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Leadership Park City

February 2015

*Over Twenty Years....and Still Connecting
Live PC...Lead PC*



What's Up With Mike Luers (8)

Mike Luers (8) has been in Park City since 2001. Born in Cincinnati, Ohio, Mike lived in Arkansas for many years before relocating to Park City to take a position with Snyderville Basin Water Reclamation District (SBWRD).



Being the General Manager of SBWRD in one of the driest of all 50 states has to be challenging. SBWRD provides wastewater (sewer) service to the Snyderville Basin/Park City area. Culinary and drinking water is provided by a number of water companies in our area while SBWRD treats the used or "lumpy" water. ***"Our job is to protect human health and the environment,"*** explained Mike ***"One of our biggest challenges is the lack of water in our area. Most people are not aware that with the ever increasing population, most...if not all of the locally available water has been diverted (collected) by water providers and used by all of us. This has resulted in very little water left in our local streams to sustain local fish populations and the ecosystem as a whole, especially in the summer."***

"Local streams have and will continue, at times, to run dry since no water has been set aside for the benefit of the streams," explained Mike. With this in mind, SBWRD continues to provide ever increasing advanced treatment of wastewater. The wastewater is treated and then placed back into our local streams for downstream users. ***"Advanced treatment is expensive,"*** added Mike

Along with the challenges come rewards. ***"The most rewarding aspects of my job is to watch our dedicated staff not just meet the required water quality standards but to watch them go well beyond what is required to treat the wastewater to a level that is helpful to our local environment. It is also rewarding to know that our customers understand that it is important to protect our local environment and are willing to pay for those projects and extra efforts."***

It's been 13 years since Mike's leadership experience but he has done a great job of staying connected by attending many of the alumni events and activities. ***"I didn't know much about the Leadership program before being accepted. Thus, I did not have any expectations. By far, the greatest benefit has been the networking and getting to truly 'know' other people that I would not have met otherwise."***

Mike would like fellow alumni to know how important it is that wastewater be treated and recycled. ***"We need to prevent our local streams from drying up."***

Water is Part of the Fun



Fortunately, Mike is able to enjoy all the regular Park City activities such as Mountain biking, hiking and skiing and other adventures, including SCUBA diving when he gets the chance.

Mike's philosophy is summed up in a quote from Helen Keller...***"Life is either a daring adventure or nothing."***

Thanks to Mike and the SBWRD staff for the important work they do to preserve our streams and ecosystems.

Community Lecture Coming Up

Leadership Park City, The Park City School District and The Park City Educational Foundation invite you to the 21st Community Leadership Lecture on **Monday, March 16 at 7 pm at the Park City High School Lecture Hall (not Eccles Center)**. The lecture is free and open to the public.



Dr. Houston will be available for a roundtable discussion on the future of American education from 4-6 pm. All Leadership Park City alumni are invited to attend this roundtable discussion along with other invited guests. Any alumni who attend the roundtable session are also invited to join the current Leadership class for dinner from 6-7 pm.

RSVPs are not necessary for the 7 pm lecture, however, if you plan to attend the roundtable session and dinner....you must RSVP by Monday, March 9 to bbretz56@msn.com.

Twenty-one Years & Counting

Class VIII Profile

Becky Woolley, Claudia McMullin, Claudia Mejia, Cynthia Schiesswohl, Ed Clouse, Geoffrey Buchheister, Ginger Tolman, Jeanne Lehan, Jeff Loudon, Jennifer Franklin, Jim Barth, Jim Revel, Joe Kernan, Julie Pace Ekness, Kathleen Metcalf, Lynn Goss, Mark Billmire, Michael Luers, Mike Washington, Pat Drewry Sanger, Rob Petrinovic, Scott Adelman, Scott Siemon, Stacia Smith, Susan Most Shaffer Revel, Todd Hood, Todd Wallick, Wendy Cryan.

Class VIII Profile

Our Year: Class 8 2001-2

Our Project: Distributed water bottles on Miners' Day.

Back in 2001, reusable water bottles were not pervasive. Our project was to give out reusable water bottles with water saving tips printed on them to the community.

Our City Tour: Livingston and Bozeman, Montana

We were impressed with the recreation programs that were available based on somewhat limited resources. They had a great education program for new residents and a great many walking trails which increased the walkability of the area.

Some of the topics we discussed while there were: Public-Private relations, tax increment financing, transportation issues and Yellowstone Park planning.

LPCA Ski Day

LPCA could not have picked a better day to invite alumni to enjoy their 2nd Annual Ski Day on Wednesday, January 14.



Blue Bird Lunch



Quite a few

alumni took advantage of the \$25 lift ticket and the opportunity to reconnect with fellow alumni. We'll be planning another outing next year around the same time.

THANKS TO DEER VALLEY FOR THEIR SUPPORT!

Events Calendar

Month	Year	March	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

Monday, March 9-last day to RSVP for roundtable discussion and dinner on 16 March. bbretz56@msn.com

Monday, March 16 4-6 pm- Roundtable discussion with Dr. Paul Houston followed by dinner with current Leadership class from 6-7 pm.

Monday, March 16, 7-9 pm- Community Lecture featuring Dr. Paul Houston at PC High School.

Alumni News

Congrats to Al Landon (18) nominated by President Obama to a seat on Board of Governors for Federal Reserve.



Congrats to Kara Cody (17) on her role in another successful Sundance Film Festival.

Join the Charge & Join LPCA

Use your credit card to join LPCA! \$25 annual membership runs from October 1 through September 30. Find out how to join by emailing Barb Bretz at: bbretz56@msn.com

***SUPPORT** the Leadership Park City Program.

Some of us did a raft trip down the Yellowstone River. Rick Brough (KPCW), who has attended many of the city tour trips, decided he did not like rubbing river mud on his face and rafting with hardcore Leadership folks!

What we did during our Leadership year.....We all survived the ropes course out at Wallsburg, UT.

What we are doing now...Class members become a family! We all continue to respect and honor each other.

Thanks to Mike Luers for providing the profile info.

Leadership 101

The 18th session of Leadership 101 was held yesterday, February 4 at the Yarrow



with over 100 attendees. Myles opened the session with his, always interesting slide show about Park City's past.

Mayor Jack Continued with Park City's Future



He was followed by Mayor Jack Thomas and City Manager, **Diane Foster (11)** focusing on the future. Other alumni of Leadership Park City appeared throughout the

day, including; **Mike Luers (8)** Snyderville Basin Water Reclamation District, **Marielle Parisean (21)** Park City Toastmasters, **Kim Carson (9)** County Council, **Justin Martinez (19)** Summit County Sheriff, **Thomas Eddington (17)** Park City Planning, **Heinrich Deters (16)** Trails & Open Space, **Kara Cody (17)** Sundance Film Institute, **Katy Wang (16)** Park City Film Series, **Christie Dilloway (20)** Egyptian Theatre, **Katie Wright (15)** Park City Community Foundation, **Monika Guedner (15)** KPCW, **Abby McNulty (11)** Park City Education Foundation and **Erika Wells (16)** Big Brothers and Big Sisters. Teacher **Julie Hooker (14)** also brought kids from her Leadership class to participate. It's fantastic to see fellow alumni in leadership positions.

As Myles says....101 is like getting fire-hosed with information. If you've never attended 101, even if you've lived here for years, you will still walk away with information you didn't know. Here are a few take-aways from just the morning session:

- **Switch from Sodium Chloride to Potassium Chloride** in your water softener and reduce salt levels in our creeks.
- By going to **parkcity.org** and clicking on **"NOTIFY ME"** you can receive messages about a variety of events and topics from emergency messages to when city council meets.

***PROVIDE** on-going education for graduates.

***PROVIDE** on-going networking opportunities.

***UNDERTAKE** activities benefiting our community.

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PLEASE feel free to post on this page.

Whether you have a business venture, non profit or just a piece of interest, Leadership Alumni is here to help you keep networking.

Look for the group **Leadership Park City Alumni** on Facebook...like us and join us.

- On **February 24 at 6 pm Mountain Accord will hold a Q & A session at Eccles Center** in Park City. Attend to get educated and give your opinion or go on line at mountainaccord.com

**As Myles loves to say....."If you are lucky enough
to live in Park City.....
you are lucky enough."**

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