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Newsletter for members and friends

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It's Baaaaackk! Jewelry Needed!

If all goes well with the world, the DWPC Jewelry Sale will be back at the clubhouse this November 19, 20 and 21. But before we can open our doors, WE NEED JEWELRY!! Look through all those gems, jewels, baubles and beads that you haven't worn in a year and donate them to a good cause.

For those new to our club, this jewelry sale is what in large part funds the annual scholarships we are able to award to college and high school students.

Contact Mary Van Meter and she'll pick up your contributions. Just give her a holler and place your bag full of goodies on your porch. You don't even have to open the door. (Please – DO NOT drop them at the clubhouse as there is a new security alarm system.)

To schedule your pickup, or to volunteer for the sale, contact Mary, at vanmeternt@aol.com.

Welcome to Our New 2021-22 Officers!

The New Officers for the 2021-22 year were elected at the DWPC Virtual Annual Meeting on Tuesday, April 27. Thank you to all who attended the event and to all who voted for our new slate.

A hearty congratulations and welcome to our new DWPC Board Officers!

President, Mindy Sink

1st Vice President, Communications, Joan Jacobson & Shelby Carr

2nd Vice President, Membership, To Be Determined

3rd Vice President, Programs, Debra Faulkner

Secretary, Liz Netzel

Assistant Secretary, To Be Determined

Treasurer, Marcia Goldstein

Assistant Treasurer, Laura Keegan

President-Elect, Dianne Blomberg

Director at Large, Marilyn Harmacek

HAVE YOU PAID YOUR DUES? CHECK EMAIL FOR INVOICE

It's that time of year for dues to be due. Notices were sent out starting May 1, 2021 and your prompt attention and payment is appreciated. Contact **Marcia Goldstein**, Treasurer, with any questions.

Announcements From The DWPC Community

Mimi Pockross Virtual Book Event Wed., June 2 at 10 a.m.

DWPC Member Mimi Pockross will be talking about her book, "Pulling Harvey Out of Her Hat: The Amazing Story of Mary Coyle Chase," in a Denver Public Library event on Wed., June 2 at 10 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Mary Coyle Chase was a playwright, journalist, and children's novelist from Denver. She is best known for her Pulitzer Prize-winning play, *Harvey*, which was adapted into the 1950 film of the same name, starring Jimmy Stewart and his best friend Harvey, a 6-foot tall invisible rabbit. Join Colorado author Mimi Pockross as she discusses the fascinating life of Mary Chase and how she researched much of her new book, *Pulling Harvey Out of Her Hat: The Amazing Story of Mary Coyle Chase*, at the Denver Public Library.

If you would like to attend this discussion, please register **here** for the event and your login and password will be emailed to you.

If you have questions or need help registering, please contact books@denverlibrary.org

Dianne Blomberg's New Essay Published

Dianne Blomberg has a new essay, "Graphing Forgiveness," appearing in **DoveTales: Literary Journal of the Arts**. The publication date was May 15th and the theme is: Letters from the Self to the World. The Guest Editor of this issue is Adriana Páramo, who is an award-winning author writing from the Middle East.

Dianne's current project is a memoir, *Before Lunch*, and you can learn more about her work at her website, www.DianeBlomberg.com.

Colorado Sun Joins Non-Profit

The Colorado Sun (a digital newspaper) is now part owner and operator of 24 suburban newspapers in the Denver metro area. The Colorado Sun has partnered with a new nonprofit called the **National Trust for Local News**, (<https://www.ntln.org/>) to pilot the project and show that local and national funders can collaborate with local journalists to keep newspapers in local hands. Check out the new site (coloradonewsconservancy.com) for further details.

Speculative Fiction Group

DWPC Member Bonnie McCune shares this information for others:

"For those who are interested in speculative fiction, an online critique group sponsored by RMFW (Rocky Mountain Fiction Writers) meets weekly. We've published our first anthology, "First Encounters," available on Amazon and via the website. We plan a newsletter soon, and you can register for the free news at <https://specificwriters.com/subscribe/>. I've found the critique group to be very helpful, partly because I have a weekly reminder to get busy and write."

Bonnie is the author of an article in "FIRST ENCOUNTERS: a Speculative Fiction Anthology," and you can contact her at bfmccune@gmail.com or 303-377-1455. Her website is www.BonnieMcCune.com.

Help Wanted: Part-Time Communications Manager

Job Description

The primary objective of the Communications Manager is to support the communications and fundraising activities of the League of Women Voters of Colorado (LWVCO) by maintaining the donor database, marketing the mission through design and development of marketing

materials, assisting in fundraising activities including grants, individual and foundation solicitation, and keeping all aspects of the organization updated through various communication platforms.

Responsibilities

- Maintain donor database to ensure accurate donor information and giving history. Record gifts, oversee thank you correspondence, and keep organized donor files
- Run and analyze reports as needed
- Design and write content for printed marketing and informational materials including brochures, flyers, posters, program applications/forms, and other special projects, while maintaining branding standards
- Oversee writing and distribution of stakeholder correspondence including e-newsletters, e-mail blasts, blogs, and mailings
- Maintain regular social media communications through Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and LinkedIn
- Participate in concept development of fundraising mailers. Design and develop content. Coordinate production, printing, and mailing
- Participate in concept development of annual report
- Maintain confidentiality of proprietary information
- Ensure that up-to-date, relevant information is posted to website. Monitor website to ensure current, accurate information and functionality. Coordinate with operations manager when necessary
- Maintain internal communications as requested
- Ensure digital files are current and organized including photos, images, marketing materials, stories, blogs, articles, etc.
- Create graphics and messaging for digital slides as requested
- Complete any other duties pertinent to the position as assigned by Executive Director

Requirements/Qualifications

- Excellent writing, editing and communication skills
- Extreme attention to details

- Proficient with Adobe Creative Suite and Microsoft Office
- Understanding of nonprofit sector
- Experience with maintaining donor database
- Strategic/creative thinker
- Spanish language skills are a plus

This is a part-time position at 20 hours per week, from 10am – 2pm, with a salary of \$23,000; the position will be considered permanent after a three-month probationary period. This position receives paid holidays but no other benefits. The League of Women Voters of Colorado is an equal opportunity employer. It is the responsibility of LWVCO employees to support LWVCO’s mission, vision, goals, and values. Staff are expected and required to maintain the nonpartisanship and inclusion policies of the organization and personally maintain the integrity of one who is placed in a position of public trust. Staff share the responsibility to continuously improve the agency with a commitment to open communication; diversity, equity, and inclusivity; friendly and welcoming approaches; quality customer service; and professional boundaries.

Interested applicants should email a resume and cover letter to info@lwvcolorado.org by 5:00pm on May 28, 2021.

Publishing Question from a Member: Can You Help?

Aleta Antoinette is a new DWPC member. She is looking for insights on a publishing issue:

My question is about IngramSpark putting my book on Amazon and then raising the price to print it because of over-saturation issues and now instead of making a few dollars, I'm in the negative a few dollars. I purchased their Premium full color package. Now they increased it to Ultra Premium, something not advertised on their site.

Then there are other companies that are selling my book on Amazon at a much higher rate, while I make \$0. I've found a printer that's less expensive so the issue will be resolved in few weeks. In the meantime, can others legitimately sell your book at a higher price for profit? Just curious if others had experienced this. Thank you.

My email is imaginepeace@comcast.net

My phone number is 303.229.9210.

Juana Bordas' New Video on Vaccinations

DWPC member Juana Bordas is sharing her new video about getting vaccinated. Click [here](#) to view the video on YouTube.

GOT NEWS?

If you have events, book releases, awards, or other news you'd like to share with Denver Woman's Press Club members and friends, please email [Mindy Sink](#), DWPC President-Elect. Deadline: noon Friday for following week. Email subject line: Publish date: Event or topic. Thank you!

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