



## Fort Collins Branch Newsletter

April 2023

### FCB Class Updates

**Class of 2026:** This group of students began their Musculoskeletal and Integumentary Systems course on March 13, and this course runs through April 7. These students will have spring break from April 10-14, and they will begin the Mind and Behavior Course on April 17.

**Class of 2025:** The LIC students will participate in their second Concentration Project event on April 19 at Greeley Hospital. They will meet with the leaders of minority groups to discuss access and experiences. This will be a meeting where the leaders of these communities will discuss various aspects of health care and some of the healthcare barriers that occur within minority populations. They will also be completing their OB/GYN Shelf on April 19.

### One Health, One Planet: NASA Astronauts share their view from space

On Wed., April 12 from 6-7 p.m., the CVMBS and Translational Medicine Institute will be hosting a presentation and Q&A with CSU (and CUSOM) alum Dr. Kjell Lindgren\* and Jessica Watkins, two astronauts from NASA's SpaceX Crew-4 mission. The event will be at the CSU Translational Medicine Institute (2350 Gillette Drive.) To register, visit [One Health, One Planet: NASA Astronauts share their view from space Tickets, Wed, Apr 12, 2023 at 6:00 PM | Eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/one-health-one-planet-nasa-astronauts-share-their-view-from-space-tickets-wed-apr-12-2023-at-6-00-pm-1-eventbrite)

In addition, the **CUSOM @ CSU will be hosting Dr. Lindgren** for lunch and time with FCB students on Wednesday, April 12 from 12-1 p.m. at the CSU Health and Medical Center, Flip A&B.

\*Dr. Kjell Lindgren completed a Master of Science in cardiovascular physiology from CSU and received his Doctorate of Medicine from the University of Colorado.

### Highlighted Events:

#### Coffee Cart at Health Center

The Lazy Dane Coffee Company will be parked on the west side of the CSU Health Network Building from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. on April 11 and 25, and May 9 and 23.

#### CSU Spring Science Extravaganza

On, Sat., April 22 from 10 a.m.-3 p.m., the Little Shop of Physics will have 200+ hands-on experiment stations to excite and inspire people of all ages as well as giant science demos outside at the Monfort Quadrangle. <https://www.lsop.colostate.edu/sse/>

#### CSU Oval Criterium Cycling Event

On Sat., April 22 starting at 8 a.m. the CSU Cycling team will host a 2-day road race weekend as a fundraiser to support student athletes. For details or to register, visit <https://www.bikereg.com/cs-u-cobb-cobb-lake-road-race-and-oval-criterium>

## Match Day 2023 – FCB Students

Amelia Barber – Emergency Medicine, University of Utah  
Alisha Eskew – Internal Medicine, Oregon Health and Science  
Jin Huang – Family Medicine, Rutgers  
Lin Le – Anesthesia, UC Irvine  
Sterling Lee – Radiology, Nassau University  
Lauren Barbera, MPH Program  
Boston Gubler, MBA Program

Match Day Article: <https://news.cuanschutz.edu/medicine/opening-the-envelope-and-taking-the-next-step>

## DEIJ Resources

Marcela Henao-Tamayo, M.D., Ph.D., Director of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion for CUSOM @ CSU invites you to consider the following news and resources.

**World Tuberculosis Day was March 24.** Read how CSU participated in the worldwide event.

<https://cvmb.s.source.colostate.edu/for-world-tb-day-csu-scientists-take-their-tuberculosis-research-on-the-road/>

**CSU's Bias Reporting System:** <https://biasreporting.colostate.edu/>

“Colorado State University takes great pride in its mission **to provide access to education to all** who have a desire and will to learn. In alignment with this mission and in pursuit of its goal to allow all University members to realize their full potential, CSU affirms and upholds the values of diversity, equity, and inclusion. Any act of hate or bias is counter to the university’s Principles of Community. The Bias Reporting System is an effort to understand and assess the current state of bias-related incidents at Colorado State University in order to better meet the needs of our diverse community. It serves three core purposes: **Support, Education, and Assessment.**”

## One Health and Zoonoses Conference

Save the date for the 48<sup>th</sup> Annual One Health and Zoonoses Conference on Thursday, April 13 via Zoom. The agenda will include up-to-date zoonotic disease topics for the mixed audience of public health officials, health care providers, animal control officers, animal health officials, wildlife officials, veterinarians and veterinary technicians. The conference is sponsored by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment and Arapahoe County Public Health.



To register, visit [https://www.train.org/main/course/1109001/live\\_event](https://www.train.org/main/course/1109001/live_event). From this link, users will be prompted to make an account first and then will be able to register. Once registered, participants will be able to access the zoom link 30 minutes prior to the start of the meeting.



### CSU Earth Day Festival 2023

CSU will celebrate Earth Day on April 20 with a line-up of CSU student organizations, academic departments, Fort Collins sustainability-related organizations and other vendors at Lory Student Center West Lawn from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on April 20.

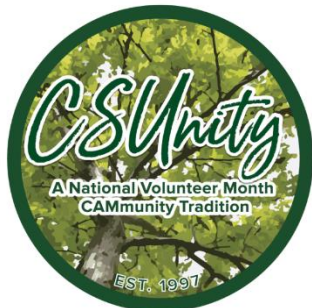
<https://green.colostate.edu/earth-month/>

### FoCoMX – Fort Collins Music Experience

The Fort Collins Music Experience (FoCoMX) is scheduled for April 28 and 29. FoCoMX is a “weekend celebrating the Northern Colorado music scene.” The festival features the performances of local bands in multiple music venues, restaurants, and breweries/cideries in downtown Fort Collins over the course of two nights. Attendees can gain entry to all performances with the purchase of a wristband. For event details and ticket/wristband information, visit

<https://focomx.focoma.org/>. The Fort Collins Music Association’s (FoCoMA) runs and sponsors FoCoMX.

FoCoMA is a nonprofit arts organization dedicated to supporting Northern Colorado musicians at all stages of their careers by providing performance opportunities, offering connections to health and wellness resources, and building engaged audiences for local music.



### CSUnity: A National Volunteer Month CAMunity Tradition

CSUnity is celebrating its 26th year as a long-time CSU tradition and integral community engagement program this April. Join SLiCE, Rams, and fellow community members on this one day of service during National Volunteer Month (and Week) to: “branch out & cultivate connections, collectively care for our neighbors, contribute to community-wide spring clean-up projects.”

On Sunday, April 22, we "hope to have 1,500 CSU volunteers collectively

complete hundreds of service projects within the Fort Collins community. CSU Rams would be volunteering with either a service-based community agency (non-profit/governmental-based organization) or a local neighbor within Fort Collins city limits. <https://lsc.colostate.edu/slice/community-engagement/csunity/>

### CSU Lectures and Seminars

Mon., April 3 – **Activist Masih Alinejad, one of Time’s 2023 Women of the Year Lecture.** Iranian-American journalist, author and women’s rights activist is scheduled to speak at CSU. Doors open at 4:30 p.m. and the talk is slated to begin at 5:30 p.m in the Lory Student Center Ballrooms. The event is free and open to the public, but a ticket is required (<https://csutix.universitytickets.com/>)

Thursday, April 13 – **Food Science and Human Nutrition Graduate Seminar Series.** “Not the Whole Picture: Reimagining Food Systems to Account for What We Don’t Know.” This event is from 4-5 p.m. in the Gifford Building, Room 235. The presenter is Michael Carolan, Ph.D., Co-Director, Food Systems Institute, Professor, Department of Sociology at CSU.

Friday, April 14 – **Furniss Lecture Series: Why History (Still) Needs Historians: Adventures at the Edge of Pandemic Studies.** This event is at 7 p.m. in Clark A 101, Andrew G. Clark Building. For details, visit <https://history.colostate.edu/events/2023-furniss-lecture/>

Friday, April 14 – **Health and Exercise Science Seminar – The Muscle Circadian Clock as a Key Mechanism for Muscle Health.** This event is at 11 a.m. at the Health and Exercise Science Teaching Facility 105. The Presenter is Dr. Karyn Esser, Department of Physiology and Aging, University of Florida.

Friday, April 21 – **Health and Exercise Science Seminar – Preparing a Para Athlete for Tokyo.** This event is at 11 a.m. at the Health and Exercise Science Teaching Facility 105. Presenter is Dr. Vicky Tolfrey and Peter Harris from the Centre for Disability in Sport, Loughborough University.

Fri., April 28 – **Distinguished Lecture Series: Reproductive Justice in the Post-Dobbs Era by Dr. Patricia Zavella, Professor Ererita, UC Santa Cruz.** This event is at 3 p.m. at Canvas Stadium, room 1024. <https://ethnicstudies.colostate.edu/events/distinguished-speaker-series-reproductive-justice-in-the-post-dobbs-era-by-dr-patricia-zavella/>

April 27-28 – **Front Range Microbiome Symposium.** The CSU Microbiome Initiative and Graduate Researchers Across Microbiomes (GRAM) is hosting this event. The kick-off is Thurs., April 27 at New Belgium Brewing Co. Friday sessions at CSU Canvas Stadium will include keynote speakers, and presentations and posters by faculty and early career scientists from universities, organizations and industries across our region. For details, visit <https://frontrangemicrobiomesymposium.com/>.

## **CMDA Conference**

The Colorado Society for Post-Acute and Long-Term Care Medicine, PALTC, (formerly the Colorado Medical Director’s Association, CMDA) is hosting its 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference on Friday, April 28. The conference, *PALTC 2023: Stronger Than Ever!* will highlight the highest quality of care in PALTC, and will run from 7 a.m. to 5

p.m. at the Denver PPA Event Center at 2105 Decatur Street. Each year, CMDA hosts expert presenters on the most salient issues in PALTC. Medical providers, medical directors, surveyors, directors of nursing,



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administrators will gain valuable knowledge impacting the daily care in PALTC settings. This year, the CMDA is partnering with the University of Colorado Anschutz School of Medicine Division of Geriatric Medicine to share knowledge and expertise at the conference. Several University of Colorado faculty will be presenting at this year's conference, including the new Division Head of Geriatrics, Cari Levy, MD, PhD, CMD, a past president of both CMDA and AMDA. The program agenda and online registration are available at [www.CMDA.us](http://www.CMDA.us).

## 8<sup>th</sup> Annual ACT Human Rights Film Festival

The ACT Human Rights Film Festival runs through April 12 with in-person and virtual options available. The festival in partnership with the Communications Studies Department screens artistically excellent films from around the world and fosters conversations about social justice and human rights. To view the film lineup and to purchase film festival passes, visit <https://actfilmfest.colostate.edu/>.



### Translational Talks

"Translational research is the engine that turns the knowledge created by biomedical scientists, social scientists, engineers, physicians, veterinarians, and innovators into the important solutions for human and veterinary patients."

**Thursday, April 27 – Automotive innovation to decarbonize the environment: momentum and barriers to translation.** Presenters include Matt Ritter, VP, Vehicle Planning and Logistics for Subaru and Amy Prieto, PhD, Executive Director, Energy Institute, Presidential Chair for Energy Innovation, and Professor of Mechanical Engineering.

Translational Talks begin at 4 p.m. in the Translational Medicine Institute Grand Events Hall (TMI 330) at 2350 Gillette Drive. After the Talk, attendees are invited to attend a networking reception at 5 p.m. Contact Dr. Heather Pidcoke at [h.pidcoke@colostate.edu](mailto:h.pidcoke@colostate.edu) with questions or visit <https://calendar.colostate.edu/vpr/>.

## Scientific Global Talks @ The Translational Medicine Institute

Wed., April 19, 8 a.m., **Development of New Imaging Biomarkers for Osteoarthritis and Joint Health.** The presenter is Dr. Corey Neu.

Wed., May 17, 8 a.m., **Neural Stem Cell Grafts for Repair of Spinal Cord Injury.** The presenter is Dr. Ephron Rosenzweig.

In-person and virtual options available. For details or to register, visit <https://vetmedbiosci.colostate.edu/tmi/research/scientific-global-talks/>

## Graduate Student Council (GSC) Events

**GSC meetings** are the first Tuesday of every month at 6 p.m. (MST). The meetings are hybrid, in the ASCSU Senate Chambers (LSC 204) and on Zoom. For details, please visit <https://gsc.colostate.edu/join-the-next-gsc-meeting/>.

## Campus Activities



### CSU Home Athletics

Sat., April 8, **Volleyball vs. Colorado**, 11 a.m., Moby Arena, Fort Collins

Wed., April 12, **Softball vs. Utah State**, 12 p.m. and 3 p.m., Fort Collins

Fri., April 21, **Women's Tennis vs. New Mexico**, 2 p.m., CSU Tennis Complex

Sat., April 22, **Women's Tennis vs. Air Force**, 2 p.m., CSU Tennis Complex

Fri., April 28 and Sat., April 29, **Outdoor Track and Field, Doug Max Invitational**, Fort Collins

Fri., April 28, **Softball vs. Fresno State**, 4 p.m., Fort Collins

Sat., April 29, **Softball vs. Fresno State**, 1 p.m., Fort Collins

Sun., April 30, **Softball vs. Fresno State**, 12 p.m.

For details, ticket information, and a complete schedule of events, visit <https://csurams.com/>



### CU Home Athletics

Fri., April 7, **LAX vs. San Diego State**, 1 p.m., Boulder

Fri., April 7, **Tennis vs. Washington**, 1 p.m., Boulder

Sun., April 9, **Tennis vs. Washington**, 11 a.m., Boulder

Fri., April 14, **LAX vs. USC**, 4 p.m., Boulder

Sun., April 16, **LAX vs. Arizona State**, 12 p.m., Boulder

Fri., April 21, **Tennis vs. Utah**, 1:30 p.m., Boulder

Sat., April 22, **Football – Black and Gold Day**, 1 p.m., Boulder

Fri., April 28, **LAX vs. Oregon**, 4 p.m., Boulder

For details, ticket information, and a complete schedule of events, visit <https://cubuffs.com/calendar>

## Music and the Arts at CSU

Mon., April 10, **Virtuoso Series Concert: Peter Sommer, Saxophone and Guest, Ben Markley, Piano**, 7:30 p.m., Organ Recital Hall, UCA

Tues., April 11, **Virtuoso Series Concert, Eric Hollenbeck, Percussion**, 7:30 p.m., Organ Recital Hall, UCA

Tues., April 11, **CSU Trombone Choir Concert with Guest Artist David Jackson**, 7:30 p.m., Griffin Concert Hall

Thur., April 13, **Jazz Combos Concert**, 7:30 p.m., Griffin Concert Hall, UCA

Fri., April 14 at 7:30 p.m. and Sat., April 15, **Spring Dance Concert**, 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m., UCA

Mon., April 24, **Virtuoso Series Concert: Faculty Chamber Music**, 7:30 p.m., Organ Recital Hall, UCA

Thur., April 27, **Symphonic Band Concert**, 7:30 p.m., Griffin Concert Hall, UCA

April 21, 22, 27, 28, 29, **Machinal by Sophie Treadwell**. Presented by the School of Music, Theater and



Dance. The theatre season concludes with this expressionist play. For event and ticket details, visit <https://theatre.colostate.edu/events/machinal-by-sophie-treadwell-2-2023-04-30/>  
Sun., April 30, **CSU Chamber & Concert Choirs with Laudamus Chamber Chorale**, 4 p.m., Griffin Concert Hall  
For details, please visit <https://music.colostate.edu/events/>. For ticket information, please visit <https://csuartstickets.universitytickets.com/>

## In the News

**“Women in Science Network convenes around One Health, education, climate change, equity”** by Anne Manning (includes photo of Dr. Reimer, who was a panelist at the event)

<https://cvmb.ssource.colostate.edu/women-in-science-network-convenes-around-one-health-education-climate-change-equity/>

**“What is spillover? Bird flu outbreak underscores need for early detection to prevent the next big pandemic”** by Treana Mayer

<https://source.colostate.edu/what-is-spillover-bird-flu-outbreak-underscores-need-for-early-detection-to-prevent-the-next-big-pandemic/>

**“Free Automatic External Defibrillator Orientation classes offered this spring”** by CSU MarComm Staff

<https://source.colostate.edu/free-automatic-external-defibrillator-orientation-classes-offered-this-spring/>

**“New undergraduate research program launches the next generation of scientists”** by Rhea Maze

<https://cvmb.ssource.colostate.edu/new-undergraduate-research-program-launches-the-next-generation-of-scientists/>

**“Can One Blood Test Transform Cancer Screening”** by Debra Melani

<https://news.cuanschutz.edu/news-stories/can-one-blood-test-transform-cancer-screening>

## CUSOM FCB Staff Spotlight



**Theodora Hannan, M.A.**  
**Curriculum Coordinator for Alpine/Summit**

Theodora spent the last five years in Louisville, Kentucky, working mostly with international students at a small private university. She holds a bachelor’s degree in history from the University of Notre Dame and a master’s in English from Bowling Green State University in northwest Ohio. At the Fort Collins Branch, she is the new Curriculum Coordinator for Alpine/Summit, so she will be helping third- and fourth-year students finish up their classes, clinicals, electives, internships, and trails. Theodora is part of a big family and was raised in South Bend, Indiana (“yes, I’ve met Mayor Pete”).

## CUSOM @ CSU Staff Recognition



**Valerie Lewis**, Program Administrator for the CUSOM @ CSU, was recently nominated for an Outstanding Achievement Award for CSU Classified Employees by the entire team at the CU School of Medicine at CSU. Congrats, Valerie!

The following are excerpts from the nomination:

“Valerie has worked on our team for a little over a year and the transformation of the department is incredible.”

“Valerie’s contributions to the team reach far beyond her exceptional administrative skills. What she brings to the team is a sense of inclusion and individual appreciation for everyone. Bridging the needs of two large academic institutions is a difficult task, but Valerie executes this daily.”

Dr Christie Reimer, Asst Dean for the Fort Collins Branch has shared “Valerie Lewis is definitely an outstanding achiever in her work at the CUSOM at CSU Branch campus. As we have undertaken the huge project of launching a new program that requires collaboration between two large institutions, Valerie has gone above and beyond in her administrative role. She is the first person that everyone sees as they come into the space and, because of her consistently positive attitude and helpful nature, there is no better “face” of the program than she. I have loved working with Valerie as she reliably follows through on complicated communication and tasks that involve coordination between campuses and Schools; I trust her implicitly and rely on her to do important high value work every single day. I, however, have been most impressed that she has taken initiative to intentionally propose and support projects that have been key to building our new culture: For example, Valerie is solely responsible for the monthly social events that bring student and faculty together, for amplifying recognition of students and faculty when they achieve great things, and for most recently putting end-of-semester holiday packages together for students before break. She is deserving of the Outstanding Achievement Award.”

“There is not enough time or words to share what an amazing addition to this very unique team Valerie has been. This is a very difficult job with no clear lines in any direction, but Valerie has taken every obstacle as a challenge, every unknown process as an opportunity to improve and every new student, team member or faculty member as a welcomed part of our CU School of Medicine at CSU family.”

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