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Hi all--

Apologies to those of you who received the attached via a Colorado Conference mass mailing. It's the latest Conference newsletter. It was heartening to see that the Colorado and DU membership numbers are up, in some cases dramatically. New chapters are forming all over the state. For those of you who haven't renewed, please consider doing so. And, arm-twisting a colleague to do the same. Your membership dues help support good causes like the first multi-state Shared Governance meeting that the Conference hosted at Fort Lewis College last September, and paying travel expenses for faculty to attend national conferences on shared governance and academic freedom.

As I've mentioned many times, Colorado is probably the most active and progressive Conference in the country. The newsletter couldn't mention one of our more significant accomplishments from last year, in which the Conference struck a blow for gender equity in the sciences. We successfully persuaded the Dean and Provost of a major Colorado institution to overturn the department-level tenure denial of a colleague whose case was plagued by serious procedural and ethical violations. We're getting really good at this sort of thing (although not in time to save some of our colleagues here at DU), so much so that faculty in *other* states are starting to look to us for help.

Our DU chapter leadership position is still unfilled, although I remain listed as a contact person. If anyone wants to take charge as president please let me know. The Conference Executive Committee is a really interesting, heroic, and fun group of people from all walks of faculty life. I've learned a lot from them.

Best to you all for the holidays,
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