



## Colorado Springs Branch of AAUW Newsletter

February/March 2016

**Location:** Patty Jewett  
Golf Club  
900 E. Espanola

**Time:** 9:30 to 11:30 AM

**Brunch Breakfast Buffet  
includes:**

Assorted Pastry Basket  
Seasonal Fruit and Fresh  
Berries

Ranch Scrambled Eggs

Cheddar, Broccoli and  
Mushroom Egg Souffle

Buttermilk Biscuits and  
Sausage w/Country Gravy

Applewood Smoked Bacon

Home Fries with Grilled  
Peppers

Cheese Blintzes with  
Raspberry Sauces

Juices, Fresh Regular and  
Decaf Coffee, and Hot Tea

**Cost:** \$23.00

**Deadline:** Friday Feb.12

Make reservations on  
PayPal at [coloradosprings-  
co.aauw.net](http://coloradosprings-co.aauw.net) or send check  
(made out to AAUW) to:

Paula Munger  
1306 Wood Ave  
Colorado Springs, CO  
80903

Phone: 633-7998

## Winter Brunch Branch Event February 20 Speaker Donna Vessey



Donna Vessey is the host of the educational adventure television series, "Hittin' the Road" on Rocky Mountain PBS and Executive Director, Rocky Mountain Adventure Quest. Donna's intense curiosity and love of travel was developed as a child. She spent half her formative years overseas and traveled extensively throughout the United States, Europe and Africa. Donna has a long and storied career as an actress and producer. She trained at the prestigious. The second City in Chicago. She produced main stage theater and was co-owner and director for an improve comedy troupe for a total of nine years. She has over one hundred television commercials and six hundred theatrical performances to her credit.

Before starting her television production company, Rocky Mountain Adventure Quest, Donna owned and operated Donna Vessey Events, an international event consulting and Management Company headquartered in Colorado. Donna Vessey Events provided entertainment, event planning and management services for corporate and private clients all over the globe. She is a renowned entertainment expert and professional speaker who shares with audiences nationwide her humor, business expertise and exhilarating adventures

Inspired by her years in the event industry she published her first book. "The Adventures of a Gala Guru; Saving the Planet One Party At a Time!" in 2012. Currently selling on Amazon and Barnes & Noble.com, the book is a hilarious look behind the scenes of the event planning industry. She currently hosts "Hittin' the Road", an educational show about finding the adventure in everything, everywhere.

You are invited to the following event:  
**INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY 2016  
CELEBRATION**



**The Pinery at the Hill**  
775 West Bijou Street  
Colorado Springs, CO 80905

Registration for the 2016 Celebration is now open.

- Spend the morning at the Pinery at the Hill, sharing a beautiful venue and delicious brunch
- Listen to live music by the Gioscia-Groothof duo.
- Review art displays by local artists (and have the opportunity to purchase display pieces)
- Enjoy Birgitta De Pree from Millibo Art Theatre, who will be our MC
- Be inspired by the presentations of Lisa Lundquist, Allie Burritt and Judi Arndo
- Meet other interesting and dynamic women!

All this for \$30.00

**March 5, 2016 from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM**

Check out our website: [www.iwd-coloradosprings.org](http://www.iwd-coloradosprings.org)

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

AAUW ended 2015 on a very positive note with a wonderful luncheon at the Cliff House featuring the very talented Vocal Fusion Show Choir. In December, we also had many volunteers who participated in STEM Day held at UCCS. It was a treat to interact with girls who are planning careers in STEM fields.

We have planned many interesting programs and activities for 2016. The Raising of America Community Dialogue held on January 9 at the PPLD Library 21c was a huge success. This event was sponsored by the Pikes Peak Community Alliance. The AAUW committee led by Cara Koch was an essential part of this endeavor and we owe them a big thank you for representing AAUW so well.

The 2016 International Women's Day will be held March 5 from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM at The Pinery at the Hill. This has always been a very informative event and I hope many of you will attend. Both the Community Dialogue and International Women's Day events support AAUW's mission and also support our branch goal of collaborating with other organizations that share our mission.

The Board is so appreciative of the support our members have demonstrated by increased attendance at branch meetings and increasing involvement in the Interest Groups!

*Nedra Engelson*



## NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Now is the time to start thinking about how you can contribute to our vibrant and active Colorado Springs branch of AAUW. The nominating committee has begun meeting to recommend a slate of officers for the Colorado Springs branch for 2016/2017. Positions to be selected this year are:

President elect  
Community VP  
Program VP  
Treasurer

In addition, three new members of the nominating committee are to be selected.

The job descriptions for these positions can be found at our website -- [coloradosprings-co.aauw.net](http://coloradosprings-co.aauw.net). (See page xv in your directory for how to access this information.)

The initial response has been encouraging – thank you to those who have already agreed to consider serving our organization. But it takes the efforts of many women (indeed all of us!) to keep our branch running smoothly and to provide our members with the numerous opportunities to learn and grow that AAUW offers.

Please give serious consideration to the possibility of filling an office in our branch. (And remember that it is often possible for two people to share one position!) Feel free to ask current officers and board members about their duties and responsibilities or contact any of the following members of the nominating committee: Joan Capesius, Judy Casey, Janet Condit, Gini Simonson or Marilyn Hanlon.

## Local Scholarships



With our successful Author's Day profits, silent auction, donations, and use of the King Sooper and Safeway cards proceeds, we are again able to offer five \$1,000 scholarships to women students at UCCS and PPCC. Application forms are available on our branch website ([coloradosprings-co.aauw.net](http://coloradosprings-co.aauw.net)) and on the UCCS and PPCC websites under Scholarships. Women applicants with 36 completed credit hours, 3.0 GPA, and currently attending either PPCC or UCCS the spring semester of 2016, with intent to enroll in the fall 2016 at either PPCC or UCCS, are eligible to apply for our AAUW scholarship.

The financial aid counselors at both PPCC and UCCS have been in communication with our scholarship committee, and I have met with Aditi Mitra, our AAUW contact at UCCS, to promote the scholarships. Application forms have been distributed at the college/career centers, childcare centers where students who are also parents will be likely to see them.

Our local scholarship committee this year will be comprised of Linda McInay, Joann Oh, Margaret Baptist, Sally Metzger, and Charlotte Gagne, chairperson. Together we will read and evaluate the applications for 2016 and make our final determinations in April.

I would like to share correspondence from one of our 2015 scholarship winners, an early childhood education major, a woman who came to America when she was 11 years old from Mexico.

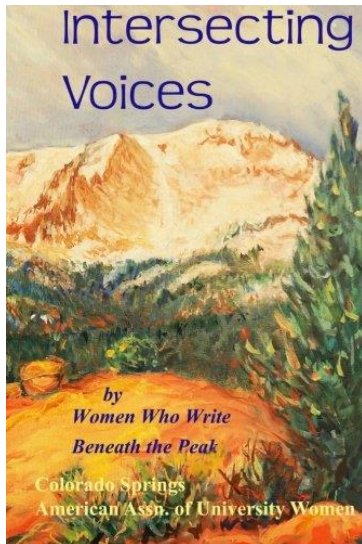
*"I also want to thank you and the board members for supporting me in my path, for giving me hope and empowerment, and the privilege to be part of such a great organization. Women supporting other women in their educational struggles is what will ensure women's success in society and in life.*

*I feel that women today, do not support each other as much, because we often challenge each other or compete with one another, possibly to prove something or for other reasons. Would it be possible to get copies of the pictures taken at the awards banquet? My mother wanted to see a picture of me holding the certificate. She is very proud, as am I. Thank you and the board members again for supporting me, and thinking I have something to provide to our society as an educational teacher."*

I am appreciative of all our AAUW members who so generously support Local Scholarships. Reading such heartfelt notes from our winners reminds me that these aspiring scholars that we support have mothers who take pride in their children, regardless of their age. Several of our scholarship recipients last year were single mothers, workers, as well as students. They all have mothers, who like us, sing their praises for all they have accomplished.

*Char Gagne*





### WOMEN WHO WRITE

Women Who Write (WWW), our local AAUW writing group, has published a book, *Intersecting Voices* -- a collection of writings contributed by members of the group. This book is the result of a journey by the WWW group through the process of writing, editing and publishing. Each author submitted one or more short selections, which include a variety of personal essays, memoirs, vignettes, fiction, nonfiction and poetry. The cover of the book is from a painting by local member Rosemary Scheuring.

The books were available just in time for Authors' Day, and copies of the book were offered for sale at that event. From the money raised through book sales, WWW donated approximately \$350.00 to our local scholarship fund.

*Intersecting Voices* may be purchased through [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com). For information on prints of the painting on the cover, email Rosemary at: [scheuring\\_r@msn.com](mailto:scheuring_r@msn.com).

WWW meets the first Thursday of each month, as we gather in members' homes to socialize and to improve our writing skills through practice. AAUW members with an interest in writing are welcome to join us. For more information, contact Janet Condit at: [jjcondit@msn.com](mailto:jjcondit@msn.com).



The Southern Colorado Girls' STEM Initiative

The seventh annual Girls' STEM Day held December 7 at UCCS was a big success--thanks in large part to these members: Janet Condit, Charla Dowds, Frieda Dunlap, Nedra Engelson, Barbara Faaborg, Janet Friedberg, Marilyn Hanlon, Nancy Holt, Judy Leiseth, Jean Little, Lani Manning, Linda McIlroy, Paula Munger, Jean Olsen, Linda Shane, Gini Simonson, Suzanne Stahlbuhk, Pauleta Terven and Brenda Wolfe. Kathleen Fitzpatrick and Vicki Taylor, the people mainly responsible for the event, said multiple times, "We couldn't have done it without the AAUW ladies".

On Sunday afternoon, Eunice Ciaccio, Barbara Faaborg, Marilyn Feaster, Janet Friedberg, and Jan McKenzie helped to assemble 350 "swag" bags and to organize materials for the workshops. That "behind the scenes" help was also critical to the day's success.

Our engagement in this program is an important way to bring recognition to our organization--and besides, it was fun!

*Pauleta*



**Public Policy Corner**  
By  
Cara Koch

**The Pikes Peak Community Dialogue**

AAUW, along with the **Raising of America Pikes Peak Community Alliance** attracted 100 participants (in spite of the cold and snow!) to begin a months-long examination of early childhood in our community. Attendees included **Bill Murray, Tom Strand** and **Larry Bagley** from City Council; school board members **Linda Mojer, Luann Long, Elaine Naleski**, and a board member from district 49; **Diane Norton**, State AAUW President and representative of the Colorado Women’s Coalition, and **Carla Hendrickson** from Pueblo, who is interested in replicating our effort there.

Following a lively discussion of issues raised in the groundbreaking documentary aired on RMPBS during January, we are urging organizations and individuals to host screenings and discussion groups at their workplace, organization meetings, places of worship, and in their homes in order to become informed about the early childhood issues impacting families. Armed with a better understanding of this complex issue, it is time for us as citizens to find out how this issue affects us all—and what we can do about it.

The DVD with all 5 episodes (in both English and Spanish) is available at Pikes Peak Library and Kramer Library at UCCS. The Gill Media Center is available (free) as a venue for larger groups.



Public Policy Action Team  
Jeanne Marsh, Judy Casey, Cara Koch, Paula Munger, Lois Arndt

**Thank you to all AAUW members who helped!**

**Recorders:** Janet Condit, Jean Danforth, Pam Doane; Marilyn Feaster; June Hallenbeck, Jean Little, Amparo Rodriguez; Suzanne Stahlbuhk; Nancy Taylor; Susan Theune; Lorada Shrawder, Lois Arndt, and Eunice Ciaccio.

**Registration:** Jeanne Marsh, Judy Casey and Susan Theune.

**Food for Thought Facilitators** provided trained facilitators to provide a method of grassroots participation with policy makers and community leaders to have a conversation about investing in early childhood as a cost effective way to address the many social issues we face today. Special thanks to **Carol Scott**, lead trainer of this wonderful community asset!

Participants will receive a written summary of the responses to discussion group questions. These responses will be used to guide our planning for the next Raising of America event on April 30.



## Please welcome our New Members for December and January



**Suzanne Kraus** (spouse: Glenn)  
2883 Merry Lane, Colo. Springs, CO 80909  
Home phone: 719-203-6596

Email: [sbaldwin101@yahoo.com](mailto:sbaldwin101@yahoo.com)

Degrees: BS (English) Dominican  
University, River Forest, IL  
MS (Special Ed.) Dominican  
University, River Forest, IL

Interest: Crafts, Current Affairs, Dining, Film,  
Hiking, History, Reading

Committees: Community, Hospitality

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Suzanne is retired and was a member of  
AAUW in La Grange, IL. She moved to  
Colorado Springs last year and volunteers with  
Pikes Peak Therapeutic Riding Stable and at  
Russell Middle School. She is also a member  
of the Pikes Peak Beekeepers Association.

### **Barbara Potter**

(Attended & joined at Author's Day)

3109 Springdowns Place, Colo. Springs, CO  
80906

Home phone: 719-576-3569

Email: [bkpotter2003@yahoo.com](mailto:bkpotter2003@yahoo.com)

Degrees: BS (Elem Ed., Early Childhood)  
Indiana State, Terre Haute  
MS (Elementary Ed., Early  
Childhood) Indiana State, Terre Haute

Interest: Crafts, Dining, Film, History,  
Reading and Writing, Southwest studies

Newsletter: email.pdf

Barbara is retired and volunteers with the  
Colorado Archeological Society, Historic  
Preservation Alliance and PILLAR.

**Marilyn Szwarc** (spouse: Walter)  
5520 Wilson Rd., Colo. Springs, CO 80919  
Cell phone: 864-270-5835

Email: [marilynszwarc@gmail.com](mailto:marilynszwarc@gmail.com)

Degrees: BA (History) St. Mary's  
College, Notre Dame, Indiana

Interest: Crafts, Current Affairs, Dining, Film,  
History, Reading, Public Policy

Committees: Publicity, Public Policy

Newsletter: email.pdf

Marilyn is a new Colorado Springs resident.  
She has a new job working with an accounting  
firm and volunteers with CASA.

### **Alice Wieggers**

(Attended & joined at Author's Day)

3580 Via Tierra Dr., Colo. Springs, CO 80911

Home phone: 719-425-7552

Email: [ewieggers@aol.com](mailto:ewieggers@aol.com)

Degrees: BA from UNLV

Interest: Crafts/UFOs, Reading

Committees: Community

Newsletter: email.doc

Alice is a previous AAUW member who has  
decided to rejoin us.

## **Spread the Word: New Members Reduced Dues**

If you know any prospective members who  
would like to "try out" AAUW and get to know  
our wonderful group of women, they can now  
join at a reduced rate from January 1 to March  
15. Half-year dues are \$40.00. These dues are  
good through June 30, 2016, at which time full  
dues of \$80 will need to be paid to remain a  
member.

Thanks, *Suzanne*

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Directory changes:

Dee Simon email: [deebill577@comcast.net](mailto:deebill577@comcast.net)

Brenda Wolfe email: [bjwolfe15@gmail.com](mailto:bjwolfe15@gmail.com).



# FEBRUARY



## Monday:

- HARDY HIKERS:** C: Charla Dowds, 574-7568  
1 Hike Sinton Trail. Call Lois Boschee, 388-8557  
8 Not scheduled  
15 Hike Shooks Run. Call Janet Friedberg, 596-1846  
22 Hike Garden of the Gods. Call Nona Hentschel, 310-1592  
29 Not scheduled

## Tuesday:

- 2 **TECHNOLOGY:** 9:30 a.m. C: Judie Werschky, [judiewer@aol.com](mailto:judiewer@aol.com), 632-9989.  
Restaurant lunch. Hostess: Judie, 3112 Leslie Dr. RSVP Judie.
- 9 **READERS' POTPOURRI:** 1:00 p.m. C: Kathy Kreps, 637-0258. H & DL: Darlene Blazek, 471-4101. B: *Sky Bridge* by Laura Pritchett. Please call Hostess to RSVP.
- DINNER BOOK CLUB:** C: Martha Lee, 594-9039, [mleewest@live.com](mailto:mleewest@live.com). Co-C: Barbara Kafka, 574-0506, [franticfrancis@msn.com](mailto:franticfrancis@msn.com) and Marion Rich, 226-8025, [530@cloud.com](mailto:530@cloud.com).  
Dinner at 5:45 at La Bella Vita, 4475 Northpark Drive, Book: *Point of Direction* by Rachel Weaver. RSVP to Martha Lee.
- 23 **UFO'S (UNFINISHED OBJECTS):** 1:00 p.m. C: Wynn Weidner, 598-5259, [wynnweidner@q.com](mailto:wynnweidner@q.com). Hostess: Shirlea Griswold, 1045 Hubbell Drive, 337-2886, [firebead878@yahoo.com](mailto:firebead878@yahoo.com).
- MORNING GLORY BOOK CLUB:** 10:00 a.m. to noon. Hostess: Judy Casey. Book: *Half-Life of a Zealot* by Swanee Hunt.

## Wednesday:

- AMIABLE AMBLERS:** C: Linda Shane, 355-9287, [lindershane@gmail.com](mailto:lindershane@gmail.com).
- 3 Meet at 10:00 a.m. at Bon Shopping Center, 2200-2300 N. Wahsatch. Meet at south end of the parking lot. Contact Eunice Ciaccio, 465-2911, [eunico.11@comcast.net](mailto:eunico.11@comcast.net).
- 10 Meet at 10:00 a.m. at Costco, 2100-5200 N. Nevada, University Village Shopping Center. Park at the north end by the Costco gas station. Do NOT follow the signs to the trailhead that are posted in the parking lot. Contact Rosemary Scheuering, 685-4688, [Scheuering\\_R@msn.com](mailto:Scheuering_R@msn.com).
- 17 Meet at 10:00 a.m. at Monument Valley Park, Fontanero Parking Lot. From Nevada go west on Fontanero, you will run directly into the parking lot. Contact Sherri Bristol, 578-1752, [sherri\\_bristol@qwestoffice.net](mailto:sherri_bristol@qwestoffice.net).
- 24 Hike Garden of the Gods. Contact Lynda Breese, 330-9657, [davidlynda9999@netscape.net](mailto:davidlynda9999@netscape.net).
- 10 **SOUTHWEST STUDIES:** 1:30 – 3:30 p.m. C: Jean Reynolds, 598-1784, [Jreyno1932@aol.com](mailto:Jreyno1932@aol.com) Meet at East Library. (Annex room, last on the left down the front hall). Bring your own drink and light refreshments will be provided by hostesses: Lois Boschee and Janet Friedberg. Topic: Ute Indians. Presenter: Nancy Holt.
- 17 **LUNCHEON NOVEL I:** 11:45 a.m. Co-chairs: Georgina Burns, 598-7773 & Sally Mathewson, 473-0228. Hostess: Ilene Steinkruger @ McKenzie Place (473-8511) Book: *The Secret History* by Donna Tartt. D.L. Ellie



**Wednesday:** (continued)

- 17 LUNCHEON NOVEL TOO: 12:00 p.m. C: Pam Doane, 598-24425, [pamdoane@q.com](mailto:pamdoane@q.com). H: Mary Wood, 220 Raven Hills Rd, 593-7948. Co-H: Vicky Collier, 597-5220, [vrcollier24@gmail.com](mailto:vrcollier24@gmail.com). B: *The Boston Girl: A Novel* by Anita Diamant. DL: June Hallenbeck.
- 24 CHOCOLATE LOVERS: 11:30 a.m. Co-Chairs: Ellie Solomon - 630-7465, [elron3@msn.com](mailto:elron3@msn.com) & Sally Mathewson -473-0228, [mathewson3@juno.com](mailto:mathewson3@juno.com) Lunch at Patty Jewett Golf Course, 900 E. Espanola with a talk on the history of Patty Jewett. RSVP - Marie Poyzer, 576-2664, [marieacp@yahoo.com](mailto:marieacp@yahoo.com).

**Thursday:**

- WOMEN WHO WRITE: 9:30 a.m. C: Janet Condit, 277-7590, [jjcondit@msn.com](mailto:jjcondit@msn.com)  
Hostess: Judie Werschky, 3112 Leslie Dr. 661-1874, [judiewer@aol.com](mailto:judiewer@aol.com). Refreshments will be provided by Corkie Kirkham and Facilitator will be Joann Oh. Please RSVP to Judie.
- MAH JONGG: 1 p.m., Patty Jewett Club House. Contact Susan Bydalek at 465-2707 or [sbydalek@yahoo.com](mailto:sbydalek@yahoo.com). Optional lunch at noon.
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**Friday:**

- 5 EXPLORING LIVES AND CULTURES: 10:00 a.m. – 12 noon. East Library, Upstairs Meeting Room, E-1, Co-Cs: Eunice Ciaccio, 465-2911, [euninco.11@comcast.net](mailto:euninco.11@comcast.net) and Janet Friedberg 596-1846, [janetfriedberg@comcast.net](mailto:janetfriedberg@comcast.net). B: *Disgruntled* a novel by Asali Solomon in observance of Black History Month. (Questions or to be added to email reminder list, contact Eunice or Janet)
- FOG (FRIENDS OF THE GRAPE): Everyone brings a bottle of wine (or beer) and an appetizer. Spouse or friends are welcome. 6:00 p.m. Mardi Gras Party. Hosts: Nancy and Smith Holt, 6404 Gunslinger Dr. 809236. Masks and Beads are recommended, but not required. RSVP if attending to Nancy by phone 405-880-1277 or by email - [nancy.holt@nanacakes.com](mailto:nancy.holt@nanacakes.com)
- 19 LOCAL HISTORY: 10:00 a.m. C: Judie Werschky, 632-9989, [judiewer@aol.com](mailto:judiewer@aol.com). Cheyenne Mountain Country Club, 9 Lake Avenue, Broadmoor. Program: History of our community's oldest country club by Darryl Thatcher, MD and club historian. Optional lunch at the club, \$25. Call Judie Werschky for info. RSVP by Mon., Feb. 15.



Find the Marde Gras Party (Hint: FOG)



# MARCH



## Monday:

- HARDY HIKERS:** C: Charla Dowds, 574-7568  
7 Hike Cottonwood Creek. Call Jeanne Knudson, 593-0464  
14 Hike Pueblo. Call Pauleta Terven, 598-3020  
21 Downtown Art Walk. Call Pam Doane, 598-2442  
28 Hike Fountain Creek Nature Center. Call Charla Dowds, 574-7568

## Tuesday:

- 1 **TECHNOLOGY:** 9:30 a.m. C: Judie Werschky, [judiewer@aol.com](mailto:judiewer@aol.com) H: June Hallenbeck, 115 Dolomite Dr. RSVP: June at [junehallenbeck@comcast.net](mailto:junehallenbeck@comcast.net) or 598-2979.
- 8 **READERS' POTPOURRI:** 1:00 p.m. C: Kathy Kreps, 637-0258. H & DL: Ann Crossey, 510-9693. B: *The Invention of Wings* by Sue Monk Kidd. Please call Hostess to RSVP.
- DINNER BOOK CLUB:** C: Martha Lee, 594-9039, [mleewest@live.com](mailto:mleewest@live.com). Co-C: Barbara Kafka, 574-0506, [franticfrancis@msn.com](mailto:franticfrancis@msn.com) and Marion Rich, 226-8025, [530@cloud.com](mailto:530@cloud.com).  
Dinner at 5:45 p.m. at The Margarita at Pine Creek, 7350 Pine Creek Rd.,  
Book: *The Wednesday Sisters* by Meg Waite Clayton. RSVP to Martha Lee.
- 22 **UFO'S (UNFINISHED OBJECTS):** 1:00 p.m. C: Wynn Weidner, 598-5259, [wynnweidner@q.com](mailto:wynnweidner@q.com) Hostess: Wynn Weidner, 1614 Westmoreland Rd.
- MORNING GLORY BOOK CLUB:** 10:00 a.m. to noon. Hostess: Gini Simonson. Book: *A Spool of Blue Thread* by Ann Tyler.

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- 30 Meet at 10:00 a.m. Hike Midland Trail from Amanda's Fonda. Contact Shirley Miekka, 302-3323, [smiekkal@comcast.net](mailto:smiekkal@comcast.net).
- 9 **SOUTHWEST STUDIES:** 1:30 – 3:30 p.m. C: Jean Reynolds, 598-1784. [jreyno1932@aol.com](mailto:jreyno1932@aol.com)  
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- 4 EXPLORING LIVES AND CULTURES: 10:00 a.m. – 12 noon. East Library, Upstairs Meeting Room, E-1, Co-Cs: Eunice Ciaccio, 465-2911, [euninco.11@comcast.net](mailto:euninco.11@comcast.net) and Janet Friedberg 596-1846, [janetfriedberg@comcast.net](mailto:janetfriedberg@comcast.net). B: *The Invention of Wings* by Sue Monk Kidd in observance of Women's History Month. (Questions or to be added to email reminder list, contact Eunice or Janet)
- 18 LOCAL HISTORY: 10:00 a.m. Library 21C, 1175 Chapel Hills Drive, Ent Conference Room. C: Judie Werschky, 632-9989, [judiewer@aol.com](mailto:judiewer@aol.com). The Fremont Experimental Forest presented by local historian Eric Swab. H: Debbi Sheinman, 635-7720, [sheindk@yahoo.com](mailto:sheindk@yahoo.com). RSVP by Wed., March 16.



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