

## 2016 AAUW Boulder Holiday Luncheon



**Saturday, December 3, 2016 – 11:30 a.m.**

**Praha Restaurant & Bar**  
**7521 Ute Hwy, Longmont, CO 80503**  
**(on Hwy 66 in Hygiene, CO)**

Monica Smetana will host the AAUW Boulder Holiday Luncheon at her beautiful Czech restaurant. Those of you who attended this event last year know that we are in for a treat! You won't want to miss this.

***Menu***

*Beverage - coffee or tea*

*Pork Goulash & Spätzle*

*Chicken breast Jaeger style, with rice*

*Roasted Vegetables*

*Assortment of German chocolate, Hazelnut, or Strawberry Bavarian tortes.*

**Reservations by Monday, November 28**

**\$40 per person,**

**Make checks to "AAUW Boulder"**

**Send to: Mary Hassler**

**4230 Corriente Pl, Boulder 80301-1629**

**[maryh2@ix.netcom.com/\(303\)448-9669](mailto:maryh2@ix.netcom.com/(303)448-9669)**

**Bring your friends to our very special Holiday Event!**

# Message from Marilyn

by President Marilyn Thomas Leist, Ed.D

*"Keep some room in your heart for the unimaginable." - -Mary Oliver*

On November 5<sup>th</sup> as Mary Hassler shared the status of our Expanding Your Horizons event and as we planned our 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration, we talked about the archives, our history, determining the impact we've had, and sharing members' stories. At one point during that conversation, Fay Fitzgerald, a new member from Michigan, said "Maybe we should have a vision of our future as we also honor our past." Barb Kostanick and Joanna Cain, a new member from Texas, quickly volunteered to discover what young people like our Brown/Ricketts/Udick Scholarship recipients may need and want from AAUW Boulder since they are the leaders of tomorrow! Then, when I asked who would like to be part of a "visioning" discussion, everyone at the table said, "I want to." So in January we will have a special, creative session to reflect on the unimaginable---the future of AAUW Boulder. I hope all of you will participate!



On Halloween my husband, Charlie, was giving out candy because he loves seeing all the neighborhood kids. He ran out of candy. A little girl took the last piece of candy, then she ran home and soon returned with a bowl full of Hershey kisses! Charlie was very grateful and we were both touched by Elsie's thoughtfulness, generosity, and initiative.

As the holiday season draws near, my wish for each of you is the sense of wonder you feel with each moment of thoughtfulness, generosity, and grace you experience during this special season.

I am honored to serve as your leader and look forward to our annual AAUW Fundraiser --Holiday Luncheon at Praha on December 3<sup>rd</sup>.

## Items Needed for Holiday Brunch Fund Raiser

Due to space limitations, we will not have our usual fund raising silent auction. Instead we will have a Live Auction. We ask that you offer your expertise and talents. What better way to bring people together than through offering brunches, lunches, card parties, dinner parties, bird watching trips, trip slide shows; you get the idea! Or do you have a special talent or skill to offer such as computer help, résumé writing, genealogy research, organizing? Or you can solicit gifts and gift certificates from local businesses or businesses you know. **Please send your event/talent/gift certificate type to Laurel Seppala-Etra at [l.seppalaetra@comcast.net](mailto:l.seppalaetra@comcast.net) by Saturday, November 26.**

Proceeds from the Live Auction will go to AAUW Funds. AAUW has a long and distinguished history of advancing educational and professional opportunities for women in the United States and around the globe. Each year, for the past 90 years, AAUW Boulder has contributed to the Foundation.

If you are unable to attend the Holiday Lunch, please consider making a donation to AAUW by sending a check made out to "AAUW Funds" to Mary Hassler, 4230 Corriente Place, Boulder, 80301.

### AAUW Boulder Officers

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## The Women's Collaborative of Boulder Featuring 9to5

AAUW Boulder is part of the Women's Collaborative of Boulder County, along with other groups including Zonta and the League of Women Voters. President Marilyn Leist and Financial Officer Mary Hassler have been attending the meetings of this newly-formed group. Its purpose is to share common goals and to discuss ways that the group can work together on projects of interest. The Women's Collaborative usually meets the fourth Thursday of each month, although the dates may be changed during the holidays. For the next several newsletters, we will introduce our sister organizations.



Last month, 9to5, a member of the Women's Collaborative of Colorado, provided our speaker.

9to5 is a national organization representing office workers and women in low-pay jobs. It was started 43 years ago by a group of women who felt that they were not taken seriously. The movie 9 to 5 was based on this group, not vice-versa. The members work for inclusion of all people regardless of gender, age, race, or sexual orientation and work to improve policies in the work place. They believe all people should live above the poverty level and have financial security. 9to5 lobbies at the federal and state levels. This election season they are working to get women out to vote and are supporting wage and medical-related legislation. 9to5 Colorado is very active and is led by Executive Director Linda Meric.

Please contact Mary Hassler, [maryh2@netcom.com](mailto:maryh2@netcom.com), or Marilyn Leist, [marilynleist42@gmail.com](mailto:marilynleist42@gmail.com), if you would like to attend one or more of the Women's Collaborative meetings.

### Meet New Member Joanna E. Cain



**Joanna Cain** has been either a student, instructor/educator, or education consultant her entire adult life. Education is important to her, and she believes that girls and women should pursue an education, whether that is a vocational one where they learn a marketable skill, or an academic one that provides opportunities for independence and career growth.

After her first degree, a BA in English from Emory University, she worked in public relations for several years and, ultimately, decided that she wanted to work in a career that helped others. She then took all of the science/math prerequisites, attended nursing school, and received her BSN from Baylor University. Joanna worked as a nurse instructor in a nursing program for a few years, before deciding to start a healthcare communications company, Auctorial Pursuits, where she writes/edits/develops educational products (books, e-learning modules, test banks, etc.) geared to healthcare students. Her clients are major healthcare/medical publishers. Then in 2010, she started Global Academic Consultants, which helps students with the admissions process to boarding school, college, graduate school, and professional programs, using an online platform to assist students around the globe.

Joanna is new to AAUW. The chief academic officer of her company, who is also a PhD-prepared academic and a past AAUW member in Florida, recommended that she join AAUW. We are lucky to have her in AAUW Boulder.

Joanna has been a competitive swimmer since age 4. She attempted to swim the English Channel in 2013, and was caught in a storm that resulted in her boat crew pulling her from the water 1.5 miles from France. She has undergone two shoulder surgeries as a result of the physiological damage incurred during that swim. She hopes to be able to start swimming again in 2017.

Welcome to AAUW Boulder, Joanna!

# Expanding Your Horizon

*EYH is AAUW Boulder Branch’s hands-on workshop for Middle School girls providing them the opportunity to explore many and varied careers available in STEM fields (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics)*



EYH, AAUW Boulder’s community project, will be held on **February 25, 2017, at the University of Colorado Engineering Center**. Plans are underway for another successful workshop – the College of Engineering Center has been obtained, presenters and college guides are being recruited, food is being planned, leaders for the adult programs have been scheduled – now we need **YOU** to volunteer to help.

**Please mark your calendars. We will need many volunteers on that day.** Say “Yes” when you are contacted!

## Mark Your Calendar

- AAUW Boulder Holiday Brunch – Praha Restaurant and Bar – December 3, 2016, 11:30 am
- AAUW Boulder Meeting-Brown/Ricketts/Udick recipients –Meadows Library-January 21, 2017, 10:30 am
- AAUW Colorado Public Policy Day – Lone Tree, CO – February 4, 2017
- AAUW Boulder Expanding Your Horizons – CU Boulder Engineering Building – February 25, 2017
- AAUW Boulder Annual Meeting Salad Luncheon – Lafayette Library – March 11, 2017, 11:30 am-1:30 pm
- AAUW BOULDER’s 90<sup>th</sup> BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION-NCAR’s Beautiful Damon Room-April 22, 2017**
- AAUW Colorado State Convention – The Antlers Hotel, Colorado Springs, CO – April 28-29, 2017
- AAUW Boulder Picnic and Planning Meeting-June 3, 2017
- AAUW National Convention – Washington, DC – June 14-17, 2017

## Sponsor a Student for Expanding Your Horizon

About one third of the girls are on scholarship. We’ve attracted Middle School girls from throughout the Front Range. Many of the girls have never been on a college campus and would love to attend EYH, but do not have the funds. You can support this effort by sponsoring a Middle School girl for EYH for a cost of \$40 per girl. If you would like to sponsor a girl, please complete this form and make your check payable to AAUW Boulder, write “EYH Sponsor” in the memo line, and send it to: *Mary Hassler, 4230 Corriente Place, Boulder 80301-1629.*

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YES, I would like to support EYH 2015 by sponsoring  
\_\_\_\_\_ girl(s) at \$40 each = \$\_\_\_\_\_ Total OR \$\_\_\_\_\_ other amount

My name as I would like it to appear in the program (or in honor of):  
\_\_\_\_\_

Please check this box if you do not want your name listed in the program.

# AAUW Boulder Interest Groups & Contact Persons 2016-17

*To belong to an interest group, except Great Decisions, individuals need to be a member of AAUW Boulder*

<p><b>Great Decisions</b> Arlene Blewitt <a href="mailto:arleneblewitt@hotmail.com">arleneblewitt@hotmail.com</a>, 303-570-8804 Diane Edes <a href="mailto:dianeE229@gmail.com">dianeE229@gmail.com</a>, 303-465-3272</p>	<p>Will meet January-April, 2017, at the George Reynolds Library (on Table Mesa) <b>every other Tuesday at 10 a.m.</b> Topics, chosen by Great Decisions for 2017 are: 1/10/17-The Future of Europe 1/24/17-Trade and Politics 2/7/17-Conflict in the South China Sea 2/21/17-Saudi Arabia in Transition 3/7/17-U.S. Foreign Policy and Petroleum 3/21/17-Latin America’s Political Pendulum 4/4/17-Prospects for Afghanistan and Pakistan 4/18/17-Nuclear Security</p>
<p><b>La Cuisine</b> Sara Cote <a href="mailto:saraccote@gmail.com">saraccote@gmail.com</a>, 303-440-4152</p>	<p>Meets the <b>third Saturday of the month at 6:30 p.m.</b> in members’ homes.</p>
<p><b>Third Tuesday Women’s Bridge</b> Alice Allen <a href="mailto:alicedon7@comcast.net">alicedon7@comcast.net</a>, 303-494-8050</p>	<p>Meets the <b>third Tuesday of the month from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. at the Carillon for lunch and bridge.</b></p>
<p><b>Mahjong</b> Susan Jones <a href="mailto:smjonesinco@gmail.com">smjonesinco@gmail.com</a>, 720-587-9995</p>	<p>Meets in members’ homes at <b>7 p.m.</b> on dates chosen by members. Contact Susan for the schedule.</p>
<p><b>Playgoers</b> Jennie Grisham <a href="mailto:jennig43@q.com">jennig43@q.com</a>, 303-443-6194 Georgeanne Beck <a href="mailto:gebeck112@gmail.com">gebeck112@gmail.com</a>, 303-469-3187</p>	<p>Group attends the operas at CU and other local plays on Sunday afternoons during the year. Dinners following at local restaurants are optional.</p>
<p><b>Sunday Night Non-Fiction Book Group</b> Beth Rauch <a href="mailto:etrauch@comcast.net">etrauch@comcast.net</a>, 303-442-2704</p>	<p>Meets the <b>second Sunday of the month at 7 p.m.</b> in members’ homes. The November book selection is: 11/13/16-<i>The Road to Little Dribbling</i> by Bill Bryson 1/8/17-<i>The Great Surge</i> by Steven Radelet</p>
<p><b>Wednesday “Bookies” Group</b> Mary McKeever <a href="mailto:Mckeever7868@gmail.com">Mckeever7868@gmail.com</a>, 303-823-6604</p>	<p>Meets the <b>third Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m.</b> in members’ homes. Upcoming book selections are: 11/16/16-<i>Everything I Never Told You</i> by 12/14/16-Book Exchange 1/18/17-<i>Cannery Row</i> by John Steinbeck</p>

**AAUW’s Mission: AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research.**

*In principle and practice, AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin, disability, or class.*