



COLORADO WOMEN'S EDUCATION FOUNDATION

2nd Annual Legacy of Learning

April 11, 2011

Colorado Women's Education Foundation (CWEF) depends on donations to reward deserving Colorado women with scholarships to become economically self-sufficient; and we want to do more to help Colorado women. Last year, we introduced our annual *Legacy of Learning* fundraising events in order to garner more support for our organization and our mission while featuring a renowned speaker with an inspiring story of overcoming her own adversity through the power of education.

Our 1st Annual *Legacy of Learning* event took place in June, 2010. Featured speaker, Carlotta Walls LaNier spoke of the courage that it requires to change minds and of the influence of the ordinary heroes among us. She read several poignant quotes from her book, *A Mighty Long Way: My Journey to Justice at Little Rock Central High School*, which recounts her journey to becoming the first African American girl to graduate from Little Rock Central High School. Hearing Ms. LaNier speak and experiencing her strength was inspiring to everyone in attendance. Long-time supporter of CWEF, Carol Grever said, "Carlotta's presence and presentation made the deepest impression....Her dignity and grace moved me to tears...Having a [speaker] of such stature definitely made the evening memorable." \$5,850 was raised by the event—funds that have already been used to award much-deserved scholarships to Colorado women in need of a helping hand. [See our 2010 Annual Report at www.CWEF.org for more information.](#)

Our 2nd Annual *Legacy of Learning* event will take place the evening of Monday, April 11, 2011 at The Gatehouse at Lionsgate Center in Lafayette, Colorado. We have a lofty goal to triple our scholarships in the next fiscal year, and this year's *Legacy of Learning* event will play a large part in making that dream a reality. The event will feature our honorable guest speaker, **Temple Grandin PhD**, a CSU professor, bestselling author, and autism advocate. Last year's speaker, Carlotta Walls LaNier shared her story of her fight against racism, discrimination, and ignorance to attain her education. Now, Dr. Temple Grandin will share her struggle to break through the confines of her autistic world and defy all that was known about the capabilities of autistic children to attain her education and make an ever-lasting impact on people and animals alike. Dr. Grandin's life's story is so inspirational that it was recently made into the Emmy Award-Winning movie, *Temple Grandin*. [See Dr. Temple Grandin's Biography for more information.](#)

To honor Dr. Grandin, this year's event will include an **art competition**, depicting the theme of "Seeing the World Another Way". Dr. Grandin thinks in terms of specific pictures, like full-color movies playing in her head. Words are a second language. She describes her mind as "Google for Images"—put in a key word and pull up pictures. Participating artists are encouraged to stretch beyond previously perceived limits and comforts to embrace new ways of expressing their creativity by taking a new look at the world from another point of view. Select original works of art will be available for viewing and auction during the event. A portion of the art sales will benefit The CWEF Mission with the remainder benefiting the artist. [Download the Art Auction Rules & Entry Form at www.CWEF.org.](#)

"Pay It Forward" We are making a heartfelt appeal to the philanthropy of local families, organizations, and businesses to support our mission by attending the event as an individual supporter, as a corporate sponsor, or through much-needed donations. [Join Us at Legacy of Learning on April 11, 2011. Start Your Impact Now at www.CWEF.org.](#)

