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National/International reputation-defining electronic and print media placements

Japan Focus, June 1—Suisheng Zhao, professor at the University of Denver’s Graduate School of International Studies and executive director of the Center for China-US Cooperation, contributed an article about China’s state-centered approach towards energy security.

Business Week, June 2—Two environmental groups represented by the University of Denver Sturm College of Law Environmental Law Clinic filed a federal lawsuit to block a timber sale in the Rio Grande National Forest, at the headwaters of the Rio Grande River. The lawsuit contends that the U.S. Forest Service did not follow the National Forest Management Act as they evaluated the sale. Other media reporting this story include: Forbes.com, June 2; Gazette, June 2; KIVA.com, June 2; Yahoo Finance, June 2; Aspen Times, June 2; 2thedeuce.com, June 2; Alamosa Valley Courier, June 2; CBS4Denver.com, June 2; KDVR.com, June 2; Denver Post, June 3; Colorado Higher Ed News, June 3; Pueblo Chieftain, June 3 and Summit Daily News, June 5.

LAX Power, June 3—The University of Denver women’s lacrosse team welcomes its 2009-10 recruiting class of seven incoming freshmen, head coach Liza Kelly announced. The newest Pioneers include Alex Befus, Kirsty Faulder, Brittany Ford, Jessica Gring, Kate Henrich, Stefanie Paskal, and Kate Prebil.

Reno Gazette-Journal, June 3—The University of Denver’s Center for Innovative and Talented Youth has recognized Mathew Weick of Reno for his achievements in the 2008-09 Rocky Mountain academic talent search program.

USA Today, June 3—More than 1.2 million freshman entered college in fall 2001, but fewer than 60% graduated from a four-year college within six years, says Diplomas and Dropouts: Which Colleges Actually Graduate Their Students (and Which Don’t). (Note: The University of Denver’s six-year graduation rate was listed in the state-by-state ranking as 74 percent, which is the third highest in Colorado.) KUSA-TV (Channel 9), June 3, also reported this story.

Transport and Logistics News (Australia), June 4—Gil Carmichael, founding chairman of the board of directors of the Intermodal Transportation Institute (ITI) at the University of Denver, told a group of transportation academics, industry and government leaders at the National Transportation Infrastructure and Regulatory Policy Forum, held at the University of Denver, in Denver, Colorado, that an ‘ethical’ high-speed rail-based intermodal transportation system must be implemented - and soon. Other media reporting on ITI include: ProgressiveRailroading.com, June 4; Eye for Transport, June 4; Journal of Commerce, June 5; Air Cargo News, June 5; Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Trainmen, June 5; Congoo.com,

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Examiner.com, June 5—The crowd attending “INSHORT: Docs ‘09” show at The Cable Center in Denver might have seen the dawn of a fresh new film career—or two. The annual event showcased shorts created by University of Denver film students. The work, mostly shot in HD, ranged from a dramedy about longtime pals trying to grow beyond their teen angst to a raucous documentary about female scooter lovers.

Jurist, June 5—On June 5, 1950, in Sweatt v. Painter, the US Supreme Court ordered the University of Texas Law School to admit black students because a law school founded for blacks could not be equal to the established and prestigious white law school. Professor Tom Russell at the University of Denver College of Law has researched the case. 760-AM, June 30, also quoted Russell.

New York Times, June 6—Michelle Kwan has a college diploma to add to her resume. The five-time world champion figure skater earned a bachelor’s degree in international studies with a minor in political science from the University of Denver. She received her diploma Saturday at a commencement ceremony. Other media reporting this story include: The Canadian Press (AP reporting), June 3; ESPN.com, June 3; Slam! Sports, June 3; MyFox47.com, June 3 (Rochester, MN); Denver Post (Page 1 of Sports Section), June 4; San Francisco Chronicle, June 4; Philadelphia Inquirer, June 4; Baltimore Sun, June 4; Arizona Central, June 5; Seattle Times, June 5; Canton Repository (Canton, Oh.), June 6; Centre Daily Times (State College, Pa.), June 6; Houston Chronicle, June 6; Kansas City Star, June 6; Minneapolis Star-Tribune, June 6; Eagle (Bryan/College Station, TX.), June 6; Orlando Sentinel, June 6; Fresno Bee, June 6; Straits Times (Singapore), June 7; Austin American Statesman, June 7; ABS-CBN News (Philippines), June 7; NewsChief.com (Winter Haven, Fla.), June 7; Yahoo! News Hong Kong, June 7; KTVU.com, June 7; DKB News (Korea), June 7; Taipei News, June 7; Post Tribune (Merrillville, IN), June 7; Atlanta Journal Constitution, June 7; Abilene Reporter News, June 7; NECN.com, June 7; Telegraph Herald (Dubuque, IA), June 7; People.com, June 7; USA Today, June 7; Congoo.com, June 8; Ledger (Lakeland, Fla.), June 8; Newser, June 8; Celebrity Cafe, June 8; KiwiBox.com, June 8; Times-Herald (Newnan, GA), June 8; Blogs.Westword.com, June 8; Topeka Capital-Journal, June 13 and NBC Universal Media Village, June 16.

New York Times, June 6—In other random news that you may or may not have learned on Twitter, figure skater Michelle Kwan is graduating from the University of Denver on Saturday.

New York Times, June 9—One of the nation’s most successful college lacrosse coaches is heading west in a surprising move. Princeton’s Bill Tierney, who transformed a woeful Tigers program into one that earned six national championships, announced that he has accepted the coaching job at the University of Denver. Other media reporting this story include: Post-Standard (Syracuse, NY), June 8; Times (New Jersey), June 8; CBS4Denver.com, June 8; USA Today, June 9; Denver Post, June 9; Ithaca Journal, June 9; SportingNews.com, June 9; Ivy League Sports, June 9; LAX Power, June 9; Austin American Statesman, June 9; Uwire.com, June 9; TheDenverChannel.com, June 9.; Sports Illustrated.com, June 9; Summit Daily, June 9; Capital (Annapolis), June 10; Aurora Sentinel, June 10; LaxPower.com, June 12; CentralJersey.com, June 12; Active.com, June 13; Daily Princetonian, June 16; Vail Daily, June 17; Times-Union (Albany), June 19 and MSN.FoxSports.com, June 19.

Denton Record-Chronicle, June 10—Sylvia Hall-Ellis, associate professor in the library and information science program of the University of Denver’s Morgridge College of Education, was among twenty recipients of awards from the Library and Information Sciences Alumni Society at the University of North Texas.

WCHA.com, June 10—The seven-time NCAA champion University of Denver hockey team will open its 2009-10 season by hosting 2009 NCAA Frozen Four participant Vermont during the 60th Anniversary
celebration of its storied program on Oct. 9-10, two-time National Coach of the Year George Gwozdecky announced. Denver Post, June 11, also reported this story.

Pittsburgh Tribune-Review, June 11—Robert Hannum, a professor of statistics at the University of Denver, will testify about the mathematics and probabilities associated with poker and how those factors favor skilled players during the criminal gambling trial of lawyer Larry Burns.

Suite101.com, June 11—The stress and problems of having children can affect marital happiness, and even decrease the quality of a couple’s relationship. Though this research from the University of Denver and Texas A&M shows that kids can decrease happiness levels, there are effective ways to improve a marriage relationship after having children.

Chronicle of Higher Education, June 12 edition—Fifty-eight years is a long time to wait for a diploma. But that is how long it took Lloyd Hightower to get his bachelor’s degree from the University of Denver. The diploma wasn’t exactly lost. Mr. Hightower, a World War II veteran who went to Denver on the GI Bill, was called up in 1951 just months shy of graduation to serve as a pilot in the Korean War. He later finished his course work by correspondence, but he never heard back from the university and never asked why. His daughter, Patty Matson, decided to make it right. She called the university, and officials there were happy to help out.

USA Today, June 15—They’re known around the University of Denver campus as “the sustainability duo.” Mary Jean O’Malley and Zoe Turrill, 22-year-old recent graduates of the university, are the masterminds behind a bike-sharing program on DU’s campus that will debut this fall. The “bike library” is a pilot for a citywide bike-sharing program that will launch next spring. Six hundred bikes will be placed in 40 kiosks around the city of Denver, so locals can borrow and return them. Two kiosk locations will be on the DU campus for use by students and faculty. Other media reporting this story include: CBS Early Show, June 15, Congoo.com, June 15; Chronicle of Higher Education, June 19 and Las Vegas Sun, June 20.

ConsumerElectronicsNet.com, June 12—The NanoBusiness Alliance, the world’s leading nanotechnology trade association, and the Colorado Nanotechnology Alliance announced its conference program schedule for the 2nd annual Nano Renewable Energy Summit, which will return to the University of Denver, from June 22-23, 2009. Other media reporting this story include: Euro Investor, June 12; Nanotech Café, June 12; Azonano.com, June 12; Nanotechwire.com, June 12; Alphatrade.com, June 12; Congoo.com, June 13; Azocleantech.com, June 15; Nanowerk.com, June 15 and Azom.com, June 15.

Indianapolis Business Journal, June 13—The not-for-profit sector is growing rapidly, and universities are capitalizing on the demand for trained professionals. Many offer master’s degrees or certificates in not-for-profit management. The University of Denver recently announced its own undergraduate program in philanthropic studies.

ESPN the Magazine, June 15 edition—Research by the University of Denver Center for Marital and Family Studies showed divorce rates are 28% lower in cities with MLB teams than those sans clubs.

Briefing Room, June 16—A team from the University of Denver was the runner-up in Shure Incorporated’s fifth annual “Fantastic Scholastic Recording Competition.” Each of the ten student teams worked on a recording project that consisted of tracking and mixing a performance, exclusively using a “microphone locker” provided by Shure for the competition.

Digital50.com, June 16—Richard Lamm, three-term Colorado Governor and co-director of the Institute of Public Policy Studies at the University of Denver, was among the featured speakers at the Institute of Management Accountants 90th Annual Conference & Exposition.
Cornell University Chronicle Online, June 17—Frank Tuitt, assistant professor of education at the University of Denver co-facilitated the Cornell University Faculty Institute for Diversity with Sue Rosser, dean of Ivan Allen College, Georgia Tech’s liberal arts college.

Salford Online (Salford, UK), June 18—Video: Jonathan Adelman, a professor in the Josef Korbel School of International Studies at the University of Denver, believes Iran could be in the early stages of a new revolution.

WZZM13.com, June 18—Former Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice will speak Monday at the annual dinner meeting of the Economic Club of Grand Rapids. She was born in Birmingham, Ala., and earned a bachelor’s and doctoral degrees from the University of Denver, focusing on the Soviet Union. Other media reporting this story include: UpperMichiganSource.com, June 18 and UpNorthLive.com, June 18.

Outside the Beltway, June 19—Madeleine Albright’s expertise is unquestioned. The international relations school at the University of Denver is named after her father, she has her PhD in international relations from Columbia, and she has spent decades studying, writing about, and making public policy decisions.

KULR8.com (Billings, MT), June 22—Brittany Wiser is Miss Montana 2009. She attended the University of Denver, her talent is singing, and her platform is volunteerism. Wiser will represent the state in the Miss America pageant in January, and will receive more than $10,000 dollars in scholarships for her educational career. Sidney Herald (Montana), June 23, also reported this story.

SunbeltSports.org, June 23—University of Denver senior Annette Aksdal was named to the 2009 ESPN The Magazine Academic All-America Women’s At-Large First Team, as selected by the College Sports Information Directors of America.

University Business, June 24—The University of Denver is boosting temperatures in some of its buildings this summer to conserve energy and cut back on air conditioning. DU’s energy engineer Tom McGee says temperatures in centrally controlled buildings will be boosted by about four degrees to an average room temperature of 76 degrees. The initiative would keep an estimated 162 tons of carbon dioxide out of the environment and save the university up to $40,000 this summer. Other media reporting this story include: Denver Post, June 23; Colorado Higher Ed News, June 23; KDVR.com, June 23; 850-AM, June 23; KDVR-TV (Channel 13), June 23; 2theDeuce.com, June 23; 9news.com, June 23 and KRDO.com, June 23.

Diverse: Issues in Higher Education, June 25 issue—Dr. Gregory Anderson has been named dean of the Morgridge College of Education at the University of Denver, effective July 27. Anderson formerly served as an associate professor of education at Columbia University. He earned a bachelor’s and master’s from the University of Toronto and a doctorate from the City University of New York.

MSNBC.com, June 29—Cassandra Smith spends $800 a month renting designer handbags and leases a luxury condo in downtown Miami. Environmentalist Zoee Turrill helped create a bike-sharing program at the University of Denver. Though they might seem to come from different ends of the consumption spectrum, they have something in common: They’re not buying things. Other media reporting this story include: Ledger (Lakeland, Fla.), June 29; Daily News (Los Angeles), June 29; Athens Banner-Herald (Athens, Ga.), June 29; Aiken Standard (Aiken, S.C.), June 29; News and Observer (Raleigh, N.C.), June 30; Press of Atlantic City, June 30; Herald (Everett, Wa.), June 30; Tampa Bay Online, June 30; Monterey Herald (California), June 30; Spokesman Review (Spokane, Wa.), June 30; Denver Post, June 30; Mail Tribune (Medford, Ore.), June 30; Journal Record (Oklahoma City), June 30 and Caller-Times (Corpus Christi, Tx.), June 30.

BuildingGreen.com, June 30—Case Study: The University of Denver’s College of Law houses one of the nation’s top environmental and natural resource law programs. The first LEED-certified law school in the
nation, the facility offered the College an opportunity to design a building consistent with its mission: a green facility that reduces environmental impact and prioritizes occupant safety.

*Local reputation-defining electronic and print media placements*

**Daily Camera, June 3**—Jenn Zukowski Boughn teaches a NinjaFit class at the Quest center in Boulder. Boughn has background in dance, aerial flying, martial arts and stage combat. She also teaches yoga and Pilates and is a professor at the University of Denver.

**Colorado Higher Ed News, June 5**—Three college leaders—two alumnae and one board member—of the University of Denver-based Higher Education Resource Services program (HERS), have received multi-million dollar anonymous gifts for their institutions. Susan Cole, president of Montclair State University; Pam Shockley-Zalabak, chancellor of the University of Colorado at Colorado Springs; and Chancellor Linda Brady of the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, are among the fourteen recipients of nearly $70 million in gifts.

**Vail Daily, June 6**—The Department of Physics and Astronomy at the University of Denver manages the 14,148-foot Mt. Evans Meyer-Womble Observatory, the highest operating astronomical observatory in the West. The university completed the building in 1996 and installed the telescope that fall.

**Denver Post, June 7**—Trustees at Fort Lewis College in Durango approved a new collaborative degree program with the University of Denver. The program will allow students to complete a master’s degree in social work from DU in five years while remaining in Durango. Other media reporting this story include: CBS4Denver.com, June 6; KDVR.com, June 6; Product Design and Development, June 6; Durango Herald, June 6 and KRDO.com, June 6.

**Colorado Higher Ed News, June 8**—Registration is now open for the University of Denver’s Women’s College Business Minded Women’s first golf tournament June 19 at Green Valley Ranch Golf Course. Proceeds will go to provide scholarships for women.

**Colorado Higher Ed News, June 9**—Former Wyoming Governor James Geringer will deliver a keynote address for the Managing Climate Change through Collaborative Governance Conference sponsored by the University of Denver Conflict Resolution Institute June 11.

**Longmont Times-Call, June 9**—Sports psychology consultant and Longmont native Philip Del Vecchio III is waiving his fees and returning home to host a free sports psychology clinic for area baseball coaches, parents and players. Fresh off his graduation with a Master of Arts in Sport and Performance Psychology from the University of Denver, Del Vecchio III felt compelled to give back to the community that raised him.

**North Denver News, June 10**—At the Denver Foundation’s Annual Celebration, two of the Foundation’s thousands of stories were highlighted. First was the story of Blanca Trejo, an energetic high school student who became engaged in Community Organizing through Metropolitan Organization for People (MOP), an initiative that The Foundation’s Strengthening Neighborhood Program supports. She now works for MOP as Organizer and Youth Leader while attending college full time at University of Denver.

**Denver Post, June 11**—Two members of the University of Denver women’s golf team received 2008-09 All-America mention from Golfweek. Stephanie Sherlock, a junior this past season, earned second-team All-America honors, and departing senior Dawn Shockley was named to the honorable-mention list.

**Colorado Higher Ed News, June 12**—Elizabeth Leenhouts has been appointed as director of alumni relations for the University of Denver’s Daniels College of Business.
**Denver Post, June 13**—Passion for flying is what led a group of trapeze flyers—then professors at the University of Denver—to start in 1916 a nonprofit club called the Imperial Flyers, today one of the oldest trapeze groups in existence. You can trace the majority of trapeze schools in the world back to this group. Other media reporting this story include: TheDenverChannel.com, June 14 and CBS4Denver.com, June 14.

**Denver Post, June 15**—Incoming University of Denver freshmen Drew Shore, Matt Donovan and William Wrenn have been named to the U.S. World Junior Team evaluation camp, scheduled for Aug. 7-15 in Lake Placid, N.Y.

**KUSA-TV (Channel 9), June 19**—Jodi Messenich decided to create a program allowing unwanted horses to help heal unwanted and challenged children. She has partnered with the University of Denver’s Graduate School of Social Work to provide equine assisted psychotherapy.

**Denver Post, June 21**—Andrea Sears-Van Nest wasn’t prepared for the view of history her parents left behind in documents she found after her mother’s death last year. The document trove traces her parents’ struggles in Nazi Germany and includes letters detailing the role Albert Einstein, who once employed her father as a secretary, played in helping him immigrate to America. The document collection has been appraised at $25,000 and is housed in the Department of Special Collections and Archives at the University of Denver’s Penrose Library. Other media reporting this story include: Higher Ed News blog, June 17; Colorado Higher Ed News, June 19; KMGH-TV (Channel 7), June 19; KUSA-TV (Channel 9), June 19 and Congoo.com, June 20.

**Denver Post, June 21**—BK, as his friends call him, is a 27-year-old graduate student in bioengineering at the University of Denver who came here from Tehran about six months ago. He has been riveted to the news from back home. He wakes up to Facebook each day, to the new photos, the latest news. He had been excited about the election, listening to the campaign speeches on his computer. “When the election was stolen, people got angry,” he said. “Democracy is the issue there. It’s the only issue.”

**Colorado Higher Ed News, June 22**—The University of Denver’s Library and Information Science (LIS) Program in the Morgridge College of Education has been awarded $917,891 to support ten students earning master’s degrees in librarianship. All of the students will specialize in early childhood literacy. Cherry Creek News, June 22, also reported this story.

**Denver Post, June 22**—The University of Denver men’s basketball team has named Nate Rohnert of Parker the 2009-10 team captain. Rohnert was a first team all-Sun Belt Conference honoree and was the captain last season.

**Law Week Colorado, June 22**—Misae Nishikura, assistant dean at the Sturm College of Law’s Career Development Center, says DU is working on programs to help recent graduates land jobs in these difficult economic times.

**CBS4Denver.com, June 23**—A Colorado judge on Tuesday temporarily blocked a new state constitutional amendment that bans some government contractors and all public unions from making political contributions. Amendment 54, promoted as a means to fight corruption, bars anyone tied to businesses that hold at least $100,000 in no-bid government contracts from making contributions to political candidates. It was challenged in court by unions as well as nonprofit groups, including the University of Denver and The Children's Hospital. Other media reporting this story include: TheDenverChannel.com, June 23; Vail Daily, June 23; Summit Daily, June 23; Aspen Times, June 23; Denver Post, June 24; Pueblo Chieftain, June 24; Durango Herald, June 24; 9news.com, June 24 and FirstAmendmentCeter.org, June 25.

**Denver Post, June 23**—Five environmental organizations filed suit in federal court for Colorado to undo the Bush administration’s decision to rollback protections for the Preble’s meadow jumping mouse and other endangered species. The groups are represented by Eric Glitzenstein of Meyer Glitzenstein and Crystal, a
Washington, D.C.-based public interest law firm, and Mike Harris of the University of Denver Environmental Law Clinic. **Center for Biological Diversity, June 23.** also reported this story.

**Denver Business Journal, June 25**—Rents decreased from the last quarter of 2008 to this year’s first quarter only in Douglas, Jefferson and Boulder/Broomfield counties, according to a report compiled by Gordon Von Stroh, a University of Denver business professor, for the housing division.

**Denver Post, June 25**— The University of Denver named Jeremy Wurtzman the Pioneers’ head women’s tennis coach. Wurtzman was an assistant with the DU men’s team from 2006-08 and with his alma mater, Ohio State, last year.

**Daily Camera, June 26**—Among his many other “hats” Lawrence Golan, familiar locally as artistic director of the Boulder Bach Festival in 2007 and 2008, is director of orchestral studies at the University of Denver’s Lamont School of Music.

**Denver Post, June 26**—Incoming recruits William Wrenn from Anchorage, Alaska and Denver native Drew Shore highlighted the University of Denver’s three selections in the 2009 NHL Entry Draft. Paul Phillips was the third Pioneer selected in the 2009 Entry Draft. The University of Denver will have a school-best 13 NHL draft picks on their roster in 2009-10. Other media reporting on the draft include: WCHA.com, June 24; News and Observer (Raleigh, NC), June 25; HockeyNews.com, June 25; NHL.com, June 25; Telegram (Newfoundland), June 26; Mercury News (San Jose), June 27; King5.com (Seattle), June 27; Anchorage Daily News, June 27; Panthers.nhl.com, June 27; Press Democrat (Santa Rosa, CA.), June 27; Working the Corners Blog, June 27; Stockpoint.com, June 27; Mohave State Bank, June 27; Miami Herald, June 28; Southtown Star (Tinley Park, IL), June 28; Denver Post, June 28; Herald News (Joliet, IL), June 28; 9news.com, June 28; San Francisco Chronicle, June 28; American Chronicle, June 28 and Hockey’s Future, June 30.

**Daily Camera, June 28**—About 40 Colorado schools are enrolled in the Department of Veterans Affairs Yellow Ribbon program, including the University of Denver.

**National/International expert comment in electronic and print media placements**

**Fox Business, June 1**—University of Denver Sturm College of Law professor and bankruptcy expert Michael Sousa was a guest on Fox Business Live discussing the GM situation.

**National Law Journal, June 1**— Judge Sonia Sotomayor is about to face 19 senators, each with a set of issues, some predictable, some not, and many far removed from the day-to-day work of a justice — or for that matter, a judge or lawyer. Under the business umbrella, for example, “there’s not a corporation out there, as well as the plaintiffs’ bar, that doesn't know how important and critical is the issue of the private right of action under 10b-5 of the securities law,” said corporate law scholar J. Robert Brown of the University of Denver Sturm College of Law. Other media quoting Brown include: Yahoo! Finance, June 1; Corporate Accountability Report, June 12; New York Times, June 22; MSNBC.com, June 22; TheDenverChannel.com, June 22; Salon.com, June 22; Maximum Edge, June 22; WYNT.com, June 22; Minneapolis-St. Paul Star-Tribune, June 22; Marietta Daily Journal, June 22; Quad Cities Online, June 22; Seattle Times, June 23; Lubbock Online, June 23; My Sinchew.com (Korea), June 23; FoxNews.com, June 24 and Statesman-Journal (Salem, Oregon), June 24.

**WRAL.com, June 3**—Most of the relationship issues that people argue about at night can wait for another day. However, if there are urgent issues that need to be discussed, partners should talk things through earlier in the night, then try to spend what is left of the evening relaxing, says Howard J. Markman, a professor of psychology at the University of Denver.
**Herald Tribune, Latin America, June 5**—The onset of summer for many children means not having to open a book for almost three months, an attitude experts say could be very detrimental to their academic development. Wendy Mendez, a University of Denver faculty member in the Department of Languages and Literatures and researcher in the field of study and instruction programs, says reading during summer vacation is essential for retaining skills developed during the school year.

**Wall Street Journal, June 9**—The Supreme Court set a new standard for judges to recuse themselves from cases, ruling that a state supreme court justice who benefited from $3 million in campaign contributions from a coal executive should have stayed out of a lawsuit involving the executive’s company. Former Colorado Supreme Court Justice Rebecca Kourlis, now at the University of Denver, said the ruling could fuel efforts to choose judges through independent commissions or other means. “Recusal motions will become more frequent in cases filed before judges that are standing for election,” she said. Other media quoting Kourlis include: National Law Journal, June 8; New York Times, June 10 and Blog of Legal Times, June 20.

**Forbes, June 16**—It wasn’t until recently that the average American began harboring athletic ambitions. Mark Aoyagi, director of sport and performance psychology at the University of Denver, says that until the fitness craze of the 1980s, most Americans used their bodies at demanding factory or manufacturing jobs, not on the weekend—and certainly not for recreation.

**LA Times, June 19**—Iran’s supreme leader, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, ruled out massive fraud in elections last week and warned hundreds of thousands taking part in a series of peaceful protests against the reelection of President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad to get off the streets. Analysts were unsurprised by Khamenei’s speech. “The ball is now in Mousavi’s court,” said Nader Hashemi, a professor of Middle East studies at the University of Denver. Other media quoting or discussing Hashemi include: Chicago Tribune, June 20; HeraldNet (Everett, Washington), June 20; St. Augustine Record, June 20; Fox 2 (St. Louis), June 20; Independent (London), June 27; Belfast Telegraph, June 27; Uruknet.info, June 27 and Independent Media Center, June 27.

**Hotel Interactive, June 25**—At this year’s Hospitality Technology Exposition and Conference (HITEC), a session on Greening IT delved into some of the cutting edge ways people are utilizing technology to slash environmental impact. “It is a tremendous opportunity not only because of where customers want us to be, but because there will be a cost now or later. We need to think about borrowing from the future,” said Daniel Connolly, an associate professor at the University of Denver, who noted that he expects energy costs to continue to rise so it’s best to invent in energy saving technologies presently.

**Chicago Tribune, June 28**—If Chicago wins the Olympic games, the Olympic Village units would be retrofitted following the games, eliminating temporary walls that separated sleeping quarters for the eight athletes in each unit and installing kitchens. But one observer said it’s likely to be a tough sell, at least if the real estate market remains soft. “The buyers are not moving in until such and such a date, and someone is using it before them,” said Mark Levine, a real estate professor at the University of Denver’s School of Construction Management. “So, I don’t think it's such an easy deal.” Other media reporting this story include: Individual.com, June 28 and SportsBusinessNews.com, June 29.

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**Denver Urban Spectrum, June 2**—Africans are feeling the shock waves of economic change. Meanwhile, as the news of President Obama’s first planned trip to Africa with his July visit to Ghana shows, Africa really matters, more than ever before in a global economy. Dr. Ilene Grabel, professor of international economics and global finance at the Joseph Korbel School of International Studies at the University of Denver contends, “One
of the most important things that African governments have to do is try to capitalize on the political space that has been provided by the U.S elections, change in sentiments and the global financial crisis.”

KMGH-TV (Channel 7), June 2—The Home Valuation Code of Conduct prevents any contact between appraisers and lenders and requires the use of a middleman, an appraisal management company. Ron Throupe, an assistant professor of real estate at the University of Denver and a certified appraiser, said the code does not address the issues of collusion. “I don’t think we’ve actually solved the problem, we’ve just moved the shell to another firm,” said Throupe. “Instead of being with the lending institution accusations of pressure, down the road, we’re likely to see the appraisal management companies creating influence or pressure to the appraisal list that they are using.” Vail Daily.com, June 14, also quoted Throupe.

KUSA-TV (Channel 9), June 3—It may not be easy to sell GM products during the transition. Professor Van Johnston specializes in management and public policy at the Daniels College of Business at the University of Denver. He says American automakers have produced cars and trucks consumers aren’t looking for, saturated dealerships with them and show little sign of turning around poor management decisions. “American Automobiles have suffered in reputation and coming out of a bankruptcy a chapter 11 the reputation is not going to be enhanced,” Johnston said.

Denver Business Journal, June 8—Commercial real estate foreclosures in metro Denver doubled in the first quarter compared to the prior-year period, but still were much lower than residential filings. The reasons: disciplined local commercial development and lending, and metro Denver’s diverse economy and relatively stable job market, according to local real estate experts. “It’s a national phenomenon that commercial foreclosure rates are very low in comparison to residential foreclosures. … The Denver economy, its diversity and just having some of the right industries in town, including the energy industry, made a big difference for us,” said Glenn Mueller, professor at the University of Denver’s real estate school.

Denver Post, June 8—By the end of the year, all six branches of the Rangeview Library District will dump the iconic Dewey and its numeric organizing system for one that relies on word categories such as “history” and “science.” “I guess I can’t entirely see the reason for switching over to anything else,” said K.R. Roberto, serials and electronic-resources librarian at the University of Denver.

630-AM Caplis and Silverman Show, June 15—University of Denver professor Jonathan Adelman was interviewed on 630 KHOW’s Caplis and Silverman Show discussing Iran’s presidential election.

Craig Daily Press, June 18—University of Denver Sturm College of Law professor Alan Chen explains in the Craig Daily Press how a city provision barring political candidates there from contributing more than $500 to their own campaign is unconstitutional. A candidate there who is suing the city over the provision is likely to prevail, he says.

KUSA-TV (Channel 9), June 21—Armed with cell phone and digital cameras, thousands of Iranian citizens are capturing images of the unrest and loading them to the Internet using sites like YouTube, Twitter and Facebook. “People in Iran are putting out these tweets, as they are called, and a lot of the world has found them and is following them,” says Dr. Paul Bauer, chair of the University of Denver’s Department of Information Technology. TenConnects.com (Tampa Bay), June 21, also reported this story.

CBS4Denver.com, June 22—While the traditional media has been locked out of many Iranian protests, kept under wraps in hotel rooms by Iranian security, stopping the flow of information is like trying to dam the Persian Gulf. “It gets harder,” said University of Denver assistant professor of political science Seth Masket. “It used to be there was just one state-run newspaper and that was fairly easy for them to control. But now you have cell phone companies, you have satellites generally not run by their own country. It’s much easier to get information out, it’s much harder for one country to organize the jamming of it.”
CBS4Denver.com, June 22—Republic Airways Holdings said Monday it is offering to buy Frontier Airlines for $108.8 million and take it out of bankruptcy. “There was always the talk that they may merge with somebody but you would have thought that they would have merged with one of the other major airlines,” said Dr. Mac Clouse, University of Denver Finance Expert. Denver Post, (Blogs) June 25, also quoted Clouse.

KCNC-TV (Channel 4), June 23—Verified Identity Pass, a company that promised to speed passengers through airport security checkpoints for an annual fee, has shut down, leaving some frequent fliers looking for options to avoid long screening lines and wondering what will happen to the personal information and money they gave the company. “I believe members should be concerned about the private information,” said Kevin O’Brien with the University of Denver Daniels College Of Business.

Denver Post (Blog), June 24—University of Denver Professor Michael Williams answered questions about how President Obama’s new economic reform laws affect regular taxpayers.

TheDenverChannel.com, June 24—A 25-year-old woman claims her male boss tried to kiss her in a back storage room in an Aurora mall, and that she was initially disciplined for speaking up. She, along with another woman complained about the manager’s behavior and continued to work under him in his capacity as assistant store manager. “Almost all major corporations would suspend one of the two parties with pay, while looking into it. Almost none expect the two to work together,” said Dr. Marin Katz, interim dean at the Sturm College of Law at the University of Denver. Daily Camera, June 30, also quoted Katz.

Denver Post, June 28—J. Michael Faragher, director of the Problem Gambling Treatment and Research Center at the University of Denver, said his center has counseled increasing numbers of gamblers during the past year. It’s easy to predict, he and other treatment experts say, that the caseload will grow as a result of Amendment 50’s passage. Daily Times (Farmington, NM), June 28, also reported this story.

TheDenverChannel.com, June 29—A comprehensive study of state driving records shows sport utility vehicles aren't as popular as you might imagine. A sociologist at the University of Denver, Dr. Michael S. Rosenbaum, said one thing to look for is symbolic form. “It refers to the symbolic power of automobiles—meanings consumers use to articulate images of themselves to others, whether or not those images are grounded in the realities of their lifestyles.”

Daily Camera, June 30—All eyes will be on Chief Denver District Judge Larry Naves as he takes arguments at an all-day hearing for and against giving ousted professor Ward Churchill his job back at the University of Colorado. Nantiya Ruan, a law professor at the University of Denver who practices employment law, said the hearing could be compelling despite the reams of motions and responses that have been filed in the case since the April 2 verdict.