

Join Boulder AAUW's June ZOOM Program
**“Climate Change Today:
What is happening and what we can do about it”**

Tuesday, June 8, 2021
5:00 - 6:45 p.m.
Liza Kalfas, Speaker



Liza Kalfas is from Youngstown Ohio. She attended CU Boulder and the University of Colorado School of Dentistry. Lisa is the retired owner of Whole Family Dentistry

Lisa will talk about Climate Reality Leadership Corps, a global community of world changers working to solve the climate crisis and build a just and healthy future for the Earth. Lisa's talk will include:

- **How our climate is changing**
- **How systemic racism is fueling the climate crisis and deepening injustice**
- **How we can confront these challenges and build the world we want**
- **The practical solutions in our hands today**

****Invite your friends to join us to learn more about
this most important issue we humans face****

ZOOM Instructions

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2198216663?pwd=dW5vNjJQSk1ER1ZRQlh0K0pUNkl0Zz09>

Meeting ID: 219 821 6663

Passcode: 8Y5pfN

A Message from Kathy by Boulder AAUW President Kathy Olivier

The last two years have flown by and I have enjoyed being your President during that time. I know the last 15 months have been a little strange. I have enjoyed sharing with all of you the desire to advance gender equity in education for women and girls. Thank you for allowing me to preside. The last project I am working on and am very excited about is a potential partnership with I Have A Dream Foundation (IHAD) of Boulder County for a potential post high school academic scholarship program for a female student(s). With great collaboration with Carrie Nolting, we have started talking to board members of IHAD. The primary objectives of this partnership will be (1) to promote cultural diversity within Boulder AAUW membership, and (2) to support access for first generation, post-secondary education by IHAD female students in need of financial support.



Our May 11th meeting did not have a quorum to vote for the officers for the 2021 2022 year. Below is the slate of officers. Per our Bylaws we need your vote. We can assume you are voting for these exceptional women unless we hear from you.

- President - Kelly Darrow (see photo and bio on page 3)
- Finance VP - Ann Smith
- Secretary – Jeane Lindeke
- Membership Co-Chairs - Carrie Nolting and Betty Flaten
- Public Policy Co-Chairs - Betty Flaten and Barb O’Connor
- Publicity Co-Chairs – Brenda Moore and Bernice German
- Chamber Representative – Brenda Moore

We have a great program for you on June 8th, “Climate Change Today: What is happening and What we can do about it” by Lisa Kalfas. I hope you will be there. Hopefully, most of us have had our vaccines or are in the process of getting them. This will bring us one step closer to meeting in person.

We understand that this is an uncertain time and we thank you for your flexibility. Please reach out with questions, suggestions, and concerns. Most importantly, please stay safe, healthy, take care of yourselves, family, and friends.

Kathy

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

Meet Kelly Darrow Finch



Kelly Darrow Finch has agreed to be President of Boulder AAUW. She is originally from the East coast, primarily Connecticut and New York City, and she also has family in the Maryland and Delaware area. Kelly attended Colgate University in upstate New York for her Bachelor of Arts and Vanderbilt University in Nashville, TN for her Master of Nursing. She currently works as a Nurse Practitioner at the University of Colorado Medical School in the Neurology Department, in a subspecialty of Neurology, formally known as Behavioral Neurology. In her specialty, she sees any type of cognitive decline and traumatic brain injury patients.

Kelly and her husband, Colin Finch, who is originally from New Zealand, live in Louisville.

Boulder AAUW welcomes Kelly and we look forward to working with her!

Mark Your Calendar

Boulder AAUW Virtual Meeting-Climate Change Today – June 8-5 p.m.

Boulder AAUW Happy Hour-June 23, 5 p.m.

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



Boulder AAUW's **Happy Hour**

Wednesday, June 23, 2021

Details will be sent closer to the event.

Questions? Contact Carrie Nolting,

carrienolting@gmail.com

Invite your friends to enjoy the stimulating conversation!

AAUW Public Policy Report for June, 2021

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

We have not received updates on the Colorado General Assembly from the state AAUW Public Policy Report. The General Assembly will adjourn on June 12, 2021 and updates on bills can be found at <https://www.leg.colorado.gov/bills-by-bill-number>.

Bills of interest to AAUW that have been passed or defeated as of this date are:

Active Support:

SB21-073 Civil Action Statute of Limitations on Sexual Assault (eliminates the statute of limitations on reporting sexual assaults). Passed the Legislature and was sent to the Governor to sign.

HB21-1097 Establish a Behavioral Health Administration. Passed, sent to the Governor to sign.

HB21-1161 Suspend State-Wide Assessment Tests for One Year. Passed, sent to the Governor to sign.

Active Opposition:

HB21-1017 Protect Human Life at Conception. Postponed Indefinitely (PI, which means it is dead.)

HB-21-1038 Concealed Carry in Schools. PI

HB-21-1183 Induced Termination of Pregnancy-Requires Registration. PI

Support:

HB21-1075 Replace "Illegal Alien" with "Worker without Authorization. Passed, sent to the Governor to sign.

HB-21-1106 Safe Storage of Firearms. Passed, sent to the Governor to sign.

SB-21-026 Restoration of Honor Act. (Restores state benefits to LGBTQ Victims.) Passed, sent to the Governor to sign.

Oppose:

HB-21-1035 Pregnancy Based Parking Placard. PI

HB-21-1080 Non-Public Covid 19 Relief Act. (Would have given tax credits to private schools.)
PI

HB-21-1086 Voter Proof of Citizenship Requirement. PI

For more information on these and other bills go to: [Leg.Colorado.Gov](https://leg.colorado.gov)

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Boulder AAUW Branch

2021-2022 Membership Renewal Form



For Year beginning **July 1, 2021**, Ending **June 30, 2022**

Please review your information in the 2020-21 Membership Directory. If you want to change your contact information or your interests, please write the changes here; otherwise, your information will remain the same.

Membership Status: ___ **Annual \$87** (\$62-Association, \$10-State, \$15-Branch) ___ **Association Life \$25**
(If you want your AAUW-Boulder Branch Directory mailed to you, please add \$2 to your dues)

I am enclosing a **SEPARATE** check as a tax-deductible contribution to AAUW Funds _____ (Amount)

Please make your check(s) payable to **Boulder AAUW**

Please print:

Name _____

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To renew your membership

There are two easy ways to renew your membership:

You may renew by check: Print and complete this Membership Renewal Form and make your check payable to your AAUW Boulder Branch, and mail it to: Ann Smith, 857 Hoover Avenue, Louisville, CO 80027-2294 --your branch finance officer. Please write "Dues" in the subject line.

or

You may renew online. You will receive, on or about April 1, an e-renewal message to renew online by clicking the link and renewing with your debit or credit card

You may deduct \$74 of your Annual Dues as a charitable contribution for federal income tax purposes. Contributions to the AAUW Funds are fully tax deductible.

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VOTE 2021

Dear AAUW Members,

Many thanks to everyone who voted in [AAUW's 2021 National Election](#). It took a mere three days to reach the required quorum—a testament to our members' passion and engagement.

I'm honored and humbled to have been re-elected to serve as your board chair for three more years. I'm also pleased to report that Malinda Gaul was re-elected as board vice chair, and Elizabeth Haynes and Joseph Bertolino will retain their board seats.

AAUW's public policy priorities were approved by 92% of voters. The board-recommended ballot initiative to remove the college-degree membership requirement did not receive the two-thirds, or 66.6%, vote required to enact a bylaws change.

However, the board is heartened that a remarkable 63% of you voted in favor of making this change, indicating a momentum shift toward a more inclusive membership. This was a significantly higher number than we saw in previous votes, which hovered just below 50%, to make the change.

While we have many voices, I know we all share the same commitment to AAUW's mission of advancing gender equity for women and girls through research, education and advocacy, and our vision of achieving equity for all.

More than ever, we must embrace our values and continue to strive towards [diversity, equity and inclusion](#); it's a journey that will never end.

No matter how you voted in this election, you are a valued part of our community. In fact, you—our members—are our core community, and the final decisions about board leaders and bylaws will always be yours to make. Now it's time to move forward together. Thanks again for making your voice heard.

With appreciation,



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Julia T. Brown".

Julia T. Brown, Esq.
Board Chair

Boulder AAUW Interest Groups & Contact Persons 2021-22

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

Great Decisions Linda Groth lkg.reads@comcast.net , 303-449-0713 Arlene Blewitt arleneblewitt@hotmail.com , 303-570-8804	Not meeting due to Covid-19
La Cuisine Joyce Spencer jjandbobs@msn.com , 303-325-5394	Usually meets the third Saturday of the month at 5:30 p.m. in members' homes. Getting together on Zoom.
Mahjong Eileen Koch es.koch@comcast.net , 720-238-0006	Meets in members' homes at 7 p.m. on dates chosen by members. Contact Eileen for the schedule. Getting together on Zoom and meeting outdoors in person
Playgoers Jennie Grisham jennig43@q.com , 303-443-6194	Attend the operas at CU and other local plays on Sunday afternoons during the year. Dinners following at local restaurants are optional.
Wednesday "Bookies" Group Mary McKeever mckeever7868@gmail.com , 303-823-6604	Meets the third Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m. by Zoom (normally in members' homes.) Upcoming book selections are: 6/16/21- <i>The Friend: A Novel</i> by Sigrid Nunez
Daytime Non-Fiction & Conversation Helen Holden heleninco@comcast.net , 303-828-3016	Meets the first Wednesday of the month by Zoom (normally in members' homes.) Group will take the summer off and meet again in the fall.

2020-2021 Boulder AAUW Officers

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