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Living Landmark Award 2007

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Jack Galland is best known as the "heart and soul" of the Jefferson Symphony Orchestra for which, as Chairman of the Board, he acted as president and business manager from 1970 to 2002. In that position he did everything. Managed the day-to-day business operations, guided the staff, marketing, promotion, community outreach and you name it. He would even hand out programs at concerts. And, it was all volunteer. It has been said that if Jack Galland had received monetary compensation for all his work he would easily be "a million-dollar man."

During his tenure the Symphony did well fiscally as it went from a \$5,000 per year budget to one of \$300,000. He also began the Young Artists Competition, started an outreach program to the Jeffco schools, expanded the types of music played by the symphony, initiated the summer-in-the-parks pops program and booked events in other communities.

It is no wonder he received the Rotary Club of Golden's 2000-2001 "Service Above Self Award." In 2002 he was honored at the Jeffco Good News Coalition event, "Inspiring Creativity Through the Arts in Jefferson County." He remained a Jefferson Symphony Orchestra board member until 2006. Three years ago he created the South Jefferson County Youth Orchestra which now has more than 30 members.

Spending his early years in Ohio where he received his formal education at Ohio State University and Western Reserve University, he then worked in marketing, advertising and sales promotion for several companies. In 1957, taking a position with Metropolitan Life Insurance, he moved his family consisting of wife, Anna, and three children, to Golden. Now there are six grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Adding to his credits are 30 years with Boy Scouts, 35 years to church, untold time with American Cancer Society, Denver Police Bands and so on and on.

When he retired from Metropolitan Life in 1990 he left as agent emeritus. On his retirement from the Symphony board Golden mayor, Chuck Baroch, declared June 21, 2002, "Jack Galland Day." And, so now, it's time to become a Golden Living Landmark.