



# IMPACT

FEBRUARY  
2005

## Upcoming Events

### Symphony Ball

Sat., Feb. 5, 6:30 p.m.  
Doubletree Hotel Denver  
3203 Quebec St.

### Aurora Day at the Capitol

Mon., Feb. 14, 7:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.  
Colorado State Capitol  
200 E. Colfax Ave.  
Old Supreme Court Chambers

### Business Before Hours

Wed., Feb 9, 7:30 - 9:30 a.m.  
Drury Hotel  
4380 Peoria St.

### Business After Hours

Thu., Feb 24, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.  
Ristorante Pantuso  
13250 E. Mississippi Ave.

## The Chamber's Mission

The mission of the Aurora Chamber of Commerce is to serve as a voice for the business community, acting as an advocate for its members on issues that affect their growth and long-term economic vitality.

## Are You Involved?

There are many ways you can get involved with the Chamber:

Ambassadors, Tips & Leads, Defense Council; and Transportation, Safety, and Business for the Arts Committees, just to name a few.

If you want to see things happen, it's up to YOU to help make a difference! Please route this issue to your sales reps, account managers, marketing directors, HR, and PR departments.

- Sales
- Accounting
- Marketing
- Human Resources
- Public Relations
- Administration

## Aurora Day at the Capitol

Aurora's will have an opportunity to see and hear just how things work at the State Capitol on February 14.

Aurora Day at the Capitol, organized by the **City of Aurora** and the Aurora Chamber of Commerce, will feature prominent political speakers, a visit to the House and Senate floor and a great deal of insight into the key issues confronting the members of the 2005 Legislature.

The day-long event is scheduled to begin at 7:30 a.m. in the Supreme Court Chambers of the Capitol Building on Colfax with a continental breakfast sponsored by **FirstBank Holding Company**, followed by a short welcome by Lt. Governor Jane Norton. In addition, **Mayor Ed Tauer** will host many members of the Aurora delegation who are expected to drop by and share their views of progress on key issues they are pursuing in 2005.

Following a visit to the floor of the Senate or the House, a limited-seating luncheon sponsored by the **Aurora Economic Development Council** at the Colorado Municipal League at noon will conclude the formal day. Guest speaker will be John Straayer, a professor in the

political science department at Colorado State University.

Those interested in attending Aurora Day must RSVP to Alice Warner at the Chamber (303-344-1500), or Leon Duran at the City of Aurora (303-739-7046) no later than noon on Friday, February 11.



Governor Owens addresses Aurora citizens at last year's event.

## Chamber to honor military on May 20

The Annual Armed Forces Recognition Luncheon will be held at the **Radisson Hotel SE** on Armed Force Day, May 20 beginning at 11 a.m. The luncheon incorporates an award ceremony for Military Persons of the Year. This includes recognition of ten military personnel - Reserve, National Guard and active duty - who have been selected for their outstanding achievements over the past year.

Invited to be keynote speaker for the event is the former Ambassador to the Vatican and President Bush's Secretary of Veterans' Affairs nominee Jim Nicholson. Master of Ceremonies is the popular radio personality from **KEZW-AM**, **Rick Crandall**.

Sponsorships for the event are still available at levels ranging from \$150 to \$3000. Contact George Peck at 303-344-1500 for additional details.

## WIB annual breakfast

The **Aurora Credit Union Alliance** and the Women In Business committee have joined forces to present the annual "Women Making a Difference" general membership breakfast at 7:30 a.m. on Friday, March 18 at the **Radisson Hotel SE**, Parker & I-225.

Women In Business Chair **Jeannie Davis** said the committee was seeking out female employees or female small business owners who have made a difference in their corporate environment or in the community and have not received recognition.

"If so, please fill out a nomination form so we can honor your Unsung Hero and pay tribute to women working behind-the-scenes to make a difference in our lives," Davis said.

Nomination forms can be obtained at The Chamber and either faxed to 303-344-1564 or mailed to 562 Sable Blvd., Ste 200 Aurora, CO 80011.

Seats are \$20 per person and \$300 for a table of ten. Sponsorship opportunities are available. To request information or to RSVP please call 303-344-1500.



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# President's Letter

## 2005 Aurora Chamber of Commerce Steps Outside the Box

How many times have you heard seminar speakers lecture about the importance of "thinking outside the box?" To do something new, exciting and thought provoking?



**Kevin Hougen**  
President & CEO

Well, this upcoming year, we absolutely have to "think," but actively "step" outside the box to take care of the multiple challenges we will be facing both on a local level and at the State Capitol.

In the broader scheme of things, it appears the country is on its way to a balanced, sustainable economic recovery. Well-timed, well-prescribed tax cuts have begun to lift us out of our recession. We are seeing signs that the economy is now growing and beginning to create new jobs. This is remarkable considering what we have been up against during the last four years. There was an inherited recession, a busted tech bubble, corporate scandals, 9/11, war on two fronts and an oil price shock. Here in Colorado, though, we face our own challenges.

### Community First... Business Always

That is the Aurora Chamber of Commerce 2005 theme. It reminds us

that we face a number of daunting financial challenges in Colorado this year; challenges that demand we not sit back passively, but step up and actively look at all options. We need to step out of the box and consider these five options:

1. We need to make it clear to our state leaders at the Capitol that passing any meaningful legislation this year is impossible until they take care of TABOR and Amendment 23. It's the business community's number one priority to work with members of both parties to solve the state's budget and fiscal crisis.
2. The proposed Veterans Administration Hospital at Fitzsimons and the land challenges they have can be taken care of. Why not place the Hospital in an expanded area around the Fitzsimons Redevelopment Area? Ask Stapleton Redevelopment Authority to donate land across the street from Peoria Street for the Hospital. Seek innovative financing to purchase the land south of Fitzsimons in the Urban Renewal Area that the City of Aurora has established. Ask for another \$50 million in appropriations to buy the land for the Veterans who have risked their lives and limbs for this country. They deserve it and it's our responsibility to provide it for their sacrifices.
3. Start looking at 50-year bonding obligations instead of 30 years. Our allies from Europe and Asia have been doing this for years to take care of their transportation and infrastructure challenges.
4. We are all citizens of Colorado. Let's put aside our decades of fighting for water and work together to draft a bill that would compensate the

ranchers and farmers for the water they own. With conservation we have proven to our west slope neighbors that we can cut our water consumption and we will be good stewards of this valuable asset. If the Front Range economy falters because of a lack of sustainable water, the entire state will suffer from a dramatic loss in economic development.

5. We are all huge consumers. Consumption represents more than two-thirds of our economy. Continued consumer spending is crucial to our economic well-being. Insist that all possible purchases by our local, county, state, military and government services administration offices be from businesses here in the state. Remember your ABC's: Always Buy Colorado!!!!

### All for One, and One for All

This is a team effort. Our success depends on acquiring the financial resources necessary to advance pro-business policies. It also depends on generating business activism and grassroots support for those policies. Large companies and small must be at the table. We can no longer afford to have some of our business community on the sidelines. We need the participation of ALL putting their resources to work. In this area we truly believe that your investment of time and money will help the Chamber play the role of coach and strategic planner. I have no doubt that if we step out of the box, our business community will be able to lead the charge for a climate in which economic development and job creation can again be part of the Colorado landscape. Don't be shy, don't keep quiet, step out of the box and see what happens!! Community First... Business Always.

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# Tell us your news...

We'll tell all your fellow Chamber members!

### What's New?

New location? New hours? Awards? Anniversaries?  
Employee promotions? Business acquisitions? Special events? Volunteer opportunities?

Briefly tell us who, what, where, when, why and how. Then include the name and phone number/email address of someone we can contact if we need more information.

Please send your information to The Chamber at [lisa.mull@aurorachamber.org](mailto:lisa.mull@aurorachamber.org) or fax the form to 303-344-1564.

Contact Person

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# Member News



**It's no joke!**—Chamber staffers celebrate and surround Megan Larsen (in her famous holiday elf hat) on her recent promotion. Kevin Hougen, George Peck and Naomi Colwell think Megan is tops!

## Moving on up!

Megan Larsen of the **Marriott DIA** was promoted recently to Group Sales Manager. Megan has been an active Ambassador for The Chamber for several years.

## Aurora garners press

The **Aurora Fox Theater** presents another winner. Their production of "Retreat from Moscow" is listed in the top 10 recommended plays in the

Rocky's "Winter Arts Preview". Martha Harmon Pardee stars in this regional premiere of an acclaimed script from Jan. 21 – Feb. 20. For more information, call Robert Salisbury and his crew at 303-739-1970.

## Arts District Fills Up

The Original Aurora Renewal Arts District has drawn new residents, after a four-year plan reinvented the aging downtown neighborhood. The *Rocky Mountain News* profiled the \$30

million privately funded development—called Florence Square—that about three-dozen artists have already moved into. When completed in a few months, the square will include 110 units and 20,000 square feet of commercial, office and retail space. For more information, call Jeff Martinez at 303-739-7929.

## Wells Fargo Commits \$1 Million to The Children's Hospital in Metro Denver

Regional Banking, Private Client Services and the Regional Commercial Banking Office of **Wells Fargo** have joined forces to make a \$1 million contribution to **The Children's Hospital** for its new facility scheduled to open in 2007 on the Fitzsimons campus. This is the largest grant Wells Fargo has made in the Rocky Mountain Region and one of the largest one-time contributions from a public company the hospital has received.

**SAVE THE DATE!**  
Leadership Aurora Golf  
Tournament  
June 23

**Heritage Eagle Bend Golf and Country Club** will be the beautiful setting for the 7th Annual Leadership Aurora Golf Tournament on Thursday, June 23. Due to the overwhelming popularity of this tournament, it sells out quickly. We encourage sponsors to take advantage of early registration to guarantee their teams a spot. The morning tournament will tee-off at 8:00 a.m. and fees includes cart, range balls, ditty bag and lunch. The individual price is \$125 per person, and sponsor packages range from \$150 - \$1,500.

In addition, other opportunities exist for non-golfers to donate door prizes and items for the ditty bags. Call Kimberly at 303-344-1500 or e-mail kimberly.curtis@aurorachamber.org today to ensure your spot. Space is limited. Proceeds provide scholarships to businesses and non-profits for the Leadership Aurora program.



# 2005 Membership Drive kicks off with smiles

**H**eavy snow and slippery roads was the first test for teams as they kicked off the 2005 Aurora Chamber Membership Drive Jan. 12. The "Survivor" theme proved only too appropriate. The two-month long effort began with a breakfast at the **Doubletree Hotel S.E.** where nearly 50 hardy Chamber stalwarts assembled for pep talks from Drive Chair **Bob Barké (BAR-K Insurance Solutions)** and Chamber President Kevin Hougen. Membership Director and event organizer Marci Maxwell then led the group through naming and team building exercises that brought smiles all around.

Eight teams were assembled including Aurora Mora, Cannibals, Guns & Band-aids, Headhunters, Tiki Alliance, Fisherman, Hot Lava and The Excalibur Knights of the Round Table (EKOTRT).

A wide variety of prizes are being offered to the teams to mark their success as they head toward the midway party on Feb. 9. Contributing to making the campaign a success are the **Sheraton Hotel DTC, Carrabba's Italian Grill, Embassy Suites Hotel – DIA, Hilton Garden Inn Denver South/Meridian, Omni Hotels, HoneyBaked Hams, Fire Safety Services, Wings over the Rockies**



**Museum, Residence Inn Marriott Denver South/Park Meadows, AmeriSuites Denver Airport, DIA Marriott, Dave & Busters, Domino's Pizza (JVK Enterprises), and Romano's Macaroni Grill.**

Survivor tribal totem poles built for each team will be on display in the Chamber conference room. Hougen told the group that with the assembled firepower, this could be the best drive ever.

**Don't Ask—We Won't Tell**—Chamber Membership Drive leaders, modeling the latest in **Goodwill Industries of Denver** thematic clothing line, assemble for a group photo following a bit of "teambuilding" at the **Doubletree Hotel SE**. Pictured from left to right in the back row are **Terry Coffman** (in camis), **Coffman Mortgage Equity**; **Marion Jenkins, QSE Technologies**; **Dale Mingilton, FirstBank Holding Company of Colorado**; **Jay Oliver, Colorado Insurance Professionals**; **George Peck, Chamber Vice President**; and **Ann Mangelsen, AirSource**. In the middle row are **Diane Garcia, 2G Associates**; **Dominic Martinez, Wells Fargo Banks**; **Stephan Peck, Carrabba's Italian Grill**; Chamber Chair **Pete Kirchhof, Colorado Credit Union Systems**; **Kevin Olmsted, Radisson Hotel SE**; and **Pam Mills, The Hypnosis Center**. Kneeling in the front row are **Bob Marty, RAM Financial Services**; **Stephen Brunston, Colorado Insurance Professionals** and **Ken Melcher, Gateway Credit Union**.

# Tauer to give annual report

The **Aurora Rotary** and the Aurora Chamber of Commerce cordially invite Chamber members to attend the Annual State of the City Address by Mayor Ed Tauer on Wed. March 9. Mayor Tauer will report to community leaders on the current health of the City and the opportunities and challenges facing Aurora in 2005.

This annual joint event, again held at the **Heather Ridge Country Club**, 13521 E. Liff Ave., is a luncheon

12:00—1:30 p.m. Reservations are a must, as seating is limited.

Cost for individual tickets is \$25, and Corporate Tables (10 seats) can be purchased for \$300. For sponsorships, please contact one of the following Rotarians:

Debbie Lynch	720-530-5868
Stephen Brunston	303-755-8600
Kevin Hougen	303-344-1500
Dave Williams	303-754-0660

# E-470 opens new ramps at Chambers Road

## Ramps complete full interchange in Douglas County

The **E-470 Public Highway Authority** opened new ramps on the east side of the Chambers Road bridge, west of Parker Road and east of Peoria Street in November. The westbound off-ramp will provide a direct route to the ComPark business center, American Furniture Warehouse and other business and residential areas on the north and south sides of E-470.

"Douglas County and E-470 entered into a partnership to add a second bridge and complete the ramps at Chambers Road," said Ed DeLozier,

executive director of E-470.

"Intergovernmental cooperation has been very successful in completing this and other projects on E-470."

The eastbound on-ramp will yield easy access to E-470, Parker, and Aurora, as well as the Denver International Airport. The two new ramps on the east side of Chambers Road will have exact change coin baskets and will also accommodate EXpressToll customers. The toll on the westbound off-ramp and eastbound on-ramp will be \$.75.

# CDOT Commissioner cites shortfall

Colorado Department of Transportation Commission Chair Joe Blake told the *Chamber Transportation Committee* that state transportation funding needs as defined by the CDOT 2030 Plan fall nearly \$103 billion short of anticipated state budgets. Blake, who is also President of the Denver Chamber of Commerce, said this poses a tremendous challenge to the business community which depends on an adequate multimodal system to move goods services and people efficiently and economically. Blake blamed the shortfall on several years of funding limitations imposed by TABOR and unexpectedly high growth rates.

"We absolutely must keep the coalition of business and government

together if we are to get any new monies for transportation," he said in calling for greater regional cooperation among business entities, government agencies at all levels, and Chambers of Commerce. Blake said organizations like the Aurora Chamber-formed Eastern Metro Transportation Authority (**EMTraC**) should work with other like organizations to track and lobby for increased transportation resources.

EMTraC will meet on Feb. 2 at 7:30 a.m. at **Merrick & Company**. Guest speakers include Marge Klein from **U.S. Representative Bob Beauprez's** office and representatives from the TransPort Project near **Front Range Airport**.

# Government Affairs Committee Gears Up for 2005 Legislative Session

The Chamber Government Affairs Committee has added an extra meeting each month through April. The committee, which has combined efforts with the Education Committee, will meet on the first and third Thursday of each month to more closely track activities and bills in the 2005 State Legislature.

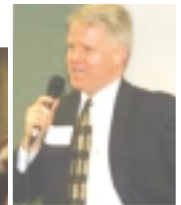
Committee Chairs **Dale Mingilton** of **FirstBank Holding Company** and **Dr. Linda Bowman** of the **Community College of Aurora** have also been working with committee members to produce a series of White Papers on

issues vital to the Chamber membership. Topics covered include Economic Development, Health Care, Higher Education, K-12 Education, Initiatives, Legislative Mandates, Taxes, Transportation, and Water.

Recent speakers at Government Affairs Committee meetings have included Henry Sobanet, the Governor's Budget Director; **Georgia Durán**, Communications Director for **Aurora Public Schools**; Susan Bachar of the Coalition to Support Colorado's Hospitals, and **Peter Binney**, Director of **Aurora Utility Department**.



**What the doctor ordered**—Susan Bachar with the Coalition to Support Colorado's Hospitals briefs the Government Affairs Committee on the economic issues that face Colorado hospitals including Medicaid reimbursement, eligibility and benefits; trauma services funding; the impact of TABOR on healthcare provision; care for the uninsured/underinsured; and limited service facilities.



**A Close Hearing**—A crowd of more than 100 Chamber members turned out to hear a distinguished lineup of State Legislators from the Eastern Metro area like Rep. David Balmer and Sen. Suzanne Williams at the **Community College of Aurora** on Jan. 10. The occasion was the first of two Chamber Legislators' Breakfasts planned for 2005.

In addition to Rep. Balmer (House District 39) and Sen. Williams (Senate District 28) other legislators in attendance included Rep. Mary Hodge (HD 30), Rep. Morgan Carroll (HD 36), Rep. Debbie Stafford (HD 40), Rep. Nancy Todd (HD 41) and Sen. Stephanie Takis (SD 25). Rep. Michael Garcia (HD 42), the new assistant majority leader in the House was unable to attend due to a previously scheduled meeting at the Capitol and Sen. Nancy Spence (SD 27) was out due to illness. A number of other elected officials were in attendance including Aurora Mayor Ed Tauer, Aurora City Council members Ingrid Lindemann, Sue Sandstrom, Bob Broom, Steve Hogan and Brad Pierce, as well as Centennial City Councilwoman Susan Nix, newly elected Arapahoe County Commissioner Frank Weddig and recently appointed State Board of Education member, Karen Middleton.

The legislators laid out their plans for the session ahead and answered questions from the group. The next Legislator's breakfast is schedule for April 4 on the North Campus of The Medical Center of Aurora.

# Ribbon Cuttings



**2 in 1!** – Two new Advance Auto Parts Stores opened recently on E. Colfax Avenue, and Chamber Ambassadors and staff were on hand to welcome them to the neighborhood. Adrianna Arzate of the 9200 E Colfax store hosted the event, which included Joshua Zimmerman of the 14651 E. Colfax Ave. store. Adrianna can be reached at 303-341-8000 and Joshua at 303-341-4517.

## Banks in Harmony preparations begin

Despite snow on the ground, the Business for the Arts Committee began planning for this summer's Banks in Harmony concert series. *Mary Lou Hamaker* with the **Bank of the West** volunteered to head up the effort. The 10 concert series, sponsored by the **City of Aurora** and local banks including **Community First, FirstBank, Citywide** and **Wells Fargo** played to more than 10,000 appreciative fans last year. Hamaker said she would begin working this month with the Denver Musicians Association to identify bands for the year ahead.

## Challenges in education impact class

**L**eadership Aurora class members learned of the wide array of educational offerings available in the city of Aurora during December's Education Session. *Dave Gruber*, **460th Space Wing** Mission Support Group, **Buckley AFB**, writes about his own experience.

"Following a tour of Liberty Middle School, a flagship school in the **Cherry Creek School District**, we met at **Community College of Aurora** (CCA) and engaged in a thought-provoking seminar on post-secondary education offerings in Aurora. We then broke into groups and visited various elementary and secondary schools in the **Aurora Public School District**. Some of the schools were a real contrast to the



world-class facility we visited in the morning; however, each of the schools was led and taught by extremely committed individuals with a passion for our children.

We learned of the many challenges facing the education system, as well as the tremendous progress Aurora has made and continues to make. Finally, we returned to CCA

for a discussion on Federal, State, and local guidelines and evaluation systems the schools deal with. Based on the tours, I am convinced Aurora is not only heading in the right direction with education, but in many cases is far ahead of their peers nationally".

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Unless otherwise noted, the following seminars take place at the **Aurora Business Development Center** and are \$25/person (payable by cash or check at the door). The Aurora BDC is located five blocks west of Havana at 9905 E. Colfax Ave., Aurora, CO 80010 (at Elmira Street in Original Aurora, directly across the street from the **Aurora Fox Arts Center**). Parking is available on the north side of the building. Pre-registration is strongly recommended. Seating is limited. Why wait? Call now, 303-361 0847, to register for one of our February seminars listed below. (\*Select three \$25 classes and pay only \$60 payable in advance at the first registered class.)

**"Basics of Starting a Business"** Tuesday, February 8th

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM @ \$25/person

**"Starting a Restaurant or Food Business"** Wednesday, February 16th

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM @ \$25/person

**"Writing a Winning Business Plan"** Thursday, February 17th

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM @ \$25/person

**"Obtaining Business Financing"** Wednesday, February 23rd

1:00 - 4:00 PM @ \$25/person

**FOLLOWED BY:**

**"Meet the Lenders Forum"** 4:30 - 6:30 PM -- FREE

Location: Aurora Central Library Community Room

14949 E. Alameda Dr., Aurora, CO 80012 / Light refreshments provided.

**"Marketing Your Business"** Thursday, February 24th,

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM @ \$25/person

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## Mark Your Calendars

- Feb 5** 6:00 p.m. Symphony Ball at the Doubletree Hotel on Quebec and 33rd.
- Feb 9** 7:30 a.m. Business before Hours at the Drury Inn, 4380 Peoria St
- Feb 14** 7:30 a.m. Aurora Day at the Capitol
- Feb 24** 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Business After Hours, Pantuso's, 13250 E. Mississippi Ave.
- Mar. 18** 7:30 a.m. The Women in Business "Unsung Hero" Breakfast at the Radisson Hotel SE, 3200 S. Parker Rd (Parker & I-225)
- Mar. 24** 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Business After Hours, Marriott DTC, 4900 S. Syracuse
- April 15** 6:00 p.m. The Chamber's 50th Annual Awards Banquet, at the Radisson Hotel SE, 3200 S. Parker Rd (Parker & I-225)
- Apr. 28** 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Business After Hours, Dave & Busters, 2000 S. Colorado Blvd.
- May 20** 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Armed Forces Recognition Luncheon, Radisson Hotel SE, 3200 S. Parker Rd (Parker & I-225)
- May 26** 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Business After Hours, Emerald Isle, 4385 S. Parker Rd.
- Jun. 23** 7:30 am. Leadership Aurora Golf Tournament at Heritage Eagle Bend.
- Jun. 23** 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Business After Hours, Embassy Suites SE, 7525 E. Hampden Ave.

## RENEWALS

	<u>Joined</u>
AirSource	2/24/2000
Airtech Mechanical	1/24/1997
Allstate Insurance	11/19/1998
American Industrial Corporation	1/28/2004
Arapahoe/Douglas Works! Workforce Center	8/1/1975
Aurora Surgery Center	1/5/2004
Bank One	1/8/2003
Bank One, Denver N.A.	1/1/1994
Clifton Gunderson, LLP	2/14/2002
Colorado Lending Source	2/18/1999
Commercial Federal Bank	2/25/2004
CCA Bookstore	4/30/1999
Component Specialties, Inc.	12/1/1980
Day Care Management Solutions	9/23/2003
Denver Newspaper Agency	2/1/2002
Engineering Service Company	2/28/1996
EON Office Products	12/21/2001
Equity Leadership Group	8/23/2002
FirstBank of Aurora	1/1/1983
Focus on Success	2/4/2002
Handyman Matters	11/13/2003
Hilton Garden Inn DIA	12/16/1998
Holiday Inn Select - Denver Cherry Creek	1/28/2002
Kraus Enterprises	2/14/1990
La Cueva	1/11/1995
PIP Printing	11/20/2002
Radisson Denver Stapleton	1/27/1995
RecycleUS.com/Ribbon Recyclers	1/19/1999
Remember When	1/9/2002
The Royal Hilltop	2/3/2003
Ryden & Associates	1/19/1999
Law Offices of John Song	2/24/1999
Space Age Federal Credit Union	2/1/1988
T. Charles Wilson Insurance	12/10/1993
University Hospital Administration	3/9/2000
Val-U-Ads	8/14/2003
Westaff	1/19/1999
Yellow Book USA	1/19/2000
Y.M.C.A. of the Rockies	2/3/2003

## NEW MEMBERS

- Advance Auto Parts (2 locations)
- Advanced Security Consultants
- Aurora Tacos y Mariscos
- Bailey's Moving & Storage
- Colorado Civil Air Patrol
- Excellence, Incorporated
- Representative Michael Garcia
- Gaspar-Jones & Associates, Inc.
- Heritage Bank
- Irwin Mortgage
- KPMG
- Market Place
- Omnitech Industries, Inc.
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- World Financial Group