



Newsletter

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Poinsettia Sale Benefits Students in CSU's Horticulture and Landscape Architecture Department



26TH ANNUAL POINSETTIA SALE!

IN PERSON SALE FROM 2PM - 6PM.
 DECEMBER 1ST - DECEMBER 3RD AT THE
 CSU HORTICULTURE CENTER.
 1707 CENTER AVE, FORT COLLINS CO 80526

14 CULTIVARS GROWN BY UNDERGRADUTES STUDENTS!
 \$10 PER PLANT!
 CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU THERE!



Poinsettias Highlight of December CSUWA Meeting

Dr. Joshua Craver, Assistant Professor of Controlled Environmental Horticulture in the Department of Horticulture and Landscape Architecture at Colorado State University will give a presentation about this iconic Winter Holiday plant at the December CSUWA Meeting on **Thursday, December 9 at 10:00 AM!**
An email will be sent in early December with meeting location OR on-line access information!

Message From CSUWA President

Dear Ladies of CSUWA,

I can't believe the holidays are upon us! It seems like we were just in the middle of summer hot weather. The last two years have had their effect on all of us for sure, especially time orientation and where our focus has been. Too often, we focused on what we couldn't do. I'd like to share an observation I made, and in doing so, honor one of our members.

One of our amazing members has consistently, over the years, not just during the pandemic, focused on what can be done, not what can't be done. Our goal is to fund scholarships for students...and the Creative Cards Interest Group has always made beautiful cards—to learn how to do stamping and embossing, but then to also make some money for scholarships! **Cathy Wier** has always looked at what could be done! She continues to do just that, along with the members of Creative Cards. So, **kudos to you, Cathy Weir**. You have often been inspiration to all of us in CSU Women's Association! And **THANK YOU to Cathy and all of the Creative Cards members** for always seeing what you can do! Cathy is an example of our many members who help make this group great, and we hope to highlight others in the future!

The December 9th meeting is rapidly approaching. We hope to meet in person, but will decide at the November 30th Board meeting, so please watch for my e-mail as usual. IF we meet in person, we will need to wear masks, and have no refreshments! It will be our Holiday Event and Poinsettia Presentation by Joshua Craver, CSU Assistant Professor, Controlled Environmental Horticulture, Department of Horticulture and Landscape Architecture.

Special thanks to A-Young Woody and Jennifer Anderson for the amazing and informative programs that they provide for us. Special thanks to Ronda Koski, our newsletter editor, for our always news-filled editions. Our Board has worked as a super team this past year, and it is a pleasure to work together with such support of all members.

Our hopes are that you and your family are well and look forward to safe holidays. Please always feel free to contact me with suggestions, questions, and constructive criticism. I am **LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING EVERYONE** in person and enjoying an informative program!

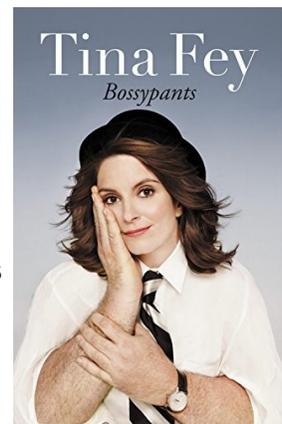
~ Barb Wallner, CSUWA President



Western Literature Interest Group Update

As the Western Literature Interest Group has gotten smaller, we have broadened our scope to include books not just written by authors who live west of the Mississippi, or books that concern areas of interest in the western states. Each month we have a lively discussion about the book chosen, and often members who have not read the book are able to add to the discussion from their own experience. This is particularly true when we read about one-room schoolhouses, life on the prairie, or WWII on the home front. Although we don't always agree, we have never end the meeting with any animosity toward one another!

We will have a **potluck and discussion** of Tina Fey's book, **Bossypants** on **December 13 beginning at 9:00 am** in the Party Room in **Park Lane Towers** (415 S Howes Street, Fort Collins). **Bossypants** is an autobiographical comedy book written by the American comedian Tina Fey. The book topped The New York Times Best Seller list, and stayed there for five weeks upon its release in April 2011.



We invite everyone who has read the book or is interested in our CSUWA book club to join us. We always have lots of food, so you don't have to bring anything except yourself and an interest in books and good discussions!

Please contact **Mary Jean Currier** at 970-223-7277 or curriermjp@aol.com

~ Mary Jean Currier

"Whatever the problem, be part of the solution.

Don't just sit around raising questions and pointing out obstacles."

~ Tina Fey, Bossypants

November Blanket Lottery Raises \$250

Lynn Caldwell will draw the winning name at the December CSUWA Board of Directors' meeting, and the winner will be announced at the CSUWA meeting on the 9th of December.

THANK YOU to everyone who purchased a ticket or several tickets!
The money will go towards another CSUWA Creative Cards Scholarship!

~ Patti Chapman and Cathy Weir



What the CSU Women's Association Means to Me

Shortly after I moved to Fort Collins, my girlfriend from Spokane was visiting me and brought her card-making supplies. I fell in love with the creative aspects of making cards. Since I didn't have any stamps, I went to a Garage Sale looking for supplies. While there, I met Susan McGill and Jacquie Bennett who were also shopping. They invited me to join the CSU Women's Association. When I said that I wasn't affiliated with CSU, they told me that "they let anyone in". I was given the name and address of Cathy Weir who told me more about the group and gave me a tour of all her stamps and supplies. I joined the CSU Women's Association and the Creative Cards group. I have learned so much not only from Cathy, but from Patti Chapman and others in the group. I have made some wonderful friends and have enjoyed learning new techniques. Cathy Weir and the CSU Women's Association is so dedicated to providing scholarships to deserving students. It is so rewarding to be involved in such a worthy endeavor. The monthly speakers have been a continuing source of interesting subjects. I love visiting with everyone at the In-Person events, such as the Holiday Party and the monthly meetings of the past. I look forward to the end of the Covid Pandemic when we can all meet again!

Lynn Caldwell
CSUWA Secretary and Historian

CSU's Rams Against Hunger Helps Students Facing Food Insecurity

Are you aware that there are more than 3,300 Students at Colorado State University that experience food insecurity every day! You can help reduce the stress brought on by food insecurity by making a donation to "Rams Against Hunger".

For just \$9, a meal will be loaded onto a student's RamCard to be redeemed in a CSU dining hall. Give \$130, and you can feed a student for a month! Your donation will ensure that food insecure students will not have to worry about how to pay for food, and will be better able to focus on their education, and succeed in college!

Consider making your donation on Tuesday, **November 30... "Giving Tuesday"**.

If you do so, your donation will be matched dollar for dollar!

Yep...thanks to an anonymous donor of \$25,000, all gifts made on **Giving Tuesday** will be matched dollar for dollar, thus doubling the impact of your gift!

To make a donation go to: <https://ramfunder.colostate.edu/project/28168>



Gratitude is the sign of noble souls.

~ Aesop, in *Androcles* ~



Request for Recollections for Betty Brown Memories Booklet

Betty Brown is moving to Wisconsin after the holidays to be with her son Karl and his family!

Please write your memories or special thoughts for us to include in a booklet for Betty to take with her to remember all of her 40+ years in Fort Collins.

Limit your thoughts to 75 words. The Deadline is December 15, 2021.

We ask for a contribution of \$5 from each of you to cover the cost of printing the booklets. We will give each contributor a booklet. If there are any funds are left over, we'll donate them to the William M. Brown Professional Development Award (<https://agsci.colostate.edu/agbio/bspm-departmental-scholarships-and-awards/>).

To have someone pick up your thoughtful and encouraging words, call either
Nancy Hansford (970-221-1779) or
Patt Moore (970-893-2989)

You can also mail your thoughtful and encouraging words to either Nancy or Patt:
Nancy Hansford
1900 Mohawk Street, Fort Collins, Colorado 80525
Patt Moore
1113 Mansfield, Fort Collins, Colorado 80525

This booklet of memories will be comforting to Betty as she settles into her new surroundings.

Thank you in advance for participating in this project!

CSUWA Through the Years

Virginia Corbett served as the 8th President of the then Colorado Agricultural College Women's Association from 1919 to 1920. Born in rural Iowa in 1868, Virginia was the daughter of a rural minister and a school teacher. "Virginia graduated in 1893 from Iowa State College at Ames, Iowa. She did graduate work at the University of Nebraska and at the University of Chicago. She was an assistant to the state superintendent of the Nebraska schools and taught at the Agricultural College of Montana before becoming a professor of history and literature at Colorado Agricultural College in 1900. She later became Dean of Women. She made trips to England, Holland, Spain, and other European countries. As an exchange teacher of English, she spent a year at the Ginling College for Women in Nanking, China. It is said that her study and travels gave her a wealth of information that she shared with her classes. She was also noted for the teas and dinners that she gave in her home on 428 West Laurel Street... She was responsible for the organization of the Women's Self-Governing Association, later known as the Associated Women Students, and she helped them with their problems".

Virginia Corbett died February 13, 1932 at the age of 64.
Corbett Hall was named in her honor.

~ from CSU Women's Association History and Past Presidents 1912-2002

Upcoming CSUWA Meetings

Thursday, December 9, 2021 Holiday Event & Poinsettia Presentation
Dr. Joshua Craver, Professor of Controlled Environmental Horticulture, Department of Horticulture & Landscape Architecture, Colorado State University

Thursday, February 10, 2022 About the Organ
Dr. Joel Bacon, Professor of Music; School of Music, Theatre, and Dance; College of Liberal Arts; and Stewart and Sheron Golden Chair in Organ and Liturgical Studies!
Meeting will be held at First United Methodist Church, 1005 Stover Street, Fort Collins, 80524
Invite spouses and friends to attend this special event!

Thursday, March 10, 2022 Poetry for Integration
Alexandra Donovan, poet, teacher, chaplain, workshop and retreat leader, and grant-writer.

Thursday, April 14, 2022 Bas Bleu Theatre—Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow
Wendy Ishi, Founder/Artistic Director, Bas Bleu Theatre

Thursday, May 12, 2022 See It to Believe (In) It: You, Wilderness, and the Poudre Wilderness Volunteers
Celia Walker, PWV Recruiting Committee Co-Chair

CSU Women's Association Meetings . . . CSU WA Meetings are the 2nd Thursday of the month at 10:00 a.m. We will be meeting via ZOOM due to the COVID-19 Pandemic OR meeting at Trinity Lutheran Church, 301 East Stuart Street, Fort Collins EXCEPT the February meeting! Members are notified about meeting location or URL by e-mail one week prior to the meeting.

Fort Collins Offering Variety of Educational and Fun Classes and Activities

Feeling that desire to learn something new or do something healthy or to get together with other like-minded people this Fall and Winter... but have not heard of anything yet that sparks your interest?

The **Winter Recreator 2021** is filled with lots of exciting possibilities, including numerous arts and crafts classes (basket making, drawing, jewelry making, painting, pottery, stained glass crafting, and woodworking), Indian cooking, genealogy, numerous fitness classes (aqua fitness and swimming, barre fitness, cross training, ice skating, pilates, t'ai chi, theraball, yoga, and zumba; with special classes for **SilverSneakers** members!), wellness programs (healthy living for your brain and body, laughter wellness, mindful meditation, overview of Medicare benefits, and end-of-life topics), numerous outdoor activities (including Building On Outdoor Trails Stewardship program, birding, and crag climbing), plus trips and travel outings specifically for folks 50 years old and older (including visits to local museums and historical places, attending the performance of The Sound of Music at the Candlelight Dinner Theater), plus card groups, musical groups (sing-alongs and jam sessions), and writing groups!

Class details and registration information available at:

<https://issuu.com/parksandrecfc/docs/21-23590> - [2021 winter recreator web](#)

Register ASAP to be sure you get into the class / classes of interest to you!

2021-2022
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**Colorado State University Women's Association
2021-2022 Membership Form**

Name _____

Put an "X" in this box if your contact information is the same as it was last year.
IF so, you do not need to fill in address, phone, and email information.

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Preferred phone _____ Other phone _____

Email _____

Optional information

Spouse _____ CSU affiliation _____

Department, College, other

_____ Renewing member

_____ New member

Annual dues: \$25

Make check payable to: CSUWA

Mail annual dues to:

Peggy Reeves, 1931 Sandalwood Lane, Fort Collins CO 80526

Fifteen dollars of your annual dues will be used for scholarships this year!

Please send only dues to **Peggy Reeves**.

Want to give an additional donation?

Please send that directly to the **CSU Foundation** for proper acknowledgement.

Make check payable to the **CSU Foundation**.

Note designation of gift on the memo line of the check.

For example:

CSUWA Endowment; CSUWA Scholarships; or _____ Scholarship, etc.

Send to: PO BOX 1870, Fort Collins, CO 80522-1870.

Questions? Contact **Peggy Reeves**, CSUWA Treasurer, at 970 482-8952.

Holiday Village Display at Fort Collins Senior Center

December 13, 2021 through January 7, 2022, make plans to visit the **Fort Collins Senior Center (1200 Raintree Drive, 80526)** to enjoy the sights and sounds of a beautiful miniature village come to life! The Center is open Mondays through Thursdays 6:00am-7:00pm, and Fridays 6:00am-5:00 pm. The **Fort Collins Senior Center is CLOSED Saturdays and Sundays.**

Members to Keep In Our Thoughts and Prayers

If you know of a CSUWA member you think would like to receive a card because of illness, bereavement, achievement, or other happening,

please contact CSUWA Corresponding Secretary **Susan McGill** at:

970-493-8694 or smcgill21@comcast.net