

AAUW of Colorado PUBLIC POLICY DAY

The Education Equity Conversation

Saturday, February 6, 2021 9:00 am – 12 Noon



KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Dr. Angie Paccione
Executive Director, Colorado
Dept. of Higher Education

REGISTER for this
Zoom Webinar
TODAY

PANEL

**Focusing on
equity,
technology,
and the
impact of
COVID-19 on
education**



**Dr. Stephany
Spaulding**
Researcher and
Author

Panel Moderator



**Dr. Michele
Haney**
President

Red Rocks
Community
College



Karen Hester
Diversity &
Inclusion
Consultant

Lockheed Martin



Rico Munn
Superintendent

Aurora Public
Schools

AAUW members Betty Boyd, Su Ryden and Nancy Todd will provide an update on Colorado legislative issues and the 2021 call to action.

Special Recognition Award Presentation

to the young Scientist & Inventor from STEM School
Highlands Ranch, Douglas County, Colorado



Gitanjali Rao

Time Magazine's
2020 Kid of the Year

REGISTER: https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_IAc9K6EaQlaL1utAaBnLNA

Plan on Attending this Informative Webinar

A Message from Kathy by Boulder AAUW President Kathy Olivier

The Inauguration of our 46th President, Joe Biden, and our first Women Vice President, Kamala Harris, was a great day for diversity. President Biden's diverse team started with his pick for Vice President. Kamala Harris is the first woman, and the first Black American, Indian, and South Asian American to assume the second highest office in the land. Biden has promised to assemble the most diverse cabinet in American history. His administration marks many milestones for women and people of color, including the first all-female communications team, the first Native American secretary of the interior, Deb Haaland, and the first woman treasury secretary, Janet Yellen. When confirmed, his cabinet will become the first to achieve gender parity, and to include a majority of people of color.



We also see unprecedented diversity among leaders elected in 2021—and hopefully an unprecedented commitment to equity for all. The 117th Congress includes a record-breaking number of diverse women from both the Democratic and Republican parties. According to the Center for American Women and Politics (CAWP) at Rutgers University, a total of 144 women—or 26.9% of the U.S. House and Senate combined—were elected to serve in Congress. Women of color are making Congressional history as well. Fifty-two will serve in 2021, according to CAWP, comprising 9.7% of the 117th Congress, including 47 Democrats and 5 Republicans. This progress is promising but not complete, since our Congressional representatives are still a long way from reflecting the demographics of the country they're representing. Women comprise more than half of the United States, and women of color make up roughly 36% of the female population and 18% of the entire population. But as more women run—and win—Congressional seats, the U.S. is inching closer to a true representative democracy.

Thanks to all of you who have already sent their donations to AAUW's Greatest Need Fund. I humbly ask one more time for those who have not yet contributed to consider giving at least \$30 or any amount greater than that if you are able. Your donation will ensure that the AAUW's mission remains visible, relevant, and sustainable.

We understand that these are uncertain times and we thank you for your flexibility. Please reach out to me with questions, suggestions, and concerns. Most importantly, stay safe, healthy, and take care of yourselves, your family, and your friends.

Wishing you good health,

Kathy Olivier, katolivier@msn.com

AAUW seeks to promote inclusion and awareness for all members to create an equitable, sustainable and inclusive membership reflective of today's world.



Wednesdays, Wine, & Women's Issues

Boulder AAUW's

ZOOM Happy Hour

February 24, 2021 – 5 p.m.

(You will receive ZOOM instructions closer to the date.)

**Questions? Contact Carrie Nolting,
carrienolting@gmail.com**

**Invite your friends to enjoy the stimulating
conversation!**



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AAUW: Mission, Vision, and Values



Mission: To advance equity for women and girls through research, education, and advocacy.

Vision: Equity for all.

Values: Nonpartisan. Fact-based. Integrity. Inclusion and Intersectionality.

AAUW Public Policy Update on 2021 General Assembly

Barbara O'Connor and Betty Flaten, Public Policy Co-Chairs



The Colorado General Assembly convened January 13, 2021, conducted initial business and adjourned until February 16, 2021. Covid-19 and Capitol security are the primary reasons for the delay. AAUW Boulder members should attend Public Policy Day (virtual) on February 6, 2021 for updates on the agenda for the 2021 Colorado State Assembly and to hear what bills we will be closely monitoring. (Linda, can you insert the link here?) Bills of interest to AAUW members will be placed on the Boulder Branch website and updated regularly. When the state Public Policy chairs ask for members to contact their representatives and/or senators about a specific bill, we will notify you and give some talking points to use. Please refer to the list below when making those contacts.

Additional information on the status of bills, legislative hearings, and upcoming votes will also be put on the website.

(Keep the following list as reference when contacted by the branch to lobby legislators about a particular bill.)

These Senators and Representatives represent portions or the whole of Boulder County.

Senators:

- SD15, Senator Bob Woodward, Democrat-Boulder 303-866-4853
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- SD23, Senator Barbara Kirkmeyer, Republican-Fort Collins 303-866-4876
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- HD10, Representative Edie Hooton, Democrat-Boulder 303-866-2915
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Mark Your Calendar

AAUW Colorado Public Policy Day – webinar – February 6, 2018
 International Women’s Day –March 8, 2021
 AAUW Colorado State Convention – April 27-28, 20

Boulder AAUW Interest Groups & Contact Persons 2020-21

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

<p>Great Decisions Linda Groth lkg.reads@comcast.net, 303-449-0713 Arlene Blewitt arleneblewitt@hotmail.com, 303-570-8804</p>	<p>Group is not meeting during Covid-19,</p>
<p>La Cuisine Joyce Spencer jjandbobs@msn.com, 303-325-5394</p>	<p>Usually meets the third Saturday of the month at 5:30 p.m. in members’ homes. Getting together on Zoom.</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. Getting together on Zoom.</p>
<p>Playgoers Jennie Grisham jennig43@q.com, 303-443-6194</p>	<p>Attend the operas at CU and other local plays on Sunday afternoons during the year. Dinners following at local restaurants are optional.</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. by Zoom (normally in members’ homes.) Upcoming book selections are: 2/17/21-<i>After the End</i> by Claire Mackintosh 3/17/21-The Nickel Boys by Colson Whitehead</p>
<p>Daytime Non-Fiction & Conversation Helen Holden heleninco@comcast.net, 303-828-3016</p>	<p>Meets the first Thursday of the month by Zoom (normally in members’ homes.) 3/3/21 Group will share information about Colorado</p>

American Association of University Women (AAUW)

In principle and practice, AAUW values and seeks 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.

