maintains the list of retired psychology department members and schedules their monthly lunch meetings. He has gotten back into Great Books meetings, which he had started over 50 years ago. He says the program has been an important adjunct to his education. He also likes to participate in the Great Decisions foreign policy discussion program at the public library.

Jack feels very blessed to have good health and to have a great family and friends. He is grateful that his professional skills and interests have given him opportunities to continue working and contributing to society.

From the Editor

Fall 2012 has arrived, and CSU and SSS offers lots of exciting opportunities to link together and enjoy retirement. Take advantage of the seminars, excursions, class visitation, athletic facilities, Osher classes, software discounts, parking permits, and our great library. It is also incredibly satisfying to give back through teaching short courses, mentoring students or new faculty, or refereeing student publications (See TILT article in Spring 2012 newsletter).



Bob Meroney
Newsletter Editor

Opportunities for Retirees

Senior Citizen Class Visitation Privilege

As a service to older residents of the State of Colorado, CSU offers the chance to audit courses in its regular curriculum with no registration cost (special class and lab fees will be charged). This privilege is available with the instructor's permission to any person aged 55 or over, on a space and resources available basis.

Colorado State's University Club

The University Club (U-Club) welcomes faculty, staff, retirees and alumni with an inviting atmosphere for networking, socializing, and conducting business. The Club offers members a continental breakfast Monday - Friday, Thursday afternoon Happy Hour, and a variety of social functions, live entertainment, receptions, and other special events. The membership fee for retirees is highly discounted.

"Curiosity Never Retires" at the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute

Join Osher today to participate in the exciting line-up of classes, activities and member benefits for Fall 2012. Visit the website at: www.osher.colostate.edu or call 491-7753 for additional information.

The Osher Institute is a membership-based program. You must be a member to enroll in classes, participate in field trips or enjoy the free Perk Series.

* Fall 2012 membership is \$24 (includes Fall and Spring sessions)

* Additional tuition costs are noted for each course.

Starting October (November and December courses are listed on the website)

Course Title	Course #	Day/s	Dates	Time	Cost
Yet More Grand Challenges for the 21st Century	OSHR 1092 100	Wednesdays	Oct. 3 - 31	4:00 - 6:00	\$75
Facebook Essentials	OSHR 1508 106	Thursdays	Oct. 4 - 25	12:30 - 2:30	\$65
How Culture and History Influence Music	OSHR 1465 106	Thursdays	Oct. 4 - 25	3:00 - 5:00	\$65
The Art and Life of Vincent Van Gogh	OSHR 1050 100	Mondays	Oct. 8 - 29	4:30 - 6:30	\$85
Lies, Damned Lies and Statistics	OSHR 1500 106	Tuesdays	Oct. 16-Nov. 13	6:00 - 8:00	\$75
<i>Perk Tour: History Mystery Tour</i>	N/A	Wednesday	Oct. 17	2:00 - 3:30	\$0
<i>Book Group</i>	N/A	Friday	Oct. 18	4:00 - 5:30	\$0
Geology and Geologic History of Colorado	OSHR 1805 106	Tuesdays	Oct. 23 - Dec. 4	10:00 - noon	\$85
In the Director's Seat: Breaking Down the Story Behind the Movie	OSHR 1470 106	Fridays	Oct. 26 - Dec. 7	1:00 - 3:00	\$120

Kevin Oltjenbruns
Co-Director, OSHER Institute

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Those who wish to receive the University's daily Today @ Colorado State can do so at www.today.colostate.edu/ and click on "subscriptions" in the upper right corner.

Don't forget the SSS website at: www.seniorscholars.colostate.edu

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