



CO-PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Here we are in 2021 and while we have some events to celebrate it, unfortunately, it looks like our tricky virus will be around a bit longer. I hope you will soon get access to the vaccine! In the meantime, we will refrain from in-person meetings until further notice.

So the challenge is how do we keep our Douglas County Chapter AAUW relevant? We are planning a zoom board meeting in February to discuss this issue. We would welcome any suggestions and input from our membership. Please contact me by email [bvhprincess@comcast.net](mailto:bvhprincess@comcast.net) or call me (303-688-0624) if you have any ideas.

Please continue to be patient, stay strong, remain safe and stay healthy!

Bobbie VanHorn



**Douglas County AAUW Treasurer's Report**

Dear Ladies,

Currently, our account balance is \$4586.89.

A special shout out and big thank you to those who have contributed to our scholarship fund for our fall scholarships. So far, \$950 has been donated.

It is not too late to join the wagon train! Our campaign has a few more days to go. \$50 is recommended but any amount will help.

Please make checks payable to AAUW and mail to me, Marsha Johnson, 305 Deer Xing, CR 80104.

Stay well and safe! Marsha Johnson



From Carol Leatherman;  
Please change in your directory!

Denny and Carol Leatherman  
8531 Flying B Way Apt 3505  
Highlands Ranch, CO 80129  
720-733-0559  
Carol's cell 720-234-7189

Happy New Year!

***We are sorry to announce the passing of one of our members.***

Winnie Petersen passed away on January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at Lincoln Meadows Assisted Living. Winnie loved her family, her church, bridge, sports, walking, and her independence.

She was a pillar of our group and a steadfast worker. Julie Reagan and I used to chuckle that when something urgent needed to be conveyed to the membership (before emails), all we had to do was call Winnie and she would activate the phone tree.

Her mind was sharp and you definitely wanted Winnie as a bridge partner rather than an opponent. She was a Life Member and was recognized by the branch for her contributions.

Winnie's service was at the First United Methodist Church 1200 South Street, Castle Rock on January 27<sup>th</sup>. The live stream of the service and the link is still available. Please click on the white rose for the arrow to start the service.



For further information, her obituary can be found at [www.fairmountfuneralhome.com](http://www.fairmountfuneralhome.com). There is a tribute wall at this site if you'd like to leave a memory of Winnie.

***Peggy SerVaas***





**PUBLIC POLICY DAY TO BE VIA ZOOM THIS YEAR.**

**Registration is open now! Go to: AAUW Colorado. Search Public Policy Day 2021**

**Note that the Special Recognition Award is a Douglas County Girl!**

**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



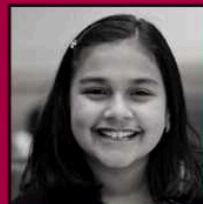
**Karen Hester**  
Diversity &  
Inclusion  
Consultant  
  
Lockheed Martin



**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

**ODDS & ENDS FROM AAUW COLORADO NEWLETTER:**

**Did you know that...**

- In 1888 AAUW gave Ida Street \$350 to pursue graduate research—possibly the first fellowship of its kind in any country.
- To date the AAUW Fund has helped 7,500 women worldwide achieve their personal goals.
- Total fellowships, grants, and awards now exceed \$3.3 million annually.
- Awardees include former secretary of U. S. Department of Health and Human Services Donna Shalala, anthropologist Margaret Mead, and astronaut Judith Resnick.



 [Reminder: The AAUW Art Contest closes on February 3! Submit your entry now.](#)

**Branches and Charter Dates**

1963 Aurora	1921 Fort Collins
1927 Boulder	1927 Grand Junction
1915 Colorado Springs	1927 Gunnison
1898 Denver	1972 Lakewood
1978 Douglas County	1962 Littleton/South Metro
1946 Durango	1947 Longmont
1970 Foothills	1935 Loveland

For more information, download [Colorado AAUW: 2001-2008, Honoring Judy Sanderson](#) (PDF) and [Colorado Division, AAUW: 1926-2001, The First 75 Years](#) (PDF), both by Betsy Loague.

**Colorado Division  
AAUW:  
1926-2001  
The First 75 Years**

By Betsy Loague

History in PDF

**TAKE  
ACTION :**

**Text AAUW to 21333 to become a Two-Minute  
Activist — a free service for all to advance gender  
equity for women and girls!**

**BOOKS FROM BOOK GROUPS:**

**Afternoon Group: The Giver of Stars - Jojo Moyes; When a call goes out for a team of women to deliver books as part of Eleanor Roosevelt's new traveling library, Alice signs on enthusiastically.**

**Morning Group: This Tender Land - William Kent Krueger; Four Native American orphans journey into the unknown and cross paths with others who are adrift, from struggling farmers and traveling faith healers to displaced families and lost souls of all kinds.**

**Editor's Choice: The Book of Lost Friends - Lisa Wingate; Dramatic story of three young women searching for family amid the destruction of the post-Civil War South, and of a modern-day teacher and her students who discover the secrets of the plantation 100 years later.**

