

Location:

The Millibo Art Theatre
(M.A.T.)
1626 S. Tejon St. (Ivywild)
CSC 80905

Time:

10:30 – Registration
11:00 – Theatre presentation
with **boxed lunch** from
Summit Catering, to include:

Mini shooter cups with
hummus or ranch dip and
colorful fresh veggies

Traditional chicken salad on
a bed of greens (or plain
chicken if you want)

Mini croissant

Fresh fruit cup

An assortment of chocolate
chip, white chocolate
macadamia, and peanut
butter cookies

Cost: \$20.00 (includes a \$5
contribution to M.A.T.)

Deadline for reservations:
Wednesday, Apr. 9, 2014

Make reservations on PayPal
at: www.coloradosprings-co.aauw.net, or send your
check to:

Jeanne Marsh
850 Timber Valley Rd.
Colorado Springs 80919
719-590-7237

(Please indicate if you have
dietary needs)

AAUW Branch Meeting
Saturday, April 12, 2014



Millibo Art Theatre Presents:

Get to know one of our area's most innovative theatre companies! Artistic Directors Birgitta De Pree & Jim Jackson from the Millibo Art Theatre introduce you to the ins and outs of theatre in this playful and theatrical review of what's up at the MAT. There will be some performing, some talking, some playing, some clowning and definitely some laughs.

Before the presentation, we will meet in the foyer to register & socialize (have a glass of wine?). Then we will be given us a brief tour of their new premises and be seated in our theatre seats. Boxed lunches and water will be passed out to us as we enjoy the performance especially prepared for us.

Remember: guests are always welcome!

Location:

The Pinery at the Hill
775 W. Bijou Street
CSC 80903

Time:

9:00 am - Registration
9:30 am – Breakfast
10:00-12:00 pm – Program

Breakfast Buffet Menu:

Wildflower Honey Yogurt
Parfait (Layered with Fresh
Fruit & Granola)

Assorted Whole Wheat Muffins
(Blueberry, Bran, & Carrot
Raisin, served with Butter and
Fruit Preserves)

Mediterranean Style Frittata
(Baby Spinach, Tomato,
Roasted Garlic, and Feta
Cheese)

Turkey Bacon

Coffee, Orange Juice,
Cranberry Juice, Tomato Juice,
and Coffee

Cost: \$23.00

Deadline for reservations:

Wednesday, May 7, 2014

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AAUW Branch Meeting

Saturday, May 10, 2014

And the Awards go to...



This will be our final branch meeting of the season and will be held at ***The Pinery at the Hill***. We will have time to socialize at the lovely breakfast 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. Joann Oh, *Scholarship Chair*, will announce and introduce the ***scholarship winners***. Each recipient will give a brief testimonial and we urge our ladies to congratulate each one of them personally on their accomplishments and dedication to improving their lives.

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.

Hope to see you all there!

President's message

Happy Spring! I am very ready for flowers to bloom, and I expect you are too. It is also time for selecting scholarship winners--a big job that Joann & her recruits are eager to do. We will be meeting the winners at our May meeting. I am inspired every year when I hear the stories of these dedicated women. They are the reason we work so hard to raise money. We get to meet our local winners, but there are many, many others across the country who benefit from grants and fellowships awarded by the national AAUW organization. Though we may never get to know their names, we can be assured that we have helped to make a difference in their lives.

Also, Candy Crumb is organizing a geranium sale again this spring to benefit AAUW's educational and legal advocacy funds. Look for the details elsewhere in the newsletter--and start thinking FLOWERS!

Pauleta

Grocery Card Fundraising

We (AAUW) received a check this month from Safeway for \$294.75. Kings cards are halfway to another check having re-loaded \$2500 in February. Thanks to all who continue to support the cards for groceries and gas for Local Scholarship and AAUW Funds.



GERANIUM SALES Mark your calendar!!

AAUW will again sell geraniums this year as a fundraising for EF/LAF. Sale date will be May 3rd at 3217 Larkspur Drive, 80907- (same place as last year). There will be four (4) colors available -- red, pink, white and salmon. Cost is same as last year -- \$8.00. Any questions? Want to pre-order? Call me at 633-9917 or by email at dccrumb02@aol.com.

Looking forward to serving you.

Candy Crumb -- AAUW Funds chair

The Nominating Committee reports the following positions have been filled:

Community VP - Pauleta Terven

Treasurer - Jo Weilbrenner

Nominating Committee - Lee Ann Mjelde-Mossey

The committee is still soliciting for President-elect and 2 additional candidates for the Nominating Committee.

When sending in your Registration for the State Convention note that Bev Dare's zip code is **80228** NOT 80227.

Ah,...TO BE A SCIENTIST.....

On Sat. March 8th, at the Pikes Peak Regional Science Fair, on the campus of UCCS, the Colorado Springs branch of AAUW once again participated by rewarding young women for their efforts at the Fair. AAUW recognized female scientists at both the senior high and middle school levels. Award winners were Lindsay Golding and Brandi Orcutt of Edison Middle School and Rebecca Bloomfield of Palmer High School. The winners each received a \$20 gift certificate to Barnes and Noble.

In “*Changes in Soil Texture over Time*”, Golding and Orcutt investigated environment effects on top soil on a 140 acre piece of farm land over a 50 year period. For their experiment, they designed a procedure which measured settling rates of the different components of soil (clay, sand and silt) and determined the percentage of each. They compared their results of the same filed to data in the USDA archives from the 1960’s. Their hypothesis was proven correct that the soil had changed over the years and would benefit from additional nutrients such as fertilizers.

Miss Bloomfield’s project was entitled: “*The Itch to Twitch: The Effects of DNA, DNase and Degraded DNA on A. baylyi.*” *Acintobcter baylyi* is a gram-negative soil bacterium that is highly competent for natural transformation and exhibits twitching motility. All three enzymes tested significantly reduced twitching. While this went against her hypothesis, she discovered that the ability to actually react with the DNA suggests that bacteria can seek out DNA and exchange genes for antibiotic resistance. Understanding the correlation between twitching and competent bacteria could lead to the development of drugs which can form a biofilm treatment of some measure.

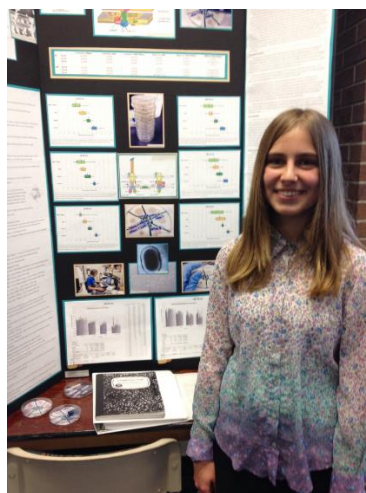
The Science Fair remains a crucial outlet for young ladies to demonstrate their science capabilities and garner confidence and recognition. However, the number of total participants continues to decrease each year.

In general, while the spectrum of original topics was not very broad, the enthusiasm for the scientific process was still high and all the young ladies I spoke to gave interesting and informative presentations!

Brenda Wolfe, VP-Community



Lindsay Golding and Brandi Orcutt



Rebecca Bloomfield

PUBLIC POLICY CORNER

By Cara Koch

Public Policy Day

Rebecca Love Kourlis, Executive Director of the Institute for the Advancement of the American Legal System at DU, spoke about the crisis in our courts, identifying 3 areas where our court systems are at risk:

1. Budgets: Courts are seriously underfunded. Congress has cut funding for the federal courts, which hear 600,000 civil cases per year, and the 50 different state courts have recently reduced budgets by one third, although they hear 30 million civil cases per year.

2. Accountability The cost of ESE (electronically stored information) which provides the data upon which cases are built, is available to courts only at a huge cost. Due to the high technology costs, 70% of divorce cases have at least one person who is not even represented by an attorney. Many lawyers will not look at cases where there is less than \$100,000 at issue. Due to such high costs, the goal of courts has been to reach settlement outside of court. Therefore 99% of cases are settled outside court; only 1% go to trial. This robs the system of precedent-setting cases. *We need better ways for courts to be affordable, timely and trustworthy.*

3. Politicizing of the Judiciary There are significant delays in federal judiciary appointments, since Congress often refuses

to approve presidential appointments for political reasons. Twenty-four states use an appointment system as well, with 26 states (including Colorado) using a contested retention system where nominating commissions recommend 3 nominees to the Governor. The commission also conducts an evaluation of judges according to defined criteria, with a recommendation to retain or not retain available to voters at www.knowyourjudge.com.

Rebecca Love Kourlis is co-author of *Rebuilding Justice: Civil Courts in Jeopardy and Why You Should Care*.

Learn more about her Institute at <http://iaals.du.edu/about-the-institute/what-we-do/>.

Public Policy Event a Success!

The screening of the Robert Reich documentary, *Inequality For All*, held at East Library on Feb. 1st, stimulated much discussion among the 30 attendees. The first of such events sponsored by the Public Policy Interest Group, we received much positive feedback. Attendees were encouraged to rent the DVD and host additional screenings for friends in their own homes in order to promote a deeper understanding in our community, of the issues that voters and policy makers face today.

We are in the process of identifying another documentary to screen in our effort to keep ourselves and our community informed about critical issues.

Track Progress of Bills in Colo. Legislature

Go to "Legislative Report" on the State AAUW website at <http://aauw-co.aauw.net/> for an update on bills AAUW is following in the 2014 Legislature.

Local Scholarships



By the time you receive this newsletter, the Vernal Equinox or the first day of spring on March 20 will have passed, but I hope that some of the uplifting feelings of more sunshine, warmer days, and new green life sprouting up will have remained with you. This is the time when we encourage growth and new life in deserving college women through our Local Scholarships. The due date for the five-part application (fact sheet, personal statement, grade transcripts, letter of recommendation, and official letter from the government stating need or Estimated Family Contribution) was March 31. During April the Local Scholarships Committee, Susan Bydalek, Charlotte Gagne, Sandy Johannsen, Elizabeth Leslie, and I, will devote our time, effort, and expertise to reading the applications and choosing the four winners. Then we will interview the winners to decide which two will receive the \$1000 awards and which two will receive the \$500 awards.

We hope that as many AAUW branch members as possible will be at The Pinery for our branch meeting on May 10 to hear the bios of these always-outstanding women and to support them with our interest, experience, and approval. Many of our previous winners have commented on their very positive interactions with our members.

I expect that the 2014 group of Local Scholarship winners will match the high standards set by previous winners, and I hope that you will attend the branch meeting to congratulate the women to whose futures you have so generously contributed.

Joann Oh, Local Scholarships Chair

Membership Note

Hi, Members of AAUW

Your friends can now become members of AAUW of Colorado Springs for \$80.00 and their annual membership dues will not be due until **June 30, 2015**. This will give your friend a **one to two month free membership**. Give Lois Boschee, loborn68@msn.com, or Joan Capesius, joankcap@comcast.net, your friend's email address and phone number.

MEMBERSHIP AND DUES RENEWAL INFORMATION

May and June are dues renewal months. Dues remain at \$80.00 for the fiscal year (1 July 2014 – 30 June 2015) and should be received no later than 30 June 2014 to ensure your name will appear in the 2014-2015 directory.

We will again be offering two ways to renew this year, on line renewal using your credit card or the normal way of sending a check to the AAUW Treasurer, Gay Hatcher. All renewal information will be included in the Summer Newsletter coming out in May.

For membership questions, contact:

Joan Capesius, 576-2621, joankcap@comcast.net or

Lois Boshee, 388-8557, loborn68@msn.com



	All Day The Wage Gap Brought to Life An Installation at the Capitol, North Foyer
	12:00pm Dolly Mob (details coming soon)
	5:30pm Evening Social at Govnr's Park 672 Logan St



THE WOMEN'S
FOUNDATION
OF COLORADO

For more information or to learn how to become an Equal Pay Day sponsor, please contact 9to5 Colorado at 303-628-0925 or 9to5colorado@9to5.org



APRIL



Monday: HARDY HIKERS: C: Charla Dowds, 574-7568

- 7 Hike Lincoln Mountain Open Space. Call Pauleta Terven, 598-3020
- 14 Hike Garden of the Gods. Call Donna Beynon, 599-3889
- 21 Hike Aiken Canyon. Call Suzanne Stahlbuh (714) 420-5314
- 28 Planning meeting. Call Charla Dowds or Barbara Faaborg 597-8781

Tuesday:

- 1 COMPUTER INTEREST GROUP: 9:30 am, H: Kay Atteberry 907 Dirksland Street, 599-3187 or kayatteberry@aol.com. C: Jan McKenzie 597-7161 or janzie18@msn.com,
- 8 POTPOURRI BOOK GROUP: 1:00 pm. C: Eunice Ciaccio, 465-2911, euninco.11@comcast.net. At the home of Shirley Semonchik, 2611 W Kiowa St, CS 80907. RSVP, 719-471-4747 or semonsj@comcast.net. Discussion leader, Eunice Ciaccio. Book to be discussed: *Cane River* by Lalita Tademy.
DINNER BOOK CLUB: C: Kay Atteberry, 599-3187, kayatteberry@aol.com
Dinner at 5:45 p.m. at Little Napal 1747 8th St. 477-6977. Book: *The Cuckoo's Calling* by Robert Galbraith aka J. K. Rowling. Rsvp kayatteberry@aol.com or call 599-3187.
- 22 UFO'S (UNFINISHED OBJECTS): 1:00 p.m. C: Wynn Weidner, 598-5259, wynnweidner@q.com. H: Wynn Weidner, 1614 Westmoreland Rd., 598-5256.

Wednesday:

- AMIABLE AMBLERS: C: Linda Shane, 355-9287, lindershane@gmail.com.
- 2 Meet near tennis courts in Monument Valley Park at 9:00 a.m. Group will decide which direction to walk (about 90-120 minutes) and decide on lunch. No hike leader.
- 23 Hike Fountain Creek Regional Park. Meet at the Nature Center at 9:30 a.m.
Directions: The Nature Center is off Highway 85/87 on Pepper Grass Ln.
South on I 25 exit 132 CO 16 east. Take 85/87 exit to the south. Pepper Grass Ln. is on the west side (right) about a mile. Lunch at Applebee's on 85/87. Call Kay Atteberry, 599-3187, if you are coming &/or need more directions
- 9 SOUTHWEST STUDIES: 2:00 p.m. C: Jean Reynolds, 598-1784. H: Vicky Collier, 3550 David Lane, 597-5220, vrcollier@earthlink.net. Topic: *Doc Susie*. Presenter: Kay Atteberry.
- 16 LUNCHEON NOVEL I: 11:45 a.m. Co-chairs: Georgina Burns, 598-7773 & Sally Mathewson, 473-0228. Hostess: Rachel Bartlett, 594-9524. Co-hostess: Georgina Burns, 598-7773. Book: *The Desert Queen, The Extraordinary Life of Gertrude Bell* by Janet Wallach. DL: Elli
LUNCHEON NOVEL TOO: 12:00 p.m. C: Vicky Collier, 597-5220, vrcollier@earthlink.net. H/Co-H: Kathy McBride, 7025 Raven Hills Place, 598-4654, mcbrik@earthlink.net. Planning meeting, send book suggestions to Janet Condit, 277-7590 or jjcondit@msn.com.

Wednesday: (continued)

- 16 AFTERNOON READERS: 1:30 p.m. C: Michele Strub, 481-0408, michele_strub-heer@usa.net. H-L: Mary Carley, 5115 Lanagan St., 264-6584, maryecarley@aol.com. B: *Room* by Emma Donoghue. Please contact the hostess and indicate whether you will or will not attend.
- 23 CHOCOLATE LOVERS: 1:30 pm Co-Chairs: Ellie Solomon - 630-7465, elron3@msn.com & Sally Mathewson - 473-0228, mathewson3@juno.com. Hostess: Ellie Solomon, 3203 Paseo Rd. Please RSVP to Ellie, 630-7465, elron3@msn.com

Thursday:

- 3 WOMEN WHO WRITE: 9:00 a.m. C: Phyllis Sperber, 434-1813, p.sperber@comcast.net. H-Facilitator: Judie Werschky, 3112 Leslie Dr., 632-9989, judiewer@aol.com Co-H: Janet Condit. Call Judie if you plan to attend.
- 10 THURSDAY BRIDGE GROUP: 10:00 a.m. H: Barbara Kafka, 2011 Devon St., 574-0506, franticfrancis@msn.com. AAUW members interested in becoming bridge substitutes call Peggy Wimberly at 598-8017 or email to pwimb659@comcast.net.
- MAH JONGG: 1 p.m., Patty Jewett Club House. Contact Susan Bydalek at 465-2707 or sbydalek@yahoo.com.
- 17 FILM GROUP: 1:00 p.m. East Library. C: Joan Capesius, 576-2621, joankcap@comcast.net. No April Meeting. Members view and discuss arts, foreign and independent films.
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Friday:

- 4 EXPLORING LIVES AND CULTURES: East Library, 10 am, Conference Room II, C: Jan McKenzie, 597-7161, janzie18@msn.com, B: (Sexual Assault Month) *The Slave Across the Street* by Theresa L. Flores.
- 18 LOCAL HISTORY: 10:30 a.m. (**Notice the time change!**) C: Darlene Aspedon, 471-7192. Meet at the Garden of the Gods Trading Post (324 Beckers Lane in Manitou Springs) for a brief history and tour of the trading post. Lunch afterward at The Grill. Call Bev Goodall, 635-9035.

Sunday:

- 26 WINE AND DINE: C: Jeanne Marsh, 590-7237: Check out the new Mediterranean Diet fad! FOG (Fellowship of the Grape) meets at 6:00 pm at the home of Jeanne & Brian Marsh, 850 Timber Valley Rd. Bring your spouse, a friend or come solo with a Mediterranean appetizer of your choice and a bottle of Italian wine to share. Call Jeanne at 590-7237 or email jmarsh@pcisys.net to RSVP by Thursday, April 24th. Keep track of your expenses so we can split the cost at the party.





MAY



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- 5 Downtown Art Walk. Call Pam Doane, 598-2442
- 12 Hike Roxborough State Park. Call Barbara Faaborg. 597-8781
- 19 Hike Prairie Canyon Ranch. Call Jann Nance, 528-6443
- 26 No Hike (Memorial Day)

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- 28 Hike the Front Range Trail. Meet at 9 AM at Fontanero Trail Head in Monument Valley Park. The Trail Head is at the West end of Fontanero Street where there is parking. Lunch will be at Panera Bread in University Village. Call Joan Capesius at 576-2621, joankcap@comcast.net

SOUTHWEST STUDIES: C: Jean Reynolds, 598-1784 May trip to Glenwood Springs planned by Jean Reynolds and Kay Atteberry. No regular meeting.
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LUNCHEON NOVEL TOO: 12:00 p.m. C: Vicky Collier, 597-5220, vrcollier@earthlink.net. H Jeanne Marsh, 850 Timber Valley Rd, 590-7237. Co-H: Shirley Swinney, 598-6228, sswin57934@aol.com. L: Jeanne Marsh B: *My Sisters Made of Light* by Jacqueline St. Joan.

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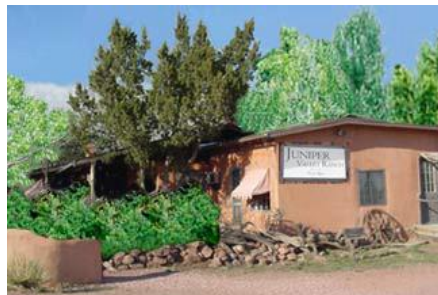
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Prospective Members: Joan Capesius, 352 Blue Windsor Lane, 80918, 576-2621
joankcap@comcast.net.

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

AAUW Mission:

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