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**Special Olympics**

**Marcia Miller, Speaker**

**PS Miller Library  
Castle Rock**

**November 18**

**6:30 PM**



**“Angel of the Warsaw Ghetto”**

**Irena Sendler**

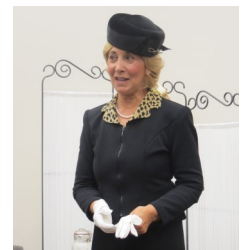
**Portrayed by Judy Winnick**

At our October 21 DCAAUW meeting, we were honored to listen to the story of Irena Sendler and learn how she saved people, and more importantly, why she did what she did. We were asked to think about, “What gives someone the strength to face danger, hardship and uncertainty, with composure and resolve?”.

Many DCAAUW members attended as did a handful of guests. We watched as Judy Winnick portrayed the Polish Catholic social worker that risked her life to save others. She was one of the leaders of Zegota, Council for Aid to Jews, and part of the Polish Underground.

After her monologue, Judy Winnick gave the audience the opportunity to ask questions. She answered first as Irena Sendler, then as Judy.

It was a wonderful and informative portrayal.



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Submit to Kathy Chavez by the 25th of the Month,

Co-President's Message  
Marcia Miller  
November 2015



VOTE! Did you remember? I'm sure you did. But just in case you forgot, there are a few minutes left. Our foremothers worked hard for this right. Before the right to vote, women worked campaign ribbons into their quilts to show their support for certain candidates, often unnoticed by their husbands. After all, it was just a nice piece of "fabric". If you're ever at a quilt show, take a close look at quilts from the early 1800s and see what you find tucked in the corners and edges. Aren't we glad we don't have to make a quilt to be able to support a candidate anymore? Thank you to our foremothers who put down their needles and fought for our right to vote!

Speaking of the Equal Pay Act (Did you like the smooth transition?)... If a woman is elected president, will she make 79% of the salary? Just kidding, or am I? It's hard to believe the gender pay gap hasn't been solved by now. According to AAUW's latest edition of [The Simple Truth About the Gender Pay Gap](#), it's barely budged in a decade. At this rate, it will take 100 years for the gender pay gap to close.

So, what can be done? Here are the changes suggested in the [Simple Truth](#) with a few comments by yours truly. (Me? Having a comment? Just imagine.)

"AAUW urges companies to conduct salary audits to proactively monitor and address gender-based pay differences." (Let's take it a step further. How about printing everyone's salary instead of keeping it a secret? We know why businesses keep it a secret, even prohibiting employees from discussing salaries. Let's get it out in the open.)

## Message continued...

AAUW promotes that women “learn strategies to better negotiate for equal pay. AAUW’s salary negotiation workshops help empower women to advocate for themselves when it comes to salary, benefits, and promotions.” (I’m so glad we provide funds for this and hope we can do more. Too bad all young women aren’t reached with the workshops. Do young women entering the work force even know they are getting paid less than the dude sitting next to them? I doubt it.)

“The Paycheck Fairness Act would improve the scope of the Equal Pay Act, which hasn’t been updated since 1963 (What!), with stronger incentives for employers to follow the law, enhance federal enforcement efforts, and prohibit retaliation against workers asking about wage practices.” (Why does everything take so long? It seems so logical, but I guess it isn’t. ) Suggestion from AAUW is to “Tell the Congress to take action for equal pay.” (Haven’t we been doing that? Maybe we should elect more women. After all, women can multitask!)

The entire Simple Truth booklet is online at <http://www.aauw.org/research/the-simple-truth-about-the-gender-pay-gap/>. Or just Google, Simple Truth About the Gender Pay Gap. Each state’s pay gap is listed and a lot more information than you would ever want to know.

Want to see the new \$10 bill due out in 2020? Google, “AAUW you tube” and select the first choice. Then scroll down and select, #New10Submission.

On the lighter side, also under “AAUW you tube” and first choice, you can find the 1939 AAUW National Convention in Denver in the archived files. Wait until you see the outfits. They say that fashion repeats itself. I hope not!

See you soon! Take care! m



# Douglas County AAUW Budget Report

October 25, 2015

Marsha Johnson, Treasurer

Our account balances are as follows:

SAVINGS:	\$4295.47
RESTRICTED CHECKING:	\$1257.43
UNRESTRICTED CHECKING:	\$5247.59

Douglas County Fairgrounds sent us a check for \$800 for our participation and help with the county fair this August. What a nice/quick fundraiser! Thank you to Marcia Miller for setting this up.

We also received a check for \$339.50 from our King Sooper card fundraiser. The holidays are quickly approaching! Plan some parties and keep on eating!

Marsha Johnson

## Volunteering at DC Fair

Submitted by: Marcia Miller



We were offered an opportunity to volunteer during the annual Douglas County Fair and earn some funding for our club. In less than 24 hours, we were able to fill all 8 shifts given our branch. Many thanks to our AAUW members Gisele Denton, Marsha Johnson, Doris MacDougall, Sandy Monticello, Pat Proctor, Julie Reagan, and Kristin Sidney for working 4-5 hours shifts and earning us \$800! It's great to work with a group of ladies who don't hesitate to pitch in and help out!



**Douglas County Branch AAUW Minutes  
October 21, 2015  
Ruth Lundgren**

The meeting opened at 6:45 with Peggy SerVaas introducing Judy Winnick who gave a program portraying Irena Sendler, "Angel of the Warsaw Ghetto". This was a very moving dramatization of a woman who saved 2,500 children during WWII.

The business meeting was called to order at 7:35 by co-Presidents Doris MacDougall and Marcia Miller.

**SECRETARY'S MINUTES:**

Dorothy Nugent moved; Jane Ott seconded the motion to accept the September minutes.

Approved.

**TREASURER:**

The report was published in the newsletter. Since then a check for \$800 was received from the Douglas County Fair Board for volunteer work at the fair. A check for \$339 was also received from King Soopers.

The Treasurer's report was approved.

**PROGRAMS:**

Peggy SerVaas reported that our November meeting will be about Special Olympics with Marcia Miller and include some Special Olympics' athletes.

Program time will be at 6:30. There will not be a social time.

Suzanne Kroepsch and Beryl Jacobsen are finalizing details for the December luncheon to be held at Pradera Country Club December 5 at 11:30. They will send information when details are finalized.

**MEMBERSHIP:**

Pat Smith was introduced to the group. Suzanne Kroepsch's neighbor was also introduced. We hope they will consider joining.

Minutes Continued...

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

New directories were passed out. They will be available at November's meeting also.

Newsletter articles should be submitted by October 25th for the November newsletter.

The new contact for the National Site Resources Center will help streamline branch websites. We use this site for full service with our branch website.

**FUNDRAISING:**

There will be a Silent Auction at the December Holiday Party.

Bring items to the November meeting. Baskets and wine go well this time of year.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

The Finance Committee needs to meet. They will set a date for this meeting.

Our branch hosted a School Board Candidate Open House Sunday, October 18.

The three challenger candidates attended and answered questions from those in attendance.

The incumbents were invited and did not attend; only one responded.

The Office Depot discount card sent by National AAUW gives a good discount. Marcia Miller reported that she received a \$10 discount on her purchase of computer printer ink.

It was reported that it is possible to go into the News Press website and put our meetings on the online calendar.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

The Signature Hour episode of The Raising of America documentary series will air November 5, 9:00 p.m. on Rocky Mountain PBS.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35.

## Holiday Buffet Luncheon and Silent Auction

**Date:** Saturday, December 5

**Time:** 11:30 AM–2:30 PM

**Location:** The Club at Pradera  
5225 Raintree Dr.  
Parker, CO,



**Who's invited?** Members and Husbands as well as other guests!

**Cost:** \$25 PER PERSON

**Deadline:** Tuesday, December 1

Please send your check make out to DCAAUW and send it to:

*Marsha Johnson, AAUW Douglas County Treasurer*  
*305 Deer Crossing*  
*Castle Rock, CO 80104*

(You may also bring your check to the November meeting.)



As we get nearer to the Holiday Party date of December 5th, I just want to remind you all to bring items for our silent auction, whether it's a gift card, something from your attic or basement or perhaps a re-gift that someone else may enjoy. You may bring it to our next meeting on November 18th. If you have something you want to donate that is perishable, it may be dropped off at either Julie Reagan's or my house at a later date as we'll be taking donations until November 30th. Another thank you to all our members for making this such a successful fund raiser. Please enjoy the Holiday Brunch and all the festivities!

Submitted by: Stephanie Fong

## November 18<sup>th</sup> Branch Meeting - 6:30 - at the library



**Special Olympics** is the world's largest sports organization for children and adults with intellectual disabilities, providing year-round training and competitions to more than 4.5 million athletes in 170 countries. Special Olympics competitions are held every day, all around the world—including local, national and regional competitions, adding up to more than 94,000 events a year.

Marcia Miller started coaching Special Olympics during her student teaching in 1975 at the University of Northern Colorado and her affiliation spanned 40 years until her retirement this year. Marcia actually began the program in Douglas County and her final position with the organization was Coordinator over all of Douglas County Special Olympics.

Considered a master coach (having taken all the tests & other requirements), Marcia was cleared to coach anything under SO rules. Most recently she coached basketball and bowling. In the past she also coached tennis, track & field, and swimming. She says, "Even though I'm the most non-athletic person I know, my basketball program went from 9 athletes to 7 full teams. Ages run from 8 to 53."

She is proud of the fact that Douglas County SO does a lot of Unified Sports, combining typical athletes with Special Olympics athletes on the same team. She has been to International SO in Minnesota when one of her athletes went for Track.

Marcia had a passion that was an impactful change for the good - giving of her time, fundraising skills, organizational skills, and personal work with the athletes. Please join us for the November 18<sup>th</sup> program at the library where you will hear from the athletes themselves what it has meant to them.

Submitted by Peggy SerVaas



## Colorado History/Culture Club



The October “Field Trip” was to the Littleton History Museum. Although only four attended, the “mighty” bunch were able to see the 390 pound pumpkin and walk around the 1880’s working farm. Their “culminating activity” was lunch at the Terra Cotta Restaurant in Old Town Littleton.

This beautiful September day excursion was to Woodland Park’s new outdoor Museum.



## Dates to Remember

***November 5, at 9 PM. Rocky Mountain PBS Station, The Raising of America: Early Childhood and the Future of Our Nation.***



- ◆ Saturday, December 5, 2015  
December Holiday Event: Luncheon at Pradera Country Club 11:30 AM
- ◆ Saturday, February 6, 2016  
Public Policy Day, Lone Tree Marriott
- ◆ April 22-23, 2016  
State Convention, Loveland, CO

Committee	<p>2015 Standing Committee Chairs are Voting Members of the Board.</p> <p>Vice Chairs vote in the absence of the Chair.</p>
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Scholarships/Awards	<p>Suzanne Kroepsch, Chair (HS Awards)</p> <p>Bobbie Van Horn, Vice Chair Scholarships</p>
Social (Interest Groups)	Natalie Weber, Chair
<p>Social/Fellowship/Interest Groups</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Book Club (AM)</li> <li>• Book Club (PM)</li> <li>• History/Culture Club</li> <li>• Mah Jongg</li> <li>• Bridge-Singles</li> <li>• Bridge-Doubles</li> <li>• Domino Games</li> </ul>	<p>Group Contact</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kendra O’Hayre</li> <li>• Linda Washburn</li> <li>• JoAnn McCall</li> <li>• Julie Reagan/Susan Blackburn</li> <li>• Doris MacDougall</li> <li>• Margaret Boone</li> <li>• Natalie Weber</li> </ul>

Any changes in the calendar are in RED!

# CALENDAR FOR ANY MONTH

Questions contact Natalie Weber 303-688-4797

Changes...Contact AAUW newsletter editors.

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
1 <sup>st</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup> Bridge-Singles 6:30 pm (Doris Mac-Dougall)	1 <sup>st</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup> B r i d g e - C o u p l e s 6:30 pm (Margaret Boone)
2 <sup>nd</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup> AM Book Club 10 am Miller Library (Kendra O'Hayre)	2 <sup>nd</sup> Evening Book Club 6:00 PM  (Linda Washburn)	2 <sup>nd</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>
3 <sup>rd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup> D o m i n o Games 1 pm (Natalie Weber)	3 <sup>rd</sup> AAUW Branch 6:30 pm PS Miller L i b r a r y ( u s u a l l y ) Check page 1	3 <sup>rd</sup> C o l o r a d o History / Culture Club 9:00 AM (TBD)	3 <sup>rd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
4 <sup>th</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup> Mah Jongg 1:00 PM (Julie Reagan Susan Blackburn)	4 <sup>th</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>

AAUW promotes equity for women and girls, life-long education and positive societal change. In principle and practice, AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barrier to full participation in the organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation,

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