

Colorado Springs Branch of AAUW Newsletter June/July/August 2016

FIVE SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED AT MAY LUNCHEON



Charlotte Gagne (chair), Beverly Brown, Joann Oh, Theresa Klinitski, Mary Oketunmbi, Summer South, Linda McIlnay, Michelle Ihlefeldt, Sally Metzger and Margaret Baptist

2016 Local Scholarships Awarded

I would like to thank all our members for the time, effort, and money you have graciously contributed to the Local Scholarship Fund throughout the year and to all of the attendees at our May branch meeting who so graciously spoke to our five deserving scholarship winners. Each of these winners is being helped to reach her academic goal through your contributions, both financial and interpersonal. Each winner has demonstrated academic competence, financial need, and resilience as evidenced in her personal statement of her life journey thus far. Our scholarship committee, consisting of Joann Oh, Sally Metzger, Linda McIlnay, Margaret Baptist, and Charlotte Gagne spent many hours evaluating the sixteen applications according to the following criteria: academic excellence, financial need, personal statement, and letter of recommendation. We looked closely and read between the lines to analyze those applicants who we believe demonstrate ability, career direction, ethics, community involvement, and goal commitment. Each of these women have shown clear direction and goal achievement already on this path to obtaining their degree. The following are the profiles of our five scholarship recipients this year:

Beverly Brown:

Beverly is pursuing the 2 year Outdoor Recreation Leadership program at PPCC, with an ultimate goal of a Ph.D. in Environmental Science at Colorado State University. This path now includes continuing at PPCC in the Outdoor Recreation Leadership program, allowing her to pursue her passion for the outdoors and nature while providing stability for her family in Colorado Springs. Beverly uprooted her family to escape a destructive lifestyle in the mid-west and courageously moved to Colorado, not knowing a soul, or having any idea of what the future might bring. She has embraced this community and volunteers through Women's Colorado Leadership Initiative, raising money and awareness for Homeward Pikes Peak, a nonprofit agency that supports the homeless through transitional housing. She has been invited to join Phi Theta Kappa honor society and the president of the college invited her to make a presentation to the Ice House Advisory board to inspire other students, who may be in similar situations, return to community college and obtain an education.

Beverly is a mother of three children, one of which has a diagnosis of bi-polar disorder. She has the arduous task of balancing her academic life with supporting her children, both financially and emotionally. She and her son have both experienced the tranquility being in nature offers and this has inspired her to have a long term goal of a wilderness therapy business, specializing in military members and children with P.T.S.D. In Beverly's words, "I feel like a lotus flower reaching towards the sunlight through the murky water. I finally feel like I belong somewhere and I don't want to give that up."

Michelle Ihlefeldt:

Michelle is pursuing a degree in Accounting, currently at PPCC, and already has developed her own tax accounting business to help support her five children as a single mother. After many years as a stay at home soccer mom homeschooling her children, her life changed like a toss of a coin when her husband abandoned their family a four years ago. Michelle had the daunting task of figuring out how to take care of her five children with no job and no degree. She entered PPCC in the fall of 2014 to earn an accounting degree, not as the pimply, glassy -eyed teenager, but as a single mother and sole support of five children. In addition to maintaining a 4.0 GPA and developing her accounting business, she is a member of the Phi Beta Lambda Business Club, participating in all events, activities and competitions. She traveled with the group to PBL national competition where she represented PPCC and the state of Colorado in the accounting principles event, competing against students from 4 year colleges and universities around the country. She is also active in the PPCC newly formed Institute of Management Accountants student club, serving as the group's first President. She has the ultimate goal of completing her courses with PPCC and transferring to Regis University in 2017 to earn her Bachelor's degree in Accounting. Our committee was impressed with Michelle's ability to already apply what she has learned in her accounting program to develop her own tax accounting business, "Five Plus One Accounting."

<u>Theresa Klinitski:</u>

Theresa is pursuing a degree in Business Marketing in the Bachelors of Innovation program at UCCS where she maintains a 4.0 GPA. After many years in an unhappy marriage, Theresa found the courage to divorce her husband and make a new life for herself and her children, starting her college career at 40 years of age. With the help of her supportive and enthusiastic children, she keeps everything in motion to provide the financial and emotional support to her family as a single mother. Prior to her divorce, she homeschooled her children. Taking this experience, she applied for a position with the Falcon Homeschool Program for District 49, serving as the Homeschool program assistant and homeschool liaison for the last five years. She created mechanisms of support to the homeschool community that were not previously practiced and provides an innovative approach to this process. Her recommender praised her highly for her communication and collaboration skills in this highly demanding position. Although the homeschool program started small, it is now a place that hundreds of homeschoolers and their families come to receive support and encouragement in their homeschooling endeavors. Theresa is already innovating in the business world and applying the knowledge from her UCCS Business Marketing Innovation program to benefit our community. Theresa said in her personal statement, "Our world is full of innovative people who have dreams and goals. I know that I am resourceful and can find new ways to encourage others to think outside the box. Ultimately, it is my goal to help others find their own path to happiness and success in their chosen business endeavors."

Mary Oketunmbi:

Mary was born and raised in Nigeria and moved to the U.S. in 2012. She is a first generation student and only female in her family. She has worked at Sunny Vista as a Certified Nursing Assistant for almost 3 years, in both long term and acute care, as well as the Alzheimer and Dementia patient units. Mary's family saved for years to come to America and she did not know English. She first lived with her aunt's family where she worked literally 16 hours a day for her aunt until she had enough money to move her family into their own place. Mary states, "The country has changed my life in a positive way in terms of becoming independent. Our struggles make us stronger. I have learned about cultural differences, not only through the world around me and my personal experiences, but also through my sociology and anthropology classes at PPCC. I am able to integrate the knowledge from these classes and relate it to my experience growing up in Nigeria. Although I am in a different country with a different culture, I was not in total shock, because I was able to adjust to the difficulty and struggles that came my way. I believe that is the best way to become a successful person."

Her work ethic follows her into the classroom. She also works for PPCC as an Ambassador during the week and evenings as a CNA at Sunny Vista care facility. Despite her full plate, she continues to earn grades that keep her eligible to apply for the nursing programs. Her recommender states, "Mary continues to excel despite being a non-native English speaker. She is tenacious, resilient, and takes her education seriously. As the eldest child in her family, she takes on a lot of the responsibility in the home as well. She brings life to our Student Ambassador program at PPCC." Mary has a long term goal of becoming a nurse practitioner in order to help patients physically, mentally and emotionally.

Summer South:

Summer has experienced difficulties and dysfunction growing up, neglected and abused, in a neighborhood in South Las Vegas, NV. To escape circumstances most of us are fortunate to never imagine, let alone experience, she joined the U. S. Army at 17. Through 2 difficult marriages, divorces, she has persevered. As an 18-year old, she was deployed to Iraq and assigned to be the command sergeant major's body guard. She excelled in each of her military postings and was given the nickname, "Super Soldier South." She was routinely given tasks no one wanted and excelled at them. As a civilian, Summer is a goal-driven dreamer with a philanthropic bent, currently in training to become a nurse. She wants to practice nursing for 3-5 years and then start a clinic of her own with her physician sister to help abused and underserved women, using this as a launch pad to provide both physical needs and mentor the psychological needs of this special population. In Summer's words, "I want to afford women and girls the opportunity to make smart reproductive decisions that can and will affect their futures. Aside from women's health care, I want to ensure that at the end of my career, I have helped as many people as I can. As a single mother and Veteran, I feel that I have a wealth of experience, knowledge, and empathy that will enable me to integrate compassion and understanding into the health care experience. Ultimately, I am in this field to make a difference in the world, no matter how small."

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Another AAUW year is coming to a close and it has been a very productive year. We had many interesting mission-based programs at our branch events thanks to Co-Program VP's Paula Munger and Caryl Schrab with help from Sally Metzger. We also had two very informative Public Policy programs based on the documentary *The Raising of America* thanks to Cara Koch and her Public Policy Action Team.

We continued to partner/collaborate with other community organizations that share our mission. Our branch was very instrumental in the execution of STEM Day at UCCS, International Women's Day and *The Raising of America* Community Dialogues. We provided awards for History Day and the Science Fair. We also partnered with the Colorado Police Department in September for a program on Human Trafficking and the League of Women Voters for the meeting in October with Mayor Suthers.

We were able to present five \$1,000 scholarships again this year to very deserving college women because of a successful Authors' Day and generous individual donations to the Local Scholarship fund. Thanks to the Authors' Day committee and to Char Gagne and her scholarship committee for all their efforts.

We celebrated our branch's 100th Anniversary at the May meeting. Darlene Aspedon graciously shared information about AAUW's early days and highlights from the Colorado Springs branch's history. Our branch was recognized recently at the AAUW State Convention for our donations to the national Legal Advocacy Fund and for our increase in the number of new members. We were also selected to host the 2017 AAUW State Convention next spring.

These accomplishments were made possible because of our dedicated 2015-2016 Board. Fortunately many board members will continue serving for another year but I want to recognize Cara Koch and Caryl Schrab who are leaving the board after many years of service and Joan Capesius and Janet Condit who have completed their two-year terms on the Nominating Committee. I also want to thank June Hallenbeck for producing the newsletters and directory, Brenda Wolfe for all the eblasts, Pauleta Terven for maintaining the webpage and Candy Crumb for handling the grocery cards and the geranium sales. Thanks too to all the committee members, the Interest Group Chairs and everyone who volunteered for special projects. I have been so impressed by the willingness of our members to serve wherever they are needed.

Thanks to all of you for a wonderful year!

Nedra Engelson

2016 Names Honored Award

The Names Honored Award is given each year to a branch member in recognition of outstanding service to our branch and the community. The Names Honored Committee for 2016 consisted of Paula Munger, chairman, Pam Doane and Jeanne Marsh. After careful thought and discussion, it was an unanimous decision to award this honor to **Cara Koch**, chair of the Public Policy committee for the past eight years.

Cara has been a long time driving force for Public Policy for our AAUW branch. For the last several years, she has headed the coalition for bringing *The Raising of America* documentary to Colorado Springs. Cara has been dedicated to educating the community about the importance of good early childcare and education and is passionate about bringing about change in this important area. She is certainly deserving of this award.



Early Childhood Focus Completed

Public Policy successfully completed our 3-year public engagement campaign about early childhood issues with our final Community Dialogue on April 30th.

- We had a total of 273 attendees at all three RoA events
- We arranged for PPLD and the UCCS Library to make the complete documentary video available to their patrons.
- Several groups, including school boards and Food for Thought groups, have held screenings/discussions of the documentary.
- We were successful in identifying our local early childhood council, Alliance for Kids, as the lead organization to carry on our advocacy work for the Pikes Peak region.

Cara Koch Completing Seven Years as Public Policy Director

During Cara's tenure, we have implemented two major initiatives:

- Established the Public Policy 1. Interest Group as a way for new members to indicate their interest in public policy by signing up to receive the Public Policy Emails (sent by the IG Leader) that contain mission-related public policy updates at both the state and local levels. Those who indicate an interest are automatically listed is IG members. In addition to receiving the e-mails, thev are encouraged to attend Public Policy Day; to sign up for the Two Minute Activist. IG members also attend issue-related rallies if the group decides to participate.
- 2. Established a new protocol by which each year a new, mission-related topic/topics for public policy emphasis is selected. The two branch events hosted for by public policy each year feature the chosen topic (s).

We believe that by making public policy an important aspect of the work we do as a Branch, we have considerably increased the visibility of AAUW in our community, and have attracted new members as a result.



The Raising of America Community Dialogues

SAVE THE DATE

AAUW Colorado Springs Branch 6th Annual Authors' Day

Saturday, November 5, 2016 Venue TBD

All proceeds to benefit our Local Scholarship Fund in support of women attending UCCS and PPCC

The Authors' Day Committee requests the pleasure of your talents and expertise in planning and hosting the 6th Annual Authors' Day

Reply to Lani Manning for your select list of volunteer opportunities <u>lani.manning@gmail.com</u> 719 213-3142

Colorado History Day Awards

On April 2 two \$25 awards were presented by our Branch at the Colorado College History Day. Winner of the junior individual exhibit was Taylor Saulsbury, who attends the Academy for Advanced and Creative Learning. Her project's title was Isabella Bird: Mother of the Rockies. Winners of the junior group exhibit were Josephine Howery and Alexa La Mack, students at Divine Redeemer Catholic School. Their project was Desegregating Central Judges were AAUW members High. Susan Bydalek, Sally Metzger, and Judie

GERANIUM SALES



Thank you all for your wonderful support for this sale. All were sold and we made \$300 for LAF. (Legal Advocacy Fund which is used to support women in higher ed embroiled in anti-discriminatory lawsuits.)

GROCERY CARDS



Summer is almost here!! Remember to reload those cards for all that summer backyard grilling and summer tourists relatives. Also keep that gas tank full for summer travel. Your grocery cards for groceries and gas is one of our biggest fundraising for AAUW funds and Local Scholarship.

Need cards or have questions? Contact Candy Crumb

Werschky. To qualify for consideration the project must feature a woman who made a significant impact on history.



Everything That's Old is News Again.

Hardy Hikers History

Sometime between 1980 and 1987, Amiable Amblers, a walking group, was started in the Colorado Springs Branch of AAUW by Jean Markusen. The National Organization frowned on any study group that was not intellectual study for University Women, but people in our Branch saw the need for that kind of a group.



By 1994 some of us were wanting to hike/walk a little farther, faster and higher. Someone said just that on a hike one day, and I agreed but dismissed it as a casual comment. The next day Marilyn Wall called me and said, "I have a name for our new group – Hardy Hikers." Well, we had a name so it seemed that we'd have to have a group! Marilyn and I worked as co-chairs until she moved away, but I served from 1994 to 2003.

To distinguish Hardy Hikers from Amiable Amblers, so new members would know which would be appropriate for them, we set up three guidelines: 1. The person should be able to walk one mile in twenty minutes on a flat, good walking surface. 2. They should be able to climb 1000 feet in altitude in one mile because we usually did the Fire Tower on Devils Head Mountain every year. 3. They should be able to go six miles in one outing because we sometimes did Volksmarches that are 10 km (6.2 miles). That didn't mean that we did all three on one hike or that we didn't stop and "look at the scenery", but it has worked well.

People have come and gone, and people have come and stayed, but it has always been a friendly, congenial group.

The saying, "history repeats itself" is at work now in 2003. Some in the group want to go farther, faster and higher so the Very Hardy Hikers has formed under the leadership of Trudi Ceroni.

Amiable Amblers continues under the leadership of Evelyn Hurr.

There is no doubt, however, that Hardy Hikers will remain a popular Interest Group in AAUW under the capable leadership of Pauleta Terven.

Happy Trails to All Darlene Aspedon (2003)

Postscript: I managed to obtain some additional information about our Colorado Springs Branch hiking groups that Darlene Aspedon so graciously shared with us in her article. The Hardy Hikers were an off-shoot of the original Amiable Amblers who started around 1979 and walked twice a month on Tuesdays. The Hardy Hikers filled the rest of the month and then later moved to every Monday. The Very Hardy Hikers were yet another off-shoot, but unfortunately didn't pick up enough momentum and last for very long. The Amiable Amblers have moved to every Wednesday of the month, and the Hardy Hikers still hike every Monday, choosing a variety of challenging destinations. It is good to note that both groups are still going strong after all of these years.

The Amiable Amblers chain of command was originally, Carol Wilson followed by Helene Schafer, then Evelyn Hurr, followed by Kay Atteberry and Ann Noonan, and currently Linda Shane.

The Hardy Hikers branched off with Darlene Aspedon and Marilyn Wall, followed by Pauleta Terven, and then Charla Dowd, and its new, current leader is Pip Bodkin.

Dear AAUW Colorado Springs Branch members: This Archives Article is intended to observe the honorable existence of this organization's over 100-years history - having been established in 1915.

We plan to submit articles of interest in upcoming issues of our Newsletter and invite all members to participate. We are certain that long-time members have, in their possession, newspaper articles, archives info and anecdotes to share about the past 100 years. Please contact our Branch Archivist, Eunice Ciaccio, 465-2911 or <u>euninco.11@comcast.net</u> to participate, offer suggestions and share the history of this organization for future issues.

Our Members Attend State Events

The Colorado Springs Branch was well-represented at AAUW CO State events these past few months. Our members participated in both Public Policy Day in Denver and the State Convention in Loveland. Both events were informative and motivating in support of the mission of AAUW and a fun chance to catch up with our AAUW sisters from around the state.



Public Policy Day Sally Mathewson, Lani Manning, Georgina Burns, Lindy Conter, Lois Boschee, and Brenda Wolfe.



State Convention Amy Blackwell, Brenda Wolfe, Nedra Engelson, Paula Munger, Phyllis Sperber and Candy Crumb. Not pictured: Georgina Burns and Leslye Meyer.

Pikes Peak Regional Science Fair

The Colorado Springs Branch once again awarded two female scientists for their efforts at the Pikes Regional Science Fair in March. AAUW recognized participants at both the senior high and middle school levels. Award winners were Madeline Unruh of Banning Lewis Ranch Academy and Brandilyn Orcutt from Edison High School. The winners each received a \$25 gift certificate to Barnes and Noble. Due to schedule conflicts this year, I was not able get detailed project descriptions or pictures - but, AAUW still received great visibility in the community. Miss Unruh's project was "Watch Out for those Parasites; and Miss Orcutt investigated "The effects of moisture control products on moisture retention".

Brenda Wolfe - Science Fair Chair.



The Colorado Springs Branch celebrated its 100th birthday with cake and ice cream at the May Branch meeting. Darlene Aspedon graciously shared information about AAUW's early days and highlights from the Colorado Springs branch's history.

Welcome to our New Members during April and May

Nadine McCarter

4 Austin Lane, Colorado Springs 80909 Home phone: **473-0164** No email

Degree: BS (Business) Missouri State **Nadine** is a returning member to AAUW and we are glad to welcome her back.

Rose Enyeart National MAL joining local 3051 Avondale Dr, Colo. Spgs, CO 80917 Home phone: 650-9730 Email: <u>rose.enyeart@yahoo.com</u> Degree: BA (Education, History & English) Univ. Northern Colorado, Greeley Degree: MA (Special Ed./Reading) Cardinal

Stritch, Milwaukee, WI **Rose** retired from D-11 where she worked as a Dropout Retrieval Teacher in English and History. She does volunteer work with PILLAR and Gentiva Hospice and Stephen Ministries. She is also a member of LWV, Daughters of the Nile and PERA.

Carol Scott (spouse: Wil) honorary member nominated by Cara Koch

PO Box 397, Colorado Springs, CO 80809 Cell phone: 213-7375 Email: carolrw@aol.com

Diploma: (Nursing) Presbyterian- St. Lukes Hospital School of Nursing, Chicago, IL

Degree: BA (Health Science) Stephens College, Columbia, MO

Carol is a Senior Associate for Everyday

Democracy: Ideas and Tools for Community Change, Hartford, CT and Coordinator of Food for Thought: Breaking Bread, Building Bridges. She is also an active member with Artemis COS, Sierra Club, NAACP and LWVPPR.

Connie Higgins

7785 Fawn Meadow Vw, Colo. Spgs, CO 80919 Home phone: 265-5954 Cell phone: 914-391-1393 Email: <u>conniehiggins@hotmail.com</u>

Degree: BA (Education/English) Univ. Colorado, Boulder

Degree: MA (Education/Learning Disabilities) Univ. of Denver Degree: Ph.D (Education/Learning Disabilities) Univ. of Denver **Connie** retired from work as a Special Education teacher and diagnostician and a University Professor. She volunteers with Organ Donation Awareness and as a tutor.

Johanna Bible

3145 Lavarie Lane, Colorado Springs, CO 80917 Cell phone: 858-229-5911 Email: jbible2@uccs.edu
Student Affiliate

Congratulations for Recruiting New Members

Your collective efforts brought in 24 members which resulted in 5 free memberships granted by National. These five memberships were awarded to:

Carol Scott for her Community Service and help with "The Raising of America"

Cara Koch for her Chapter Service and the Award of Names Honored

Lois Boschee for her Top Recruitment Effort.

Two names were drawn for the other two memberships, since all our members are valuable to our chapter. The winners of the drawing are **Dorothy Barnett** and **Jean Olson**.

RENEWAL DUES ARE NOW! Form in separate attachment to Newsletter (for those without email, refer to the dues form in the April-May Newsletter)

Please send \$80 dues to:

Frieda Dunlap, Treasurer 6240 Gemstone Way Colorado Springs, CO 80918

SAVE THE DATE for the WELCOME COFFEE Colorado Springs Shrine Club September 24, 2016 9:30 to 12:00



We now have a Pickle Ball Interest Group The Hardy Picklers



Shown in the picture from left to right are: Pam Doane, Yvonne Livengood, Jean Olsen and Jeanette Minniti.

The Hardy Picklers are aptly named. We have shoveled snow from the courts and played in the wind, which is a little challenging considering the game is played with whiffle balls! We have had to cancel several play days this spring because of several inches of snow, gale force winds and rain, but the days we have gotten to play have been great. Currently we have about ten gals who play off and on.

The challenge for us this summer will be trying to find courts to play on. The Monument Valley Pickleball Courts will be torn up and redone from May until the middle of August, so we will need to be flexible on days, times and locations.

For further information on learning and playing Pickleball, contact Jean Olsen, 719-634-3508,

olsen.meyer@gmail.com or Pam Doane, 719-598-2442, pamdoane1@me.com.

<u>All AAUW members</u> are invited to a summer picnic at the Windy Ridge Ranch, 20305 Birdseye View, Peyton, on Sat, Aug 13. Deep fried turkey, brats and hamburgers will be provided. Guests are encouraged to bring a side. Gathering begins at 2:00 pm. RSVP at <u>itsnancyswartz@gmail.com</u> or 719-205-0377. If you have questions or need directions, let me know. Nancy Swartz

Youre Invited.



Monday: <u>HARDY HIKERS:</u> C: Pip Bodkin, 206-427-2444

- 6 Hike Garden of the Gods. Call Marilyn Feaster, 578-1331
- 13 Hike Dawson Butte. Call Char Gagne, 641-7570
- 20 Hike Cheeseman Canyon. Call Jean Little, 209-595-5587
- 27 Hike Spruce Mountain. Call Linda McIlnay, 578-7184
- 6-10 <u>SOUTHWEST STUDIES:</u> C: Jean Reynolds, 598-1784, <u>Jreyno1932@aol.com</u> Trip to Durango and nearby historical areas.

Tuesday:

- <u>DINNER BOOK CLUB:</u> C: Martha Lee, 594-9039, <u>mleewest@live.com</u>
 Dinner at Wines of Colorado, 8045 W. US Hwy 24, Cascade, Co. 684-0900. Book: *My Antonia* by Willa Cather. RSVP to Martha Lee.
- 28 <u>UFO'S (UNFINISHED OBJECTS)</u>: 1:00 p.m. C: Wynn Weidner, 598-5259, <u>wynnweidner@q.com</u>. Hostess: Kay Atteberry, 907 Dirksland, 599-3187, kayatteberry@aol.com

<u>MORNING GLORY BOOK CLUB</u>: 10:00 a.m. to noon. Book *Where the Wind Leads* by Vinh Chung, hosted by Marilyn Feaster

BRIDGE LITE: C: Lois Boschee, 388-8557, *loborn68@msn.com*. At Patty Jewett. Call Lois.

Wednesday:

AMIABLE AMBLERS: C: Linda Shane, 355-9287, lindershane@gmail.com.

- 1 Meet at 8:00 a.m. at Bon Shopping Center, 2200-2300 N. Wahsatch. Meet at south end of the parking lot. Contact Eunice Ciaccio, 465-2911, <u>eunico.11@comcast.net</u>.
- 8 Meet at 8:00 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 Joan Capesius, 576-2621, joankcap@comcast.net.
- 15 Meet at 8:00 a.m. at Monument Valley Park, Fontanero Parking Lot. From Nevada go west on Fontanero, you will run directly into the parking lot. Contact Evelyn Hurr, 576-5096, <u>evhurr@yahoo.com</u>.
- 22 Hike Monument Rock Loop. Meet at Woodmen Park and Ride at 8 a.m. If you live further north, you can drive directly to the trail head. Driving directions: Go North on I-25 to the Monument Exit # 161. Left on Highway 105 at the light. Continue going West (street name will change to Second Street). Cross the Railroad Tracks and make a left on Mitchell Ave. for 5 miles. Turn right on Mount Herman Road and follow this for 0.7 miles. Go Left on Nursery Road and immediately turn into the trailhead. After the hike, we will go for breakfast/coffee to The Coffee Cup Café, 251 Front St, Monument CO. Contact Linda Shane if you plan to hike.
- 29 Hike Black Forest Section 16. Contact Jeanne Howard for details at 314-249-8822
- 15 <u>LUNCHEON NOVEL TOO</u>: 12:00 noon. C: Jan Gregg, 593-0836, <u>idyllpines@comcast.net</u>. H: Betty Slaughter, 245 Raven Hills Rd., 548-8524, <u>bslaugh1@gmail.com</u>. Co-H: Jan Gregg, 593-0836, <u>idyllpines@comcast.net</u>. B: *All the Light We Cannot See* by Anthony Doerr. DL: Betty
- 22 <u>CHOCOLATE LOVERS</u>: TBA. Co-chairs: Ellie Solomon 630-7465, <u>elron3@msn.com</u> & Sally Mathewson - 473-0228 mathewson3@juno.com

Thursday:

- <u>WOMEN WHO WRITE</u>: 9:30 a.m. C: Janet Condit, 277-7590, jjcondit@msn.com
 Hostess and Refreshments: Joyce Calamia, 2715 Fawn Grove Ct., 576-3245, joycec1@msn.com
 Facilitator will be Rosemary Scheuering. Please RSVP to Joyce.
- 9 <u>MAH JONGG</u>: 1 p.m. Valley Hi Golf Course. Contact Susan Bydalek at 465-2707 or <u>sbydalek@yahoo.com</u>. Optional lunch at noon.
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Friday:

- 3 <u>EXPLORING LIVES AND CULTURES</u>: 10:00 a.m. 12 noon. East Library, room E-1 on the second floor, Co-Chairs: Eunice Ciaccio, 465-2911, <u>euninco.11@comcast.net</u> and Janet Friedberg 596-1846, janetfriedberg@comcast.net. Book to be discussed: *Charity and Sylvia: A Same Sex Marriage in Early America* by Rachel Hope Cleves.
- 10 <u>FOG (FRIENDS OF the GRAPE) or (Wine and Dine)</u> 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. hosted by Pam and Scott Doane. Please sign up by phone 598-2442 or email <u>pamdoane1@me.com</u>. Details will be provided later.
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- 27 <u>CHOCOLATE LOVERS</u>: TBA Co-chairs: Ellie Solomon 630-7465, <u>elron3@msn.com</u> & Sally Mathewson - 473-0228 <u>mathewson3@juno.com</u>

Thursday:

 <u>WOMEN WHO WRITE</u>: 9:30 a.m. C: Janet Condit, 277-7590, jjcondit@msn.com. Hostess: Jeanne Marsh, 850 Timber Valley Road, 590-7237, jmarsh@pcisys.net. Refreshments: Joyce Aubrey. Facilitator: Janet Condit. Please RSVP to Jeanne.

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- 22 BRIDGE LITE: C: Lois Boschee, 388-8557, *loborn68@msn.com*. At Patty Jewett. Call Lois.

Saturday:

16 FOG (FRIENDS OF the GRAPES) will meet on Saturday, July 16 at 5:30 p.m.at the home of June and Ken Hallenbeck, 115 Dolomite Dr., 598-2979, junehallenbeck@comcast.net. Co-hosts are Kathy and Burl Kreps. Theme: "In the Good Old Summer Time". We'll fire up the grill and provide brats and burgers with all the fixings. Please bring an appetizer, side dish or dessert. You can also bring a bottle of wine or beer. Please call June or Kathy (637-0258, kbkreps@msn.com) if you plan to attend.



Monday: <u>HARDY HIKERS:</u> C: Pip Bodkin, 206-427-2444

- 1 Hike Mule Creek. Call Janet Condit, 332-5366
- 8 Not scheduled
- 15 Hike Limbaugh Canyon. Call Suzanne Stahlbuhk, 714-420-5314
- 22 Hike Pancake Rocks. Call Pip Bodkin, 206-427-2444
- 29 Hike Raspberry Mountain. Call Pam Doane, 598-2442

Tuesday:

- 9 <u>DINNER BOOK CLUB</u>: C: Martha Lee, 594-9039, <u>mleewest@live.com</u>. Dinner at La Baguette French Bistro 4440 N. Chestnut,(599-0686). Book: *All the Light We Cannot See* by Anthony Duerr. RSVP to Martha Lee.
- 23 <u>UFO'S (UNFINISHED OBJECTS)</u>: 1:00 p.m. C: Wynn Weidner, 598-5259, <u>wynnweidner@q.com</u> Hostess: Wynn Weidner, 1614 Westmoreland Rd., 598-5259, wynnweidner@q.com.

.<u>MORNING GLORY BOOK CLUB:</u> 10:00 a.m. to noon. Book: *The Secret History of Wonder Woman* by Jill Lepore, hosted by Sally Metzger.

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- 31 Hike Seven Bridges. Contact Rosemary Scheuering, 685-4688 for details.
- 10 <u>SOUTHWEST STUDIES:</u> 11:00 a.m. C: Jean Reynolds, 598-1784. <u>jreyno1932@aol.com</u> Salad Luncheon and planning meeting. H: Jean Reynolds, 2835 Keystone Circle, 598-1784.
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at <u>itsnancyswartz@gmail.com</u> or 719-205-0377. If you have questions or need directions, let me know. Nancy Swartz







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- Branch President: Phyllis Sperber, 35 Golf Gate Lane, 80906, 434-1813 p.sperber@comcast.net.
- Dues/Renewals: Freida Dunlap, 6240 Gemstone Way, 80918, 598-2336 <u>ffdunlap@hotmail.com</u>
- Address/Directory Changes: June Hallenbeck, 115 Dolomite Dr., 80919, 598-2979 junehallenbeck@comcast.net.
- Prospective Members: Suzanne Stahlbuhk, 2985 Mt. Herman Rd., Monument, CO, 80132, 714-420-5314, <u>sstahlbuhk@gmail.com</u>.

Newsletter: Deadline is **August 17** for the **September** newsletter. Send interest group notices and news item to June Hallenbeck, 115 Dolomite Dr., Colorado Springs, CO 80919, or junehallenbeck@comcast.net.

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