



Feather Vane – MARCH, 2022

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, MARCH 10, 1 pm. LOCATION TBD.** Contact is Liz Skelly, 530-635-0821. Tell Liz, or any EC member, if you want to attend Executive Council meetings and be appointed an EC Member at Large for a year

STEM CONFERENCE, MARCH 28

by Miriam Root

After a two year hiatus, the 8th Grade Girls Stem Conference is returning. On Monday, March 28, 2022 almost 500 8th grade girls from the Yuba-Sutter area will descend upon Yuba College in Marysville to learn more about the opportunities in the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) professions. The Marysville Yuba City branch of AAUW started offering the conference in 1985.

The committee, headed up by Sandy Davini, has been working diligently with the local middle schools to get students enrolled and securing speakers, presenters and facilitators. Currently there are 17 different fields of study that the girls will be able to choose from including agriculture, criminology, forensics science, finance, health careers, and civil engineering, just to name a few.

The keynote speaker for the morning will be inspirational local leader, Preet Didbal, former mayor of Yuba City. She was elected in 2014 and was the first Sikh female mayor in the United States.

At the conclusion of the half day conference, students have the option of taking a tour of the Yuba College campus. Most students take advantage of this opportunity where they are able to hear directly from current Yuba College students about what the college experience is like.

There is no branch meeting in March due to our March 28 STEM Career Opportunities Conference for 8th grade girls at Yuba College.



Tea Bag Fundraiser

In February, each of our branch members received a teabag in the mail, and a letter explaining our annual Education and Training Tea Bag Fundraiser. Your donations support opportunities for women.

Please participate in this event by writing a check for \$15 or more to: AAUW and write ET-#4450 in the memo line.

Mail your check to AAUW, PO Box 3031, Yuba City, CA 95992, by March 31, 2022. Total donations of \$750 will allow us to designate a branch member for the AAUW National Award for outstanding service: the Education and Training Opportunities Named Gift Honoree Award. If you have any questions contact our Treasurer, Sandy Davini.

MAY 7 GARDEN TOUR garden hostesses are

needed. Say YES to Barbara Kenney, 530-713-1854, or Joyce Smith, 530-674-9178 when they ask you to work a shift. If you don't get a call, phone them!



GARDEN TOUR
First Saturday in May
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GARDEN TOUR TICKETS --LOCAL STORES ARE HELPING US, NOW IT'S OUR TURN.

Here's our chance to make sure there is enough money to do the good work we do! The Garden Tour is our ONLY fund raiser (yay!), and local stores are selling ticket for us. Let's help them out!

In March each of us will receive TWO ticket (\$25/each) in the mail. PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE sell or purchase them and send a \$50 check in the addressed envelope provided. Or bring it to the April 16 Branch

MARYSVILLE-YUBA CITY, CALIFORNIA, AAUW BRANCH Meeting. I don't know about you, but for the first time ever, I've had people ASK to buy tickets. You will find willing buyers. Oh, and you DID promise Garden Tour tickets as Christmas presents, didn't you? Now is the time to send those presents to the lucky recipients! And if you want more tickets to sell, just ask us.

Martha Bunce, GT Chair

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Public Policy by *Martha Bunce*

ERA is *a-l-m-o-s-t* the law of the land --

The Equal Rights Amendment will make it clear that the Constitution applies to all people, and the required number of states have voted to approve it. But. . . . An arbitrary deadline (which is NOT required by the Constitution) was not met. The call to remove such deadline (S.J. Res 1) is stalled in the Senate after passing the House in 2020 with bipartisan support. Our California Senators support S.J. 1, but do you have friends and relatives in other states? Email, text, call, snail mail them and urge them to support the ERA! And we might want to thank our senators!

Student Debt is a gender and racial equity issue --

Over two thirds of the \$1.7 TRILLION in outstanding student loan debt is held by women, with Black women taking on the most substantial burden, according to ASUW research. (Check the new AAUW publication [Where We Stand: Student Debt](#)). AAUW has advocated for student loan relief before and during the pandemic, and we're not stopping. We are partnering with the United State of Women (USOW) for a national day of action on February 17 to highlight the student debt crisis for women. Even if you don't participate in that, urge your member of Congress to end the student debt crisis by canceling some debt and enacting policies that help borrowers, including income-driven repayment reform and doubling the maximum Pell Grant award.

Want some nostalgia? Take a look at the FEATHER VANE ten years ago. I've posted the December 2012 Feather Vane on our website. Here is the link (ctrl+left click) [Microsoft Word - FINAL_FV December 2012.doc \(aauw.net\)](#) You will be surprised what you remember about our AAUW branch a decade ago.

Nominating Committee Report

by Artis Buerki, Lee Jones & Christy Estabrook

Branch Election is in April -- This year our election of Executive Council officers will take place at our Annual Meeting on **April 16**. Our Executive Council is made up of 8 officers. Terms are staggered. Three terms will end and all 3 have agreed to run for new terms, but not necessarily serving in the same capacity. New terms will begin on July 1, 2022.

Nominees are:

Martha Bunce
Sandy Davini
Liz Skelly

Vote for 3. If you prefer to nominate from the floor you may do so, but be sure that the person you nominate has agreed to be nominated. If there are no additional nominations from the floor, approval can be by a voice vote at the Annual Meeting.

Note: Linda Zall and Miriam Root were appointed this year to fill jobs vacated by Janet Theiss and Nancy Johnston. Other continuing officers on the Executive Council are Christy Estabrook, Lee Jones, and Gwyn Baker.

Thank You to Gordon Tom and Judy Mann who were our speakers at the Feb. 19 branch meeting. We learned a lot about the upcoming Bok Kai Parade, the Bok Kai Temple, and the history of Marysville's Chinatown going back to the 1850s. Gordon Tom is the historian of Marysville's Chinatown having been born and raised there. Judy Mann is the director of the Info Center on 4th Street, and she is the representative to Marysville's Sister City of Peikang, Taiwan.



Barbara McCarty remembered *by Artis Buerki*

I am sad to report that our old friend, Barbara McCarty passed away in December. Barbara and I met when she was coordinating the Coalition Brunch in about 2004, and I was the Soroptimist Club rep, new on The Coalition Committee, and pretty new to Sutter County. She told me I could be in AAUW too, and she recruited me on the spot. I remember Barbara as a funny, always smiling, kind, talented woman who you could always count on to emcee an event or go to the radio station and tape a PSA.

Barbara Douyon said that “I remember—when I was a relatively new member— standing somewhat apart from the group as we entered someone’s home for a meeting. I felt a bit uneasy. She came to me; recalled our earlier acquaintance; stayed, talked and laughed—and then walked into the meeting with me. I felt welcomed. I’ve never forgotten that.”

Martha Bunce wrote that Barbara was "The Voice of AAUW Marysville-Yuba City," pitching Garden Tour with style, humor and grace. Christy Estabrook said that she knew Barbara from the Acting Company Theater. “She was in many shows I saw there. ALWAYS a delight!”

If it was being on stage at The Acting Company or hosting an event, Barbara was 100% there. She studied Theater Arts and Education at College of the Pacific where she graduated in 1952. In addition to AAUW, she donated her time to the Children’s Reading Program at the Library, was a frequent blood donor, was in the Ladies Auxiliary at Rideout Hospital, and was a member of three local Red Hat clubs. Though ill and not able to join the last 2 years, Barbara McCarty leaves a long and lasting memory with many of her friends here. A donation will be made to the Library in her name for purchase of books that reflect her interests: children and acting.

Membership Report -- If you have a friend who is thinking about joining, bring her to the March 19 branch meeting. For membership information, contact Lee Jones, 530-674-1942, c/ 530-300-0214, or email lee@harkeyhouse.com. Our branch membership is now 82 with the addition of several new members who joined in Feb. Please welcome Donna Burrows, Janet Staser, and Julie Goldwyn, and add them to your Roster.

Donna Burrows, 1144 Nadene Drive, Marysville 95901, 530.742.1902; c/530.755.6066, chefdlb@comcast.net. AS degree from Yuba College in 1983. Donna was recruited by her sister, Linda Zall!

Janet Staser, 530-743-5771, janet_staser@yahoo.com
More about Janet next month.

Julie Goldwyn, 527 Dale Ave., Yuba City 95993, 530.933.1374, jgoldwyn4@gmail.com. BS-Biology & Human Development and MSW CSU Sacramento, 1984.

Meet our new member - Julie Goldwyn

Julie was recruited by Gwyn Baker. I think Gwyn has already recruited her for STEM!



I was born in San Francisco, CA in 1959 and raised in Marin County. I am the oldest of three. I have two younger sisters. Each of my sisters have two children. My mother is still alive and is 84 years old. My dad passed away in 2014.

My husband, David, and I met at UC Davis and we moved to Yuba City because he got a job working for Bank of America here in 1983. I have two sons, Josh who is 32 years old and Bryan is 28 years. I graduated from Redwood High School after three years ('73-'76) 34th out of 1054 students with goals of being a Pediatrician. I graduated from UC Davis in 1981 with a BS in Biology and Human Development. Although my GPA was 3.3, it was not considered up to par for Medical School. I received my Masters in Social Work from Sacramento State in 1984 and a multiple subject teaching credential from Chapman University in 1996.

After receiving my MSW degree, I worked at a shelter for runaway teenagers and in the crisis clinic at Sutter-Yuba Mental Health. From 1984-1996 I worked for Sutter County Child Protective Services in Emergency response, Family Maintenance and Permanent Planning. I taught middle school from 1996-2020 at Brittan, Nuestro, and Central Gaither Schools.

I enjoy gardening, making jam, crafts, walking on the bike path with our dog, swimming, and knitting. Every 8th grade girl who graduated from Nuesto and Central Gaither during the year I worked there and all of the 5th graders in my class (my last two school years) have received scarfs from me for Christmas.

Meet our new member – Edette Mills

Edette joined our branch in January and is already an enthusiastic member of our Talking on Paper writing group. She was recruited by Betty Bonner and Joan Young.



My story begins with my birth in the small town of Boone, Iowa, where my mother and father travelled to insure that I would be born among my mother’s family. We spent the next eight years following construction and mining to keep food in our mouths and a roof over our heads. Finally finding a home in San Francisco, where I attended an all-girls private school and discovered a love for classical music, attempting both violin and piano. My high-school years were in San Jose, and after graduation I entered Nurses training at O’Conner Hospital School of Nursing. 1958 was an eventful year for me, having passed boards I was registered as a Nurse in California and I also became the wife of my Soul mate Al Mills.

We lived in San Jose for the next 17 years and in 1975 Al accepted a position as Assistant D.A. for Yuba County and we moved to Yuba City with our seven-day-old sixth child. A whole new chapter opened for me with many surprises for me along the way. In 1977 my husband died following complications from minor surgery, and I returned to nursing. I worked in a doctor’s office for 10 years; then transferred into hospital nursing and at age 63 I retired. That didn’t last long. I was fortunate that I was accepted as a Clinical/Skilled Instructor at Yuba College where I remained until age 75.

I have six children, 12 grandchildren, and twelve great-grandchildren. You will find me at the Dollar Store in the card aisle at every minor or major event attempting to keep in touch with the family. I love to read crime fiction, historical fiction, and an occasional non-steamy romance novel. I keep my hands busy with cross stitch embroidery, crocheting and knitting. I belong to Iota Sigma and have spent many hours purchasing and packing food for those in need for C.A.N., Food Bank, and St. Vincent De Paul. In the past I volunteered at A Woman’s Friend as nurse consoler. Now I bring them children’s books donated by Iota Sigma as part of our literacy program. Betty Bonner and Joan Young both invited me to join AAUW, and I am grateful. *Photo courtesy of Joan Young*

Did you know?



Happy Birthday to all our members who have March birthdays including **Debbie Naylor, Beverly Paget, Karen Villalobos and Jan Wallace.**



Did you know that March’s birth flower is the daffodil? It’s all too appropriate that these cheerful yellow flowers represent the first month of spring. These little buds of sunshine symbolize unparalleled love and serve as a reminder that the sun is always shining when loved ones are in your life. Varieties of daffodils, also known as jonquil and narcissus, vary in color, feature white, orange and yellow blooms.

What do YOU know that we can share in the next Feather Vane? Is your birthday next month? Tell us so we can recognize you in the Feather Vane. Contact Artis Buerki, artisb@comcast.net, by 15th of the month prior to YOUR birthday month.

AN INVITATION -- AAUW Oroville would like to invite you and your members to our annual Tea/Luncheon in honor of Women’s History Month and our Tech Trek fundraiser. Our special event will be **Saturday, March 12, 11:30 – 1:30** at the Presbyterian Church, 2350 Foothill Blvd, in Oroville.

The speaker will be Kristen Del Real, Science teacher at Chico Junior High School, who participated in the recent book “Miseducation: How Climate Change is taught” by investigative reporter, Katie Worth. Kristen’s talk is entitled: **Climate Change: Understanding the basics, finding solutions, and the challenges of teaching climate science in today’s world.** Kristen was recently highlighted on NPR’s Blue Dot Report. The cost is \$20 and will include salads, scones, and dessert, and, of course, tea! We will also have a fun raffle to support our Tech Trek girls. We will follow Butte County health guidelines for the event.

INTEREST SECTIONS- All branch members are welcome to participate.



ADVOCACY & ACTION

To receive advocacy and action alerts by email, contact **Martha Bunce, 530-743-0306, or email buncehall@yahoo.com** and ask her to add you to her email contact list.



BOOK CLUBS

Book Explorers Book Club normally meets on the **third Friday of the month.** Contact is **Paulette Almeida, 530-415-5588.**

Rabid Readers Book Club --The group meets on the **third Friday of the month at 10:00 a.m.** and the members have chosen some interesting books for the first three months of this new year: *Midnight in Washington: How We Almost Lost Our Democracy and Still Could* by Adam Schiff, *Born to Rule: Five Reigning Consorts, Granddaughters of Queen Victoria* by Julia P. Gelardi, and *The 1619 Project: A New Origin Story* by Nikole Hannah-Jones. The discussion is always lively and frequently encompasses a variety of other issues. If you are interested in joining this group, contact **Linda Zall, 530.713.0552, lindazall66@gmail.com** for more information.



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, 530-743-1060.**



MOVIE LOVERS --Would you like to go to a movie matinee in Yuba City at least once a month with some friends? Contact **Artis Buerki, artisb@comcast.net** if you want to be on the movie email list. Thank you to **Steve Clark** who has agreed to co-chair this group, and who will research first-run movies in Yuba City. And thank you to **Joan Young** for tracking Fathom Events older movies for us. To protect both yourself and others, please have your COVID vaccines and booster shots before attending the indoor movie theater. We prefer **Monday matinees** at the Yuba City Cinemark Theater.



TALKING ON PAPER, the writing group of Marysville-Yuba City branch, welcomes new members who like to write (poetry, personal experiences, historical items, humor, travel stories, etc.) two typed pages (for brevity) to share their stories with our T.O.P. members. We have changed to the **second Tuesday of the month**, and meet at Yuba City's Senior Center on Ashley Avenue, arriving around 9:30 for socializing, with meeting beginning at 10 am. Questions? Call **Joan Young, 530-713-1279.**



TRAVELING GOURMET normally meets on the **fourth Thursday of the month.** We meet at 10:30 for carpooling in front of the old Round Table Pizza on Gray Avenue. Even if you're not ready to join us this month, please contact **Carol Clark, 530-301-2164** to be added to the Traveling Gourmet contact list. March outing TBA



On January 27 the group traveled to Fat's in Roseville. Shown here are Kathryn, Carol, Mary, Edna, Sandy, Joan, and Christy. *Photo by Steve Clark*



**ALL AROUND TOWN
NEW Evening Interest Group**

Join me in sampling our many local restaurants. I love trying restaurants, new and old, finding great dishes, different preparations, or just the best local burger. Not only will we check out the local dining scene, we might branch out a bit occasionally and try something in the surrounding

MARYSVILLE–YUBA CITY, CALIFORNIA, AAUW BRANCH area. We can meet early in the evening for those who work or don't like being out late. If you are interested **contact Linda Zall, 530.713.0552, lindazall66@gmail.com.**

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Movie Review by Joan Young

The Wolf and the Lion – I saw the previews of this movie while attending another movie at the Yuba City Cinemark and stayed to see it. I sat by myself in an empty theater and enjoyed this beautiful true story about two cubs—a lion and a wolf-- on a private island in Canada. Beautiful cinematography. The young woman was a concert pianist and chose to stay with her beautiful animals friends rather than continue in the music world (although she had a baby grand at her home overlooking the waters surrounding the Canadian islands). It ended with more people understanding the need to protect wild animals.

The story is true. After her grandfather's death, 20-year-old Alma decides to go back to her childhood home -- a little island in the heart of a majestic forest. While there, she rescues two helpless cubs: a wolf and a lion. She names them Mozart and Dreamer. They forge an inseparable bond, but their world soon collapses when a forest ranger discovers the animals and takes them away. The two cubs embark on a treacherous journey across the wilderness and reunite with each other and Alma.

Alma was a concert pianist, or would have been if she had pursued her talents in the music world. She plays a baby grand piano in her sunroom, and at the end she performs for her neighbors who sit in their small row boats near the dock on which the piano has been transported for the occasion. The story is a message about love of animals and the importance of allowing wild animals to remain in the wild.

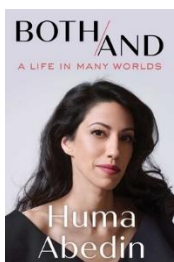
Movie Review by Gretchen M. Cupp

Death on the Nile --This Agatha Christie story has been seen on film or TV three times, but the current film is a cautionary tale about love and what people will do for it or because of it. Directed by Kenneth Branagh, who plays the detective, Poirot, it is beautiful to look at and lures you into the world of 1937 when glamorous heiress, played by Gal Gadot gathers those near and dear to her to accompany her on her honeymoon. Besides her husband, played by Armie Hammer, there is a former lover, played by Russell Brand, two Black blues musicians, played by Letitia Wright and Sophie Okonedo, her husband's former lover and school friend, played by Emma



Would you like to write a book review, a movie review, or a short story or poem (no longer than 1 column long) for the *Feather Vane*? If so please contact Artis Buerki by email artisb@comcast.net the first of any month. Let's stay away from political and sexist topics, and keep it positive and uplifting. This is just one more way that we can stay connected.

Book Review by Steve Clark



Both/And by Huma Abedin

Huma Abedin grew up with a Pakistani Mother and an Indian Father. Although she lived for many years in Saudi Arabia she was born and raised in Michigan. After attending college in Washington D.C. she had a stroke of

good luck when she was able to join the staff of Hilary Clinton and eventually became one of her key aides and loyalists. While she had an incredible career she unfortunately experienced a rough stretch in her life as the wife of ex-Congressman Anthony Weiner. Mr. Weiner had a sex addiction problem which eventually landed him in prison. They had a son together named Jordan and Ms. Abedin's book details with exquisite grace how she balanced her very demanding job on the Clinton staff with her problems with Mr. Weiner and jointly raising their son Jordan.

If anyone believes in America and the American Dream it is Huma Abedin. Never did she contemplate that she would end up working so closely with Hilary Clinton nor be involved in two presidential campaigns in 2008 and 2016. Never did she imagine that she would see so much of the world after Ms. Clinton became President Obama's selection as Secretary of State. The limitless energy and untold hours of devotion to the Clinton team that she expended made me feel tired just reading about it.

I have seen her on a few talk shows as she promotes her book and experiences working with Ms. Clinton and I find her to be an extremely bright, articulate and gracious person. You will like this book!

MARYSVILLE-YUBA CITY, CALIFORNIA, AAUW BRANCH Mackay (definitely *not* invited), an old friend of the family, played by Tom Bateman, her godmother with the older woman's nurse, and her maid. Aside from a flashback to Poirot in World War I, the film begins and ends at a blues night club where the songs foreshadow and serve as an epilog to the events on the Nile. I'd give it 4 stars out of 5 for the beautiful scenery contrasting with the ugly actions of beautiful people.

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Secretary's Notes

AAUW Executive Council Meeting
February 10, 2022 1:00 p.m. via Zoom

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STEM Committee – Please contact Sandy Davini, ddavini@comcast.net if you want to be a part of the STEM planning committee.

Tech Trek Committee – Please contact Carol Clark, 530-301-2164, if you want to be a part of the Tech Trek planning committee.

TEM (Team of Extraordinary Minds) – This is the Tech Trek Alumnus committee. Please contact Joann Nixon, 530-680-0356, if you want to be a part of the TEM committee.

Those in attendance: Liz Skelly, Executive Council Leader; Sandy Davini, Treasurer; Miriam Root, Secretary; Gwyn Baker, Program; Linda Zall, Communications; Christy Estabrook, Bylaws. MAL: Carol Anderson Clark, Debbie Naylor, Joan Young, Joann Nixon, Kathy Nehl

The meeting was called to order at 1:07 pm; Minutes of the January 13, 2022 meeting were approved by consensus; Agenda – No additional items were added to the agenda.

Information/Action Items: Reminder to write your “job” description for the June EC meeting

Reports from Executive Council

Executive Council Leader’s Report – Liz Skelly had nothing new to report since the last meeting. She still has plans to contact the YCCD Foundation.

Correspondence – Sandy reported that a donation thank you note was received from the YCCD Foundation.

Treasurer’s Report – Sandy reported that we still need to ask the county offices about funding for Tech Trek. A motion was made by Carol Clark which was seconded by Joann Nixon to approve a \$50 donation to the Sutter County Library in memory of Barbara McCarty. The motion was unanimously approved.

Public Policy, Advocacy –There was no report.

Membership – Sandy reminded the council that new memberships in February will still count towards the Shape the Future campaign. Our branch is approaching 80 members.

Nominating Committee – No report

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Bylaws – Nothing to report, no changes

Communications – Feather Vane, Webmaster, and Social Media – The Garden Tour information is up on social media and AAUW’s webpage; Reservations -No issues to report; Roster –Linda reported that the master labels are complete for the Tea Bag Fundraiser and the Garden Tour Ticket mailing. The deadline is Feb. 21 for the Feather Vane. Miriam Root will write an article about the STEM conference for publication in the upcoming Feather Vane.

Programs – Gwyn Baker reported that there are 20 RSVP’s so far for the February Branch Meeting. Reminders will be sent and callers will be calling this weekend. Gwyn will connect with the caterer and Steve will be checking people in. There is no meeting in March and May. April’s presentation will be a local falconer. The June presentation will be by the Yuba Sutter Regional Arts Council and they require proof of vaccination which will be conveyed to the membership.

Projects –
STEM Conference -- Sandy reported that the committee met earlier in the day. There are approximately 400 girls registered so far. Hillcrest Catering will be providing the lunches, Yuba College students will be providing tours. There are 16 presenters so far. Gwyn is still collecting names for facilitators. Meeting again on March 10.

Garden Tour -- The Garden Tour on schedule. There are 7 gardens and the reception will be held at The Brick In Marysville. A donation was received from Plumas Bank. The GAP parking lot will once again be

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used for check in and wristband distribution. The online tickets are working and the Senior Center only has one person signed up for the bus tour.

Tech Trek - We received the manual and the fee per student is \$900 this year. The money is due by March 15. We will be sending 4 girls, July 17-23, to UC Davis. Volunteers are needed.

Team of Extraordinary Minds - The state office of AAUW is putting together a tool kit that other branches could use, including ours. We have 4 years of students to keep in contact with who have gone through our program.

Scholarships --Nothing to report

Other Business:

Interbranch –The date for the Annual luncheon is now April 9 in Oroville. It’s been suggested that meetings be held in Chico so that it is more centralized for all the north state branches.

Historian -- No report; Sunshine – No report; Coalition Drawing – No report

Other Business: The council was happy to hear that Jeanine Rounds is giving travel talks to others in her assisted living facility.

Future agenda items: The next meeting is March 10. The meeting was adjourned 2:04 pm.

Submitted by Miriam Root, EC Secretary

<p><i>Editor’s Note: Please contact Executive Council Secretary for the final approved minutes after the next Executive Council meeting.</i></p>
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We used to call it Lobby Day. Now we're calling it **Lobby Week**. This is a chance to talk to your state representatives, either in-person or virtually, about the bills we support. Don't worry. We'll tell you what they are! To bring your voice to "the room where it happens" during Lobby Week, register here: [Webinar Registration - Zoom](#)

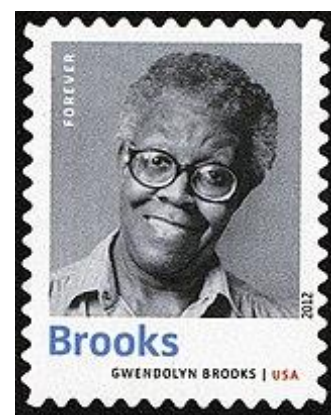
Women who helped change the world



Mary McLeod Bethune (1875-1955) was the daughter of former slaves in SC. After the Civil War, she saw her mother work for her former owner, and eventually buy the land from them. Mary was from a family of 17 children, and she grew to become an educator, a college President, business co-owner of a Florida resort, and co-founder of an insurance company. She founded a school called The Daytona Beach Literacy and Industrial School for Training Negro Girls, and in 1929 her school merged with the Cookman Institute for Men and became the Bethune-Cookman College of which she was President. She was a friend of Eleanor Roosevelt, and an advisor to President Franklin Roosevelt. Called "the First Lady of the Struggle", she was one of the most important civil rights leaders of the period.

Gwendolyn Elizabeth Brooks (1917- 2000) was an American poet, author, and teacher who was born in Topeka, Kansas and grew up in Chicago. Her work often dealt with the personal celebrations and struggles of ordinary people in her community. She won the Pulitzer Prize for Poetry on May 1, 1950, for *Annie Allen*.

She was appointed Poet Laureate of Illinois in 1968, a position she held until her death 32 years later. She was also named the U.S. Poet Laureate in 1985–86. In 1976 she was inducted into the American Academy of Arts and Letters. In 2012 she was honored posthumously with the USPS commemorative postage stamp shown here.





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