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From the Colorado Liquor Enforcement Division

The Colorado Liquor Enforcement Division's enforcement program is statewide and is made up of three enforcement teams. Ken Peterson manages the Division's overall enforcement program out of the Division's principal office in Lakewood. Ken has over 25 years of law enforcement experience. He worked with the Aurora Police Department, the Colorado Attorney General's Office and the Division of Racing Events prior to coming to work for Liquor Enforcement in 1999.

The Southern team is managed out of Pueblo and also has field offices in Grand Junction and Colorado Springs. This team covers the Western Slope, San Luis Valley, southeastern Colorado and the metropolitan I-25 corridor south of Castle Rock. Investigator Supervisor Jim Anderson, based out of the Division's Pueblo office, manages the Southern team. Jim has been with the Division since 1979 and is familiar with Colorado's liquor industry and is an expert resource for industry members. Investigator Brian Osterhouse assists Jim in the Pueblo office.

Investigators Brian Turner and Brian Dyet are stationed in the Division's Grand Junction office. They cover the Western Slope and are available to provide assistance for licensees located in this area. They can be contacted at 248-7133.

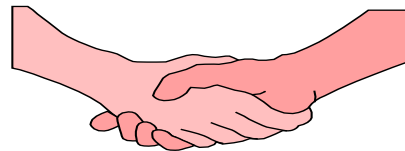
Licensees who have problems with minors using or attempting to use false ID's should call the Division's investigative staff for assistance. They will work with licensees in detecting and arresting minors who use false ID's, and to investigate other matters and provide liquor law training classes.

Mark Your Calendars!

April 1	Daylight Savings Begins
April 13	Good Friday
April 15	Easter Sunday
April 24	Liquor Awareness Training
April 25	Professional Secretaries Day
May 13	Mother's Day
May 19	Armed Forces Day
May 28	Memorial Day
June 14	Flag Day
June 17	Father's Day

Liquor Enforcement Division Year End Report

Each year, the Liquor Enforcement Division compiles a report of all state and local enforcement actions that resulted in a license fine, suspension or revocation. The most recent report includes all reported state and local licensing actions taken during calendar year 2000. A copy of that report can be reviewed at the Division's website. Go to www.revenue.state.co.us and click on the Liquor Enforcement Division.



Congratulations to New Licensees

The City of Grand Junction and the Local Licensing Authority would like to welcome the following **NEW** licensees:

Fast Eddy's, 2650 North Avenue, Tavern
Chili's Grill & Bar, 584 24 1/2 Rd, Hotel and Restaurant
All Pro Liquor, 2913 F Road, Retail Liquor Store

Legislative Liquor Activity

February, 2001

House Bill 01-1209
CONCERNING THE AUTHORIZATION
OF ALCOHOL TASTINGS ON
LICENSED PREMISES – **DID NOT PASS**

House Bill 01-1015
CONCERNING THE SUBMISSION OF
INFORMATION TO A LOCAL LIQUOR
LICENSING AUTHORITY BY AN APPLICANT
SEEKING THE TRANSFER OF A LIQUOR
LICENSE-Amended by the addition
of a new Subparagraph to read:
(V) **A STATEMENT THAT ALL
ACCOUNTS FOR ALCOHOL
BEVERAGES SOLD TO THE
APPLICANT ARE PAID – SIGNED,
WILL BE EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2001**



LEGISLATIVE UPDATE
Stephanie Rubinstein, Staff Attorney

On March 22, 2001, Governor Bill Owens vetoed House Bill 01-1209 which would have permitted retail liquor stores to provide tastings of malt, vinous or spirituous liquor by employees of that establishment. The tastings were required to be no more than one ounce of malt or vinous liquor or one-half ounce of spirituous liquor. This bill also lost a House of Representatives vote to override the Governor's veto on March 26, 2001.

On March 19, 2001, House Bill 01-1015 became law, which added a requirement to the application for a transfer of ownership of a liquor-licensed establishment. Such an application must now also contain a statement that all accounts or alcoholic beverages sold to the applicant are paid. This law takes effect on July 1, 2001.

There are two other bills which are currently being considered in the State legislature. The first does not have any effect on any of the licenses currently held in the City of Grand Junction. House Bill 01-1297 creates a violation of the Liquor Code if a retail gaming tavern liquor licensee which is licensed only for on-premise consumption knowingly permits a person to leave with an alcoholic beverage. The second bill Senate 01-156 would permit manufacturer's licensees to conduct tastings of spirituous liquor, serve, and sell its liquor on its premises and at one other licensed sales room

The text of these bills can be found at the State of Colorado website:
www.state.co.us/gov_dir/stateleg.html

Due to Renew

Country Inn	4/20
Peachtree Inn	5/5
Mama Longos	5/20
Earl's House of Spirits	6/2
Gladstone's	6/2
Racquet Club Pub	6/4
Rite Aid #6258	6/9
Cruisers	6/15
Blue Moon	6/22

State Statute requires all renewal applications be submitted to the City Clerk's Office no less than 45 days BEFORE the expiration date!

Important #'s

State Lq. Enforcement	303 205-2300
City Clerk's Office	244-1509
State Lq. Enforcement Investigators	248-7133
City Sales Tax	244-1521

Everyone should have Liquor Awareness Training.

From bartenders to waitstaff, managers to security personnel, front desk clerks to hosts/hostesses... **LAT** is a valuable tool for anyone who comes in contact with an intoxicated guest, patron or customer. Why? Because...

- K You want to create an atmosphere that promotes the responsible use of alcohol.
- K You want to be part of the solution to drunk driving in your community **NOT** part of the problem; and,
- K You don't want to serve alcohol to people who are intoxicated or underage.

LAT gives front-line people the tools to protect themselves, their establishments, their customers and their community.

Liquor Awareness Training

The next training session is scheduled for Tuesday, April 24, 2001 from 1:30 to 3 pm. It will be conducted by Detective Bob Culver of the Grand Junction Police Department and will cover such topics as verifying ID's, how to handle difficult situations involving intoxicated people, issues of over service and the trends that are currently happening in the community. These training sessions are an excellent opportunity to train and/or inform owners, managers and employees and are offered **FREE** of charge! Make your reservation today by calling Chris at the City Clerk's Office, 244-1509.

Some Sobering Info - Did you know that:

- ⊗ Americans consume an estimated 545 million gallons of beer and wine every year?
- ⊗ Nearly half of all accidental deaths, suicides and murders are alcohol-related?
- ⊗ Cirrhosis of the liver is 1 of the 10 leading causes of death in this country?
- ⊗ 2 of every 5 Americans will be involved in an alcohol-related car crash at some point in their lives?
- ⊗ 25% of everyone's auto insurance pays for damage caused by drunk drivers?