



**LOVELAND CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
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**PRESS RELEASE – FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**2011 Leadership Loveland Class Graduates**

*Class joins hundred of alumni who give back to Loveland community*

**LOVELAND, Colo.** – July 12, 2011 – The Loveland Chamber of Commerce, the driving force for Loveland business, today announced the graduating class of its 2009-2011 Leadership Loveland program, northern Colorado's only two-year leadership program designed to cultivate future leaders through education and civic responsibility.

Congratulations to the following 2009-2011 Leadership Loveland graduates:

- Amy Searls – [McKee Medical Center](#)
- Cole Evans – [McWhinney](#)
- Doug Faus – [Medical Center of the Rockies](#)
- Jerod Dawson – [Dawson Chiropractic](#)
- John Metcalf – [Perfect Square](#)
- Karen Lumpkin – [Woodward](#)
- Kyle Nestelroad – [Ickovic & Co.](#)
- Lisa Bohlmann – [McKee Medical Center](#)
- Lori Sehr – [McKee Medical Center](#)
- Mike Scholl – [City of Loveland](#)
- Nathan Poppema – [Datasplice, LLC](#)
- Nathan Klein – [Loveland Commercial, LLC](#)
- Nicole Yost – [Loveland Chamber of Commerce](#)
- Paul Mueller – [Mueller & Associates, CPA, LLC](#)
- Paul Matthews – [McKee Medical Center](#)
- Sheryl Fahrenbruch – [McKee Medical Center](#)
- Stephanie Fancher – [Loveland Ready Mix Concrete, INC](#)

These graduates are equipped with skills that will benefit the Loveland community for many years to come. They have all met four basic goals set in place by the Leadership Loveland program: to motivate and develop as community leaders, to assist future leaders in identifying issues and problems facing the community, to develop possible solutions and to meet current leaders, and encourage greater community involvement. Through the program the class was responsible for attending and facilitating educational session to encourage high quality local leadership in addition to coordinating a class project that directly benefitted the community.

The 2011 graduating class took on the largest class project to-date as they partnered with the Loveland Community Kitchen to assist with its move to collocate with Meals on Wheels at 437 North Garfield by generating enough income to cover the costs of the new equipment and other associated expenses. To achieve this goal, the First Annual Community Kitchen Cravin' Cajun block party and fundraiser was created. The class set out with a lofty goal, but in less than three months, the class, along with the Community Kitchen, drew more than 300 attendees to the event and raised \$28,500 for the kitchen. In addition, the class worked diligently to prepare documents and templates to ensure the future success of this annual fundraiser for the kitchen.

“Regardless of whether you have been a resident of Loveland for one year or an entire lifetime, the Leadership Loveland program gives participants an “insider’s perspective” of how things get done in this area,” said Paul Mueller, managing director at Mueller & Associates, CPA, LLC and 2011 Leadership Loveland graduate. “As a local business owner, the contacts made with and through my classmates and with many of the presenters has become an invaluable resource for my practice and my clients. In fact, we signed up one of our employees to start the program this year, and will continue to do so until everyone in the firm has experienced the Leadership Loveland program.”

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The 2011 class joins a list of exceptional Leadership Loveland alumni and local leaders including many who are now serving key roles on various boards and commissions and as business executives throughout the city in healthcare, finance, non-profit, education and more.

Supporting the continued growth of the program, the Loveland Chamber is accepting applications for the 2011-2013 Leadership Loveland class through 5:00 p.m. Fri. July 29. Applications and information can be found at [www.loveland.org/leadershiploveland](http://www.loveland.org/leadershiploveland). Questions can be directed to [info@loveland.org](mailto:info@loveland.org) or 667-6311. Leadership Loveland is sponsored by McKee Medical Center.

**About the Loveland Chamber of Commerce**

Founded in 1902, the Loveland Chamber of Commerce is Northern Colorado's "driving force for business." Comprised of more than 700 local companies, the chamber offers a vast array of educational and networking programs to help its investors, both large and small, gain the skills and resources necessary to thrive and prosper in today's economy. As a founding member of the Northern Colorado Legislative Alliance (NCLA), the chamber also serves as an advocate for business, working on behalf of entrepreneurs to lead and influence local, state and federal policy on issues affecting the unique interests of business in Northern Colorado. For more information on the Loveland Chamber, please call (970) 667-6311 or visit [www.loveland.org](http://www.loveland.org).

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