



A Woman in the Vineyard



Our speaker for this meeting will be **Jenne Baldwin-Eaton**, Technical Instructor of Viticulture and Enology at Western Colorado Community College.

After graduating from Chico State University in California, Jenne started her career in winemaking with Plum Creek Cellars in 1994. For 22 years, Baldwin-Eaton made award-winning wines from 100% Colorado grown grapes and was involved in all aspects of running a commercial winery. The success and growth of the Colorado wine industry is very important to Baldwin-Eaton and as an instructor her goal is to pass along years of accrued knowledge and practical experience. She is currently developing and teaching the first Colorado AAS in Viticulture and Enology program, at Western Colorado Community College. She teaches courses in fermented beverage, sensory analysis, fermentation science, winemaking and viticulture.

Baldwin-Eaton teaches the courses through a combination of ground work fundamentals and hands-on experience. Students have an opportunity to work at the college vineyard, and make wine and gain knowledge from folks in the wine industry.

MEETING TIME – Saturday, OCTOBER 12.....11:15 am (social time at 11:00 am)

LOCATION – Western Colorado Community College, 2508 Blichmann Avenue, GJ
Building B (same as Chez Lena), Room 171, in the CEC area

RSVP Yes or No to – Virginia Brown at 201-0286 or virginiabrown1313@gmail.com

Note: There is no food service in the building on a Saturday. Members may join together at an outside venue after the meeting.....see info about meeting spaces on page 2.

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Some Words from the GJ Branch President

Growth is difficult. We have been planting seeds for a while. We are very slowly beginning to see those seeds spout. We have new members, several potential members and are trying to meet the needs of our existing membership.

One of our biggest challenges is determining where we should hold our meetings. There has been significant discussion both at the state level and at our branch level of the various options. In addition to the location is often the cost of renting a room or guaranteed sales of food/beverages to offset the “free” room.

As a result, we are choosing to be a bit more flexible this year. We are scheduling the monthly program meetings to be on the second Saturday; but the location will change. Some meetings will be at a coffee shop or restaurant. When we are in such businesses, please keep in mind that these businesses depend on clients supporting them in order to make a meeting room available.

Following is information from AAUW National about selecting meeting space locations. As you read it, think about places that you know about that might work. Remember to reach out to me with any ideas of places you think might work for us.....*Virginia Brown*

Below are some tried-and-true, and possibly new, ideas of where you might be able to hold your AAUW events. Know of other great places?

You'll note that the list below doesn't suggest holding events at individual members' homes. While that practice has been a mainstay of many branches and still can be useful for smaller, special-purpose meetings not open to the public, it is not recommended for most events for the following reasons:

- This type of space is frequently not Americans with Disabilities Act-compliant.
- You run a risk making your name and address available to the public at large.
- Any accidents or injuries that occur in your house are your personal responsibility.

Easy and Affordable Meeting Venue Ideas

- Book store: Particularly if you host an author, panel discussion, or include suggested reading for a topic.
- Library
- Coffee shop or restaurant on a quiet night
- Movie theaters: Hold a screening and a panel discussion on the topic afterward.
- Elementary, middle, and high schools: See if the PTA will sponsor your event. You'll get publicity and free access to the school.
- College campus: Particularly if a school is an [AAUW college/university member](#), you might be able to access campus meeting rooms.
- Community recreation centers
- Neighborhood recreation centers
- Hotels
- Corporate sponsors' facilities: If a local company is sponsoring your event, they often have space where you can hold it as well. Or you can use their space as an in-kind donation and list them as a sponsor.
- AAUW members' place of employment: Companies are often willing to let an employee use their space after hours for an event.
- Parks and gardens: Many have covered facilities.

Special Interest Groups

THE JANE QUIMBY BOOK GROUP

In September, the Group enjoyed Peggy Rawlins' excellent summary of the very thick, but well-researched and interesting book about the life and times of Leonardo da Vinci written by Walter Isaacson. Who knew there were so many hidden meanings in his art.

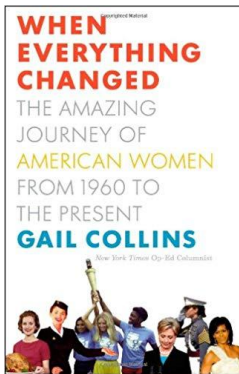
At the October meeting, the Group will be discussing Gail Collin's book:

When Everything Changed:

The Amazing Journey of American Women from 1960 to the Present

Gail Collins, New York Times columnist, recounts the astounding revolution in women's lives over the past 50 years, with her usual amusing, down-to-earth liberal tone that is the author's trademark.

When Everything Changed begins in 1960, when most American women had to get their husbands' permission to apply for a credit card. It ends in 2008 with Hillary Clinton's historic presidential campaign. This was a time of cataclysmic change, when, after four hundred years, expectations about the lives of American women were smashed in just a generation.



A comprehensive mix of oral history and Gail Collins's keen research--covering politics, fashion, popular culture, economics, sex, families, and work--*When Everything Changed* is the definitive book on five crucial decades of progress. The enormous strides made since 1960 include the advent of the birth control pill, the end of "Help Wanted--Male" and "Help Wanted--Female" ads, and the lifting of quotas for women in admission to medical and law schools. Gail Collins

describes what has happened in every realm of women's lives, partly through the testimonies of both those who made history and those who simply made their way.

Friday, October 18th, 9:30 am

American Lutheran Church, 631 26^{1/2} Road, GJ

Presenter: Barbara Boudreaux

Coffee & Chat

This informal (fun) group normally meets the 4th Saturday of each month at 9:30 AM to try to solve world/local problems through discussions. Call Jane at 241-9684 with any questions.

Join us on **October 26th** at **The Artful Cup**, 3090 North 12th, GJ.

Culture Club



The AAUW Culture Club is a loosely organized effort to inform interested members about movies, music and other cultural events in the Grand Valley. It is also a way to find others to attend these events with. Note: Peggy Rawlins at 263-4741 is the contact person for the group.

- October 4 @ 7:00 pm and October 5 @ 1:00 pm & 7:00 pm
Absolute Dance presents **The Little Mermaid Ballet** – at the Avalon Theater
- October 9 @ 7:30 pm
CMU Music presents **Better Together Choral Concert** – Robinson Theater / Moss Performing Arts Center
- October 11, 12 & 13 from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm
Grand Valley Open Studios Tour (art) **FREE**
- October 12 @ 7:00 pm
Fiona Joy Hawkins Concert to Benefit CASA of Mesa County - Recital Hall/Moss Performing Arts Center
- October 12 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm
CSU Extension - Annual **Plant Sale and Tree Auction Fundraiser** – Mesa County Fairgrounds
- October 12 @ 10:55 am
October 16 @ 1:00 pm & 6:30 pm (encore performance)
Fathom Events presents **Live from the Met: Puccini's Turandot** – shown at the Regal Theater (3^{1/2} hours)
- October 18 & October 19 @ 7:30 pm
CMU Theater presents **Rodgers before Hammerstein** (Cabaret Series) – Mesa Experimental Theater in the Moss Performing Arts Center
- October 23 @ 7:30 pm
CMU Music presents **CMU Commercial Combos** – at Warehouse 2565 **FREE**
- October 26 @ 10:55 am
October 30 @ 1:00 pm & 6:30 pm (encore performance)
Fathom Events presents **Live from the Met: Massenet's Manon** – at the Regal Theater (4^{1/4} hours)
- October 26 & October 27 @ 7:30 pm
Western Colorado Chorale presents **Dr. Atkinson's Final Season** – Love Recital Hall in the Moss Performing Arts Center
- October 31 @ 7:30 pm
CMU Theater presents **Pride & Prejudice** – Robinson Theater in the Moss Performing Arts Center

Happy Birthday to You

Your AAUW Branch wishes to acknowledge its members and let you know we appreciate you.
Therefore we wish a Happy Birthday to those with birthdays in October.

Annessa Bryant on the 30th

Scholarship News

As many of you know, the Grand Junction Branch of AAUW maintains endowed funds with Colorado Mesa University Foundation which are used to help further the education of deserving women attending CMU. This year's recipients of a \$1,800 Mary Rait/Mary Jewell Willsea Endowed Grant are:

Svitlana McGrady, senior, Criminal Justice major
Randelyn Snow, senior, English/Writing major
Shamira Bird, senior, Nursing major
Jeanette Jones, senior, undeclared major
Jacqueline Styons, senior, Animation/Film Design major

This year there were no qualified applicants for the AAUW WCCC Scholarship or sufficient funds for the Women Veterans Scholarship.

THANK YOU!

Dear AAUW,

I would like to thank you for the scholarship for this academic year. I am honored to be the recipient of the Mary Rait / Mary Jewell Willsea Endowed Grants Fund Scholarship this year. Your generosity will enable me to continue and complete my education with less financial burden.

I am in my final year of the Associate of Applied Science Nursing Program, and I am ready to graduate in May 2020. This semester will focus on critical care and followed with our senior specialty rotation in our area of interest in nursing. I will then continue on to receive my bachelor's in nursing.

Once again, thank you for your generosity and support. I will only pay it forward through community involvement, teaching, and support for upcoming nurses.

Sincerely,

Jeanette Jones

Are You an Activist ?

Have you ever thought seriously about the women's right to vote? I mean really seriously thanking our foremothers, the Suffragettes, and other women's movements starting from around 1840s until August 18, 1920, when the 19th Amendment became part of the U.S. Constitution. It states "The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of sex." These brave women fought for what we take for granted today. They organized and organized, went to prison, went on hunger strikes, went before the Supreme Court, marched and marched until the Nineteenth Amendment.

Now that is activism at its height. I don't think I would be able to be as brave as some of those ladies were. I certainly would not like to go on a hunger strike to get my way. We can still take part in women's street marches, rallies, and hunger strikes collectively. But if you are not up for that, there are many ways we can be activists and one is to take the AAUW Work Smart course online even if you are retired. Take it yourself and encourage anyone you know to take this and support AAUW.

By coming to the monthly meetings, you are learning about your world and then passing on information that you learned. You may want to boycott a store that exploits its workers. Make good choices in how you support and spend your money for your favorite welfare organizations. Write letters to your congress representatives. Write letters to the editor through the actual newspaper or social media. Support AAUW in any way you can.

Did you know that our own Colorado has the largest percentage of female state legislators in the nation? Colorado was the first state in the nation women the right to vote by popular referendum. Let's keep building on this progress through AAUW and getting our desired goal of equal rights and equal pay for equal work both on the national level and here at home... *written by Aurora Branch President Joan Brown*

Upcoming Voter Information Forums

October 7 - A Discussion About a New High School

Mesa County voters will be asked to support a \$189 million bond this November in order to build a new Grand Junction High School. Citizens for School District 51 will discuss bond measure 4A and address audience questions and concerns. Hosted by League of Women Voters of Mesa County and Citizens for School District 51 from 7 PM to 8 PM at Unitarian Universalist Congregation of the Grand Valley, 536 Ouray Ave, GJ

October 20 - 2019 Candidates and Ballot Issues Forum

League of Women Voters of Mesa County, KWSI-LP 100.3 Radio, and Grand Valley Students United are hosting a forum to introduce School District 51 school board candidates to voters and to present the pros and cons of ballot issues. The forum will be at Mesa County Central Library, 530 Grand Ave, GJ from 2 PM – 4 PM. County Bond Measure 4A (school funding), Colorado Proposition CC (TABOR), and Colorado Proposition DD (gambling & taxes) will be discussed. Questions from the audience will be welcomed.

Voters may attend the forum in person at the Mesa County Central Library or listen to the forum on KWSI-LP Radio at 100.3 on the fm dial or at kwsi.org. Encore presentations of the forum, plus exclusive interviews with the candidates, will air repeatedly on KWSI-LP Radio until the election on November 5, 2019.

SAVE THE DATE

On Saturday, November 9th, the speaker for AAUW's General Meeting will be Anna Stout, a member of Grand Junction City Council, Executive Director of the Roice-Hurst Humane Society, and founder and president of the Foundation for Cultural Exchange.