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Over Twenty Years And Still Connecting



What's Up With Abby McNulty (11)



Park City Education Foundation, one of our outstanding local nonprofits, has had Leadership Park City Alum, **Abby McNulty (11)** as Executive Director since 2007. Abby is a living example of PCEF's mission statement: 'a parent and community member who believes in a child's potential to have significant impact in higher education, the workforce and the world.' She wholeheartedly supports our schools and teachers.

Abby finished graduate school at Columbia in NYC and was ready for a change. Like so many of us, she and husband George, relocated to Park City for the active and outdoor lifestyle. It's proximity to Salt Lake City for airport and work was a

bonus. Arriving just before the 2002 Olympic Games, Abby joined her sister Maria, who'd paved the way in the early 90's, as had her whole family from grandparents to cousins who had vacationed here on a regular basis.

Although she's never been a teacher, Abby has a deep respect for them. **"They juggle so much and at the end of the day are not only teaching our kids to think...they are also raising our children to be community citizens. There are 5,000 kids in Park City's public schools and good, quality, public schools are the greatest equalizer in our society."**

Every child should have access to an outstanding education so they can be/do anything they want. **"For some, that means continuing the family traditions of being teachers, doctors, lawyers. For others it means being the first in the families to graduate high school and attend college. Park City is diverse and it's personally and professionally rewarding to support these kids and their teachers and principals."**

In It for the Long Haul

Abby's philosophy is that change is incremental and you have to be in it for the long haul. **"Change/problem-solving isn't linear. You have to be willing to adapt and redirect as necessary."** With 2 kids attending McPolin, Abby has an inside track to observe great changes. She knows PCEF has worked hard over the last decade to fund programs which fill a gap. **"PCEF worked with Kimball Art Center to bring Visual Arts back into the elementary schools through a program called EVA. Prior to EVA, Park City's elementary schools did not have dedicated art teachers. Can you imagine elementary schools without art? "**



ELEMENTARY VISUAL ARTS

A Partnership Between:



Elementary school students are also learning to code now because of a partnership with private investors, PCEF and the school district. **"Kids are coding to develop their problem-solving skills and their perseverance. We've also just launched a program called Bright Futures which provides support to first generation college students to ensure they have the tools, to not only enroll in college, but graduate. This is an incredibly exciting program."** Bright Futures is run by **Rebeca Conzalez (23)** a student in this year's Leadership Class."

Three Wishes

What if she could wave a magic wand and bring about a major, significant change?

"I'd wish for two things. First, more funding for public education since Utah is the lowest funded education system per student in the country. THAT MATTERS! Utah is more apt to spend money on highways than students. What a miss! Second, teachers need more time to collaborate, for professional development, to get to know their colleagues and to share with each other what is working and not working. We all need more time, but I think teachers need it the most!

As a community member, I also wish for an end to the hate and the hateful language. I love the diversity in our community."



Leadership Park City identifies, encourages and trains new community leaders and quality schools help fill the pool of potential leaders. **"You can't have a great town without high quality schools. I encourage everyone to get involved. You can volunteer at your local school, donate to PCEF and you can support teachers by thanking them for their commitment to our kids. PCEF funds nearly 100 programs and invests \$1.5 million into our schools annually. This speaks to the community's focus on education. I am grateful."**

Fans of Family Travel



Abby's immediate family here in Park City, includes husband George, a pediatric intensive care nurse at Primary Children's Hospital and kids Cal (8) and Scarlett (5). Abby's sister, **Maria McNulty** also a Leadership alum from Class 5, along with nephew Max (11) and niece Eva (9) are here as well.

Abby & Family

Fans of travel near and far, Abby and family love camping at Bear Lake or in Southern Utah every year. "Last summer we spent time in Europe on an epic adventure starting in Croatia and ending in France on an island called Il de Re. A series of bike paths criss-crossed the island connecting the historic towns. You never had to get in a car. That trip was once in a life-time and amazing."

**Thanks so much to Abby McNulty
for her dedication to our local school system and in turn our children
and community.**

**Remember there are many ways to support education in Park City.
Check out the Park City Education Foundation website to keep
informed.**

<http://www.pcef4kids.org/>



CLASS XXIII PROJECT

BONANZA FLAT.....A TREASURE FOR GENERATIONS TO COME (Photo: Salt Lake Tribune)

A great treasure sits in the mountains above Park City. Some know it as Bonanza Flat and others as Guardsman Pass. For years, locals and visitors have enjoyed the scenic views and recreation opportunities this land provides even though we've trespassed on bank-owned land to do it. Of growing concern, is the possibility of developers purchasing the land and limiting or preventing our access in the future. But this is Park City and we are not known for letting a treasure disappear without a fight.

In November 2016, Park City and its residents, once again demonstrated their commitment to conservation by passing a



\$25 million bond to save Bonanza Flat with an overwhelming 70% support. Regardless, it was crucial for Park City to be positioned for rapid action when the land became available for sale, as development companies were already formulating plans for large resort type communities which could close Bonanza Flat for public recreational use and disrupt the wild land forever. Fortunately, the city was able to get the property under contract for a purchase price of \$38 million with a closing date of June 15.

Since then, a number of municipalities, counties, nonprofits, for profits and individuals both local and national have been working hard to secure the remaining \$13 million. A number of fundraising events, lobbying efforts and one-on-one meetings with influential individuals have worked that number down to just under \$3 million. The community support and efforts have been inspiring.

Leadership Park City Class XXIII, having been moved by the already impressive efforts, recognize that joining the initiative is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to help save an irreplaceable landscape for generations to come. The class reached out to a coalition of nonprofits already actively fundraising and together they identified a need for a mechanism by which local businesses and the outdoor industry could contribute to help save Bonanza Flat even when monetary donations may not be possible.

Give a group of leaders an idea and watch them run with it!

Leadership Class XXIII is actively reaching out to local businesses and the outdoor industry to donate items for auction on the national charity website BIDDING FOR GOOD. The auction will go live at www.biddingforgood.com/savebonanzaflat on May 12-26. All proceeds from the auction and other fundraising events held by Leadership Class XXIII will be donated to SAVE BONANZA FLAT through a partnership with the 501 (3) (c) Summit Land Conservancy.

With \$3 million to go...Leadership Class XXIII is hoping to keep the conversation about Bonanza Flat in the forefront and pull in funds to close the gap. The Summit Land Conservancy was born from the Leadership Class IV's project nearly two decades ago so they are thrilled with the current class XXIII's enthusiasm for saving Bonanza Flat. The Board of Directors is even offering one final CHALLENGE GRANT of \$11,500 in a last push to save this land.

Wondering what you can do to help?

- Donate on-line at wesaveland.org. Remember to click the box saying you heard about it from Leadership Park City Class 23.
- Donate items to add to the BIDDING FOR GOOD on-line auction
- Find the perfect gift for yourself or a loved one during the auction May 12-26
- Be on the lookout for a Facebook challenge directly from Class 23 to Leadership Alumni.

For more information or to donate an item for the auction, please contact: Sara Jo Dickens at sarajo@wesaveland.org or (303) 549-2089 or Coleen McGinn at mcginn.colleen@gmail.com or (301)651-6565

Alumni News

MELISSA MARSTEAD (22) has just been named to the Utah Humanities Council Board. Congrats, Melissa!



Best of luck to Steve Joyce (18) who will make a run for Park City Council.

Way to go PAMELA LONGLEY (20) who is new Vice Chair of the South Summit County Democratic Party. *"I'm super excited to bring a new level of community engagement to the party in South Summit County and work hard to energize voters in my precincts."*

Leadership Members Step Up



Thanks Park Record for great article about recent Mental Health panel discussion featuring current class member Lynne Rutan (23) on left and two Leadership Alumni, Katie Wright (15) and Nann Worel (15) on right
<http://www.parkrecord.com/news/park-city/panelists-at-mental-health-meeting-pledge-support/>



Congrats to Dar Hendrickson (23) recently honored for his 30 years as a DEVO coach, developing young ski talent in our community.

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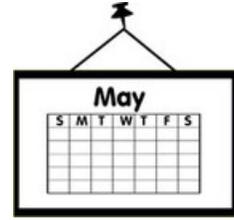
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Whether you have a business venture, non profit or just a piece of interest, Leadership Alumni is here to help you keep networking.

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

Event Calendar

Monday, July 10- Alumni Picnic
September 6-10- City Tour



*"Power isn't control at all--
Power is strength, and giving that strength to others. A leader isn't someone who forces others to make him stronger; a leader is someone willing to give his strength to others that they may have the strength to stand on their one."*

Beth Revis

Beth Armstrong (20) Announces.....Walk & Wine For Women's Health



Invitations are coming

SOON...

Walk and Wine



Women's Health

Sunday, June 25th

Stein Eriksen Lodge
11 am - 3 pm

Enjoy a picturesque hike at Deer Valley followed by a fabulous lunch with fitness guru and inspirational speaker Kathy Smith.

Emceed by TV host and reporter Jennifer Hardman. A beautiful afternoon to benefit People's Health Clinic.

REGISTER AT : www.peopleshealthclinic.org



Lynne Rutan (23) Announces.....CONNECT'S May Mental Health Awareness Month

Maintaining a healthy brain at every stage of life will be the focus of more than twenty talks, films and panel discussions during CONNECT Summit County's May Mental Health Awareness Month. Program details can be found on <http://www.ConnectSummitCounty.org> and facebook.com/ConnectSummitCounty



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\$25 annual membership runs from October 1 through September 30. Your contribution allows us to offer a CITY TOUR SCHOLARSHIP to a current class member. Join by emailing us at leadershipalumnipc@gmail.com

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