

Colorado Springs Branch of AAUW Newsletter September 2015

Location:

The Space Foundation 4425 Arrowswest Dr. (off Garden of the Gods Rd.) Colorado Springs, CO 80907

Time:

9:00 Registration 9:30 Breakfast 10:00 Program

Menu:

A variety of Einstein's bagels, cream cheese, various muffins, fruit, yogurt & granola, along with coffee and assorted teas

Cost: \$13.00

Deadline for reservations:

Wednesday, February 11th

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

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

(Please indicate name of Guest, if any)

AAUW Branch Meeting

Sat., February 14, 2015



The Space Foundation

"Innovation is the Key to Inspiring Tomorrow's Explorers"

Have you ever wondered about the Space Foundation's objective? Well, today you will hear all about it from the space Foundation's Education Director, Bryan DeBates, M.Ed. He administers the development and implementation of the Space Foundation's education programs that support science, technology, engineering and math (STEM), especially for young girls. He actively participates on the Champions Board for CoCoSTEM (Colorado Collaborative for girls in STEM) which is the Colorado arm of the NGCP (National Girls Collaborative Project), so he fits right in with AAUW's goals and mission statement.

Prior to his position at the Space Foundation, Bryan taught elementary school in Texas and South Dakota. His awards are too numerous to mention, but his latest is the highest international honor given for aerospace education - the prestigious Frank J. Malina Astronautics Medal presented by the International Astronautical Federation.

As always, quests are welcome.

"Inspiring Change"

International Women's Day Celebration

Saturday, March 7, 2015 9:30-12

The Pinery at the Hill

Speakers include:

Sharlene Brown, National Director, OikoCredit (Microfinance)

Lisa Johnson, Executive Director, Girls on the Run

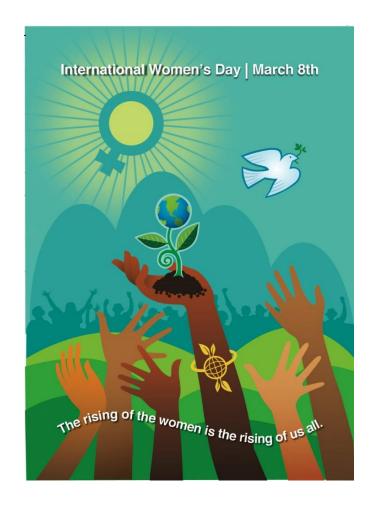
Melissa Marts and Regina Lewis, Women's Resource Agency

Alcira Estevez

MC: Helen Upton, Rocky Mountain Women's Film Festival

\$30 includes brunch

For more details, go to <u>www.iwd-</u> coloradosprings.org



Membership

New members are needed in order to keep an organization strong and resilient. As we know, Colorado Springs is a magnet for many retirees and newcomers attracted by the mountain air and spectacular scenery. Do you know someone new to the area or someone who is newly retired who might be interested in learning more about AAUW? The most effective way to recruit new members is by word of mouth. Bring them as a guest to an activity that they might enjoy and let them know who to contact for membership information. Let's keep AAUW of Colorado Springs resilient by promoting membership.

Lois Boschee, VP Membership

AAUW President's Message

Hi to all AAUW Members,

Thanks to everyone who helped to make the December meeting such a neat event ...we had such fun with Molly Lord ... a great time together to start the holiday season!

Thanks to Cara Koch, Pauleta Terven, Char Gagne, and Pam Doane for making the showing of the documentary, "Rise Above the Mark" documentary on Saturday, January 17, such a great success! It was an important Public Policy meeting for AAUW, and the purpose of the meeting addressed our mission very well.

We are looking forward to our March 10 event with the showing of the documentary, "The Raising of America" ... this event will be held at the PPLD Library 2C. Cara Koch, AAUW Public Policy Chair, has been incredibly diligent in addressing details for the event. We have numerous community sponsors, and we have met with several of them over the last week. Watch for details of the event in future communications.

We are expecting a great springtime in AAUW Colorado Springs -- we look forward to having our members involved and to welcoming new members! All of us on the AAUW Board encourage you to do your part in encouraging your friends to join our local branch and to finding ways to expand their interests through our meetings and Interest Groups.

A huge thanks to those involved in all of the Interest Groups of our AAUW -- they are the 'core' of our branch where friendships develop around meaningful interests -- what a benefit for our members!

See you soon,

Judy Casey

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Now is the time to start thinking about how you can contribute to our vibrant and active Colorado Springs branch of AAUW. 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 our branch offers.

The nominating committee has begun meeting to recommend a slate of officers for 2015/2016 for the Colorado Springs branch. Positions to be selected this year are:

President elect Program co-chairs Secretary Membership VP

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. (See page xv in your directory for how to access this information.)

Please give serious consideration to the possibility of filling one of these positions. 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:

Margaret Miller (chair) Joan Capesius Janet Condit

Pam Doane Jan McKenzie Lee Ann Mjelde-Mossey

LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS

With our successful Authors' Day behind us and the decision to offer five \$1000 Local Scholarships made, we are now focused on encouraging women students with at least a 3.0 GPA and 36 hours of college classes to apply for a scholarship if they plan to attend PPCC and UCCS in the 2015 fall semester. Our scholarship applications are posted on the PPCC and UCCS websites under *Scholarships* as well as on our branch website (coloradosprings-co.aauw.net) under *Scholarships*. Please pass the word!

Our 2014 Local Scholarship winners have continued their achieving ways:

- Despite the often difficult transition from PPCC to UCCS, an extremely heavy workload in her field, and a five-year-old daughter, our accounting major got 100% on her statistics final, had a 4.0 GPA last semester, and was honored by being placed on the UCCS President's List. She was also a finalist in an essay contest on Ethics in Business, and she won an award. Next semester she will be taking 12 credit hours and working 60 hours/week.
- This fall one of our two electrical engineering majors received four A's and two B+'s (her first grades below an A) in her very tough field with an A in her most challenging class, and she received the offer of a job or a recommendation to graduate school from a professor. She also worked as an intern with hands-on engineering tasks and performed in the ballet and dance production of *Urban Nutcracker*. She is looking forward to her senior design project: the development of a low range, low power radar system mounted on the front of cars to help avoid collisions in bad weather/low visibility situations.

Their appreciation for our small contribution to their academic careers is very touching:

- "I am so appreciative of your support for me and my family. It has made this journey less daunting, and knowing that such an inspiring group of women is behind me 100% is priceless."
- "The financial help I received from AAUW was a gift I will always treasure. The cost of school and debt I have gone into to pay for my degree is quite a burden, and the relief of scholarships is beyond what I can express. Also, I am so grateful that you and AAUW have stayed in touch and continue to offer support beyond the financial assistance. Knowing I have support from the community keeps me going on days when I need a little extra push to get through."

I hope that each of you who has contributed in any way to our Local Scholarships will give yourselves a much-deserved pat on the back!

Joann Oh, Local Scholarships Chair

ADD TO DIRECTORY – Feb/Mar 2015

Schaefer, Karen Phone: 244-3420

PO Box 271, Manitou Sprgs, CO 80829 Email: **Karen@SimpleAppeal.com**

Schwope, Jenny (Joshua Storm)

Phone: 507-351-3460

1827 Portland Gold Drive, COS, CO 80905

Email: jlschwope@gmail.com

Thompson, Nancy Lee (Leo Richardson) Home phone: **390-7206**, Cell: 719-323-9989 5085 Harrington Dr., COS, CO 80911

Email: nanleo@comcast.net

Directory Update:

Shirlea Griswold changed her email address to sunni773x8@outlook.com.

ABOUT OUR NEW MEMBERS



Karen Schaefer

PO Box 271, Manitou Springs, CO 80829

Phone: 244-3420 BD – 11/25 Email: Karen@SimpleAppeal.com

Karen earned her degree at St. Louis University in 1988. She uses her BFA degree (fine arts and international business) to pursue many areas of entrepreneurship. She is self-employed as author/speaker, founder of APSD (a home staging certification program), investor and real estate agent. She volunteers at church and was attracted to AAUW for its mission.

She would like to be involved with the following interest groups: current affairs, dining, theater arts, hiking, history, reading and writing, and public policy. Her special interests are speaking, community, and publicity.

Jenny Schwope

1827 Portland Gold Drive, COS, CO 80905

Phone: 507-351-3460, BD – 1/14 Email: ilschwope@gmail.com

Jenny has a BA in political science and gender& women's studies (2011) from the College of St Benedict in St. Joseph, MN.

She has been a member at large and is interested in public policy, fundraising, and publicity to help with branch business.

Nancy Lee Thompson

5085 Harrington Dr., COS, CO 80911

Phone: 390-7206, Cell: 323-9989; BD – 5/21

Email: nanleo@comcast.net

In 1991, **Nancy** earned a BA in sociology at UCCS and in 1992 received certification in paralegal studies at the Denver Paralegal Institute. She has worked as a human resource associate at Pacificare Health Insurance but is currently a host home provider for a DD client. Nancy is a Friend of the Pikes Peak Library District and volunteers at the new VA clinic.

Interest group areas she might join are theater arts, hiking, history, reading and writing.

Kandi Warning

1840 Guardian Way, COS, CO 80919

Phone/cell: 440-0246; BD 8/9 Email: <u>kandiwarning@comcast.net</u>

Kandi is in the business of home and business solutions (Ingenuity In The Rockies, LLC). After completing her BA in Public Administration/sociology (1981) at Augustana College in Rock Island, IL, she went on to earn an MS in Organizational leadership (2011) at Regis University in Denver. She is a member of the Junior League and Women's ministries.

Her interests include dining, hiking, and reading while serving on the following committees are a possibility, community hospitality, and membership. Thanks to Amy Tracy for introducing her to AAUW.

Jan Zellmer

3211 Springridge Dr., COS, CO 80906 Phone: 576-9086, Cell: 314-5789; BD 13/10

Email: janzellmer@yahoo.com

Jan is a graduate of University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN and UCCS. Her BS in Elementary education was earned in 1966 and MA in Special education in 1990. She retired from teaching but volunteers as a docent at the Fine Arts Center and the Pioneer Museum.

Her interests include history, reading, and public policy. She credits Lois Boschee for introducing her to AAUW.





- **Monday:** HARDY HIKERS: C: Charla Dowds, 574-7568
 - 2 Hike Castlewood Canyon. Call Jean Little/Sandra Block, 494-1000
 - 9 Hike Templeton Gap. Call Lois Boschee, 388-8557
 - Hike Baptist Camp. Call Gini Simonson, 481-8843
 - Hike Pulpit Rock. Call Jean Little, 4941000

Tuesday:

- 3 <u>COMPUTER INTEREST GROUP</u>: 9:30 am, Co-C: Susan Sommerfield, 390-2955, <u>gg04nrkm@juno.com</u> and Shirlea Griswold, 337-2886, <u>beadart878@yahoo.com</u>. H: Judie Werschky, 3112 Leslie Drive, 80909. Phone: 632-9989 and email <u>Judiewer@aol.com</u>. Please call hostess and let her know it you are or are not coming to the meeting.
- 10 <u>POTPOURRI BOOK GROUP</u>: 1:00 p.m. C: Sharon Malek, 210-355-6852, <u>sharonmalek@yahoo.com</u>. B: *The Spy Mistress* by Jennifer Chiaverini.

<u>DINNER BOOK CLUB:</u> C: Kay Atteberry, 599-3187, <u>kayatteberry@aol.com</u> Dinner at 5:45p.m. at Adams Mtn. Café 934 Manitou Blvd. Book: *Orphan Train* by Christina Baker Kline. RSVP Kay Atteberry 599-3187 or kayatteberry@aol.com

24 <u>UFO'S (UNFINISHED OBJECTS)</u>: 1:00 p.m. C: Wynn Weidner, 598-5259, <u>wynnweidner@q.com</u>. H Wynn Weidner, 1614 Westmoreland Rd, 598-5259, wynnweidner@q.com. .

Wednesday:

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

- 4 Meet at Bon Shopping Center at 10:00 a.m. Group will decide which direction to walk (about 90-120 minutes) and decide on lunch. No hike leader.
- 25 Hike Historic Downtown Colorado Springs. Call Lynda Breeze, 330-9657, davidlynda9999@netscape.net for details.
- 11 <u>SOUTHWEST STUDIES:</u> 2:00 p.m. C: Jean Reynolds, 598-1784. Jreyno1932@aol.com. Meeting at Lasko Art Gallery, 118 West Vermijo, 80903, Presenter: Nancy Holt. Galley Tour/Discussion.
- 18 <u>LUNCHEON NOVEL I</u>: 11:45 a.m. Co-chairs: Georgina Burns, 598-7773 & Sally Mathewson, 473-0228. H: Nancy Holt (405-880-1277) Co-hostess: Dixie Gordon. Book: *Thomas Jefferson:the Art of Power* by Jon Meacham. DL: Jean Reynolds

<u>LUNCHEON NOVEL TOO</u>: 12:00 p.m. C: Pam Doane, 598-24425, <u>pamdoane@q.com</u>. H: Kathy McBride, 7025 Raven Hills Road, 598-4654, <u>mcbrik@earthlink.net</u>. Co-H: Mary Wood, 593-7948, <u>gregoryandmary@gmail.com</u>. B: *Founding Brothers* by Joseph Ellis. Leader: Kathy McBride.

<u>AFTERNOON READERS:</u> c: Joan Zales, 237-95825, <u>joanzales@aol.com</u>. H: Carol Sanders 5848 Via Verona View, 593-05910, <u>sansuko@hotmail.com</u>. B: *The Paris Wife* by Paula McLain. Please contact hostess and indicate whether you will or will not be able to attend.

25 <u>CHOCOLATE LOVERS</u>: 10:00 a.m. Chairs: Ellie Solomon, 630-7465, <u>elron3@msn.com</u> & Sally Mathewson, 473-0228, <u>mathewson3@juno.com</u>. Program: We are meeting at Trader Joes, 5342 N. Nevada Ave. (University Village), for a tour and talk on their chocolate products. After we will have lunch at Il Vicino, 5214 N. Nevada Ave. RSVP: Dixie Gordon, 685-1113, <u>dixieg1@q.com</u>

Thursday:

- 5 <u>WOMEN WHO WRITE</u>: 8:30 a.m. C: Phyllis Sperber, 434-1813, <u>p.sperber@comcast.net</u>. H: Judie Werschky, 3112 Leslie Dr., 632-9989, <u>juduewer@aol.com</u>. Food: Corkie Kirkham. Facilitator: Phyllis Sperber. Please let Judie know if you will or will not be attending.
- 12 THURSDAY BRIDGE GROUP: 10:00 a.m. H: Wynn Weidner, 1614 Westmoreland Rd., 598-5259, wynnweidner@q.com. AAUW members interested in becoming bridge substitutes call Peggy Wimberly at 598-8017 or email to pwimb659@comcast.net.
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Friday:

- 6 <u>EXPLORING LIVES AND CULTURES</u>: 10:00 a.m., East Library, Conference Room II, C: Jan McKenzie, 597-7161, <u>janzie18@msn.com</u> or Eunice Ciaccio, 465-2911, <u>euninco.11@comcast.net</u> (Black History Month) B: *Ebony and Ivory* by Craig Steven Wilder
- 20 <u>LOCAL HISTORY</u>: C: Anna Ahern, 635-3439. <u>aavillasierra@aol.com</u>. Program: "How was the best seller, Ramona, written and put together?" Jesse Randall, Curator of Special Collections, will give another interesting talk. Remember last year's salacious history about Colorado College? Meet at 9:45 near the Tutt statue in front of the Tutt Library. Contact Anna Ahern, 635-3439 or <u>aavillasierra@aol.com</u>.



Local History at the Brown Palace in December





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- 2 Call Pauleta Terven, 598-3020
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- Hike Black Forest Section 16. Call Sandra Block, 603-493-6399

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Luncheon Novel Too dressed as Cane River residents

COLORADO SPRINGS AAUW BRANCH

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Address/Directory Changes: June Hallenbeck, 115 Dolomite Dr., 80919, 598-2979

junehallenbeck@comcast.net.

Prospective Members: Lois Boschee, 3975 Riviera Grove #101, 80922, 388-8557

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

AAUW Mission:

AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research.

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