

Hickenlooper tapped for Historic Denver celebration

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Denver Mayor **John Hickenlooper** will serve as the honorary chair of this year's Historic Denver Inc. annual dinner and awards ceremony Wednesday, Oct. 21, at the Brown Palace Hotel & Spa. The event will celebrate the historic places that make Denver unique and Historic Denver's role for nearly 40 years as the leader in saving many of the places.

This year, guests can bid on such items as a party in the Daniels & Fisher Clock Tower on the 16th Street Mall, a private excursion on the historic Platte Valley trolley and a Titanic-themed dinner for 12 at the Molly Brown House Museum.

For more information, visit www.historicdenver.org.

Awards: **Barron's** magazine has named **Wally Obermeyer** one of the top financial advisers in the nation. He is president of Obermeyer Asset Management Co. based in Aspen. The Barron's 2009 list of Top 100 Independent Financial Advisors is based on assets under management, revenue the advisers generate for their firms and the quality of their practices. Obermeyer was the only adviser in Colorado to be included in the 2009 survey. This year marks his third consecutive appearance on the list.

Timi Aguilar of Aguilar Public Relations LLC has been selected as one of 10 entrepreneurs across the United States to win the Anna Maria Arias Memorial Business Fund. She has been awarded an educational grant and will attend an Advanced Executive Education Program at the Tuck School of Business in summer 2010. The fund is named after the late founder and editor of Latina Style magazine.

NAIOP, the National Association of Industrial and Office Properties, has selected two development companies as the recipients of its annual Sustainable Development Award: **ProLogis** and **Forest City Covington**, a joint venture between units of Covington Capital and Forest City Enterprises. The awards will be presented Oct. 15 at NAIOP's annual meeting for commercial real estate professionals in Chicago.

EnCana Oil & Gas (USA) Inc., along with **Versatile Productions**, was awarded two Bronze Telly Awards at the national 30th Annual Telly Awards for outstanding film and video

productions. Also, EnCana, in partnership with the **University of Colorado at Denver**, received a third Bronze Telly. Versatile Productions produced the three videos.

Professor **Anu Ramaswami** and her team of **University of Colorado-Denver** engineering research students were selected as one of three winners of this year's funding through the AT&T's Industrial Ecology Faculty Fellowship program. Ramaswami received \$25,000 for a project that will promote residential and office energy conservation.

BrainSpark Media, a Denver web design agency, won the highest honor in the Interactive Media Awards competition for **TopSchoolinc.com**. The web site won Best in Class for excellence in Computer Software.

Hein & Associates LLP, an accounting and advisory firm with Denver headquarters and offices in Houston, Dallas and Southern California, has been named an "All-Star" firm by **Inside Public Accounting** (IPA). The September 2009 issue of IPA recognized Hein among 10 firms in the "Training" category.

Done deals: **Embla**, based in Broomfield, and **Covidien** (NYSE: COV) of Mansfield, Mass., have entered into an agreement under which Embla will acquire Covidien's Sleep Diagnostic business. This includes the sleep diagnostic products sold under the Sandman brand name. Financial terms of the transaction were not disclosed. The combined entity will form the world's largest company focusing entirely on sleep diagnostics.

Pushkin Public Relations added Aurora Orthodontics & TMJ to its client roster.

Kettle Foods Inc., based in Salem, Ore., has named **Cultivator Advertising & Design** of Denver as its first advertising agency of record. Advertising, breaking in October, will target "natural" and "gourmet" consumers.

Name change: **Commotion Industries**, a Denver ad and interactive design agency, has changed its name to **Battalion**.

On the move: Downtown Denver's **Taxi** development, located in the River North Neighborhood, has these new tenants: **Goldyn**, a designer clothing company; **Blue and Yellow Logic**, a "green-focused" marketing and PR firm; and **The 1st Movement**, a digital communications agency. The second phase of the Taxi development is nearly 100 percent occupied.

Mountain Light Co. has moved to 4920 Fox Street, Unit B, Denver, Colo. 80216.

Pulte Mortgage LLC is moving as of Oct. 12 to 7390 S. Iola St., Englewood, Colo. 80112.

Sterling Ranch has new offices in Highlands Ranch. Colorado natives Harold and Diane Smethills and Jack Hoagland have run the family business from Jefferson County since 1972. In 2001, the team began planning Sterling Ranch, a community on 3,120 acres in northwest Douglas County. As the plans move forward, the company wants to be closer to the area. The new address for Sterling Ranch is 200 Plaza Drive, Suite 160, Highlands Ranch, Colo. 80129.

Faleide Architecture Studio PC now is located at 972 S. Gilpin St., Denver, Colo. 80209.

Openings: **Cherry Creek Properties**, a locally owned real estate company, has opened an office in Parker. This is the second expansion the company has announced since the first of the year. The office has 15 agents and expects to grow to 40 by year-end. **Charlie Lottimer** is the office manager. He went to Cherry Creek Properties from Keller Williams.