

Jared Polis to address chamber awards dinner

U.S. Rep. Jared Polis, D-Colo., a high-tech entrepreneur, will be the keynote speaker and address the state of jobs and the economy on both the local and national levels, at the **Boulder Chamber's** 105th Annual Dinner on Monday, Feb. 8.

The chamber event is from 5:30-9 p.m. at the University of Colorado at Boulder's Glenn Miller Ballroom, 1600 Euclid Ave. Award recipients will be:

- Frannie Reich Award for Lifetime Achievement — **Tom Eldridge**
- The Virginia Patterson Businessperson of the Year — **George Karakehian**
- Key Contributor of the Year — **Richard Wobbekind, University of Colorado**
- Community Sustainability Leader — **Elevations Credit Union**
- Best Place to Work — **Namaste Solar**
- Boulder 2140 Young Professional — **Matt Kolb, Pedal to Properties**
- Members of Distinction — **People Productions; Peggy Goehring, Home Based Business Group; and Elayne Oligschlaeger, The Pampered Chef.**

More info: www.boulderchamber.com.

AWARDS: DaVita Inc. (NYSE: DVA) of Denver, which provides care for people with chronic kidney disease, was honored as the only health care services company on **Fortune** magazine's 2009 list of Top Companies for Leaders.

Linda Alvarado, president and CEO of **Alvarado Construction Inc.** and co-owner of the **Colorado Rockies**, has been honored by **American Latino TV** and its

viewers with the award for "The Most Inspiring American Latino for 2009."

The **Web Marketing Association** recently recognized **HenryGill Communications**

with an Outstanding Website Award for the development of **Lutron Electronics'** Greenovation Nation website, **GreenovationNation.com**, which combines digital communication and social networking while promoting sustainability for K-12 schools across the country. The association also gave HenryGill a Magazine Standard of



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Excellence award for **The Wild Blue Yonder** magazine website, **GoWildBlue Yonder.com**, which features articles from the Frontier Airlines' in-flight magazine.

DONE DEALS: The Creative Alliance, a marketing, public relations and design firm based in Lafayette, developed a new website for **Flight Design West** of Las Vegas, which is flightdesignwest.com. Flight Design West is a regional distributor of Flight Design Light-Sport aircraft, an innovative airplane capable of 1,000-mile nonstop flying. In addition, The Creative Alliance has been retained by **Neocase** of Winston Salem, N.C., to assist with re-branding, marketing, website development and multimedia communications. Neocase creates modular casework solutions for health care, laboratory, educational and commercial environments.

Debra Wolfe has purchased a **Mathnasium** franchise in the north metro-Denver area. Mathnasium is a learning center where students can go year-round to boost their math skills. Wolfe is the former group manager-finance for MillerCorns Brewing Co. **Stacy Swift**, of **FranNet**, advised Wolfe on the transaction.

Comer & Associates LLC of Boulder has been retained by Massachusetts-based **Beacon Power** to assist with marketing strategy. Beacon Power designs and develops high-energy, flywheel-based solutions to support electricity grid operations.

Dovetail Solutions, a Denver public relations firm, added **Design Workshop** as a client. Design Workshop is an international landscape architecture, land planning, urban design and strategic services firm with seven U.S. offices.

OPENINGS: Marques Harris of the San Diego Chargers will be on hand to open his new Castle Rock business, **The Palms Tanning Resort**, with a weekend of activities Feb. 12-14. Harris resides in Parker in the NFL offseason. He owns the business with his wife **Brandy**. Players from the Denver Broncos, Denver Nuggets, Colorado Avalanche, San Diego Chargers and San Francisco 49ers will make appearances Feb. 13. More info: thepalms



tanningresort.com.

Two Denver-area labor and employee relations experts, **Mark Hines** and **Ron McDonald**, have formed One2One Partners (one2onepartners.com) at 7216 W. Clifton Ave. in Littleton. The firm creates customized programs designed to



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strengthen relationships among company leaders, line supervisors and employees. Hines has more than 25 years of experience in employee and labor relations, and human resources, including serving as director of employee and labor relations for Coors Brewing Co. and Rayovac Corp. McDonald's 30 years of experience includes being executive director of HR operations for Qwest Communications International Inc. and a variety of roles at U.S. Foodservice.



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