



Colorado Springs Branch of AAUW
Newsletter
April/May 2015

AAUW Branch Meeting
Saturday, April 11, 2015

Location:

The Tim Gill Center for
Public Media
315 E. Costilla St.
Colorado Springs, CO

Time:

10:00 am - Registration
10:30 am – Brunch
12:00-1:00 pm – Program

Brunch Menu:

An assortment of Einstein’s
Bagels, muffins, mixed fruit,
orange juice, coffee & tea

Cost: \$12.00

Deadline for reservations:
Wednesday, April 8, 2015

Make reservations on PayPal
at: [www.coloradosprings-
co.aauw.net](http://www.coloradosprings-co.aauw.net),

or send your check to:

Jeanne Marsh
850 Timber Valley Rd.
CSC 80919

719-590-7237

(please indicate if you have
any dietary restrictions and
let Jeanne know if you are
bringing a guest)



“WOMEN IN LEADERSHIP”

Our program for this meeting will be a panel of three local
and very community oriented women. They are:

Kristy Milligan, PBS Regional Director of Southern
Colorado and Executive Director of the Tim Gill Center for
Public Media,

Aimee Liotino, Regional Director of Southern Front
Range Mile High Youth Corps, and

Susan Saksa, Former Director of Leadership Pikes
Peak and a well-known community leader

These three panel members will respond to specific questions
that a moderator will present. The audience will then have the
opportunity to ask questions themselves.

Location:

The Warehouse Restaurant
and Gallery
25 W. Cimarron Street
CSC 80903

Time:

11:00 am - Registration
11:30 am – Lunch
11:00-12:30 pm – Program

Lunch Buffet Menu:

Fresh Baked Bread Basket,
Classic Warehouse Salad,
Traditional Caesar Salad,
Prima Vera Pasta Alfredo,
Baked Lemon-Caper Cod,
Herb and Honey Roast
Chicken,
Barbequed Pork Loin,
Herb Roast New Potatoes,
Chefs Garden Vegetable
Sauté,
Chefs Dessert Sampler
Platter,

*(Yes, it does include all the
above) plus*

Coffee, Tea, Juice, and soft
drinks

Cash bar is also available!

Cost: \$26.00

Deadline for reservations:

Sunday, May 3, 2015

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AAUW Branch Meeting

Saturday, May 9, 2015

And the Awards go to. . .



This is it! Our final branch meeting of the season to be held at ***The Warehouse Restaurant and Gallery***. We will have time to socialize at the fabulous lunch buffet, tour the center, and enjoy the gorgeous views. Our last program for the year is always dedicated to our tradition of awarding scholarships to worthy students. This was a bonus year for scholarships and Joann Oh, *Scholarship Chair*, will introduce her hard working committee members before announcing the five - **yes five,- scholarship winners!** We will also be honoring our three new 50-yr members: Darlene Aspedon, Ilene Steinkruger, and Shirley Swinney!

May is also the month that we elect our officers for the upcoming season. Please consider joining our Board or one of our many committees and interest groups.

After the meeting please hang around and check out the beautiful geraniums. They will cost \$8 each and the proceeds will go to the Legal Advocacy Fund!

AAUW President's Message

Hi to AAUW Members:

"The Raising of America" Public Policy Community Meeting on March 10

AAUW worked in collaboration with a number of sponsors, including Rocky Mountain PBS, to organize the launch of "The Raising of America" on Tuesday, March 10. There were ninety people in attendance, including a number of AAUW members. In addition to viewing the first film from the PBS series, attendees heard presentations by Lydia Johnson of The Women's Foundation of Colorado and Bill Jaeger of the Colorado Children's Campaign. They presented the results of research about early childhood/childcare matters in Colorado with a focus on the status of high quality and affordable childcare.

Watch for information from PBS about dates of the series in the fall. Thanks to Cara Koch, Public Policy Chair, for providing superb leadership for this event, including securing a number of sponsorships for this event!

The Nominating Committee's Report

We heartily thank the members of the committee who worked diligently to find new leaders for our branch. They are Jan McKenzie and Margaret Miller (Co-Chairs), Pam Doane, Joan Capesius, Janet Condit, and Lee Ann Mjelde-Mossey.

We will be voting on the slate at the Annual Meeting on May 9 at The Warehouse. As noted in the branch by-laws, nominations can be taken from the floor on that date. The slate of officers is provided elsewhere in this newsletter.

Positive Communication from the AAUW National Office:

Recently I received two letters that are of significance for our branch. The first one is a letter of congratulations from the AAUW President in celebration of our 100th Anniversary as a branch along with a Certificate of Honor which I will share at the April meeting. I am quoting from the letter, "We appreciate all of the hard work and activism your branch has accomplished, and we look forward to your continued support in the coming years." The second letter cited our steady increase in members over the past few years. Since 2012, we have increased membership by 7.26%.

Keep up the good work in welcoming new members to our branch and in supporting the excellent work of the Membership Committee!

We look forward to meeting the scholarship winners for this year at the May meeting.

Thanks to all of the Board members who have served so faithfully and dependably all of this year. We have accomplished a great deal, thanks to many leaders and members. I look forward to seeing each of you at the April meeting — it should be an informative one — "Women in Leadership."

Best,
Judy Casey

Even though we're all ready to take a break from the holidays, we still must remember to reload those **King Soopers** and **Safeway** cards. I decided that many of our members must be traveling to exotic places as this was one of the lowest months for reloading cards. Of course, I understand that with gas prices down, it doesn't take as much to fill those tanks.

Call me or email me if you need new cards for family and friends or for gifts.

Candy Crumb - Funds Director

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

The committee was tasked with filling the following positions:

President Elect, VP for Programs (co-chairs), VP Membership, Secretary and three members for the nominating committee

They proudly present these names for your consideration for the coming fiscal year:

President Elect – Phyllis Sperber

VP for Programs (2) – Paula Munger and Caryl Schrab-Selmon

VP Membership – Suzanne Stahlbuhk

Secretary – (co-secretaries) – Jean Little and Yvonne Livengood

Nominating committee – Judy Casey, Marilyn Hanlon, and Gini Simonson

Thank you for your dedication to this difficult project. Co-chairs: Jan McKenzie, Margaret Miller. Members: Pam Doane, Joan Capesius, Janet Condit, and Lee Ann Mjelde-Mossey

LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS

The due date for our branch's Local Scholarships applications is March 31. As I write this article in mid-March, many grade transcripts and a few personal statements and federal financial need assessments have come in. Usually, the flow greatly increases during the final few days of this month.

Your terrific Local Scholarships Committee members--Margaret Baptist, Charlotte Gagne, and Linda McInay --are ready and waiting to receive electronically the completed files of each candidate. They will read and evaluate these applications at home before we meet as a group to discuss our top candidates for the five \$1000 Local Scholarships funded by our branch through our Authors' Day and individual contributions. Two members of the Local Scholarships Committee and I will then personally interview the top candidates. We have found that this demanding process in which the student presents her academic achievements through grades/classes, her financial need through the Estimated Family Contribution based on her federal income tax, her impact on others through a letter of recommendation, and her own career goals through a two-page written statement and then a 20-minute personal interview brings us truly outstanding scholarship winners.

During the interview process we committee members try to have a friendly, stimulating conversation with each student to get a feeling for her commitment to her career goal and her ability to achieve it; we also frequently use this opportunity to be helpful mentors. Students often leave the interviews commenting that their fears going into the interview changed to relaxed appreciation of the mutual exchange of ideas that they had had. I hope that this mutually informative and helpful exchange of ideas between our branch members and our scholarship winners will continue, as it has in the past, at our May 9 meeting when the winners will be presented.

Once again, my committee, our many Local Scholarships winners, and I thank you very, very much for your generous support of our Local Scholarships!

Joann Oh, Local Scholarships Chair

ABOUT OUR NEW MEMBERS



Florendo, Jackie

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jackie@allianceforkids.org

Jackie earned her BS (1982) in Elementary Education at University of Nebraska at Lincoln and her MA in Curriculum and Instruction from Doane College in Crete, Nebraska (2000). She earned an Ed.D. in 2012 in Educational Administration from the University of Nebraska at Lincoln. She is currently Early Childhood Council Coordinator for El Paso County (Alliance for Kids) and an adjunct professor at UCCS in Early Childhood Education. In the spare time she has, she volunteers at St. Patrick Church and belongs to the Artemis, a book club, and a garden club.

She is very interested in public policy, current affairs, hiking, and history and indicates an interest in serving on the community committee.

Leiseth, Judy

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Judy is a graduate of St. Olaf College in Northfield, MN completing a BSN in nursing (1975). Returning to earn her MSN, she went on to become a nurse practitioner at University of Colorado Health Sciences in Denver in 1992. She is semiretired and volunteers at her church, book club, hiking group, and Safe Place for Pets.

Judy is interested in arts and entertainment, hiking, and history and wishes to learn more about AAUW before she commits to a committee of interest.

Plump, Kathy

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Kathy attended the University of Kansas in Lawrence to earn her BS in Education (1971) and later (1991) earned her MA in education from Portland State U in Portland, OR. She is retired and volunteers with the Academy for Advanced and Creative Learning and Habitat for Humanity. She was looking for a Mahjong group and was happy to find one with AAUW which just happens to support many of her passions.

She is interested in current affairs, dining, reading and writing, technology and mahjong. Community and hospitality committees are other areas Kathy may find time to serve.

Sheinman, Deborah

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In 1979, **Deborah** earned a BA in Special Education at LaSalle in Philadelphia. She has since received two MA degrees, one in 1991 in elementary education from UNC in Greeley and the second in 1992 in Special Education from UCCS. She is retired at this time and has been a member of AAUW in the past.

She is interested in arts/entertainment, dining/food, hiking, history, literature, politics, technology and travel. Serving on the program and public policy committees may be an option for her.

Thompson, Kristine

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Kris attended University of Tennessee in Nashville and Colorado College to earn a BSE in education, science and math (1969). In 1970 she received a MSE in Counseling Education from Arkansas State College in Conway, Arkansas and a PhD (1978) in psychology from the University of Iowa in Iowa City. She worked in the field of clinical psychology and is currently disabled.

She is interested in book clubs, current affairs, gardening, and children's issues.

ADD TO DIRECTORY – April/May 2015

Florendo, Jackie (Collyn)

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Membership Memo

Our May branch meeting at the Warehouse will be a day to celebrate some special events. Besides awarding scholarships to some very deserving women, we will be awarding three of our members with AAUW Honorary Life memberships. Darlene Aspedon, Ilene Steinkruger, and Shirley Swinney have been members of AAUW for fifty years. They will join the list of other life members in the directory for next year. Now, that is something to celebrate. Congratulations to you.

As part of the national campaign to promote AAUW membership, we have received some free national memberships. For those of you who don't know, national dues are \$49 of the

\$80 we pay yearly. In order to reward some of our faithful members, we will have a drawing at the May meeting for two free membership to national but you must attend that meeting to have your name placed in the drawing. Should you win one of the two drawings, you will have your membership current for the next year (2015-2016) by paying state and branch dues only (\$31) by the deadline. I am looking forward to a big audience on this final meeting of the club year.

Lois Boschee

From Community V-P Pauleta Terven:

One in four people have struggled with a mental health issue, including depression, anxiety, substance abuse, eating disorders, and more. That means that it is likely you or someone that you care deeply about has been impacted. As we look at obstacles to women achieving self-sufficiency, one factor that is frequently identified is behavioral health. Working on improving mental health systems is an important component of helping women achieve equity.

During 2014, a series of community conversations titled "Mental Health Begins With Me" addressed the question "How can we support better mental health in Colorado Springs?" Six suggestions emerged from the discussions. One idea that was quickly adopted was "Teach the whole community how to promote mental health."

A first step toward that goal is providing training on the risk factors and warning signs of a variety of mental health challenges. Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) is a groundbreaking, evidence-based, internationally recognized training program that is committed to empowering individuals to identify, understand and respond to those in mental health and substance abuse crises. The cost of this 8 hour program is covered entirely by grants. Several of our members have completed the program and have raved about how much they have learned.

April 17 is the next program open to the public in Colorado Springs. Register at www.mhfacolorado.org/find-a-class.

Public Policy Corner

By
Cara Koch

Record Turn-out At Public Policy Event

Ninety people attended our March 10 *The Raising of America: Early Childhood and the Future of Our Nation* Launch Event, including early childhood professionals, educators, mental health professionals, social service providers, and more. This event was a pre-screening of an up-coming PBS documentary series that seeks to reframe the way we look at early childhood health and development. The series illustrates how a strong start for all our kids leads not only to better individual life-course outcomes (learning, earning, and physical and mental health) but also to a healthier, safer, better educated and more prosperous and equitable nation. Stay tuned for the full series which will be aired this fall on RMPBS.

Also on the program were the latest Colorado Women's Foundation research on the Cost of Childcare, and a summary of related legislation currently before the Colorado Legislature.

PUBLIC POLICY COMMITTEE APPROVED BY BOARD

Due to the success of the Public Policy events this year, our Branch Board recently approved the formation of a **Public Policy Committee** to continue planning and executing Public Policy Events on hot topics. At least two of these events will serve as the program for Branch meetings each year. The purpose of these events is to educate ourselves and our community about pertinent mission-related issues, while providing visibility for AAUW and attracting new members who are interested in supporting the issues.

The hot topics for the upcoming year will include **early childhood** and **education reform** (carried over from this year) plus **mental health**. These topics overlap, thereby helping to build a coalition of people in our community who are interested in addressing these interrelated issues.

Public Policy Interest Group

The Board sees the Public Policy Interest Group continuing to function as it has in the past. Members will:

- Receive e-mail updates on current public policy issues
- Attend Public Policy day in Denver in February
- Participate in League of Women Voter events
- Participate in the AAUW action Network by signing up for the **Two-Minute Activist** e-action alerts.*
- Attend meetings held on an "as-needed" basis, which may include voter rallies or lobbying events.

We are now looking for someone to head this Interest Group. Public Policy Director Cara Koch will assume leadership of the Public Policy Committee and will be available as a resource person to the Public Policy Interest Group leader. Anyone interested in leading the Interest Group should contact either Nancy Holt, Interest Group Chair, or Cara Koch.

***To sign up for the two Minute Activist click here:**

http://aauwco.aauw.net/files/2013/02/action_net_work.jpg

Be in the know! Like AAUW on Facebook. Go to www.facebook.com/CoSpringsAAUW

The OLD Facebook page is:
www.facebook.com/pages/AAUW-Colorado-Springs-Colorado

Pikes Peak Regional Science Fair –

On a snowy day at the end of February, June Hallenbeck and I learned that ear worms are songs that get stuck in your head; you will not lose weight on a gluten free diet if you still eat sugar; blue lasers have better fiber optic qualities than other colors; you should marinate your garden mulch; and geomagnetic storms are more a function of coronal holes than sunspots. The Colorado Springs Branch once again awarded two female scientists for their efforts at the Pikes Regional Science Fair. AAUW recognized participants at both the senior high and middle school levels. Award winners were Katelynn Salmon of Monument Academy and Emma Frantz of Palmer High School. The winners each received a \$25 gift certificate to Barnes and Noble.

Miss Salmon investigated the effects of plastic microbeads on Daphnia. Her experiment, so entitled, studied the effects of every-day consumer products which contain microbeads, such as toothpaste and facial scrubs, on Daphnia. She was motivated by recent studies by Colorado Springs Utilities that these microbeads are too small to be captured by existing filters at the water treatment plant and are being released into Fountain Creek. She built her own microscope so that she could witness the beating hearts of Daphnia that had ingested the microbeads. Her experiment clearly demonstrated that plastic microbeads are detrimental to living organisms, and subsequently, the food chain.

In “Harnessing the Marangoni Effect”, Miss Franz attempted to understand the factors affecting thermo-capillary behavior. The Marangoni effect is the tendency for thin liquid films to travel to areas of higher surface tension. She used fluid motion, viscosity, and surface roughness to validate theoretical models of fluid film migration across a gradient. The implications of the results predict how lubrication will be effected in space and how maintenance needs to be performed on space equipment.

The Science Fair remains a crucial outlet for young ladies to demonstrate their science capabilities and garner confidence and recognition. There were only 28 total female participants (all categories) in the high school division, but this was 64% of the participants! Only 2 of these ladies were in the engineering category. A special thanks to June Hallenbeck for helping me judge all these projects.

Brenda Wolfe – Science Fair Chair



Emma Frantz of Palmer High School



Katelynn Salmon of Monument Academy

AAUW Dues Are Due

March 16 begins the dues collection season for FY 16 (July 2015-June 2016). Checks need to be made out to **AAUW** or **AAUW Colorado Springs Branch**. Please send them to: Jo Weilbrenner, 1125 Tari Dr, Colorado Springs, CO 80921

You can enroll on line at AAUW.org. You will need your member number to do so. If you do not know your member number, you can email or call me weilbrennerj@msn.com or (719) 487-1875 or contact AAUW National at (800) 326-2289.

If you wish to receive the Newsletters via the US Postal Service, please include an additional \$10 for the postage.

Dues are \$80.00 (Nat'l \$49 (\$46 is tax deductible), State \$10, Branch \$21) unless you are a member at large, a Member for Life, or an Honorary Life Member (contact Lois Boschee at loborn@msn.com or 388-8557 for questions).

MEMORIAL DAY! MOTHER'S DAY! ANY DAY!



DECORATE YOUR POTS WITH BEAUTIFUL GERANIUMS AND SUPPORT EF/LAF's AAUW FUND.

4.5" pots in three colors: red, pink and salmon.

\$8.00 each

PICKUP OR PURCHASE: May 9, 2015: at Branch meeting in morning or 1:00-3:00pm at 3217 LARKSPUR DRIVE, CO SPRINGS



NAME: _____

QUANTITY: RED: _____ PINK: _____ SALMON: _____ TOTAL: _____

PHONE: _____

ADDRESS: _____



APRIL



Monday:

- HARDY HIKERS:** C: Charla Dowds, 574-7568
6 Hike America the Beautiful Park-North. Call Jo Weilbrenner, 487-1875
13 Hike TBD. Call Charla Dowds, 574-7568
20 Hike Boxborough State Park-Carpenter Peak. Call Michele Strub, 481-0408
27 Hike Ute Valley Park. Call Gini Simonson, 481-8843

Tuesday:

- 7 **COMPUTER INTEREST GROUP:** 9:30 am, Co-C: Susan Sommerfield, 390-2955, gg04nrkm@juno.com and Shirlea Griswold, 337-2886, beadart878@yahoo.com. H: TBD. Please call hostess and let her know if you are or are not coming to the meeting.
- 14 **POTPOURRI BOOK GROUP:** 1:00 p.m. C: Sharon Malek, 210-355-6852, sharonmalek@yahoo.com. B: *Desert Queen* by Janet Wallach.
- DINNER BOOK CLUB:** C: Kay Atteberry, 599-3187, kayatteberry@aol.com
Dinner at 5:45p.m. at Zios. Book: *The Husband's Secret* by Liane Moriarty. RSVP Kay Atteberry 599-3187 or kayatteberry@aol.com
- 28 **UFO'S (UNFINISHED OBJECTS):** 1:00 p.m. C: Wynn Weidner, 598-5259, wynnweidner@q.com. H: Susan Wright; 11985 Sunset Crater Dr., {Peyton} 393-5045, wrightsearch@gmail.com.

Wednesday:

- AMIABLE AMBLERS:** C: Linda Shane, 355-9287, lindershane@gmail.com.
- 1 Meet at 10:00 a.m. at Goose Gossage on Mark Dabbling Blvd north of Fillmore. Meet at the parking lot on the left, past the two baseball diamonds. If you get to the Sinton trail sign, you've driven past the parking lot. Group will decide which direction to walk (about 90-120 minutes) and decide on lunch. No hike leader.
- 22 Hike Garden of the Gods, meet at 10:00 a.m. Call Evelyn Hurr
- 8 **SOUTHWEST STUDIES:** 2:00 p.m. C: Jean Reynolds, 598-1784. jreyno1932@aol.com. H: Martha Lee, 6570 Foxdale Circle, 594-9036, mleewest@live.com Presenter: Vivian McWhorter on Maxwell Grant.
- 15 **LUNCHEON NOVEL I:** 11:45 a.m. Co-chairs: Georgina Burns, 598-7773 & Sally Mathewson, 473-0228. H: Rachel Bartlett (594-9524) Co-H: Nadine McCarter (473-0164)
Book: *How Shakespeare Changed Everything* by Stephen Marche. DL: Nancy Holt
- LUNCHEON NOVEL TOO:** 12:00 p.m. C: Pam Doane, 598-24425, pamdoane@q.com. H: Phyllis Sperber, 35 Golf Gate Lane. Co-H: Judie Werschky, 632-9989, judiewer@aol.com. Planning Meeting. Discussion of *The Goldfinch*.
- AFTERNOON READERS:** C: Joan Zales, 237-95825, joanzales@aol.com. H: Mary Carley, 5115 Lanagan St., 264-7568 or marycarley@aol.com. B: *The Invention of Wings* by Sue Monk Kidd. Please contact hostess and indicate whether you will or will not be able to attend.

Wednesday (continued):

- 22 CHOCOLATE LOVERS: 1:30 p.m. Co-Chairs: Ellie Solomon - 630-7465, elron3@msn.com & Sally Mathewson, 473-0228, mathewson3@juno.com. H: Ellie Solomon, 3203 Paseo Road. RSVP: Ellie Solomon, 630-7465, elron3@msn.com.
- 2 WOMEN WHO WRITE: 8:30 a.m. C: Phyllis Sperber, 434-1813, p.sperber@comcast.net. H: Shirley Miekka, 5130 Sevenoaks Dr., 302-3323, smiekka1@comcast.net. Food: Jeanne Marsh. Facilitate: Marge Zimmerman. Please let Shirley know if you will or will not be attending.
- MAH JONGG: 1 p.m., Patty Jewett Club House. Contact Susan Bydalek at 465-2707 or sbydalek@yahoo.com. Optional lunch at noon.
- 9 THURSDAY BRIDGE GROUP: 10:00 a.m. H: Barbara Kafka, 2011 Devon St., 574-0506, franticfrancis@msn.com. AAUW members interested in becoming bridge members or substitutes call Peggy Wimberly at 598-8017 or email to pwimb659@comcast.net.
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Friday:

- 3 EXPLORING LIVES AND CULTURES: 10:00 a.m., East Library, Conference Room II, C: Jan McKenzie, 597-7161, janzie18@msn.com or Eunice Ciaccio, 465-2911, euninco.11@comcast.net. (Sexual Assault Month) B: *Crazy Love* by Leslie Morgan Steiner
- 17 LOCAL HISTORY: 10:00 a.m. C: Anna Ahern, 635-3439, aavillasierra@aol.com. H: Shirley Semonchik, 471-4747. Program: Chief Manitou and his contribution to the Pikes Peak Region. Speaker: Robert Cronk. Meet at Manitou Springs Heritage Center, 517 Manitou Ave., Manitou Springs. Lunch at Adams Mountain Café, 26 Manitou Ave., Manitou Springs.





MAY



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- 27 CHOCOLATE LOVERS: TBA Chairs: Ellie Solomon, 630-7465, elron3@msn.com & Sally Mathewson, 473-0228, mathewson3@juno.com.

Thursday:

- 7 WOMEN WHO WRITE: 8:30 a.m. C: Phyllis Sperber, 434-1813, p.sperber@comcast.net. H: Phyllis Sperber, 35 Golf Lane, 434-1813, p.sperber@comcast.net. Food: Dixie Gordon. Facilitator: Joyce Aubrey. Please let Phyllis know if you will or will not be attending.
- MAH JONGG: 1 p.m., Patty Jewett Club House. Contact Susan Bydalek at 465-2707 or sbydalek@yahoo.com. Optional lunch at noon.
- 14 THURSDAY BRIDGE GROUP: 10:00 a.m. H: TBD AAUW members interested in becoming bridge members or substitutes call Peggy Wimberly at 598-8017 or email to pwimb659@comcast.net.
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Friday:

- 1 EXPLORING LIVES AND CULTURES: 10:00 a.m., East Library, Conference Room II, C: Jan McKenzie, 597-7161, janzie18@msn.com or Eunice Ciaccio, 465-2911, euninco.11@comcast.net . (Asian-Pacific American Heritage Month) *Yellow: Race In American Beyond Black and White* by Frank Wu.
- 15 LOCAL HISTORY: 10:00 a.m. C: Anna Ahern, 635-3439. aavillasierra@aol.com. Program: History of Woodmen Valley, presented by Jeanne Marsh at her home, 850 Timber Valley Road. Salad luncheon will follow. RSVP by May 13. H: Jeanne, 590-7237



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