February is Here

HELLO!! Welcome to February. We hope you are enjoying the start up of new classes this spring semester. We have put together a bunch of resources to help you through this semester and even prepare for next year. Our office is always available to you and we would love to answer and help as we can as this new year tracks on.

What is in This Month’s Newsletter

We will discuss our yearly housing fair that is approaching (February 8th). We want to make sure students are aware of the study abroad opportunities that are available to you during your time at CSU. Our RamRide information will be listed below and we hope students will take advantage of the free and safe rides around town. We celebrate with everyone Black History Month and are excited to welcome the wonderful guest speakers that will be joining CSU. We have several opportunities, such as, on campus jobs, volunteering and student advisory board. Year 2 @ CSU was built for students to make sure there is support and guidance when moving on after your first year. Make sure to read how to get involved. Need a place for all those books? Our office has you covered with semester lockers available for rent. With all those books you must need some academic support. It is a great thing to reach out when classes seem overwhelming. We have lots of resources listed below such as TILT, UTurn and more. Lastly we close with a yummy recipe (scroll down to find out what it is)!!!!!
This year's Housing Fair is **February 8th from 9am until 4pm in the LSC grand ballrooms.** Stop by to talk with apartment complexes, property managers, housing resources and more. Our office, Off-Campus Life, will be present to answer any questions you may have about upcoming housing, transportation and living. We look forward to seeing you there, and don't forget about the free swag available.

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**RamRide is Back!**

As we inch toward normality, our RamRide program will have four elements this semester. You can download the RamRide app from both the Apple and Google stores.

- **RamRide Night Ops** will be back up and running in Spring 2023, which means we’re bringing fundraising back to CSU Registered Student Organizations! Although RamRide is back, our fundraising model has been reimagined to both suit the needs of our community and comply with new university policies. Come in to our office to learn about the new way your organization can earn $350, $650, or $1,000 with RamRide.
- **RamRide Food Ops**, our food delivery program, will return in partnership with Rams Against Hunger to offer food deliveries to folks experiencing food insecurity and in need of that service. Please visit our website for updates to this program.
- **RamRide x Lyft**, our partnership with Lyft, will continue this year but with a different look from last year, offering students subsidized rides through the Lyft app during certain holidays such as Halloween, St. Patrick’s Day, etc. (other holidays will be determined and announced on our website), as funds remain.
- **RamRide Secure**, our transportation security program, will continue this year offering an additional $200 in Lyft credits to students who submit an application and are approved after committee review, as funds remain.

We continue to update our website with details about using and volunteering for these programs, so check [here](#).

You can also follow us on Instagram, Facebook and Twitter for the latest news.
**February is Black History Month**

and the Black/African American Cultural Center has some great programming planned! Some of the events include: Kick-off Celebration; Keynote Speakers (past speakers: Angela Davis, Hill Harper, Melissa Harris-Perry, Laverne Cox, Mark Lamont Hill, Eric Thomson, Dr. Yusef Salaam, Wesley Hamilton); Black Women’s Summit; The Hair Show; Open Mic Night; and southern-style lunch at Aspen Grille. Be looking out as promotion will start soon to announce a great time of celebration, education, and awareness of Black/African American Culture.

**Rent a locker?**

We have 3 different sizes available ranging in price from $20 – $50 per semester, which will be charged to your credit or debit card. Click on the link below to get more information

[Locker Rentals](#)

**Career Fair**

We're kicking off the new semester with the Spring 2022 Career Fair that is open to all majors. The Career Center will be hosting the fair in person and virtually this year.

Students can make a great first impression with recruiters by talking

**In Person Fair:** Tues, Feb 13/14 | LSC Grand Ballroom | 10:30 am - 3:30 pm
about career competencies they've gained in their roles on campus. Reviewing these competencies in supervision sessions is a great way to help students prepare.

### On-Campus Job Opportunities

Getting an on-campus job is a great way for commuter students to meet new people and get more involved with life at CSU. It's also a great way to get valuable job experience.

The Slice office is currently hiring for 10 positions; some may have one opening available, with others have multiple openings. They are as follows, with their descriptions found here. (1) ASCSU Accountant, (2) Co-Curricular Leadership Specialist, (3) Community Support Specialist, (4) Involvement Advisor, (5) Marketing Specialist, (6) President's Leadership Program (PLP) – Outreach Specialist, (7) Rams Against Hunger Specialist, (8) Registered Student Organization (RSO) Specialist, (9) SLiCE Accountant, and (10) SLiCE Receptionist.

You can find their application here.

### Getting to Year 2 @ CSU

Getting to Year 2 @ CSU is a semester-long, campus-wide program with events designed for and promoted to first-year students in their second semester. By engaging with Getting to Year 2 @ CSU initiatives, first-year students can get information they need to successfully transition into their second year at CSU! While we may not know exactly what the second-year experience will look like, we want to connect students with opportunities and resources that will help them be successful. Students will be able to learn about resources for housing, academic success, involvement, building community, career readiness, and more.
Below is the list of upcoming Getting to Year 2 @ CSU programs and initiatives being promoted to first year students:

**Getting to Year 2 Office Giveaways**
First-year students have the opportunity to visit a specific CSU office each week to learn more information about campus resources and receive a Getting to Year 2 giveaway – a CSU winter beanie. Giveaways will be available on a first come first-serve basis, while supplies last. Below is the schedule for participating offices:
- January 30 - February 3 : Off-Campus Life (Lory Student Center 274)

**First Friday Art Walk: Ben and Jerry’s**
Friday, February 3 | 5 PM – 7 PM
*Meet at Ben and Jerry’s*
Join the Year 2 Board and other second year students as they enjoy the sights of Old Town while learning a little bit about what Fort Collins has to offer! After getting a treat at Ben and Jerry’s, we’ll start the First Friday Art Walk, which is where 22 of Old Town’s galleries, museums, and art-minded shops stay open late for new showcases, interactive displays, and artist talks during this self-guided walking tour.

**Year 2sday @ the Career Center**
Tuesday, February 7 | 11 AM – 1 PM
*Career Center (Bottom Floor of LSC)*
Prepare for the All-Campus Career Fair by joining us at the Career Center to learn some helpful tips about how to prepare for the fair, how to network with employers, resume preparation etc. Participants will be entered into a raffle for a chance to win a CSU padfolio. *This is a free-flowing event; come when you can and leave when you want to!*

**Signing an Off-Campus Lease**
Tuesday, February 14 | 12 PM – 1 PM
*LSC 324*
Signing a lease doesn’t have to be daunting if you know what to look for! Join Student Legal Services and Off-Campus Life to learn about the process of signing a lease, how to work with landlords/leasing offices, how to get your deposit back, and more helpful tips! *Registration is strongly encouraged, but not required.*

**Build a Budget Workshop**
Tuesday, February 21 | 6 PM – 7 PM
*Canvas Stadium Classroom 0202 (enter on the east side of the stadium along Meridian Ave.)*
Join Canvas Credit union in an interactive workshop to learn how to build a budget to fit your needs! The workshop will feature free Krazy Karl’s, raffle prizes, and expert financial advice to set you up for financial success as you prepare to move off campus. *Registration is strongly encouraged, but not required.*

Additional campus programs and resources to help support students’ transition to a second year:
- **TILT Tutoring:** *TILT Tutoring is excited to be offering in-person and virtual...*
drop-in tutoring for Spring 2023! TILT will be offering in-person, drop-in tutoring at the Great Hall in TILT and online drop-in tutoring on Zoom. Tutoring for selected courses will be held Sunday through Thursday evenings, 5 – 9 pm. Get more information here!

- **SLiCE Involvement Advising**: Taking part in an involvement advising session allows students the opportunity to meet one-on-one with an advisor to help students learn about how their areas of interest may relate to opportunities on and off campus. Students can sign up here!
- **Office of Financial Aid Appointments**: Schedule a 15-minute, virtual meeting with a financial aid counselor here!
- **CSU Health Network Groups and Workshops**: CSU Health Network has a wide variety of workshops throughout the semester such as “Mindfully Managing Stress” and many more! These groups and workshops are powerful tools for growth and change. Get more information here!

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**Student Advisory Board**

The Off-Campus Life office is dedicated to supporting students successfully moving/living off campus and into the Fort Collins community. It offers an array of information, services and educational programs that benefit the entire student body, university and surrounding community. The Student Advisory Board serves as a sounding board for overall policies, services and programs for OCL. The Board provides input on long-range goals and objectives, reviews current services, programs and budgets, and makes recommendations to the Director of OCL in an advisory capacity. Click here to apply.

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**Academic Support**

**The Institute for Learning and Teaching (TILT)**

The Institute for Learning and Teaching offers online resources to help improve your study skills, including topics like time management, note-taking, test-taking, and active reading. Click here for more information and to access the resources. They also provide information about tutoring, which can be found here.
CSU recognizes that there are a number of factors that can impact your academic performance. To learn what is impacting yours, we'd like to hear your story and refer you to the best possible resources available at CSU.

1. First, you will be asked to complete an online self-assessment survey which will help to highlight the areas in which you are experiencing challenges, as well as to identify strengths you can build on to enhance your academic success.

2. Next, you will meet with a Navigator, a CSU staff volunteer who values student support and success. With your Navigator, you will review your self-assessment and develop an action plan for next steps.

3. Lastly, you will be able to visit the various resource tables at the Academic Success Expo and talk with different campus representatives about what help their offices have to offer as you...
Recipe of the Month

A quick and delicious Strawberry Scone recipe that's buttery, flaky, sweet, and oh so delicious! Perfect for brunch, snacking, or Mother's Day!

Prep Time 20 minutes
Cook Time 28 minutes
Total Time 48 minutes
Servings 8 scones
Calories 331 kcal

Ingredients

For the Scones:
- 1/2 cup half and half or milk
- 1/2 tsp vanilla extract
- 1 large egg
- 1/2 cup granulated sugar
- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1/4 tsp salt
- 2 1/2 tsp baking powder
- 1/2 cup + 1 tbsp cold salted butter (9 tbsp, or 127 grams)
- 1 1/4 cup chopped, frozen strawberries Don't take them out of the freezer until the minute you are ready to use them!

For Finishing + Glazing:
- 1-2 tbsp half and half or milk
- 3/4 cup powdered sugar

Instructions

Prep: Preheat oven to 350. Line a baking sheet with parchment paper or a silicone baking mat.

Make the scones: Whisk together the vanilla, egg, and half and half in a small bowl or glass measuring cup, and pop this mixture into the fridge while you mix up the dry ingredients. In a large mixing bowl, whisk together the sugar, flour, salt, and baking powder. Cut the cold butter into large chunks, and then cut it into the dry mixture using a pastry cutter, two forks, or clean hands. Cut the butter in until you have a crumbly mixture with varying-size small pieces of butter (pea or blueberry size) that are coated in flour. Then, add the frozen strawberries to the bowl with the dry ingredients and stir gently.

Pour the wet ingredients into the bowl with the dry ingredients, and mix gently, using a spatula. Don't overwork the dough. Shape the dough into a ball using
floured hands. Set the ball of dough on the prepared baking sheet, and flatten into an even 8-inch disc. You can add 1-2 tbsp flour to the dough to help you shape it if it's too sticky/wet.

Cut the disc into 8 even slices. Brush the tops of the scones with a very light dusting of heavy cream or milk, and sprinkle with a little coarse sugar, if desired, to add a nice crunch.

Bake: Bake the scones for 20 minutes. Take the pan out of the oven, and gently nudge the scones a little farther apart with a knife so that the inside edges can crisp up. Return the scones to the oven and bake for 5-8 more minutes. They will be lightly golden brown and the inside edges won't be wet - but they won't be as crisp as the outer edges.

Glaze: While the scones are baking, whisk together the powdered sugar and 1 tbsp of milk. If it's still too thick to drizzle, add an extra tbsp of milk. Drizzle the glaze over the scones when they've cooled for a few minutes. Enjoy!