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March 2021 Newsletter

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Dear Friends, Members, and Supporters,

As a nation, we continue to see the impact of fear and uncertainty and the role it plays in discrimination and violence as communities across the U.S see its effect. We are a nation of different values, perspectives, and experiences, but our core needs to reflect messages of love, empathy, and commonality. The historic preservation community has expressed a commitment to identify, promote, and protect cultural heritage and inclusivity that have not received the attention as others. Our hearts go out to the many communities experiencing discrimination and violence, including this latest shooting in Atlanta involving victims of Asian American descent. We join the community in mourning these lost lives, and we continue to promote education surrounding the Japanese American experience.

It is in the shadow of this recent loss that we are highlighting in this newsletter, Amache, Colorado's Japanese Internment Center from WWII, located in Granada. It is important to note that in the coming weeks, Congress will be looking at bills that continue critical education to Americans' future generations by preserving these former confinement sites. On March 16th, Representative Matsui reintroduced the Japanese American Confinement Education Act in the House with 28 cosponsors and bipartisan support (<https://www.congress.gov/bill/117th-congress/house-bill/1931/>). It is believed that Senator Schatz will be introducing the JACE Act in the Senate on Thursday, March 25th. I encourage you to follow these important pieces of legislation and contact your legislators to voice your support.

In sadness and solidarity
For our Past, Present, and Future,



Jennifer Orrigo Charles
Executive Director



Amache Special Resource Study

The National Park Service (NPS) is conducting a Special Resource Study (SRS) of the Granada Relocation Center, commonly known as Amache. Located about a mile southwest of Granada, Colorado, Amache was one of 10 incarceration sites established during World War II under the War Relocation Authority to illegally detain Japanese Americans forcibly removed from the west coast of the United States under Executive Order 9066. A Special Resource Study applies

congressionally-established criteria to evaluate the eligibility of an area for designation as a new unit of the national park system.



Public involvement is a key aspect of the Amache Special Resource Study, and the study team welcomes your thoughts, ideas and feedback.

Engagement is welcome and encouraged from Amache survivors and descendants, as well as any member of the public with an interest in Amache. The comment period has been extended through April 30, 2021.

[Click here to learn more and to comment by April 30, 2021.](#)



On Wednesday, March 24, learn why the [National Parks Conservation Association](#) (NPCA) supports the potential creation of a new national park in Colorado at Amache, a former WWII Japanese American incarceration site. In this Park Talk, you'll hear from Amache descendants and experts about the importance of honoring and preserving this place for future generations and learn how you can

take action.

WHAT: Preserve and protect the stories of Amache

Featured speakers:

[Tracy Coppola](#), Colorado Program Manager

[Elliot Richardson](#), Cultural Resources Analyst

Special guest panelists:

- **Bonnie Clark**, Professor of Anthropology and University of Denver Amache Project Director
- **Mitch Homma**, Amache descendant and Vice President on the Board of Managers for the American Baptist Historical Society
- **Derek Okubo**, Amache descendant and Executive Director, Agency for Human Rights and Community Partnerships City and County of Denver

WHEN: **Wednesday, March 24, 12 p.m. PT, 1 p.m. MT, 2 p.m. CT, 3 p.m. ET**

WHERE: Zoom link and call-in number provided when you [RSVP](#).

R.S.V.P.

We hope to see you on March 24th, but if you are not able to attend the Park Talk live, please email zkirby@npca.org to receive a link to the recording.



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Joe Minicozzi giving his keynote, Dollars and \$ense of Development Patterns.

We've all been a little spoiled by streaming services like Netflix and Hulu, haven't we?

Especially when we're managing all kinds of extra tasks right now. Some of us homeschooling kids... ongoing online socializing... trying to find a moment of breathing room for ourselves, when we can do things that help us learn and be an effective partner in our communities.

That's the reason we're offering the opportunity to purchase access to the Saving Places 2021 conference content.



Dave Aguilar with CBS4 announces the 2021 sites added to Colorado's Most Endangered Places list.

Purchasing access gives you:

- All the education sessions, discussions, and keynote addresses in video format.
- Exclusive Live sessions with Conference presenters.
- Bonus content, including additional sessions and networking opportunities you won't be able to find anywhere else.
- The ability to review the insights gained from every single session and speaker.
- Flexibility to go back to anything you couldn't fit in, even now the live Conference has ended.

2021 brings new challenges, and the Historic Preservation community is engaged and dynamically responding!



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GIVE US YOUR FEEDBACK

Colorado Preservation, Inc. would appreciate 10 minutes of your time to give us your feedback. Click on the buttons below to access the conference evaluation and evaluation forms for individual sessions and plenary content.

Providing feedback for specific sessions you attended or viewed is a great help to begin to plan how we convene next year!



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2021 Santa Fe Trail Bicentennial Commemoration

Youth Symposium - September 22, 2021



Santa Fe in 1866 by T Worthington Whitredge

The Santa Fe Trail Association-Bents Fort Chapter would like to invite students grades 6-8 and their teacher to join us for a special Youth Symposium associated with the 2021 commemoration of the Bicentennial of the opening of the Santa Fe Trail – the United States' first international transportation and trade route. The one-day Symposium is closely aligned with the Colorado Social Studies standards.

The Symposium is limited to 35 students plus their teachers. A maximum of five students and one teacher may apply from any school. If all spots are not filled,

opportunities will go to the next schools on the waiting list.

There is no cost for the Symposium, which is being funded by sponsors. Boxed lunches, water, and hand-outs will be provided. Schools located over 50 miles from Bent's Old Fort National Historical Landmark may apply for a stipend to assist with the cost of travel.

Download a PDF with more information about the youth symposium, schedule, and presenters.

For additional information or to register your school for the Youth Symposium, contact Rebecca Goodwin, at rgoodwin@preserveourhistory.us. To register, please email Rebecca with your school name and district, name of the teacher, their contact information and number of students you want to bring (maximum 5).

For questions on how this Symposium fits into the Colorado Educational Standards, contact Tammy Ridenoure at the Rocky Ford R-2 School District. Tammy.ridenoure@rockyford.k12.us

Deadline for registration is May 10, 2021, slots will be filled on a first-come basis.

Historic Elkhorn Lodge to be Redeveloped in Estes Park



A significant redevelopment proposal has been approved by the Town of Estes Park to significantly alter the historic Elkhorn Lodge property to accommodate new mixed-use development while preserving some of the site's key historic properties and features, located on the western edge of the community along the Big Thompson River. The Elkhorn Lodge was built in 1877 in the rustic stick style and is thought to be the oldest, continuously operated hotel in Colorado. It flourished for years as a beautiful example of a late 19th-century hunting lodge for tourists seeking a

genuine Colorado-oriented Rocky Mountain experience. The site was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1978 and added to Colorado's Most Endangered Places in 2010 due to the deterioration of the buildings and concerns about demolition and redevelopment. The Zahourek family lovingly owned and operated the hotel site for nearly 30 years but struggled to find the resources to preserve the 35 buildings on the 65-acre property as time went on. Portions of the floodplain site have also been subject to flooding. A snowstorm in 2017 resulted in the collapse of one of the historic barns on the property. The original site was owned by William and Etta James and once contained thousands of acres that were later deeded to Rocky Mountain National Park.

Redevelopment of the site by East Avenue Development, LLC, led by Justin Mabey, will include preservation of the iconic hotel Lodge building, the School House, the Old Church—thought to be the first church in Estes Park—the Coach House, and some of the historic row of cabins that visitors have rented for years. A new, 132-room stand-alone hotel will be built that complements the overall setting's architectural character. A historically compatible addition will be added to the rear of the Elkhorn



Lodge Building itself to add 36 additional hotel rooms. Two new restaurant pads and one small retail building will be added to the site. The Old Church will be remodeled and used for small events like weddings and historic tours, as will the Schoolhouse. The main old barn in the floodplain will be moved, with material salvaged for use on the exterior of a newly built barn that will continue the livery stables on the property. As stated in the Statement of Intent for the P.U.D., "The Developer plans to go to a great extent for this historic feature to remain and has intentionally had the new hotel building designed to be architecturally compatible to the old Lodge Building." The goal is to create a new gateway to Estes Park on the western edge of the city that capitalizes on the historic significance and character of the long-standing Elkhorn Lodge property.

Presentation from the Colorado Historical Foundation

WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE SITES IN COLORADO

Join the Colorado Historical Foundation to learn about its recent project to identify places associated with the Women's Suffrage Movement in Colorado.

The presentation will give an overview of the movement's history in the state beginning in the 1860s when Colorado was still a territory up through the state's role in the national suffrage effort that culminated in the 1920 ratification of the 19th amendment. Places around the state that are associated with the different eras of the movement will be highlighted, as will the plan to continue that identification effort moving forward.

THURSDAY, APRIL 8

5:30pm

via Zoom

No charge but registration is required

Pictured: Hinsdale County Courthouse, where Susan B. Anthony spoke in 1877.

This presentation is free to join, but registration is required.

Here is a direct link to register, please share (the more, the merrier!):

https://lwvcolorado.org/content.aspx?page_id=4002&club_id=314195&item_id=139579

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Date for Dearfield Symposium Changed to May 22



The 7th annual Dearfield Conference and Symposium has been moved up a week from the previously announced Saturday, May 29th to Saturday, May 22nd. The event will feature a hybrid approach involving a small core participant group attending the physical meeting at the Michener Library on the University of Northern Colorado campus, with “open to the public”

online participation. The conference will run from 10:00am-3:30pm and will once again feature presentations and open discussion forums on recent Dearfield preservation and research programs. The conference will also feature of showing of filmmaker Charles Nuckholl’s *“Remnants of a Dream: Dearfield and the Story of its Founder O.T Jackson”* via an internet web link. For more information, contact Dr. Bob Brunswig at robert.brunswig@unco.edu or Dr. George Junne at Ghjunne@aol.com.

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