

Letter from the President



"Children have more need of models than of critics."

-Carolyn Coats

WANTED!

Looking for a few "Scrapbookers" to help create JLP yearbooks. One needs to be done for each year since 1977. Anne has NO experience w/ this and wants help! If you would like to help her please email her at jlpoffice@qwestoffice.net

Letter from the fresherit

We have come to a close on our short summer break from our league year, and I hope everyone has enjoyed their vacations, weddings, time with your kiddos and loved ones. On Sunday July 21st several of us gathered for our annual Summer Social, this event always ends our summer but soon kicks off our new league year. The day was perfection with friends, family, new provisionals and a lot of active league members. This year's social was hosted by our membership and GNO chair Mande Mathews, her husband Spencer (Chester and Lain) they planned a day of socializing, delish dishes and treats, refreshing drinks and kids obstacle course bounce house. The day ended with new friendships, reconnecting with old friends, and excitement for what the year holds for our organization and community. I would like to thank the Mathews family, on behalf of all of us that were able to join for the fun-filled afternoon it was truly a treat!

Nicole Stout

Recently we kicked off our Provisional training with 11 enthusiastic and lovely ladies from all walks of life in our community and we have even a few more ladies that plan on joining us this year. These gals are quickly jumping on top of their secret project, getting their creative minds in high gear and I think anxiously waiting to share their project with us and the community. I know we will all be anxious and supportive to see what great ideas our new members bring to the organization.

Also our board members have all been working diligently over the summer on various projects, partnerships and events to get the upcoming year kick started with new, fresh projects and events. One huge surprise event will be kicking off planning next month when we all meet again to start our league year and we can't wait to share with all of you and the community in November. This next year is going to definitely be memorable, educational and incredible journey for us all. I'm personally thrilled that our league year is around the corner to see what visions you all bring to our league and accomplishments we can achieve this year for our community. On that note we will all see each other Tuesday, August 13th 5:30pm at Olde Towne Carriage House on Victoria Ave. We will have a babysitter on site for your kiddos so come enjoy an evening of light treats, drinks, socializing and of course a little business.

Remember to visit our website for any info and pictures <u>jlofpueblo.org</u> and visit our Facebook page.

So CHEERS to our upcoming year together, to everyone that supports us and supporting each other, and to making our beautiful Pueblo community even better place for our children and our women leaders.

Kind Regards,

Nicole Stout President





Get to Know a Couple More Provisionals





What are the benefits of Joining Junior League?

- Improving Communities
- Volunteering
- Building leadership skills
- Meeting women who share the same values expressed in the JL Mission!

Andrea Aragon

Andrea Aragon is the President/CEO of the United Way of Pueblo County. She attended the University of Southern Colorado (now CSU-Pueblo), and received her degree in TV/Radio and public relations, with a minor in political science. Upon graduating in 1993, she worked as an intern in the Pueblo and Washington, D.C. offices of Congressman Scott McInnis. She served as the Executive Director of Latino Chamber of Commerce, and as Assistant Director of Development/Director of Alumni Relations at Colorado State University-Pueblo.

She was appointed by Governor Ritter to serve on the Caring for Colorado Board of Trustees and was reappointed for a second term by Governor Hickenlooper. Prior to this service, she was appointed by Governor Owens to serve on the College Invest Board. Andrea has received honors for her community involvement by the Pueblo Hispanic Education Foundation, the YWCA, the Pueblo City/County Library and has served on numerous community boards during her career. In 2003, the Pueblo Chieftain recognized Andrea as one of Pueblo's new generation of leaders. She currently serves on the El Pomar Board of Trustees and is a member of the US Bank Pueblo Community Advisory Board, the GCC Rio Grande Corporate Advisory Board, and was recently named to the Colorado State University - Pueblo President's Advisory Board.

She and her husband Darrin Smith have two children, Freddie & Evan.

Kristi Alfonso

Kristi Alfonso is the Executive Director of the Pueblo City Center Partnership (PCCP), providing direct management of the Downtown Pueblo Partnership and implementing the vision of an 11 member Board of Directors. Kristi participates in the continued development of Pueblo's City Center, charged as the Communications Director, of the State's solitary recipient of the Regional Tourism Act, funded from Colorado's Office of Economic Development and International Trade. Kristi is also on the planning team of the Governor



selected Creative Corridor designation, the Pueblo Historic Preservation Commission and has continuous involvement with Pueblo's City Planning and Zoning Departments, Pueblo Urban Renewal Authority (PURA) the Historic Arkansas Riverwalk of Pueblo (HARP), Pueblo Economic Development Corporation (PEDCO), and the Greater Pueblo Chamber of Commerce.

Kristi, a pueblo native, enjoys spending time with family and friends, cooking, dancing, living a healthy lifestyle, traveling and making her hometown a great place to live, work and play.

Kristi is committed to promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of women, and improving the community through the effective mission, action and leadership of JLP.



Katherine Thompso 8/7 Stephanie Roman 8/13 Sommer Street 8/22 Julianna Rothbaum 8/24 Courtney Woodka 8/26 Kim Furrh Bennie Swanson 8/31 Nicole Eller



Community Impact Committee Report

Chair, Amber Latella

I am so thrilled to be starting my fourth year in the league as the Community Impact Chair! As a league we strive to provide the children of Pueblo with wonderful opportunities to succeed in education with our literacy events and educate them on ways to exercise and eat healthy! We are starting this year off with a bang! We have multiple events already on the books for the fall and the upcoming year! Kicking off the year we have four literacy events planned with the City-County Library in the fall alone! We are branching out to the other libraries in the community to hopefully reach a multitude of children we may not have been able to reach before! Be on the lookout for a sign up genius that will be sent out before the first meeting starts! The first literacy event is August 17th at the Lamb Library! I hope to see you all there!

We have also been working hard all summer planning events with the library to coincide with the "All Pueblo Reads" program. This year the library district has out done themselves and has the author of "The Help" Kathryn Stockett set to come and speak about her book that has become famous worldwide! To correspond with this the league has committed to put on multiple programs during the weeks (October 4th – November 10th) of "All Pueblo Reads." Not only are we doing a literacy event during this time but we are partnering with Pueblo Community College and putting on a luncheon that will serve a southern cuisine, provide etiquette classes and even teach us how to play bridge! All sticking to the theme of the book and to help us raise money to give back to the children of the community!

We have also been approached to partner with Pueblo City Schools District 60 and start a mentorship program for at risk girls in 3rd through 5th grade. With this partnership, we want to give these young ladies role models they can look up to and confide in. With this partnership we want to show them how wonderful it is to volunteer in the community, provide them with proper etiquette classes on how to conduct themselves as ladies and build their confidence and self-esteem. This is a partnership we want to continue year after year! I hope that all of you will consider being a part of this mentorship program and providing a role model for the young ladies of the community! Be on the look out to sign up at the first meeting!

Whew! There is so much already on the books! I hope everyone is as excited as I am to be giving back to the community of Pueblo and keeping up the Junior League tradition in Pueblo!



Do you know a child aged 5-18 who would like to participate in the Pueblo Kids Health Challenge? It is a fun and free program that encourages kids to volunteer, make healthy food choices and exercise. Visit their Facebook page!

Visit our website: www.pueblohealthchallenge.org

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Communications Committee Report

Chair, Sommer Street

Welcome back ladies! I am excited to start a new league year as your Communications Chair!

The Communications Committee is small but we are mighty. If you would like to add anything to the monthly newsletter, weekly email blasts, website or Facebook please let me know. The newsletter deadline is the 15^{th} of each month.

We are also open to new ideas for promoting JL – so if you have any ideas, suggestions, etc. please feel free to email me at <u>streets269@hotmail.com</u>

Looking forward to a great year and helping better the children in our community!







Funds Committee Report

Chair, Lyndsey Leffler

Ladies! We are gearing up for what looks to be the best year yet! I am so excited to see which lovely ladies will be on funds committee for hard work, money making and, as always, a ton of fun!

I am currently looking for a chairwoman for our fall fundraiser which will tentatively take place on November 2nd. We will be having this year's event at Pueblo Community College and the theme is a Southern Ladies Luncheon. This event is the weekend before the author of the book "The Help" will be visiting the Pueblo Library so we are excited to get this town in the southern frame of mind. Talks have already begun around the event but I need someone who is ready to run with the idea. Everyone put on your high heels, pearls, and dresses!

I have several exciting ventures that I want to accomplish this year and I am looking forward to working with ladies from years past and our new provisional class. I hope you have a great summer ladies, see you soon!

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.

2012-2013 End of Year Dinner!

On May 7th the league gathered at Cock and Bull Tavern for the End of Year Dinner to celebrate a successful JLP year! The end of year dinner started with Mexican food, drinks, reminiscing and socializing. Our evening was extra special with the company of several of our sustainer members joining us to celebrate the leagues accomplishments. Several of these marvelous ladies were recognized for their years of service. Maggie Divelbiss was honored with 50 years of service, what an empowering moment for us all! Our board sustainer representative Corinne Koehler was awarded our Sustainer of the Year award. She always supports us, kept us on our toes and always has the organizations best interest at heart. She is truly a remarkable woman and role model.

We continued our awards ceremony with celebrating our Provisional of the Year, Jessi Ones. Jessi worked hard on various projects, helped with several events and was always willing to help with any questions and ideas throughout the year. She will be moving to our GNO chair this year bringing a vision and enthusiasm to our 10th Annual GNO. She will be in great company with her fellow GNO co-chair/membership chair and Active of the Year Mande Mathews. Mande has really jumped on board this last year with co-chairing our biggest fundraiser GNO all while still finding time to help volunteer for other events throughout the year and always there to lend a helpful hand or great ideas and advice. Her passion, professionalism and outgoing personality create for a pleasant and rewarding volunteer environment.

The evening ended with our enormous thanks and farewell to our outgoing President Kristen Spicola. She had a truly inspiring, successful year and ending on a high note of being nominated for the Outstanding Woman's Award!



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Recipe from Adobe Oven Cookbook

Party Hamburgers

l b hamburger
 cup soft bread crumbs
 ½ tablespoons catsup
 egg, slightly beaten
 4 teaspoon salt

2/3 cup coarsely grated Cheddar cheese
2 ¹/₂ tablespoons chopped green bell pepper
1 tablespoon chopped onion
¹/₄ cup bottled lemon juice
8 strips of bacon

Mix all ingredients together except lemon juice and bacon. Let stand 10 minutes to stiffen. Add bottled lemon juice and mix well. Divide into 8 patties and wrap a strip of bacon and secure with a toothpick. Broil either inside or on a charcoal outside. Serves 8.

Punky Robbe

