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HAPPY SPRING!

Springtime not only means baseball, tulips, and even an occasional snow storm for some, it is also a time of inspiration.

I am inspired by you and the impact you are having in the world through your volunteer service (for us and for other organizations) and the impact you are having in your careers. While we were collecting stories for this issue, we couldn't help but notice how many female alumni are in different types of leadership roles around the country – and world.

In this issue, you will read about women in the armed forces, fashion, agriculture, business, and more – what a wonderfully diverse community! I am pleased to share this issue with you, and to pass along the message to all alumni – men and women – we are very proud of you and what you are accomplishing out in the world, and we are delighted to share your stories.

As always, I want to thank each and every one of you for your support as members of the Alumni Association. The impact you make as members makes what we do possible; we are fortunate to be supported by such a dedicated group.

I'd love to hear from you! Please share your updates and news with me anytime at Colleen.Meyer@colostate.edu.



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Bottom: CSUnity: Alumni Day of Service volunteers in Denver.

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Five Generations of CSU Women

This May, Molly Buck will graduate from Colorado State University. Along with her bachelor's degree from the business school, she will hold a unique distinction. Molly is the fifth generation of women in her family to graduate from CSU. The other four generations include Molly's mother, Jody Johnson Buck ('86, English); Jody's mother, Polly Collins Johnson ('55, Animal Science); Polly's mother, Blanche Brown Collins ('27, Home Economics); and, Blanche's mother, Addie Bristol Brown ('02, Physical Science).

It was never Molly Buck's intention to come to CSU. She grew up near the small town of Wray, Colo. She had dreams of warm California weather and going to college far from home. She was accepted to UC Santa Barbara. And then, just two weeks shy of CSU's application deadline, she came to campus to take an SAT exam.

Molly's mom, and fourth generation CSU graduate, Jody Buck ('86), says that after a childhood of coming to Fort Collins for CSU football games, Molly thought the school was just too familiar. "She wanted something different and exciting," Jody says.

But that day Molly saw campus with the eyes of a future college student. "I didn't know it was so nice!" Molly says. She immediately applied and was quickly accepted. But she needed some time to think it over.

Her grandmother, Polly Johnson ('55), and her uncle, Scott Johnson ('82), made sure she gave CSU full consideration. "I got a call from them every day telling me all about the great programs," Molly says. "It didn't take much convincing."

The decision made Polly proud. "I was really pleased when we had another generation to attend CSU. I have 13 grand-

children and hoped that one of them would attend CSU," Polly says. "It's been such an important part of all our lives."

The Legacy Begins

The legacy of five generations of female CSU graduates began in Fort Collins, where Addie Bristol was born and raised.

"It's been 112 years since Addie Bristol graduated from CAC. In that time, the generational connections to CSU have deeply enriched the family."



Addie Bristol Brown, CAC (1902)

Her family was among the first pioneer settlers in the area. She studied physical science at Colorado Agricultural College (CAC), graduated in 1902, married another Fort Collins native, Clyde Brown,

and had two children, Lawrence and Blanche. The siblings both attended CAC; Blanche studied home economics. She graduated in 1927 and then took a train east to Kit Carson, Colo. for a high school teaching job.

Family legend says that when Blanche got off the train, Don Collins, a young

cowboy rancher, was waiting with other local bachelors for a peek at the incoming teachers. She got off the train and Don "had his eyes set on her," Jody says. They eventually married and settled on the Collins Ranch, established in 1907 by Don's father.

Their only child, Polly Collins, was quick to embrace ranching life. "I didn't think of anything else. I just wanted to be a rancher," she says. She grew up riding horseback, checking pastures, and working cattle. When it came time for college, Colorado A&M made the most sense. "The ag department was just what I was looking for," Polly says. "I felt at home immediately." During her time as an Aggie, Polly became the Livestock Judging Team's first female judge.

After graduating, Polly moved to Phoenix, Ariz. with two girlfriends. She worked for the Arizona National Livestock Show and met her husband, Rogers Johnson, who hailed from the east coast. They had four children: Scott, Don, Jody, and Toby. In 1970 they returned to the Collins Ranch to become its newest man-



Three generations of CSU alumni: Polly Collins Johnson, Jody Johnson Buck, Molly Buck

agers. Three of Polly's children still work the ranch.

Like her mother, Jody Johnson Buck forged lifelong friendships during her time at CSU. And, like her great-grandmother Addie, Jody met her husband, Rex Buck, at CSU. The couple raised their four children on a ranch near Wray, Colo.

Self-proclaimed sports nuts, they quickly indoctrinated their four children, Baylor, Brady, Coby, and Molly, into Rams culture. "From the time they were little we went to several home football games every year," Jody says. "We love Fort Collins as a town and have so many great memories. You want to share that with your kids."



Polly Collins and friend Marilyn Bullock



Polly Collins on the ranch

The Past and the Future

It's been 112 years since Addie Bristol graduated from CAC. In that time, the generational connections to CSU have deeply enriched the family. "As you

become older," Polly says, "You appreciate your ties with many things from your past, and that's certainly the case with CSU."

As a tribute to Addie and through the generations, the Brown-Collins-Johnson family members each support CSU, its programs, and its students through different annual gifts to athletics, agriculture, and the Alumni Association. "My parents and family have always had an innate sense of giving back to the entities that were a special part of their lives," Jody says. The Collins Johnson Family Foundation is one of the lead donors for the animal sciences building renovation.

Polly likens the gift to a rallying point for honoring the tradition. Like CSU, philanthropy, is "just the kind of thing that came through the generations," Polly says.

Polly Collins Johnson is a life member, and Jody Johnson Buck is a life member.

by Carol Busch (M.A. '02)

LEADERSHIP AROUND THE WORLD

➔ **PAM SMITH ('72)**
**FINDS HER NICHE IN
WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP
ABROAD AND AT HOME.**

Deep in the archives of the *Rocky Mountain Collegian* rests a photo that captures a moment Pamela Rowe Smith ('72, French) will never forget.

In the foreground stand the Colorado Kappa Pickers, five young women with their backs to the camera wearing stylishly tasteful short dresses and pumps. They sing and play guitars before a crowd of Navy soldiers seated in and above a hold of an aircraft carrier, the USS Kitty Hawk. The men sit relaxed in rows of folding chairs. On the decks above, they hang from and lean into railings. A handful of sailors are stashed inside an elevated rescue boat, life jackets hung in a perfectly spaced row. It looks blazing hot.

The women—Pam Smith, Linda Massey Binkley ('72), Chris Mulkin Sealy (B.A., '72, M.A., '74), Nancy Stratton ('71), and Judi Wineland ('72)—are members of CSU's Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority. In the spring of 1970 they auditioned and earned an invitation from the USO to tour Southeast Asia the following summer. They played 35 days, two shows a day, from Japan and Korea to Guam and the Philippines. That winter, during the Christmas holidays, and the next summer, they toured Vietnam.

"It made an indelible impression on us," says Smith, 2012 recipient of the College of Liberal Arts Distinguished Alumna Award. "Five fresh-faced, 20-year-old girls who had grown up with charmed lives and no concept of war drop into a burn unit at a U.S. military hospital in Tokyo? It was quite an awakening for us all."

Apart from performing in front of 5,000 men, Smith says that talking to the men about their lives and the war, sometimes for two to three hours after a concert, was one of the most rewarding aspects of touring. The experience catapulted Smith and her friends into adulthood.

"It was a completely different college experience," Smith says. Preparing for a tour was all-consuming: long hours of practice,

designing and making costumes, managing public relations, and staying on top of a regular academic load. As a result, being a part of the Colorado Kappa Pickers was a bonding experience that exposed her to the world.

Career Beginnings

After college, Smith traveled to Europe with her best friend from high school, eventually working for the U.S. Army in



Pam & husband, Rick, near their home in Hong Kong

Garmisch, Germany, where she met her husband, Rick. They returned to the States and started a family. Smith worked from home as a communications consultant until Rick's work took them back overseas, this time to Vienna, Austria. Corporate-government agreements prohibited Smith from working, so she joined the American Women's Association to meet people and learn about her newly adopted home.

Before long, Smith moved into a leadership position within the association. She soon realized that leadership was a skill many of her peers lacked. "They just kept



getting bounced from city to city [when their husbands got relocated] and spent most of their energy just coping," Smith says. Then, Smith met U.S. Ambassador to Austria, and influential thought leader and organizer for women's issues, Swanee Hunt.

Smith worked with Ambassador Hunt's office to organize a women's leadership conference for regional club leaders, plus emerging women leaders from neighboring Eastern European countries. "I was always drawn to leadership, but this experience re-set my focus," Smith says. "I was talking about big picture things like networking and serving on a board and these women from Eastern Europe just wanted to know how we were able to get computers. From that point forward, I tried to learn about the people I was leading before I launched into anything." The experience, and Hunt's encouragement, led Smith to expand her involvement in women's leadership and empowerment.

"Women's issues interested me because I grew up in a time when many people were fighting for social justice, fairness, and equality," Smith says. "There were so few highly visible women leaders, and I wanted to take an active role in changing that paradigm."

Smith lived seven years in Europe with her husband and two daughters, Linsey and Brittany. She served on the board of the American Women's Association in Vienna, representing the Federation of American Women's Clubs Overseas, on the board of the American International Women's Association in Geneva, and on the parent faculty board at the International School of Geneva.

Women's Leadership in Asia and Colorado

In 1998 Smith's husband took a position in Asia that relocated the family to Hong Kong. Once again, Smith reached out to the area's international women's associa-

tion. Through the association, she was connected to women who organized and participated in a forum dedicated to learning about the complex issues facing women in Hong Kong. The issues reached across a broad spectrum of Hong Kong society, from under-representation of women in decision-making processes and lack of economic parity, to inadequate social services for women and domestic violence. "My eyes were opened by this group," Smith says. "It was impossible to sit there and not do something."

In response, she and other like-minded women joined forces to form The Women's Foundation. The group's first initiative was to lead a benchmark study on the status of women and girls in Hong Kong. "We knew we needed to start with research," says Smith, who looked to a pioneer organization in the field of women's advocacy for a model: The Women's Foundation of Colorado. "They were held up as a really great example of how to start and run a foundation," Smith says.

The Women's Foundation of Colorado, a nonprofit organization that drives systemic change to advance economic

opportunities for women and girls in Colorado, and that Smith's early mentor Swanee Hunt co-founded in 1986, helped her with the "nuts and bolts questions" related to nonprofit development.

In 2006, Smith and her colleagues unveiled the results of their benchmark study, held a symposium, and began a series of stakeholder engagement projects to help focus the foundation's eventual giving initiatives. Within three years, The Women's Foundation became a significant fundraising entity for women's and girls' causes in Hong Kong, and would continue spearheading research on women's issues in Hong Kong. "They are now represented on Hong Kong's two main governmental mechanisms, which are charged with advocating for, and protecting, the rights of the women and girls of Hong Kong. That, along with their impressive programming, makes them a key player in the advancement of women in Asia," Smith says.

Smith and her family lived almost nine years in Hong Kong. During those years Smith had the opportunity to travel the region and revisit some of the places she first went as a Colorado Kappa Picker.

"I've been back to Japan and Seoul, but where my heart really was, and where we visited many times, was Vietnam," Smith says.

As a result of her travels, Smith says she began to understand Vietnam much more than when she was 20. "Vietnam is such a wonderful country," Smith says. "The people are beautiful inside and out. The art is gorgeous. It's just a luscious place to visit. I'd have to say it's my favorite country in the world," she says.

Smith and her husband now split their time between Hawaii and Colorado. Smith is serving her last year on the Board of Trustees of the Women's Foundation of Colorado. Once her board involvement ends, she'll continue to run a small business she started with a Swiss friend and she'll use her leadership expertise to support community issues throughout the Vail Valley.

"I think I have always gravitated toward leadership," Smith says. It's a common thread through all the twists and turns in my life."

by Carol Busch (M.A. '02)



Pamela Rowe Smith ('72) with the Colorado Kappa Pickers aboard the USS Kitty Hawk in 1970

Tailored Success for Design and Merchandising alumnae find their fit

NICOLE BESERRA ('06, Apparel and Merchandising)
Buyer, Women's Fragrances, Bloomingdale's, New York City

What are your primary responsibilities?
My job is to drive my business to exceed the sales plan, gross margin, and turn for the financial year. I manage and buy the merchandise stock, negotiate with vendors for new product and work with them to ensure sales associate support, and work with our visual teams to ensure product promotion that is aligned with the Bloomingdale's overall brand. I also help train and foster the professional development of two direct reports.

What exciting developments are you seeing in your industry?
How much technology has impacted the selling environment and how we interact with the customers. We know that today's

customer is very technologically savvy and we are working to make Bloomingdale's brick and mortar stores and Bloomingdales.com be a seamless shopping experience. Plus, sales associates now have more efficient ways to reach out and work with the customer to get them exactly what they want, when they want it.

What are some of the rewards of your job?
This fall we had the exclusive launch of Tory Burch's first fragrance. It was extremely rewarding after all our hard work to see it become the most successful fragrance launch in Bloomingdale's history. Most rewarding of all is the connection I have with the people I work with. They are the ones who drive me every day to be the best I can both professionally and personally.

AMANDA CHAFIN ('11, Apparel and Merchandising)
Account Executive, Menswear Wholesale Sales, Ralph Lauren, New York City

What are your primary responsibilities?
I sell fashion collections to our buyers during market season, typically four times a year. Some of my buyers include Bloomingdale's, Nordstrom, Macy's, and smaller specialty stores. I also travel to stores to build relationships with sales teams and host product seminars. Much of what I do focuses on analyzing the business to understand what every region's needs are and how we can tailor our product to those needs.

What exciting developments are you seeing in your industry?
Social media is very exciting right now! The amount of visibility a brand can achieve with their customers is limitless, and we are seeing many young and new fashion brands make it to the next level by using social media. In my area of the industry it is also very exciting to see men moving toward a more modern style. Men

care more and more every day about how they dress and to know I am a part of this is very exciting!

What are some of the rewards of your job?
The rewards of the industry come each season when you see the product and the buys that you put together for your customers selling on the retail floors. It is very fulfilling when you help a customer buy his first suit for an interview, or a tuxedo for his wedding day, because you know in a small way you helped him feel great on those important days.

What is your dream job?
This was the job that I wanted to move out to New York for, so you could say it was my dream job! I love working in wholesale sales, and I love the brands I have worked for, so to continue to climb the career ladder in men's wholesale would also be my dream.



What is your dream job?
Honestly, being a buyer is my dream job! I love the company I work for and the people I work with. I am challenged every day to be better and stay creative in how I drive the business.

Why are you are a member of the Alumni Association?
I am a member of the Alumni Association because I think it is so important to give back both time and financially to the school. I would not be where I am today without the support of my professors and classmates.



Why are you a member of the CSU Alumni Association?
I am a member of the Alumni Association because CSU played—and continues to influence—such a big role in where I am today both professionally and personally. I met my husband and my closest friends at CSU. I landed a great career, which was in large part because of my degree and time at CSU.



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Kyung Welling ('93) applies leadership skills in the Army & in corporate life

In the 20 years since she graduated from CSU, Kyung Welling ('93, Business) has had two employers: the U.S. Army and Ball Corporation. A self-declared "Army brat," Welling spent half of her childhood in the U.S. and the other half in South Korea as the daughter of a career Army father. Though she lived in South Korea when she was graduating from high school, she was a resident of Arizona and considered going to college there. But when her best friend recommended CSU, and when she received both an Army ROTC scholarship and first-generation scholarship, she made the move to Colorado.

In addition to Army ROTC, Welling took advantage of the President's Leadership Program to learn more about leadership, and subsequently, herself, through a series of academic courses and experiential learning activities. "PLP was the first time I did true introspection of myself, understanding how I relate to people and how I show up and present myself to others," Welling says, "It's an incredible program."

This collegiate exposure to leadership complemented Welling's Army experience and reinforced her studies in the field of human resources. "What I love about the Army is the concept of accountability," she says. "There is ownership; there is individual responsibility and successes are a result of the team." This team-focused perspective is what drew Welling to Ball Corporation.

About 14,500 people worldwide are employed by Ball, and Welling is the HR director for Ball's corporate offices. She and her HR team support 325 corporate employees in Broomfield,

Colo. Their challenge is to create a talent-focused culture that attracts, develops, and retains quality talent and to meet the sustainability and flexibility requests of today's employees.

"I have noticed that the new generation of workers is very different, and yet, what they ask for is not unique," Welling says. "They are very high tech and tech savvy, they are used to an immediate response, and they are not necessarily committed to one particular vendor, supplier or employer."

"But regardless of generation, people want feedback on their performance and growth and development opportunities," she says. "And employees want to understand the company's place in the community: how are we helping people who live in the areas where we have a presence? What are we as a corporation doing to improve the environment?"

As an example, the Ball Foundation donated \$1M to the Red Cross of Colorado following the devastating floods of September 2013 that affected many employees and their families and friends in Colorado.

"I strongly believe people are committed to organizations beyond foundational components such as pay and benefits. Culture can be the differentiating factor that retains employees, and the people of an organization are an important aspect of that: it's the people you work with and work for," she says.

Welling is pleased with her own longevity working for Ball (15 years), a manufacturing company that supplies innovative, sustainable packaging solutions for beverage, food and household products



Kyung Welling ('93)



customers, as well as aerospace and other technologies and services for the U.S. government.

"I've had four supervisors during my time here," she says. "Every one of them has taught me something critical in regards to my growth and development." That, coupled with her experience in the Army, where she was exposed to "people from all walks of life," gives Welling the skills to navigate the ever-changing nature of corporations and their people.

Why Kyung ('93) and Craig ('95) Welling are life members

"We are life members because we really cherish the years we were there [at CSU]: it's the emotional connection with our undergraduate experience. And we believe in the future of where the school is going."

by Beth Etter (M.A. '03)

An Officer by Degrees

Commission earned through CSU inspires academic passion

Captain Stephanie Bunker enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1993 and served nine years in the Military Police Corps before she received an Army Green to Gold Scholarship that brought her to CSU to earn her commission. Capt. Bunker is the first in her family to serve as an enlisted and commissioned officer—her grandfather served in the Navy. She is currently an assistant professor of military science at Boston University.



What did you study at CSU?

I studied English with a concentration in literature and women's studies ('05). I wanted to not only read the greats, but understand them.

You have received numerous commendations throughout your 21-year Army career. Which award means the most to you and why?

The scholarship and the education that I received from CSU changed my life. Without the scholarship I'm not even sure I'd have finished one degree by this time in my life. It afforded me the opportunity to earn my degree, and the degree afforded me the opportunity to become a commissioned officer. Now my professional options are vast, and with each assignment I gain that much more experience for the next.

What are your primary responsibilities as assistant professor of military science at Boston University?

I am responsible for directing, planning, supervising, resourcing, maintaining,

synchronizing, and executing all operations within the Stonehill College Army ROTC program (Stonehill is a BU partner school), and half of the Boston University ROTC program. I lead, teach, and mentor 77 cadets to become future honorable, intelligent, and effective commissioned Army officers. I also instruct the American military history course, am the primary advisor for Boston University's

company of The National Society of Scabbard and Blade, assist the Ranger Challenge Team, and escort the cadets to the Army Ten-Miler in Washington, D.C.

Any special military or personal achievements you're currently working toward?

I am awaiting the promotion board results for major.

What do you do for fun?

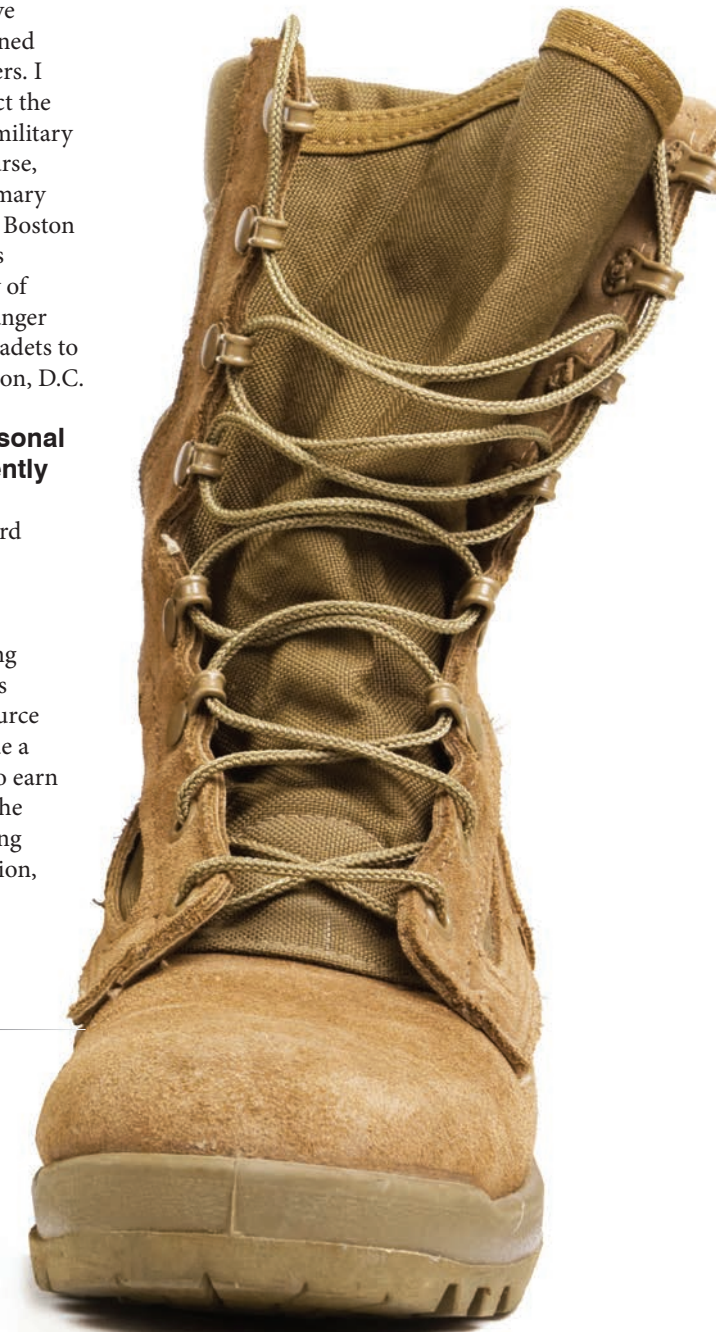
I'm beginning to think it's working on degrees! I finished my master's degree last spring in human resource management and I want to pursue a B.S. in psychology. My intent is to earn that degree—through CSU—by the time I retire. But I do enjoy playing golf almost to the point of addiction, and I don't care how badly I play.

Stephanie Bunker is an annual member.

by Carol Busch (M.A. '02)



Stephanie Bunker ('05)



Building a Global Career



Benita Boettner ('85)

The road to Benita Boettner's globally-focused business career did not start in New York City, Tokyo, or London. It began in her hometown of Gunnison, Colo.

"My father was a natural businessman," she says, reflecting on the people and experiences that have influenced the arc of her career. Her German immigrant parents saved up to purchase a local hotel that they ran as a family business. Her mother's can-do attitude inspired Boettner ('85, Marketing) to follow her heart.

"My love of business is where my passion has always resided," she says. "Even in high school I knew I wanted to be in business."

Boettner spent her freshman year at Western State College in Gunnison and then transferred to CSU for "a broader exposure and to be more challenged," she says. During her first year at Colorado State she took an international marketing course that changed her life.

"I thought, 'This is not even possible. I can combine my passion for business with my love of other cultures?'" Boettner says. She took every international business course she could, graduated, and went on to Thunderbird School of Global Management, a top international business school in the country, to earn her M.B.A. in global business management.

"The entrepreneurial setting requires a resilience, toughness, and creativity. I was pleased to find that I could thrive in that environment."

Fresh out of graduate school, she found herself interviewing with Pharmacia Corporation (the Upjohn Company at the time) for a market analyst position. "I remember telling them, whether you know it or not, you will be facing strong global competition and will have to beef up your international presence to compete," Boettner says. She got the job.

For the next 12 years she built her international business muscle at Pharmacia as worldwide business analyst, global marketing manager, and ultimately, global business director. Then, she stepped away. "I loved the pharmaceutical industry and had great fun, but I really wanted to strip away all of the resources that come with a large company and challenge myself in a different way," Boettner says.

To test her mettle, she helped launch a start-up health care business with only six employees, then transitioned to an early-stage HR health benefits company. In both jobs she wore many hats, learned to bootstrap PR and marketing campaigns,

was often the sole sales force, and led business development. "The entrepreneurial setting requires a resilience, toughness, and creativity," she says. "I was pleased to find that I could thrive in that environment."

However, the economic downturn triggered by 9/11 forced small companies to cut back. She returned to the stability and opportunity of a Fortune 500 company as director of corporate marketing for R.R. Donnelley. "I came in to help the company install a market-driven mentality across multiple business groups," she says. This new role lasted one year before a leadership change reversed the market-driven approach and Boettner found herself taking a detour she did not expect.

A friend told her about an opening with The Chicago Council on Global Affairs – a nonpartisan, nonprofit organization committed to influencing the discourse on global issues through policy, dialogue, and learning. She was dubious of nonprofit work, but the position as executive director of corporate and diplomatic programs intrigued her. "What sealed the deal was

that this position offered the opportunity to work with senior executives of Chicago's major corporations while focusing on the economic and political issues of our day," Boettner says.

She took the job and quickly went to work strengthening ties between the council and the corporate community and fostering discussions that were relevant to senior business executives. In 2011 she was selected as a delegate on a two-week trip to China with Mayor Daley and other representatives of the Chicago business community. Their goal: attract Chinese businesses to set up their North American headquarters in Chicago.

After six years Boettner felt she had grown the program into what it could be. "It was a fascinating journey through China's rise, the second greatest financial crisis in U.S. history, Senator Obama's run for the White House, and many other defining moments of our time," she says. "I had some of the richest and most

rewarding experiences of my career at the Council." But, Boettner admits, she was also "chomping at the bit to get back into the business world."

Now in her role as a principal advisor at Lismore Advisors in Chicago, she helps companies achieve their goals by assembling custom advisory boards. She likens their model to having "your own private board of directors" who share their expertise as accomplished executives.

It is quite likely that Boettner has not reached the highest level of her own career. Regardless of the path, one thing seems clear: Boettner will have no problem following the two-step recipe for success she has consistently used.

Step one. "Be open to opportunities that present themselves, especially the ones that might be a bit disguised," she says. "It wouldn't have occurred to me to reach out to the Chicago Council, but the opportunity led me to an extraordinary professional experience."



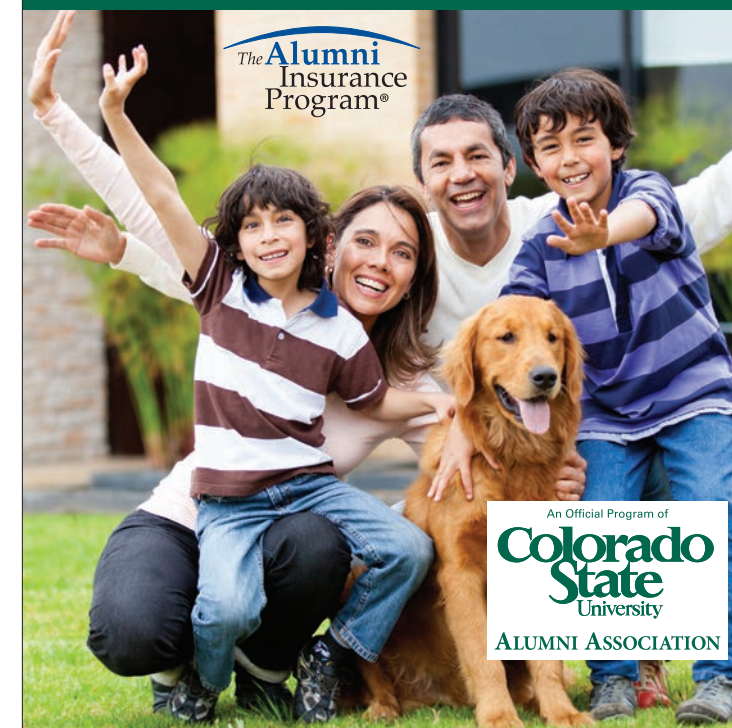
Boettner with Chicago mayor Richard Daley

Step two. "Follow your heart. I know it sounds cliché, but if you go into a field that you don't really love, or you're not really drawn to, that's an uphill battle."

Benita Boettner is an annual member.

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Ram Network Spotlight

Los Angeles/Orange County Ram Network

The Los Angeles/Orange County Ram Network has been an active network for numerous years, and recently, they've turned some alumni events into annual traditions.

Since 2012, **Gloria Campbell ('77)**, former managing director of the LA Film Festival, has arranged for a special night at the Festival, including discounted tickets and access to the VIP Lounge. This year's event is June 14.

For three years, **Dana Ludutsky-Green ('99)** has been instrumental in planning a casual wine tasting at **Ruth Bedi's ('78)** restaurant in Irvine. This year featured wine by **Jeff Murchet ('95)**, a wine importer.

On April 5, 2014, southern California alumni gathered for their eighth year of **CSUnity: Alumni Day of Service**, providing hours of community service in the name of CSU.

"It's really special to know that wherever you go, there is a CSU home waiting for you, a community of alumni that genuinely care about each other.

CSU holds a special place in my heart. I am, and always will be, proud to be a CSU Ram!"

- Matthew Hoppal ('11)
Co-President of the LA/Orange County Ram Network and annual member

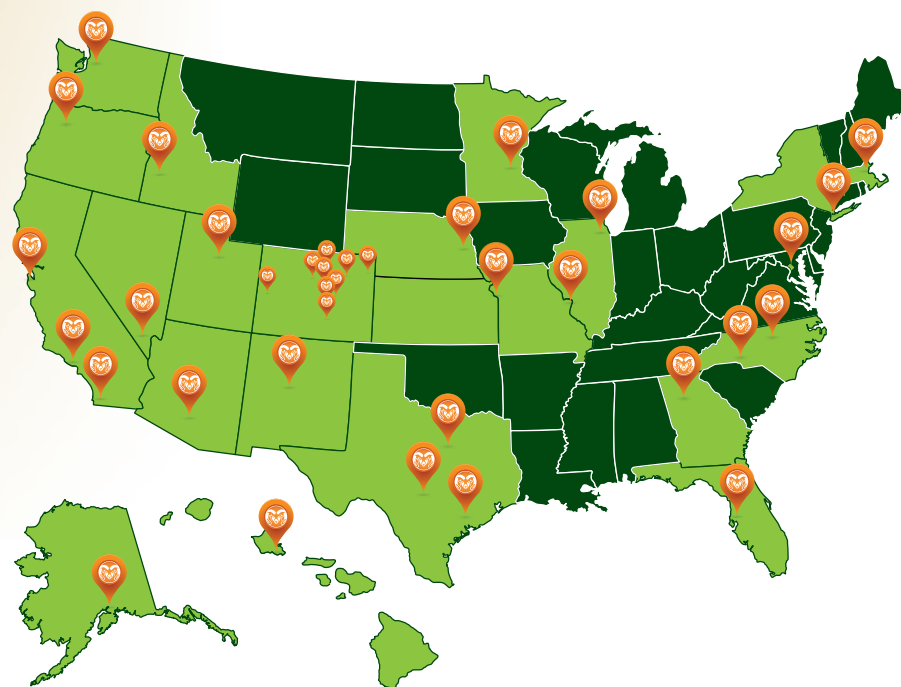
COMING UP:
A special tour and lunch at the Getty Museum on July 20.



CSUnity: Alumni Day of Service project, LA/Orange County

Ram Networks

The Ram Network is a group of volunteers committed to fostering relationships between alumni and the University through a variety of programs, services, and volunteer opportunities. Offering both long- and short-term commitments, alumni can explore how they can best contribute to the University.



Go to www.alumni.colostate.edu to see a full listing of Ram Network locations, and to see how you can get involved!



What is the 50 Year Club?

The 50 Year Club is for anyone who graduated 50 or more years ago. Each new class to the 50 Year Club is inducted at the 50 Year Club Luncheon, held during Homecoming & Family Weekend.

50 Year Club Outstanding Recognition Awards

The 50 Year Club honors two individuals at their annual luncheon with these outstanding recognition awards:

- 50 Year Club Career Achievement Award recognizes an alumnus/a who is outstanding in his or her occupation, field, or profession who has brought honor to Colorado State University and to him- or herself.
- 50 Year Club Public Service Award recognizes an outstanding alumnus/a who is recognized by the University community and the community as someone who has contributed significant works of public service.

Nominations are now being accepted.

Find the award details, a list of past recipients, and instructions for nominating at www.alumni.colostate.edu. Click the 50 Year Club Awards link under Recognition & Awards in the navigation.

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Take advantage of this special member-only opportunity!

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Molly O'Connor

- '10, Agricultural Business
- Washington, D.C. Ram Network President
- Life member

What brought you to CSU?

Growing up riding and showing horses, I was determined to be a horse trainer. I was a double major in equine science and agricultural business. I found that I liked focusing on the economic side of agriculture, and decided to represent farmers and ranchers rather than be a horse trainer.

What took you to D.C.?

There are a lot of agricultural associations here. I found an international trade internship opening with the National Pork Producers Council, and after that internship, I accepted a position with the National Corn Growers Association as a legislative assistant. Now, I'm a government relations advisor at OFW Law, a firm that provides legal and bipartisan government affairs representation to companies, individuals, and trade associations in the agriculture, food, drug, and medical device industries, including representation of the interests of modern agriculture in matters involving environmental law.

Why do you volunteer for the Alumni Association?

I've been out here for three years, and for a long time, I wasn't meeting anyone from Colorado or that area of the nation. I had friends in the area involved with their own alumni groups. I didn't know much about alumni groups so I reached out to the Alumni Association to look for events.

I went to a networking happy hour and started talking to others. I took the lead on organizing a few events and then took over as president. I really like organizing these things; it's a great opportunity to meet more Colorado people. We can reminisce about New Belgium Brewery or the Lory Student Center. We're able to create a connection that we can't get anywhere else.

What are you most proud of so far?

I'm proud that so many people seem to enjoy our events and we are growing support and attendance at every event. I'm excited for our Honor Flight event in May. We'll welcome the Northern Colorado veterans when they arrive. It's a feel-good, family event that I hope brings new attention to our group.

What's next for you?

I love my job and what I do, the people I work with, and the clients I represent. Having recently joined OFW Law, this is a new stepping stone that allows me to



Molly O'Connor ('10) represents & promotes CSU in Washington, D.C.

“I like giving back to the school that gave me so much.”

develop professionally. While continuing work, I plan to start a master's degree program, but I want a few more years of work experience to help determine in which area of agriculture I want to specialize.

Why are you a member?

I like giving back to the school that gave me so much. I can't imagine having those four years anywhere else; I grew so much. The agricultural part of CSU was so important to me and I want it to continue to impact future students. My family history is agriculture – it's part of my identity – and having that connection to CSU was valuable. The school is a powerful unit within Colorado.

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