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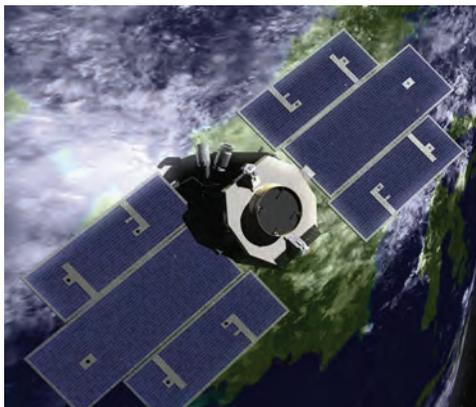


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## CSU confers two honorary degrees

**Princess Abigail K. Kawanakoa** – a celebrated breeder of racing American Quarter Horses and direct descendant of the Hawaiian royal family – received an honorary doctorate in recognition of her dedication to global equine health and to cultural preservation in Hawaii.

**J. Robert Wilson**, president and owner of Columbine Health Systems, received an honorary doctorate in recognition of generous, caring, and visionary leadership and transforming his concern for others into one of the most successful and respected elder-care networks in the region.



## Happy 10th birthday, CloudSat

Launched in April 2006, a NASA satellite called CloudSat has since changed cloud and climate science forever. Planned as a 22-month mission conceived at Colorado State University, CloudSat has crushed its mission goals and is still collecting data a decade after launch, circling 438 miles above earth collecting high-resolution, vertical profiles of clouds.

Image courtesy of NASA



## CSU and UHealth strengthen partnerships

Colorado State University and UHealth announced a landmark partnership focused on academics and health care. UHealth will work with the CSU Health Network to build and help staff the new CSU Health and Medical Center and serve as the preferred in-network health care provider for CSU, supporting employee wellness. UHealth will extend its role as the exclusive health care partner of CSU Athletics and, additionally, the University of Colorado School of Medicine will explore the possibility of expanding medical education opportunities with CSU.

## Shine on

Shine, the miniature horse, is trotting on an artificial hoof, thanks to CSU experts from the James L. Voss Veterinary Teaching Hospital. After suffering a vicious dog attack that mangled a hoof and led to infection, Shine needed surgical amputation of his lower-left hind leg in order to survive. A 3-D printer built an exact replica of his hoof, which helped Shine stay balanced while he healed. One month after the surgery, Shine was fitted with an artificial hoof.

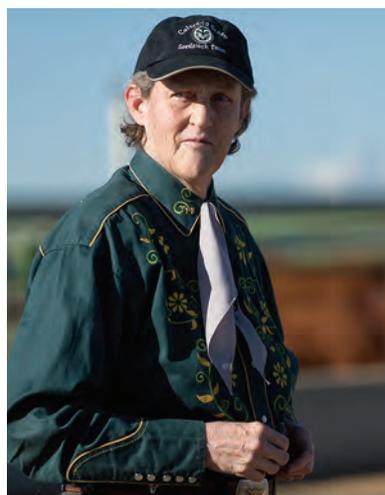
## Withers named dean of CSU's College of Liberal Arts

The new dean of CSU's College of Liberal Arts is an art historian and former department chair who has a track record in expanding and strengthening undergraduate programs, promoting multidisciplinary collaborations, fundraising, and fostering diversity and inclusion. **Benjamin Withers**, associate provost for undergraduate education and dean of undergraduate studies at the University of Kentucky, will start July 1. He succeeds Dean Ann Gill, who is retiring after a 36-year career at CSU.



## Temple Grandin elected to Academy

Temple Grandin's worldwide reputation as a leader in the field of humane animal handling and autism advocacy has propelled her into one of the nation's most distinguished groups – the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. Grandin is an internationally recognized leader in animal-handling innovations.





## CSU mourns passing of Bill Gray, Gay Israel

On April 16, CSU lost two of its most influential faculty members. William Mason (Bill) Gray, professor emeritus of atmospheric science and a pioneer in the field of hurricane forecasting, and Richard G. (Gay) Israel, longtime head of the Department of Health and Exercise Science and founder of the Heart Disease Prevention Program, will be greatly missed not only on campus but throughout the extended Ram family.

### \$13 million transformative gift for scholarships and facilities

Colorado State alumnus Michael Smith in April made a series of donations to the University that will fund new scholarships focused on business, natural resources, and chemistry; complete funding for a new natural resources building in the Warner College of Natural Resources; and contribute to the support of the new on-campus stadium.

In total, the \$13 million gift will include 50 scholarships in the College of Business, in honor of the College's 50th anniversary; \$3.7 million to complete funding to build the Michael Smith Natural Resources Building in the Warner College of Natural Resources; \$3.5 million for the Michael and Iris Smith Alumni Center within the on-campus stadium; and funding for 20 additional scholarships – 10 each in geosciences and chemistry.

*Michael and Iris Smith celebrating his honorary degree in 2008. ►*

