

Colorado Springs Branch of AAUW Newsletter October/November 2013





AUTHORS' DAY Saturday, October 5, 2013 10:00-2:00





Cheyenne Mountain Resort 3225 Broadmoor Valley Rd Colorado Springs, CO 80906

Support our local scholarship fund and enjoy these exciting speakers:

Jessy Randall <u>Injecting Dreams into Cows</u> is Jessy's latest collection of poems. A poem from it, *Why I Had Children*, was selected by Sydney, Australia to be displayed on street cleansing trucks during their 2013 Literary Festival—surely the most unique recognition possible for a poet! Jessy has had many poems published in more traditional magazines and in previous books. Her collection <u>A Day in Boyland</u> was a finalist for the 2012 Colorado Book Award for Poetry.

Kristen Iversen Full Body Burden is Kristen's account of growing up in Arvada, in the shadow of Rocky Flats. She has done extensive research to document the government's attempt to conceal the effects of toxic and radioactive waste released by Rocky Flats, and of local residents' vain attempts to seek justice in court. Full Body Burden was the winner of the 2013 Colorado Book Award and the Reading of the West Book Award in Non-fiction. Kristen is also the author of Molly Brown: Unraveling the Myth.

Carol Berg Carol is a former software engineer whose hobby of writing fantasy novels has taken her in unexpected directions. Her first novel <u>Transformation</u> was published in 2000. Since then she has garnered international acclaim for her intelligent stories, complex characters and

lyrical prose. She was Rocky Mountain Fiction Writers' 2012 Writer of the Year.

Kathy Brandt Writing in tandem, Kathy Brandt and her son, Max Maddox, have told their personal story while taking readers on a terrifying journey through our nation's broken, overwhelmed, underfunded, and frustrating mental health care system. WALKS ON THE MARGINS is the story of the unconditional love of a parent and a son's determination to overcome a serious mental illness. Kathy is also the author of the Underwater Investigation Series featuring scuba diver and underwater crime scene investigator, Hannah Sampson.

In addition to exciting speakers, we will have a delicious salad lunch. Natalie Johnson, from Black Cat Books, will be selling books, with a percentage of profit going to our local scholarship fund. We have a wide array of items for the silent auction with all proceeds going to the scholarship fund.

Make your reservation now by sending a check for \$50 to:

Jeanne Marsh, 850 Timber Valley Road, Colorado Springs CO 80919

or pay by credit card at www.coloradosprings-co.aauw.net. Please note that the \$50 rate is **only available for reservations PAID by October 2**—so make your reservation soon.

INVITE YOUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS! Reservations for those who are not members of our branch are \$60, but they are made in the same way—either by sending a check to Jeanne, or on-line. This is a great way to introduce AAUW to new people, and it promises to be another fun event that everyone will enjoy.

AAUW 2013 BRANCH MEETING Saturday, November 9, 2013

Location:

Broadmoor Community Church, Otto Fellowship Hall, 315 Lake Ave. Colorado Spgs, CO 80906

Time:

11:00-11:30 Registration 11:30-12:00 Lunch 12:00-1:00 Program

Menu: Buffet style Roasted Loin of Pork with
Baked Apples
Vegetarian Lasagna
Orange Spinach Salad with
Honey Mustard
Waldorf Salad

Au Gratin Potatoes Mom's Green Beans Rolls and Butter Dessert Bars and Cookies Iced Tea, Coffee, & Water

Cost: \$20.00

Registration Deadline:

Wednesday, Nov. 6th

Please send your check made out to **AAUW** to:

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

or pay by credit card at www.coloradosprings-co.aauw.net.

(Please indicate your menu preference – even though it is a buffet)



"Bon Appétit!" by Lee Hoiby

This one-woman opera about Julia Child will be performed by our own **Debra McVicker**, as she sings and cooks to piano accompaniment. "Bon Appétit!" was originally meant for Julia to be played by Jean Stapleton, but regardless of who plays the part - the words remain Julia's: "Cooking's just a series of the same old thing: sometimes there's chocolate and sometimes there's fish in it, but the principles are the same."

Debra just recently joined AAUW and considers herself a late bloomer to professional singing. Her passion, along with singing "character roles", is cooking. She is a trained chef, having graduated at the top of her culinary school class. All the better when she can combine both passions into one performance!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The 2013-14 year got off to a great start at the Welcome Coffee on September 14. A big *THANK YOU* to everyone who helped to make it such a great event. The food was good, the interest group presentations were informative, the location was spacious, and (best of all) we got to know some of our new members.

Authors' Day is fast approaching. Please encourage your friends and neighbors to come. If you need more brochures to hand out, call me at 598-3020 and I will make sure you get them. There are more details elsewhere in this newsletter—check them out! The October 5 date was chosen because that was when Kristin Iversen was available. However, it has proven to be a very popular date for other events as well, and many members have said they will be out of town. If you find yourself in that predicament, remember that we accept donations for Local Scholarships all year long. You can send a check to Gay Hatcher or bring it to the November or December meeting.

We are once again partnering with UCCS and local school districts to sponsor the STEM conference for middle-school girls on November 14. I don't know yet who will be coordinating volunteers, but when we receive that information, we will put out an e-blast. They always need help with assembling things the day before as well as on the actual day of the event. It is a great way to serve the community, and takes just a few hours.

I hope to see you at Authors' Day!

Pauleta

Membership News

Welcome Our New Members

New Members Added to 2013 to 2014 Directory

Profiles will follow in the next newsletter

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Local Scholarships

As you know, thanks to the generosity of you, our members, and others, we gave three \$1000 and two \$500 Local Scholarships for the fall semester 2013, all to women attending UCCS. All of our scholarship winners have begun school and are looking forward to a very stimulating, meaningful year.

Our winners this year were diverse in their ethnicities and in their majors of Secondary Education-Math, Nursing with the goal of being an army nurse, Psychology with the aim of graduate school in Industrial Psychology, Health Care Science with a focus on preventative health care, and graduate-level Sociology with research into women and race. However, all are similar in their commitment to achieving in their fields and in their ability to do so. All wrote heartfelt thank you notes, but one in particular gave me two new views of the value of our Local Scholarships: This student wrote, "I have learned a great deal about myself and the experiences I have been a part of through the application and interview process." So, even our application/interview process can be a learning experience! She continued, "This scholarship will help me pay for the remainder of my classes and also purchase supplies and nursing books, which I have always had to rent because of their high cost. [Yes, we do allow our money to be used for books and required supplies] However, now I can buy books and start a nursing resource library for myself that I can reference as I advance in my career." So, we have helped start a personal professional library that will provide information to this student for many years to come! From this scholarship winner I discovered new dimensions of the impact our Local Scholarships program can have.

Our major fund-raising event for these awards is our Authors' Day on Saturday, Oct. 5, from 10 a.m. till 2 p.m. at Cheyenne Mountain Resort. In the company of other interesting women, we will hear four amazing authors speak, enjoy a delicious lunch, and bid on a fascinating variety of baskets and individual items. I hope that all of you will treat yourselves to a wonderful day and in the process support some very worthy women in their quest for a higher education in our local community college and state university.

Joann Oh, Local Scholarships Chair





Step 1 Find a Group:

GREAT DECISIONS DISCUSSION GROUP STARTING FEBRUARY 4

Don't miss the 2014 Great Decisions discussion group highlighting eight of the most thought provoking foreign policy challenges facing Americans. Great Decisions is America's largest discussion program on world affairs and includes a briefing book for each participants and a DVD series on each topic for the group to view at the beginning of the meeting as the focus for the discussion group.

topics this year Defense The are: Technology, Israel. Turkey, Islamic Awakening, Energy Independence, Food and Climate, China's Foreign Policy and U.S. Trade Policy. The discussion group will be held the 1st and 3rd Tuesday starting February 4 and continue through May. The group will meet from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. on alternate meeting dates at the East Branch of the Pikes Peak Public Library and the Rockrimmon Branch of the library. A complete schedule of dates and branch locations will be provided to participants prior to the first meeting.

Step 2:

The cost to participants is \$23.00 which covers materials, shipping and handling. If you

are interested in signing up for Great Decisions, please email Jeanette Minniti at jmminniti@yahoo.com or call 719-481-3230 to register for the group. To meet ordering deadlines and the group discount for materials, please send a check for \$23.00 by December 1 to Jeanette Minniti, 3150 Mount Herman Road, Monument, CO 80132.





Writing Memoirs



A new interest group will begin in January. If you have interest, please contact Joyce Calamia at joycecl@mac.com
Phone number, 576-3245.
Details regarding the duration and time will follow.



- **Monday:** HARDY HIKERS: C: Charla Dowds, 574-7568
 - 7 Hike Horse Park and Falls. Call Charla Dowds, 574-7568
 - Hike Castlewood Canyon State Park. Jeanne Allen (call Charla) 574-7568
 - Hike Arkansas River Loop from Pueblo City Park. Call Pauleta Terven, 388-8177
 - 28 Planning Meeting/Hike Union Meadows Open Space. Call Pam Doane, 598-2442

Tuesday:

- 1 <u>COMPUTER GROUP:</u> 9:30 am, C: Jan McKenzie, 597-7161 or <u>janzie18@msn.com</u>. H: Barbara Dieter, 598-2131 or <u>dieterwb@comcast.net</u>.
- 8 <u>POTPOURRI BOOK GROUP:</u> 1:00 p.m. C: Eunice Ciaccio, 465-2911, <u>euninco.11@comcast.net</u>, Discussion leader: Kathy Watts, 638-8682, <u>erwatts1721@comcast.net</u>, 1422 Fetterman Dr. Discussion on *Sweeping Up Glass* by Carolyn Wall.
 - <u>DINNER BOOK CLUB</u>: C: Kay Atteberry, 599-3187, <u>kayatteberry@aol.com</u> All Pikes Peak Reads selection *Sweeping Up Glass* by Garolyn D Wall. Dinner at 5:45 p.m. at Will's Sports Pub 424.S. Nevada, 645-8904. RSVP Kay Atteberry 599-3187 or kayatteberry@aol.com
- 22 <u>UFO'S (UNFINISHED OBJECTS)</u>: 1:00 p.m. C: Wynn Weidner, 598-5259, wynnweidner@q.com. H: Susan Wright, 11985 Sunset Crater Dr., Peyton, 80831, 660-7448, wrightsearch@gmail.com.

Wednesday:

- AMIABLE AMBLERS: C: Linda Shane, 355-9287, lindershane@gmail.com.
- 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 to Lizard Rock. Call Linda Shane, 355-9287 or lindershane@gmail.com for meeting time and place.
- 9 <u>SOUTHWEST STUDIES</u>: 2:00 p.m. C: Jean Reynolds, 598-1784. H: Jean Reynolds, 2835 Keystone Cir, 598-1784. Program: *Aspen, Co.*, Presenter: Nedra.
- LUNCHEON NOVEL I: 11:45 a.m. Co-chairs: Georgina Burns, 598-7773 & Sally Mathewson, 473- Hostess: Ilene Steinkruger (473-8511), Co-hostess Nadine, Book: *Cleopatra*, a Life by Stacy Schiff, DL: Diane

<u>LUNCHEON NOVEL TOO</u>: 12:00 p.m. C: Vicky Collier, 597-5220, vrcollier@earthlink.net. H/Co-H: Kathy McBride, 7025 Raven Hills Rd., 598-4654, mcbrik@earthlink.net. L: Kathy McBride. B: *Lost Wife* by Alison Richmay.

<u>AFTERNOON READERS:</u> 1:30 p.m. C: Michele Strub, 481-0408, <u>Michele strubheer@usa.net</u>. H/L: Joan Zales, 1611 N. Cascade Ave, 633-3033, <u>joanzales@aol.com</u>. B: *The Forgotten Garden* – Kate Morton. Please call Joan if you plan to attend.

Wednesday: (continued)

23 <u>CHOCOLATE LOVERS:</u> 1:30 p.m. Co-Chairs: Ellie Solomon - 630-7465, <u>elron3@msn.com</u> & Sally Mathewson - 473-0228, <u>mathewson3@juno.com</u>.

Program: Our Halloween get together. Please bring treats to share for 15. Hostess: Sally Mathewson Please RSVP to Sally, <u>mathewson3@juno.com</u>, 473-0228

Thursday:

- 3 <u>WOMEN WHO WRITE</u>: 9:00 a.m. C: Phyllis Sperber, 203-4744, <u>p.sperber@comcast.net</u>. H: Charlotte Gagne, 12620 Bridle Bit Road, 641-7570, <u>chargagne@q.com</u>. Call Char if you plan to attend.
- 10 <u>THURSDAY BRIDGE GROUP</u>: 10:00 a.m. H: Barbara Kafta, 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 <u>FILM GROUP:</u> 1:00 p.m. East Library. C: Joan Capesius 576-2621, <u>joankcap@comcast.net</u>. H: Gloria Chapman 332-8483, <u>kokocatsy@live.com</u>. Members view and discuss arts, foreign and independent films.
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Friday:

- 4 <u>EXPLORING LIVES AND CULTURES</u>: 10 am. East Library. C: Jan McKenzie at 597-7161 or <u>janzie18@msn.com</u> (National Disability Employment Awareness Month). B: *Icy Sparks* by Gwyn Hyman Rubio.
- 18 <u>LOCAL HISTORY:</u> C: Darlene Aspedon, 471-7192. Tour and history of the Benet Pines Retreat Center north of Colorado Springs and the history of the Benedictine Order of women who have educationally influenced Southern Colorado since 1914. Meet at Park and Ride, Woodmen and Corporate Dr. to carpool at 9:15. Bring \$3.00 to pay your driver and a sack lunch to eat in the picnic area on the grounds there. Call Darlene if you plan to go at 471-7192.

Saturday:

<u>WINE AND DINE</u> C: Jeanne Marsh, 590-7237. 6:00 p.m. Wine and Dine will be a chili, posole and home brew supper at the home of Nancy and Smith Holt, 6404 Gunslinger Drive, 405-880-1277, nancy.holt@nanacakes.com. Call Nancy or Gini Simonson, 481-8843, for reservations.





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- 4 Hike Garden of the Gods. Call Marilyn Hanlon, 599-0623.
- Hike Private Property in Pueblo. Call Barbara Faaborg, 597-8781
- Hike Ute Valley. Call Donna Beynon/Carol Sanders 599-3889
- 25 Hike Paint Mines. Call Jean Koch, 540-9289

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- 27 No hike (Thanksgiving).
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- 20 <u>LUNCHEON NOVEL I</u>: 11:45 a.m. Co-chairs: Georgina Burns, 598-7773 & Sally Mathewson, 473- Hostess Vivian McWhorter (649-5639) @ Colorado P,E.O. Book: *The Richest Woman in America* by Janet Wallach DL Ellie

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Thursday:

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- LOCAL HISTORY: C: Darlene Aspedon, 471-7192. November 15: April, 2014 marks the 100th anniversary of the Ludlow Massacre. The Colorado Coalfield War and the labor unrest associated with the massacre will be the topic for our November meeting. Details have not yet been finalized. Look for an e-mail from Molly with details about the speaker and location. If you do not get e-mails, call Pauleta (598-3020) for information.



Miners at the Ludlow Massacre

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Newsletter: Deadline is **November 17** for the **December/January** 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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