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## Leadership Park City April 2015

Over Twenty Years & Still Connecting  
Live PC...Lead PC



### What's Up with Mark Maziarz (17)



Born and bred in the 'Windy City'...and after attending Northwestern University, **Mark Maziarz (17)** moved out to Park City with some college ski buddies planning to be here for that infamous 'only one season' and instead has been here for 26 years. Sound familiar, anyone?

When asked to describe Park City in three words...Mark said, **"Beautiful, friendly and fun."** I had to smile and at that point, ask Mark if he was describing Park City or his wife Mary Beth. **"I had the same thought after I wrote those three words about Park City,"**

replied Mark. **"I'm pretty lucky to have both in my life."**

Mark (right) is pictured here with Leadership classmate Scott McClelland.

### Painted Piano Project

It took a while for Mark to apply for the Leadership program but the experience had an impact on Mark and the community. **"Overall, my biggest takeaway was a feeling of empowerment,"** explained Mark. **"It started with the legislative module in January where I felt like if we cared enough about something to help and make a law, we could actually do it. That feeling got amplified by working on our class project and then seeing the Art Piano project on our City Tour to Ft. Collins."**



Mark was one of the primary forces that brought a similar Art Piano project to Park City. If you've noticed the pianos at Old Town Transit Center, Park City Library, Miners' Hospital, The MARC, Silver Star Plaza, Newpark Resort, Coalville City Hall, Aquatic Center in Kamas, National Ability Center, Summit County Library and 2 future locations to be determined....or heard anyone sit down to play...you can thank Mark for that.

**"Alison Butz (14) was also on City Tour because she is Executive Director of the Historic Park City Alliance. We talked one night about noticing the artistic, painted pianos in Old Town Ft. Collins and thought it would be a cool idea to bring to Park City. A month or so later, we met with Kathy Hunter (4) of the Park City Summit County Arts Council and got a plan in place."** They placed their first piano in January of 2012 in the Old Town Transit Center. **"Alison and I worked together for almost a year and I've been running it since then. There have been over a dozen pianos placed around Park City and the county."**

Check out [facebook.com/artpianosforall](https://www.facebook.com/artpianosforall)

### Team Work

When Mark was raising money for the project through Live PC Give PC one year, he realized he was by far the smallest nonprofit in town. **"It started me thinking about how a micro-nonprofit can be a great tool to get people involved in the community and help fill small niches of need. Mary Beth and I are actively looking for what that next niche will be, because we want to work on a community project together."**



Mary Beth is Mark's wife who is currently a member of Leadership Class 21. **"I definitely encouraged her,"** said Mark, **"but she would have done it on her own anyway."**

*"Hopefully, she'll get the same things I got from it; feeling empowered to get involved in the community, learning who to talk with when you're trying to get something accomplished in the civic world, building a new group of friends and trying to figure out how to design an impactful class project."*

Mark's class project was Civility and oddly enough, it attracted some oppositional attention. *"Mary Beth and I talked quite a bit about our class project and even before applying to LPC, she was coming up with ideas to expand on what we did and to try to counter or at least offset the backlash we got for our Class 17 project. She had a rough outline in her head for a 'Know Your Neighbor' project months ago and she presented it to her class at their March module. The class liked her idea and picked it to be their class project. Seeing that she's the smarter one of the two of us, I'm excited to see what they do with it."*

Congratulations to Mary Beth for having her suggestion make it to the top of the heap and best of luck to Class 21 as they develop Leadership Park City's latest project. The project is important, but its the connection with the people of the program for which everyone is most thankful. Mark is happy his class has stayed in touch. *"Most of the class is active on our bulk emails that go out a couple times a year."*

## Picture Perfect



Although Mark still devotes some of his time to the Pianos For All Project, project-based photography is Mark's 'main gig'. For more information and to preview some of his work, go to <http://maziarz.com>. He is currently working on a Park City coffee table book. *"It will hopefully, be out this summer."*

Like most Parkites, Mark has no problem envisioning a perfect day. *"I would get up early, do some photography work, meet a friend for lunch, go for a ride or ski...depending on the season and then be home hanging out with Mary Beth and the kids (Foster 2 and Daisy 8) ...maybe doing some reading. That sort of thing is a perfect day here in Park City."*

Being outside is, without a doubt, where Mark enjoys being. *"I love being outside. Skiing in winter and riding my mountain bike in summer. I love working on projects in the yard with the family. Last summer we built a natural swimming pool for the kids. This summer, we plan on building a tree house using scrap ski materials from RAMP, a local ski and snowboard company that offers their scraps to folks for recycling."*

Thanks Mark and Mary Beth for all of your great ideas  
and all the efforts you've made to bring them to life!

## Community Lecture Educates



Speaker for the 21st Annual Community Lecture, Dr. Paul Houston, spoke to an interested audience about 'Leading With Heart & Soul.'

## Round Table With Dr. Houston

A small group of alumni, educators and school board members met with Dr. Houston during an informal round table discussion on topics of interest related to leadership and education and joined Class 21 for dinner prior to the lecture.

## Alumni & Current Class News

**Congrats to Colin DeFord (17)** on his reappointment to the Snyderville Basin Planning Commission. Thanks for your service.

**Exciting news from Jane Patton (15)** director of Peace House, on the upcoming expansion project.

**Congratulations to Lauren Hanson (21)** on the birth of your son.

**A pat on the back to Marielle Pariseau (21)** for educating our local kids about good dental health during your FLOSS OFF!

**Lot's of Luck Class 21** on the development of the next great class project!

## It's Early....But Get These Dates On The Calendar

### Park City Night @ Saturday's Voyer.....

**Thursday, July 30** will be our 7th Annual Park City Night at Salt Lake Acting Company's Saturday's



## Twenty-one Years And Counting Profile Class XVII



Caleb Diehl, Chris Hudon, Chris Lampe, Colin DeFord, David Teasley, Emily Beeson, Erin Brown, Hannah Hall, Jacquelin Fehr, Jack Mueller, Jeff Riehl, Jennifer Pentes, John Davis, Josie Hagen, Justine Isleib, Kara Cody, Kathy Lundborg, Katie Snyder, Maren Geary, Mark Maziarz, Matt Lindon, Melissa Garland, Michele Morris, Patrick Fannon, Sandy Fisher, Scott McClelland, Sharon Kellner, Shauna Stokes, Tana Ireland, Terry Knechtel, Thomas Eddington, William Broome

## Profile Class XVII

**Our Year: 2010-11**

**Our Name: Team Civil**

### Our Project: Season of Civility

We wanted to recognize open and public displays of civility in Park City and Summit County, thereby encouraging an attitude within the local community that benefits all citizens and become an example to the broader community of the results of positive acts of kindness.

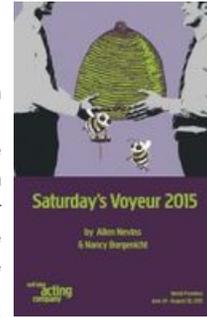
Community awareness involved adopted resolutions by the Park City and Summit County Councils, announcements on KPCW, Park Record articles and weekly letters to the Editor. We had literary displays at local libraries, 4th of July parade, Francis Labor Day parade, booths at St. Regis Starry Night and Mountain Town Music concerts and posters in local schools.

### Our City Tour: Estes Park and Ft. Collins, Colorado

After a nine hour bus ride to Estes Park, dinner with local community leaders gave us some insight into the community and its perks and challenges. The following day we were introduced to the Mayor of Estes Park, Rocky Mountain Park Superintendent and staff of both who discussed efforts to improve transportation in peak season, lack of age diversity, as well as the

Voyeur.

The play, a satirical & entertaining look at life in Utah never disappoints. Once again we have reserved the Green Room for a pre show Happy Hour and attendees are welcome to bring food and beverage to the tables in the theatre. I've reserved tables as well



as a number of seats for those who prefer. Ticket price this year is \$50 but offered to us at a **reduced price of \$45.**

**Happy Hour 6:25-7:25**

**Showtime: 7:30**

RSVP to [bbretz56@msn.com](mailto:bbretz56@msn.com) by June 26 to reserve your tickets.

(The play runs from June 24-Aug 30. It's easy to exchange tickets if necessary.)

## Events Calendar

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	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		

### SAVE THE DATES

**Friday, June 26-** Last day to RSVP for Saturday's Voyeur; [bbretz56@msn.com](mailto:bbretz56@msn.com)

**Monday, July 13;** Alumni Picnic at Rotary Park.

### Thursday, July 30- Saturday's Voyeur

**6:15-7:30-**Happy Hour

**7:30-** Show time.

### Face to Face

We can work for you!

Let the FB page help you promote what you are doing.



**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.

### Join LPCA

**Use your credit card to join LPCA!** \$25 annual membership runs from October 1 through

environmental impacts of the massive beetle kill to the conifer forest.

Lunch at the Visitor Center of the Park, a downtown walking tour, a BBQ sponsored by the City of Estes Park along with an invitation to be guests at the Annual Scottish Tattoo Festival could have been the end of an extremely busy day had it not been for the desire of a large group to participate in a showdown of really bad Karaoke.

An early morning bus ride to Ft. Collins had the late-nighters scampering to check out of the hotel for the queasy, winding ride out of Estes Park but certainly made for semi-coherent conversations of the previous night's exploits.

We arrived at City Hall in Ft. Collins for a quick bagel and were greeted by a passionate group of leadership who reiterated how much they enjoyed serving their community. Ft. Collins is great at attracting business and maintaining a vibrant downtown business corridor. Colorado State University is a perfect partner in their efforts to attract a sustainable community both in business and environmental issues. They have a free bicycle loaner program and very bike-friendly downtown.

Large plaza parks and rehabbed artistically painted pianos encourage visitors to engage more intimately with the area and makes for a festive environment.

The key to all City Tours is making relationships; person to person and city to city and learning to look within and beyond our community to creatively think about and solve issues.

**Thanks to Jeff Riehl for the profile info.**



September 30. Find out how to join by emailing Barb Bretz at: [bbretz56@msn.com](mailto:bbretz56@msn.com)

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