



# Teller Historic and Environmental Coalition

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## A Letter to the General Membership

Greetings Everyone,

The Teller Historic and Environmental Coalition invites you to renew your membership for 2025 – or to join us as a new member.

Thanks to continuing grant support from the SHF and in large part the efforts of our consultant Charise Boomsma of The Preservation Studio, as well as Chuck Severance from CRS Architects – we are poised to finally sign a construction contract with Andersen Enterprises to begin depot renovations this Spring.

Due to rising material prices, it became necessary to revise our scope of work for the first phase of construction and pare down what could be accomplished with the funds we were granted. That has been done, and we are ready to begin.

In October of 2024, T.H.E. Coalition held its 7th Annual Breit Awards Banquet at the Ute Pass Cultural Center. Some 40+ guests enjoyed a great meal provided by Roy's Crew BBQ. The theme for the banquet was *The Past Defines the Present*. Awardees were – the Southern Teller County Focus Group, Historian and Geologist Steven Veatch and our own Marion Vance. *SAVE THE DATE* for the 2025 Banquet on Sunday, October 12, again at the Ute Pass Cultural Center.

The annual Midland Days Symposium was held on Saturday, September 14, 2024, at the John Wesley Ranch and Retreat in Divide. The theme was *Past Times ;Future Times*. T.H.E.'s partner's share resulted in a \$303.76 donation.

We said farewell to several Board members this year and added one new alternative member. Norm Steen, Jane Mannon and Deb MacDonald have left the Board, and Zack Walker, Director of the John Wesley Ranch, was added as an Alternate during the January annual meeting.

The popular Tour Teller App is 9 years old and an update is needed. We hope to be able to form a committee of interested people this year to begin work on the application.

Thank you to all members for a challenging but successful year in 2024. The future is always ahead of us.

Sincerely,

***David Martinek***

David Martinek, Chair

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