

New staff members find niche

What a difference a year makes.

As the fall semester gets underway, there are many new staff members at CU-Colorado Springs. Some of the new faces include the university's first female Army ROTC professor of military science, Denise A. Goudreau, a new coordinator of Student Disability Services, Kaye Simonton, and a new director of the Small Business Development Center, Luis Carlos Saldarriaga.

And that's just for starters.



Lt. Col. Goudreau, a New York native, graduated from the United States Military Academy at West Point in 1982 with a bachelor's degree. She was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the Military Police Corps and later earned a master's in

systems management from the University of Southern Illinois.

Her deployments include Grenada in 1983 and, most recently, to Bosnia-Herzegovina. Goudreau says she's delighted with her assignment here, but doesn't see what all the fuss is about regarding her gender.

"I guess in the Army you just don't think about that," she said. "To me, it's just a job in the M. P. Corps."

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Chancellor kicks off semester

CU-Colorado Springs faculty and staff should not anticipate state windfalls to finance the university's aspirations, Chancellor Linda Bunnell Shade told a group of more than 60 people who attended her fall semester kick off.

"We must be creative in our efforts, looking for partnerships that do not compromise our integrity but allow us to achieve our goals of being a modern, excellent institution that serves the needs of student and community, not just of Colorado Springs but all of Southern Colorado."

Chancellor Linda Bunnell Shade holds aloft a

Bunnell Shade used the best-selling

book about globalization, "The Lexus and the Olive Tree," as a framework to illustrate the university's commitment to people and to modernization.

Last year, the university increased salaries for faculty and professional exempt staff by an average of four percent, increased operating budgets by three percent and increased library funding by six percent. Another \$175,000 was committed to improve salary compression and market equity issues.

Using technology to improve learning on campus, and to spread the university's reach throughout Southern Colorado, is imperative, Bunnell Shade said. Only then can the university live up to its reputation as one that is on the move.

"We are not a liberal arts institution, we're not a normal school. Neither are we going to be become a land grant institution nor a major research university. To try to be any of these today would make us second-rate at best. We have the opportunity to be a new generation university, unique because of our embrace of technology in the delivery of instruction, the quality of our students, our partnerships with local business and our global view of the world."

Bunnell Shade encouraged the campus to engage in discussions of how the university can be distinctive.

The text of Bunnell Shade's comments are available at www.uccs.edu\~chancelr

Overheard ... "They see our warts and we see theirs."

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Simonton is an alumna, having earned a master's degree in special education in 1994. The irony of coming back to the university as coordinator for Student Disability Services isn't lost on Simonton.

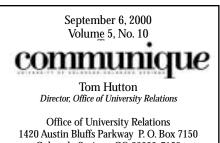
"I knew this is where I'd wind up," she said. "I have a passion just to help students be successful. I certainly love to give them wings. It's just great."

Prior to coming to CU-Colorado Springs, Simonton spent five years as the special education coordinator for Ellicott School District 22.

Saldarriaga was recently named director of the university's Small Business Development Center. A native of Medellin, Columbia, Saldarriaga earned a master's degree in business administration from the University of Georgia, Athens. Prior to working at CU-Colorado Springs, Saldarriaga was general manager for the New Orleans Airport Perishables Center, a cold storage facility that provided comprehensive air cargo logistic services.

He's also worked as a consultant and sales representative in Medellin, as a portfolio manager representing United Overseas Bank, and as the director of the International Trade Center at the University of Houston.

"It's great for me to be here and be part of the university," Saldarriaga said. "I'm looking forward to improving the quality and the quantity of the programs we're offering through the university."



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C. David Moon recently was named the university's associate vice chancellor for academic affairs. Moon, a member of the university



faculty since 1992 and previously assistant vice chancellor for academic affairs, replaced Ken Rebman. Rebman, after serving six years in campus administration, now teaches full-time in

the Department of Mathematics.

As associate vice chancellor, Moon is responsible for academic budgeting and personnel processes, faculty development, and assessment of academic programs and academic planning.

Since joining the CU-Colorado Springs faculty, Moon has taught political science courses including Introduction to American Government and American Political Parties. Moon, who has a Ph.D. from the University of Texas, Austin, says he knows his new job will keep him hopping.

What's first on his agenda?

"We have the implementation of the core curriculum and preparing assessments of both general education and furthering assessments of academic programs in general," he said. "I've got a lot else on my plate. That's just the beginning."

Jonathan Bregman, who has worked for the campus for approximately four years, is now director of development for the CU Foundation. He was formerly the campus planner in the office of facilities planning and construction.

After completing the master plan and the campus' first long-range development plan, Bregman moved to his new position in the CU Foundation. He will be working on major gift development for Beth-El

College of Nursing and Health Sciences and the College of Business.

Kathy Kathy T **Turpin's** new job as associate athletic director for fund-raising and development is a departure from her previous position as associate director of athletics at Truman State University, Kirksville, Mo.

Turpin's responsibilities include raising funds for student scholarships and new athletic facilities. She has a master's in physical education from Western Illinois University, Macomb, Ill., and says she's invigorated by the fund-raising challenge.

"In doing so, you know it's an effort that's really going to benefit the kids and the student athletes," she said.

Jeremy Haefner, chair of the Mathematics Department, has taken on additional duties. He is interim director of the Teaching and Learning Center senior faculty, as well as an associate for information technology. Haefner, a recipient of the University of Colorado's Presidential Award for Teaching with Technology, was selected from within the campus

faculty for the new position.



He has a Ph.D. in mathematics from the University of Wisconsin, Madison. Of his new responsibilities, Haefner said: "It's crazy but it's fun. These are new positions. The center's

been reshaped and reorganized. There are lots of new opportunities to provide some leadership in these areas. I call it a clean slate — and I get to draw."

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Campus best in west

In its 2001 college rankings edition, *U.S. News and World Report* ranked CU-Colorado Springs ninth among top public universities in the West.

Other universities cited include, Western Washington State University, California State Polytechnic-Pomona, California State University-Chico, Sonoma (Calif.) State University and University of Nevada-Las Vegas.

"I am pleased that *U.S. News and World Report* recognized the quality of instruction and the growth of this institution," Chancellor Linda Bunnell Shade said. "These rankings are the result of the hard work of many people."

In addition to ranking CU-Colorado Springs as a top Western university, the magazine ranked selected programs. The Beth-El School of Nursing and Health Sciences ranked 52 nationally for its master's in nursing program while the undergraduate program in the College of Business ranked 117.

"This ranking places the CU- Colorado Springs College of Business in the top 15 percent of colleges nationwide," Joe Rallo, dean, College of Business, said. "While some people take issue with the concept of college rankings, I believe this an accurate indicator of the quality of faculty and the quality of instruction and research that is taking place."

Among the colleges of business sharing the same ranking as CU-Colorado Springs were West Virginia University, the University of Rhode Island, the University of Texas-Arlington, San Jose (Calif.) State University, and University of Missouri-Kansas City. CU-Colorado Springs was ranked above such schools as the University of Wyoming and Utah State University.

Carole Schoffstall, dean, Beth-El School of Nursing and Health Sciences, also said she appreciated the recognition from *U.S. News*, noting that "only 13 Western institutions ranked higher."

Sharing the 52 ranking in addition to CU-Colorado Springs were the Medical University of South Carolina, University of Cincinnati, University of Missouri-Columbia, University of South Carolina, University of Tennessee-Memphis and Virginia Commonwealth University.

University of Colorado President Elizabeth Hoffman will visit the CU-Colorado Springs campus Sept. 18. An open forum for the campus to meet Hoffman is scheduled for 3:15 p.m. in Lodge B. A reception will begin at 4:30 p.m. in Lodge A.

Birds of prey save the day

Have you noticed those strange, high-pitched noises emanating from behind Science

Building? They sound like well, like birds in a blender or like a squirrel that got stuck in someone's garbage disposal or, well, something just too horrible to contemplate. One student wondered if the **Biology Department** was conducting animal experiments — possibly something along the lines of animal dentistry? Another student — this one from the Midwest — wondered if the Science

Building was housing a hog farm.

Communique has untangled the mystery of the mangled mutterings. That ungodly screeching is a tape recording of birds of prey, zeroing in on lunch. The recording is programmed to play at timed intervals outside the Science Building in an attempt to dissuade local pigeons from roosting on the roof. Birds of prey scoop up pigeons the way some people eat M&Ms: quickly and with gusto.

So why are pigeons the university's problem? The plump-bodied birds are known for their prodigious, er, output on buildings. Scaring off the birds with the sounds of their enemies is one way to keep them from getting too comfortable. The Science Building also features two inflatable vinyl predators with "moving eyes" just in case the pigeons don't get the hint.

This isn't the first time university groundskeepers have had to outsmart the pigeons.

"Many years ago, we had to put screens on the vent pipes in Cragmor Hall because they used to fall through to the boiler room," said Larry Hiatt, grounds and custodial supervisor, said.

Although the mystery

has been solved, *Communique* is curious about what you thought those sounds were. Please E-mail us your musings. The most original version wins a pound of birdseed from Wild Birds Unlimited.

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Organization panel to seek comment

A panel formed last spring to evaluate the university's administrative structure will soon share a draft report with the campus.

Al Ramirez, associate professor of education, said a draft report was "coming together nicely" and that the panel hoped to share a draft version of the report with the campus in a few weeks.

"Our hope is to put the whole package – our report as well as the many attachments we received — on the Web and available in hard copy at the library, too," Ramirez said. "We'd like everyone with an interest to be able to read our report and to have the opportunity to point out anything we might have missed."

Appointed by Chancellor Linda Bunnell Shade in February, the 11-member panel was formed to evaluate the university's administrative structure and to make recommendations for change. The panel met throughout the spring semester and hopes to complete its work by the end of the fall semester, Ramirez said.

The panel's members are: Doug Nelson, student services specialist, Department of Financial Aid, co-chair; Robert Keeley, professor of business, Marian Yacko, director of purchasing, Andrea Williams, program assistant, Department of Psychology, Stephany Sandrk, 1999-2000 student co-executive, Thomas Huber, professor of geology and environmental studies, Daphne Greenwood, associate professor of economics, Nancy Lewis, Colorado Springs, and Al Steiner, Colorado Springs, are community members.

Paul Sale, associate professor of education, also served on the committee before accepting a new position at Radford College, Radford, Va.

University Club

University Club members will celebrate the fall semester with a fall reception Sept. 13 at the Garden of the Gods Club. New members will be recognized.

During this academic year, lunch meetings are scheduled for Oct. 19, Nov. 8, Dec. 6, Feb. 7, 2001, March 7, April 4 and May 2. The winter reception is scheduled for Jan. 10, 2001.

The board of directors of the University Club are: Harry Salzman, president, Jan Weiland, vice president, and Gary Winegar, secretary/treasurer. Don McLean, Arthur Aikin, Joe Swanson, Cindy Fowler, Sheila Venezia, Chris Blees, Cindy Sparks, Donna Black and Ed Hurt are board members. Michael Berniger, is the past president.

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Coming Next Week:

- **How many students are on campus this fall?**
- A conversation with Zell Rector of the CU Foundation.



El Pomar to help tone up campus

El Pomar Center will be more than a pretty face that brings state of the art technology to the campus.

Beginning in early October, El Pomar will bring music to the campus when an electronic carillon is installed inside the building's clock tower, according to Leslie Manning, dean, Kraemer Family Library.

"For the first time, we will have the ability to hear chimes on the quarter or half hour with musical pieces between classes," Manning said. "Our hope is that this will be an enjoyable experience for everyone."

Called Westminster chimes, the carillon was made possible by a December 1999 gift from F. Lamar and Ruth Ann Kelsey of Colorado Springs to the CU Foundation. Kelsey served more than 17 years on the CU architectural Design Review Board and was a practicing architect for 38 years. In addition to noting the time, the carillon will play such popular favorites as the CU alma mater and "America the Beautiful" between classes.

The carillon will be among the last items installed in El Pomar Center and will replace the Main Hall carillon that operated for many years but was disconnected in 1995 after falling into disrepair.