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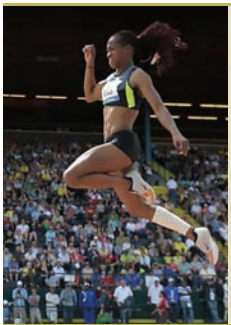
Did you know Sanskrit, Bengali, Afrikaans, and Brazilian Portuguese are part of the same family of languages? Do you know where houses are shaped like beehives and what the rules are for marriage in different societies?

The answers to these questions and many more are in D-PLACE – the Database of Places, Language, Culture and Environment, which brings together information on the language, geography, culture, and environment of more than 1,400 human societies. Michael Gavin, associate professor in the Warner College's Department of Human Dimensions of Natural Resources, is part of an international team that developed the database and is the senior author of a paper that introduces [www.D-PLACE.org](http://www.D-PLACE.org).

## Buy a BOOM!



The reverberating BOOM from Comatose, the cannon, has been a CSU football tradition since 1920 – one no true Rams fan can ignore. CSU ROTC cadets are charged with firing Comatose and, until recently, the U.S. Army supplied 75 mm blank shells for the 1918 French Howitzer cannon mounted on a 1941 retrofitted carriage. However, the Army no longer provides shells for athletics events. Donate to the Cannon Tradition fund at <https://advancing.colostate.edu/CANNONTRADITION>.



## CSU's Rio trio

Defending bronze medalist Janay DeLoach led a group of three Rams competing in the Summer Olympics in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. DeLoach, who finished third in the long jump in the London Olympics in 2012, was joined by former men's basketball star Andy Ogide and current student Ben Pinkelman, a member of the USA men's rugby 7s team – a new Olympic sport. Ogide competed for the Nigerian national team. DeLoach ranked No. 13; Nigeria finished as No. 6 in Group B; and USA won the ninth-place match.

## New Belgium Brewing Co. pours in support

Rams fans can enjoy game days from the New Belgium Porch while watching Colorado State football in the new on-campus stadium, thanks to the stalwart support of New Belgium Brewing, Co. The iconic Fort Collins brewer donated \$4.3 million as part of an agreement for naming rights of the north end zone hospitality area. Just last year, New Belgium donated \$1 million to CSU's Fermentation Science and Technology program.



## 102 CSU Rams student-athletes

named to Spring 2016 Academic All-Mountain West Team

A total of 102 Colorado State student-athletes earned recognition from the Mountain West for their work in the classroom during the Spring 2016 seasons. Combined with the Rams' 48 fall honorees, CSU established a new CSU record for an academic year (150 in 2015-2016). To be eligible, a student-athlete must have completed at least one academic term at CSU while maintaining a cumulative grade-point average of 3.0 or better, and be a starter or significant contributor on his/her team.



## Full house: Record number of students living on campus

Colorado State is looking at a record number of students living on campus this semester. Between residence halls and on-campus apartments, the estimated total is 7,850, thanks to the opening of Aggie Village Apartments at Prospect Road and Centre Avenue. The 980 beds in the redeveloped three-building complex is a community for upper-class undergraduates, international students, graduate students, visiting scholars, and postdoctoral fellows.



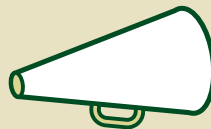
## Tom Sutherland passes away at 85

Thomas Sutherland, a professor emeritus at Colorado State University who inspired the world with his strength and resilience, passed away July 22. Sutherland, a longtime Fort Collins community leader, was serving as dean of the faculty of Agriculture and Food Science at American University in Beirut when he was taken hostage in 1985 and held in captivity for more than six years. When he was freed, Sutherland and his wife, Jean, were welcomed home to a Fort Collins community adorned with yellow ribbons tied around trees and the largest celebration in the city's history. CSU honored Tom and Jean Sutherland with the Founders Day Medal in 2014, in recognition of their profound and lasting impact on the University.

## 'Empowerment Course' offers opportunities for young adults with intellectual disabilities

Colorado State University's Center for Community Partnerships launches its "Empowerment Course" this fall. It will give young adults with intellectual disabilities a chance to experience college life, become better self-advocates, and prepare for a career path. The course focuses on four key areas: self-advocacy, employment, postsecondary education, and independent living. For more information, visit <http://col.st/6NAkk>.

### Empowerment Course 4 Key Areas



**Self-Advocacy**



**Postsecondary  
Education**



**Employment**



**Independent  
Living**