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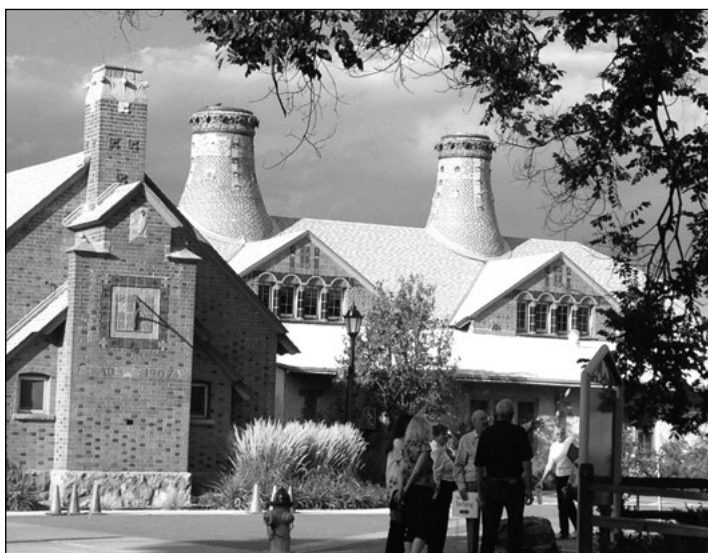
2014 Van Briggles Tour Sees Record-Breaking Attendance

Our wonderful volunteers (and a sunny day!) enabled 390 ticket holders to tour the Van Briggles pottery at the corner of Uintah and Glen Avenue on September 20. The event raised over \$5,250 for WES scholarships and programs. Our “docents” treated tour participants to personally guided tours of



the historic pottery, where they learned the rich history of the building from presenters George Eckhardt, Dan Crossey, and Larry Terrafranca, and were treated to pot-throwing demonstrations by Fred Wills and his sons. Attendees also could have their personal Van Briggles pieces date-validated by historic pottery expert, Kathy Honea. Donations were made in record numbers for our lovely Van Briggles greeting cards, book marks, walking tour books, issues of both *A Quiet Work* and *A Quiet Work Continues*, and our donated refreshments.

We are so grateful to all our volunteers: WES and non-WES members, George Eckhardt, Dan Crossey, Fred Wills and family, Larry Terrafranca, Kathy Honea, the CC Facilities Department, Bon Appetit Catering, the CC Theatre Department, PILLAR, numerous print and web media outlets, radio and TV stations, Costco, Roasted Coffee Roasters, and King Soopers. We welcome any ideas you have for making the September 12, 2015 tour even more successful!



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The WOMAN'S EDUCATIONAL SOCIETY (WES) is an autonomous community organization founded on April 20, 1889, to foster support of Colorado College. Its purposes are to bring community and college together, to give assistance to students of the college, and to undertake programs and projects to benefit the college, particularly women of the college. Gifts to WES are tax-deductible. *Newsfocus* is published twice a year as a service to members and friends of WES.

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Message from the Co-Presidents



Beth and Lana

Happy New Year to all! As we look back over the nearly two years since we were elected, we continue to be in awe of the hard work and dedication of the WES Board and general membership on behalf of our WES Scholars!

Fall semester 2014 was very busy and spectacularly successful for WES... and spring semester 2015 promises more of the same. This fall WES hosted a wonderful Scholars' Tea; conducted a wildly successful Van Briggles Pottery Tour; added \$2800 to the scholarship fund from donations made by participants in the WES/PILLAR Yellowstone tour; enjoyed a great Fall Luncheon that

included a fascinating program about what makes a "thriller" film (highly appropriate for this Halloween week event!) by CC Professor Dr. George Butte; raised more scholarship funds by selling Van Briggles note cards and bookmarks at the annual CC Craft Fair; and noted the near-end of CC's fall semester by gobbling lots of sweets and hot chocolate at December's Scholar Cookie Exchange.

Add to this ambitious set of activities the countless hours put in by our Scholarship, Finance, Membership, Publicity, and other committee members, and you quickly understand how much each and every Board Member means to the WES organization and, most importantly, to our WES Scholars! We feel fortunate to have helped guide this remarkable group of women, and we look forward to the remaining few months of our second term. Please consider joining us as we continue to help outstanding students at Colorado College!

—Lana Coffman & Beth Zautke

WES/Pillar Trip August 24 – September 1

A Spectacular Success



Logging over 2,000 miles, the latest WES trip featured Grand Teton and Yellowstone National Parks as well as Mount Rushmore and sites along the way—Buffalo Bill Historical Center in Cody, Crazy Horse Memorial and Scotts Bluff Monument to name a few. WES planners Sharon Rice and Cathy Wilson-O'Donnell teamed with PILLAR, Peak Institute for Lifelong Learning and brought guide Kent Taylor aboard.

The fog lifted in time to view the rugged Tetons across Jackson Lake and in Yellowstone hundreds of bison crammed the roadway within a few feet of the bus. The visit to Cody included a buffet dinner at the historic Irma Hotel which once hosted the likes of Frederic Remington, Annie Oakley and Calamity Jane.

The information flowed as venues unfolded: Devil's Tower, named by Teddy Roosevelt as America's first National Monument, was a sacred place to Indians. Gupton Borglum planned for the presidents on Mount Rushmore to be carved down to their waists, but to this day, they remain unfinished. Crazy Horse, Oglala Lakota leader and survivor of the Battle of the Little Big Horn, was murdered at Fort

Robinson, now Nebraska's largest state park. Some 350,000 souls headed west in wagon trains between 1841 and 1869 following the Oregon and Mormon Trails with tens of thousands perishing before reaching their destinations.

"Kent Taylor has been like Clark Kent—Superman!" Cathy commented at the group's farewell dinner in Scottsbluff, Nebraska, acknowledging Kent's grasp of history and geology as well as savvy about local restaurants and insider tidbits sprinkled with humor and enthusiasm.

Bus driver Marilyn Panco navigated narrow roads, parking challenges and sudden rainstorms with expertise while lovingly caring for passengers' needs. The group presented her with an Old Faithful pin to add to the collection she wears with pride.

Marianne Stoller, CC Professor Emerita of Anthropology, created WES fundraising trips in 2004 and served as guide until recent years when health concerns prevented her traveling. She still helps Sharon and Cathy with trip ideas.

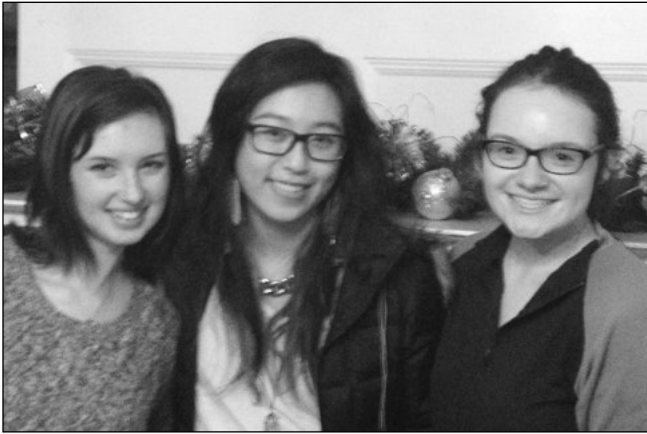
An added bonus was the camaraderie that developed among participants as they shared experiences. Thanks to all for their donations: Beth Ann Bassein, Lois Beardsley, Jim Bishop, Mary Ellen Burciago, Susan Coley, Sue Dilloway, Henry Gertzman, Frank Lege, Marlin Liles, Pat MacEachern, Barbara May, Harry Martin, Marianne Martin, Lucy McLeod, Lynn McLeod, Monique Michaud, Lucille Muhe, Dot Nelson, Leonore Owen, Joan Perkins, Sharon Rice, Beverly Showalter, Emmett Showalter, Barbara Sjasstad, Carol Townsley, Caroline Vulgamore, Harry Vulgamore, Richard Waltman and Cathy

Wilson-O'Donnell.

Stay tuned for future WES travels as Sharon and Cathy continue to collaborate with Dr. Stoller.



WES COOKIE FESTIVAL



A merry band of WES scholars, mentors and Board members gathered at Tutt House the evening of December 9th to enjoy a cookie festival. Plates of homemade cookies and candies covered a large dining table and received the highest recommendation from the group (none left over.) Everyone agreed the party was a great way to celebrate the holiday season!



Women's Educational Society Membership List

The following list reflects the membership paid from January 1, 2014 - December 31, 2014. All contributions above the \$25 membership dues are used for scholarships, programs and projects of WES to benefit students of Colorado College. Please notify us of any additions or corrections at (719) 389-7699.

*Designates current WES Board member

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Abbott	Marjory
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Clement	Lee
Fagan	Ernestine
Gordon	Diane
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Knapp	Helene
Mallory	Lillian
Salata	Mary Martha
Strouss	Janet
Thelin	John
Walsky	Berta
Wilson	Miwako

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Baggs	Nancy
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Blattspieler	B.
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Kaufman	Helma
Kelso	Sylvia

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Lorig
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Mashburn
Maytag
McGaha
McKellar
McLeod
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Mendoza
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Rasor
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Ward
Webb
Weber
Wiggins
Yeager
Young

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Freed	Elaine

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Catherine
Joyce
Helen Jean
Rose
Victoria
Mary
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Diane
Helen
Laurel
Lucy
Charlotte
Charlotte
Naoko
Helen
Judy and Richard
JoAnn
Hy Gia
Judith
Pauline
Florence & Melvin
Celia
Marion
Judith
Janet
Pamela
Suzanne
Cynthia
Mary
Nancy
Elizabeth
Persis
Katherine
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Jean
Ruth
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Lori
Barbara
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Mary
Joanne
Ethel

Silver Special Members

Arnest	Barbara
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Sondermann	Marion

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Harman	Marcy
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Neyer	Linda
Palazzari	Catherine

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Arnn	Kim
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Bassein	Beth Ann
Baxter	Nancy
Bell	Essie
Blackwell	Amy
Boetger	Carol
Brewington	Sue
Conner	Katherine
Eccles	Patricia (Trish)
Ensor	Sandra
Hall	Linda
Harvey	Joanne C.
Johnson	Jane
Jones	Judy
Keeley	Jean
Kim	Emily Dean
Kinney	Cherry
Latimer	Rachelle
Lewis	Nancy
Lindeman	Kathleen
Lundsford	Mary Jo
Lyons	Yolanda
Marsh	Pamela
Martin	Marianne
Mayers	Lisa
Nycum	Vicki
Ramsay	Glenna
Richardson	Helen
Riggs	Kelley
Ross	Eloise
Stiles	Jeanne
Stoller	Marianne
Williams	BJ
Woolley	Shirley & George

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(\$50-\$99)**

Allen	Carrie
Becker	William
Boyles	Linda
Breen	Catherine
Burek*	Ann
Cauvel	Jane
Chojnacki*	Margaret
Derbenwick*	Elaine
Dilloway	Sue
Disch	Beverly
Dufault	Momilani Ching
Fischer	Joanna
Hecox	Ann
Heschel	Rhonda
Johnson	Lynn
Kimbrough	Mary Jo
Knepell*	Roz
Kollmeyer	Lorna
Lane	Toni
Lapp	Kathryn
Leslie	Elizabeth
McWhorter	Vivian
Mitchell*	Barbara
Moe	Patricia
Olson	Millie
Peterson	Lynn
Pickle	Judy
Pritz	Flo
Reid	Judith
Rice	Sharon
Rouse	Elizabeth
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Singh	Rashna
Stark	Evelyn
Turvey	Bonnie
Van Egeren	Georgette
Zautke*	Beth

**Baccalureate Members
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Bevington	Elizabeth
Healy*	Sarah
Holmes	Spot
McJimsey	Marianna
Singh	Namrita
Townsley	Carol

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Coriell	Ellie
Davis	Thomiana
Dieter	Barbara
Dufault	Caitlin

Finley	Judith
Fox	Bernice
Frediana	David
Fuller	Kalah
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Grinewich	Dee
Hagler	Laura
Hildebrand	Dona
Hinton	Amelie
Kisken	Sue
Knight*	Helen
Kule	Patricia
Lowis	Catherine
Madden	Linda
Martin	Eileen
May*	Barbara
McVean	Maralee
Metzger	Sally
Mulligan	Molly
Nicks	Terry
Olney	Kathryn
Schreibman	Cayla
Shaffer-Bauck	Lyria
Simons	Frear (Janette)
Smith	Marlene
Theobald	Rebecca
Trater	Paula
Vulgamore	Caroline
Young	Sharon

Ex-Officio Members

Edmonds	Mike
Tiefenthaler	Jill

Scholar Members

(Honorary 1 yr Member)

Bickley	Penni
Cardenas	Tiffany
Conner	Erin
McNellan	Claire
Saks	Dominique

Honorary Members

Crissey	Linda
Stoller	Marianne

In Memoriam

**We regret to inform our members
of the deaths of:**

Arnn	Nancy
Bowers	Zella
Grier	Joyce
McElroy	Janice
Musser	Helen
Paterson	Lucille

**Contributions in Memory
of Janice McElroy**

McElroy	James
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**The WES Scholarship Fund
benefited from our trips in 2014,
this year in conjunction with
Pillar. We greatly appreciate the
contributions made in 2014 by
the following people.**

Bassein, Beth Ann	\$100
Beardsley, Lois	\$100
Bishop, James	\$200
Brazill, Janet	\$100
Burciago, Mary Ellen	\$100
Coley, Susan	\$100
DeVaney, Sharon	\$100
Dilloway, Sue	\$100
Frederick, Joan	\$100
Frediani, David	\$100
Gertzman, Henry	\$200
Jergensen, Peg	\$100
Keene, Jim	\$100
Keene, Marty	\$100
Lege, Frank	\$100
Liles, Marlin	\$100
MacEachern, Pat	\$100
Martin, Harry	\$100
Martin, Marianne	\$100
May, Barbara	\$200
McLeod, Lucy	\$200
McLeod, Lynn	\$200
Michaud, Monique	\$200
Muhe, Lucille	\$100
Murphy, Naoko	\$100
Nelson, Dot	\$100
O'Donnell, Sean	\$100
Owen, Leonare	\$100
Paraday, Anita & Kirk	\$200
Paraday, Sue & Rick	\$200
Peck, Thelma	\$100
Perkins, Joan	\$100
Prince, Jan	\$100
Raudabaugh, Sandy	\$100
Rice, Sharon	\$100
Rogers, Laurel	\$100
Showalter, Beverly & Emmett	\$200
Sjaastad, Barbara	\$200
Townsley, Carol	\$100
Vulgamore, Caroline & Harry	\$400
Waltman, Richard	\$200
Wilson-O'Donnell, Cathy	\$100

**We would also like to express our
sincere gratitude to Sharon Rice
and Cathy Wilson O'Donnell as
well as the staff at Pillar for their
great teamwork in planning and
organizing the 2014 WES/Pillar
trips.**

CC Scholarship Luncheon



Colorado College Craft Fair



UPCOMING EVENTS

Tribal Trailstrip by WES/PILLAR April 27 - May 5, 2015

Immerse yourself in these Native American cultures. Learn about these present day tribes and speak with both their elders and their young.

Attractions: Tour of Acoma Sky City; Lunch in a Zuni home and tour of Old Mission; Tour of all three mesas of Hopi land with professional guide: McGee's Trading Post; Visit Hubbell Trading Post and Historic Site; Travel through Canyon de Chelly; tour of Ute Mountain Reservation; Aztec Ruins; and visit with the Jicarilla Apache. Tours, scenery, education, shopping, history, fun and much more.

For more information contact Sharon Rice at srice43@comcast.net, 719-278-0981 or Cathy Wilson-O'Donnell at ccwo1217@yahoo.com, 719-635-9740



Winter Luncheon and Program February 5, 2014

WES will hold its annual Winter Luncheon and Program at Gaylord Hall at noon on February 4, 2015. Our guest speaker will be CC geology professor Christine Siddoway. Just back from another trip to Antarctica, professor Siddoway will take us on a journey to this remarkable place. What's going on there and what does it tell the rest of the earth and what the future holds? This stark but beautiful landscape is changing. So what? Join professor Siddoway and your WES friends, scholars and guests to learn what messages this environment is sending. Lunch will be served.

Cost is \$20 per person and free for scholars. All are welcome. Please call Monique at 719-488-9456 to reserve or email her at mmmmichaud@gmail.com.

Van Briggie Pottery Tour September 12, 2015



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WES Special Purpose Grants

After reviewing applications, the Scholarship Committee awarded three special purpose grants to WES scholars in November to help with their expenses for off campus study and travel.

Tessa Allen de Oliveira will spend a semester in Peru and Chile in a program taught by Colorado College professors from the Spanish, Anthropology and Political Science Departments. She will also be doing independent study research leading to a senior thesis involving spatial traumatic memory in Latin America.

Anna Dahyun Lee received help with expenses for travel to a dental school interview in California.

Emma Wilson will travel to Chile to study the Spanish language and culture in a Colorado College program in the second half of the spring semester, 2015.



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