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The Africa Center Newsletter

Hi everyone! Happy Monday! Read on to learn about some of the things we're reading, watching, and attending to stay up to date on social, environmental, and sustainability issues in Africa!

ATTEND

Africa & Ale

We are pleased to invite the Africa Center community to our **2024 Africa & Ale** event to be held on **April 12 from 4:00-6:00pm**. This end-of-year gathering will honor the cultures of Africa and celebrate the ongoing accomplishments of those completing research and studies in Africa at CSU. This event is **free and open to anyone over 21**, but an RSVP is required ([RSVP HERE](#)). We hope to see you there and look forward to celebrating with you!

April Coffee Social



Join us for our monthly coffee social on **April 10 at 11am** in Johnson Hall Room 108.

Freshly brewed African coffee will be served with juice, tea, and breakfast snacks.

Eye on Africa

Perceived climate change impacts and adaptation responses in ten African mountain regions

Join us for a talk with

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Aida Cuni-Sanchez
from the Norwegian
University of Life
Sciences on **April 24**
at **12pm** in the Lory
Student Center,
Room 322

LEARN

Drought frequency, conservancies, and pastoral household well-being

CSU's Kathy Galvin and Randall Boone recently published an article, "Drought frequency, conservancies, and pastoral household well-being" in the Ecology and Society Journal.

Read the article [HERE](#)

CSU team leads workshop on Combating Illegal Cheetah Trafficking

Paul Evangelista and his team at the Natural Resource Ecology Laboratory (NREL) along with the Zoological Society of London (ZSL) led a multi-national workshop titled "Combating Illegal Cheetah Trafficking: An Adaptive Management Strategy for Building Regional and National Capacity in the Horn of Africa." The five day workshop, was hosted at Jigjiga University, Ethiopia and funded by the US Fish and Wildlife Species Conservation Catalyst Fund. Wildlife managers from Djibouti, Ethiopia, Somalia, Somaliland, Puntland, Kenya and South Sudan attended the second annual meeting aimed at building regional partnerships and capacity.

LISTEN

Field Notes - Jonathan Salerno

Farm Radio International: How Mongrove



rehabilitation can a save a community's future.

What can you do when the resources that pay you stop growing back? That's the question asked by residents in Agbledomi, a coastal community in the Volta region of Ghana. Mangroves are environmental heavy hitters but they're also an important part of the community's economy after the construction of the Akosombo dam reduced fish populations. A Community Resource Management Area model led by community members is providing a path to sustainability.

In this installment of Field Notes, we talk to Dr. Jonathan Salerno. Dr. Salerno is an Assistant Professor in the Human Dimension of Natural Resources Department at CSU. He is an ecologist studying how and why humans make decisions in response to environmental changes. We talk about his research projects in Tanzania and Uganda, how he conducts social research on decision-making, and how he tailors this research specifically for ecology-gearred questions.

Listen [HERE](#)

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WATCH

How Sub-Saharan Africa is facing a water-scarcity crisis | DW News



Water is one of the planet's most precious resources. Yet the UN estimates that at least two out of every three people in Sub-Saharan Africa do not consistently have access to safe drinking water. And three out of four are without access to safely- managed sanitation.

Among the effects, nations have lost about five percent of their gross domestic

product (GDP) in recent years. The UN says that fixing the problem would be a worthy investment, costing only one to four percent of GDP. How do we preserve it, and can we make sure there is enough of it for our future generations?

Watch the video [HERE](#)

OPPORTUNITY

The Africa Center is still accepting applications for our **Graduate Student Research Fellowship** program! The deadline to apply is this Friday, April 5.



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GRADUATE STUDENT RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS

Call for Applications

DEADLINE 5th April 2024 5pm

The Africa Center is accepting applications for student research fellowship focused on African social and/or environmental sustainability. The research can be conducted at CSU or in Africa. An award of \$2500 will be made in Spring 2024 that recognizes student commitment to African research excellence and impact on the world. Funds will be deposited into students' accounts for tuition, fees, travel to the field, equipment, or supplies for research. Funded students will present a poster of their research achievements to the Africa Center in Fall 2024

CRITERIA

- ✓ Open to current graduate students from all majors and colleges (must not be graduating in Spring/Summer 2024).
- ✓ Research may be new or ongoing; if the research is ongoing, please indicate the value added to this scholarship.
- ✓ Research is significant to Africa's sustainability and shows an exceptional presentation, approach, and content quality.
- ✓ Applicants must be willing to present their research achievements to the Africa Center in Fall 2024.

HOW TO APPLY

- ✓ Submit a single-page, single-spaced of the following: Name, Department, Advisor, Title, description of the research, a budget, and how the research contributes to the sustainability of African societies, environments, economies, and the student's educational goals.
- ✓ A brief supporting letter from the nominee's academic advisor via email for the project is required.
- ✓ A successful proposal will clearly demonstrate how the research is linked to African social or environmental sustainability and student goals. It must show how the funds requested correspond to the research proposed.

Submission: csuafricacenter@gmail.com

More Information: africacenter.colostate.edu

*Decisions will be made by the Africa Center's Research Awards Committee within four weeks.



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ANNOUNCEMENT

Diana Wall, director of the School of Global Environmental Sustainability, passed away on March 25. Diana showed unwavering support for the Africa Center and for that we are eternally grateful. We will miss her.

Read more about her accomplishments and contributions to CSU [HERE](#)

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