



**JUNIOR LEAGUE OF
PUEBLO**

Women building better communities

The Pueblícatíon

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October Calendar



General Membership
Meeting

Tuesday, Oct 8th
5:30PM - Social
5:45PM - Meeting

Old Towne Carriage
House
102 S. Victoria Ave.

The Community Impact
Committee will
provide
refreshments

Babysitter will
be available

Fall Family Social

Saturday, October 26th
11:30AM - 2 pm
DiTomaso Farms
37143 E. US Highway 50



We will take a step back in time and play some "old school" games; bean bag toss, potato sack races, three legged races and a pumpkin decorating contest!!

A Sign-Up Genius will be sent out - please RSVP.

Membership Committee Report

Chair, Mande Mathews

Happy September!!

The Membership Committee is hard at work planning our Fall Social, which will take place right after the Provisional Monster 5K race on October 26th from 11:30 - 2:00 at DiTomaso Farms. Come enjoy the afternoon with your families in your best Halloween costume for the costume contest. We will take a step back in time and play some "old school" games; bean bag toss, potato sack races, three legged races and a pumpkin decorating contest. Look for the potluck sign up in the next couple of weeks.

The Provisional class continues to work hard and meet biweekly as they are planning and organizing their Provisional project, The Monster 5K/Dash. Mark your calendars to come out and run, walk or help the Provisional put on this exciting event for October 26th at 9:00am at DiSanti Farms. They are currently looking for sponsors for the event, sponsor forms are on their Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/MonsterDashPueblo>)."



Great opportunities to help others seldom come, but small ones surround us every day.

Sally Koeh

**Good as Gold
Award**



**Congratulations
Courtney
Woodka for her
hard work at the
1st Literacy
Event! We
appreciate all
Courtney does
for JL of Pueblo!**

Letter from the President

Nicole Stout

We are falling into our league year full force with passion and devotion for the upcoming year. The season changes bring the colorful, cooler Colorado weather upon us. We all settle into our busy life schedules with children in school, work, numerous activities (my favorite being football) and of course Halloween. As a league we are already on a fearless start to our frightening fabulous year.

Our league year has been kicked off with enthusiastic members ready to tackle all our commitments to our community this year. A couple of highly successful literacy events have already been achieved for our first month with a few left to treat the community. The literacy event is actually the event contributor for our leagues first Good as Gold award to provisional, Courtney Woodka. Congratulations Courtney, big thank you for your dedication and hard work on the literacy event.

The community impact committee has been hard at work showing our community what Junior League is all about, being leaders to children in our community while giving back at the same time. They have been working with several ideas for the year including: All Pueblo Reads programs, upcoming Mentor program with District 60 third grade girls and of course our 3rd Annual Kids in the Kitchen program scheduled for January. The KITK committee have already been working together to find new ideas to entertain and educate our children in the community. This event is the largest community impact event we put on for our community so be sure to be looking for more details for the January fun-filled event.

These events wouldn't be possible to fund if it wasn't for the eagerness of our Funds committee. The Funds committee is working diligently on new and unique idea for our Fall Fundraiser, and details will be provided soon. Our Girls Night Out chairs is off to a roaring start, planning our 10th annual largest fundraising event. I can't wait to see what they build onto this event making it a smashing success. The funds chair and GNO chairs will be keeping us all updated on future planning meetings when they are ready to open it up to everyone for their creative ideas and helping hands.

All our events and funds wouldn't be possible without all of YOU, the membership. This year's membership provisional class is such a go-getting and gifted group of ladies. They have been working assiduously on their provisional class project, Monster Dash 5K October 26th 9am at DiSanti Farms. This thrilling family event is going to be a dress in your favorite costume ghoulish good time. "Clothes make a statement. Costumes tell a story." Come share your story with all of us at our Fall Family Social following the 5K Monster Dash, where we will head over to DiTomaso Farms for our annual family event. This is when we can get our entire families together to mingle with each other; the kids can be entertained with old time games and pumpkin picking. We will enjoy spooky delicious treats and maybe a few tricks!

So with all our events coming up this next month and in the near future we need to remember to utilize our communications committee, these ladies don't skip a beat. They are always keeping us all informed and our community. Remember to also check your SOYH Monday's, newsletters monthly, like our Facebook and check out our website jlofpueblo.org. Finally I just want you all to know I'm always here for questions, concerns and open to new ideas. Please never hesitate to reach out to me I'm here to support you, the league and this community. "The world is hugged by the faithful arms of volunteers."

Nicole Stout-JLP President



Community Impact Committee Report

Chair, Amber Latella

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!**

We have had such an exciting month in Community Impact! We hosted another successful literacy event at the Pueblo West Library. There were over 40 children that attended and took home a free book and learned about the Pueblo Kids Health Challenge! We have also started to plan our largest Community Impact event, Kids in the Kitchen! Our chairs, April Elkins, Kim Young and Brooke Williams are already hard at work planning another successful event! I am super excited to see this event grow year after year!

We have two more literacy events in October to get event points for working. The next one is at the Barkman library on October 5th and the last one of the season is at the Rawlings library on October 15th. Make sure to mark your calendars and save the date! Be on the lookout for signups being sent out shortly!

Funds Committee Report

Chair, Lyndsey Leffler

Ladies,

I regret to inform you all that we will be canceling the current fall fundraiser idea. We don't feel that we should continue down the luncheon path for this year. However, I am definitely interested in any other ideas for a fall fundraiser! Let's get our gears turning and come up with a new idea to get moving on right away. Let's keep in mind that we cannot fund our other community efforts without these fundraisers. We will be having a funds committee meeting after the next general membership meeting so please bring ideas and enthusiasm!


Fundraising is the gentle art of teaching the joy of giving. - Hank Rosso

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October Birthdays



10/3	Michelle Gallina
10/4	Kenda Bloder
10/5	Corinne Koehler
10/16	Holly Smith
10/26	Louise Keach
10/31	Sandra Proud

Dates to Remember



Saturday, October 5th
Literacy Event
Barkman Library

Thursday, October 10th
11:30AM
Sustainer Luncheon
Steelworks Museum

Saturday, October 26th
Provisional Monster Dash & Fall Social

Communications Committee Report

Chair, Sommer Street

The communications committee is enjoying learning more about our actives and sustainers with the monthly spotlights. We hope you enjoy them as well!

Watch your email for more information if you are interested in ordering a JL shirt! I hope to have this information out to the league soon!

JLP will also be teaming up again with the Latino Chamber to host the Happy Hour in January. More details soon!

If you haven't checked out the JLP website or Facebook please take a moment to do so and if you have any suggestions for changes please let us know.

"Like" JLP of Pueblo on Facebook!!!

Sustainer Fall Luncheon!

The Sustainer Fall Luncheon will be held Thursday, October 10, 2013 at 11:30 a.m. at the Steelworks Museum. Cost will be \$15.00 per person. **RSVP by October 4th to Anne at the Junior League Office, 542-0491.**

Presentation by the Steelworks Museum and then attendees can tour the museum. It will be a great lunch so please plan to attend if you can!



JLP has a new Community Impact program! Pueblo Kids Health Challenge (PKHC) is committed to the children of Pueblo County by encouraging all to move more, volunteer often, and live well. We provide families an incentive for their children to eat healthy, exercise, and volunteer. Families log their healthy lifestyle choices for the month, and at the end of the month PKHC awards one child a prize in the form of outdoor play toys or a gift card to a sports store.

Visit our website: www.pueblohealthchallenge.org

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Active Spotlight by Amanda McPherson

Melissa Santistevan

This month's Active Spotlight belongs to our very own Melissa Santistevan. As many of you know Melissa is usually the author of the Active Spotlights, but we decided to give her a little break this month. Well actually I tried to convince her to write her own.... Obviously that didn't work. Ha!



Melissa was born and raised in Lamar, CO, but has lived in Pueblo for 14 years. Melissa married Jason Santistevan seven years ago. They have a beautiful two year old daughter Bristle, who is the love of their life. Melissa is alumna of CSU-Pueblo with a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration/Business Management. She is currently employed as an Executive Assistant to two of the VPs at Parkview Medical Center. Melissa has worked at Parkview for eight years. She says it has been a fun, challenging, and rewarding career so far.

This is Melissa's fourth year in Junior League. She joined Junior League to meet new friends and give back to the community. Melissa has enjoyed meeting all of the members and working next to fun, smart and energetic ladies. She cherishes the friendships she has made and enjoys learning how everyone else got to where they are today.

Melissa is also involved in numerous committees at Parkview including Employee Recognition Committee, Relay for Life Team and United Way team member. She has also been involved in the Corporate Cup. She most recently completed the 5k for the Corporate Cup.

Melissa loves spending time with her little family. No matter if they are out on the lake or spending a lazy day at home. She loves being outdoors, boating, traveling and working out. Melissa would like people to know that she considers herself shy at first, but once you get to know her you better watch out! Melissa is a positive, hard-working, down to earth girl who is all about having fun!

One of Melissa's favorite quotes is "Surround yourself with people who take their work seriously, but not themselves, those who work hard and play hard." –Colin Powell

Melissa is a great friend and is someone you can always count on! She is one that I know if I personally need anything I can call and she would be there to help me in a heartbeat! Melissa and I have been friends for many years and look forward to the fun times that are in our future. I hope one day she will get to have her dream vacation home on the beach!!

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.



Sustainer Spotlight by Donna Souder

Corinne Koehler

Corinne Koehler was born in Eau Claire, Wisconsin and was raised on a dairy farm outside of Sand Creek, WI. Corinne's husband, Dennis, is a retired CPA, and though they have no children, they love their two obnoxious but beautiful cats.

Corinne graduated from University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire with a Bachelors of Science degree and has been a financial planner and stock broker for more than 32 years. She is currently self-employed with Koehler Wealth Management/Wells Fargo Advisors-Finet. Corinne has been a member of Junior League for 28 years, and she was pleased to serve as President in 1986-87.

Like many women, Corinne joined Junior League of Pueblo as a way to get more involved in the community and meet other young women leaders. Corinne explains, "I always enjoyed the training opportunities offered by AJLI and JLP and recently enjoyed being on the board as the sustainer representative. The women had such enthusiasm and energy! It was a great experience being part of it."

Corinne's service to the Junior League led to many other roles in the community. Over the years, she has served on the Bessemer Historical Society/Steelworks Museum and CF&I archives board – a board for which she was president for several years. She also served on the Historic Pueblo, Inc. board, on the Pueblo City Council, the Pueblo Zoo board, Greater Pueblo Chamber of Commerce, El Pueblo Boys and Girls Ranch, CASA, Rotary 43, and many others. Service to her community is clearly an important part of Corinne's life.

Corinne and Dennis love to travel, read, walk (and pick up trash!), and garden. She says, "This year we went to Cuba and enjoyed seeing the country before it will change in the next few years. It was a walk back in time: no coffee shops, discount stores, new cars, or other luxuries we enjoy at home today." Currently she and Dennis are taking horseback riding lessons, "...so we can go on a trek across Mongolia next summer! There are still so many places to visit, and the list keeps getting longer – not shorter."

Corinne explains that she is most proud of the progress she was able to make in saving the history of CF&I – and the stories and pictures of all of the people who worked at the mill, mines, hospital, Steel "Y," company stores, and the histories of their families. Of course, Corinne knows that there is lots more to do, "...but we saved the archives from the trash dump!"

Corinne believes that you should always make a decision and then move on, but the motto she lives her life by is summed up quite simply: "Do it today, because you might not get another chance."

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 jlpooffice@qwestoffice.net

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Recipe from Adobe Oven Cookbook

Pumpkin Cookies

1 cup butter or shortening	1 cup sugar	Icing:
1 cup pumpkin	1 egg	½ cup brown sugar
1 teaspoon vanilla	2 cups flour	¼ cup milk
1 teaspoon baking powder	1 teaspoon soda	3 tablespoons butter
1 teaspoon cinnamon	½ teaspoon salt	¾ teaspoon vanilla
½ cup dates or raisins (optional)	½ cup nuts (optional)	1 cup confectioners' sugar

Work butter until creamy. Gradually blend in sugar until smooth. Add pumpkin, egg and vanilla and mix well. Sift dry ingredients together and add in raisins and dates or nuts if desired. Drop by teaspoon onto cookie sheet and bake for 10 to 15 minutes at 375 degrees, or until golden brown. Cool on rack.

To prepare icing, combine brown sugar, milk and butter in saucepan and cook for two minutes. Remove from heat and stir in vanilla and confectioners' sugar to spreading consistency.

Makes 50

Pat Siemsen