

AAUW Boulder

**Spring Fundraising Brunch**

**Grants for CU Graduate Women**

**Saturday April 19, 2014 - 9 am \$35**



**Ceal Barry**

**Senior Associate Athletic Director  
Internal Operations at CU**

***“Women at Work”***

**Boulder Country Club  
7350 Clubhouse Road  
Boulder 80301  
Questions? 303-443-7087**

***Reservations: due April 12***  
***Checks: \$35 to AAUW Boulder***  
***Mail to: Mary Hassler***  
**4230 Corriente Place**  
**Boulder 80301-1629**  
***or pay with PayPal:***

<http://aauwboulder.wordpress.com/2014/03/13/2014SpringBrunch/>

***Invite your spouse, friends, and co-workers to hear Ceal Barry!***

## Presidents' Message - Sarah Behm

Many of you assisted at our ever-popular 19th annual STEM event **Expanding Your Horizons** on February 22. I'd like to extend my thanks to the dedicated EYH committee members who have come together many years to make this far-reaching successful community event possible. This year AAUW member **Dorothy Bustamante** assisted Spanish-speaking individuals. Through this community outreach, the message we are trying to send to impressionable young female students in 6th, 7th, and 8th grades is best articulated in the mission statement of EYH: "Inspiring girls to recognize their potential and pursue opportunities in science, technology, engineering and mathematics."

Our final program of the year will be a breakfast with former CU women's basketball coach Ceal Barry (now Senior Associate Athletic Director of Internal Operations at CU) on April 19th at the Boulder Country Club. Coach Barry coached women's basketball for 22 years spanning 1983 to 2005, and was the most prolific in all of CU athletics department history with 427 victories. Proceeds from this event will help fund our (3) graduate student **Brown/Ricketts/Udick** Scholars with \$1,000 scholarships each. The meeting promises to be quite an interesting one!

One bit of administrative material that you'll be voting on at the April meeting are changes to the bylaws. Several of our board members will not be able to continue in their present positions in the 2014-2015 fiscal year. The branch can run on a "bare minimum" of the following positions: administrator, finance officer, and secretary, although we'd like to continue with the branch's present mode of governance if possible.

**Can you commit to a position for at least a year** (ideally, board positions are two years' duration)? We also need volunteers to assist current board members with various tasks related to running the branch. A familiarity with using email, sending attachments, and using programs such as Microsoft is helpful. We also need help sending materials to new/prospective members and assisting the membership VP(s) at branch events.

As the end of this fiscal year draws to a close, **I would like to send out a personal invitation to Boulder branch members to become more involved in branch activities.** We have noticed an increasing trend of branch members not attending programs. While interest groups are popular, remember that program VPs work tirelessly to bring events relevant to AAUW's mission of advancing equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research to the branch. We had an excellent STEM event on the CU Boulder campus in January which was well-publicized, but poorly attended. The two speakers spoke about ongoing research as to why women begin STEM careers and drop out while students or in academia.

If you cannot attend because of mobility or transportation issues, please call any board member for assistance and we would be happy to accommodate you. If you have other concerns or suggestions regarding branch programs, please don't hesitate to contact the program VP(s) or other board members.

I look forward to seeing you at our April meeting and wish all of you the best in the remaining year and a fun-filled summer. Remember to renew your AAUW membership by June 30th, as our new fiscal year starts July 1!

## Brown Ricketts Udick Grant



AAUW Boulder Branch will be reading Brown Ricketts Udick applications April 7-19. We need members to volunteer to read applications. **Please contact Mary Hassler, ([maryh2@ix.netcom.com](mailto:maryh2@ix.netcom.com), 303-448-9669) to volunteer.** This will save Mary a call when she is recruiting volunteers.

**Check out the AAUW-Boulder Website: <http://aauwboulder.wordpress.com/>**

## Expanding Your Horizons Recap

Our February STEM conference held at CU's Engineering Center, "Expanding Your Horizons," was another hit this year with a record **320 girls and 62 adults participating**. Girls came from areas as far north as Ft. Collins to as far south as Centennial to attend. This year, **83 girls took advantage of scholarships** that were offered to help offset the cost of the conference. Presenters in the 26 workshops included atmospheric scientists, engineers, zoologists, a veterinarian, and a solar physicist, just to name a few of the professions represented. And at this time we'd like to take this opportunity to thank the **93 very dedicated AAUW volunteers** (including some from the Lakewood, Littleton South Metro, and Fort Collins Branches), **Zonta volunteers and their high school student-helpers**, and **45 college guides** who gave of their time to make this educational event a possibility for girls from many communities. The success of EYH is due to the hard work of many people:

- *Coordinators:* **Mary Hassler, Mary Humke, Hope Steffens-Nett, Ruth Colby**
- *Adult Program:* **Doris Hass**
- *College Guides:* **Esperanza Arab, Anna Vinton**
- *Logistics:* **Margaret Hopper**
- *Publicity:* **Linda Groth**
- *Refreshments/Lunch:* **Hope Steffens-Nett**
- *Registration:* **Mary Hassler**
- *Seagate Representative:* **Cindy Martini**
- *Volunteers:* **Mary Humke, Meg Tierney, Ann McNulty, Laurel Seppala-Etra, Marcia Jochim, Arlene Blewitt**
- *Website/Technical:* **Jordan Hanie**
- *Workshop Presenters:* **Astrid Maute**

As we all know, **it takes a village to make EYH happen** each year. **Thanks to each of YOU, AAUW-Boulder's wonderful volunteers, for your hard work and support of Expanding Your Horizons!**

*The EYH Coordinating Committee*

## Mark Your Calendars

April 3	Start Smart Workshop – CU Boulder
April 8	Equal Pay Day
April 19	AAUW Boulder's Spring Fundraising Brunch with Ceal Barry, Boulder Country Club
April 25-26	AAUW Colorado State Convention, Lakewood
June 6-8	AAUW Regional Convention, Reno, NV



**Happy Hour – April 10 and May 8**  
**Drake's Haus, 2900 Baseline, Boulder** (directly West of McDonald's)

Questions? Contact Marsha Coons, [marshacoons@comcast.net](mailto:marshacoons@comcast.net), or Hope Steffens-Nett, [gnw1942@comcast.net](mailto:gnw1942@comcast.net).

**Join us for this 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month event and bring your friends!**

## Meet Our New Members

**Kathy Dansky.** Kathryn moved to Boulder County in April 2013 from State College Pennsylvania. She and her husband both retired recently and moved here to be closer to their children and grandchildren. Kathy has a nursing degree as well as an MBA and PhD in Business. She worked in the health care industry as a nurse in a variety of settings, and after receiving her PhD in 1992, taught and did research at Penn State University in health policy and administration.

Kathy is a violinist who enjoys a variety of music, including Celtic, gospel, bluegrass, traditional and folk. She is a hiker/runner/walker who also enjoys reading. She is interested in public policy and would like to be involved in AAUW initiatives that involve advocacy, as well as workshops for women empowerment.

*Kathryn Dansky, 540 Mohawk Dr #7, Boulder 80303-3773, [kxd9@psu.edu](mailto:kxd9@psu.edu); 814-883-3474*

**Alice Gordon.** Alice was born and raised in New Jersey. She escaped and attended Wheaton College in Norton, Massachusetts, majoring in biology. She spent a year in New York, followed by four glorious years in Switzerland, where she learned and loved technical mountain climbing. She co-lead a group climbing in Austria. Upon returning to the U.S. in 1968, Alice said hello to family in New Jersey and took the next bus to Denver, where she worked at the UNC Medical Center. After obtaining a MA from Western State, she worked for various companies doing environmental analyses for major projects, including the Colony Oil Shale project while with ARCO. When that closed, she worked for environmental consulting firms for the next 30 years on projects in Illinois, Alaska, upstate New York, North Carolina, and Arizona. She retired to Colorado.

Alice loved climbing in Wyoming and was active in the Colorado Mountain Club, leading hikes and technical climbs. She taught basic mountaineering, capped by getting the class up the third Flatiron and everyone safely repelling down the backside. Alice has a cat. She enjoys traveling, gardening, art history, genealogy, oil painting, and playing cello (poorly, but with enthusiasm!) Alice joined the Great Decisions group.

*Alice Gordon, 1917 Rice St, Longmont 80501-7127, [aliceg1917@comcast.net](mailto:aliceg1917@comcast.net); 720-684-6405*

**Mary McKeever.** Mary was born in Evanston, Illinois, where her mother was active in AAUW. Boulder branch member Rita Johnson connected Mary with our branch. Mary graduated from CU Boulder with a BS in Elementary Education and completed work at CU Denver for an MS in Institutional Technology Corporate Training. She is retired from CU, where she worked in University Management Systems and was a consultant for PeopleSoft and Oracle, implementing student information systems.

Mary is trying out Great Decisions and Bookies. However, skiing takes precedence in the winter! Mary also likes to swim year round and enjoys hiking, biking, traveling, sewing, and working in her Xeriscape garden. She reads with neighborhood preschool children. Living in Lyons, Mary was out of her house for 3 1/2 months due to the flood and feels indebted to the National Guard for their help.

*Mary McKeever, 179A 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave, Lyons 80540-3808, [mckeever7868@gmail.com](mailto:mckeever7868@gmail.com)*

## AAUW Colorado State Convention

The 2014 AAUW Colorado State Convention will be **April 25-26** hosted by the Lakewood Branch. Please join us for presentations on Marie Curie and the exceptional story of Susie Van Scoyk, principal of Alameda International High School and an AAUW fellow. We will also have presentations and reports from AAUW members and staff. Registration information is at the AAUW Colorado website: <http://aauw-co.aauw.net/>.







## AAUW-Boulder Interest Groups & Contact Persons 2013-2014

<p><b>Great Decisions</b>  Arlene Blewitt  303-440-0878  <a href="mailto:arleneblewitt@hotmail.com">arleneblewitt@hotmail.com</a></p>	<p>Meets at the George Reynolds Library (in Table Mesa) <b>every other Tuesday at 10 a.m.</b> Contact Arlene for information on discussion booklets. Topics include:  <b>March 25 – Food and Climate</b>  <b>April 15 – China’s Foreign Policy</b>  <b>April 29 – U.S. Trade Policy</b></p>
<p><b>La Cuisine</b>  Anita Budding  303-415-0809    <a href="mailto:ant2anbud@msn.com">ant2anbud@msn.com</a></p>	<p>Meets the <b>second Saturday of the month at 6:30 p.m.</b> in members’ homes.</p>
<p><b>Hiking Group</b>  Cass Lewis  720-201-2160    <a href="mailto:cassie472002@yahoo.com">cassie472002@yahoo.com</a></p>	<p>Contact Cass for times and locations of hikes.</p>
<p><b>Third Tuesday Women’s Afternoon Bridge</b>  Alice Allen  303-494-8050    <a href="mailto:alicedon7@comcast.net">alicedon7@comcast.net</a></p>	<p>Meets the <b>third Tuesday of the month from 1 - 3 p.m.</b> in members’ homes.</p>
<p><b>Mahjong</b>  Susan Jones  303-449-2391    <a href="mailto:smjonesinco@gmail.com">smjonesinco@gmail.com</a></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  303-443-6194    <a href="mailto:jennig43@q.com">jennig43@q.com</a>  Elaine Bush  303-494-5913    <a href="mailto:ElaineGBush@comcast.net">ElaineGBush@comcast.net</a></p>	<p>Group attends plays in the local area. Contact Elaine for the season’s offerings.</p>
<p><b>Sunday Night Non-Fiction Book Group</b>  Beth Rauch  303-442-2704    <a href="mailto:etrauch@comcast.net">etrauch@comcast.net</a></p>	<p>Meets the <b>second Sunday of the month at 7 p.m.</b> in members’ homes.  <b>April 13 - Book Selection Potluck</b>  <b>May 18 – <i>The Warmth of Other Suns: the Epic Story of American’s Great Migration</i> by Isabel Wilkerson</b></p>
<p><b>Wednesday “Bookies” Group</b>  Bonnie Darnell  303-494-0510    <a href="mailto:bonhdar@gmail.com">bonhdar@gmail.com</a></p>	<p>Meets the <b>third Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m.</b> in members’ homes.  <b>March 19 - <i>The Sense of an Ending</i> by Julian Barnes</b>  <b>April 16 – <i>My Foreign Cities: A Memoir</i> by Elizabeth Scarborough</b>  <b>May 21 – <i>Crossing to Safety</i> by Wallace Stegner</b></p>