



May 14 Event a Success in Every Way

Over 130 people came to honor Littleton artist Rita Derjue May 14 at Hudson Gardens.

The event was a success in every way. Beside enjoying good food, guitar music, and a chance to bid on some of Rita's paintings, attendees also were able to view a 40-year collection of Rita's "preservation paintings" that document the vanishing buildings and scenic views of Littleton.

The collection of 20 watercolors now belongs to Historic Littleton Inc. and will be displayed at future HLI events.

After expenses were deducted, the event raised \$500 for HLI. New memberships and donations to HLI in conjunction with the event totaled \$975.

A big thanks to Rita and Carle Zimmerman for their generosity to Historic Littleton!



Littleton artist Rita Derjue received the Bruce F. Wolf award for lifetime commitment to historic preservation from HLI president Mary Wolf before an enthusiastic crowd at Hudson Gardens on May 14.

SAVE THE DATE!

Historic Littleton Inc.'s annual meeting will be held on Thursday, September 10 at the Littleton Historical Museum at 7 p.m.

The 1954 film "Small Town Editor," which chronicled the work of Littleton Independent editor Houston Waring, will be shown.



Historic Littleton Inc. is dedicated to preserving the historical and architectural heritage of the greater Littleton area through advocacy and education.

Historic Designation Sought for Hunter Residence

The Chambers Farm is a well-known historic property on the north side of West Bowles Avenue, but there is another, lesser-known, historic white house on the south side of Bowles.

Built in 1889, the Hunter Residence is already on the List of Merit. The house was moved 70 feet to its present lo-

cation at 3986 W. Bowles by the City of Littleton when Bowles was widened.

Now its owners Anita and Art Garfein, long-time members of Historic Littleton, are hoping to have their home designated as a historic landmark.

The Historical Preservation Board unanimously ap-

proved the application by the Garfeins on June 17. The next step is a public hearing before the Littleton City Council within 60 days.

HLI members are urged to attend the public hearing and support the Garfeins' application. Look for the date and time of the hearing at the city website: www.littletongov.org.

HLI Loses Founding Board Member Vern Hendrickson

Vernon L. Hendrickson, one of the founding members of the Second Century Fund, which is now Historic Littleton, Inc., passed away on April 6, 2009. The HLI Board deeply regrets his passing.

Vern retired from a banking career with Wells Fargo in 2002. He also donated much time and energy to the greater Littleton community by serving on the Craig Hospital Board, the South Metro Chamber of Commerce, Greater Colorado March of Dimes, and the South Metro

Economic Development Group.

Vern also served on the boards of Westcore Funds, Interfaith Task Force, Columbine Country Club, the Ascension Lutheran Church Foundation, and Historic Littleton.

Vern was born in Montana on December 13, 1946. He graduated from Montana State University in 1970 and married Lynn Krueger. Lynn and Vern were married for 38 years.

All who knew Vern felt he was "really a nice guy." He will be deeply missed.

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