



Angelo's Pottery Studio

# October General Meeting

A Fundraiser for AAUW's Women Veterans Scholarship

### October 9, 2021

11:00a.m. – 1:30p.m. Angelo's Pottery Studio, Party Room 2478 Patterson Road, Grand Junction

# \$30 payment will include:

any piece of your choice with a value up to \$20\* \$10 donation to WCCC Women's Veterans Scholarship \*The difference of any piece(s) with a value higher than \$20 will be collected at the studio the day of the meeting.

(Refreshments will be served!)

There is a capacity limit of 15, so RSVP early with Kathy Singer at ksinger 321 Dmsn.com

Come join us for a good cause and an artistic day of fun!!



\*Donation receipts will be available at the event.

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# President's Message

Happy Fall Everyone!!

I wanted to invite you all to the AAUW Grand Junction Branch's next general meeting, which will be dubbing as a fundraiser as well! The meeting will be held on Saturday, October 9, 2021, taking place from 11 AM to 1:30 PM in the Party Room at Angelo's Pottery Studio, located in the Patterson Village Square. See the full address below:

Angelo's Pottery Studio

2478 Patterson Rd #11

Grand Junction, CO 81505

Angelo's Party Room has a capacity limit of 15 people, so please make sure to RSVP with me at <u>ksinger321@msn.com</u> to guarantee a seat for you and your masterpieces!

As previously mentioned, this meeting will also be fundraiser! Many of you know that our branch sponsors the AAUW Women Veterans Scholarship for full or part-time students attending WCCC or CMU. Our goal for this meeting is to collect a payment of \$30 from each participant to both have fun and support the students of our community. Every member participating in this meeting will be able to select a piece to paint with a value up to \$20, and the leftover \$10 will be put towards the scholarship as a donation, which is notable as tax deductible.

In 2016, the AAUW Grand Junction Branch proudly set up the AAUW Women Veterans Scholarship to help support the deserving veteran women in our community, and ever since, we have continuously striven to offer this scholarship every school semester. However, our branch is currently unable to fund this scholarship even though this year is no different in how important this scholarship is, and it must be reinstated.

According to the Colorado Department of Military and Veteran Affairs, there are currently 44,661 female veterans in our state. This is a significant portion of Colorado's veteran population that is not receiving equal benefits, as is the case with most benefits women receive in comparison to our male counterparts. When returning to civilian life, many women face the challenges that come with the transition from active duty ranging from lack of childcare assistance for single mothers to financial instability due to financial illiteracy. Many challenges that female veterans face have been compounded from cultural stereotypes and the gender pay gap against women. Therefore, it is important to combat these social limitations and support our fellow women when and however we can.

I hope you'll join me at Angelo's for a day of artistic fun,

Kathy Singer

### **Information AAUW Received**

My name is Emily Caselman and I am part of the Relevancy, Diversity, and Inclusion committee at Colorado National Monument. We are holding a free event, and we wanted to invite you to share this event with anyone you feel may be interested. The purpose of this event is to direct interested potential employees on how to navigate the somewhat convoluted and complicated job site associated with Federal employment, <u>www.USAJobs.gov</u>.

We are hoping to generate local interest in employment with the Federal Government, and especially here at the Monument, and attract a more diverse applicant pool to ensure that parks remain relevant to all those who wish to visit them. Please don't hesitate to respond with any questions you may have.



How to Apply for National Park Service Jobs

#### **10:00am, Monday, October 4 Central Library Community Room**

#### At Last Month's General Meeting

A wonderful discussion led by Dr. Amy Bratteli, in a beautiful setting, with delicious food. What is not to like?



Jane Fitzgerald, Linda Heinrich, Dr. Amy Bratteli, Treasurer Virginia Brown, President Kathy Singer, Secretary Samantha Singer

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#### **Special Interest Groups**

#### THE JANE QUIMBY BOOK GROUP



Since only two people showed up for the last meeting, it appears that this group is no longer viable. Perhaps if the branch membership grows, the group can meet again.

In the meantime here are suggestions submitted for books that have been enjoyed:

- "The Women of Chateau Lafayette" by Stephanie Dray
- "Flight of the Diamond Smugglers: a Tale of Pigeons, Obsession and Greed Along Coastal South Africa" by Matthew Gavin
- "Susan, Linda, Nina and Cokie: The Extraordinary Story of The Founding Mothers of NPR" by Lisa Napoli
- "The Forgotten 500: the Untold Story of the Men Who Risked All for the Greatest Rescue Mission of World War II" by Gregory A. Freeman
- "The Book of Lost Names" by Kristin Harmel
- "The Forest of Vanishing Stars" by Kristin Harmel
- "Westering Women" by Sandra Dallas
- "With You Always" by Jody Hedlund
- "The Witness" by Nora Roberts
- Any book by Jenny Colgan
- The Maggie Hope series of mysteries by Susan Elia MacNeil
- "Work Song" by Ivan Doig



This informal (fun) group will meet on **October 23 at 9:30 am**....on the patio at Spoons Bistro & Bakery to try to solve world/local problems through discussion. There is no set agenda. Call Jane at 241-9684 with any questions.

Coffee & Chat Group



Your AAUW Branch wishes to acknowledge its members and let you know we appreciate you. No members are celebrating a Birthday in October.

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#### Culture Club

The AAUW Culture Club is a loosely organized effort to inform 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. Peggy Rawlins at 263-4741 is the contact person for the group.

- October 1 @ 7:30pm
  October 2 @ 2:00pm and 7:30pm
  CMU Theater presents <u>Godspell</u> (musical)
- October 4 @ 7:30pm
  CMU Music presents Jazz and Commercial Ensembles Moss Performing Arts Center Robinson Theater
- October 8 @ 7:30pm
  CMU Music presents Choir Concert Moss Performing Arts Center Robinson Theater
- October 9 @ 10:55am Fathom Events presents Live from the Met: Boris Godunov (2021) Opera Regal Theater 2 hours, 40 minutes
- October 12 @ 7:30pm
  CMU Performing Arts presents <u>Outcalls Guest Artist</u> Moss Performing Arts Center Love Recital Hall
- October 13 @ 1:00pm and 6:30pm
  Fathom Events presents Encore Live from the Met: Boris Godunov (2021) Opera Regal Theater 2 hours, 40 minutes
- October 20 @ 7:30pm
  CMU Music presents <u>Sean Hamilton: Percussion</u> Moss Performing Arts Center Love Recital Hall
- October 24 @ 3:00pm
  CMU Performing Arts presents Boston Public Quartet Guest Artists Moss Performing Arts Center – Love Recital Hall

**AAUW Wants You to Know** 

### League of Women Voters of Mesa County School District 51 School Board Candidates Forum

Featuring:

District C Candidates: Austin DeWitt, Andrea Haitz & Trish Mahre District D Candidates: Nick Allan & Will Jones District E Candidates: David Combs & Angela Lema

Special Guest: Sheila Reiner, Mesa County Elections Director



#### Thursday, October 14, 2021 7:00 pm on Zoom and Facebook Live LWVMesa.org

Visit LWVMesa.org for Zoom access to the forum. The forum will be rebroadcast on KWSI 100.3 Radio, and recordings will be available at LWVMesa.org and on Facebook.

Visit vote411.org for additional information about School District 51 candidates and 2021 ballot issues.

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