



Feather Vane – November, 2020

AAUW National Mission: To advance gender equity for women and girls through research, education, and advocacy. Our Branch Mission: To advance equity for women and girls through education and networking within our diverse community.



Executive Council Meeting is Thursday, November 12, 2020, 1 pm, via Zoom. Contact is Liz Skelly, 530-635-0821.

Branch Meeting –November 21, 2020

When: Saturday, November 21, 10 a.m. – EVERYONE IS WELCOME

Where: Via Zoom--Contact Gwyn Baker if you have questions, 530-632-4336, or if you need a Zoom practice session. **Emails with the Zoom link will be sent to members from Janet Theiss the week prior to the meeting. Please let Janet know if you didn't get one. Check your SPAM in case it ends up there.**



Program Notes *by Gwyn Baker, Program Leader*

Dr. Phuong Luu is our speaker at the November 21 branch meeting via Zoom. Dr. Luu is the Public Health Officer of Yuba and Sutter Counties.

Dr. Phuong Luu joined Yuba and Sutter counties in mid-January and since then, has been leading the bi-county COVID-19 response; she even acted as interim Public Health Officer for Butte County for two months while they searched for a permanent replacement for Dr. Andy Miller, who retired in July.

Before joining Yuba-Sutter, Dr. Luu was the medical director of public health in the Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands, a small U.S. territory in the Pacific with a population of approximately 50,000, for four and a half years. There, she worked on a variety of public health issues including emergency preparedness and recovery following a super typhoon in 2018; surveillance and management of communicable diseases such as tuberculosis, STDs and dengue fever; and programmatic and policies to address non-communicable diseases prevention such as hypertension, diabetes, and chronic kidney disease.

She graduated from University of Washington School of Medicine with honors in 2010 before serving her Internal Medicine Residency – Primary Care Track at George Washington University through 2013. She then had a General Internal Medicine Fellowship at Johns Hopkins University from 2013 to 2015. While at Hopkins, she also obtained a Master of Health Sciences in Clinical Epidemiology. During that time, her research focused on transitions of care and end of life goals discussion. She holds an active California State Medical License.

Council Chat *by Liz Skelly, Executive Council Leader*

I hope this issue of the *Feather Vane* finds you and your family in good health and ready to celebrate some quality family time at Thanksgiving (hence my turkey shirt!). And speaking of the *Feather Vane*, I want to thank Artis Buerki for her time and talent in putting our newsletter together. She puts a lot of time in to prodding us about getting the articles in to her on a timely basis and then has to edit/arrange the various pieces into a cohesive newsletter. Her skills are way better than mine and she is invaluable to AAUW.

We had our October branch meeting on the 17th with the League of Women Voters representative Claudia Bonsignore and it was very informative. We had 22 members tune in and I think we all came away with more information on the various ballot measures. Even though the election will have come and gone by the time you receive this newsletter take note of these websites for future reference: www.lwvc.org and Voter's Edge (www.votersedge.org).

I'm hoping our members don't shy away from using Zoom as a medium for communicating our meetings. On the down side, we all miss the in-person meetings and the opportunity to chat with our fellow members and share a meal but, on the plus side, when our meetings start there is always a lot of catching up with each other AND you only have to put on a nice top since no one can see the sweat pants you're wearing.....plus you don't have to worry about driving. I've really become a believer in Zoom. Members have commented that they're keeping in touch with family and friends this way. I know I plan on setting up a Zoom meeting with my Bunco buddies this next month since we haven't met since the whole pandemic thing started in March. I want to encourage our members to tune in via Zoom—it's easy. If any of you need help, contact any one of the Executive Council and we'll be happy to help.

Reminder: Be sure to check your email "spam" to see if any AAUW emails are being sent there. I know I've experienced this issue and other members have mentioned the same problem. Not sure why but now I check spam just in case.

Be sure to tune in to our Branch meeting on November 21 to hear Bi-County Public Health Officer Dr. Phuong Luu speak. The discussion will be more wide ranging than what you're reading in the newspaper—we promise! Take care everyone and enjoy the fall weather!



Find us on Facebook: AAUW.MVYC

Never Stop Learning – OLLI classes on line

From Investing Skills to Learning a New Language, Asian Art History to Climate Change – These are only a few of the more than 50 class topics offered at OLLI, the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at CSU Chico, "where learning never retires." As their slogan indicates, these educational opportunities are predominately, but not limited, to people 50 plus.

Here is the Fall Catalog of Classes:

<https://rceonline2.csuchico.edu/olli/classes/schedule/2020f>

Classes are completely online this fall and next spring via Zoom. Many are pre-recorded and you can watch at your convenience. Most of the 'live' classes are being recorded so it's easy to catch up. OLLI says that they have many new members from out of the area this year because of the convenience of online learning. It's never too late to learn something new! *Artis Buerki, Editor*

Let's learn how to use ZOOM. The advantages of ZOOM.

Some of us believe ZOOM is here to stay, as business is offering more opportunities for working from home; those who have difficulty traveling to entertainment and events can continue to be part of social events. Due to the Pandemic, many of us are spending more time at home. Numerous opportunities are offered through Zoom. The Appeal even announced the Yuba Sutter Oratorio Society is offering a second concert this week. Our AAUW Branch has members that will help you learn how to use Zoom.

I have been attending OLLI Life Long Learning classes for several years in classrooms in Roseville, Nevada City, and Lincoln. Now I participate in OLLI classes in my home with Zoom. There is no traveling expense and I can enjoy a cup of tea along with the classes that I choose. The fees are reasonable. The instructors are retired from their profession. Information is listed in this article. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to get in touch with me, 530-680-0356. *Joann Nixon*



Did You Know? Did you know that our own member, **Gretchen Cupp**, is the President of YSDADA, the Yuba Sutter Domestic Animal Disaster Assistance here in our area. This is what she says about this wonderful community service.

Update on dog shelter - fall 2020

The North Complex fire was the 4th declared disaster that Yuba Sutter Domestic Animal Disaster Assistance (YSDADA) has responded to. We are activated by the Office of Emergency Services which directs us where to set up. We began the shelter on Sept. 8th and closed it on Sept. 25th. All the dogs we sheltered had been brought in by their owners, and most owners were able to come and get them when we notified them we were closing. We sheltered a total of 67 dogs. Cats and other small pets were handled by Fieldhaven Feline Rescue. We are a 501c3 nonprofit and I can be reached by email at president@ysdada.org, our on our website www.ysdada.org.



Membership

by Lee Jones, Membership Leader, 674-1942, Cell 530-300-0214, or email lee@harkeyhouse.com.

We will all remember the year 2020 for a variety of reasons. AAUW members who died this year are Pat Fournier, Rosalie Pitt, Marjorie Muck, and Nancy Robinson. Our branch has donated \$50 per member to Sutter County or Yuba County library in their memories. Because all of these women were involved in children's education, the books donated in their names are in the children's section of the library.

Meet A New Member – Joyce Smith

Joyce joined our branch last month, and was recruited by Jeanine Rounds before Jeanine moved away. This is what Joyce wrote about herself:

Hello to all,
My name is Joyce Smith and I am recently retired. After working in many facets of the cosmetology industry, I now have time to give helping others and hopefully making it a little easier for young women (especially single mothers) to achieve their dreams. I completed my cosmetology course in 1963, worked continuously with the short time off to give birth. A son Michael in 1965, and a daughter Michele in 1966.

My work has been rewarding, allowing me to raise children, purchase a home and travel to many countries around the world. I enjoy hiking, gardening, and road trips across the U.S. and Canada. Florida is the only state I have yet to visit.

My biggest joy and satisfaction is to watch my two granddaughters grow into beautiful and responsible young ladies. Spending time with them is Love on Steroids!

College for me wasn't until after my daughter attended in Sacramento. I took evening and online classes at Yuba College while working full time. I finally earned an AA degree in business and social science in 2004. I hope to become an asset to your group and contribute what talents I may have to further the education of young ladies that like myself might not have the opportunity.

I am anxious to meet all of you, *Joyce Smith*

TEM Report -- Neena Judge

by Joann Nixon, TEM Coordinator

I am pleased to report that I have been able to keep in touch with Neena Judge who was a Teck Trekker (2013) and Tech Trek Camp Junior Counselor (2016). In a recent text message, she let us know that she is doing well. She just transferred to the University of Nevada-Reno this semester and is living in Reno. She transferred from Sonoma State because she was having trouble getting classes she needed.

Her transfer actually benefitted her academically and UNR is constantly trying to make sure that the students are meeting 100 % of their potential. She is hoping to get into Med School, and UNR has a great program, she said. Her major is Biology with a minor in Psychology. All lectures are via ZOOM and lab classes are bi-weekly when she will be on campus and in a classroom.

She has projected to graduate in May, 2022, and is taking an interest in Cardiology.

In the past, when Neena and I were in touch with each other, we talked about the high school years. She said she had to change friendship circles several times to find a compatible group. These statements reflect our comments to the younger TEM girls about working toward their goals. It is important to find "like minded" friends that are focusing on goals throughout high school and college.

It was a pleasure to hear from Neena about her accomplishments and progress. Also, as you can tell, contact with Neena benefits the younger Teams.



This is a photo of Neena when she came to speak at the Pizza Party that kicked off the TEM Program with the 2018 Tech Trek Team.

Photo by Joann Nixon



In this 2016 photo, Neena is shown 2nd from left at the Pizza Party when these four Tech Trek alum came to talk with the

new Tech Trekkers. (L-R) Maya Morales (TT 2012), Neena Judge (TT 2013), Madeline Morrison (TT 2014), Erin Ramirez (TT 2015). Photo by Artis Buerki

Tech Trek going virtual in 2021

by Carol Clark, Tech Trek Co-Chair

We recently received the information below from AAUW Tech Trek State level. AAUW has canceled the summer 2021 Tech Trek camps in all states as the Covid-19 outbreak continues.

We plan to go forward with our selection of girls from our area, and will work with the Tech Trek State Coordinators as they develop a VIRTUAL PROGRAM from which the girls can benefit. The Virtual Camp curriculum is being worked out at UC San Diego and they are trying to make it a valuable and worthwhile experience.

A NEW FOCUS FOR 2021

California Pivots after AAUW Cancels All 2021 Tech Trek Residential Camps

by Susan Negrete and Alice Hill, Tech Trek State Coordinators, techtrek@aauw-ca.org.

With absolute concern being the health and safety of AAUW member, students, camp leaders, staff, teachers, and volunteers, AAUW recently announced that Tech Trek camps in all states must be closed for the 2021 season.

This news was extremely disappointing to all our stakeholders. However, the good news is California Tech Trek will not go dark in 2021!

We are planning now to pivot to a virtual platform.

While a virtual offering will not be the same experience as our prestigious residential camps – for as long as the pandemic creates a major health risk to our members and all participants – AAUW has determined no in-person camps can be held and AAUW California endorses this decision.

TEM Report – Joscelyn Robles

by Joann Nixon, TEM Coordinator

I encourage the TEM girls to keep in contact and tell us what they are doing. We hope TEM Members can offer an overview of their week from time to time. **Joscelyn Robles** attended our branch meeting in September via Zoom. Here is a picture of Joscelyn in 2019 at Tech Trek camp where she made this solar car in her core class. The following is a message recently received from Joscelyn:

October 7, 2020. Here is a little update for what I've been doing during these times: this week I am doing



my finals for my classes for the first semester in high school. We've been doing online distance learning and Zoom with classes. It's been a lot of work to keep up with and I haven't had much free time. I will keep you updated and try to send an email about my Tech Trek experiences and more about how I've been during these times.

Joscelyn Robles

Interbranch Council (IBC)

by Janet Theiss, IBC Representative

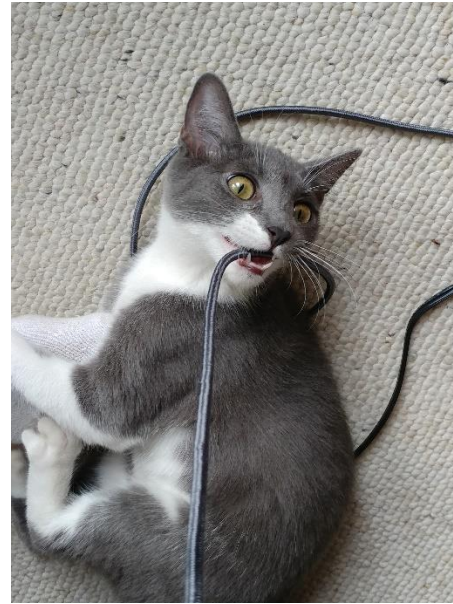
The **November 2, 2020**, meeting will be a 6:00 p.m. Zoom meeting. If you'd like to join in, contact me.

We hope (one can always hope) the **Interbranch Luncheon** will be at 11:30 a.m. at a restaurant on **Saturday, February 6, 2021**, the location to be decided by our Maryville-Yuba City branch. However, we will do whatever the current COVID-19 guidelines recommend. Regardless, we will have the meeting and speaker Zoomed for those who are not comfortable attending. (This meets the new AAUW-CA guideline.)

The **May 3, 2021**, meeting will be in Gridley or Zoomed at 6 p.m.

Cat in the Zoom Room

by Gwyn Baker



Why I hate having my camera on during Zoom meetings— During our last meeting I had my notes, calendar, a newspaper, and my phone which was plugged into the wall all laid out on the bed. Our youngest cat, who spends its mornings on an amped up, sugar-high binge of terror, was grabbing my pen, ripping at the papers, doing its usual. We battled a bit for control of the pen, eventually I relented and found myself a new pen. It started to chew at my notes, so I gave it the newspaper which it immediately ripped to shreds. About this time I moved my phone which caused the charging cable to catch its eye. Its sharp teeth have already sliced through numerous headphone cords and charging cables. I'm worried it is going to either rip my phone out of the wall or electrocute itself. So I'm trying to get the cable out of its mouth which I'm half-tempted to just go ahead and strangle it with.

I'm hanging off the side of the bed really battling it out when my daughter walks in. The cat focuses on its new prey with laser-like precision and launches across the bed. She puts her hand up to defend herself and takes a bad slice to the pinky and ring-finger. She doubles over face down on the bed clutching her hand, and now her head provides an enticing swirling mass of hair that the cat cannot resist. It starts pouncing over and over again on her head, she's crying, I'm trying to pull the cat out of her hair. Finally I crumple up the shredded newspaper and throw it at the headboard which provides a distraction. My daughter escapes with only minor injuries. So although I was able to follow along pretty well and even take some notes, I think you can see why I often prefer to keep my camera off.

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 email buncehall@yahoo.com.



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 Pat Jones, 674-0114.**



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



TALKING ON PAPER -- Five TALKING ON PAPER members met at Donna's on October 13. She had placed chairs at a distance from each other in her nice garage and there we convened for a fun and in-person gathering to read our recently written stories to each other. What fun to see Donna Long, Nancy Johnston, Barbara Douyon, and Gwyn Baker in real time, looking happy and energetic....unlike at a Zoom meeting. This was our first gathering since the 90th birthday party for June Wilcox four months ago. We enjoyed beverages, Cookie Tree cookies, and grapes. Donna displayed her beautiful artwork featuring her Grandmother. We all read our stories of inspiration, creativity, revelation, personal history, humor, and travel. What a great morning. Next meeting, if weather permits, will be Tuesday, **November 10th**, in Barbara Douyon's yard. We need rain but we hope for a clear day. We wear masks and keep our distance at our meetings and follow the rules during this Covid-19 "inspired" time of our lives. Come join us. **Call Joan Young 713-1279 for more information.**

TRAVELING GOURMET  Traveling Gourmet normally meets on the fourth Thursday of the month but is not meeting now because of COVID 19. **If you want to be on the Traveling Gourmet contact list please contact Carol Clark, 301-2164, or Joan Young, 713-1279.**



What are you reading now? **Tell us about a book or an author that you like, and we'll write about it in the *Feather Vane*. This is just one more way that we can stay in touch with each other during this time apart. Email to Feather Vane editor, artisb@comcast.net. You do not have to be a Book Club member to participate.**

BOOKS I've enjoyed --

Journey to Munich by Jacqueline Winspear

Jacqueline Winspear Is a present day writer, born in Kent, England, and now living in California. If you like historical novels, you will like her writings. I met Maisie Dobbs in her first novel by the same name, as a 13 year old girl who goes to work as a maid in the home of a wealthy family. The Maisie Dobbs series takes us through her participation as an 18 year old nurse in the Great War, and into pre-WW2 as she is now a private detective, psychologist/investigator in Journey to Munich, set in 1938. Maisie is working with the British Secret Service on an undercover mission. She's sent to Hitler's Germany. The German government has agreed to release an important British subject from prison, but only if he is handed over to a family member; and Maisie, posing as the daughter, is off to Dachau, outside of Munich, to bring him home.

Winspear writes with a knowledge of the English countryside, a firm understanding of history, and a sensitive and intelligent story-telling style. Ever since my AAUW reading group, AVID Readers, read the very first Maisie Dobbs book, probably 10 years ago, I've been able to relate to, and care about, the characters, most of whom, including her family and her staff, who are carried over from book to book. If you like mystery stories, and

historical novels, you will enjoy reading any of the more than a dozen Jacqueline Winspear books. They do not have to be read in order.

Review by Artis Buerki

TRUST by Pete Buttigieg

The book entitled Trust has literally just gone to press. The author, Pete Buttigieg, was a former two-term mayor of South Bend, a 2020 Democratic presidential candidate, a Rhodes Scholar, a Navy veteran, and an openly gay man.

Buttigieg contends that our success or failure at confronting the greatest challenges of the decade--racial and economic justice, pandemic resilience and climate action-- will rest on whether we can effectively cultivate, deepen, and, where necessary, repair the networks of trust that are now endangered, or for so many, have never even existed.

The author's varied personal experiences allow him to cite numerous examples of the loss of trust (in each other, in our leaders and between nations). Yet he also suggests ways that trust can be restored.

This book is a fast read and will, I believe, be as well received by critics as was his first book, The Shortest Way Home. If you are concerned about what's been happening in America, you will find this book very thought provoking.

Review by Pat Jones

PUBLIC POLICY REPORT - SB 973 Signed by the Governor!

by Kathi Harper

AAUW California Public Policy Co-Chair

In 2018, AAUW co-sponsored a bill requiring companies with more than 100 employees to collect and report to the Department of Fair Employment and Housing data on:

1. The number of employees by race, ethnicity, and sex for 10 job categories;
2. The number of employees by race, ethnicity, and sex, whose annual earnings fall within certain pay bands;
3. The total number of hours worked by each employee counted in each pay band during the reporting year.

The purpose of the bill is "to allow for designated state agencies to collect wage data to more efficiently identify wage patterns and allow for targeted enforcement of equal pay or discrimination laws." The bill failed in 2019, and was re-introduced last year by the same author, Senator Hannah-Beth Jackson (D-Santa Barbara), and was signed by Governor Newsom on September 30th – the last day in the last hour!

Fifteen other AAUW California-supported bills were also signed by the Governor, including: improved medical care for incarcerated pregnant women (**AB732**); protection for women testifying in sexual assault cases from having their testimony of alcohol or drug use at the time of the assault used against them in a separate prosecution (**AB1927**); addition of "sexual harassment" as a form of prohibited sex discrimination in higher education (**SB493**); and expansion of the California Family Rights Act to require any employer with 5 or more employees to grant a request by an employee to take up to 12 workweeks of unpaid protected leave during any 12-month period to bond with a new child or to care for themselves or a child, parent, grandparent, grandchild, sibling, spouse, or domestic partner (**SB1383**).

Finally, as part of our "white allyship" posture, we are proud to have supported six bills that were enacted to address racial injustice and/or to enhance opportunities for Black women: **AB979**, requiring corporations to include a specified number of members from underrepresented communities on their boards of directors; **AB1196 and AB1506**, regulating police use of force; **AB1460**, requiring ethnic studies as a graduation requirement in CSU schools; **AB3070**, addressing discriminatory use of peremptory challenges in jury selection; and **AB3121**, establishing a task force to study and develop reparation proposals.

You can find additional information on these and all our 2019-20 bills on "Capitol Track" on our website. <https://www.aauw-ca.org/category/public-policy/bill-tracking-advocacy/>



Secretary's Notes

Executive Council meeting

October 8, 2020

by Nancy Johnston, EC Secretary

The Executive Council met on Oct. 8 at 1 pm. Those in attendance were: Gwyn Baker, Programs; Sandra Davini, Treasurer; Janet Theiss, Communications; Martha Bunce, Projects; Nancy Johnston, Secretary, Artis Buerki, Bylaws. Members at Large present were: Joann Nixon, Carol Clark.

Call to Order, 1:07 p.m.

Information/Action Items:

Last month's minutes were approved by all. Barbara Douyon/Janet Theiss should send out a reminder for the Branch meeting on Tuesday and Friday, the week prior to the branch meeting. The next EC meeting will be on November 12th, 1pm.

Reports from Executive Council

EC Leader's Report: Liz Skelly was not present. Sandy Davini ran the meeting. Gwyn Baker said that the Coalition Brunch at the Peach Tree on December 12 has been cancelled so there will not be a December branch meeting.

Correspondences: Nothing to report.

Treasurer's Report/Proposed 20-21 Budget: Sandra Davini reported we'll leave the budget as it is until we know more about what will happen in 2021.

Public Policy, Advocacy: Martha Bunce: AAUW has put a lot of effort into getting people out to vote this year. *Feather Vane* has our positions.

Membership: It was reported that our current membership is 70. Last year we had 86 members.

Bylaws: Artis Buerki reported that the branch bylaws state that the EC should appoint a new Nominating Committee of 3 people at the first meeting of the branch year for the purpose of filling vacancies at the end of this branch year (July 1, 2021). Martha and Gwyn agreed to serve on the 20-21 Nomination Committee. The current EC Leaders who will term out on July 1, 2021 are Lee Jones, Sandy Davini, Artis Buerki (who is finishing Karen Tuttle's Bylaws term), and Gwyn Baker (who is finishing Barbara Solheim's Program term). Sandy and Gwyn agreed today to run for new terms. Artis does not wish to start a new term, but will return as an EC Member-at-large next year. Lee was not available to comment and needs to be asked. It appears that

the Nominating Com. will need to find 1 or 2 new officers for the 2021-22 branch year.

Communications: Janet Theiss reported the Roster is not completed yet. It should be finished and will be mailed this month.

Artis Buerki reported the deadline is October 22nd for articles to appear in the November 2020 *Feather Vane*.

Programs: Gwyn Baker has many tentative speakers for this coming year. The program committee will meet on October 22nd and prioritize the speakers.

Projects: Martha Bunce

STEM conference. Sandy reported we are trying to create a Google Classroom link so the kids can access our videos in their normal classroom online.

GARDEN TOUR: Two gardens decided they do not want to participate in 2021, so we are looking for two new gardens to highlight on our Garden Tour. Janet Theiss reported on the Sutter Buttes Garden Club, and it looks favorable for outdoor activity. They sold as much as they typically do at the Fair Grounds.

TECH TREK: Carol Clark reported Tech Trek will be virtual in 2021. Carol will draft her request for a scholarship for the 2020 Tech Trek girls, and send her request to Branch Leader.

TEAM OF EXTRAORDINARY MINDS: Joann Nixon reported she talked to Joscelyn Robles who could not be present at the September Branch meeting due to connectivity issues. She will write up her presentation for the *Feather Vane*.

SCHOLARSHIPS: Nothing to report.

Other Reports:

Interbranch—Janet Theiss: Nothing to report.

Historian—Karen Tuttle: no report

Sunshine—Gretchen Cupp: no report

Coalition Brunch/ Drawing – has been cancelled

Other Business – Nothing to report

Future Agenda Items: Discussion on what Branch meetings might look like after the Pandemic is over. We'll also discuss this at the Program and EC meetings.

Respectfully submitted, Nancy Johnston, Secretary

Editor's Note: Please contact Executive Council Secretary for the final approved minutes after the next Executive Council meeting.

Feather Vane Staff

Editor and email distribution – Artis Buerki

Mailing and Proofing – Joan Young

Photographer – Joann Nixon

Communications Leader – Janet Theiss

YOUR GIFT TO OUR SCHOLARSHIP AND OTHER PROGRAMS ENABLES WOMEN TO BROADEN THEIR HORIZONS THROUGH EDUCATION

Please send this form with your check(s) to AAUW, P.O. Box 3031, Yuba City, CA 95992

Donor's Name _____

Address _____ Phone _____

_____ In memory or honor (circle one) of: _____ \$ _____

_____ Yuba College Scholarship (Check to **Yuba College Foundation-AAUW**) _____ \$ _____

_____ Tech Trek Fund (Make check payable to **AAUW CA SPF**) _____ \$ _____

_____ Yuba College Book Fund (Make check payable to **AAUW**) _____ \$ _____

_____ Local Branch Operations /helps fund local activities (Make check payable to **AAUW**) _____ \$ _____

_____ AAUW Educational and Training Fund (Make check payable to **AAUW/ Note ET-4450 on memo line**) _____ \$ _____

_____ Legal Advocacy Fund (make check payable to **AAUW/note "LAF" on memo line**) _____ \$ _____

AAUW Mission & Action Renewed STEM Momentum

Thanks to a generous bequest from AAUW member and scientific pioneer [Nancy Grace Roman](#), AAUW is pursuing several important STEM initiatives this fall. Roman, who died in 2018, served as NASA's first chief astronomer and is known as the mother of the Hubble Telescope. We're launching projects to increase STEM participation by women of color and expand opportunities in the physical sciences and engineering. We'll also assess how parents and guardians can influence higher educational choices for girls.

Applications for 2021-22 Fellowships and Grants Now Open

Do you know any women pursuing postgraduate studies, furthering their careers, or working on a program to benefit women and girls? Point them to our [fellowships and grants](#) applications.

Deadlines run from **November to December**. www.aauw.org



FEATHER VANE

Artis Buerki, Editor

P.O. Box 334, Sutter, CA 95982

To find us on line just CTRL+LEFT CLICK on any of these underlined links

Our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/AAUW.MVYC

Our branch website: <http://mvyc-ca.aauw.net/>

AAUW California: www.aauw-ca.org/

AAUW National: www.aauw.org

NOVEMBER, 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5 11 am via Zoom or Email Garden Tour Committee	6	7
8	9	10 10 am Talking on Paper	11	12 10 am via Zoom STEM Committee 1 pm via Zoom Executive Council	13	14
15	16	17	18	19 TBD Traveling Gourmet	20 Via EMAIL Book Clubs	21 Via ZOOM Branch Program Meeting
22	23 DEADLINE DECEMBER FEATHER VANE	24	25	26 HAPPY  THANKSGIVING	27	28
29	30					

Do not print this page.

This page is blank