



COLORADO PRESERVATION, INC.

June Newsletter

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Colorado Preservation, Inc. *June News*

Dear Friends, Members, and Supporters,

Community. It's a word we often hear these days, and one you will hear us mention frequently. Community is defined as a "feeling of fellowship with others, as a result of sharing common attitudes, interests, and goals." CPI's physical and remote community is growing, and for many of us, it is this community that keeps us moving forward. This month has been a difficult time for our country amidst an already unprecedented period in our nation's history. There are no words that can truly capture the grief or impact of what has occurred in Minnesota.

During such a volatile period, it is natural to reflect and ask relevant questions of yourself and those around you. As an organization, CPI has always dedicated itself to the fight of preserving our sense of community through our historic places. The fundamentals of this fight have not changed, and nor has our resolve to stay focused on this greater mission. We hope to help you enable you to support those in need as you are able. There are no easy answers, but this is a time to listen, to respect, and lead through our values. Here you are part of a close-knit community. In the days and weeks ahead, we continue to work towards healing and find meaningful

ways where we can make a difference.

Many members of our greater community are experiencing loss in another form as they struggle to keep their businesses open. This month, we share the story of the historic Lake Steam Baths on West Colfax Avenue in Denver. This bathhouse first opened in 1927, and today remains a 4th generation family-operated business. If you are in a position where you can donate, please consider giving to this local legacy business and others across our state. Please help us share this information and spread the word for some of Colorado's landmark businesses in need. If you know of a business we should feature in a future newsletter, let us know. As Helen Keller so astutely stated, "alone, we can do so little; together, we can do so much."

As we continue to build our remote preservation community, CPI is planning future presentations throughout the year to highlight existing EPP and project sites. For those of you looking for a way to engage with this community, I encourage you to join us for an hour of your day for one of our preservation happy hours. The image above shows a sample of our community who joined us for discussions of the EPP sites the Goodnight Barn in Pueblo, the World's Wonder View Tower in Genoa, and the Paris Mill in Park County.

In community, there is strength.
For our Past, Present, and Future,



Jennifer Orrigo Charles
Executive Director



Call for Session Proposals Saving Places 2021



We need YOU! Submit a Session Proposal for the 2021 Saving Places Conference!

For over 20 years, CPI has provided essential training and networking opportunities to those who are working to protect our state's heritage through its Saving Places Conference. CPI understands the impact this conference has on attendees and preservation in the state as a whole. While CPI is actively exploring the right setting for the 2021 conference and establishing the framework, we need YOUR help to guide content.

This year's Saving Places Conference theme will support Goal B of the State Preservation Plan: Strengthening and Connecting the Preservation Framework. The conference will also include sessions that address the new challenges that have come as a result of COVID-19 (its impact on Main Streets, local businesses, historic preservation projects, etc.).

Sessions should inspire, energize, and provide attendees with tools and information to bring back to their communities. [Click here to learn more about the session proposal process and to submit your idea.](#)

Submit Your
Session Proposal

Presenting Sponsors of the Saving Places 2021 Conference:



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This project is paid for in part by a History Colorado State Historical Fund grant.



Nominate a Resource to Colorado's Most Endangered Places!



Do you know of a threatened historic building or historic resource in your community in need of preservation? Nominate it to be listed as one of Colorado's Most Endangered Places!

Nominations are being accepted through August 24, 2020, and can be [completed online](#) or [mailed](#). Start planning now to ensure a thorough and complete nomination with at least three letters of support.

Colorado's Most Endangered Places represents a programmatic approach to working with local communities, organizations, businesses, and property owners to save important buildings and sites that highlight Colorado's rich heritage and enrich our state's colorful character. EPP listing provides many benefits including increased awareness and technical assistance.

For 23 years, [CPI's Endangered Places Program](#) has worked with 127 resources, ranging from ranching and mining sites to commercial and industrial buildings, schools, churches, courthouses even infrastructure features like ditches, flumes, and bridges.

For information on the program and how to nominate your site contact EPP Director Kim Grant at 303-893-4260 x 222 or kgrant@coloradopreservation.org.

Online
Nomination Form

Print/Download
Form

Help Save a Denver Landmark



Located at 3540 W. Colfax, the Lake Russian & Turkish Baths was built brick by brick by Harry and Ethyl Hyman. When the Hymans fled wartime Russia and arrived in Denver, Harry and Ethyl decided they wanted to open a business that would share their culture of the community bath house. They knew Denver residents would enjoy the amazing health benefits of eucalyptus steam and

sauna.

Lake Bath has served the Denver community continuously since 1927 surviving several recessions, depressions, wars, and countless cultural changes. It is a local treasure that brings together people from all walks of life to share in community and the health benefits of Russian and Turkish baths.

This treasure is now in peril due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The baths were closed completely for over a month, and current operations are now only at 3% capacity as they are only allowed to offer massages (of which 85% of the revenue goes to the massage therapists).

The owners do not want to lose their 93 year-old, 4th generation, family-operated community business.

Help them keep this Colorado landmark running and consider making a donation today. From the owners, *"donations of any amount would be a blessing...as a show of appreciation, a donation of any amount will make the donors eligible for a free GoFundMe day when we reopen our baths. We understand that many people have been affected by the pandemic and that even people who want to donate might not be able. If so, sharing this fundraiser would be equally appreciated."*

Make a Donation



In case you missed our first announcement - CPI is honored to recognize Cynthia Neely with the 2020 Dana Crawford Award for her years of dedication to historic preservation in the Georgetown Silver Plume National Historic Landmark District. Her contributions to Colorado highlight the triumphs of community and the importance of vision. Please join us in watching this video commemorating Cindy's preservation journey.

**On Behalf of CPI's Board and Staff - Please Join Us in
Congratulating Cindy Neely!**

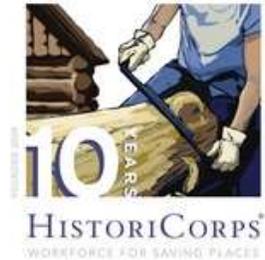
[Watch Cindy's Video](#)



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generously contributed their support of Cindy and CPI.**



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Technical Training Workshop

CRASH COURSE IN HISTORIC BUILDINGS & RESTORATION

Friday, October 16, 9 AM – 1 pm – \$65/\$50 CPI Member
St. Barnabas Episcopal Church – 1280 Vine St, Denver



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This workshop will teach participants how/where to start on the successful path to a restoration or construction project for a historic building. Join Graham Johnson with Spectrum General Contractors and Andy Duckett-Emke, Project Architect with Anderson Hallas Architects as they take participants on a crash course of historic building projects. The workshop will take place at St. Barnabas Episcopal Church and is designed for homeowners as well as commercial property owners. Topics will include how to incorporate a productive planning/design phase in your project to minimize surprises that can otherwise become construction road bumps.

MEET YOUR PRESENTERS



Graham Johnson

Project Manager,
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and Register](#)

Historic Building in Ridgway in Need of a Preservation-Friendly Buyer



Built in 1900, this classic 6000+ square foot brick building is on the historical registry and has a prime location in the attractive, renovated heart of Ridgway. Ground level is two large retail spaces. Upstairs has 3 apartments, 2 offices and a lobby. All spaces are currently rented. There are many possibilities for this beautiful landmark. Structural evaluation available.



[View the Online Listing](#)

Discoveries at Amache in Granada, CO

Amache, formerly known as the Granada Relocation Center, is a former Japanese American incarceration site that operated during WWII near the Town of Granada. Since its listing on the EPP List in 2001, Colorado Preservation, Inc. has managed and assisted with numerous preservation projects at Amache. After the war ended in 1945, nearly all Amache buildings were dismantled, moved, or modified. The Recreation Building from Block 11F is the last known original building from this era, which retains its character-defining features. Funded by the National Park Service (NPS) Japanese American Internment Sites grant program, the Recreation Building was relocated back to its original foundation within the National Historic District in May 2018. With the help of two SHF grants, Gates Family Foundation, and the National Trust for Historic Preservation, the restoration, and reconstruction of this building is underway and near completion.

Here are pictures of a recent discovery at the site. Can you guess what this is?



Learn more about this project and our work to interpret and save this vital piece of Colorado and the nation's history. We are planning an upcoming CPI Virtual Happy

Hour on Amache and will soon share a date to dive into these and other preservation quandaries and discoveries!

Garcia Ranch Adobe Potato Barn Project Kicks-Off



A meeting with State Historical Fund staff and Garcia Ranch owner Reyes Garcia was a critical first step toward the restoration of one of the San Luis Valley's most unique adobe potato barn. Mr. Garcia is a descendent of the pioneering Garcia, Espinosa, and Garland families who established early ranching operations in the Antonito area. He operated the historically significant and resource-rich Garcia Ranch. The Garcia Ranch was listed as

a Historic District on the National Register of Historic Places in 2018. Collectively, the Adobe Potato Barns of the San Luis Valley were listed as a regional resource on Colorado's Most Endangered Places in 2019. The Garcia Ranch is significant under National Register Criterion A, in the area of Ethnic Heritage/Hispano, and for its Architecture under National Register Criterion C, for its representation of a variety of building types, such as the adobe Potato Barn found on historic ranches in southern Colorado. Other building types on the ranch include an adobe dwelling, granaries, sheep sheds, and a corral. The Potato Barn is the first agricultural building of this type represented in the National Register in Colorado. The Garcia Ranch Adobe Potato Barn is a contributing resource to the district.

Built in 1945, the Garcia Ranch Adobe Potato Barn (77' x 40') is a unique, vernacular, adobe building that was designed and constructed to store potatoes in the arid Valley climate. It also exemplifies another unique character-defining feature of adobe buildings in the San Luis Valley is that the exterior of the adobe wall is clad in stucco. CPI will work with architect Barbara Darden of Sheuber +Darden Architects, and other team members in consultation with State Historical Fund staff, to complete construction documents to fully rehabilitate and restore the Garcia Ranch Adobe Barn, including architectural, structural and engineering, and materials testing and analysis. Design construction documents that address adobe/stucco wall rehabilitation, roofing rehabilitation, door restoration, wood siding restoration, and interior finishes and rehabilitation, will also be completed. Structural considerations include concrete foundation restoration, drainage improvements, adobe/stucco wall rehabilitation, roof structure, and framing systems, and electrical and lighting systems.



Although the storage of potatoes in the area's adobe cellars/barns mostly stopped in the 1960s, the buildings left their legacy on the land throughout the region. In listing the Adobe Potato Barns of the San Luis Valley on Colorado's Most Endangered Places list, CPI hopes to increase awareness of these unique resources and their contribution to the history and economy of the region. CPI also hopes to provide examples like the rehabilitation of the Garcia Ranch

Potato Barn to encourage other property owners to save some of their cellars and barns. There may be more than 100 adobe potato barns in the region, and the Garcia Ranch Potato Barn is one of the most unique examples.

Archaeology & Preservation Webinar Series

JUN 17, 2020 - SEP 2, 2020

Live Webinars

Join the Office of Archaeology & Historic Preservation staff for a weekly webinar series highlighting projects and programs in Colorado and beyond. History Colorado staff will be sharing their knowledge with you every Wednesday at noon using the [Zoom platform](#).

Upcoming events:



Wed, June 17, 12-1 pm:

Everyday Life on Colorado's Borderlands: the Archaeology of Ft Garland



Wed, June 24, 12-1 pm:

Between the Peaks: Archaeology of the Tahosa Creek Site

More Webinars
& Information



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