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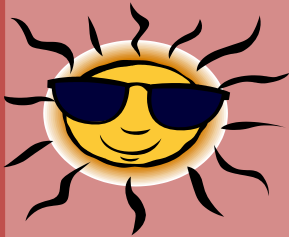
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Summer Calendar



General
Membership
Meeting

Tuesday,
August 10, 2010

5:30 – Social
5:45 – Meeting

Location to be
Announced....

The Board
Will Provide
Refreshments

Babysitter will be
available

Junior League Summer Social!

Join us for Fun, Food and Games!

Saturday, July 10th

5:00 p.m.

Fairmount Park

(29th Street & Colfax, by Morton Elementary)



*See Membership Committee Report on what you can bring!

Membership Committee Report

Chair, Jenni Denton

This year the membership committee is all about YOU! We're here to make your Junior League experience richer and more satisfying. We plan to improve our recruiting efforts (focusing both on quantity and quality of new members), ramp up our training offerings to better develop the potential of our phenomenal women, build bridges between all classes of membership through varied social activities, and more deeply engage all members to improve long-term retention rates.

We're off to a great start this year with 20 fantastic women in our Provisional Class. They have already completed their Orientation, and planning for their Provisional Project is well underway. You'll be meeting them via their written Bios over the next few Newsletters, and I hope you will be as impressed as I have been.

Our first social activity of the year is planned for Saturday, July 10th at 5 PM. This casual summer get-together will be held in Fairmount Park (29th and Colfax). The membership committee will provide burgers and brats, community programs and funds will provide a side dish, communications will provide the paper goods and provisionals will entice us with a dessert. Bring your own beverages; your significant other to help man the grills; your kids to enjoy the outdoor games; and your favorite potluck side or dessert to share.

We're always looking for your suggestions regarding speakers / trainings to occur at our general membership meetings... and in general, we'll be looking for your input and feedback on the membership experience throughout the year. So please let us know whenever you have a membership idea. Remember... we're all about you!

Letter from the President

Liz Marco

Dear Members,

The summer has just begun and already the new members of the Board have been hard at work! We have had two new member orientations this spring, twenty provisionals have been trained and are already planning their provisional project. The Board will retreat in July to plan for the coming league year. Our focus will be on league goals, yearly budget and our strategic plan.

Strategic planning connects us from one year to the next by helping us set goals that define how we will move toward our mission. The goals are expectations and opportunities involving multiple areas of the League and our future direction. As part of our planning session we will include an annual review of the Bylaws, as well as an evaluation of our past year goals and their outcome. Each of us has the responsibility to contribute to the accomplishment of these goals.

Serving as president gives one a rare view of our organization; its strengths and potential, the ways it has grown, and new directions for future growth. I ask each of you to remember our purpose, which is, to be an organization of women committed to promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of women, and to improving the community through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers.

As we move forward in this year I welcome each of you, and I challenge each of you to find your enthusiasm for the League and for the community we serve. With your commitment, our League will continue to move forward and to be a strong heartbeat in the community. Finally, please know that if you have a question or a concern, give me a call or send me an email. Thank you for your dedication and commitment to the League and I look forward to working with all of you.

Sincerely,

Liz Marco, President

Funds Committee Report

Chair, Sommer Street

Hello everyone! I am very excited to be the Funds Committee Chair this year and can't wait to get started! Girls Night Out 2011 is already being planned and new Planners are being ordered soon! Lots of great things already happening...and tons more on the horizon! I will be emailing my committee soon so we can get started on planning our funds events for the 2010-2011 league year!



See you all soon... Have a great rest of the summer!



"Don't ever question the value of volunteers. Noah's Ark was built by volunteers; the Titanic was built by professionals"
~ Author Unknown



Get to Know the New Provisional Class

Jamie Caldwell

I was born and raised in Pueblo and I am very proud of my community and everything that it has to offer. I have been married for seven years to my amazing husband Jim and I am the lucky mother of my daughter Ally. My family is also expecting our second daughter this July. My full-time job is a stay-at-home mom, or as I like to title my position, a domestic engineer. My part-time jobs are helping my husband with our home theater and electrical businesses and helping at our church where I teach catechism.

I am very passionate about spending time with my family and when life allows, my friends. When I can find the time, I love to run, read, watch movies, play poker, and many other letting loose activities. I enjoy having purpose in my life and therefore everything I do, whether it be reading a bedtime story to my daughter or organizing a family reunion, I do it all with great intent and enthusiasm.

Krystan Stinemetz

I've been in Pueblo for eight years and love this city!! I've been Branch Manager with Select Staffing for five years. I have the benefit daily of giving applicants jobs that otherwise may not be employed. I'm an ambassador for the Pueblo Greater Chamber of Commerce and love being involved with the community. I look forward to joining the Junior League Team!!!



Midori Clark was born in Japan, grew up (mostly) in Greeley and located to Pueblo in 2000. She's worked as a journalist, public relations and marketing professional for nearly 15 years; most recently as Pueblo City-County Library District's community relations manager. Prior to that, she worked as a reporter and anchor for southern Colorado's number-one news station, KOAA News

First 5. Midori graduated from the University of Southern California, where she was a Gamma Phi Beta, and enjoys cheering on her beloved USC Trojans during football season. She recently received her Master's degree from the University of Denver. Midori is committed to a better Pueblo, and practices this philosophy through her volunteer commitments. She is a director on the boards of the Sangre de Cristo Art and Conference Center, Southern Colorado Community Foundation and Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Pueblo, of which she was chair from 2007 to 2010. Additionally, she serves as a commissioner for the Urban Renewal Authority of Pueblo and is the immediate past president of the Kiwanis Club of Pueblo. Midori is also the secretary for Pueblo's own Fair Ladies.

Midori's most exciting news of 2009 was her marriage to attorney Jim Oliver and becoming a step mom to his three wonderful children Brett, age 14, Hannah, age 12, and Lauren, age 9. Her immediate family is rounded out by Frankie and Biscuit, the cutest darn mini dachshunds in the world! Midori loves to sign karaoke, watch Glee and Lost, design stuff, drink wine and plan tennis (but not necessarily in that order). Midori is definitely a Mac (not a PC). She looks forward to getting to you know everyone better and making the days brighter for Pueblo's women and children!

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Andrea Rizzi

I am originally from Pueblo, Colorado. I graduated from South High School in 2003 and went on to further my education immediately after high school and graduated from Colorado State University-Pueblo in 2008. I obtained my degree and I'm presently a Kindergarten teacher at Minnequa Elementary School. I love to inspire and explain concepts to my students, so teaching suites me well!

I am thrilled to join Junior League! I have joined the PBS team and CHAMPS team at my school, but I have never been a part of an organization as significant or as large as Junior League. I am a huge supporter of literacy. I also feel that the goals of Junior League follow along with my daily goals in my classroom. I am honored and excited to learn, grow, and make new friends from this experience.

Michelle Massingill

I grew up an Army brat, spending most of my childhood living on the east coast (Massachusetts, North Carolina, and Georgia). My parents settled the family in Pueblo West right in time for me to start high school and I was part of the first graduating class from Pueblo West High. After high school, I attended Colorado State University in Fort Collins and graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Psychology. After college, I worked as a financial advisor for New England Financial for several years, before making the move to Wells Fargo, where I currently work as a banker.

Lindsey Cochell

I am 28 years old, originally from Springfield, CO. I have lived in Pueblo for 10 years and graduated from PCC in 2006. I am currently employed as a Physical Therapist Assistant at Southern Colorado Clinic. My hobbies include any activity in the mountains, golf, karaoke, spending time with friends and family, and my kitty Kal.



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.

Heather Dilorio



I am originally from Aurora but moved to Pueblo with my family in 1999. I attended South High School and graduated in 2004. Following high school, I attended Colorado State University-Pueblo and graduated in 2008 with a degree in Mass Communications with an emphasis in Public Relations and Advertising. After graduation, I was hired at Power Credit Union as the Marketing Coordinator for all locations. Over the past two years, I have learned so much about the credit union movement. I enjoy my job because I truly believe in the philosophy "people helping people".

Besides working at Power Credit Union, I have volunteered at Neighbor Works and have participated in Operation Paintbrush for the past three years, and enjoy participating in charity walks. I am excited to become a part of the Junior League because of what it stands for. I am also anxious to learn more about how I can better the community and promote change.

Birthdays

May



- 05/01 Noelle Fiorenzi
- Barbara Vidmar
- 05/06 Lindsay Pechek
- 05/08 Rogene Armstrong
- 05/12 Lindsey Cochell
- Doreen Martinez
- 05/14 Anne Weierbach
- 05/15 Kristen Clason
- 05/17 Martha Whitlock
- MaraBeth Rheaume
- 05/21 Ann Hudson
- 05/23 Marjorie Parlapiano
- 05/28 Jennifer Gallagher
- 05/29 Janet Smith
- 05/30 Kyle Christian
- Cathy Krause
- Stacy Laigo
- 05/31 Kris Hartman

June



- 06/02 Janell Newton
- Kelly Kenney
- 06/11 Mary Jo Ryals
- 06/12 Lynette Bonfiglio-
- Mitchell
- 06/13 Lisa Simonich
- 06/14 Alyson Gibson
- 06/18 Marge Mastrini
- 06/20 Suzanne Anton
- 06/21 Joyce Scott
- 06/27 Lori Curtis
- 06/28 Janna Nolt

July



- 07/03 Heather Hull
- 07/05 Andrea Rizzi
- 07/07 Linda Garcia
- 07/26 Jamie Caldwell
- 07/27 Felecia Black
- 07/29 Lea Ann Turner



April Elkins

I am new to Pueblo. My husband and I moved here from Denver in January for his job. I am originally from Amarillo, TX. I have an 11-month-old son named Miles, who is lots of fun! I love to cook, travel, shop, exercise, spend time with my family and work on anything creative! I especially love making cards and invitations.

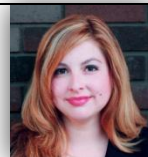
I got my Bachelor's Degree in Psychology at Baylor University and my Master's at SMU in Clinical/Counseling Psychology. I have worked as a counselor doing individual, family, group and play therapy. Although I enjoy counseling, my real love is teaching, and I recently got my Colorado teaching license with an emphasis on early childhood education. I have worked almost exclusively for non-profit organizations, usually involving children. I am thrilled to be a part of the Junior League and am excited that the focus is on children's literacy and wellness because I really have a heart for children!

Amber Latella



I have recently relocated to Pueblo from Columbus, Ohio. Hailing from the Buckeye State, I am a diehard Ohio State fan!!! I am learning everyday what a wonderful community Pueblo is and am excited to learn even more in the near months. I recently started working for Select Staffing as an Account Sales Rep and am grateful for such a wonderful opportunity! I love meeting and interacting with people and am excited to join such a wonderful organization!

Maria Sanchez-Kennedy...



is the manager of the Info Zone News Museum, a division of the Pueblo City-County Library. She has a Degree in Anthropology from the University of New Mexico and a Masters in Museum Science from Texas Tech. Maria serves on the board of McClelland School and the Mountain Park Environmental Center and serves as an appointed member of the City of Pueblo Streetscape Advisory Committee. Maria is engaged to Jeff Tucker and planning her September 4th wedding. She enjoys spending time with her almost five-year-old daughter.



Kristen Clason

I was born May 15, 1985 and was raised here in Pueblo. My mom and brother live in Denver and my dad lives here in Pueblo. I attended John Neumann Catholic School from Kindergarten to 8th grade. Throughout my elementary and middle school career I stayed active in dancing with Sarah Shaw Dance Studio and played soccer for the YMCA. My 6th grade year was the first year to attend my first dance competition in Denver. I joined South High School in August 2000 and kept up with all my academics and competed in Las Vegas as a dancer with Sarah Shaw. I graduated 5 months early in December of 2003 but did walk in the graduation ceremony in May 2004. I moved out with my boyfriend and decided to attend Real Estate College to get my license. Though I haven't received my license yet, I do work at a real estate firm supporting multiple agents. I have been in my career for over 5 years and I love every minute of it!

I met my boyfriend, Eric Gadd, in the summer leading into my junior year. We've been together for 7 ½ years and counting! We both enjoy motorcycles, drag racing, working in our yard, and most of all hanging out with our friends. We have 4 dogs, Lil Joey, Blizzy, Boy, and Oscar. We also have a cat named Bubba. I'm fun, exciting, and perky and I love getting to know new people. I'm very excited to join the JL Team!



Angelina Duran

I am honored to be a new member of Junior League! As a young professional it is invigorating to know that a prestigious group of women are dedicated to the youth in our community. I grew up in Pueblo and graduated from East High School. I ventured out of Pueblo for college and graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Psychology and an Education of Science in School Psychology at Pueblo City Schools. I am addicted to learning and continue my education with a recent completion of Principal endorsement at Adams State College and continue to work on my Ph.D. in Organizational Psychology with a hopefully expectation of graduation in Spring 2011. With 12 years of various experiences working with children and families, I am excited to be part of a team that will give back to the youth in Pueblo.



Amanda McPherson is currently the Senior Internal Auditor for Colorado East Bank & Trust. She has been in the audit profession since May 2002. Amanda is involved with the Colorado Springs Chapter of the Institute of Internal Auditors since its formation in February 2008 as the Chapter Treasurer. Amanda received her certification as a Certified Community Bank Internal Auditor (CCBIA) in September 2006.

Amanda stays busy outside of work by keeping up with her husband, Cody, and their two boys, Clayton, age 6 1/2, and Jesse, 23 months. Cody is a superintendent for Pioneer West Homes. Clayton is finishing up Kindergarten and playing t-ball. Jesse is a typical little boy who is into EVERYTHING and thinks he can do everything that big brother and dad do.

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!

Communications Committee Report

Chair, Kristen Spicola

I hope everyone is having a wonderful summer! I'm very excited to begin another League year. Our provisional class is amazing this year and I look forward to working with them and serving as the new chair on this committee! There will be new and exciting things to come from communications committee!

Best wishes for a healthy, fun and relaxing summer!!!!

Community Programs Committee Report

Chair, Doreen Martinez

I hope that you all are having a wonderful summer! I am very excited to begin a new League year, get to know all of our provisional members, and reconnect with all of our active members.

I am confident that the upcoming League year will bring us many exciting opportunities to serve our community and to grow as a League.

See you all at the summer social!



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Recipe from the Adobe Oven Cookbook

Sour Cream Halibut

1 cup white wine	½ cup sour cream
1 teaspoon salt	¼ cup chopped onions
1 pound fish fillet (halibut)	Bread crumbs
1 cup mayonnaise	Paprika

Mix wine and salt, add fish and marinate 2 hours minimum
(I prefer all day).

Drain fish on paper towel. Dip both sides in bread crumbs
and place in greased baking dish.

Mix mayonnaise, sour cream and onions and spread over
fish. Sprinkle bread crumbs thickly on top and sprinkle with
paprika.

Bake at 500 degrees for 10 minutes or until fish flakes with a
fork.

Sandy Stein



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