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Connecting Women Personally, Professionally and Philanthropically

APW Turns 30 Years Old

2015 marks 30 years this great organization has been connecting women personally, professionally and philanthropically.

Thank you to **SANDY SMITH**, for our new logo which we will use all year. Sandy formats our Communiqué newsletters and designs flyers for us—she is fantastic. Sandy has been an APW member since September 10, 1991.



We will be posting a few words from long term APW members in our communications, throughout this year. We will also have celebratory events....stay tuned for more on that.

Here is the first quote...

"I've experienced first-hand how valuable The APW can be. The APW has been beneficial to me for two main reasons. When I joined:

- **1.** I had recently started my business and had no clue of the business world and interactions of The APW offered me mentoring by observation and participation. I am still learning.
- **2.** I had just gone through a very trying time in my life. The APW allowed me to adjust my focus from 'me' to others extremely healing."

Sandy Smith / Alexander Smith Design, Graphic Design, Advertising, and Website Design, www.alexandersmithdesign.net

A Message from The APW President...

2015 brings us many new ideas, great opportunities, and multiple blessings. It will be a time to meet new people, and build lasting relationships.

I encourage you to step out and get involved in a Committee if you haven't done so yet. It is a great way to get to know the members, and brings a sense of community to each of us.

If you are just visiting The APW website to learn more about us, we welcome you! We have a luncheon every month. Come and join us! If you decided to join at a luncheon, you will get a discount!

We are already gearing up for The Alliance of Professional Women's Foundation luncheon "Helping Women & Changing Lives" on September 10, 2015. Consider being a sponsor. It is such a great cause and your business will received exposure to a multitude of attendees.

Let us work to make 2015 the best year ever!

I wish you and your family a very joyous and prosperous New Year!

Hugs! Nancy Thauvette (Briggans)

A Message from the Alliance Foundation President...



The Alliance Foundation has been busy wrapping up the 3rd Annual Helping Women + Changing Lives luncheon after successfully raising \$33,000 to support our three "buckets": Global Micro-Credit Financing, Denver area Women's College Scholarships and local outreach programs. We were pleasantly surprised by the generous donation of \$4,650 by the Great Divide Brewing Company in early November. The Alliance Foundation was one of two charities chosen by the Great Divide to split the proceeds of their sample beverage sales during the month of October. This opportunity all came about when MARY LEHNER, CEO of Great Divide, attended the HW+CL Luncheon in September and was

inspired by what the Alliance Foundation supports and decided to name our Foundation as one of the charities in October. In addition, **Brenda Mahoney**, **CAbi Fashion Consultant**, donated \$1,050 in December through donating the proceeds of one of her CAbi parties where APW members were invited to attend. Through matching donations by her husband's company and through Colorado Gives Day, Brenda maximized her donation to the foundation. We are grateful for the luncheon sponsors, luncheon attendees and additional creative ways and generous donations to enable the Foundation make an even greater impact in 2015.

The Alliance Foundation Board also joined the APW Board in **honoring a dedicated APW member**, **ARLENE ABADY**, who recently passed away. She was an active member since October 1985 and was involved in the Foundation, co-chaired the Public Affairs Committee and was instrumental in many other APW initiatives. **A scholarship in memory of Arlene Abady** has been named for the 2015-2016 years. The Arlene Abady Scholarship recipient will be attending the **Colorado Women's College** at DU.

SAVE THE DATE for the **4th Annual Helping Women + Changing Lives Luncheon: September 10, 2015** at the Police Protection Agency (PPA) Event Center. 2015 is the year of Outreach and we look forward to highlighting all of the ways the APW and the Alliance Foundation provides supports to our local non-profit organizations supporting women and children.

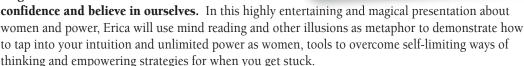
In gratitude, **Anne Moore**

January Networking Luncheon

We are thrilled to have our first **2015 Networking Luncheon** at **Fleming's Prime Steakhouse & Wine Bar,** and to have **ERICA SODOS**, a magician, speaker, psychic entertainer and one of the only female mentalists in the world, as **our luncheon speaker.** Please join us for this great kick off to the new year and start your year connecting with amazing women.



Reveal The Magic Woman Within: ERICA SODOS' interactive performances and keynotes explore the magic that lives within each of us when we have



Erica has performed thousands of shows for all types of events, ranging from women's conferences to Las Vegas theaters, corporate events to private gatherings. Whimsical, witty and overflowing with



January Networking Luncheon

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charm, Erica Sodos not only leaves her audiences and clients thoroughly entertained, they will feel changed and inspired... believing in real magic and their own power to make it happen. For more information visit **www.ericasodos.com**

Our APW events are open to guests; we allow guests to join us for up to three events, after that we ask you to join our membership to continue attending.

For new or prospective members, an orientation (to learn more about APW and meet some others) starts this month at 11:00 am.

We will have a "Reserve Sign" on a table or two for new or newer members who wish to sit together, perhaps those having only attended one-to-three prior events. This will provide an opportunity to get to know other new members and make some connections. Also sitting at the reserved tables will be two members that will be holding the New Member Orientation and two ambassadors, who can help at the registration desk to assist new members in meeting others.

Four delicious entrée options:

- The Prime Burger Wisconsin cheddar cheese, peppered bacon, double- cut fries OR
- Crab Cakes served with sautéed French green beans OR
- Grilled Chicken Caesar Salad OR
- Cavapatti Pasta tossed with julienne vegetables and pesto sauce

Dessert: Crème Brulee

Cost: \$35 members; \$45 non-members

RSVP: by Monday, **January 5**,

to attend, please!



A Note from Networking Committee Co-Chair

The Networking Committee has been scouring the town looking for those fabulous restaurants we visit each month for our luncheons. Are you a foodie? Do you follow the Denver dining scene? Would you like to be a hostess to the wonderful ladies of APW each month? Join our exciting and always involved committee. We have a spot for everyone from those who jump in with both feet and those who would just like to be in the know. You can join our meeting on the first Tuesday of every month from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm at the Natural Grocers located at Evans and Colorado Blvd.

Want to know more? Contact **Kathryn Truax** at **kathryn.truax@wfadvisors.com** or **Joanne Peterson** at **joanne@newworldoffice.com**. Or, see us during the Committee Fair at the February Luncheon.

February Networking Luncheon & Annual Committee Fair

Not only do we have a **fantastic restaurant for our February luncheon** but this is the month we hold our **annual Committee Fair.** Each APW Committee, plus board members from The APW and The Alliance Foundation will have tables that you can stop by and get more information about. This is a great way to learn about each committee and board responsibilities so you can see which would be a fit for you to get involved with this year, and enrich your membership by meeting other members.

Plan to join us at **Session Kitchen** a swanky newer restaurant located at 1518 South Pearl Street, in Denver on Thursday, **February 12, 2015,** 11:30 am – 1:00 pm for this luncheon.

Stay tuned for our menu options and reservation link. The restaurant is locally sourced and seasonally-influenced; they change their menu often. **We will provide entrée options and a registration link on our website soon.**



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A Word fromOur February Luncheon Co-Sponsors

ANNE ANGERMAN

There is no perfect job in the world. Yesterday, I saw a new female client who was 41. She had received a degree in water resources but was working in a firm doing research and being an administrative assistant. Coming in very tearful, she stated. "I can't do this for the next 10 years. I am going nowhere fast and I am depressed". In the past, people got jobs and stayed in them even though they were miserable to pay the bills. No longer!

People want to be happy and fulfilled and know they are making a difference. We often see young millenniums have five jobs in their 20's.

I started doing career coaching about 15 years ago because I saw many depressed people in therapy who felt stuck and didn't know what to do to change their positions.

As a coach, probably the **most important lesson is: Know yourself-- Focus on what you love to do, what you are good at, and what makes you feel fulfilled.** When choosing a career, it is also important to look at your skills, abilities, interests, personality, and values. Career assessments can be very helpful as a tool to help you understand yourself better. Career coaching can give a person more clarity and confidence about themselves and their future.

ANNE GOTTLIEB ANGERMAN received her BA from Purdue and an MSW from University of Wisconsin. She is the President of **Career Matters** in Southeast Denver and works with people from 15 - 100 who want to be happier and more fulfilled in their life's work.

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JILL KLANCKY

I've been practicing law for over 30 years and find that, regardless of what type of law one practices, the focus must always be on the needs and emotions of that person sitting across the table. All too often I hear from clients that they had been working with an attorney in the past, and, while very competent, the attorney was "uninterested" in the client and their specific issue. That is simply unacceptable. I can't imagine staying with an M.D. who treated me that way. And yet, as J.D.'s (juris doctor), attorneys are, in fact, a sort of financial and family doctor. Our job is to solve whatever financial or family issues you may have just as a medical doctor solves physical or psychological issues. It is part of a good attorney's job to pay attention to how the client is expressing something, and not just what is said. Hesitation, shyness, non-communication on the part of a client does not excuse the attorney from exploring why those feelings exist. In fact, I would suggest that you cannot fully "heal" a financial or family concern without understanding why they want something done, or not done, or learning what the real story is behind a certain behavior or request.

Public Affairs Meetings

The first **Public Affairs Committee meeting** for 2015 will be on **Tuesday**, **January 20**, **2015**. Our speaker will be **CHAER ROBERT** from the **Colorado Center on Law and Policy** (CCLP). Chaer will talk to us about the upcoming Colorado state legislative session and what to look for in potential legislation affecting women and girls. Before joining the CCLP, Chaer was the director of the Denver Women's Commission, a position she held for 28 years. She is a real expert on the Colorado legislature and the laws introduced each year that affect women and girls. She is one of our favorite speakers -- you will not want to miss this meeting!

Our February Public Affairs Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 17, 2015. Our speaker will be, LAURA HOEPPNER, one of the writers and producers of a new movie about elected women in Colorado called "Strong Sisters." Colorado women won the right to vote in 1893, and since then, Colorado has led the nation in the percentage of elected women to our state legislature. Laura will discuss the interviews in the film with elected women and what she learned about what makes Colorado so unique in its support of women in office. She will also share her observations about whether having women in office makes a difference. This should be a really interesting meeting!

We will meet at **Zaidy's** Restaurant at First Avenue and Adams Street, in Cherry Creek, starting at 7:00 am for networking, 7:30 am for breakfast and the speaker. We usually wrap up at 9:00 am. We eat while listening to the speaker, and the format is casual. You will buy your own breakfast. If interested in attending or if you have any questions, please contact **NORA KELLY** at **nvkesq@gmail.com** or at 303-377-5518.

A Word from

Our February Luncheon Co-Sponsors

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I practice law with my husband and we often ask each other to sit in on a client meeting. It's not just because the conversation may involve an area of our particular expertise, but it also provides another set of eyes and ears to pick up what otherwise might be missed in body language and conversation. Just like an M.D., only by approaching the "whole person" can we come up with the best legal resolution. If you are working with an attorney but feel no connection, no relationship, no rapport, get a new attorney. There are lots of us in the Denver area.

In the long run, you need someone you can like and trust when discussing money, contracts, death, disputes, etc. I wouldn't want to discuss any of that with a stranger who had no empathy. I'd search out a better listener and confidante. We have three critical standards within our practice: Personal Time. Personal Attention. Treat Others as You Would Want to be Treated. We are committed to live by those standards. Call us when you need any kind of legal advice and, if we can't help you, we will happily refer you to one of our professional colleagues who share our philosophy.

Jill Klancke, Klancke & Cook, Attorneys at Law, 303-584-0500, jill@klanckecook.com



Join APW members or prospective APW members at upcoming Coffee Connections.

When: Friday, **January 16**, 8:30-10:00 am (Central Denver)
Where: **New Location: Einstein Bros Bagels**, Downing/Evans
RSVP: **Leslie Garske**, **lgarske@BAMadvisorygroup.com**or 720-635-2686 to let us know you are coming.

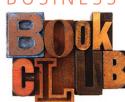
When: Friday, **February 19**, 8:30-10:00 am (DTC)
Where: **New Location: Einstein Bros Bagels**,
6650 S, Yosemite Street, Englewood, 80111
RSVP: **LARUEN KAPLAN**, **lauren@thekaplans.com**, or

303-912-2576 to let us know you are coming, please.

Wish you had more time with APW members? Join Coffee Connections! Grab a cup of coffee, tea or breakfast and join other APW members and prospective members to share about your business and discuss business-related topics. Leave when you need to, our end time is approximate.

QUARTERLY BUSINESS

A Members-Only Event



Join us in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere where we gather with a desire to share our views of the current read and how it applies to us and or, our businesses.

Participants provide a snack or favorite wine to share.

We efficiently planned our books, hosts and facilitators for a year of quarterly book club gatherings. This allows for plenty of time to read the books, clear your calendar and plan to join other members for a great discussion and a fun time!

Here are the details...

January 28 – Ann Broderick hosting, Leslie Garske facilitating – book: Global Girlfriends by Stacey Edgar.

When: Wednesday **January 28**, 5:30 – 7:00 pm

Where: Private Home, 8742 S. Lucent # 600, Highlands Ranch, 80129

RSVP: PAULINE HUDDLESON at apwcolo@yahoo.com

Nine years ago, Stacey Edgar had a two-thousand-dollar tax return and a deep desire to help provide economic security for women in need. She knew that of the 1.3 billion people living on less than one dollar per day, seventy percent are women. What she didn't have was a business plan. Or a passport. But that didn't stop her from creating Global Girlfriend, a multi-million dollar, socially conscious business that has helped women on five continents feed their families and send their children to school.

Global Girlfriends is Stacey's inspiring story of following her convictions, interwoven with the stories of her colleagues and friends – real women all over the world, from Guatemala to Nepal, from Haiti to Uganda. It is also a passionate argument for simple actions we can all take to eliminate extreme poverty.

April 21 – Jean Dole hosting, Julie Sequira facilitating -- book: The War of Art by Steven Pressfield.

A succinct, engaging, and practical guide for succeeding in any creative sphere, *The War of Art* is nothing less than Sun-Tzu for the soul. That keeps so many of us from doing what we long to do? Why is there a naysayer within? How can we avoid the roadblocks of any creative endeavor—be it starting up a dream business venture, writing a novel, or painting a masterpiece? Bestselling novelist Steven Pressfield identifies the enemy that every one of us must face, outlines a battle plan to conquer this internal foe, then pinpoints just how to achieve the greatest success. The War of Art emphasizes the resolve needed to recognize and overcome the obstacles of ambition and then effectively shows how to reach the highest level of creative discipline. Think of it as tough love . . . for yourself. Whether an artist, writer or business person, this simple, personal, and no-nonsense book will inspire you to seize the potential of your life.

July 21 – Kerry Hammond hosting, Pauline Huddleson facilitating – Book: The Leader Who Had No Title by Robin Sharma.

Regardless of what you do within your organization and the current circumstances of your life, the single most important fact is that you have the power to show leadership. Wherever you are in your career or life, you should always play to your peak abilities. This book shows you how to claim that staggering power, as well as transform your life—and the world around you—in the process.

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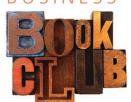
Be advised that the Communiqué is not private, only the APW Member Directory is restricted to members only, and can be viewed on the Internet.

The Alliance is a member of and proudly supports: Colorado Women's Lobby, and The International Alliance for Women

Communiqué Committee

Pauline Huddleson, Editor Sandy Smith, Co-Chair

QUARTERLY



A Members-Only Event

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October 20 – Leigh Miller hosting, Leah Dirks facilitating – Book: *Now, Discover Your Strengths*, by Marcus Buckingham.

Unfortunately, most of us have little sense of our talents and strengths, much less the ability to build our lives around them. Instead, guided

by our parents, by our teachers, by our managers, and by psychology's fascination with pathology, we become experts in our weaknesses and spend our lives trying to repair these flaws, while our strengths lie dormant and neglected.

Marcus Buckingham, coauthor of the national bestseller *First, Break All the Rules*, and Donald O. Clifton, Chair of the Gallup International Research & Education Center, have created a revolutionary program to help readers identify their talents, build them into strengths, and enjoy consistent, near-perfect performance. At the heart of the book is the Internet-based **StrengthsFinder® Profile**, the product of a 25-year, multimillion-dollar effort to identify the most prevalent human strengths. The program introduces 34 dominant "themes" with thousands of possible combinations, and reveals how they can best be translated into personal and career success. In developing this program, Gallup has conducted psychological profiles with more than two million individuals to help readers learn how to focus and perfect these themes.

So how does it work? This book contains a unique identification number that allows you access to the StrengthsFinder® Profile on the Internet. This Web-based interview analyzes your instinctive reactions and immediately presents you with your five most powerful signature themes. Once you know which of the 34 themes -- such as Achiever, Activator, Empathy, Futuristic, or Strategic -- you lead with, the book will show you how to leverage them for powerful results at three levels: for your own development, for your success as a manager, and for the success of your organization.

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Editor Notes

From The Editor

The deadline for submitting articles for the Communique is Noon on the <u>15th</u> of each month. All submissions must be **electronic**. The Communique provides stories of interest & information to Alliance members. Please send **ideas, comments, contributions, and questions** to **Pauline Huddleson** at **executir@apwcolorado.org**

Networking Luncheon Sponsor – Sign Up Now!

Showcase your business! The Alliance has one month open for all of 2015 to offer the **opportunity for members to sponsor networking lunches**.

A Networking Luncheon Sponsor receives the following benefits:

- A five-to-ten minute promotional presentation at the sponsored APW lunch meeting. Fee includes lunch for the sponsor and a guest. Sponsor will be asked to provide a small gift for a drawing during lunch (i.e. complimentary one hour consultation, gift certificate to a restaurant, etc).
- Newsletter sponsorship, which includes a full-page article in the newsletter as well as a full-color business card size ad and link to the article and sponsor website in the newsletter e-mail. This full-color, formatted newsletter e-mail is distributed to over 1,500 professional women in Denver!
- **Exclusive distribution/display of materials** at place settings or on chairs at luncheon.
- **Electronic spreadsheet** of all luncheon attendees collected and sent to you after luncheon.
- **Recognition as a sponsor** at each of the monthly luncheons.
- Active link to your company website on the front page of APWcolorado.org. This 12-month listing will boost your own website's search engine ratings because APW consistently returns top level results in search queries.
- **Highlighted as a sponsor** in the Communiqué every other month with a feature article on the sponsor during the month of your sponsorship.
- Spotlight piece on you as a sponsor, a month after your sponsorship, in the Communiqué.

The cost of a Network Luncheon Sponsorship is \$300. **Sole Proprietors may split the cost and benefits** of hosting a network luncheon. Our member feedback has been that it takes approximately three weeks to one month to recoup the cost of business gained through exposure at the luncheon and in our newsletter.

Networking Luncheons will be reserved on a first-come-firstserve basis, so reserve your month today by contacting PAULINE HUDDLESON at 303-368-4747 or execdir@apwcolorado.org

Networking?

Parts nine and ten of the 10 important principles for effective business networking, follows. Thank you to member Melissa Richards for supplying the great networking tips! You can see earlier parts beginning with the May June Communiqué and access the newsletters from our website www.apwcolorado.org.

9. Apply a sustained, focused effort.

Business networking, like any other business activity, requires a concentrated effort to produce results. Sustained focused effort means working hard to become a regular, active member of the group. If you don't get involved your efforts will have little to no impact. Build your relationships to the point when a sale can be made.

10. Life balance.

Have a healthy work-life balance. Measuring and defining this balance isn't easy, but we know it when we see it in others and we respond to it. People with a healthy balance in their life appear to be more at ease and relaxed, they are able to communicate with lots of people in various ways and generally project confidence.

Happy Networking!

Contributed by: Melissa Richards, CRS, Realtor, Fuller Sotheby's International Realty, www.melissarichards.com, 303-520-0926



Alliance Networking Opportunities

WHAT: NETWORKING EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING

When: Tuesday, **January 6** and **February 3**,

11:30 am - 1:00 pm

Where: **Vitamin Cottage**, Colorado Blvd and Evans GINNY TAYLOR, ginny@abetterviewdecor.com,

or 720-333-6934

WHAT: OUTREACH COMMITTEE MEETING

When: Wednesday, **January 7**, and **February 4**, 5:30 pm

Where: Home of **PAM FISCHER**, 2218 Franklin Street,

Denver, 80205

RSVP: JAMIE REED, inbox@cairninsurance.com

or 855-652-2476

WHAT: JANUARY NETWORKING LUNCHEON

When: Thursday, **January 8**, 11:30 am – 1:00 pm

Where: Flemings Prime Steakhouse,

191 Inverness Drive West, Englewood, 80112

Cost: Members \$35; non-members \$45

CLICK HERE to attend RSVP:

WHAT: COFFEE CONNECTIONS—MOVED TO CENTRAL DENVER

When: **January 16**, 8:30 – 10:00 am

Where: New Location: Einstein Bros Bagels,

Downing & Evans

LESLIE GARSKE, lgarske@BAMadvisorygroup.com RSVP:

or 720-635-2686

WHAT: PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING

When: Tuesday, **January 20**, 7:00 am Networking,

7:30, Speaker

Where: **Zaidy's** in Cherry Creek, 1st & Adams

RSVP: Nora Kelly, nvkesq@gmail.com or 303-514-3143

Speaker: CHAER ROBERT will talk about the upcoming

Colorado state legislative session and what to look

for in potential legislation affecting women and girls.

WHAT: MEMBERS-ONLY QUARTERLY BOOK CLUB

When: Wednesday **January 28**, 5:30 – 7:00 pm

Where: Private Home, 8742 S. Lucent # 600,

Highlands Ranch, 80129

RSVP: Pauline Huddleson at apwcolo@yahoo.com

Book: Global Girlfriends by Stacey Edgar. Ann Broderick

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hosting, LESLIE GARSKE facilitating

WHAT: FEBRUARY NETWORKING LUNCHEON & COMMITTEE FAIR

When: Thursday, **February 12**, 11:30 am – 1:00 pm

Where: **Session Kitchen**, 1518 South Pearl St, Denver 80210

Watch for link on the website soon

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When: Tuesday, **February 17**, 7:00 am Networking,

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Where: **Zaidy's** in Cherry Creek, 1st & Adams

Nora Kelly, nvkesq@gmail.com or 303-514-3143

Speaker: Our speaker LAURA HOEPPNER, one of the writers and

producers of a new movie about elected women in

Colorado called "Strong Sisters".

WHAT: MEMBER SUPPORT COMMITTEE MEETING

When: Wednesday, **February 18, New Time:** 11:00 am

Where: Woody Creek Bakery, DTC

RSVP: MELISSA RICHARDS, www.melissarichards.com

WHAT: COFFEE CONNECTIONS--SOUTH

When: Friday **February 20**, 8:30 – 10:00 am

Where: Einstein Bros Bagels, 6650 S. Yosemite St, Englewood

RSVP: Lauren Kaplan, lauren@thekaplans.com,

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Outreach Opportunity Coming in Spring

Look for more details in the next Communiqué on this Outreach Happy Hour.

New Directions for Families Suit Drive will benefit local women right here in our own community. Just one business suit from your closet can help launch a career for a deserving woman in need. **You can make a difference, now!**

The Alliance for Professional Women Outreach Committee will host a suit drive to benefit New Directions for Families (NDF), a program of Arapahoe House. NDF is one of only three residential treatment programs in Colorado where mothers can bring their children with them to find help, hope, and healing from drugs and alcohol. NDF can only accept conservative women's suits with current design lines, in clean, ready to wear condition. If you would feel comfortable wearing the suit to a job interview, then a deserving NDF client would welcome the donation. They also appreciate donations of new (unopened and in original packaging) hosiery, cosmetics, shampoo and skin care products.

The exact date and time will be disseminated in the near future. For more information about the suit drive, please contact **JAIMEE REED**, **jr@cairninsurance.com**, or **UYEN PAVELIS**, **upavelis@rgo-cpa.com**. For further information about Arapahoe House programs, visit **www.arapahoehouse.org**. Please contact development assistant **CLARE MIKHAIL** at **cmikhail@ahinc.org** or 303-412-3643 if you have any questions. **Thank you for your support!**

New Members

STACY RESOP— Residential Real Estate Broker, Fuller Sotheby's International Realty, 303-506-3128, Stacy.Resop@SothebysRealty.com

SARA ZESSAR— Founder, Discovery College Consulting, LLC, 720-295-8353, sarazessar@gmail.com

Kelly James— Marketing Director, **Elevate Photography**, 720-353-1633, **kelly@elevatephotography.com**

Burgess Stockwell— Managing Partner, **HRS&G**, 949-637-2173, **hrsg.burgess@gmail.com**

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New Member Referral Thanks

Sending out **huge thanks** to our members for all the great new referrals to The Alliance of Professional Women!

Thank you to the following Alliance members who have referred a brand new Alliance member since our last Communiqué. We are grateful to BURGESS STOCKWELL for referring STACY RESOP, LAURA SRSICH for referring BURGESS STOCKWELL, SARAH NORGAARD for referring PAMELA FOLEY, and KRISTI SULLIVAN for referring J. CAMERON MORGAN. We appreciate each of you for sharing our fabulous organization and are pleased to run your business card ad as a small token of our appreciation in an upcoming newsletter. We also thank SHERE CHAMNESS for attracting new members to our organization through our APW website-nice job!

And, that's the way you grow for 30 years and counting!

Receive a free ad for referring new members to The Alliance! In an organization like The Alliance, we depend on referrals to increase our membership. As a small thank you for referring a new member to The Alliance, you will receive a complimentary business card ad in the Communiqué.

New Member Profiles

Kelly James— Marketing Director, Elevate Photography, 720-353-1633, kelly@elevatephotography.com

- 1. Why did you join the Alliance of Professional Women? I was previously a member of the Alliance and met some really interesting, entrepreneurial women that I was able to developed professional and personal relationships with. I wanted to get involved again now that my career allows for it. Also, I love lunch!
- **2. What are your hobbies?** My hobbies are reading, traveling and attempting to re-create projects on Pinterest (usually I fail spectacularly).
- **3. What is your position/business?** I am the Marketing Director for Elevate Photography, a studio specializing in wedding, family and senior photos.
- **4. What is something that few people know about you?** I've been to nearly 150 concerts Red Rocks is definitely my favorite venue.

SARA ZESSAR— Founder, Discovery College Consulting, LLC, 720-295-8353, sarazessar@gmail.com

- 1. Why did you join the Alliance of Professional Women? I joined APW because of its networking opportunities as well as its foundation and community service work. I like that it combines professional networking with the chance to "give back" to women locally and around the world. I don't know of any other professional organizations for women that offer both of these opportunities.
- What are your hobbies? My hobbies are reading; photography; skiing; hiking; workout; going to movies, plays, and concerts.
- **3.** What is your position/business? My business is Discovery College Consulting, Inc. I help high school students and families with the college search and admissions process. I have a M.Ed. in counseling and worked for six years as a high school counselor in private, public, and charter schools. As an independent college consultant, I focus on helping students find and apply to colleges that are right for them. Because of my counseling background, I am able to help students and families with the emotional aspects of the process in addition to the academic and procedural ones.
- **4. What is something that few people know about you?** Immediately after college, I did, Teach for America, through which I taught English at an inner-city high school in St. Louis. I wrote a book about my experience. It's never been published, but writing it was a huge accomplishment.

BURGESS STOCKWELL— Managing Partner, HRS&G, 949-637-2173, hrsg.burgess@gmail.com

- 1. Why did you join the Alliance of Professional Women? I moved to Denver from Southern California almost two years ago and I was looking for an organization that support professional women. I attended the annual luncheon and was impressed with the mission of APW.
- 2. What are your hobbies? I enjoy cooking, skiing, volleyball, spending time with friends and family, volunteering, and reading.
- **3. What is your position/business?** I am a Human Resources Consultant and a career coach. I focus on small to mid-size companies setting up their HR processes, organizational development, talent management, and policies and procedures. As a career coach I work with people on their job search.
- **4. What is something that few people know about you?** I am pretty much an open book.

Anniversaries

The Alliance **wishes to recognize and thank** the following women who joined The Alliance of Professional Women in January or February. We greatly appreciate your continued support of our organization.

15 years

ALEXIE TUNEDeloitte

6 years

PAULINE HUDDLESON ... The Alliance of Professional Women

4 years

JOANNE PETERSON New World Office

KATHRYN TRUAX Wells Fargo Advisors, LLC

3 years

SARAH BIEHNBauerle and Company **ANN BRODERICK**Bauerle and Company

SUSAN BORGOS Office Technology Solutions, Inc LIANE HEGGY Schuchat, Herzog & Brenman, LLC

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Gabrielle Cardwell .InnovAge

HELEN RALEIGHRed Meadow Advisors, LLC ELIZABETH MITCHELL ..Ambler & Keenan LLC

SUSAN BAKER Insperity

Anna Kathryn Ellis . . Payroll & Benefit Solutions

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JAMIE SHAPIRO Connected Executive Coaching

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Alliance Thanks!

November Networking Luncheon

We had a great luncheon at the wonderful **Guard & Grace** restaurant in November. The food and service was really great and our luncheon hosts **Lynn Amerson** from **First Western Trust/ lynne.amerson@myfw.com** and **Michelle Ku** from **Addison Design/ michelle@AddisonInteriorDesignDenver.com** did a super job of arranging and co-hosting his luncheon! Lynn is off on maternity now – Congratulations on your new baby boy! We thank our Luncheon Sponsor, **Abbe Pensack**, Long Term Care Insurance Specialist with **Genworth** for her luncheon sponsorship. We also thank our door prize donors, **Kathryn Truax** for the nice bottle of wine, **Abbe Pensack** for donating Chocolate, and **Joanne Peterson** for tickets to the History Colorado Center. A super luncheon!

December Networking Luncheon

Oh, how festive it was! Another beautiful holiday luncheon was shared with APW members at the historic Brown Palace Hotel & Spa. The main hotel was all dressed up and glittering. Downtown was bustling as was the Brown. Once we made it into the Club room we enjoyed our delicious butternut squash soup, en croute which is always a crowd pleaser and meal. Our luncheon hosts were Jeane Dole from à la carte DESIGN/jtdole@alacartedesign.com and Joanne Peterson from New World Office/ joanne@newworldoffice.com and they did a fabulous job as did our speakers from Outreach-Meg Henson and from Excelsior Youth Center, 16 year old Karina Burrola, who did a nice job speaking to the crowd of 100.

We thank LORNI SHARROW for the lovely tribute to ARLENE ABADY. As was announced; in honor of her memory, the Arlene Abady Scholarship for the 2015-2016 year for a recipient attending the Colorado Women's College at DU was established. We thank our door prize donors: KATHRYN TRUAX for tickets to the Denver Botanic Gardens, ABBE PENSACK for the Champagne, DR LEE WEISBARD for donating two teeth whitening, lip plumper kits and LORNI SHARROW for tickets to the Museum of Nature & Science.

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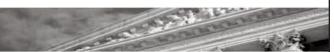
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OF PROFESSIONAL WOMEN REGISTRATION See PAGE 9 for event information, event codes or contact for the event.

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