



## Calendar

Feb 5	Lunch with Mike
Feb 20-21	Rod & Gun Ice Fish Derby
Feb 29	Leadville Lopet
Mar 6-7	Crystal Carnival & Ski Joring
Mar 8-12	Spring Break - No Classes
Mar 15	Scholarship Deadline
Mar 20 -21	CMC Rail Jam
April 29	Graduation Practice
April 30	Graduation
April 30	Last Day Spring Semester
May 7	Faculty Contracts End
May 17	Summer Semester Begins
Aug 13	Summer Semester Ends

## CMC STUDENTS RIDE SUMMIT STAGE FREE



See page 4 for bus schedule and routes.

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## Congrats to Faculty of the Year Recipients

### Mark Cole

Timberline Campus 2010  
Adjunct Faculty of the Year



Since 2003 Mark Cole has taught subject areas he is passionate about - fly fishing and geology. He is an active member of the CMC community and was instrumental in starting the fly fishing certificate program in 2007.

Mark believes that teaching outside of the classroom is critical to learning. "I enjoy taking students out into the field where the lecture and lab work really starts to come alive," Cole said. "That's the time the student really starts to own the material.

"I like bringing the students the excitement that's geology," Cole said. "Everything that we use comes out of the Earth in one way or another."

Joe Nachtrieb, who team teaches with Mark, said, "His command of his discipline is unparalleled. His love of the subject is contagious. The students often become captivated by the subject."

In addition to serving on CMC advisory boards for Natural Resource Management and Fly Fishing, Mark is a tireless civic leader. His community service participation is extensive including volunteering hundreds of hours on the Community Park project.

Mark has a doctorate in geology and is a retiree from the oil exploration industry.

### Jeffrey Runyon,

Timberline Campus 2010 Full Time  
Faculty of the Year



Being one of the new-comers to the faculty team, it is commendable to have been nominated and selected as Timberline's full-time faculty of the year.

"It's a huge surprise and an absolute honor," said Jeffrey Runyon, the 28-year-old English instructor who has been teaching in Leadville since August 2008.

Jeffrey's excitement for teaching is evident immediately to anyone who walks into his classroom. "I enjoy turning students on to English so that they have a good experience. After class they don't hate English as much, and some of them even kind of like it," Jeffrey said, with a chuckle.

He said his favorite class to teach is English Composition I. "I see more growth from students in that class," Jeffrey said. "It's a chance to really help people with a skill that matters. Comp provides the students with a lot of confidence."

Jeffrey's students always have a lot of praise for his teaching style. "He sets exceedingly high standards for his classes yet helps you achieve your goals with encouragement and support," said student Cassandra Sheley, "Jeff has a way of relating to his students and as a result they listen more and put in more effort."

## Graduation Changed from Sat to Fri

Recently a recommendation was presented to consider moving spring graduation from the traditional Saturday morning to Friday evening.



The idea was presented to Student Affairs and faculty, and after strong support it has been decided to move the spring 2010 commencement to Friday, April 30, 2010. It will still be held at the National Mining Hall of Fame and Museum. To provide the needed staff and faculty assistance to students on the day of commencement, the ceremony will start at 6:00 pm.

Practice will be held in the afternoon on Thursday, April 29. Commencement participants are strongly encouraged to attend.

Skip Lee, Dean of Academic Affairs said, "we are excited about having commencement on Friday instead of Saturday, and there are a number of benefits to moving it. We are notifying all graduates and their parents of the change early, so they can plan accordingly."

Attendance from parents, friends, etc. to remain the same. Commencement planning in detail will start soon.

**CMC HAS A  
NEW HELP LINE  
IN SPANISH.**

**NUESTRA LINEA  
EN ESPANOL ES  
1-800-922-1205**

## CEO Corner

*from the Desk of Mike Simon*

I am so pleased to welcome everyone back for spring 2010 and a new decade at CMC-Timberline. I want to extend an especially warm welcome to new students and adjunct faculty members joining us for the spring semester.

The efforts of every single employee make a successful semester opening possible. Special thanks to the Facilities team for the excellent physical learning environment you maintain and the Student Affairs team for your hard work planning and implementing orientation. Thank you to Mary Ebuna, Susanna Spaulding and Kent Clement for planning and leading the faculty spring in-service. I found the enthusiastic exchange among faculty thought provoking and am grateful to everyone who participated. I deeply appreciate Bill Scherer, Don Taylor and Ana Loya for their long hours getting the Campus Center ready for the semester and Holly Bevan and Mollie Sorenson for her work with zero-based budgeting while simultaneously providing excellent service to our new and returning students.

I know that I have not recognized everyone who worked hard to make this semester's opening successful. If you know of an unsung hero, please consider picking up some Marmot Money from my office to express the campus community's thanks.

### **Climax Molybdenum Leadership Center Community Campaign**

**Update:** We have a remarkable group of college, community and business leaders who make up the Community Campaign

Cabinet. Thanks to their efforts, we have gift pledges totaling over \$45,000 of our \$200,000 goal. Alan Cohn and Mary Ebuna are directing the staff and faculty campaign and will be sending you information about giving opportunities soon. I encourage you to reflect on how CMC-Timberline has touched your life and consider donating at whatever level is right for you and your family.

### **Academic Quality Improvement Process (AQIP):**

The College continues to focus on assessment strategies, best practices, and consistent quality in all aspects of our organization. Everyone can think about how to implement the "Plan - Do - Study - Act" approach in your position or department and consider joining a College-wide AQIP team to learn more about this powerful approach to positive change.

Faculty members can collaborate with Sunny Schmidt to use *Task-Stream* to define course learning outcomes, competencies and skills and assess if students demonstrate mastery of desired learning outcomes.

If you want to learn more about AQIP, please feel free to contact me, check out the DVD series available in the library, or contact Meeta Goel in Institutional Effectiveness. We know we will never be perfect, but we are committed to strive continuously for excellence.

Please join me for "Lunch with Mike" on February 5 at noon in the College Center.

*Mike*

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## Pam Watson Joins HP Program



Welcome to Pam Watson who joined the CMC Timberline team last month as the project manager for Historic Preservation.

“With my background in construction and my education in historic preservation, joining CMC was the perfect match,” said Pam.

Pam earned her undergraduate degree in Historic Preservation from Southeast Missouri State and her graduate degree in Historic Preservation from the University

of Maryland. She also ran her own historic preservation construction company. In addition to Pam’s HP knowledge and experience, she is a master in the design and handcraft of custom wooden kayaks and small watercraft.

Moving from the Adirondak Mountains in northern New York, Pam says she was happy to relocate. “I love Colorado and the historic charm of Leadville and the abundant opportunities in historic preservation,” said Pam.

## Marmot Money For Service Excellence



Starting this semester, when students register they are given a chip we are calling “Marmot Money.” The chips are like poker chips that are imprinted with the Marauding Marmot. Students are asked to give the Marmot Money to staff or faculty when they give excellent service and make the students’ day. The Marmot Money is redeemable at the Cyber Café for a regular coffee or tea. Staff and faculty can also give Marmot Money to colleagues to recognize them for going above and beyond.

### TIMBERLINE CAMPUS SERVICE EXCELLENCE STANDARDS:

- WELCOMING, FRIENDLY & RESPECTFUL ENVIRONMENT
- RESPONSIVE & RELIABLE SERVICE
- SOLUTIONS TO PROBLEMS/NEEDS (RESULTS)
- QUALITY & POSITIVE OUTCOMES

You made my day!

## CMC Board Approves Tuition Increase

Last month the Colorado Mountain College Board of Trustees approved a small increase in tuition rates for the 2010/11 fiscal year. The new rates, starting in the summer semester will be:

In District	\$ 49 (\$4 increase)
In State	\$ 82 (\$7 increase)
Out of State	\$256 (\$21 increase)
Industry Rate	\$ 93 (\$8 increase)
Out of State Modified	\$ 93 (\$8 increase)

With the tuition increase, Colorado Mountain College continues to offer the lowest tuition rate in the State.

## Ice Wall to Open Soon

The new and improved CMC ice wall will be open this winter to members of the CMC community.



STUDENTS ANDREA HAMMAR AND BEN RHINESMITH

To use the ice wall you must first pay the Outdoor Pursuits Program fee of \$20 per semester (the fee is \$20 for students taking 12 or more credits. If you are taking fewer than 12 credits, the fee goes up.) This fee also allows you to check out skis, boots, poles, climbing gear, snowshoes, and more for the entire semester.

If you don’t have ice climbing gear it can be checked out through OP. Everyone who wishes to use the ice wall will have to go through a short training on safety procedures, proper belay techniques, etc. Those students who have taken Ice Block are exempt from the safety training.

Take advantage of this unique resource on our campus! If you have any questions about the ice wall, don’t hesitate to stop by the Outdoor Studies Department.



### THANKS for late night breakfast help!

A big thank you to Cooper Mallozzi, Kent Clement, Mary Ebuna, Brett Miller and Sarah Rappard for helping out at the night breakfast last month.

A super big thank you to Greg who does so much prep work and makes it so easy for those who volunteer.

## CMC Helps Bring Summit Stage Service to Leadville

NO MORE HITCHING TO SUMMIT FOR TIMBERLINE STUDENTS  
'CAUSE THEY CAN RIDE THE SUMMIT STAGE FOR FREE.

### TO FRISCO - A.M. (VIAJE A FRISCO)

KUM & GO	5:45 AM	6:15 AM
FAMILY DOLLAR	5:47 AM	6:17 AM
SAFeway	5:50 AM	6:20 AM
EAST VILLAGE	6:25 AM	6:55 AM
FRISCO TRANSFER STATION (FTS)	6:40 AM	7:10 AM

### TO LEADVILLE - P.M. (VIAJE A LEADVILLE)

FRISCO TRANSFER STATION (FTS)	5:40 PM	6:10 PM
EAST VILLAGE	5:55 PM	6:25 PM
SAFeway	6:35 PM	7:05 PM
FAMILY DOLLAR	6:37 PM	7:07 PM
KUM & GO	6:40 PM	7:10 PM

CMC Timberline donated \$3,500 to the campaign to bring the Summit Stage service to Leadville. The donation allows CMC students to ride for free for all of 2010. Students must show their student ID.



### TIMBERLINE WEIGHT LOSS CHALLENGE IS UNDERWAY!

*It's not too late to participate.  
Please see Holly or Mollie.*

## Construction Update

Phase I of cafeteria remodel project is nearing completion. Aren't the new bathrooms beautiful! Phase II will happen in May and June and will involve a remodel of the cafeteria area, serving line and kitchen. If you've noticed construction on the north side of the cafeteria it is a new mechanical/boiler room. The heating and ventilation system for the building is being completely replaced with an energy efficient boiler system on energy management software. The roof will also be replaced this summer.



## Recruit Events - Volunteers Needed

This year's college-wide annual "Road Show" recruiting event to the Front Range is January 27 (Colorado Springs) and January 28 (Denver-Westminster). Central Services is looking for the following representation/department areas to help out at the sessions.

- Disabilities/Student Support Services staff
- Faculty, with the emphasis on discussing general academics rather than just specific program.
- Students (from any program)

Student Affairs will have an admissions/recruiting booth at Lake County High School sporting events on January 22, 30 & February 4.

Please let Skip know if you are interested in volunteering for any of these events.

## Cutting Edge GIS Technology at CMC

by Caitlin Borbely

CMC has recently increased its technological capabilities by purchasing a campus-wide ESRI software license. This top-of-the-line GIS software is available to all campus computers as well as instructors private computers for educational use. Other benefits are also provided such as free ESRI virtual campus courses (esri.com under training and course catalog) and one-year student trial of ArcView 9.3.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics Occupational Outlook Handbook has reported a 19% job growth for 2008-2018 for mapping technicians and related geomatic occupations. GIS is a huge part of the growing workforce in a variety of fields. Spatial information and analysis are intertwined in most all disciplines and are utilized in occupational fields such as business, defense and intelligence, education, government, health and human services, natural resources, public safety, transportation, utilities and communication and much more.

To further prepare our students for occupational success CMC's Timberline campus has increased the requirements for the Certificate of Occupational Proficiency in Geographic Information Systems (GIS) (2010/2011). Greater availability of the necessary software will be a valuable asset to our educational community and has allowed us to increase the course offerings in this growing field. This certificate is ideal for students in any number of fields wishing to gain proficiency in a highly desired skill.

For more information on GIS applications, training, courses, or available software contact Caitlin Borbely 719-486-4236 or cborbely@coloradomtn.edu. To have this software installed on a computer please contact the IT service desk at 970-947-8438 or servicedesk@coloradomtn.edu.

## Gary Adams Rocks!



Congratulations to Gary Adams, a recent recipient of the U-Rock.

Sarah Rappard, Assistant Coordinator of Student Life, handed over the U-Rock to Gary.



Sarah said, "I nominated Gary because he takes such great care of the Residence Hall. And, I just really like working with him. All he requires in order to fix something is a mention or a phone call and it will get done. I never have to question or think about it again. It is almost as if he is magic.

## Fiber Arts Lunch Group to Meet Fridays

Those interested in sharing their knitting, crocheting, or other hobby can meet with others of like interests on **FRIDAYS, 12-1PM IN ROOM 214**. Bring your project, your lunch, your stories and enjoy an hour of camaraderie.



## Attention Skiing Enthusiasts

Sign up for a free e-mail newsletter from the Denver Post.

*Registration is available at URL address:*

<https://secure.www.denverpost.com/registration?rPage=register>

## Join CMC Outdoor Pursuits for Redstone Winter Fest

Everyone is invite to come to the Redstone Winterfest, February 6-7 and experience world-class ice climbing, free gear, seminars, live music, ski and snowshoe races, a chili cook-off, and more!

Transportation and accommodation will be provided for students by CMC student government. Space is limited. Talk to Gen in Outdoor Pursuits to sign up, 719-486-4253.

## Two CMC Long-Timers Will Retire

Alexandra Yajko, CEO of the CMC Foundation, and Dr. Ann Harris, vice president for academic affairs, have both announced their retirement. These two key employees have each devoted close to 30 years of their lives to Colorado Mountain College.

Dr. Harris will be retiring May 31. Since joining the college in 1979, she has held numerous positions at the Aspen Campus, from secretary to accounts manager to program director, and to director, a title that was later changed to dean. After more than 20 years as campus dean she came to Central Services three years ago to take the reins of academic affairs, college-wide.

Alexandra Yajko, will be retiring July 31. She has worked for the college since 1980 in a variety of positions from Director of Adult Basic Education/Conferences to Director of Developmental Studies to CEO of the foundation in 1990. In her almost 20 years as head of the foundation, she has been fundamental in raising more than \$25 million in support of our students, for scholarships and for capital improvements at our campuses.

In a letter to all of CMC Alexandra wrote, "I feel blessed, honored, and humbled by the generosity of my colleagues, and volunteers and our givers. This was a beautiful place to build and it is a beautiful place to share with the next generation of leaders. I am proud of our work, I am proud of our students and of the role we played in their success. I know that what we have been able to accomplish will serve as solid stepping-stone to an even greater future.

Selection committees are being formed to fill Ann and Alex's vacancies.

## Lunch with Mike

FEBRUARY 5  
12:00 - 1:00 PM

COLLEGE CENTER

## Study In Spain this Summer



CMC STUDENTS ENJOY AN OUTING ON A CULTURE IMMERSION TRIP TO SPAIN IN 2009

Travel to Spain and study Spanish language while experiencing the Spanish culture. CMC is partnering with don Quijote, Spain's largest private language school. This unique summer study in **Salamanca, Spain** can be done by itself or as a complement to the Ireland program that immediately precedes this program.

- **Program Dates:** June 19th to July 17 (4wk), 2010. Additional weeks can be added
- **What courses are offered:** Spanish Immersion and Culture Seminar
- **Where:** Salamanca, Spain
- **Housing:** Four Weeks Single Host Family, 2 meals/day  
All include weekend cultural excursions \$2,500  
Four Weeks Single Flat, no meals \$2,375  
Four Weeks Double Flat, no meals \$2,250  
Add'l Wks (depending on housing) \$400 to 550/wk
- **What's included in Language Program:** Four weeks of immersion Spanish classes, housing as listed above, orientation, welcome dinner, city tour, a weekend excursions to Avila and Segovia and other tours depending on scheduling.
- **What's not included:** Airfare, airport transportation and other round transportation unless listed, personal expenses, meals unless listed, Passport or VISA expenses (if any), and CMC tuition  
Prices may vary depending on the exchange rate.

For more information contact Mary Ebuna at 719-486-4224.



Back by popular demand - Erin Watkins from Blue Earth Spa & Salon provided massages to students to help relieve the stress and tension of Finals Week.

## Upcoming Non-Credit Classes

### Ceramics Studio for Practice

January 13 - March 3  
Wednesdays, 6 - 9 PM  
Leadville Cost: \$155

### Jazz Ensemble

January 12 - April 27  
6:15 - 8:45 PM  
Valley Fellowship Church, B.V.  
Cost: Only \$10!!

### Alive at 25

January 23, 1 - 6 PM  
Leadville Cost: \$30

### Workshop for Couples

January 27, February 5 and  
February 12, 6 - 8 PM  
Buena Vista  
Cost: \$165 per couple (includes  
Discounted Pizza and childcare!)

### Intro to Renewable Energy

February 6, 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM  
Leadville Cost: \$25

### The Never Ever Computer Class

February 10 - March 10  
Wednesdays, 3:30 - 5:30 PM  
Buena Vista Cost: \$55

For more information contact  
Judy Green at 719-221-9842 or visit  
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