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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

MANDE MATHEWS

We, The Junior League of Pueblo, spend a fair amount of time talking about where we've been, where we are, and where we want to go. This month, as we celebrate our 40th year anniversary there's a lot of worthy things to remember. First is our founding in 1937 as the Service League of Pueblo with the Pueblo Day Nursery as its signature project. **Then in February 1977, the Service League joined the membership of Association of Junior Leagues and became the 233rd League in the Association.** Since the inception of the Junior League of Pueblo, we have worked as leaders in our community to found the now named Buell Children's Museum, Teen Outreach, Kids on the Block, Book swaps, Leadership training with our members attending AJLI meetings and trainings, Girls Day Out which later was adopted by Girls Night Out, Literacy programs and our signature event, Kids in the Kitchen. The dozens of other nonprofits we've aided, and most of all, the countless women who've served as a catalyst of lasting change for a better Pueblo community. The more I learn about our legacy, history, and the accomplishments of the women of the Junior League of Pueblo, the more impressed I am by all that we have achieved. I am proud to be able to count myself a member of this amazing organization. I am humbled that our members have entrusted their leadership to me during this celebratory year.

No matter whom you are –whether a Sustainer, an Active, a New Member, or a friend of the Junior League who supports our work – you can feel proud that your membership and support of JLP has made a difference to our members and our community for the last 40 years! It is a year to be proud of all of our accomplishments of our past leaders and members that have brought us this far and helped us serve, lead,

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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.

OUR GOALS

- 1 Provide volunteers and funds to support programs that address the needs of families and children
- 2 Provide training that prepares women to be effective volunteers and leaders in the community
- 3 Provide an environment that incorporates diversity in its membership
- 4 Create community awareness about the needs of young children

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and impact our community. I have witnessed this firsthand, through our voluntarism, development and support of our various programs, projects and events, and the donations of time and funds to further our mission in the community. But this isn't an organization sitting on its laurels, I'm excited about where our work of today will take us tomorrow and over the next 40 years!

I am constantly amazed by the dedication, selflessness, strategic-thinking, generosity, and wisdom of our 130+ members. Each of you, have demonstrated that you are dedicated to the training that makes you a better volunteer and civic leader, dedicated to each other, and the work we do together. Every day that I get to work with a member of our Board, meet a committee chair that shares her plans of empowering her team to make their mark this year, talk with a new member that shares her wisdom and perspective coming into the League, or any of the varied members that I see working, communicating, and mapping out how she will not only develop her potential in our organization but also impact our community through her efforts...EACH of those days is a day of pure JOY for me. I am inspired and motivated by each of YOU!

So, to each one of you, THANK YOU for your support of JLP. Your membership and your financial support continue to make this organization a vital part of the Pueblo community, and for another outstanding 40 years to come!

Sincerely,
Mande Mathews, President

FEBRUARY GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Tuesday, February 21st at 5:30 PM

St. Peter's Church

3939 W. Pueblo Blvd.

Pueblo CO 81005

PLEASE NOTE: Change of Date.

It is the 3rd Tuesday of February.

ACTIVE SPOTLIGHT

CHARNELL HALL MAYER

This Spotlight is to introduce the marvelous Charnell Hall Mayer. Charnell was born and raised in Pueblo, and enjoys the close relationships, sense of community and food of her hometown. She has lived in Pueblo here whole life, excluding a short time when she attended Washington State. While representing the Cougars she earned a Bachelors of Arts in Public Relations. Charnell and her husband (Brian) own and run Thornton Wheelchairs Plus, and have two children, Brian (10) and Grace(7).

Charnell joined the Junior League of Pueblo four years ago after being encouraged by Evelyn Clayton and Kristen Spicola. She finds the most fulfilling part of the league to



be "seeing the difference we make in the community in many different aspects. Together we are one strong and forceful group of women who accomplish a ton every year!". Charnell is also an active member of the Pueblo Community College Foundation Board, St. Mary-Corwin Health Foundation Board, and a Sunset Park Elementary volunteer.

Charnell's favorite quote mimics her personality as a go-getter, "Every morning in Africa a gazelle wakes up and knows he must outrun the fastest lion or he will be eaten. Every morning a lion wakes and knows he must outrun the slowest gazelle or he will starve to death. It doesn't matter if you're a gazelle or a lion when the sun comes up you better be running!!"

Written by Brittany Jones

Interview by Jenny Smith

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MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

JESSI ONES

Recruitment season in full swing; Social and Information Night scheduled

January beckons for many winter wants – snow, skiing, and hot chocolate. It also calls for Pueblo’s brightest, and most big-hearted, ambitious female leaders, as we officially begin the recruitment season for the Junior League of Pueblo.



If you know of a woman interested in developing her leadership skills, please email the prospective member’s information to our incoming Membership Chair, Becca Aguilar, at membership.jlp@gmail.com. Please include name, address, email address, and phone number.

Prospective members will receive an email invite for two upcoming recruitment events. The first is our Annual “Ladies Who Lounge” recruitment social, scheduled from 5:30 to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, March 29, at Wine Down by the River. The casual, open-house social is a great opportunity for new members to meet League members and ask questions in a fun and comfortable setting.

The second evening, which we encourage all interested members to attend, is our Annual New Member Information Night, set for 6 p.m. on Thursday, April 28, at Park East Restaurant. During New Member Information Night, Becca will provide a detailed overview of the League, our mission, goals, committees, programming and more.

I know your friends will walk away just as I did nearly five years ago, amazed by the League’s great work. Please help Becca, as she recruits a new class of women, by extending that friendly invite to a friend, co-worker, neighbor – any eager woman who is determined to develop herself and become a change agent in our community! Happy Recruiting League Members!

New Members deliver sweet cases

New Members delivered Sweet Cases to Pueblo’s two foster agencies this month. Sweet Cases are travel bags that contain a stuffed animal, toys, hygiene kits, and other goodies for kids who arrive at the agency - often with their personal items in just a plastic bag, or sometimes, with nothing at all. In addition, the JL New Member Class has additional funds remaining that will be donated toward a youth drug prevention program. Unfortunately, foster agencies have experienced an increase in the number of kids being placed due to substance abuse in the home.



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SUSTAINER SPOTLIGHT

CORRINE KOEHLER

Let us all get to know Corrine Koehler!



Corrine Koehler has lived in Pueblo since 1972 when she moved here from Northern Wisconsin. The closest town to where she grew up was Sand Creek, with a population of 190! She has been married to her husband Dennis for 45 year, and although she does not have any children, she is the proud owner of two aging cats.

After attending college at the University of Wisconsin- Eau Claire and then the College of Financial Planning, graduating and receiving the CFP she is now a financial planner with an independent firm. She enjoys working from her office located in the Historic Union Depot.

Corrine has been with Junior League for 35 years, when asked why she joined "I joined to have volunteer opportunities and to meet more women my age." She has been thoroughly involved with the league, as she has served as the JLP president, Area VI representative, and the Sustainer Representative on the board. Her commitment did not stop there as she has served on fundraising, finance and several project committees. Corrine has a deep passion for the league and Pueblo as well; she has found the training she received has helped her serve on other boards in Pueblo, including Pueblo Conservancy Board, The levee committee, the whitewater park improvement, and has been on the board of the Steelworks Center since the beginning to help save the history of CF&I.

As for her future, she plans to work as long as her brain will allow it! She would also like to travel; this year she has two big trips planned, one to visit her ancestral home in Norway and another this fall to visit the beautiful Quebec. **Her favorite quote is "Just do it"!**

By Christine Pittman



LADIES WHO

LUNCH & LEARN

with **ANDREA ARAGON**

"Community Needs & Leadership Prep"

Tuesday, Feb. 21 | Noon - 1 p.m.
Pueblo Country Club

Junior League Active Member and United Way CEO, Andrea Aragon, will provide insight on several key topics at our next Ladies Who, which will take the format of an intimate luncheon discussion. Aragon will begin the discussion with "Pueblo's Greatest Community Needs" and provide an overview of non-profits currently at work. For those eager members wanting to step into leadership roles, Aragon - with her more than 20 years of Board service in the community - will also provide information on "Successful Board Service" and "Taking League Work to Next Level in the Community." Don't miss this chance to learn more about Pueblo's needs and how to successfully serve in leadership positions in the League and in our Community.

Register Today!



GOOD AS GOLD

TAMMI Moe

Thank you Tammi for all of your hard work kicking off the "After Thoughts" program with the Lucero Library!

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COMMUNITY IMPACT REPORT

ERICA WATTS AND KELLY MCLEAN



What a great start to the New Year we have had as a League! The Community Impact committee has a lot in store for the upcoming month. To kick off February, we have our annual event Kids in the Kitchen. Mark your calendars for February 4th. We are looking forward to having a new spin on the event this

year. Our focus this year will be solely on "healthy eating." It is going to be such a treat to offer cooking demonstrations to all the kids who attend! PCC's culinary department has been a great partner every year in helping make this event a tremendous success. The menu will feature a healthy breakfast, lunch, dinner and snack. This is a free event to everyone!

Tammi and Erica have been going full force on getting the reading group, "Afterthoughts," at the Lucero Library in order. The first session will begin February 13th. We will be reaching out to the east side community and targeting 6th grade boys from Risley Middle School. Every session the kids have the opportunity to read different various poetry with male community leaders in Pueblo. This is a new program for the League and we couldn't be more excited about this upcoming event.



As we push through the month, we continue to volunteer at the Boys & Girls club for our Fit4Fun events. We have had at least twenty kids that join us each month. Each committee has been rotating and coming up with various physical activities to get the kids blood moving before they head off to dinner. To finish up the activities, we give each participant a prize for their efforts. We enjoy seeing these bright faces each month and working with them.

FUNDS REPORT

MELISSA HODGES

The 2017 Girls Night Out Committee wants YOU!

This year's event, which is themed "A Magical Masquerade," will take place at the Pueblo Convention Center on Friday, April 14th from 5 pm - 9 pm.



We have already begun soliciting sponsors and vendors, and we need your help to reach our goals! St. Mary Corwin has returned as our Twilight hour sponsor this year with their generous donation of \$4,000. We also have several contracts already filed away from some of our previous vendors and one or two new faces as well. If you know of any businesses that would be a great match for this event, whether as a sponsor or as a vendor, please contact myself, Tara Beck or Elizabeth McCullough.

We are so excited to see what 2017 brings the Fundraising Committee and we hope you will be a part of our success!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

2/4	Lori Allen	2/15	Dorothy Turner
2/6	Tara Beck	2/16	Kathy Hylton
2/11	Kay Bartecchi	2/18	Maggie" Divelbiss
2/11	Sidney Clutter	2/19	Carrie Smith
2/11	Joan Vidmar	2/20	Brooke Williams
2/12	Amie Gohn	2/21	Evelyn Clayton
2/12	Megan Quinby	2/24	Trudy Thomas

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TREASURER REPORT

REBECCA DIAZ



How quickly a year can fly by. Now that we are officially through the holiday season and into the New Year it is important to reflect on everything that we have accomplished as individuals and as an organization of women. What goals did you set for yourself in 2016? Did you meet them? Better yet, did you smash them out of the ballpark? Remember, it isn't always about those large victories. We need to take pride in the small victories in life as well. Those are the ones that we will have much more often. Earlier in this league year several of us inventoried and organized the Junior League storage unit. Let me tell you, that was a small goal but it sure was a victory in my books!

As a league we have the benefit of only being at the half-way point in our year. We are still working towards goals established back in June and smashing them out of the ball park one at a time! With Touch-A-Truck, Monster Dash, a Cookbook Raffle, and the New Member's Holiday with Heroes event already under our belt we now look towards Girls' Night Out and all of the wonderful Community Impact events that we work so hard to fund. Every single one of our New Members, Active Members, and Sustainers have an important spot on our team and help us meet our goals.

Our league members have really stepped up to the plate when it comes to all of our Done in a Meeting drives and have collected approximately \$427 in items that have been donated to different organizations in our community. Remember ladies, this figure does not include the value of books we have given out this year. The 990 Club has received \$640 since the beginning of our league year and will hopefully become a larger piece of our league sustainability in years to come. No grants have been awarded yet but the ladies on our Funds Development committee are working hard on researching and writing grants.

This is a newer piece to our organization and they are doing a great job. Gross Fundraiser Income is at a whopping \$25,550 and this is BEFORE our largest fundraiser of the year! The MOST exciting figure I get to report on is the money spent on our mission year to date. So far the league has spent \$17,996!!! This is inclusive of scholarship, training, Vicki Clark with all of her speaking and educational events, and our New Member's donations of Sweet Cases to Foster children in our community. And those ladies aren't done yet. They still have more funds to spend and are researching where to put those dollars to work in our community. We are all so proud to have them with us as New Members in this league!

So while we are all planning our personal goals for 2017 let's keep up this pace of hitting home runs with our 2016-2017 league goals. When we work as a team for our community there is nothing that can keep us from getting the win.

Please take a moment to look at the financial charts included in this Pueblification. As always, if you have questions on anything please don't hesitate to email me at Treasurer.JLP@Gmail.com.

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| 1 12-ounce package semi-sweet chocolate chips | 2 tablespoons butter or margarine |
| 1 14-ounce can sweetened condensed milk | 1 10 ^{1/2} -ounce package miniature marshmallows |
| | 2 cups dry roasted peanuts |

In 1^{1/2} quart dish put chocolate morsels, condensed milk, and butter. Microwave one minute, stir. Microwave one more minute until mixture is smooth. Combine nuts and marshmallows or buttered 9x13-inch pan. Chill 2 hours or until firm. Cut into squares.