Incubator Proposal to Headline July Luncheon

Our July 28 luncheon, 11:45 a.m. will be held downstairs in the Pueblo Elks Lodge. Do Drop Inn will provide lunch. We have asked the people proposing an industrial incubator for the downtown area to present the program for this meeting. We think you will get some valuable information about how to keep young talent in the city. Black Hills Energy will sponsor the meeting.

All general meetings are open to anyone. Full members are contacted to remind them of the meetings. Please let us know if you are vegetarian or need gluten free food so we can notify the caterer. Reservations are very important; we will need an exact count for the caterer. Cost to attend is $20 if your reservation is received by 4 p.m., Monday, July 25; billing and late reservation rates are $25. Reservations may be made by email to margaret@pueblodowntown.com or by calling the office at 543-7155. Reservations for the meeting which are not cancelled by Monday, 4 p.m. will be charged at the $25 billing rate. We accept Master Card and VISA.
Street Talk

by Margaret Ward Masias

What You Get for Your Membership Dollars and What We Cannot Provide

We just mailed statements for dues a few weeks ago. Now is a good time to remind you of what you get for your dues dollars.

1. In addition to having your business name listed on the back of every newsletter, we provide a link from the membership listing on our website to your website. If we don’t have a link, we don’t have your web address; please contact us at the office or via email and we will correct the oversight.

2. If you are reading this newsletter, you are aware of a portion of our communications with our members and other businesses in the downtown area. Our website also provides information about Downtown Pueblo and our Facebook page and mobile app keep you current on activities.

3. Your dues money has been augmented in the past with fundraising efforts to raise money for the wrought iron planters, trash receptacles and benches around the area. We will be continuing that project within the next few months. We also take responsibility for seeing that the plants in the area north of City Hall are watered and kept in good shape throughout the summer.

4. Encouragement of safety and security has become a priority for our board. In this newsletter you will find a page devoted to a reminder of the sidewalk match which we have offered member for years. Also on that page is the official announcement of our security camera match. We have patterned the match on the guidelines for the sidewalk match. We will help you, but you must also provide for yourselves. Check the new member section below for additional help from new member Advanced Alarms. You can help discourage trouble in the area and help keep your business trouble-free with help paying for it through your membership in the Downtown Association.

5. Quarterly meetings with city officials to discuss problems occurring in the area and solutions to them. If you have something you wish to have us bring up at the next meeting contact the office, 543-7155 or email margaret@pueblodowntown.com.

6. Networking opportunities at our monthly meetings from January through November of the calendar year.

The following are designed to increase retail and recreation interest in the area, but all members benefit from increased interest in the area.

7. The Downtown Association Discount Card is open to all members but is used primarily by retailers and restaurants. The card “year” runs from October through September. Your dues must be received in full no later than August 15 this year to be listed on the card. For more information see the story on page 10. The new card will be available by mid-September.

8. The Convention Certificate program (see page 7 for details) is designed to get visiting conventioneers and spouses moving around in the area and seeing what businesses have to offer.

Now for the part of this column that I would just as soon not have to write, but that you need to know. The Pueblo Downtown Association is not a BID. In order for you to have trash removed from in front of your place of business or weeds removed from the sidewalks, you need to do it. We have one part-time professional and twelve volunteer board members who have full time jobs. We simply cannot provide these sorts of services for $260 per member, per year. I have had calls in the past asking why the “City” doesn’t do these sorts of things: think about what your taxes would be if it even attempted to do so. Unfortunately in life there are some things that we need to just do for ourselves. We also do not have the people or expertise to recruit new businesses to the area. There are other agencies which do that sort of thing. Having said that however, we are always willing to give as much information to those who contact us as possible. All in all I think you receive a lot of value for your dues money.

Shining Stars

The Downtown Association presented two Shining Stars at its June meeting. We gave Louie Carleo a Star, accepted by Gino Carleo, for the work on his buildings at 515 & 517 N. Santa Fe Avenue. Be sure to look at the buildings when you are driving on Santa Fe Avenue. We also presented a Star for service to Campbell’s Flowers for the donation of plants last summer to replace some which were stolen and/or destroyed.

The Downtown Association awards Shining Stars to businesses/organizations which improve the outside of their buildings or landscape in the downtown area; we also award Stars to individuals who go the ‘extra mile’ to help us accomplish our mission. If you see work which would be appropriate for the award, please contact the office at 543-7155 of just tell any board member.

Welcome New Members

We are welcoming two new members to our organization. iE/303 Industries is developing the old Alpha Beta building on the 300 block of South Santa Fe Ave. Ryan McWilliams, a Pueblo native who has returned to the city, is recruiting new supporting companies for the rail industry. He has extensive experience with that industry. The July/August issue of Colorado Business magazine has a story about his work and plans for a great facility.

Another new member has come to us as a result of our new “camera match” program. Advanced Alarm is in the security business. When Kim Kock spoke with them about pricing on camera units, he convinced them that membership could be a...

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benefit to them. They will be offering a 10% discount to member businesses on cameras and equipment. You may reach Joe Eurek at 545-1511 or email joe@advancedalarm.com.

Member Mentions

New member McAlister’s Deli will be offering a free tea day on July 21. This is your opportunity to grab a deli lunch and get the drink at no additional charge. McAlister’s is located at Highway 50 and Outlook Boulevard.

If your business or organization has had a noteworthy event or an anniversary coming up, please contact Margaret at the office. We would like to keep Member Mentions as an active monthly effort. Members only please.

Guest Columnists Welcome

If you would like to submit a guest column for “Street Talk,” it would be welcome. You will receive a by-line with your contribution. All you need to do is email your material of 500 words or less to margaret@pueblodowntown.com by mid-month before publication (i.e. by July 22 for mid-August).

Sidewalk Matching Funds Available to Members

The Pueblo Downtown Association has matching funds available for sidewalk replacement in the downtown area. The match is 2% of total cost for each year of membership, up to 10 years (20%). Matches are for up to $1,500 for any project. Contact us with a project estimate and location (sidewalks must be in the downtown area). Upon completion of the project, submit a copy of a paid invoice for receipt of payment from the association. For more information call the Pueblo Downtown Association office at 543-7155 or margaret@pueblodowntown.com.

Downtown Madness Created a Lot of Buzz

Sometimes promotions take a while to build; Downtown Madness hit a homer the first year! The competition among 16 downtown area restaurants exceeded expectations. More than 2,800 diners took the time and trouble to vote for their favorites during the four rounds of competition. All 16 restaurants were featured in newspaper, radio and television advertisements, in addition to print articles and broadcast interviews about the tournament style contest. Voting was done online through either the Facebook page or our website, pueblodowntown.com. In May alone the website had more than 16,500 pageviews (average per month is about 6,000); the Facebook page also had nearly three times average participation.

The “Final Fork” participants were Shamrock Brewing, 7th Street Station, Gray’s Coors Tavern and Willie’s Pit Barbecue. In the final playoff round Gray’s Coors emerged as Champion for the competition.

T.J. Wright reported mostly positive feedback from the participating restaurants. Most saw increased business, especially at lunch time. They felt that the balloting was fair at one vote per person.

They liked the posters and marketing we did for the promotion. More than a few felt that it was one of the best they had ever been a part of. A second feature of the competition was the participation from the diners. We award prizes to many individuals who had full or nearly full tickets. They had eaten in every restaurant during the six weeks; many included entire families who had tried a “new” restaurant. We will do some “tweaking” before next year’s event, but there will definitely be another event next year. If your restaurant did not participate this year be sure to watch for the next competition.

Once again we would like to thank—and encourage you to eat often at all participating restaurants. They are 7th Street Station, Angelo’s Pizza, Brues Alehouse, DC’s on B Street, Do Drop Inn, Franco’s Bistro, Gray’s Coors Tavern, Little Caesar’s Pizza, Mr. Tandoori, Nacho’s Restaurant, Rio Bistro, Rosario’s Restaurant, Shamrock Brewing Co, Suehiro Japanese Restaurant, The Place and Willie’s Pit Barbecue.
Left and above: The construction you see and try to avoid on the corners of 4th and Main, Court and Grand is the rebuilding of traffic signals and curb by the Colorado Department of Transportation. Although no landscaping is a part of this project, infrastructure is being installed for future amenities.

Below: Back side of the old Alpha-Beta building now undergoing remodeling.

Left and below: These photos show work on the Ilex portion of the I-25 construction. Much of the work on this part of the Interstate is for bridges and overpasses. Design elements for this portion will lean heavily toward the importance of baseball to the area. (from CDOT material)
We have had very few problems with the plants and planters in the area. At the end of June we ran into the sort of thing all of us dread. I received a call at home on a Sunday morning from Bob’s Landscaping, which waters all of our plants, that two of the fiberglass planters at 3rd and Main had been turned upside-down. Early Monday morning I notified the parks department which provides plants in the spring and asked that their people right the one which looked salvageable. The large units in that area date back to the 1970’s and 1980’s. (Judy McGinnis took the time to purchase plants and take them to Bob’s. The planters were righted on Tuesday and replanted early Wednesday.) Since this problem had obviously occurred late Saturday or very early Sunday, there were not any stores or other businesses open to see what happened. It turns out that there are hardly any cameras on buildings in the area and those which do exist were not in a place to see what went on. We encourage you to take advantage of our new “camera match” so that future instances of this type can be discouraged. The vandalism did not stop there, the decorative lamp in the pocket park at 5th and Main was also torn down and even had the wiring pulled out that same night. A trash receptacle and dumpsters were overturned and several parking signs were bent down to the sidewalk.

Let’s work together to keep an eye on Downtown!

The Pueblo Downtown Association is offering assistance to member businesses and property owners who purchase and install exterior security cameras for their Downtown properties. We will match a portion of your investment based on your consecutive years of membership in the Pueblo Downtown Association.

- Members only. Dues must be current.
- 2% per year of membership (20% maximum)
- Must present paid invoice/register receipt within 120 days of purchase.
- Must be in area from Abriendo Ave. to Mineral Palace Park.
- Cameras only. Business must pay for monitoring.

Cracked & crumbling concrete is dangerous!

...and it looks bad too.

The Pueblo Downtown Association is offering assistance to member businesses and property owners who replace sidewalks at their Downtown properties. We will match a portion of your investment based on your consecutive years of membership in the Pueblo Downtown Association.

- Members only. Dues must be current.
- 2% per year of membership (20% maximum)
- Must present paid invoice/register receipt within 120 days of purchase.
- Must be in area from Abriendo Ave. to Mineral Palace Park.

Call for information
543-7155
503 N. Main Street, Ste 652 Pueblo, CO 81003
www.puebloodowntown.com
Downtown Happenings

Sangre de Cristo Arts Center
210 N. Santa Fe Ave. 2nd Sunday, Aug. 14, free admission to galleries and Buell. Purchase art classes online at sangredcrcristoarts.org/education anytime, anywhere. Find out what’s coming up by visiting sde-arts.org. For information call 295-7200. Open Tuesday-Sunday 11 a.m.-5 p.m.

Art Exhibits:
Through July 24, Tim Deibler: My Brush with Reality, Regional Gallery
Through Aug. 7, America’s Parks: A Centennial Celebration, Hoag Gallery
Through Sept. 25, Ansel Adams, Classic Images, White Gallery
Through Sept. 25, Landscapes of Pueblo, 3rd Floor Foyer
Through Sept. 19, John Suhay: A Look at Pueblo, King Gallery
Opening, John Wilber Clarence Floyd, 2nd Floor Foyer
Opening Aug. 6, CAEA, Circular Exploration, Regional Gallery
Opening Aug. 20, Aquarius National Watermedia, Hoag Gallery

Buell Children’s Museum: hours: Open Tuesday-Sunday 11 a.m.-5 p.m. 2nd Sundays Free Admission to Galleries and Buell.

Through Oct. 29, World of Wonder: 100 years of Imagination, Conservation and Innovation.

Education:
Events:
July 15, 7:30-10:30, Festival Fridays, music by So What Brothers. Doors open 6:30. Tickets $7 advance, $8 door.

July 22, 7:30-10:30, Festival Fridays, music by Mighty Nice Band. Doors open 6:30. Tickets $7 advance, $8 door.

July 29, 7:30-10:30, Festival Fridays, music by Martini Shot. Doors open 6:30. Tickets $7 advance, $8 door.

Aug. 5, 7:30-10:30, Festival Fridays, music by Thumpin’. Doors open 6:30. Tickets $7 advance, $8 door.

Aug. 24, 5:30-7:30 p.m., Studio 210 Dinner: Exploring Ansel Adams. Franco’s Bistro. Tickets $30 (Studio 21 members only).

Steel City Theatre Company
241 S. Santa Fe Ave. Ticket info sctcpueblo.com or 994-8298.

Month of July, VIP Performing Arts Day Camp, pre-K-8th Grade. Gives students the opportunity to study acting, music and dance. Call or visit website to register.

Impossible Playhouse

Memorial Hall
South Main Street & Grand Ave. 866-722-8844. pueblomemorial hall.com

Damon Runyon Repertory Theater
611 N. Main St., www.runyontheater.org. Reservations, info 564-0579.

5th & Main Art Gallery Historic Federal Building

The Pueblo Arts Alliance
Find maps and information about all news and activities in the Creative Corridor at PuebloArts.org, follow on Facebook.com/PuebloPAG, facebook.com/PuebloCreativeCorridor or call 855-543-2430.

Aug 5, 5-9 p.m., First Friday Art Walk, 35+ galleries, restaurants and businesses with newly hung shows, refreshments and live music and entertainment. Personalize your tour on foot or free rides in “VanGO Art Shuttle, step-on step-off service escorted by a complimentary Explorer’s Guide throughout the Corridor.

Fridays through Oct. 3, 5-9 p.m., Street Beat. Visual and street performances every Friday at Farmers Market and El Pueblo History Museum and each First Friday throughout the Arts District—Mesa Junction, Union Avenue, and City Center Drive-5th Street on Main and Santa Fe.

Center for American Values
101 South Main, Riverwalk level, 543-9502. americanvaluescenter.org.

The Center is open 10-4 daily and is free to visit. The World Trade Center Steel memorial stands at the Center’s entrance as a powerful reminder of the everyday heroes that gave so much on that tragic day. Main Gallery features “The Portraits of Valor,” an inspiring collection of 140+ portraits of America’s greatest heroes, the Medal of Honor recipients. The Center is proud to be the only location outside the Pentagon where the portraits are on display to public. The Center also provides its nationally acclaimed HIP Character and Leadership Education at no cost, call for more information or to schedule field trips or organizational visits.

Aug. 9, 4 p.m., Portrait of Valor Unveiling & Story from Medal of Honor Recipient Sammy Davis. Please call to reserve seats.

Aug. 18, 4 p.m., On Values Speaker Series: Speaker and author Kathryn Childers, Pueblo native who became the first female Secret Service agent. Please call to reserve seats.

Rosemount Museum
14th & Grand www.rosemount.org. 37-room mansion built between 1891-1893 by prominent businessman John A. Thatcher. Most furnishings and artifacts are original to the family. Grounds & veranda may be rented for special events. For group tours & information call 545-5290.

Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Tues.-Sat. Admission $6 adults, $5 seniors, $4 children 6-18. Tours every half hour; last tour at 3:30 p.m. Museum is closed on all major holidays.

July 16, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Auto Show. Antique, classic and muscle cars in addition to motorcycles and hot rods from throughout Colorado will be on display on the Museum Grounds. Registration of vehicles for showing begins at 8 a.m., July 16. Free admission to the general public. Food and beverages are available on site. Reduced admission of $3 for museum tours that day.

El Pueblo History Museum
301 N. Union. 583-0453. Mon.-Sat. 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Sun. 12-4 p.m. $5 adults, $4 seniors, children 6-12, students with ID. “Family Saturdays” children 12 & under–free. For docent-led tours for groups of 10+, call office a week in advance.


July 16, 10 a.m., Modern Homesteading: Herbal Tea Making, Bridget Malloy of Bridget’s Botanicals.

Ongoing, By Their Hats, Horses and Homes We Shall Know Them, Photo Exhibit. Includes images by Oliver A. & Otis Altman from Trinidad and Eugenia Ransom Kennicott from Custer County.
Pueblo Heritage Museum
Victoria & B St. In the 1924 Denver & Rio Grande Western Freight Depot near historic Union Depot & the Railway Foundation Museum. Exhibits of historical, cultural groups of SE Colorado. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Tues.-Sat. Adults $5, Senior & Military w/ID $4, 6-12 $3, Heritage Center members & under 6 free. 295-1517 or www.theheritagecenter.us for tours and info.

Special Events
Wine Tasting. Fridays 4-6 p.m., Saturdays 1-4 p.m. 4 different wines each day. 80/Twenty Wines. Cheese from Springside Cheese.

CSU-Pueblo Fan Bus, Round trip transportation to the Sept 1 at Colorado School of Mines. $50 per person includes trip (beverages, snacks, prizes) Tailgate party meal and gate admission. Payment due by July 30 (include names of all riders). Make checks payable to Friends of Football, 504 N. Grand Ave., Pueblo, CO 81003. Questions call Andrea Flores, 719-252-3560 or Rochelle Wristen, 719-671-3911.

Pueblo Ice Arena
1st & Grand, 553-2730, www.coolicepueblo.com
Call for information on birthday parties and skating lessons.
Through Aug. 25 summer hours: Mondays 5-7 p.m.; Tuesdays & Thursdays 12:45-2:45 & 3:15-5:15 p.m.; Friday 12:45-2:45 p.m. $3 sessions (inc. skates). Friday Night Lazer Lights 7:30-9:30 p.m. $6 per skater, inc. skates. Saturday 12-2 p.m., 6:15-8:15 p.m. Adults $4; kids $3, Skate rental $4. Closed Aug. 26 - Sept. 5.

Pueblo’s Riverwalk
puebloriverwalk.org For reservations of facilities or to arrange walking tours call 595-0242.
Fun for the entire family! To set up a family reunion, company party or kid’s birthday party, call 595-0242 to reserve your space today. Bring your family down to the excursion boats this summer for a fun and exciting tour of the Riverwalk. Don’t forget our signature events this summer – check out our website puebloriverwalk.org for dates and complete information.

Pueblo Convention Center
City Center Drive & Main. For information about events or to book space call 542-1100 or online puebloconventioncenter.com.
July 20 Colorado PERA
July 21-22 Italian Invitational
July 26 Colorado Health Care
Pueblo Urban Renewal Authority
August 1 Colorado Department of Health Care Policy & Financing
August 3-5 Rocky Mountain SER
August 5-7 Kiwanis District Conference
August 9 Pueblo Urban Renewal Authority
August 11 Colorado PERA
Note these events are published so that businesses in the area will know who will be in the area. We encourage retailers and restaurants to make these folk feel welcome in the area.

Business & Technology Center
3rd & Main, Lobby and Atrium areas
Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Artwork by local artists. Art is for sale.

Pueblo Downtown Association
Dates for upcoming membership meetings. Locations, times, programs are subject to change. For sponsorship information for other meetings, call Margaret Ward-Masias at 543-7155.
July 28, 11:45 a.m., Elks Lodge, See Page 1.
August 25, 11:45 a.m.
September 22, 11:45 a.m., Sangre de Cristo Arts Center; Caterer: Franco’s Bistro.
October 28, 11:45 a.m.
November 17, 7:30 a.m., Sponsor: NorthStar Engineering.
Note date change because of Thanksgiving.
January 26, 2017
February 23
March 23
April 27
May 25
June 22, 11:45 a.m.; Sponsor: Pueblo Bank & Trust

SRDA
230 N. Union Ave., call 553-3445 for information about all events. Programs, exercise equipment and fitness classes for seniors at all ability levels. Bicycle share program is open to all Mon.-Fri.8 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Tuesday 11-12 Line Dancing Tues. & Thurs 1-2 p.m. Senior Wellness Program. Mon. & Wed. 3-4 p.m. Tai Chi for Health Tuesday 5:30 p.m. Zumba July 26, Trip to Denver Botanical Gardens. Bring your own lunch. Cost $30. For information & reservations call SRDA, 553-3445.

Convention Certificates Program
The Pueblo Downtown Association has a program aimed at getting conventioneers into downtown businesses. At selected conventions, the Association presents $25 gift certificates to a conventioneer. These certificates list a single retail business or restaurant. Once the certificate has been presented to the business, that business may bring or mail it to the Association at 503 N. Main Street, Suite 652, Pueblo CO 81003 to receive payment by check. The certificates are printed on dark red paper and will be embossed. Retailers may issue their own certificates for specific conventions if they wish. Call Margaret at the Association office, 543-7155, for information.

Better Business Bureau
Friday, Aug. 12, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., LETTER RIP shred event with Mobile Record Shredders at Sam’s Club parking lot, 412 Eagleridge Blvd. Bring your confidential or personally identifiable papers to be shredded. First 5 standard copy paper boxes free. $5 for each additional small box, $10 for each additional large box. Remove documents from binders. Separate X-rays, CDs & floppy disks from paper documents. Staples & paper clips ok to shred. Donations accepted, proceeds go to BBB which provides free education & resources to students who are often the target of scams. Sponsored by Pueblo Downtown Association.
2017 Historic Downtown Pueblo Calendars Available in July

The Pueblo Downtown Association has printed its calendars. They will be available to vendors who wish to catch summer tourists, State Fair visitors and students heading to college. We will be contacting our previous year’s vendors in the next couple of weeks. If you have not traditionally carried the calendars, but would like to do so this year please contact the office 543-7155. Margaret will give you information about being a dealer. As a dealer you will be entitled to get the calendars at wholesale prices with an adequate mark-up to make a profit.

As always, the calendar features photos of the buildings and people who made Pueblo the state’s 2nd city until the 1960’s. Time covered in the photos is nearly 100 years; the earliest photo from 1869 is of a hotel, the latest is of John F. Kennedy’s stop here in August of 1963. From the cover photo taken from Main looking north, the circa 1920 photo shows a streetcar in the center of Main with buildings on both sides. Prominent in the photo are both the buildings on the 200 and 300 blocks; the cars and people in the photo are also very interesting. You will recognize some of these buildings on today’s street; the things that have changed are the spaces where other buildings have given way to parking. Other buildings and streets depicted include an 1889 photo of firemen in front of the original City Hall for Pueblo on the 600 block of Main. You can see images of early chain stores, Safeway from 1927, and local operations such as Table Queen Bakery.

Again this year Peggy Willcox has chosen a number of photos which depict the people who gave Pueblo its character. You will see a baby contest in 1915, an event at the Mineral Palace, high school football players and even bootleggers. The photos come from the Pueblo County Historical Society’s archives. We appreciate their help with finding these photos. Members or the general public, who wish to purchase calendars directly from the Association can go to our website, pueblodowntown.com or call the office.

Graffiti Hotline 553-2501

We want to be part of the Pueblo Downtown Association!

Company Name ___________________________________________________________________________________________________________________
Mailing address _________________________________________________________ City, State, Zip _____________________________________________
Physical address __________________________________________________________________________________________________________________
Contact name ____________________________________________________________________Phone __________________________________________
Alternate contact __________________________________________________________________Phone __________________________________________
Website _______________________________________________________ Email address ______________________________________________________

☐ Please charge my Visa or Master Card # _____________________________________________ Exp. Date ________________ Security Code ___________

Billing address for card ________________________________________________________ City, State, Zip _____________________________________________

☐ Check for $260 is enclosed. ☐ Please send an invoice.
☐ Call me for my credit card information.

Send application & payment to
Pueblo Downtown Association
503 N. Main Street, Ste 652, Pueblo, CO 81003
719-543-7155 www.pueblodowntown.com

PDA membership year is July-June.
Download the Downtown App Today


A benefit to all of our members is the ability to provide “push notifications” to app users. The Promotions Committee will determine which pushes will appear on the app in a given month. You will need to be somewhat flexible with your scheduling. We will notify you of the date your push will be posted. AllWays Unique, our app creator, has divided members by classifications; currently these classifications are Food & Fun, Retail and Service. See below for scheduling details.

People find us on the Internet!

pueblodowntown.com
June page views 5,469 • Unique visitors 1,562
puebloparadeoflights.com
June page views 1,060 • Unique visitors 566

We provide links to member websites from ours; if we don’t have your web address send it to us right away and we will be happy to add a link to your site.

Convention Center Display Case

Present your business to Convention Center visitors. The Pueblo Downtown Association displays our “Pueblo” products and wants to share space in the case with member businesses. Displays will change in early September, November, January.

Use of the case is open to all Association members (2 per period in addition to the Association).

Reserve your space and time today! Call 543-7155 or email margaret@pueblodowntown.com.

Locate Your Business or Office in the Historic Heart of Pueblo

This directory is provided by the Pueblo Downtown Association to give prospective newcomers information about whom to contact for space in the area. Properties listed are Downtown Association members; there may be other properties in the area which do not appear here. All area codes are 719 unless otherwise noted.

Many Downtown Locations: Sound Venture Realty, 542-8426.

Riverwalk:
1. 101 S. Main St., Waterfront Building, retail & office space, Rudy Padula, 671-4027
2. 102 S. Victoria, Olde Towne Carriage House bldg, restaurant-pub space, lower level, 543-1012, email otch@oldetownepueblo.com, see www.oldetownepueblo.com
Victoria Avenue: 215 S. Victoria Ave., professional office space for local small business. Latino Chamber, 542-5513.
3rd & Main:
1. PEDCo’s BTC, offices from 160 sq. ft. to 1,326 sq. ft. including “virtual offices” or day offices, light manufacturing space in basement, Crystal Romero, 546-1133
2. Lottery Building, 2,500-7,000 sq. ft. available, Sound Venture Realty, 542-8426
5th & Main: Historic Federal Building, office space, 251-9883
The New Thatcher Building, offices 200 - 4,000 sq. ft., Sound Venture Realty, 542-8426
6th & Main: RBC Wealth Management Building, 1,300 sq. ft. suite—can be divided in half, Sound Venture Realty, 542-8426
8th & Main: 1. Wells Fargo Building, 542-1333 or 251-9883
2. Katie Bonham, 545-1488 or 924-4518
13th & Main: Dan Molello, Jones-Healy, Inc., 545-8181
4th & Court: 333 Court St., 300 sq. ft., Sound Venture Realty, 542-8426
13th & Grand: Dan Molello, Jones-Healy, 545-8181
5th & Greenwood: Greenwood Square, Lee or Kerry Gladney, 544-0583
West 4th St.:
1. 710 W. 4th St.: 1,400 & 2,100 sq. ft., Rollie Leyh, 542-3876
2. 801 W. 4th St.: Central Pueblo Ctr, Dan Molello, Jones Healy, 545-8181
3. 811 W. 4th St.: Approx 1,000 sq. ft., Dan Molello, Jones Healy, 545-8181
4. 827 W. 4th St., Ste B, next to DMV, 3,800 sq. ft., Sound Venture Realty, 542-8426

Shining Stars awarded to Zach Stanifer of Campbell’s Flowers and Gino Carleo
Author David P. Wagner speaks to attendees at June meeting on Rosemount veranda
New Discount Card Coming Up Fast

We will produce a new discount card in early September which will be good from October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2017. Those of you who are currently on the card should take a look at the list below and make sure that your discount is still in line with your business needs today. If you are a retail or restaurant member who is not participating at this time, please think about whether the program could work for you. Do remember that we distribute about 1,000 of these cards per year. That is 1,000 or more people who see your business name and consider whether your offerings fit their lives. We have several members who see a lot of additional business from the cards and whose customers come back because of the discounts. You don’t have to do deep discounts; most of the discounts listed are for 10%, a lot of you already do that for “seniors” anyway.

You must be a member to participate in the program. You do not have to pay any more than your dues to do so. Your dues for 2016-17 must be paid in full no later than August 15 in order for you to participate in the new card. If you are not a member of the Association, you should make a quick decision about the increased potential business if you become a member and receive the additional publicity involved with the card—your name and discount appear in each newsletter and on our website. When we use print advertising featuring products a few times a year, the discount card is in almost all ads with a complete listing of participating businesses and their discounts. When you add these benefits to the other benefits of being an Association member, the $260 for a year’s dues is a bargain and an investment in your future. In addition, as a member you are entitled to purchase discount cards from us for ½ the retail value ($5) and re-sell them at face value ($10) giving you additional income.

Support the Pueblo Downtown Association & save money too!
Call the Downtown Association office, 543-7155 to learn about the card and to purchase it as an Association member employee. Non-members may purchase cards at 80/Twenty Wines, JR’s Country Stores (Pueblo locations), My Friend the Printer or Springside Cheese Shop. Listed below are all discount card participants and the discounts they offer. See story on this page to download mobile app.

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Aquila; in 2008 the Colorado electric properties were acquired by the Black Hills Corporation and became Black Hills Energy. The offices came back to the South Victoria Avenue location where they were located in the 1920’s. Black Hills has recently announced the purchase of property at I-25 south and Pueblo Boulevard for offices and work yard which will close out nearly 140 years of being a part of the downtown Pueblo scene.

Information for this story came from files in the Western History collection’s Korber Notebooks at the Rawlings Library, Wikipedia and from the files at the Pueblo County Historical society. Photos courtesy of Pueblo County Historical Society.

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Southern Colorado Power Company

The Pueblo County Historical society has a file on Southern Colorado Power Company with an undated short document titled “History of Southern Colorado Power Company.” The second paragraph begins “Southern Colorado Power Company serves a large part of the region, an enterprise with a turbulent history dating back to shortly after the Civil War. The present corporation, starting with the Pueblo Street Railroad Company in 1879, went through a period of mergers and consolidations of 35 organizations to form the present company. The original Pueblo Street Railroad used horses as motive power until 1889, when it merged into the Pueblo City Street Railway Company. This company had intended to use cable cars, but decided to use electric motors instead, so that Pueblo enjoyed the distinction of becoming one of the first cities to have electrically powered street cars. (For more on the street cars see last month’s Spotlight on pueblodowntown.com.) Many of the 35 companies which presently make up Southern Colorado Power Company started with little capital, to serve small communities. They operated for a time and were sold, merger or abandoned….Of the many power plants absorbed by the present system all but two have been torn down or abandoned. One is at Skagway and the other is at Pueblo.”

A franchise for a plant in Pueblo was obtained in 1886, but never built. The first plant in Pueblo was constructed by The Pueblo Light, Heat and Power Company in 1888. In those days more than one company could operate and Citizens Electric Company began operation in 1891. The two merged in 1897 and in 1899 merged with the street railway company to become the Pueblo Traction and Electric Company. Twelve years later Pueblo Traction and Electric Company and the Colorado Light and Power Company, which served the Cripple Creek mining district, were merged into the Arkansas Valley Railway, Light and Power Company which in 1923 became Southern Colorado Power Company. In a story from the November 13, 1921 Pueblo Chieftain it was reported that “A decision of utmost importance to the rebuilding of Pueblo was reached recently by the Arkansas Valley Railway, Light & Power company when it was decided to complete the work on the new million dollar power plant at D and Lamkin streets.” Work had begun on the plant before the June 1921 flood; the company waited to see that flood prevention plans would protect the new plant. The story continues, “The future of the city was also undecided at that time in the minds of the company’s officials and the resumptions of activities on the large structure will be heralded by Puebloans as a mark of confidence in the rebuilding of the city, and will doubtless cause many merchants to continue with their building programs.”

By the end of World War II, a new power plant was again in the works. A June 7, 1949 story is headlined “New Power Plant Will Go On Test Wednesday Morn.” It begins, “First test-run of the boiler pressure at the new $3,300,000 Victoria generating station of the Southern Colorado Power Co. in Pueblo will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday. This new substation, capable of producing 18,000 kilowatts of electricity is the culmination of planning and construction drawings which began in June 1946.” This plant and adjacent buildings were located from 101-111 South Victoria Ave.

Retail offices for the power company were found in many locations in the Downtown area throughout the years. It occupied the triangle building at 1st (City Center Drive) and Main in the early 20th century. The company was the “anchor” tenant of the Colorado Building for many more. (Most of the photos of the retail operation are from this location.) When I came to Pueblo in 1968 the officers were on the 100 block of W. 2nd Street. Since the early 1990’s the name of the electric company and ownership have changed a number of times. Southern Colorado Power became Centel which became continued on page 10
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