September 2017 AAUW Newsletter Loveland, Colorado

AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research.

A note from the President:

Welcome back to AAUW 2017! I am so glad to introduce some new members of our Executive Team with Jean Clune taking over the secretarial duties from Bernice and Margie Johnson joining the programs team. Thanks to the two of them and to Kathy Wilson for partnering with me as Co President. AAUW has such an important role to play in the lives of women in Loveland and throughout America as we continue to educate, network and take action supporting and empowering women. I was so proud that last year we were able to provide 2 local women with scholarships. Please continue to get folks signed up for our Conversations with Authors event on Oct. 14th. That committee has, as always, organized a great event. Karla has single handedly gotten donations from about 25 vendors to support this event. Let's work on having our best turnout ever so we can continue to support our communities through scholarship awards. See you all soon! Kris Worner

September Program

We will be meeting on September 25, 6:00 pm at the home of member, Betty Weber, at 4348 Chateau Drive in north Loveland. Come and mingle at 6:00 and we will eat at 6:30. Dinnerware and drinks will be provided. You are asked to bring finger food such as appetizers, desserts, small sandwiches, etc. You are also urged to bring one or more guests who may be interested in being a part of our group. There will be a very short program about behavioral health plans in Larimer Co. but most of the time will be spent in conversation and activities helping us get to know each other better.

Conversations with Authors

You should have received a digital copy of the Conversations with Authors brochure which includes a registration form for the event which will be held on Saturday, October 14 this year. If you would like a regular copy, e-mail Martha at <u>marthavd@msn.com</u> and she will see that you get one. One of our new members, Karla Marroquin and a friend of hers, have solicited many sponsors for this event. You will have a good chance of winning a wide variety of items or gift certificates as well as hearing our authors speak and enjoying a delicious lunch together. Registrations must be in by October 7 but the sooner the better. This is one of our two fundraisers for the two scholarships we give to women doing graduate work each year.

2017-2018 Proposed Budget

We will have copies of the proposed budget at the September 25 meeting and vote on it.

Book Club Meetings

The first meeting of this year was held on Monday, September 11. The group will meet the first Monday of all months through June (with no meeting in December) at 1:30. E-mail LaDonna Palm at <u>dnlpalm@aol.com</u> if you would like a copy of the books to be discussed and the homes in which we will meet. All members are welcome but you are asked to let the hostess know you are coming.

Dates to Remember

State Public Policy Day – Saturday, February 3 in Golden State Convention – April 27-28 – Hilton Garden Inn, Highlands Ranch with the Friday evening Reception at the Littleton Depot Art Gallery

Thompson School District Community Forums

The Thompson School District needs your help to plan for the future and help solve the challenges it is facing. They are asking for community members to join the discussion at one of the following community forums:

September 7	Berthoud Community Center	6 PM
September 12	Coyote Ridge Elementary School	6 PM
October 11	Loveland Public Library	6 PM
November 8	High Plains Environmental Center	6 PM

Hostessing for a Meeting

The executive committee will be your hostesses for the September meeting. Two people are asked to sign up to hostess the other meetings. Generally we will be meeting at Artspace downtown again this year. You are asked to bring something to drink and some simple refreshments such as cheese and crackers, fruit slices, cookies.... You will also provide napkins and paper cups and plates if needed. You will have a chance to sign up to do this at the September meeting.