



AAUW Colorado Springs Branch
2018-2019 Board at the
Scholarship Luncheon

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Announcement

Passing of Berneice Yoder

Our long-time member Berneice Yoder passed away on March 17. Berneice will be missed by her many friends in the Technology group and the Amiable Amblers group among others. She is survived by a son in Indiana, a daughter in Windsor, Colorado, two granddaughters and one great granddaughter.

Submitted by June Hallenbeck

September 28

September Branch Meeting

Welcome Coffee

After a fun summer our Welcome Coffee and Kick-Off to the new AAUW season will be held September 28.

All the particulars will be published in the August Newsletter and by E-blast.

October 26

Authors Day

Our annual Authors Day will be held October 26 at the Shriner's Club.

This is a major fundraiser for our Local Scholarship Program.

We will not be accepting used or regifted items this year.

We will be accepting: Themed gift baskets, Gift cards for activities or restaurants, tickets to events: concerts or sporting events, etc.

More information will follow in the August and September Newsletters and by E-blast.

President's Message

The Scholarship Luncheon was inspiring as always. The Scholarship Committee selected 6 incredible women to receive the \$1,200 scholarships. It is humbling to hear their stories. We should all feel good that our participation at Author's Day and the silent auction, the use of the grocery cards, and personal donations go to such deserving individuals.

It is that time of year again when we need to renew our dues. Thank you to all who have already done so. Please do it soon, if you haven't. If you have some questions, contact our Vice President of Membership, Melanie Hudson.

This past year has gone by so fast. There were so many wonderful branch programs, and of course we all love our interest groups. The slate of new officers was approved by vote at the Scholarship Luncheon. They will take over July 1. The branch is in good hands.

I hope everyone has a great summer, if it ever gets here. See you at the Welcome Coffee, September 28, if not before at a summer interest group.

Best,
Nancy Holt

2018-2019 AAUW Board

2018-2019 Executive Committee/Elected Officers

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Membership

Membership is happy to report that our total membership number through April 30th 2019 is at 254! New members joining from July 1, 2018 through April 30th, 2019 are 62! Congratulations to all who have invited in new members and to our new members who have joined!

On Wednesday, May 15, the Spring New Member Wine & Cheese Social was held at Melanie Hudson's home. Twenty-four members attended, including 13 of the new members since November 2018. It was a wonderful time and both Nancy Holt, President, and Paula Munger, new Colorado State President-Elect, 2019-2020, spoke about AAUW National goals and direction going forward. (Congratulations, Paula!)

It's Membership Renewal time! Renewals are due by June 30 at the latest. If you joined this year after March 15th, your membership is in good standing through June 30, 2020. Individual membership renewal emails were sent out to each member in early May. When you use that link to renew, it is only for you, attached to your membership number. If you need another link sent to you so you can pay by credit card, contact Jeanne Howard. If you'd prefer to pay by check, you can send your check made out to AAUW for \$94 to:

Jeanne Howard, Treasurer

5860 Walsh Point, #105

Colorado Springs, CO 80919

jdhoward@prodigy.net / 314-249-8822

***Questions: Call Melanie Hudson, Membership VP: 719-205-7639**

Kings Sooper Loyalty Cards

Great news, Colorado Springs AAUW was approved. It is super easy to register your Rewards card to become a loyalty card.

Go to KingsSoopers.com then take your rewards card and look at the number on the back and follow the directions on the web site. Then scroll down to the Colorado Springs AAUW and click there so that your purchases will be attributed to our branch. Just a few more questions and you are finished. What an easy way to contribute to Local Scholarship and National Funds.

Contact Candy Crumb if you have more questions.

633-9917 or dccrumb02@aol.com

If you do not have a rewards card and want to shop at Kings and contribute through your groceries, request a rewards card at the customer service desk.

Local Scholarships—May 2019

SIX LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

The high point of our annual Local Scholarships cycle was celebrated at our May 18th branch meeting when all six of our scholarship recipients were presented their awards in front of 50 attending members, receiving a standing ovation. Our members have demonstrated a commitment to furthering the educational advancement of women in our community. This year's winners have majors in Inclusive Early Childhood Education, Nursing, Business, Health Sciences, Criminal Justice, and Communications. Each of these recipients has already had experience specific to their major and has a plan to achieve her goals.



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We had another great Local Scholarships Committee: Joann Oh, Margaret Baptist, Maureen Sigler, Dee Simon, Marilyn Frydych, and Charlotte Gagne evaluated 18 applicants on an equally weighted criteria of academic excellent, financial need, personal presentation, and letter of recommendation. We examine the scholarship application submissions carefully, reading between the lines, to determine which applicants 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 six scholars this year:



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MORGAN PRACHT

Morgan Pracht is a 4.0 GPA student at PPCC majoring in Communication. She was homeschooled during high school in Colorado Springs and was active all 4 years in Speech and Debate.

Morgan is one of a handful of females who managed to break into the upper levels of the debate, league, which is highly male dominated. She and the other strong female competitors established a supportive network, researched practiced and traveled to tournaments together, influencing the debate culture in a positive way, ranking at the top of their league in individual events and national competitions. They also mentored a group of younger students, helping them with speeches and encouraging them at tournaments. Morgan also volunteers with Study Buddies in the ppld system. She has taken this work ethic and determination to excel academically. Her speeches in her combined History and communication courses included topics of women's history, Clara Barton, the Lowell Massachusetts Textile Mill Girls, and leadership styles and principles of Thomas Jefferson and Abraham Lincoln.

Through competitive debate, she has learned that democracy plays out in the legal system and the way that American Citizens can influence society, bring about change, and protect our freedoms. She has chosen to pursue a career in public interest law. She hopes to provide access to legal help to those who can afford it. By becoming a public interest lawyer, she hopes to bridge this justice gap and fight for the people who are underrepresented in our society.

We look carefully at each of our applicants to see what kinds of experience they have in their chosen field. Morgan has been public speaking and debating all throughout her high school and college years. She is well on her way to acquiring the presentation skills of a public interest lawyer.

CRISTINA MENDOZA

Cristina Mendoza is a 3.94 GPA student at PPCC who will be attending UCCS in the Fall with a Business major. Cristina has been the older sister and adult in her family, having lost both of her parents at an early age and placed in guardian care. She has been working since age 15 to help support herself and her younger brother. She works two jobs to help support herself and her younger brother, while taking 3 classes each semester. She works at PPCC as an assistant tax site coordinator as well as a server at a Sushi restaurant. She has no days off and states, “I may be tired, but that is easily outweighed by my goals and desire to be the best example for my little brother as my family has never been much for role models. Her recommender, an Accounting professor, states that Cristina exemplified excellence in performance, attendance, respectful, and team oriented. She is always willing to help other students who may be struggling with difficult material. She makes time to be of service to others, even while juggling a busy life of working full time and being the primary caregiver to her younger brother. Cristina’s actions and attitude go above and beyond the average college student. She is to be commended for taking this hard road—she started spring 2016 and will have 56 credits spring 2019—all with no debt, working full time and supporting herself and her brother. Many of our scholars have families and resources to pay for a full load of courses; Cristina is chipping away at her college degree 9-12 unit a semester through sheer hard work and perseverance. She is also working in the tax preparation field to gain perspective and customer service experience in her business major.

HANNAH MARIE POWERS

Hannah Marie is a 29 year old single mother of two who is returning to college to earn her first bachelor’s degree in Health Sciences. Her attraction to the field of medical laboratory science stems from a fascination with the field of human biology, surprising since her homeschool education did not provide a rich background in the sciences. It was with the birth of her children that she became interested in a more formal academic pathway in the laboratory sciences. She is interested in medical laboratory science, the area of medicine that provides testing, accurate diagnoses, and preventive care by illuminating on a cellular level symptoms that might otherwise go unnoticed or ignored. She works a low wage job to pay the bills and juggles the rigorous demands of her academic program and parenting. She also is in the process of “catch up”, overcoming some of the social skill deficits that her specific homeschooling early years. She struggles with some self-doubt; however, her personal and academic success through her initial semesters have given her much encouragement. Knowing that she is part of a community that believes in her abilities and wants her

to succeed have allowed her to step up and thrive. She is also a participant in the UCCS Women's Endowment Scholarship program and has had assistance in transitioning into the university as a non-traditional student. Her mentor believes that Hannah Marie has the strength in character and drive for success to be a leader in her field of science.

Anyone who has had mothers who returned for a degree while raising a family understands this is not an easy road.

SARAH TEIXIERA

Sarah Teixeira was born in Brazil and lived there most of her life. She has been in the United States for 8 years, is married to an American, became a US Citizen in 2016 and has a 4 year old daughter. Her native language is Portuguese and has been learning English only since arriving in the US 8 years ago. She has had a dream of working in the healthcare field and has already earned her associates in general studies, ½ way on her journey to obtaining her BSRN. She hopes to continue her studies to become a physician's assistant. In Brazil her chances were small of getting into a medical school. She spent ten years taking care of her grandmother who was in recovery from several surgeries over the years. From that hands on experience, she learned that he enjoys caring for people and helping those in pain, hoping to give her patients a better quality of life.

Sarah says that studying for her classes is not easy, mainly because English is not her first language. Her desire to be a healthcare professional makes her devote all her time to studying or her family. If she is not taking care of her husband and daughter, she is studying. This scholarship will help her to continue her studies at PPCC in Nursing while covering the costs related to tuition, books, and daycare for her daughter. Although her husband is bringing in income to support the family, that income provides for their basic needs, living paycheck to paycheck. Educational expenses are an additional cost that is difficult to manage, so this scholarship will help ease that financial burden. Since childhood, she has worked with family and friends to serve her church and community in her hometown of Goiana, Goias Brazil, collecting food donations and distributing to the very poor and needy families. At PPCC, she works in the college's mobile food pantry to distribute food to in-need students and community members. Her recommenders speak highly of the hard work and effort she has put into learning English in her ESL classes. After completing the advanced level of the ESL program with all A's, she was able to go directly into college level English class where she continues to excel.

RENEE ROETTGER

Renee has a goal and passion for teaching elementary students. She began her educational journey in 1988, taking classes at PPCC and has chipped away at her credits ever since that time. She was a stay at home mom who worked part time at the YMCA because she could take her children to work with her. After running a successful Kid's Saturday Night Out program and Gymboree activity program, one thing led to another, with much volunteering at her children's classrooms, drama club, choir, girl scouts, boy scouts, and PTO. Eventually, the Widefield School district asked her to interview for a computer tech specials teacher position, teaching computers, STEAM, coding, and LEGO robotics. At the age of 53, Renee is getting her bachelor's degree so that she can earn the

money of a certified teacher. She plans to stay with Widefield Security District 3 and move into an early education PreK, Kindergarten or first grade classroom.

She has extensive volunteer work in the community as well as 13 years of experience teaching elementary age children in District 3 within the Technology field. When I asked her which interview time slot she preferred, she chose an early slot because she was volunteering that evening with the Fur Ball event at the Humane Society. Her community volunteer work includes the Bob Telemosse Christmas Giveaway, Tim Tebow's Night to Shine, Fountain Soup Kitchen, St Dominic's Catholic Church, Pikes Peak Christian Church, and Cross Creek Christian Church. Having been a single parent of two children, age 20 and 17 the last 8 years, her commitment to her community as well as hands on experience teaching children is exemplary. She needs to get that bachelor's degree and certificate. Having spent over 25 years in public education and working with many paraprofessionals over the years, many like Renee, I feel strongly about helping these mature educators get the education and degrees they need to make a living wage. Regular and Special education rely on the skills of these unsung educators like Renee and at some point, it is imperative that we assist them to get the degree which allows them to receive better financial compensation for the skills they bring to our public schools. In her current position as Computer Lab education assistant, she is responsible for all 685 students at Sunrise Elementary school during their computer classes. Her recommender, the Sunrise elementary School principal, saw in Renee a gem—hard worker, team player, effective communicator, talented in her interactions with young children. She has had a lifetime of honing these skills. Renee is an living example of “it's never too late to get an education.”

ALEXANDRA RUIZ

Alexandra's educational journey is shaped by her past. She grew up watching her mother heal herself as a survivor of domestic violent, an alcoholic father who was in and out of the picture, and living in a MS-13 gang infested community in LA. Her family moved from that area in order to escape violence and to protect her brother from gang activity. She has experienced stress and stigma of a legal investigation and knows firsthand the racial and community discrimination that goes with standing up to gang violence. She has also had to overcome lower expectations for educational excellence from her family and school personnel when going through high school. She was determined to work hard, qualify for college entrance, and surrounded herself with others who supported her goals. Through hard work and persistence, she is now enrolled at UCCS, working, obtaining financial aid to pay for college and entering her third year in Criminal Justice at UCCS. She works on campus in the MOSAIC office, multicultural office for student access, Inclusiveness, and community of UCCS. Alexandra is familiar with the narrative, “you aren't good enough,” “the odds are against you,” and is involved in activism and identifying opportunities to improve inclusivity of university policies and process. She has membership and leadership responsibilities in the Latino Student Union, Student Diversity Council, and is a founding ally member of Unidos, an organization for undocumented students, dreamers, and students connected to the deferred action for childhood arrivals. Unidos works with other student organizations on campus to host events and programs focused on supporting undocumented students. Alexandra works 25 hours a week in the Mosaic office where she is responsible for developing resources and providing individual advocacy and support for marginalized student populations. Her recommender, her supervisor and mentor in this position states, “Her impressive level of initiative and very dedicated work ethic honestly outweighs

most students with whom I have worked over the years. I most admire Alexandra's strong connection to her heritage and unapologetic attitude of being a proud and fierce Latina."

We give to each of these amazing women our highest hopes and deepest confidence that they will indeed succeed, not only academically, but in the multiple roles that they work so hard to fill.

Charlotte Gagne, Local Scholarships Chair

AAUW Scholarship Committee 2018-2019

Our scholarship Luncheon was featured in the Woodmen Edition. Please click on the link below to read the article:

[2019 AAUW Colorado Springs Branch 2019 Scholarship Awards](#)

Interest Groups

Please note that I have included all of the summer information received. If you don't see an event please call the chair for more information. For the August Newsletter please send your information no later than 18 July 2019. Thanks! LFG

Various Days in the week/month

ARTS ON THE GO! Enjoy local music and theatre with your AAUW friends. No regularly scheduled meetings. Contact: Pam Maier. Pamela.S.Maier@gmail.com Cell: 719-694-4222

BRIDGE LIGHT. There are four groups who play on the days they have agreed upon once a month. Interested in starting another group or being a sub, let me know. Any skill level is welcome. C. Lois Boschee, loisbos68@gmail.com

Mondays

HARDY HIKERS: C: Pip Bodkin, 206-427-2444

Jun 03, 19	Cheeseman Canyon	Jean Little
Jun 10, 19	Ute Valley Park	Marilyn Feaster
Jun 17, 19	Emerald Valley	Gini Simonson
Jun 24, 19	Mule Creek and Picnic	Char Gagne
Jul 1, 19	Blodgett to Academy	Peggy D & Kala M
Jul 8, 19	Thomas Trail	Judy Leiseth
Jul 15, 19	Treasure Hunt at Perry Park	Marilyn Parker
Jul 22, 19	Lovell Gulch or S. Platte Trail	Lois Boschee
Jul 29, 19	Seven Bridges	Yvonne Livengood
Aug 5, 19	TBA	Judy Conroy
Aug 12, 19	St. Mary's Falls	Renee Barall
Aug 19,19	TBA	Liz Rood
Aug 26, 19	Forest View/Monument Preserve	Jan Jones & Pam Maier

Tuesdays

June 4, TECH GROUP, The Tech group will meet for lunch at 11:00 at the French Kitchen, 4771 N. Academy (Flintridge). Call Chair: June Hallenbeck, 598-2979, junehallenbeck@comcast.net to let her know if you can come so we can save enough seats at the table.

VISUAL ARTS, 1:30,

Thanks to each of you who participated in a fantastic inaugural year for the Visual Arts group! We met John James Audubon (remarkably well-preserved!), reflected on the history of portraiture, toured a marvelous collection of Mata Ortiz pottery, were introduced to the dynamic work of Chinese artist Xu Beihong, visited both the Fine Arts Center and the Pioneers Museum to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Broadmoor Art Academy by viewing and learning about the artists who helped to make Colorado Springs a significant center for the arts, and heard 1st hand from the son of Bernard Arnest about his father's amazing life and art...and we tried, oh how we tried, to do a group viewing of *Loving Vincent*. Hope springs eternal. Stay tuned!

As Visual Arts completes its 1st year, and as our usual meeting location (the Tim Gill Center) undergoes renovations, we will follow a modified "summer" schedule. Please plan to join us!

June: No Meeting

July 2: Visit to the Kirkland Museum of Fine and Decorative Arts in Denver. We'll car pool to Denver, visit the Kirkland at 11:00, have lunch at Pints, a nearby English pub, and return home. Cost will be \$7-\$8 for admission, your own lunch, and a shared contribution towards your driver's parking and gas. Please contact Cindi Zenkert-Strange for additional details and to RSVP.

cmzenkertstrange@gmail.com Note that the Kirkland will only accommodate 25 of us, so for this visit, first-come, first served.

August 6, 1:30 Save the Date: A Taste of Monet's Palate/Palette: A summer fete to celebrate the upcoming (Oct) Monet show at the Denver Art Museum and to plan for an exciting Visual Arts interest group year, while sampling some of Monet's favorite sweet treats. Location to be announced. Please contact Cindi Zenkert-Strange for additional details: cmzenkertstrange@gmail.com

June 11, READERS POTPOURRI 1:00 p.m. C: Margaret Miller, fergst41@yahoo.com, 719-641-4710. Salad Luncheon and book selection for 2019-2020.

THE HISTORY OF JAZZ with Dr. Abe Minzer, is on hiatus until the Fall.

Abe Minzer will continue the Jazz class from September through December 2019.

A Special Summer "Shakespeare Symposium" is planned with Dr. Wendy Gray, on July 9th, 1:30-3:30 pm.. Join us for lively discussions on "Measure for Measure" and "Comedy of Errors", our summer Shakespeare-in-the-Park and a roaming Theaterworks Production. "Measure for Measure", runs from June 26th-July 21st, under the tent, at Rock Ledge Ranch. Symposium hosted by Phil Erklen, at IMS, International Music Syndicate. For further information and reservations contact Dr.

Wendy Gray, wendygray@msn.com, 495-4270. ***A future theatre symposium, will be scheduled for Oct. 15th, on Tom Stoppard's, "Arcadia", an ENT Center production.

DINNER BOOK CLUB

June 11, DINNER BOOK CLUB: Nedra Engelson, 574-5274, nengelson@aol.com, 5:45 p.m. The club will not meet.

July 9 *Death Comes to the Archbishop* by Willa Cather is the book selected for July. We will meet at 5:45 p.m. at Amanda's Fonda, 3625 W. Colorado Ave. Please contact Bev Goodall by July 9 to make a reservation. Her number is 635-9035.

MORNING GLORY BOOK CLUB, 10:00 a.m.

June 25th Born A Crime: Stories of a South African Childhood by Tevor Noah hosted by Pam Maier at pamela.s.maier@gmail.com

July 23rd Educated by Tara Westover hosted by Char Gagne at char50gagne@yahoo.com

August 27th Little Fires Everywhere by Celest Ng hosted by Jan Jones at cjanjones@msn.com

June 25, UFO (UNFINISHED OBJECTS), 1:00 p.m., C: Wynn Weidner, Hostess: Susan White.

July 30, UFO (UNFINISHED OBJECTS), 1:00 p.m., C: Wynn Weidner, Hostess: TBD

August 27, UFO (UNFINISHED OBJECTS), 1:00 p.m., C: Wynn Weidner, Hostess: TBD

Wednesdays

EVENING CONNECTIONS THROUGH TOPICS

June 19th at 5:30 PM, Meet at Coquette's outdoor patio 616 South Tejon St. to dine and socialize. RSVP to slgstowell@gmail.com

July 17th at 5:30 PM, Limited to 25 of our E.C. members meeting on Peggy Dolinich's patio. RSVP to slgstowell@gmail.com

SOUTHWEST STUDIES

June 5, 1:30 - 3:15. Please note Location Change and Date (First Wednesday of the Month). Location: Ruth Holley Library Meeting Room. 923 N Murray Blvd, 80915. We will be making up for our April 10 Snowstorm-Inspired Cancellation, and Dee Simon is available and ready to present Rails and Trails of the West. Following Dee's presentation, the members who are going on the Cheyenne, Fort Laramie and Estes Park trip can stay for a brief meeting with last minute details for the trip. There is another group scheduled to inhabit the room at 3:15 so we will be held to our time limit.

June 10-14 - SW Studies' Annual Trip - Cheyenne, Fort Laramie and Estes Park.

July: Relax a minute and then start working on a proposal for our 2020 trip. For your proposal, we will need a designated planner (or team) with a destination, activity ideas and number of driver volunteers. The group can vote on a preferred date - south usually is earlier. **Deadline for proposal is July 31** - and contact either of the Co-Chairs, Eunice Ciaccio, 719-465-2911, euninco.11@comcast.net or Jean Little 209-575-5587, wjean1@gmail.com prior to the July 31 deadline.

August 14, 1:30-3:30. Planning Meeting. Location: Ruth Holley Library Meeting Room, 923 N Murray Blvd, 80915. Members at the Planning Meeting will be involved with setting up a schedule, topics for the upcoming year's monthly meetings based on the destination.

LUNCHEON NOVEL I, 11:45 A.M. Chair: Georgina Burns, georgina.b1@juno.com and Sally Mathewson, mathewson3@juno.com

June, TBD

July 17 11:45 AM Hostess - TBD Book: UNSHELTERED by Barbara Kingsolver

June 4, LUNCHEON NOVEL TOO will meet at noon at the home of Betty Slaughter 245 Raven Hills Road to discuss Jane Eyre by Charlotte Bronte. Jan Gregg will be the co-hostess with Betty as the discussion leader. Please RSVP to Betty at Bslaugh12gmail.com or Jan idyllpines@comcast.net.

AFTERNOON READERS, 1:30 p.m. Contact Charla Dows.

CHOCOLATE LOVERS:

June 26 - no meeting

July 24 - Lunch in Cascade. More information will follow later by email.

August 28 - TBD

Thursdays

June 6, July 4, and August 1, WOMEN WHO WRITE, Join us for this writing Interest Group! We meet on the first Thursday of each month at homes of different volunteer members from 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. There is light food and coffee. Our prompts are constructed by volunteers also. Members usually share their writing with the group, but it's voluntary. *To join our group or try us out, please call Melanie Hudson 719-205-7639*

CHAPTER & VERSE WRITING GROUP

June 13: CHAPTER & VERSE WRITING GROUP, 1:00 pm. Chair: Janet Condit 277-7590, jjcondit@msn.com; Co-chair: Caroline Vulgamore, 520-5365, hvulgamore@gmail.com; Hostess: Jan Condit, 2335 Marston Hts, COS.

July 11: CHAPTER & VERSE WRITING GROUP, 1:00 pm. Chair: Janet Condit 277-7590, jjcondit@msn.com; Co-chair: Caroline Vulgamore, 520-5365, hvulgamore@gmail.com; Hostess: Irmgard von der Gathen, 7 Thayer Road, COS; 634-0445; ivondergathen@comcast.net.

August 8: CHAPTER & VERSE WRITING GROUP, 1:00 pm. Chair: Janet Condit 277-7590, jjcondit@msn.com; Co-chair: Caroline Vulgamore, 520-5365, hvulgamore@gmail.com; Hostess: Sally Metzger, 61 Woodbridge Drive, COS; 579-0259; salmetzger@aol.com.

Walkie-Talkie June Hikes

June 6 at Hidden Mesa in Douglas County Pauleta Terven pauletat@aol.com 719-598-3020

June 13 Manitou "Springs" Violet Sykora Sykoravss@gmail.com 719-650-5798

June 20 Women's Trail Marilyn Frydrych mfrydrych@comcast.net 719-574-0252

June27 Eleven Mile Reservoir Joanne Oh johanoh2@comcast.net 719-246-3479

Walkie-Talkie July Hikes

July 4 Skip--Holiday

July 11, Victor, Darlene Aspedon, 719-471-7192

July 18 Skagway Reservoir Marilyn Frydrych mfrydrych@comcast.net 719-574-0252

July 25 Mule Creek Charlotte Gagne Charlotte Gagne char50gagne@gmail.com 719 641 7570

Walkie-Talkie August Hikes

August 1 Crystal Creek Reservoir Marilyn Frydrych mfrydrych@comcast.net 719-574-0252

August 8 Eagle Pass Pauleta Terven pauletat@aol.com 719-598-3020

August 15, Manitou Lake, Darlene Aspedon, 719-471-7192

August 22, Rainbow Gulch--Woodland Pk, Rampart Range area Charlotte Gagne char50gagne@gmail.com 719 641 7570

August 29, Mackinaw Trail along North Catamount Reservoir , Darlene Aspedon, 719-471-7192

TED Talks

June 23rd at 7:00 pm, Place TBD.

July 25th at 7:00pm, Place TBD.

August 23rd at 7:00 pm, place TBD.

Members interested in participating should contact Kate Meyer Olson at Skrappgirl@hotmail.com or call or text 202-794-3462.

Every Thursday MAH JONGG: 1 p.m. Valley Hi Golf Course. Contact Susan Bydalek at 465-2707 or sbydalek@yahoo.com Optional lunch at noon.

Fridays

EXPLORING LIVES AND CULTURES

June 7, 10:00 to 12:00 at East Library Meeting Room E-1. Book to be discussed: (LGBTQ Pride Month) **Please note change:** Less: A Novel by Andrew Sean Greer. **Less** is a middle-aged, midlist novelist, who's about to turn 50 and dealing with his version of a mid-life crisis, written by a gay author who won the Pulitzer prize for fiction in 2018. Co-Chairs: Janet Friedberg janetfriedberg@comcast.net and Eunice Ciaccio euninco.11@comcast.net.

July 5, 10:00 to 12:00 at East Library Meeting Room E-1. Book to be discussed: Notorious RBG: The Life and Times of Ruth Bader Ginsburg by Irin Carmon And Shana Knizhnik. Takes you behind the myth for an intimate, irreverent at the justices' life and work. Co-Chairs: Janet Friedberg janetfriedberg@comcast.net and Eunice Ciaccio euninco.11@comcast.net.

August 2, 10:00 to 12:00 at East Library Meeting Room Drawing from her years of research in El Salvador, one of the few countries to ban abortion without exception, the author explores what happens when abortion is a crime. Co-Chairs: Janet Friedberg janetfriedberg@comcast.net and Eunice Ciaccio euninco.11@comcast.net.

LOCAL HISTORY, Contact Jeanne Knudson, jknuds@gmail.com.

Saturdays

FRIENDS OF THE GRAPE (FOG)

July 27, F.O.G (Friends of the Grape) Chair: Jeanne Marsh, 590-7237, jmarsh@pcisys.net. FOG will meet at 6:00 pm at the home of June and Ken Hallenbeck, 115 Dolomite Dr., 80919. Celebrate summer with a cookout. June and Ken will supply the meats. You bring an appetizer, salad, side dish or dessert and of course, your drink of choice (wine, beer, or soft drink). Let June know if you're coming and what you are bringing at 598-2979 or junehallenbeck@comcast.net

