## OFFICE of ARCHAEOLOGY and HISTORIC PRESERVATION

May 5, 2009

Mr. Richard F. Celeste President The Colorado College 14 E. Cache La Poudre St. Colorado Springs, CO 80903

Re: National Register of Historic Places listing of the Van Briggle Pottery at 1125 Glen Avenue

Dear President Celeste:

It is my pleasure to announce the listing of the Van Briggle Pottery on the National Register of Historic Places and the Colorado State Register of Historic Properties. The official designation took place on April 29, 2009, in recognition of this property's contribution to the heritage of the State of Colorado. A copy of the official notification of designation is enclosed.

The 1908 Van Briggle Pottery Company was listed as a remarkable expression of early twentieth century pottery factory architecture, as an excellent example of the work of Colorado Springs architect Nicolaas van den Arend, and as a building displaying high artistic values exhibited in thousands of artistic tiles and terra cotta architectural features adorning its walls. The architect created a visually stimulating building that would attract visitors, provide a canvass for the display of its decorative products, and incorporate beauty that would inspire its workers. Anne Van Briggle played a significant role in the establishment of the pottery; she secured the financing and the site for the building, planned the building with the architect and engineer, designed and fabricated most the ornamental elements on the interior and exterior, and headed the company when the building opened in 1908. The Van Briggle Pottery, operating in this building from 1908 to 1968 and still producing pottery to the present day, is the longest-lived producer of art pottery in Colorado and one of the longest-operating of such businesses in the nation. The company's importance in the art pottery industry is reflected in the recognition and awards bestowed at national and international exhibitions, becoming one of the most awarded potteries in the country. The building was listed at the **national** level of significance.

On behalf of Governor Ritter, the Colorado Historic Preservation Review Board, and the Colorado Historical Society, I extend to you our congratulations and our sincere appreciation for your continuing interest in historic preservation. If you have questions about listing or other aspects of the National Register program, please contact our office at 303-866-3392 or oahp@chs.state.co.us for further information.

Sincerely,

Steven W. Turner, AIA

Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

Enclosures

Designation

Certificate

Plaque sources

Customer survey

CC: George Eckhardt

# **United States Department of the Interior**



NATIONAL PARK SERVICE 2280 National Register of Historic Places 1201 "I" (Eye) Street, NW Washington D.C. 20005



The Director of the National Park Service is pleased to announce actions on the following properties for the National Register of Historic Places. For further information contact Edson Beall at (202) 354-2255 or E-mail: Edson\_Beall@nps.gov

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## WEEKLY LIST OF ACTIONS TAKEN ON PROPERTIES: 4/27/09 THROUGH 5/01/09

KEY: State, County, Property Name, Address/Boundary, City, Vicinity, Reference Number, NHL, Action, Date, Multiple Name

ARIZONA, MARICOPA COUNTY, Dowdy, George O., Rental Cottage, 6818 N. 60th Ave., Glendale, 09000246, LISTED, 4/30/09

### ARKANSAS, CLEBURNE COUNTY,

Heber Springs Commercial Historic District, 100, 200 blocks E. Main St., 100-500 blocks of W. Main St., 100 block of N. and S. 3rd and N. and S. 4th Sts., Heber Springs, 09000266, LISTED, 5/01/09

CALIFORNIA, ALAMEDA COUNTY, Women's Athletic Club of Alameda County, 525 Bellevue Ave., Oakland, 09000247, LISTED, 4/29/09

CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES COUNTY,
Frank, Richard and Mary Alice, House,
919 La Loma Rd.,
Pasadena, 09000175,
LISTED, 4/10/09
(Cultural Resources of the Recent Past, City of Pasadena)

CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES COUNTY,
Mello, Clarence and Mary, House,
541 Fremont Dr.,
Pasadena, 09000178,
LISTED, 4/10/09
(Cultural Resources of the Recent Past, City of Pasadena)

CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES COUNTY, Norton, John, House, 820 Burleigh Dr., Pasadena, 09000179, LISTED, 4/10/09 (Cultural Resources of the Recent Past, City of Pasadena)

CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES COUNTY, Pike, Robert and Barbara, House, 512 Glen Ct.,

Pasadena, 09000181, LISTED, 4/10/09 (Cultural Resources of the Recent Past, City of Pasadena)

CALIFORNIA, PLACER COUNTY, Carnegie Library, 557 Lincoln St., Roseville, 09000199, LISTED, 4/10/09

COLORADO, CLEAR CREEK COUNTY, Mill City House, 247 Co. Rd. 308, Dumont, 09000250, LISTED, 4/30/09

COLORADO, DENVER COUNTY,

Commercial Resources of the East Colfax Avenue Corridor MPS, 64501039, COVER DOCUMENTATION ACCEPTED, 4/28/09

COLORADO, EL PASO COUNTY, Van Briggle Pottery Company, 1125 Glen Ave./231 W. Uintah St., Colorado Springs, 09000249, LISTED, 4/29/09

COLORADO, LARIMER COUNTY, Bear Lake Ranger Station, Bear Lake, Estes Park vicinity, 87001138, REMOVED, 4/09/09 (Rocky Mountain National Park MRA)

FLORIDA, ALACHUA COUNTY, Mission San Franacisco de Potano, Address Restricted, Gainesville vicinity, 09000251, LISTED, 4/30/09

MASSACHUSETTS, WORCESTER COUNTY, Safety Fund National Bank, 470 Main St., Fitchburg, 09000252, LISTED, 4/30/09 (Downtown Architecture of H.M. Francis, Fitchburg, MA)

MISSOURI, ST. LOUIS INDEPENDENT CITY, Bel Air Motel, 4630 Lindell, St. Louis, 09000253, LISTED, 5/01/09

#### NEVADA, CLARK COUNTY,

"Welcome to Fabulous Las Vegas" Sign, The, Las Vegas Blvd., in public right of way, approx. .5 mi. S. of intersection with Russell Rd., Paradise Township, 09000284, LISTED, 5/01/09

NEW YORK, CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY,