



GRAND JUNCTION BRANCH PRESENTS THE 3RD ANNUAL "WOMEN WHO MAKE HISTORY AWARD"

Join us for a "Viva Italian Buffet" lunch as we honor this year's recipient, Sue Conry.

Sue Conry is an active volunteer within our community with over 35 years of experience in not-for-profit leadership and management! Currently the Director



of Hilltop Community Family Resource Center, Sue enjoys her position as it meets her personal and professional commitment to healthy children and families and her goal of improvement for the lives of all people of all ages and abilities. Impacted throughout her life by female mentors, Sue has a passion for girls' and women's issues on all scales and uses her own leadership and services to gives back to

others. Prior to working for Hilltop Community Resources', Sue led the local Girl Scout Council and is currently an active member of GSCO's Women of Distinction planning committee.

Date: **Saturday, March 19**

Time: **11:00 am to 1:30 pm**

Location: **The Venue at Fishers, 625 24-1/2 Road, Grand Junction, CO 81505**

Cost: **\$25** (a portion of proceeds will help fund the AAUW Women Veterans Scholarship)
Pay Virginia at the event or by mail at 31845 Willow Bend Rd, Whitewater, CO 81527

Reservations: Jane Fitzgerald at 970-241-9684 or mjfitz2cats@gmail.com by March 11
(Space is limited, so reserve early)

Branch President Kathy Singer 261-2112
VP Programs Open
Secretary Samantha Singer 261-2216

VP Membership Open
Treasurer Virginia Brown 201-0386
Newsletter Editor Jane Fitzgerald 241-9684

Greetings from Branch President, Kathy Singer

I am so pleased that our branch will be honoring my friend, Sue Conry, whom I have known since my time with Girl Scouts. She is a very special person. I hope each of you will be able to attend our luncheon on March 19 to meet Sue. Your Branch Board has been working hard to make this event a success. Through the event, we hope to generate some publicity and maybe new AAUW members. Feel free to invite your friends, relatives, and spouses to attend.

Our speaker last month, Ta'lor Jackson, was very impressive. I know we all learned much about her job at Colorado Mesa University and about inclusion with ideas on how to approach people with different sensibilities due to race, gender identification, and cultural backgrounds. I am sure this young woman will go far in life.

You should mark your calendars for the AAUW State Convention on Saturday April 24, 2022 for 9:00 am to 12:30 pm. The meeting will be virtual (Zoom). One of the keynote speakers will be Dr. Temple Grandin of CSU, an outspoken proponent of autism rights and neurodiversity movements. More details will be in subsequent newsletters.

Last Month's Meeting

Ta'lor Jackson, the Coordinator of Inclusivity and Mentor Specialist at Colorado Mesa University, spoke to the Grand Junction Branch at a meeting at the Ale House Restaurant.



Lori Wood, Ta'lor Jackson, Dr. Amy Bratteli



Anita Pisciotte, Virginia Brown, guest Nella, Kathy Singer, Samantha Singer

Special Interest Groups

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.

- March 3, 4, 5, 10, 11, 12 at 7:30pm and March 6, 12 @ 2:00pm
CMU Theater presents **The SpongeBob Musical** – Moss Performing Arts Center – Robinson Theater
- March 5 @ 7:30pm & March 6 @ 3:00pm
Grand Junction Symphony Orchestra presents **Finlandia and Violin** – Avalon Theater
- March 10 @ 6:30pm
American singer-songwriter **Robert Earl Keen with Special Guest Roger Clyne** – Avalon
- March 12 @ 7:30pm
Coffee Contata – First Presbyterian Church, Grand Junction
- March 12 @ 10:55pm.....encore March 16 @ 1:00pm & 6:30pm
Fathom Events presents **Live from the Met: Strauss' Ariadne Auf Naxos** (2022)
at the Regal Theater 3 hours
- March 12 from 9:00am-4:00pm
Winter Carnival – Powderhorn Ski Resort
- March 13 @ 1:00pm & 4:00pm
Bow Wow Film Fest – Avalon Theater
- March 14 @ 7:30pm
CMU Music presents **Jazz and Commercial Ensembles** - Moss Performing Arts Center – Robinson Theater
- March 18 @ 7:30pm
CMU Music presents **Choir Concert** - Moss Performing Arts Center – Robinson Theater
- March 20 from 11:00am to 2:00pm
Sunday Brunch with the Sunday Morning All-Stars (Jazz) - at Charlie Dwellington's
- March 23 @ 6:30pm **possible cancellation**
Russian Ballet Theater presents **Swan Lake** – Avalon Theater

- March 24 @ 6:30pm
American Singer/Songwriter **Sarah Jarosz with Special Guest Taylor Ashton** – Avalon
- March 26 @ 10:00am.....encore March 30 @ 12:00pm & 6:30pm
Fathom Events presents **Live from the Met: Verdi's Don Carlos** (2021)
at the Regal Theater 5^{1/4} hours
- March 29 @ 8:00pm
Candlebox (rock band)– at the Avalon Theater
- March 30 @ 7:30pm
CMU Music presents **Choir Concert** - Moss Performing Arts Center – Love Recital Hall



Coffee & Chat Group



This informal (fun) group will meet on **Saturday, March 26 at 9:30 am....**at **Be Sweet Cafe & Bakeshop**, 150 West Main Street, to try to solve world/local problems through discussion. There is no set agenda. Call Jane at 241-9684 with any questions.

Note: New Location

Happy Birthday to You

Your AAUW Branch wishes to acknowledge its members and let you know we appreciate you.

Members celebrating a Birthday in March are: none

Treat yourself to a Cupcake and Celebrate YOU!

OBITUARY



Marge Ebright, former AAUW Branch Participant and proud member of the Jane Quimby Book Group, died on January 1, 2022 at age 98. She was living in Colombia, South America with her son and Granddaughter. She loved the companionship of the colorful birds and flowers, enjoyed fresh fruit and juices and she read voraciously the books she received on her kindle from The Mesa County Public Library.

March is Women's History Month

The Library of Congress, National Archives and Records Administration, National Endowment for the Humanities, National Gallery of Art, National Park Service, Smithsonian Institution and United States Holocaust Memorial Museum join in commemorating and encouraging the study, observance and celebration of the vital role of women in American history. Women's History Month had its origins as a national celebration in 1981 when Congress passed Pub. L. 97-28 which authorized and requested the President to proclaim the week beginning March 7, 1982, as "Women's History Week." Throughout the next five years, Congress continued to pass joint resolutions designating a week in March as "Women's History Week." In 1987 after being petitioned by the National Women's History Project, Congress passed Pub. L. 100-9 which designated the month of March, 1987 as "Women's History Month." Between 1988 and 1994, Congress passed additional resolutions requesting and authorizing the President to proclaim March of each year as Women's History Month. Since 1995, presidents have issued a series of annual proclamations designating the month of March as "Women's History Month." These proclamations celebrate the contributions women have made to the United States and recognize the specific achievements women have made over the course of American history in a variety of fields. Let's all be proud to celebrate women!Reprinted from Aurora CO Branch newsletter

National Conference for College Women Student Leaders

The 2022 National Conference for College Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL) is the premier experience for elevating leadership, advocacy and equity for college women, with access to dynamic speakers, workshops and panels.

Particularly exciting is this year's half-day workshop on "Design Thinking," a cutting-edge strategy for creative problem-solving. Based on the customer-focused methods that product designers use, design thinking can benefit anyone who wants to be a leader—especially in STEM fields. Learn from NCCWL's experts and build your skills as an innovator and collaborator.

Early-Bird Rates (Effective through March 11)

NCCWSL Design-Thinking Half-Day Session (May 24): \$40

NCCWSL Two-Day Conference (May 25-26): \$125

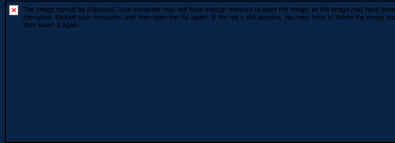
NCCWSL Bundle Package—Two-Day Conference and Design Thinking Session (May 24-26): \$165

[REGISTER](#)

However, **AAUW of Colorado is offering scholarships** to participate in this year's virtual NCCWSL to be held May 22-26, 2022. Limited funds are available to cover the registration fees. Priority is given to 1st time attendees.

Application deadline is April 1. Click [HERE](#) for more information about this year's conference.

You all should have received this message in your email; if not, please follow the instructions below. AAUW National is updating their connections to you, and needs you to confirm your personal information.



I'm very pleased to introduce the new [AAUW Community Hub](#), your personal portal into AAUW. Thanks for your patience over the past week while we prepared this improved system, where you can manage your giving, membership, contact details and personal preferences with ease.

But first things first: **We'd like you to create your account login.** To access your account, visit <https://my.aauw.org> or click the "Log In" link at the top right corner of the AAUW website. **The first time you log in, you will need to reset your password by clicking the "Forgot Password" link.**

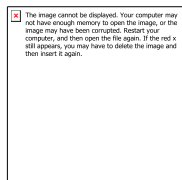
Once you create a password and log in, we hope you'll take the time to update your profile with us. You can do this by clicking "My Profile" in the menu on the left side of your "Personal Snapshot" screen. Visit our [Systems Update](#) page for more instruction and video tutorials.

As always, you'll be notified when it is time to renew, vote or take action on other important issues.

I also invite you to attend a [special webinar](#) at 3:30 p.m. ET on Thursday, March 3, for more in-depth training on the new system. If you have additional questions or feedback, please reach out to connect@aauw.org.

AAUW is committed to continuously enhancing our members' experiences, and I hope you find the Community Hub a valuable resource for doing that. Thanks again for your patience and cooperation.

Sincerely,



Katrina Sun Breese

Senior Director of Institutional
Advancement