

May Newsletter

CPI Website | Like Us on Facebook | Follow Us on Twitter | Become a Member | Donate



Having trouble viewing this email? Click here to view and download the PDF.

Dear Friends, Members, and Supporters,

These simple words have become a mantra to all of us as we have adjusted to this new normal. The mural above painted on a building in Colorado Springs stands as a constant reminder that no matter the difficulties we may face, we are not alone. While we all are experiencing different impacts and circumstances as a result of COVID-19, we are all transforming as individuals, organizations, and corporations. It can be easy to focus on the negatives, but with uncertainty, there also lies great opportunity. For all of us at CPI, that revisioning started with our DCA Awards in May and continues with planned trainings, happy hours, and outreach opportunities throughout the year. It has also meant we are starting to look now at what advantages this could provide for our 2021 conference. Stay tuned for more details as we work with our board, staff, and our partners as we begin to explore different options and look to developing the high-quality content and experience you have come to expect with Saving Places® 2021.

May is Preservation Month, and CPI has much to celebrate this May. We want to make sure we bring special recognition to Cynthia Neely and Historic Georgetown through Cindy's acceptance of our 2020 Dana Crawford Award. Cindy is an amazing person who has had an incredible impact on so many of us. We have worked to create a commemoration of her work through a compilation of stories.

You will receive a link in the coming weeks taking you to this film.

This newsletter shares stories that highlight preservation work underway across the state through our listed EPP sites and projects. We were able to hold a recent socially-distanced Weekend Workshop in Jefferson County that led to the stabilization of the listed octagonal building at Shaffer's Crossing. We have also started featuring select EPP and treasured sites around Colorado at our themed Anti-Viral Happy Hours with the story of the Argo Mill, Goodnight Barn, and upcoming stories of the Wonder Tower and Paris Mill! If you haven't had the opportunity to join us yet for any of these happy hours – please do! They are free to attend. What better way to spend an hour than with your colleagues and friends? For those of you looking for a little more structured learning, I encourage you to look at training sessions scheduled throughout the year. I also encourage you to take note of certain events going on remotely this month from communities celebrating their projects and heritage!

Finally, you will notice another survey included this email. Please take the time and let us know what resources you need to support the work you are doing in your communities. We will use the answers in this survey to determine additional trainings as well as inform potential content for the 2021 conference. We want to make sure that CPI continues to help you as you continue your work in your home communities.

As always, we thank you all for your ongoing support!

For our Past, Present, and Future,

Jennifer Orrigo Charles Executive Director



Thank You for Supporting CPI on #GivingTuesdayNow



On behalf of all of us at CPI - from our board and staff to the historic places we work to protect - thank YOU for showing your generosity on May 5th through the

global <u>#GivingTuesdayNow</u> campaign . Every donation will help support our mission by contributing to our ongoing projects and programs.

This worldwide campaign sparked activity in more than 145 countries for a global day of unity and giving. Millions of people expressed their generosity through acts of kindness, donations of goods, time, and money, notes of compassion, advocacy for causes, and care for family and friends. Colorado Preservation, Inc. EVINCEUESCAY INOV GIVE Where you LIVE EVINCEUESCAY

BUILDING A FUTURE with HISTORIC PLACES

Virtual Dana Crawford Awards



CPI is extremely excited to honor Cindy Neely with the 2020 Dana Crawford Award for her years of dedication to historic preservation in the Georgetown Silver Plume National Historic Landmark District.

While we cannot celebrate in person together, CPI has created a video commemorating Cindy's preservation journey thus far. Stay tuned for an email from us with a link for you to enjoy within the coming weeks!

This year marks not only the **30th anniversary of CPI's prestigious Dana Crawford Awards**, but also the **50th anniversary of Historic Georgetown and Historic Denver**. Both organizations have dramatically changed the past, present, and future of historic preservation in Colorado.

We are still collecting congratulatory notes for Cindy and donations in honor of her for the event.



2020 Dana Crawford Award Recipient



Help Us Help You!

CPI wants to ensure we are continuing to help you meet your challenges. Now is your chance to let us know what additional trainings and topics you would like to help support the work you are doing in your communities.

We will use these answers to help determine additional trainings to offer as well as inform potential content for the 2021 conference.

nave to b	oking for topics ranging from identifying funding for local/small businesses to rand themselves and their message on an electronic platform to everything in Please make us aware of topics you would like help with!
	pes of training or sessions are you looking for to help manage the 19 crisis?
Your ans	wer

Nominate a Site to the 2021 List of Colorado's Most Endangered Places!



Do you know of a threatened or endangered historic building or resource in your community that needs to be saved? Nominate it to be one of Colorado's Most Endangered Places!

Nominations are due August 24, 2020, and can be <u>completed</u> <u>online</u> via or <u>mailed</u> with the required attachments. Although the nomination form itself is straight forward, we recommend nominators begin planning early to ensure a thorough and

complete nomination. It isn't too early to start working with individuals and organizations who will provide letters of support.

EPP listing provides many benefits, including increased awareness of the threatened resource as well as access to technical assistance, resources, and potential grant funding that can be drawn upon to save the resource.

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.

> Online Nomination Form





For 23 years, <u>CPI's Endangered Places</u> <u>Program</u> has worked with nearly 130 resources, ranging from ranching and mining sites to commercial and industrial buildings, schools, churches, courthouses even infrastructure features like ditches, flumes, and bridges.

CPI has listed and helped save sites related to significant historical events and distinctive ethnic traditions and identity. In so doing, CPI's vision is to work with inspired citizens to honor and protect their heritage, build a sustainable future with historic places, and prioritize the past as a legacy for all.

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.







CPI Happy Hour Topic: Come Explore the World's Wonder View Tower in Genoa, CO

Wednesday, May 27, 4-5 PM

America's highways were once speckled with what has come to be known as roadside architecture - buildings and resources that catered to travelers exploring the country with the newfound freedom of the automobile. The World's Wonder View Tower stands as a lasting vestige of this unusual and distinct architecture that has intrigued tourists traveling across Colorado's Eastern Plains along Interstate 70 and Highway 24 near Genoa for nearly a century.

The World's Wonder View Tower closed in 2013 and has been vacant since. In July 2016, a creative group of Colorado artists and residents purchased the property with plans to rehabilitate and reopen the site.

Join a conversation with CPI's Endangered Places Program Director, Kim Grant, and Co-Owners of the Tower – Patricia Calhoun, Paul Tamburello, Reed Weimer. They will reflect on the importance of the location's history and reflect on planning for the long-term.



CPI Assists Partners in Receiving State Historical Fund Awards for Two National Register Nominations



Colorado Preservation, Inc. recently assisted in writing grant applications to the State Historical Fund for two National Register nomination projects.

The first was on behalf of the South High School Alumni Association to nominate the iconic South High School in Denver. This project would engage

high school students in the research and background of the nomination and ultimately provide national listing to an already listed local Denver landmark. Constructed in 1925-1926 and designed by Fisher and Fisher, South High School is one of the most architecturally prominent buildings and significantly contributed to the overall development of Denver during the City Beautiful movement. This project will produce a comprehensive National Register Nomination for South High School by hiring an experienced historic resources consultant who will engage interested high school students in the listing process. The community of Washington Park, South High School, and its alum are excited to embark on this adventure, which would finally provide this architectural jewel the national recognition it deserves!

The second grant application CPI assisted with was for the Paul and Ginny Soldner Home and Studio in Aspen. Paul Soldner was a pioneer in the world of art and ceramics in the 1950s-1990s; Soldner's American Raku ceramics gained international acclaim in his lifetime and his works are found in significant collections across the globe. His love for Colorado and the arts manifested themselves in this 5-acre property following 40 years of alternative construction techniques,



innovative engineering, and creativity. Following Soldner's death in 2011, the vision of the Soldner Family Partnership, as heirs and owners, is to create a nonprofit cultural center to honor the Soldner legacy and encourage transformative experiences and innovation through the integration of arts, alternative architecture, as well as community and the natural world. CPI is excited to work with this site and its innovative owner in achieving deserved National Register listing that would honor the architectural uniqueness of the place and the artists that created it.

Colorado Preservation, Inc. is fortunate to have such extraordinary historic sites to

work with and is proud to have assisted in these successful applications. We look forward to managing the projects in collaboration with the team members and site owners.

For more information on these and other CPI managed projects, please contact Jane Daniels, Project Manager and Director of Preservation Services at 303-893-426 x236 or jdaniels@coloradopreservation.org.



Sponsored by:



Learn More and Register

EPP Sites Receive Mini-Grants to Advance Preservation Efforts

Four sites listed on Colorado's Most Endangered Places recently received State Historical Fund mini-grants to advance rural preservation and development efforts.

The <u>Friends of Raymer</u> (<u>Centre Avenue</u>, listed as EPP site in 2017) received \$27,419 in funding for the Truxall & Kruger Grocery-Seldin's Cash Grocery building (recently listed on the State Register of Historic Places). The funded construction documents for the rehabilitation of the building will plan for a branch library on the lower level at the rear of the building. The grassroots Friends of Raymer raised an impressive \$9,140 in cash match to support the project.



photo courtesy of John Fielder



In the opposite corner of the state, <u>Iglesia de San Antonio/Tiffany</u> <u>Catholic Church</u> in rural La Plata County (listed as EPP site in 2019), will receive \$21,969 for construction documents, under the administration of the San Juan Mountains Association. The resulting documents will guide stabilization, stucco repairs, and rehabilitation of the modest but beautiful church, which documents the Hispano heritage of the tiny community located

on the rail line to Durango.

The <u>4Bar4 Ranch</u> near Fraser in Grand County (listed as EPP site in 2014) will benefit from \$35,000 in funding for foundation work related to the reconstruction of the Stagecoach Station and Hotel, one of two buildings located on the property. The site has benefitted from three State Historical Fund grants since EPP listing, including \$200,000 awarded for the restoration of the Ford Barn, now complete. Historic Fraser, Inc. will receive and administer the grant project.





Adobe Potato Barns

Finally, CPI will receive \$17,134 in funding for construction documents for a full roof replacement and analysis, and adobe wall stabilization and reconstruction, for the Garcia Ranch Adobe Potato Barn (an exemplary example of Adobe Barns of the San Luis Valley, listed as EPP site 2019) near Conejos. Garcia Ranch Headquarters owner Reyes Garcia, a descendent of the original owner Jose Victor Garcia, has previously invested over \$300,000

in the restoration of the historic family ranch house, which dates from 1885 and was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 2019.

CPI is grateful for the generous investment of the State Historical Fund in these projects, which strengthen partnerships on behalf of rural preservation and economic development in Colorado.

In Memorial - Alden Naranjo, Jr.



CPI notes with sadness the passing of Alden Burch Naranjo, Jr. (Blue Sunrise) of the Southern Ute Tribe on May 3, 2020. Alden grew up in Ignacio, attend Ute Vocational School, graduated from St. Catherine's Indian School in Santa Fe, NM, and attended Merritt College in California. Alden was a veteran who served in the Vietnam War and spent over 40 years working for the tribe, including 20 years as Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act

(NAGPRA) Coordinator. He was a spiritual leader for many tribal members and a strong advocate for Native American culture, spirituality, and rights. Alden was a traditional dancer, a Sun Dancer, and a participant of his spirituality. Alden's lineage includes Chief Buckskin Charley, Edwin Cloud, and Samuel Burch.

CPI began working with Alden on the <u>Southern Ute Boarding School</u> <u>Campus</u> which was listed as one of Colorado's Most Endangered Places in 2020. Alden spoke eloquently and movingly about the importance of preserving Native American heritage and culture in his testimony about the opportunity to preserve the Southern Ute Boarding School Campus in the <u>CBS4 video</u> that accompanied the site's listing. His leadership and presence will be missed.





CPI Website | Like Us on Facebook | Follow Us on Twitter | Become a Member | Donate