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SYSTEM STAFF COUNCIL



Stay on top of CU System happenings! This month features a message from President Kennedy, upcoming 1800 Grant event and more.



ASK THE PRESIDENT

with President Mark Kennedy

Q: This is your final opportunity to communicate via this newsletter before your transition on July 1 - what message would you like to impart to staff?

A: It has been a tremendous honor serving this great university and it's one I will cherish. During my time at CU, I've been deeply impressed by so many in the university community, by the exceptional and innovative work taking place here and by CU's substantial contributions near and far.

As I said at last week's Board of Regents meeting, CU's people are its greatest asset. You are

dedicated and committed to helping CU achieve its mission, transform lives and enrich the state and nation.

I'm proud of the work we've accomplished together these past two years. That we succeeded in delivering on our mission and advancing key initiatives during such a tumultuous time in history is testament to the strength and caliber of this university. And it's a sign that CU will not only withstand the forces of the moment and future challenges – for there will always be challenges – but it will thrive.

CU will be in good hands when Senior Vice President for Strategy, Government Relations and Chief CFO <u>Todd Saliman</u> assumes the presidency on July 1. As a lifelong Coloradan, CU alumnus and exceptional employee for more than a decade, Todd is committed to the university's success. He has already proven to be a thoughtful, talented leader and will lend a steady hand as the regents conduct a national search for a permanent president.

I've learned a great deal during my time at CU, and my belief in the transformative power of higher education is reaffirmed. CU changes lives every day whether by educating students, serving patients or putting forth our research and discovery into the world. I'm humbled and honored to have been part of that.

Debbie and I look forward to watching CU continue to transform lives, the state, nation and the world in the years ahead.



SAVE THE DATE: Welcome to Grant Street Virtual Event

Date: July 28

Time: 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

The System office undergoing a lot of changes, and we invite you to learn more about them at our virtual event! We will recap the new work environment, learn about each department and what they do from our leaders and share a few "fun facts" about the Uptown Denver area. A separate invitation with registration and Zoom details will be sent out closer to the event.



How can you expand your diversity & inclusion knowledge?

SSC's Diversity, Inclusion & Outreach committee has compiled online workshops, campus webinars and ongoing CU efforts to help:

- CU Boulder: Center for Teaching and Learning <u>Upcoming events</u>
- CU Boulder: Office of Diversity, Equity & Community Engagement News & Events
- CU Boulder Department of Ethnic Studies, Drs. Shawn O'Neal and Jennifer Ho's <u>Anti-racism 101</u> (CU on Coursera 3-week program/11 hours)
- CU Denver's Department of Communication, Dr. Brenda J. Allen's Inclusive Leadership: <u>The Power of Workplace Diversity</u> (CU on Coursera - 4 weeks/21 hours)

See more

Check out July holidays

Not only is the United States of America celebrating independence day this month, but out friends up north will celebrate Canada Day July 1. This holiday marks the 1867 enactment of the Constitution Act, establishing Canada as a nation. Learn more about July holidays on our website.

Explore today

Spring cleaning is just around the corner

Consider donating any gently used items to a charity:

- 1. The Doe Fund Accepting business attire and personal technology
- 2. <u>Ronald McDonald House</u> Accepting office supplies, kitchen items, laundry room items, snacks and gift cards
- 3. <u>Denver Rescue Mission</u> Accepting small furniture, clothing, household items, kitchen items and non-perishable foods.
- 4. Clothes to Kids Denver Donate new or gently used clothes



Update on Badges

As a reminder, the Budget and Finance office will be in charge of requests for new badges and updates to existing access. HR will continue to submit requests for badge access for new employees, but all other requests should be directed to GrantBuildingQuestions@cu.edu.

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