



Feather Vane — APRIL, 2019



Mission: To advance gender equity for women and girls through research, education, and advocacy

STEM



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THERE IS NO BRANCH LUNCHEON IN APRIL DUE TO STEM CONFERENCE.

STEM Conference is April 2–Yuba College

Our STEM Conference for 8th Grade Girls is happening at Yuba College on April 2. Since the 1980s, our branch has sponsored this event for the young women in our community. This year we are excited to say that we have more than 800 girls from 22 schools who are signed up to attend. Our volunteers are lined up and ready as Facilitators in the classrooms and in the Hospitality Room (room #1020). The former mayor of Yuba City, Preet Didbal, is scheduled to be our Keynote Speaker to kick off the day in the Yuba College gymnasium, and 27 professional women are scheduled to be Presenters telling the girls about their professions that require science and math in their careers. Our objective is to encourage girls at this important time in their education to sign up for classes in high school that will challenge them and lead them to well-paying careers and success in the workplace. The AAUW STEM Conference aims to inspire today's young women to be the best that they can be. Questions about the April 2 event? Please contact co-chairs Barbara Solheim and Sandy Davini.

GARDEN TOUR is Saturday, May 4th, 10 am to 3:30 pm Please volunteer, and SELL YOUR 3 TICKETS

The Garden Tour Committee has been working non-stop for the last 6 months finding desirable gardens for the tour, publicizing the event, looking for artists to be in the gardens, soliciting business sponsors, and making sure that all of the details are in order. Now we are asking YOU to do an important part as a member of our AAUW Branch:



- (1) Sell or buy the three tickets that each of our members is responsible for.
- (2) When you get a call asking you to be a hostess in a garden on May 4, please say YES.
- (3) When you go to the hairdresser's, you leave Garden Tour postcards; when you go to the doctor, you leave postcards; when you eat in a restaurant, leave postcards in the waiting area. Help us advertise!

This is our only AAUW branch community fund raising event. We must do well to send six 7th grade girls to Tech Trek science camp this summer, and to put on the STEM Conference for more that 800 8th grade girls at Yuba College. *Martha Bunce, Garden Tour Chair*

Council Chat *by Joann Nixon, Executive Council Leader*

March 16, 2019 - We had beautiful weather for our March meeting held at Yuba College Flavors Restaurant. We welcomed a new member, Nancy Johnston, and other guests.

We were looking forward to Dr. Michael Chin's information about developments in heart health, and he did not disappoint. He talked about how much things have changed, treatment is focused on prevention now and provided information that we can apply to our own lives.

Chief Hansen's Culinary Arts Students provided a wonderful lunch, as we have come to expect.

We held election of members to the Executive Council. The nomination committee worked diligently to provide a complete ballot which was approved unanimously. The new officers, effective July 1, 2019, will be Liz Skelly, Joan Young, Christina Billeci, and Sandy Davini was re-elected for another year as Treasurer.

The Educational Opportunity recipients, Ethel Breyfogle and Barbara Douyon, were honored. Barbara was present, and was surprised with a certificate for her outstanding service to the Branch. Our year is wrapping up. No Branch Meetings in April and May (April is STEM Conference and May is Garden Tour to keep us busy.) June will be installation of the Executive Council for 2019-2020 year. Yes, we are already talking about 2020. Try to come to the June Branch meeting, New Date, June 1, 2019. It will be a celebration!



The Executive Council Leaders elected today are Joan Young, Christina Billeci, Sandy Davini, and Liz Skelly who is not shown here. *Photos by Joann Nixon*

Note: Jeanine Rounds and Barbara Kenney will be phoning members soon to ask you to be a garden hostess for the May 4 Garden Tour. Please say yes.

We thank Janet Theiss for her work of creating the Garden Tour tickets and post cards, and for getting them organized and out to us. **If you did not pick up your tickets at the March 16 meeting, they are being mailed to you with this Feather Vane.**

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING: THURSDAY, April 11, 1 pm at the Sutter County Schools office, 950 Tharp, Bldg. 300, Suite 302, Yuba City. Park in rear. Contact Joann Nixon, 680-0356, if you are interested in attending an EC meeting, or if you wish to become a Member-at-Large on the Executive Council.

PROGRAM NOTES *by Barbara Solheim,*

Program Group Leader ---**There will NOT be a branch luncheon in April because of the STEM Conference**, nor in May because of the GARDEN TOUR. We will meet again for our final meeting before the summer break on JUNE 1 – Location to be announced.

DUES ARE DUE *by Sandy Davini, Treasurer*

Annual dues for 2019-20 are due. Mail your check for \$92 (\$59 National+\$20 California+\$13 Branch) to AAUW, PO Box 3031, Yuba City, CA 95992. Must be received by June 1, 2019 to enter into FREE MEMBERSHIP drawing. Call Sandy Davini, with questions.673-0930 or /c 713-1390. Dues are late after June 1.



Garden Tour Artists *by Lee Jones*

Fourteen regional artists have been selected to show and sell their work in the gardens during the AAUW Garden Tour, and they will donate a portion of their sales to help our fund raising efforts. They are:**Terri Foley/** Painter Watercolor and Acrylic; **Cindy Gaven/** Painter Watercolor; **Sue Graue/** Photographer--Nature of Northern California; **Carol Keesling/** Painter Watercolor; **Luisa Leger/** Wine bottle art/Miniature paintings; **Jan Frink/** Fused Glass; **Nikki Pearson/** Clay Hippie Ceramics; **Janet Staser/** Jewelry assemblage and eclectic styles; **Wynell Reid/** Hand crafted bracelets, pendants and earrings; **Diane Funston/** Mosaic Garden Art; **Linda Trudgeon/** Painter Watercolor; **Mayna Ramos Chavez/** Painter Acrylic; **Madelyn Templeton/** Painter Acrylic and Watercolor; and **Pam Novak /**Painter Acrylic.



EQUAL PAY DAY is APRIL 2

Ledbetter on Leading Better in Negotiation

If you're not clear on why negotiating matters, renowned equity activist Lilly Ledbetter sums it up brilliantly. "A lot of people think 'Well, I'll take that job. They promised me that raise in six months,'" said Ledbetter, who visited AAUW's offices after helping us advocate for the Paycheck Fairness Act. "But even if the raise comes through, that money you've lost those first six months, it's gone." -- That's why "you need to negotiate upfront and make sure you're being compensated ... for your education, your skills and the enthusiasm you bring to the workforce." AAUW's [Work Smart](#) is a free tool that teaches negotiation. (ctrl+click on underlined link)

Imagine an America Without a Pay Gap

It is common knowledge that a woman in the United States makes 80 cents per dollar made by a man of similar qualifications. The pay gap is worse for women of color. In an era when women make up nearly 50% of the workforce, this pay gap burdens individual family finances and the economy. A recent study estimated the impact on society if the pay gap was corrected.

How would closing the pay gap be expected to impact families?

- 60% of working women and 66% single working mothers would see an increase in their pay
- Poverty rates for working women would drop by half from 8% to 3.8%
- Poverty rates for single working mothers would drop from 28.9% to 14.5%

How would the US economy benefit?

- Closing the pay gap would increase gross domestic product an estimated \$500 million, roughly 2.6% of the GDP of our entire nation

- The increase in women's earnings would be roughly 16 times what federal and state governments spent in 2015 for temporary assistance to needy families

The pay gap adversely impacts American families. Closing it would raise many out of poverty and reduce the need for public assistance. The question to ask our elected officials is not whether we as a society can afford to pay men and women the same income for the same work. The question is, how can we afford not to? *Archana Maniar*

Contributed by Martha Bunce, Public Policy Chair.
Source: The Impact of Equal Pay on Poverty and the Economy 2017, Institute of Women's Policy Research

Women's History Month remarks from Senator Kamala Harris – March 12, 2019 "This year's Women's History Month stands apart from the rest because of where we are in our nation's history. For the first time in history, there is a total of 131 women serving in the United States Congress, 25 of whom are black women. I'm hopeful that we'll see more and more leaders unburdened by what has been and knowing what can be... This month, I'm reminded that we wouldn't be here today had Shirley Chisholm not paved the way and become the first black woman elected to Congress over 50 years ago. Let's be clear about one thing. All of us stand on her shoulders. She is the personification of what my mother used to say to me – "don't let anyone tell you who you are, show them who you are."



MEMBERSHIP REPORT

By Lee Jones, Membership Leader

Nancy Johnston joined our branch at our March 16 Annual Meeting. Nancy was recruited by Joan Young. If you have a friend who might like to know more about our AAUW Branch, bring them to a meeting. Contact Lee Jones, lee@harkeyhouse.com, or phone 300-0214, for a membership application. Here is information about Nancy. Please add her to your roster and welcome her.



Nancy Johnston, 9851 Garnet Way, Live Oak 95953
530-695-1955, email: ndixon@dsAINC.CC



Meet our new member Grace Espindola

Councilmember Grace Espindola is the first Mexican-American immigrant to be elected to Yuba City's City Council. An education professional who has spent her 34-year career in the public education system and most recently with Sutter County Superintendent of Schools Office, Grace took the oath of office in December 2018.

Born deep in the jungle mountains of Michoacán, Mexico, Grace legally immigrated to the United States with her parents at the age of two. At the age of twelve she began working in the orchards of Sutter County and her work has evolved in a variety of jobs including work as a fast food worker, waitress, dishwasher, housekeeper, in retail, insurance, home health, as a clerk, secretary, counselor and many others. She attributes her achievements to her parents, who set her on a path for a successful career with education being a priority.

Yuba City voters elected Grace on her platform of "We Serve Together," which encompasses public safety, paying down unfunded liability, quality of life improvements and developing viable solutions to the City's growing homeless problem.

Grace is a graduate of the University of Southern California (USC) and holds her Master's in Social Work and a Bachelor's in Science in Business Administration and Management. She was named Congressman Garamendi's District 3 Woman of the Year in 2015, was awarded the Outstanding Leadership Award in 2013-14 and in 2013 was the first Latina elected to State President of the California Association of Supervisors Child Welfare & Attendance. She was also recognized by the City of Yuba City in 2015 with the Exemplary Community Service Award. She has also been active in community involvement, outreach and professional affiliations in Sutter County, regional, national, and international either as a volunteer, member, board member or chair of 26 different organizations since 1994. Grace is a board member for the California Department of Education's School Attendance Review Board and Homeless Matters Committee. Locally, Grace Espindola is a founding member of the Sutter-Yuba Homeless Consortium and serves as a board member of the Yuba-Sutter Healthcare Council.

Some facts about our branch leaders --

Recently I asked members of our current Executive Council to tell me something about themselves. I will include others in upcoming *Feather Vanes*. I think you will be impressed, as I am, at the amount of talent we have in our AAUW branch. *Artis Buerki, Feather Vane Editor*

Janet Theiss is Communications Leader of our branch, and uses her computer skills for the STEM Conference and the Garden Tour. She completed her freshman and sophomore college years at UC Santa Barbara, where she met her husband Bill, and became a third-generation UC Berkeley graduate. She then worked 22^{1/2} years for Educational Testing Service, working on college financial aid, UC admissions, the PSAT, and citizenship testing, among other projects. When she moved back to this area, she became Microsoft certified and taught computer software and business English at a new-career school for adults. Janet was our AAUW branch President (2000-2002) and is very active in the Interbranch Council.



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Joann Nixon is currently the branch Executive Council Leader (2016-2019), and she is spearheading our new Tech Trek Alumni club. She graduated from Yuba College, Vocational Psychiatric Technician Program, studied at



Chico State, and the University of La Verne, earning MA, Sociology and Counseling. She was Coordinator of Independent Living Skills at Home Living Skills for six years, and Psych Tech at Sutter Yuba Mental Health for 15 years. Her volunteer work includes Brownie Girl Scout leader and Neighborhood Chairman of OLLIYUMA Girl Scout Neighborhood. Joann was a member of the Hub Camera Club for 15 years, and she is the photographer for the *Feather Vane* and branch activities.

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Carol Clark is currently Project Leader of our branch, Tech Trek organizer, and is Past Executive Council Leader (2013-2016). She was daughter of a World War II English War Bride and an American Soldier. She came to Sacramento when she was four months old and grew up in the City of North Sacramento (which doesn't exist anymore). She graduated from Sacramento State with a BS in Business Administration, married and they moved to Ulm, Germany, for 15 months. When she came back, they had two children and she became a homemaker, and then an Executive



Secretary. After divorcing she went to National University at night to earn a teaching credential, and taught for 20 years in the Yuba City Unified School District, and retired in 2008. She married Steve Clark in 1996, and they have done a lot of travelling which she loves. She now works about three months a year giving the ELPAC test to second language students, and enjoys being a member of AAUW because she is a staunch supporter of women's rights.

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Jeanine Rounds is AAUW branch Secretary. She started teaching English at Sutter High School and was there two years. With her Master's degree completed, she began teaching at Yuba College and was there for two years before she married Ray Rounds. They moved to Hawaii for Ray to work on Marine Biology. She was there 10 years; she



taught initially at the state's experimental high school and then went to the University of Hawaii for 3 years to be director of curriculum design of the state's secondary language arts program. She returned to Yuba in 1977 to develop the college's basic skills and tutorial assistance program. Completing

her doctorate at BYU in 1984, she became Dean of Instructional Services, initially in charge of all Yuba's off-campus classes, including Beale and Colusa centers, as well as doing grant writing. In 1993 the college also gave her the task of managing the on-campus Language Arts division, and she retired in 1996. After her retirement, she spent several years working with Dave Davini to write successful grants for state and federal educational funding for the community. Jeanine was our AAUW branch President (2005-2007) and is active on all of our branch committees.

Education & Training TEA BAG FUNDRAISER

by Karen Tuttle for Jeanne Schultz,
AAUW Funds Chair



In February, each member received a tea bag and a letter explaining our annual **Education and Training Tea Bag Fundraiser**. Your donations support opportunities for women that give them a chance for a lifetime of success. Please participate in this event by writing a check for \$15 or more to "AAUW" and write **ET- #4450 in the memo line**. Please notice that the **fund number for the memo line has been changed**. Please mail your check to AAUW, P.O. Box 3031, Yuba City, CA 95992. Total donations of \$750 or more allow us to designate one or more branch members as an AAUW Education and Training Opportunities Named Gift Honoree.

Tessa Phillips Remembered *by Artis Buerki*

Our dear member, Tessa Phillips, passed away on February 18 after a short, yet courageous, battle with cancer. She will be remembered as a positive and elegant branch member, and friend of many--especially her friends in Talking on Paper, Book Explorers, and Traveling Gourmet who all remember her so fondly. Tessa was born in London, loved horses and dogs, and as a young woman she lived in Geneva, Switzerland, working as a secretary for the United Nations. At age 21 she moved to New York and worked at the British American Chamber of Commerce. In 1964 Tessa obtained the job of a lifetime. She was one of the few selected to become a Pan Am flight attendant and had an opportunity to travel the world. She married her husband, Bo Phillips, in 1967. They had two sons, Jeff and Chris, and moved the family to Yuba City in 1973. She finished her bachelor's degree in English from Sac State shortly after her sons graduated. I knew her as a talented artist, a thoughtful writer, and a gentle and kind soul. She continued to travel all of her life, and loved sharing those travels with her friends. There will be a service in her garden sometime in May, date TBD. Here's how some others remember her:



Joann Nixon said she remembers Tessa fondly as a gracious, genuine, self-reliant woman. "I have many wonderful memories, a week-end in Mendocino, season passes to the Acting Company, and many visits for a cup of tea with Tessa and her little dog Hope."

"I found a wonderful connection through AAUW when I got to know Tessa," Donna Long said. "We seemed to share many connections as we were in our book group, writing group, and an art class at the senior center. She was a welcoming hostess, often having small luncheons and dinner gatherings for friends. I loved visiting with her and will miss her quiet dignity, and thoughtful insights."

Joan Young said "Our group has lost its British Flight Attendant... We loved hearing about her travels, stories she wrote and shared with the Talking on Paper group each month. When Tech Trek members, having returned from UC Davis, needed a venue to show off their projects, Tessa offered her back yard, a lovely green and shaded haven where refreshments and happy stories proved the girls benefited and learned from their amazing week. It was then we saw her art collection, displaying a talent we hadn't suspected. Tessa was full of lovely surprises."

Bylaws update – by Karen Tuttle, Bylaws Leader

The 2019 branch Bylaws have been emailed to branch members with email addresses. A copy of the Bylaws will be mailed to those members without email addresses and to those members (currently 3) whose computers did not receive the file. Please let me know if you did not receive a copy of the Bylaws or if your computer will not open the copy.

INTERBRANCH COUNCIL (IB)

by Janet Theiss, IBC Representative

The Monday, **May 6, 2019**, at 6:00 p.m., IBC meeting is most likely to be in Chico, venue to be determined. Contact me (wftjedt@syix.com/695-3159) if you plan to go.

Garden Tour Report by Martha Bunce, GT Chair

We have 6 private gardens so far and a wonderfully surprising reception site for the 2019 Tour. The committee is very busy with publicity, putting up banners and signs, distributing information cards, recruiting hostesses (say YES when asked, please!), getting tickets to the vendors, securing sponsors, getting the brochure, paperwork and name tags ready for the day, and hoping for lots of people to buy tickets and enjoy the tour. We need YOUR help -- PLEASE sell, buy and give as gifts, or bring a friend with you to the Garden Tour. Each member is responsible for 3 tickets. Then send the money to our branch. Think of it as priming the pump!

**Secretary's Notes**

by Jeanine Rounds, EC Secretary

There was no Executive Council Meeting on **March 14**, 2019 due to lack of a quorum. We look forward to seeing you on **March 16** at the branch Annual Meeting at Yuba College.

The branch met on **March 14** for the Annual Meeting. Nomination Committee report was made by Artis Buerki with 4 candidates. Bylaws Leader, Karen Tuttle, asked for nominations from the floor. Vote was unanimous. New officers are Sandy Davini as Treasurer, and Liz Skelly, Joan Young, and Christina Billeci as new Executive Council officers. See [Council Chat](#) for other details of the meeting.

Our Branch – Then & Now
When did each of our projects begin?

When people think about our AAUW branch, they might think of the Garden Tour – or Math-Science Conference - or Tech Trek – or Women's Coalition, but do you know what those four have in common? They all started in the mid-80s and 90s! In fact, when you look at that period of time you'll see that it was a very dynamic period in our branch's history. I've talked with several of our branch members about that, and have learned the following:

The Garden Tour began in 1992. Marge Muck was branch president that year, and she said they decided to do a Garden Tour instead of the Fashion Show because it was thought to be easier to do. The Garden Tour was a hit, and is now in its 27th year!

The Women's Coalition began in 1993 with an idea from Barbara Palser who was branch president that year. The idea was that we have a joint event with other local women's service clubs sharing the expense and the planning of a nice holiday brunch. Thus the Coalition was born. Linden Reynolds said that other Coalition activities followed, including the Women's History Month program for the schools and an International Women's program. Barbara McCarty said that there was a Children's Art Contest at the Yuba City Mall in the early years of the Coalition that local schools were involved in. Now we get together once a year to celebrate the holidays with music, networking, and donations for Hands of Hope.

Tech Trek began in 1998 and our branch sent its first girl to science camp at Stanford University. Linden Reynolds was branch president that year when the Tech Trek program began in California. Now the girls attend at UC Davis.

The STEM Conference was previously called the Math-Science Conference for 8th grade girls. Marge Muck told me that Math-Science **started in 1985** when Bernice Stevenson was branch president. Margie was the branch president the year after Bernice, and she said that Bernice got it going. In some of the early years the Conference was held at local churches until more space was needed and it moved to Yuba College. Sandy Davini remembers that in the late 80s she was one of the presenters when she was Asst. Supt-Business for the school district, and it was held at a local church. Today we use a number of buildings at Yuba College and are serving over 800 girls this year.

It is amazing that these four projects all began within such a short period of time, and that they have continued to get bigger and better each year. Thanks to those who had the initiative to get them started, including some of our current leaders who I mentioned in this story, and thank you to the many members who work so very hard each year to keep them going! **Kudos to all of you!** Artis Buerki, Editor

INTEREST SECTIONS - All branch members are welcome to participate.



ADVOCACY & ACTION

To receive advocacy and action alerts by email, contact Martha Bunce 743-0306, or buncehall@yahoo.com. To see what our branch is doing, go to our branch website, <http://mvyc-ca.aauw.net>



BOOK CLUBS

Book Explorers normally meets at 10 am the third Friday of the month. Contact is Paulette Almeida, 415-5588.

Rabid Readers normally meets at 10 am the third **Friday** of the month. Contact is Marilyn Elliott or Pat Jones. Meeting is **April 19** at Lee Jones home. Book is The Last Castle by Kiernan, about the Biltmore family.



BRIDGE As our AAUW bridge group has gotten older we have morphed into more of a community bridge group. We now play at the Marysville Art Club twice a month. Anyone interested in playing should contact me for further information. Jan Wallace, 743-1060.



MOVIES Do you like to go to the movies, but hate going alone? If so, the Movies group may appeal to you. First-run movie matinees, classics, and opera are all options at the Yuba City Cinemark. Contact Artis Buerki, artisb@comcast.net, 671-5665, if you are interested in being on the email contact list, or if you have ideas to share.



TALKING ON PAPER meets the first Tuesday morning of each month, at 10 am, but since the STEM Conference is scheduled for April 2, we will meet on **April 9** at the Cookie Tree. The meeting begins at 10 am and ends at approximately 11:30. Bring something to write on and no more than a two page story you have written to read to the group. Contact Joan Young, 777-9215.

Editor's note: Photo of Tessa Phillips on page 5 is courtesy of Donna Long.



TRAVEL AAUW Travel group has no plans for the month of April. This group is in need of a coordinator.



TRAVELING GOURMET Coordinator is Karen Tuttle, 755-4405. The Traveling Gourmet normally meets on the 4th Thursday of the month. On **April 25** we will go to The New Moon restaurant in Nevada City. Our hostess will be Gloria Mullins. Please meet at the Round Table Pizza parking lot on Gray Ave. for carpooling by 10:30 am. **Contact Karen Tuttle by email or by phone at 755-4405 if you are attending by Friday, April 19, and let her know if you can drive.**

April 13 –AAUW Amador County Annual Home Tour COUNTRY LIVING AROUND FIDDLETOWN, Tickets \$25 on website: Amador-ca.aauw.net/HomeTour

April 6 --AAUW CALIFORNIA Annual Meeting Handlery Hotel, SAN DIEGO

April 13- Sutter Buttes GARDEN CLUB Plant Sale 9 am – 2 pm Palmer Hall, Y-S Fairgrounds



SUTTER BUTTES GARDEN CLUB *Plant Sale*

APRIL 13 2019

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SUTTER COUNTY VETERANS MEMORIAL PLANTERS,
YUBA CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT PLANTERS &
YUBA-SUTTER FAIR ADMINISTRATION BUILDING PLANTERS



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Please get in touch with your committee chairs to confirm meeting details/locations.
 For more information about Interest Sections see inside this Feather Vane.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 8:30 am STEM Conference at Yuba College	3	4 11 am Garden Tour Committee	5	6
7	8	9  10 am Talking on Paper	10	11 1 pm Executive Council	12	13
14	15 send STEM photos for MAY FV to Artis	16	17	18	19 10 am Book Clubs 	20
21 	22 MAY FEATHER VANE DEADLINE	23	24	25 10:30 am Traveling Gourmet 	26	27
28	29	30				

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_____ Legal Advocacy Fund (Make check payable to **AAUW. Note "LAF" on memo line**) _____ \$ _____

Rachel Carson (1907 – 1964)



Rachel Carson played a key role in birth of environmentalism in the 20th century. A zoologist by training, she resigned from the government's Fish and Wildlife Service when her book *The Sea Around Us* became an award-winning bestseller. Her distinctive writing was both scientifically clear and linguistically evocative. In the late 1950s,

Carson became increasingly aware of the harmful effects of chemicals such as the insecticide DDT on the environment. This pushed her to write her most famous work *Silent Spring* and then defend herself against attacks from commercial interests while fighting a personal battle with cancer.

Silent Spring sold over 2 million copies, converting a large number of people to environmentalism. It also played an influential part in persuading governments to ban or heavily restrict the use of DDT and similar chemicals that persist in the environment. (Information is from www.famousscientists.org)

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