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## Mark your Calendars!

### General Membership Meeting

April 14, 2015 at 5:30pm

Location: St. Peter's Church 3939 W. Pueblo Blvd. (next to the Lamb Library).

Don't forget to bring silent auction items: lottery tickets and alcohol.

### Wanted: Sustainer Rep

Calling all Sustainers! You could be the Sustainer Rep for the 2015/2016 membership year. Check out page 6 for more details.

### Membership Dues

Correction: Active Member dues are \$140 and Sustaining Member dues are \$100.

We apologize for the misprint that was sent out in the Annual Membership Notice.

## THANK YOU GNO SUSTAINER SPONSORS

Thank you Sustainers for your support of Girls' Night Out, our primary fundraiser for our growing programs. Thanks also to the many Sustainers who have called and emailed saying that they plan to give, and pledged their support! It's still not too late to give. Sustainer donors will be mentioned in May newsletter, event program and at event. All Sustainers will receive a complimentary ticket to attend the event that will be available at will call. We are just \$200 short of our \$1,200 goal. Thank you again for your support! It means the world!

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### Junior League of Pueblo Raffle

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## Message from the President



**Sandra Proud**

President 2014-2015

Dear League members,

Wow - what a great turn out we had at the last general membership meeting!! It was the best turn out we have had all year. We voted on bylaw changes and voted in the Provisionals as well as the new board members for next year.

Congratulations to the ladies who were elected to the 2015 – 2016 Board. The election process went extremely well. The campaign speeches were great and I applaud all the ladies for their positive remarks towards each other.

All the ladies who ran for a position were well qualified and deserving so I'm sure it was a hard decision when voting. I am very confident that the league is in good hands next year.

I would like to thank the league for the Outstanding Women Awards 2015 nomination. It was an honor to be nominated along with Kris Hartman, our amazing Sustainer Representative.

The next few weeks are going to be very busy gearing up for GNO. Many of you have been working very hard to make this event a huge success. In the end it doesn't just take a committee it takes the whole league working together to be successful. Let's get the word out ladies and pre-sell those tickets. Remember that this is our biggest fundraiser and the success of this event helps to ensure that we have funding for our literacy and nutrition events throughout the year.

"Nobody can do everything, but everyone can do something." ~Author Unknown

Sincerely,

*Sandra Proud*

Sandra Proud  
President

### Our Mission

The Junior League of Pueblo is an organization of women committed to promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of women, and improving the community through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers. Its purpose is exclusively educational and charitable.

### Our Vision

The Junior League of Pueblo is a recognized leader in the community, committed to fulfilling the need of the child. Volunteers nurture the individual, advocate for the rights of the child and strive to empower the children of Pueblo to reach their full potential.

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## Let your Light Shine Active Spotlight

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**Laura McGowan**

Laura McGowan is a Pueblo native, born and raised. She and her husband, Mike, have been married for 26 years, and have two wonderful children, Courtney, a senior at UCCS, and Ryan, a junior at Centennial High School. Laura graduated from USC (now CSU-Pueblo) in 1989 with a BSBA Degree in Accounting. Today, she is self-employed, offering bookkeeping services from her home.

Laura has been a member of the Junior League for more than eight years. She says, "I'd always volunteered, but when I moved back to Pueblo, after living

away for more than 14 years, I knew I needed a way to meet new people and get involved in all the new, exciting changes happening in my hometown."

Like many women, Laura is passionate about networking with other career-minded women, and she believes in being involved in her community. "I really love the mission of AJLL. That, as an involved group of women, we are '...committed to promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of women and improving communities through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers.' After all, it was in Junior League I met some of my best friends – strong, intelligent women who've really made a difference in this region."

Today, Laura values the time she spends with her family, especially with her children, both active, busy young adults. Though Laura spent their youth serving the PTA and volunteering at their schools, today, she's proud to see them become happy adults. "We're so proud of the independent, hardworking people they've both become." Laura likes to work out, sit at the pool or beach, and vacation with her family. "Vacations are the only time we four are together anymore. It's funny, but we have to get away to be together!" In fact, if you see Laura this month, be sure you congratulate her on the most recent get-away she took with her family! At age 50, Laura summited her first "Fourteener," Mt. Quandry, just this past summer. Way to go, Laura!

Laura's mottos for life are direct and simple, but have provided solid guidance for choices and actions in most things: "Treat others as you would like to be treated," and "If it's not broke, don't fix it!"

-Spotlight by Donna Souder



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## Let your Light Shine Sustainer Spotlight



**Kenda Bloder**

Kenda Bloder moved to Pueblo with her husband (Jerry) in 1972 from Boulder where she and her husband graduated from the University of Colorado. Kenda graduated with a Bachelors of Arts in Fine Art, Jerry earned his degrees in Aerospace Engineering and Marketing. and found a position working at Colorado Fuel and Iron as an Engineer. After five years of marriage they started a family here in Pueblo. A daughter (Dana) who resides in New York City and a son (Geoff) who resides in Denver with his wife and three year old daughter. Once the kids were in high school Kenda went to work for the Pueblo Manor. Now known as the Pueblo Genesis Center with 25 years before retiring. Kenda has 30 years of teaching experience (the members of my night class now have been with me 15 years) at the Heritage House of Art a couple days a week. She chuckled, "now as days you see these painting classes that offer wine while you paint. We have been doing that for years".

New in town she met Judy Fonda, a real active member in the community. In 1985, to join the league a current member needed to sponsor you before you could join. With Judy's

endorsement Kenda joined Junior League.

Kenda was on the Communications Committee, she worked on the Pueblícatíon. She remembers how different it was back then, "then it was cutting apart different pieces of information then putting it together to take down to the printer". She participated in the Follies and Done in a Day events. As a Sustainer Member, Susie Cunningham got her involved with the group and Kenda became the secretary of the Sustainer Group. She later followed the leadership path to become the Vice President and then President. *"I believe Junior League has enriched my life with great friendships and got me involved in the Pueblo community. I enjoyed the children's projects as much as anything".*

Nowadays Kenda is enjoying her retirement. "Between retirement and working I look back and thought there was not one single thing to complain about, enjoy retirement". She is staying healthy by trying new things like Zumba and Tai Chi. She now has time to join her friends for lunch. She just returned from a Mexican vacation where she took authentic Mexican Cuisine cooking lessons. The Chef was from our sister town of Puebla, Mexico. She and her friends, also known as the "salmon wives", take a girl trip every year. This year they plan to take a cruise in June. She loved to visit their daughter in New York. One of her favorite places to visit is Barcelona, Spain. The Architecture, food, and the people are just great. The city allowed past artists to express their creativity through amazing architecture. A goal of Kenda's is to get a stamp in her passport every year.

When asked, what do you hope the current and future members get out of Junior League of Pueblo? *Kenda hopes, "for great friendship and the opportunity for serve their community".*

-Spotlight by Kimberly Hinkle



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## Good as Gold



## Award

Congratulations  
Kendall Gonzales  
& Brittany Jones!  
For your hard  
work on the  
Latino Chamber  
Business After  
Hours.

Junior Leage  
appreciates all  
you do!

## Committee Chair Reports

Thank you all for making Fit4Fun such an amazing and successful event! We had 170 kids and 77 adults from the community participate in the event! Community Impact has two events coming up in April and we hope you are able to participate.

We will have a booth at CSU-Pueblo's "Let's Move" event with physical activities to inform kids how to stay active. We also have the opportunity to participate and volunteer our time for the YMCA's Annual Healthy Kids Day.



*Community Impact*  
Trisha Pocius





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## Committee Chair Reports



*Membership*  
**Laura Heberly**

### Membership Drive

What an exciting time for Membership! Provisionals have been voted in as Actives, and membership drive for our next League year is in full swing! Continue to spread the word about JLP and send prospective members' names to [JLP Membership](#) to be added to the invite list for [New Member Night](#) coming up Thursday, April 30 at 6:00 p.m. at [Park East Restaurant](#).

**Ladies Who...** Actives and Sustainers, along with their guests enjoyed a lovely *Ladies Who Lounge* event at Wine Down by the River in late March. This event was a great opportunity for members to mingle and share with prospective members about JLP. A special thank you to Rebecca Diaz and the membership committee for organizing this event.

Membership committee has enjoyed creating and implementing this new series of mini-socials this year, and we look forward to continuing our *Ladies Who...* series next League year. This series was created with recruitment in mind, and we were excited to see such a great turnout at our first mixed social.

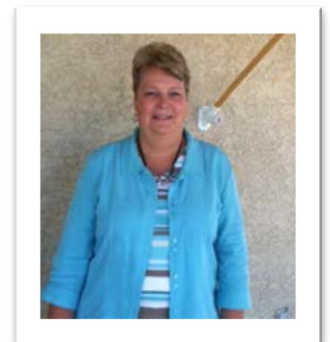
### Kentucky Derby Party

Coming up in May, members and friends are invited to the *2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Kentucky Derby Party – Horseshoes, Heels & Hats*, a social event hosted by "30" Club and the Junior League of Pueblo at the Pueblo Country Club. Reserve Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> to enjoy derby fare while cheering on your favorite [derby contender](#), with entertainment and prizes including Ladies Best Hat and Men's Best Dressed contests. Stay tuned for event details rolling out later this month.

### Calling all Sustainers!

Do you want to work with an amazing group of Junior League ladies doing great things in Pueblo? You could be the Sustainer Representative for the 2015/2016 membership year. The position entails attending the Board Retreat which is one day in June, attending the monthly Board meetings, planning the Spring and Fall Sustainer luncheons, the Holiday social, and attending the midwinter Board Retreat. Sustainer Rep is a great way to remain connected to the members of Junior League!!

Please contact Kris Hartman at (719)821-4761 or [kris\\_hartman@hotmail.com](mailto:kris_hartman@hotmail.com) if you have any questions or are interested in the position.



*Sustainer Representative*  
**Kris Hartman**



*Communications*  
**Kimberly Hinkle**

Junior League of Pueblo furthers our the use of social media.

We are now on Instagram! If you are on Instagram, please post while you are at our events. Remember to visit the [Junior League of Pueblo](#) website, "Like" us on Facebook and Twitter [@jlofpueblo!](#) Don't forget to share our upcoming events on Facebook with your friends and family. We are always in need of pictures of our events. If you have pictures from an event you would like to share, please upload them to Dropbox.



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## Girls' Night Out Update

### **GNO attracts vendors from throughout Colorado; Tickets now on sale at all Legacy Bank locations**

The League's Girls' Night Out GNO committee has worked tirelessly to not only exceed sponsorship revenues from last year, but to attract an interesting and unique group of vendors for the show, set for 5:30 p.m. on Friday, April 17. The show's more than 60 vendors are not only local businesses, but many are coming from outside Pueblo and including Parker, Aurora, Colorado Springs, Westcliffe, Wiley, and Ordway. Traveling all the way from Trinidad to join us is Bree Pappan who will bring her very cool vintage Mod clothes collection from her traveling vintage-wear business, Vintage Treasures. The vintage clothes will help define our "Girls Gone Mod" theme which is accented by a free Mod martini for all guests, and the jazz-inspired stylings of Andy, Brook, and Ryan of the Martini Shot, which will perform from 8 to 9 p.m.

But don't arrive too late, we'll have our Primrose sponsored shopping hour beginning at 5 p.m., and a Fashion Show brought to you by Seabel's Boutique, Vintage Treasures, Bolder Bands, Mister Penguin Tuxedos, Adorable U, and a brand new local boutique – Sweet Pea Boutique – starting at 6 p.m.

Ladies also have a chance to win a night's getaway in Discount Limousines Party Bus, and enter the League's Cookbook raffle for a chance to win \$1,000. Both drawings will be announced toward the end of the evening. Also, look forward to more than 50 silent auction items, including a Disney Excursion Package.

Tickets are now available and can be purchased from a Junior League Member, or by visiting any Legacy Bank location. Tickets will be sold at Legacy Bank until 3 p.m. on Friday, April 17. Cost is \$15 in advance and \$20 at the door! All League members are required to sell 5 tickets, as the event exists as the League's primary fundraiser to support its growing, and free children's literacy and health programs.

Thanks again to our sponsors that have already signed on including; Diamond Sponsor (\$3,000): Rochelle Kelly Wristen and her incredible team at the **St. Anne Elizabeth Seton Women's Health Center at St. Mary Corwin Medical Center**. Platinum Sponsor (\$2,000): **American Vein & Vascular Institute**. Gold Sponsors (\$1,000): **Pueblo Surgery Center, Legacy Bank, Evraz, and Spradley Motors**. Silver Sponsors: **Loaf 'N Jug, Rocky Mountain Eye Center, and Advocare**. Wine and Dine Sponsors: **The Leslie Carrol Family, Big R, Blackhills, DS Masonry**. Thanks also to **Primrose Retirement Center**, which has signed on as our Twilight Hour Sponsor (\$1,000), to help reintroduce our early shopping hour from 5 to 6 p.m., as well as **Mathews Brothers Electric** (\$600) which has returned as an Entertainment Sponsor to help us close out the show with a bang with the popular tunes of Andy, Brook, and Ryan of the Martini Shot Band.

Thanks also to our Mod Shop Sponsors: **Jamerry Nails by Kimberly Thomas, Park East Restaurant, Root Republic, Tony Ianne's Mob Cheff Cookbook, Mary Kaye by Valerie Hansen, Sit Means Sit Dog Training, and Wines Down by the River**. These Mod Shop Sponsors will also be vendors, along with Bolder Bands, Vintage Treasures, Adorable U, Catering by Chartwells, Cindy's Seasonings, Damsels in Defense, West Mountain Dental, Dr. Hurd Teeth Whitening, G&S Creations, Headlines, Ilan Sales, Make-Up Eraser, It Works Global, Miche Bags, Miss Colorado Grand Royalty Pageant, Modern Woodman, Ordway Building Supply, Origami Owl, Paparazzi Jewelry, Nerium, Park East, Pastamore, Planet Fitness, Plunder Design, Scentsy, Serendipity Fitness, Pueblo Business Womens' Network, Pueblo Country Club, Ribbons and Lace by Shea, Rodan and Fields Dermatologist, Silpada, Studio Share, T&M Landscaping, The Williams Storm Allergy Clinic, Jeanna's Meal Solutions: Pampered Chef and Tastefully Simple, Therapy Works LLC, Thirty One Gifts, Velata, and Unique Boutique.

For more information, contact GNO Chair Jessi Ones at 251-5025 or [jlpgno@gmail.com](mailto:jlpgno@gmail.com), Co-Chair Lacy Desmond at [jlpgnochair@gmail.com](mailto:jlpgnochair@gmail.com), or League Fundraising Chair Mande Mathews at [mmathewsjlp@gmail.com](mailto:mmathewsjlp@gmail.com). Be sure to visit us at [www.jlofpueblo.org](http://www.jlofpueblo.org) and on Facebook.



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## Celebrate Good Times

### Congratulations to the 2014-2015 Provisional Class

During the March General Membership Meeting the League voted in the 2014-2015 Provisional members.



Left to right:

Jeanne Santillanez, Rebecca Aguilar, Bri Wills, Stephanie Pfeif, Antoinette Ramos, Sara Schwartz, Desiree Skyba, Heidi Egley, Brittany Jones. Not Pictured: Melissa Burks, Priscilla Dostal, Deb Golob, Stephanie Gonzalez-Vigil, Ashley Osterhout, and April Sanchez.

## April Birthdays

4/03 Charnell Mayer	4/14 April Sanchez
4/06 Jessi Ones	4/14 Nicole Stout
4/08 April Elkins	4/16 Kerrelyn Trent
4/10 Cara Fitzgerald	4/18 Bri Wills
4/14 Ginger Massey	4/20 Elizabeth Marco
4/30 Linda Duhon	

## Outstanding Women Award 2015 Nominations

Congratulations to Kris Hartman and Sandra Proud. These amazing women were honor by the Junior League of Pueblo. Each of these women have made important contributions to our community. The luncheon was held at the Rawlings Library on Friday, March 13, 2015.







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## Recipe from Adobe Oven Cookbook Baked Artichoke Hearts

1 can artichoke hearts  
Melba toast rounds,  
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1/4 pound melted butter  
Salt

Freshly ground pepper  
Garlic powder to taster  
(about 1/4 teaspoon)  
Slivered almonds or sesame seeds

Drain artichokes and cut in half with shears. Place each half, cut side up, on a Melba round. Arrange on oven-proof dish on which they can be served. Melt butter and add salt, pepper and garlic powder. Spoon generously over artichokes. Sprinkle with almonds or sesame seeds and bake at 350 degrees for 10 minutes.

Mrs. J. L. Sturgeon

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