



Feather Vane – April, 2020 vol. 2

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

Garden Tour and our April branch meetings have been cancelled.

Council Chat *Liz Skelly, Executive Council Leader*

April 1, 2020 - It's been quite a month! We've all been under a directive to stay at home and keep our "social distance". This has resulted in a lot of family time but I think our dog(s) have really enjoyed it the most. I have never seen so many people outside walking their dogs!!! I sincerely hope this "chat" finds you all in good health.

The Executive Council has forged into a new arena using Zoom for our meetings. So far it's worked out pretty well. The Council has had to make some tough decisions this month--the most heart breaking is the cancellation of the May 2nd Garden Tour. Our homeowners have put a lot of work into their gardens AND we have lost our major fundraiser of the year. We are asking members to still donate the \$40 cost of the Garden Tour tickets to the branch. The money from this event also covers the cost of sending girls to Tech Trek and we're hopeful that the Tech Trek Camp will still be held but that decision will be up to UC Davis.

We've had to cancel our Annual Branch Meeting on April 18 plus the Special Interest Sections. Voting for our branch elections has been sent out by Janet Theiss via email and mail. Voting closes April 18. You will also be receiving an email or a postcard from the State AAUW organization with a link to vote for state officers between April 17 and May 8. Due to the state-wide shut down, the AAUW State Annual Conference has been canceled BUT they are holding a Zoom meeting from 1-3 on Saturday, April 18. Click on <https://www.aauw-ca.org/aauw-california-annual-meeting-going-virtual/> to join the meeting.

I was fortunate to have a Proclamation celebrating Women's History Month and the Centennial Celebration for the ratification of the 19th Amendment presented to me at the Sutter County Board of Supervisors meeting on March 10. I was scheduled to receive the same Proclamation at the Yuba County Board of Supervisors meeting on March 24 but that has been put on hold for the time being. As they say, timing is everything.

Keep your "social distance" and stay healthy! Also—pay your dues!

Executive Council meets the 2nd Thursday of each month at 1 pm. The meetings are open to all of our branch members, so come join us. Contact Liz Skelly, 635-0821 about future meetings to be held on Zoom



March 26, 2020 -- Ad Hoc Executive Council Meeting to discuss our schedule of events for April and May while under the Shelter in Place order for the COVID 19 virus
by Nancy Johnston

The Executive Council had a special meeting on March 26, 2020 at 1 pm on line via Zoom. Participants were: Liz Skelly, Janet Theiss, Sandy Davini, Jeanine Rounds, Gwyn Baker, Lee Jones, Barbara Solheim, Martha Bunce, Nancy

Johnston, Carol Clark; Listening only: Artis Buerki, Joann Nixon

It was agreed we will cancel the **Garden Tour**. Gardens are backing out and there is a lot to do to notify the community. It was decided to cancel early and not wait to see what happens with the virus in April in order to accommodate this.

Sandy discussed the financial impact of not having the Garden Tour

We've received \$1600 in Sponsorship money, \$680 from members so far.

Martha will craft a letter telling the Sponsors the Garden tour is cancelled and give them the option of requesting a refund or AAUW would keep the funds for next year sponsorship.

We are going to encourage members to send in their \$40 for their tickets which would add another \$3000 to our budget

Last year we netted \$8300. This year, if we get the additional money from members, we'd net around \$3000. Down approximately \$5300 from last year.

Martha will convene a Garden Tour meeting (via Zoom) on April 2 at 11am to discuss line item details of what's needed to cancel. Martha will get with Artis after this meeting so Artis can get notification in the Feather Vane, Territorial Dispatch, Appeal Democrat and Facebook ASAP.

Lee will contact the Artists and Union Lumber

Other Calendar items:

Martha made a motion to **cancel April Branch Meeting**, Jeanine seconded, motion passed

Sandy will cancel the speaker

Jeanine will cancel the food

Artis will put notification in all the places she normally does.

Election of officers will be held via email and postal mail. Janet & Gwyn will coordinate notification to members.

Apr 9th meeting (via Zoom) for **STEM** 10 am to discuss how and when to gear up for 2021 STEM conference.

Liz to talk to Yuba College

We're moving forward with **Tech Trek**, however Carol will hold the parents checks until we hear one way or another on Tech Trek from UC Davis.

Lee will communicate with the **book clubs** they are cancelled for April.

Travelling Gourmet is cancelled for March and April. We'll wait to decide on May.

Zoom

Liz will set up both the Apr 9th **STEM** meeting at 10 am and EC meeting at 1 pm.

Liz will set up the Apr 2nd 11am **Garden Tour** meeting We're hoping the free version of Zoom will allow us to schedule meetings prior to 2 minutes before the meeting starts. If we need to purchase Zoom to have this feature, AAUW will reimburse Liz for the costs.

Interbranch Council (IBC)

Janet Theiss, IBC Representative

Contact Janet Theiss, 695-3159 about **May 4, 2020** IBC meeting in Chico.

Dues are due – Pay before June 6 to enter the Free Membership Drawing --Annual dues



for 2020-21 year are due. Mail your check written to AAUW for \$92 (\$59 AAUW National + \$20 AAUW CA + \$13 branch) Send to AAUW, PO Box 3031, Yuba City, CA 95992. Must be received by June 6 to enter into our

FREE MEMBERSHIP DRAWING. Questions? Contact our Treasurer, Sandy Davini, 673-0930 or /c 713-1390.

Tech Trek report *by Carol Clark*

We are happy to announce that on March 21 via Zoom these 7th grade girls were selected to attend the week-long AAUW Tech Trek camp. We hope that the Tech Trek camp will take place in July, 2020, at UC Davis campus.

Harleen Dosanjh	Butte Vista School
Marcella Marquez	Butte Vista School
Tavleen Kaur	Barry School
Avneet Jande	Barry School
Izabella Cortez	Riverside Meadows School
Hadassah Grace Moore	CORE Charter School

Gia Singh from Riverside Meadows and Briana Putman from Barry School were selected as alternates. We thank all of our members who participated in this selection process.



MEMBERSHIP

Lee Jones, Membership Leader

If you have a friend who might like to know more about our

AAUW Branch, bring her to a meeting. Phone Lee Jones, 300-0214, or email lee@harkeyhouse.com for a membership application.

INTEREST SECTIONS -- All branch members are welcome to participate.
April Interest Section Meetings have been cancelled while we are sheltering in place. Contact your Section leader if you have any questions.

at the Yuba City Cinemark. Contact Artis Buerki, artisb@comcast.net, if you are interested in being on the email contact list, or if you have ideas to share. **Movie Group will disband until the Shelter-In-Place order is lifted.**



ADVOCACY & ACTION

To receive advocacy and action alerts by email, contact Martha Bunce, 743-0306, or email buncehall@yahoo.com.



TALKING ON PAPER

Our writing group usually meets the first Tuesday morning of each month, at 10 am. Contact Joan Young, 713-1279, about next meeting date. **The April and probably May meeting will take place by email and phone.** Watch for emails from Joan.



TRAVELING GOURMET

is in need of a coordinator as Priscilla is moving out of the area. They normally meet the 4th Thursday of the month, but **Traveling Gourmet has been cancelled for March and April, and are undecided about May at the time of this writing.**



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 Marilyn Elliott, 673-2840, or Pat Jones, 674-0114. **Watch for emails from Pat.**

Find our branch on Facebook
AAUW.MVYC



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.

Sutter Buttes Garden Club Plant Sale
Has been rescheduled from April to
June 13, 2020
9:00 a.m. –2:00 p.m.
Palmer Hall (near Franklin Hall at the Fairgrounds)
Free admission
The proceeds fund scholarships and
Community beautification



MOVIES

Do you like to go to the movies, but hate going alone? If so, the Movie group may appeal to you. First-run movie matinees, classics, and opera are all options

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Tech Trek: www.aauw-techtrek.org

**Contact your committee chairs and Interest
Section leaders if you have a question
about the next meeting.**

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