



# 45<sup>th</sup> Birthday Open House

**Come help us celebrate the 45<sup>th</sup> birthday of the Colorado P.E.O. Chapter House!**

Fundraising for Chapter House actually began as early as 1939. The Articles of Incorporation for the home were presented on June 12, 1949.

The site on which the P.E.O. Chapter House is located was purchased from the Stratton Foundation. Ten acres of the Stratton Park were sold to the Colorado P.E.O. with the stipulation that the park property be retained as a natural park where possible and its trees be preserved. Colorado P.E.O. gladly complied with that stipulation, maintained, and improved the park. Today it is home not only to residents of P.E.O. but also to many squirrels, deer, foxes, and bears who provide enjoyment for the residents, staff, and guests.



Groundbreaking took place in February of 1966 and on October 23, 1966, the Chapter House was inaugurated. 166 P.E.O. Chapters celebrated its dedication and opening on that day. It was a “A dream come true” for the Colorado P.E.O.s, the local newspaper wrote.

Much of the artwork and many of its furnishings you will see when you visit us for the 45<sup>th</sup> Birthday Open House have been donated over the years by Colorado P.E.O.s. We remain grateful for their support.

**Please mark your calendar and join us to celebrate the 45<sup>th</sup> Birthday of the Colorado P.E.O. Chapter House.**

**\* When: Sunday, October 23, 2011, from 2 to 4 PM**

**\* Where: Colorado P.E.O. Chapter House, 1819 W. Cheyenne Road, Colorado Springs, CO 80906**

**\* What: Complimentary refreshments and entertainment will be provided by Chapter House.**

If you need further information or directions, please call Janet Weidner, Executive Director of Chapter House, or Julie Castro, Administrative Assistant, 719/473-7670 or e-mail Janet at [colopeo@msn.com](mailto:colopeo@msn.com).