

Boulder AAUW Holiday Party



December 2, 2018

4-6 p.m.

Home of Leigh Perreault
3785 Longwood Avenue
Boulder 80305

Enjoy the view of the Rocky Mountains from Leigh's living room while hearing **Darcy Kitching** share her story of how walking saved her life. Darcy is Boulder's Program Director and Collaborative Storyteller for the Walk2Connect Cooperative. She develops walks, hikes, and active community opportunities with the City of Boulder for people across their lifespan. Darcy writes poetry inspired by her adventures in walking.



The \$35 cost covers the cost of food and drinks. Vegetarian, gluten free and dairy free choices will be available. **Please send your \$35 check to Ann Smith, 857 Hoover Avenue, Louisville 80027-2294 or go online to Eventbrite <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/aauw-boulders-holiday-party-tickets-51817163531>. If you plan to attend, give Ann a call at 303-284-7411.**

**Invite Your Friends and Family and Join Us for
Stimulating Conversation, Beautiful Views, Inspiring Speaker,
Delicious Food**

A Message from Marilyn by Boulder AAUW President Marilyn Thomas Leist, EdD

"I don't need a holiday or a feast to feel grateful for my children, the sun, the moon, the roof over my head, music, and laughter, but I like to take this time to take the path of thanks less traveled."

Paula Poundstone



When listening to NPR's "Wait, Wait, Don't Tell Me" hosted by Peter Sagal on the weekends, I often have an opportunity for a hearty laugh when Paula Poundstone interjects her salty commentary, however, during this holiday season, I will also "take the path of thanks less traveled" and offer up my gratitude for the Boulder AAUW members.

- First and foremost, I am grateful to the Boulder AAUW Board of Directors. They are an amazing group of dedicated women who continuously contribute to the governance and programming of the organization. They are also responsible for a net gain of 31 members in the last two years!
- I am also grateful to the donors who have responded to the appeal with donations large and small, and to our sponsor, Paul Morrison of Paul Morrison Colours, who contributes to Boulder AAUW monthly. Those contributions will fund the AAUW Start Smart and AAUW Work Smart programming for 2019.
- There is a cadre of women who contribute time, education, and leadership to women (over 192 to date) by disseminating the AAUW salary negotiation strategies with the idea of eliminating the gender pay gap--one woman at a time! I am extraordinarily grateful to them and their commitment to Boulder AAUW's mission.
- I am also grateful to all who participate in Boulder AAUW Interest groups, you are the backbone of Boulder AAUW.

Whatever is beautiful. Whatever is meaningful. Whatever brings you happiness. May it be yours this holiday season and throughout the coming year.

With sincere gratitude for each of you, *Marilyn*

Wednesdays, **Wine**, and Women's Issues



Boulder AAUW's

Happy Hour

December 12, 2018 – 5 p.m.

St. Julien Hotel, 900 Walnut Street, Boulder 80302

Enjoy the Holiday decorations and stimulating conversation at the beautiful St. Julien Hotel. Bring your friends!

Legislative Forum on 2019 Priorities Emphasis on Women and Family Policy



Wednesday, November 28

6:30 -8 p.m.

**Elevations Credit Union-2nd Floor Meeting Room
2960 Diagonal Highway, Boulder**

Sponsored by Women's Collaborative of Boulder County



Speakers include:

- *KC Becker, Colorado State Representative HD - 13
- *Edie Hooten, Colorado State Representative HD-10
- *Jonathan Singer, Colorado State Representative HD-11
- *Tammy Story, Colorado State Senator H SD-16

Moderator: Dan Gould

This is a non-partisan event. Important issues, good dialogue, & problem-solving affect and *involve everyone*. **There is no charge. The event is open to the public. Please join us.**

Mark Your Calendar

AAUW Boulder – AAUW Scholarship Awardees Presentation -Meadows Library-Jan. 19, 10:30 to 12:30
AAUW Colorado Fall Leadership Conference - Holiday Inn, Lakewood, CO - August 24-25, 2018
AAUW Colorado Public Policy Day – Holiday Inn, Lakewood, CO – February 2, 2019
AAUW Colorado State Convention – Longmont, CO – April 26-27, 2019

Brown-Ricketts-Udick Grant Recipients in January



January 19, 2019

10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Meadows Library

Come hear about their research and projects

Don't miss a favorite program of the year! -3-

***We Need Your Help* to Protect & Strengthen Title IX**

(This article was taken from the AAUW Website by Marilyn Leist)



Keep Students Safe, Protect and Strengthen Title IX

Department of Education is working to systematically dismantle Title IX protections. After rescinding critical guidance documents in September 2017, the Department of Education has now announced a plan to make sweeping changes to Title IX's regulations, which would have significant implications for students' civil rights and for federal enforcement of the law. **It is essential that you Take Action in the next 60 days by clicking the Link Below**

Over the next 60 days, we have an opportunity to weigh in with the Department of Education on their proposed changes. It's crucial that advocates speak up — **loudly** — and fight back against any attacks on Title IX that attempt to diminish students' protections. We can't let the Department of Education weaken Title IX. Add your name today to oppose the changes, and to learn more about how you can help fight back.

http://salsa4.salsalabs.com/o/50796/p/dia/action4/common/public/?action_KEY=25579+

In September 2017, the Department of Education rescinded two important documents related to Title IX: the 2011 Dear Colleague Letter on Sexual Violence and a 2014 Q&A on Title IX and Sexual Violence, which had provided much-needed clarification about what Title IX requires schools to do to prevent and address sex discrimination in educational programs. Specifically, these documents gave critical guidance to schools about their legal obligations under Title IX to respond promptly and fairly to allegations of sexual assault and set forth guidelines for how to handle these allegations.

At the same time, it withdrew these documents, the Department of Education issued a new interim guidance on Title IX. These rollbacks paved the way for the current attempt to further erode the protections of Title IX, announced in the November 2018 Notice of Proposed Rulemaking.

What Does This Mean for Women and Girls?

Make no mistake — the Department of Education's actions amount to a blatant rollback of strong and necessary protections for students, and particularly for student survivors of sexual assault. Specifically, the November 2018 Notice of Proposed Rulemaking would weaken Title IX's protections by narrowing the definition of sexual harassment to potentially exclude much of the abuse students experience and altering when schools will respond to reports of sexual harassment and violence. In addition, the rule would put in place school processes that make it harder for students to come forward and receive the support they need when they experience sexual harassment or assault. Title IX protects *all* students from discrimination — students of all genders, from kindergarten through college — and these expansive changes would put those protections at risk.

AAUW stands with survivors and we remain committed to protecting and defending Title IX, and to pursuing its vigorous enforcement. We must ensure our nation's dedication to full and equal educational opportunities for all students. After all, students' access to education is on the line.

Please Don't Wait - Take Action TODAY!

Colorado AAUW is Optimistic About Public Policy Priorities

By Betty Flaten and Linda LaGanga, Boulder AAUW Public Policy Co-Chairs



AAUW Colorado has a good opportunity for legislation supported by our Public Policy Platform being considered and passed by the 2019 Colorado General Assembly. Colorado had a 61.9% voter turnout in the 2018 midterm elections, which was second highest in the nation. We hope that the 2019 General Assembly will work wisely and pass legislation that will benefit all Coloradans including women, children, and families.

AAUW Colorado will bring its priority issues to the membership at the **2019 Public Policy Day, February 2, 2019 at the Lakewood Holiday Inn, Wadsworth and Hampden**. Members may sign up to attend on the Colorado AAUW website: www.aauw-co@aauw.net or when the Winter Bulletin arrives electronically in a few weeks. We hope to have a good attendance

from Boulder Branch at this most important AAUW statewide meeting. The January issue of the Boulder Branch Bulletin will have a complete list of legislators who represent all or a portion of Boulder County with their contact information.

If you not done so, please sign up to receive the Washington Update and become a Two Minute Activist. Go to www.aauw.org, sign in with **your member number** and **password**. In the **Member Center**, click on **What We Do**, go to Public Policy, click **Two Minute Activist** and register.

Calling all Bridge Players

The Third Tuesday Women's Bridge interest group, which meets the **third Tuesday of the month from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m.** at the Carillon for lunch and bridge, needs bridge players. If you want to meet a terrific group of women, please try us out. You do not have to be an expert bridge player. If you are interested, please contact Joan Schroeder, srjoan@comcast.net or 303-449-4181, or Anita Budding, ant2anbud@msn.com or 303-415-0809.

2019 EYH
February 23, 2019
Watch for More in the January Bulletin

Boulder AAUW Welcomes Our New Members



Jennifer Stanley has lived in Boulder since 2008, with a 2-year break from 2016-18 when she lived in the D.C. area. She is a new member and was drawn to AAUW because she wants to work with women who are enabling women to reach their full potential.

Jennifer has had an interesting career beginning with the wheel chair industry at Sunrise Medical then moving into the technology industry at GE Access. She has volunteered at Meals on Wheels, There With Care, and Trinity Lutheran over the last decade.

Her hobbies and interests include hula hooping, hosting dinner parties, gardening, snowboarding and finding the next funny birthday card. She is always interested in new recipes and learning new home hacks (vinegar does a great job cleaning everything from coffee makers to toilets.)

Jennifer's major was in business management and she has a minor in communication.

Jennifer Stanley, 1261 Westview Drive, Boulder, CO 80303-1400, rolinj@yahoo.com, 720-363-7481, Luther College (Decorah, Iowa) BA.



Sandra Reynolds has lived in Boulder for two years after moving here from Silver Spring, Maryland. Boulder AAUW members and friends of Sandra, Jan Dobbs and Joyce Larsen, introduced her to AAUW.

Sandra previously worked in data analysis for the Montgomery County School District in Maryland. Before that she was associate director of a nonprofit: Computer Language Membership Association.

Sandra's degree is in education and her master's degree is in consumer economics.

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AAUW Boulder Interest Groups & Contact Persons 2018-19

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

<p>Great Decisions Diane Edes dianeE229@gmail.com, 303-465-3272 Arlene Blewitt arleneblewitt@hotmail.com, 303-570-8804</p>	<p>Meets January-April, 2019, at the George Reynolds Library (on Table Mesa) every other Tuesday at 10 a.m. 1/8/19-<i>Refugees and Global Migration</i> 1/22/19-<i>The Middle East: Regional Disorder</i> 2/5/19-<i>Nuclear Negotiations: Back to the Future?</i></p>
<p>La Cuisine Joyce Spencer jjandbobs@msn.com, 303-325-5394</p>	<p>Meets the third Saturday of the month at 5:30 p.m. in members' homes.</p>
<p>Third Tuesday Women's Bridge Joan Schroeder srjoan@comcast.net, 303-449-4181</p>	<p>Meets the third Tuesday of the month from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. at the Carillon for lunch and bridge.</p>
<p>Mahjong Eileen Koch es.koch@comcast.net, 720-238-0006</p>	<p>Meets in members' homes at 7 p.m. on dates chosen by members. Contact Eileen for the schedule.</p>
<p>Playgoers Jennie Grisham jennig43@q.com, 303-443-6194 Georgeanne Beck gebeck112@gmail.com, 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>Sunday Night Non-Fiction Book Group Beth Rauch etrauch@comcast.net, 303-442-2704</p>	<p>Usually meets the second Sunday of the month at 7 p.m. in members' homes. Spouses and significant others are invited. 1/13/19-<i>Why We Sleep: Unlocking the Power of Sleep and Dreams</i> by Matthew Walker 2/10/19-<i>Grant</i> by Ron Chernow</p>
<p>Wednesday "Bookies" Group Mary McKeever mckeever7868@gmail.com, 303-823-6604</p>	<p>Meets the third Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m. in members' homes. Upcoming book selections are: 12/12/18-Book Exchange 1/16/19-<i>Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine</i> by Gail Honeyman</p>
<p>Daytime Non-Fiction Book Group Helen Holden heleninco@comcast.net, 303-828-3016</p>	<p>Meets the first Wednesday of the month at 1 p.m. in members' homes. Upcoming book selection is: 12/5/18-<i>Killers of the Flower Moon: The Osage Murders and the Birth of the FBI</i> by David Grann 1/9/19- <i>Being Mortal: Illness, Medicine, and What Matters in the End</i> by Atul Gawande</p>

AAUW: Advancing equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, 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.