

**2021**

**MINUTES FROM SEPTEMBER MEETING**

*Submitted by Betty Rossen*



Since the group has no president, Marcia Miller opened the meeting with announcing that we have four meetings scheduled for the current fiscal year and encouraging all members to also attend Public Policy Day in February, a month where we have no meeting scheduled.

Marsha Johnson gave a Treasurer's Report. We currently have a bit less than \$7,700 in our account. Additionally, we have about \$3,000 in our scholarship fund. Since we have no fund raisers scheduled, interest group participants are being asked to make a donation of \$5.00 to the fund. If someone participates in more than one interest group, only one donation is requested.

Since our membership is down to 51 members, we need to recruit some new members, not only to help our financial situation, but also for some fresh ideas for the future.

The question was raised of whether the group should try to have a holiday party this year. A committee of Sandy, Linda, and Stephanie was formed to work on a plan. Venue suggestions were solicited. They'll report back to the members if/when something is finalized.

The membership chose to have an administrator rather than a president this year and that person's job will primarily be to disseminate information, especially when changes have been implemented on the state and national levels.

Beryl Jacobson reported that she is working on a possible STEM program at the local community college, Stearn Campus, that will target eighth grade girls in Douglas County. It is tentatively set for the first weekend in March when a similar program takes place in the Boulder area.

Stephanie Fong reported that the History and Culture Interest Group has three excursions planned that have leaders designated. They are November: Painted Mines, December: Governor's Mansion with Christmas decorations, and April: Botanic Garden Spring Bulbs.

It was moved and seconded to close the meeting. After the meeting, the group toured Sandstone Ranch Open Space purchase by Douglas County.

*Betty*

## PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

November 17th, 2021: Lunch Meeting at Sienna Restaurant in Castle Rock, 11:30 a.m.

February 5th, 2022 Public Policy Day

March 16th, 2022: \*Meeting

May 18th, 2022: \*Meeting

(\*Locations & times TBD)



## TREASURER'S REPORT

via Marsha Johnson, DC AAUW Treasurer

Dear Ladies,

Currently, our account balance is \$7847.69.

Thank you to those six of our members who have contributed to our scholarship campaign. Several contributed earlier this year and the board appreciates their continued support of one of our most important missions . . . to aid in the support of women who are continuing their education.

This campaign for donations from members is one of two sources of income at the present time. We also continue to earn money from our King Soopers and Safeway cards. Those who have not registered or received a card, please contact Marcia Miller. Once registered, earning money is as simple as needing food, shopping and entering your phone number at the check stand.

*Marsha*



## The Origins of Halloween

Halloween is actually a 2,000-year-old celebration of the Celtic New Year (called Samhain) and the end of summer when bonfires were lit and revelers would wear costumes to ward off evil spirits.



## PUBLIC POLICY UPDATE

via Diane Norten, Public Policy Chair

Please be sure to read the 2021 State Ballot  
Information Booklet  
and vote on Tuesday, November 2.

*Diane*

## INTEREST GROUPS

Chair: Dorothy Nugent, [dorothynugent@comcast.net](mailto:dorothynugent@comcast.net)

*If you are interested in starting a new interest group, please speak  
up!*

*Dorothy will be happy to help you get started.*



Singles Bridge - meets 1st Wednesday of every month @ 2:00  
p.m. in member's home or restaurant. Contact: Marcia Miller,  
303-489-1935, millermarcia@me.com

Couples Bridge - meets 1st Saturday of every month @6:30 p.m.  
in member's home.

Contact: Margaret Boone 303-688-3728, margaret@sunwestco.com

Morning Book Club - meets 2nd Tuesday of every month @ 10:00 a.m. at the Castle Rock  
Library. Contact: Ruth Lundgren, 303-663-0512, jnrlundgren@gmail.com

Afternoon Book Club - meets 2nd Wednesday of every month @ 12:30 in member's home.  
Contact: Linda Washburn 719-487-0203, lindacwashburn@gmail.com

Mexican Train - meets 3rd Tuesday of every month in member's home  
Contact: Pat Proctor 720-353-8032, mpatproctor@msn.com

\*History and Culture Group - meets 3rd Thursday of every month/different venues.  
Contact: Stephanie Fong, 393-249-0112, s\_fong@comcast.net



## Book Group Books

**Morning Group:** KNOW MY NAME; A MEMOIR by Chanel Miller; Miller writes about being sexually assaulted at a Stanford fraternity party in 2015 as well as aftermath and subsequent court case *People v Turner*. 10:00 a.m. at Phillip Miller Library. Contact Ruth Lundgren

**Afternoon Group:** THE PARIS LIBRARY by Janet Skeslien Charles; Based on the true story of the American Library in Paris, *The Paris Library* is a mesmerizing and captivating novel about the people and the books that make us who we are, for good and for bad, and the courage it takes to forgive. at Doris'. 12:30 p.m. at Doris MacDougall's home. Contact Linda Washburn

**Editor's Choice:** THE LILAC GIRLS by Martha Hall Kelly; The lives of these three women are set on a collision course when the unthinkable happens and Kasia is sent to Ravensbrück, the notorious Nazi concentration camp for women. Their stories cross continents—from New York to Paris, Germany, and Poland—as Caroline and Kasia strive to bring justice to those whom history has forgotten.

## History & Culture Group Line-up

DATE	PLACE	DESCRIPTION	LEADER(S)
October 21	*Paint Mines Park	Guided Tour & lunch	Anne Herrington
November 18	Boulder Museum of Contemporary Art	Tour & lunch	Needed!
December 16	December Tour!	Guided Tour & lunch	Pat Smith
February 17	Denver Art Museum Whistler & Cassatt	Tour & lunch	Needed
March 17	Kirkland Museum Downtown Denver	Tour & lunch	Needed
April 21	Botanic Gardens Spring bulbs	Tour & lunch	Marcia Miller
May 19	Avenir Museum at CSU Historic clothing/textiles	Tour & lunch	Needed!

We **need group leaders**. The group leader handles the arrangement of the tour as well make lunch plans (location & reservations). If no one signs up to lead, the tour will be cancelled. Please sign up as a leader. I will be more than happy to assist. Please contact me via email

[s\\_fongauw@comcast.net](mailto:s_fongauw@comcast.net) or cell phone 303-249-0112. *Stephanie*



\*Painted Mines Tour (it's not really a mine), October 21st. Tour guide will give an overview and then participants can walk or hike as they like. Lunch info and times will be sent soon via separate email.

To read about this, please google "painted mines park" in El Paso County or go to: <https://assets-communityservices.elpasoco.com/wp-content/uploads/Parks/PaintMines/Paint-Mines-brochure-and-map.pdf>



Contact Anne Herrington at [herringtonanne@msn.com](mailto:herringtonanne@msn.com) or Stephanie Fong at [s\\_fong@comcast.net](mailto:s_fong@comcast.net).



## Fun Fact

October got its name from the Latin/Greek word *octo*, meaning eight, because it used to be the eighth month of the year under the Roman calendar.

October



## OFFICERS & BOARD MEMBERS

### Officers:

\*President: Change to Administrator?: TBD  
VP of Programming: Diane Norton  
VP of Membership: Linda Gaylo  
Secretary: TBD  
Treasurer: TBD

### Other Board Members:

Communications: Marcia Miller - Newsletter  
Pat Smith - Website  
Public Policy: Diane Norton  
Dolars for Scholars: Jean Kovatovich  
Stem Program: by Committee, More Info in November  
Interest Group Chair: Dorothy Nugent  
Historian: Beryl Jacobson

#### ***We Need You!***

Contact: **Marsha Johnson** with questions and/or to take on one of the open positions.  
mimifj714@aol.com; 303-619-5757



## ***FUNDRAISING CONTINUES***

***via Marcia Miller, millermarcia@me.com***

*Both our Safeway and King Soopers fundraisers continue. Please participate. Safeway uses a special card so contact Marcia to get a card. King Soopers is connected to your Loyalty Card and can be registered online. Contact Marcia if you get stuck. If you are already registered, your donation should show at the end of your receipt with King Soopers. Feel free to ask questions about either of these great (and easy money) fundraisers. They don't cost you a thing!*



***Thank you for eating!!!!***

































# SANDSTONE RANCH TOUR

After the September 15th meeting was adjourned, the group moved to a yurt where Beryl Jacobson shared some of the history of the acquisition of the 2,000+ acre Sandstone Ranch. This was followed by an open-air wagon tour of several notable locations on the property narrated by Beryl en route. This was an enriching outing, a beautiful day, and enjoyed by all 15 members in attendance.





# October 2021 National Day Calendar

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<b>BAT APPRECIATION MONTH</b>						
					1  Black Dog Day	2  Name Your Car Day
3  Boy Friend Day	4  Golf Lover's Day	5  Rhode Island Day	6  Garlic Lover's Day	7  Blue Shirt Day	8  World Octopus Day	9  Sneakers Day
10  Handbag Day	11  It's My Party Day	12  Farmer's Day	13  Train Your Brain Day	14  Be Bald and Be Free Day	15  Mushroom Day	16  Dictionary Day
17  Pasta Day	18  Chocolate Cupcake Day	19  Dress Like a Dork Day	20  Sloth Day	21  Reptile Awareness Day	22  Color Day	23  Mole Day
24  Food Day	25  International Artist Day	26  Pumpkin Day	27  Black Cat Day	28  Chocolate Day	29  Oatmeal Day	30  Candy Corn Day
31  Candy Apples and HALLOWEEN 						

*Always The Holidays*

