

Gold Filings

Amador Branch
American Association
of University Women



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Mission Statement

AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research.

Diversity Statement

In principle and in practice, AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin, or disability.

Join Branch Members and their Spouses or Significant Others for a Festive Afternoon

Amador AAUW Holiday Open House

*Please bring Wine and a Savory or Sweet Appetizer to share.
Tea, coffee, water and hot cider will be provided.*

**Sunday
December 6, 2015
3:00 to 6:00 PM**

**The Chapman Home
Plymouth**



Lani will take email: chapman@volcano.net RSVPs.
Deadline is Wednesday Dec. 2nd.

Toiletries of any size — large, regular or hotel — will be collected for
Operation Care's Safe House

President's Message

by Michele Powell

We are heading into the holiday season of giving thanks and sharing love with those in our lives. I am giving thanks for the lovely rainstorm we experienced on the morning of October 17. Mother Nature put on quite a show and we hope for much more. And now more rain on November 1 and 2. What a blessing for us.

I have so many people in my life for which I am thankful. Please join me in letting those people in your life know how grateful and thankful you are for their presence.

We do not have a November program and thus I am looking forward to seeing everyone at the Holiday Open House. Thank you to Lani and Jim Chapman for hosting us. Please remember to wear your name badge as we have many new members.

The 2014-2015 board voted to combine the November and December issues of Gold Filings. This is the first combined issue.

On October 1st Membership VP Sandee Bowman hosted a new member reception at her home in Volcano. We were a small group and that enabled us to have great conversations and get to know each other. Thank you, Sandee and Tim, for the beautiful gathering.

Many thanks to Gretchen Carlson and Karen Dickerson for planning and executing the Trek to New Heights program on October 22. The branch does not have a hospitality chair this year and I thank Kathy Guletz and Janet Kendig for taking on this responsibility for the Tech Trek program.

The Trek to New Heights program on October 22 was inspiring to me. It is always wonderful to hear our Tech Trek scholarship recipients report back on their experiences. Jazmin Diaz and

Rylee Quick both from Ione Jr. High brought many proud members of their families to the program. In the second half of the program we heard from Sheryl Barghoorn who earned her Human Services Certificate in the ACCF program, Stephanie Ellis who completed a certificate in Human Services and Angelica Ervin who is working on her accounting certificate. For details about these young women, see Karen Dickerson's message below.



Tech Trek Campers 2015

Rylee Quick (left) and
Jazmin Diaz (right)

Interfaith Food Bank

A wonderful way to share your blessings and good fortune this Thanksgiving season is to help support the Interfaith Food Bank's efforts to feed the hungry in Amador County. Please see the details about Project Thanks and the Festival of Carols Benefit Concert on page 5.

I wish you all a season full of love, family and friendships.

~ Michele Powell

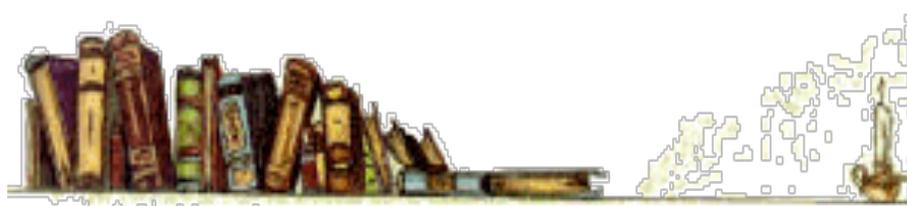
Trek to New Heights

In the second half of the October 22 Trek to New Heights program we heard from three ACCF students: Sheryl Barghoorn, Stephanie Ellis and Angelica Ervin. Sheryl earned her Human Services Certificate in the ACCF program and is now working for Kit Carson Convalescent Hospital as a social worker while she pursues her master's degree. Stephanie Ellis has recently completed a certificate in Human Services through Coastline Community College. She said that she "would never have been able to afford to go to school without the MHSA scholarship." She has had many challenges in life. She is a widow and a mother. Through the classes in Human Services she says: "I learned a lot and have a great desire to share my story in hopes of being able to give back and help others to grow as I have. My eyes, thoughts, and outlook towards many things in life have

been enlightened. I have been able to work through past and present issues and grow in my own life." She has already begun working towards an AA degree and hopes to go further. Her dream is to work with and help to guide at-risk urban youth and young adults, to show them the hope and strength that is possible. Finally, Angelica Ervin is working on her accounting certificate. She lives in Pioneer and indicated that with a full-time job and a family, it would have been impossible to commute three hours round trip to the nearest college. She states that her dream is to work in accounting for a non-profit once she attains her degree. All mentioned that the support services by the staff and volunteers of ACCF helped them achieve their dreams.

~ Karen Dickerson

LOCAL GOLD COUNTRY AUTHORS



TELLING IT LIKE IT WAS!

Amador Branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) presents a program featuring two local women historians/authors whose books are set in the California gold rush country of the mid-19th century, when tensions and fortunes were as volatile as the ground prospectors mined. Learn more about what life was really like in the "good old days."

SPEAKERS: Elaine Zorbas and Mary Volmer

Date: Thursday January 21, 2016

Time: 6:00 – 8:00 PM

Place: First 5 Amador
975 Broadway Jackson, CA 95642

This program is open to the public. All those interested in learning more about Amador's history and authors are welcome to attend. No fee. Light refreshments. For more information contact Helen Bonner at: (209) 257-1832

BANISHED AND EMBRACED: the Chinese in Fiddletown and the Mother Lode
by Elaine Zorbas

Chinese from southeast China flocked to towns and encampments in the foothills during the Gold Rush. In the communities they established in Amador County, immigrants found support and strength despite prejudice. This book gives insight into their experience.

CROWN OF DUST by Mary Volmer

"Crown of Dust" is a lovely paean to all the little towns born during the California Gold Rush, and an emotional elegy to the forgotten souls who worked, loved, and died in such places. The author also makes a vital contribution to the literature of women living in the Mother Lode.

Board Briefs – 10/21/15

- The minutes for September 16, 2015 were approved as written.
- The treasurer gave her report.
- Nancy Street shared the text of thank you letters sent to various agencies involved in the Butte Fire. Michele Powell shared a letter from Bethany Renfree's mother about a Ledger Dispatch article.
- Helen Bonner reviewed the agenda for the October 22 program as well as the program calendar for 2015-16.
- The New Member Celebration had a small turnout. Two new members joined this month.
- The La Bella Notte ticket giveaway will take place at the October 22 program.
- The 2016 Home Tour theme is "Amador City: A Walking Tour." The Opportunity quilt is quilted and ready for binding.
- The board discussed how to promote a working relationship with the Amador Community College Foundation. Karen Dickerson emphasized the need for promotion and advocacy.
- The role of the Historian was discussed. Sandi Baracco will keep records electronically from now on, and will work on a digital scrapbook highlighting branch milestones.
- It was decided to get competitive bids for printing costs. Isabel Singleton will look into printing membership cards for all members.
- There will be no board meeting in December.

Home Tour Update

The Home Tour committee met for the first time October 15 to begin planning the 44th tour in Amador City. The selected theme is "Discover Amador City: A Walking Tour." Four homes have been selected and home visits are scheduled for November. Historic sites will include the Imperial Hotel, the Whitney Museum, the Amador City Cemetery and the Historic Firehouse and Engine. Sites have also been located for the tea and art show.

We still need someone—or a couple of someones—to handle the signs. If you would like to help with this or another job, please attend our next meeting on November 12, at 11 a.m., at Margie's house. Judy Regnier and Teresa Ryan are the hostess coordinators and will be needing lots of volunteers. So contact one or the other of them to sign up for your desired shift before they come calling.

Sales outlets should be finalized shortly and the quilters are putting the finishing touches on this year's opportunity quilt. Some of the photos have been taken, ideas are being created for the poster, and a survey of parking areas is being completed. The committee is moving along and is very excited to have the Home Tour in Amador City in its entirety.

Steering Committee:

Bobbie Brubaker	Judy Venckus
Sandra Campbell	Nancy Schuster
Claire Wait	

Nominating Committee Members Sought

Nancy Street is heading up the nominating committee to identify candidates for the 2016-2017 Board. Our bylaws require that a past president lead this committee; Nancy is the most immediate past president.

She needs **several members** to work with her on this important project. The committee will begin to meet after the holidays. When you join Nancy in this effort you will be providing a necessary and important service to the Branch.

Responsibilities include attending one or two meetings and contacting potential Board members. Please call or email Nancy to volunteer or for more information.

Save the Date!

2016 will soon be here, and one of the events that members of our Branch always enjoy is a program on local authors. On Thursday January 21st two well-known women authors living in our area will be presenting a program about the books they have published regarding life in the Gold Rush. Our own Program Chair, and an author herself, Helen Bonner will be moderating. Don't miss this informative event. Please see the flyer on page 3.

16th Annual Interfaith Food Bank Concert

November 20-22

Ione United Methodist Church
The Cathedral of the Mother Lode
150 West Marlette Street, Ione

Festival of Carols, Hymns and Spiritual Songs

Nov 20, 6 PM: African Style – “a cappella”

Nov 21, 3 PM: Renovassom – CCM

Nov 21, 6 PM: Festival Orchestra & Choir

Nov 22, 3 PM: Festival Orchestra & Choir Featuring Bach and Dvorak

Free Concerts! A monetary donation will be collected for the Interfaith Food Bank at each concert. Space is limited.

Free tickets available at these locations:

Jackson

Hein & Company
Jackson True Value
Thomi's Restaurant
Amador County Realtors
The Rusty Rose, Main St

Sutter Creek

Village Real Estate, see Bill or Ila
Sierra Mountain Outdoors
Water Street Interiors and Antiques
Maurine Crosby, Lizzy Ann's

Ione

Clark's Corner

Pine Grove

Brent and Jerry's Upcountry Hardware

Martell

Paradise Doggie Daycare

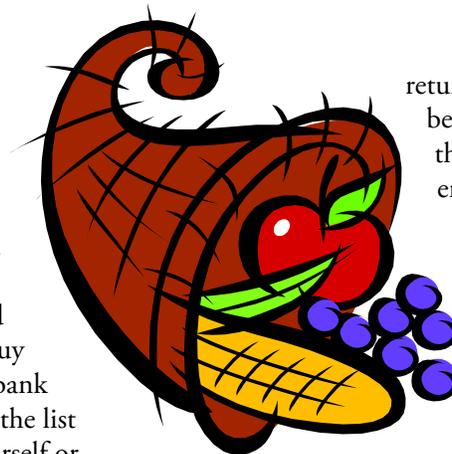
Volcano

Country Store

Project Thanks 2015

In 2014 the Interfaith Food Bank fed 2,783 individuals with their annual holiday basket project.

If you would like to bless a family, seniors or veterans this year you may do so by mailing a check for \$45 to the Interfaith Food Bank at 12181 Airport Road, Jackson, CA 95642 and they will shop for you. If you would like to buy the groceries yourself, you can visit the food bank and get the name of a family to shop for and the list of ingredients to buy and either deliver it yourself or



return it to the food bank. The food bank is open between the hours of 10:00 and 2:00 Monday through Friday. All food boxes must be delivered by November 22.

For more information call Lisa Heimeyer at 267-9006 or go to feedamador.org the Interfaith Food Bank website to view their Project Thanks flyer.

~ Norma King

Getting to Know You: Liz Powell

Interview questions by Bonnie Krupp

Tell me a little about yourself— where are you from originally, and how did you manage to find Amador County?

I'm actually a native of Calaveras County – I was born in San Andreas, and lived there with my family until I was 3, when my father took a job in Louisville, Kentucky. After a few years in Louisville, we moved to upstate New York, then back to Louisville, then to Iowa! I stayed in Iowa through college, then moved to Wisconsin for graduate school...and then inertia set in and I spent the next 25 years there.

My parents, in the meantime, moved back to California in the late 80s, and settled in Amador County in the early 90s. When my father started having serious health problems, I decided I was tired of Wisconsin winters (30" of snow, -25 degree temps without the wind chill!) and decided to move home. My folks live in Sutter Creek, and my oldest brother and his wife (our lovely President, Michele Powell) live in Pine Grove, so I settled in Jackson to be equidistant from both.

Family? Pets?

My parents live in Sutter Creek, and I have two much older brothers: Jim and his wife Michele live in Pine Grove, and my other brother Mike lives with his family in the Charlotte, North Carolina area.

My immediate family consists of one very spoiled and pampered tortoiseshell cat named SuzieQ, to whom I have given the affectionate nickname of "Kitty Diva Princess."

I know you have a day job and your Amador Silk Studio. Tell me a little about each. What motivated you to start creating those beautiful silk scarves?

I did not have a job when I first moved out here. Scary, I know! But I told myself I would have a job within 6 weeks of my arrival, and started throwing résumés into the ether like confetti. I applied to a Risk Analyst position advertised by Kelly IT Services, and they placed me in Health Net's IS Risk Management department as a consultant, 6 weeks to the day of my arrival in California. How's that for goal setting, LOL!

I have since been hired permanently by Health Net, and promoted to the Security Strategy & Governance department.



Liz Powell

It's a great job, very interesting and detailed, and satisfies my logic and problem solving side.

My artistic side, however, demanded equal time, and that's where the scarves come in! I'd seen some wonderful silk scarves at a street fair back in Kenosha, and wondered if I could make something like that. After some Internet research, I found Dharma Trading Company; their fabulous website even included tutorials on how to make scarves, and it looked so easy I couldn't wait to try it. Of course, once I did, I was hooked...I made so many that I realized I couldn't wear them all, so why not start a business and sell them? Each piece is one of a kind — I couldn't duplicate a particular pattern even if I tried — a wearable piece of art!

You have degrees in music. Do you sing, play an instrument, conduct, all three? I am fascinated by your MA in Music Ethnomusicology. Not something I'm familiar with. Fill me in.

I started down the musical path at age 5, when I started piano lessons. I played until I was 16, when I (unfortunately) quit in a fit of teenage pique; I've regretted it ever since. I took up the harpsichord in college, and also played with the Javanese Gamelan ensemble there, as well as the early music (Medieval/Renaissance) group.

But my primary focus has been Ethnomusicology, which is a cross-discipline between Anthropology and Music; it's the study of music as a function of culture. As such, I've been exposed to — and love — music from all over the world. It's trained my ear, and my mind; it's amazing to see how many modern music artists incorporate elements of world music into their work!

What do you do for fun? Hobbies? Sports? Other interests?

I love to read. I also love to write — in fact, I'm also a published author; I published three romance novels in the early 2000s. Unfortunately, writing involves so much mental energy that, with my day job, I don't have much time or "get up and go" to devote to it these days, but I still have a very reverent appreciation for the nuances of the written word.

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Getting to Know You: Cynthia Butler

By Sue Harrington

I met Cynthia Butler in her delightful downtown Ione consignment shop with the creative name, Ione It Now. With her first words, you know Cynthia is from another part of the country. She was born and raised in Atlanta, Georgia where she lived until six years ago when she moved to Los Angeles to be closer to her son, daughter-in-law and 7-year-old granddaughter. Cynthia also has a daughter who still lives in Atlanta. A man Cynthia met on e-Harmony encouraged her to visit 'his country' and when she saw Amador County she fell in love — with the County, not the man, although they remain good friends. She moved to Amador County three and a half years ago and currently lives in Sutter Creek where she enjoys the small town vibe.

Cynthia graduated from Georgia Southwestern University in Americus, Georgia — of Jimmy Carter fame— with a degree in psychology. After college, she held various jobs including training special needs adults and children. Cynthia eventually migrated to a dental office where she worked as a dental assistant (using her knowledge of psychology on those fearful of the dentist's chair) and then the front office. Eventually she became a Dental Consultant and worked for the Dental Boot Kamp seminar company training dentists in leadership and management skills and coaching dentists and their teams, helping them to identify and implement changes needed to improve office operations. Her special talent was teaching conflict resolution.

In LA, Cynthia found she enjoyed exploring consignment shops with her daughter-in-law and was looking for a change of pace from the dental world which involved an incredible amount of travel. She likes to decorate and enjoys people and opening up a consignment shop seemed like a good fit for her.

Getting to Know You: Liz Powell

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Oh, and I love to cook...and bake. I'm a foodie from a family of foodies, so I love trying new cuisines! And wine. Another reason to love Amador County.

What prompted you to join AAUW? Do you enjoy any of the interest groups?

Michele, my sister-in-law and our fabulous President, suggested that I might want to join to meet other well-educated and like-minded women. I really enjoy the Libations and Conversation group, and since I love to read, started up an evening book group for us "working girls," LOL. I've met so many lovely people through AAUW, and am looking forward to getting to know everyone!



Cynthia Butler

When not working at her shop, Cynthia enjoys being out in nature, hiking and kayaking. She supports local fundraisers and appreciates the opportunity to meet new people and network. She also loves to cook, but has changed from Southern cooking to using fresh foods from farmers' markets, which has had a positive impact on her health.

Cynthia's introduction to AAUW was through a Libations and Conversations event in Sutter Creek where she learned that Sandi Baracco is her neighbor. She likes the all-women aspect of the group and hopes to be more active as her time permits.

If you have a chance, I suggest you stop by Ione It Now to meet Cynthia and check out her shop. Cynthia is looking forward to using her decorating skills and sense of style to help others decorate their homes.

Here is a thought to leave you with: One of the more valuable things that Cynthia learned when teaching conflict resolution is, "One needs to be more committed to the relationship than with being right."

AAUW Amador Milestones

By Sandi Baracco, Historian

43 Years Ago...

November 17, 1972: Approximately 35 members and guests of AAUW were treated to a most enjoyable evening when they attended the annual dinner meeting. Weston Alt of the State Education Department, Community College Division was the guest speaker. While digressing from his prepared text to add little vignettes of humor; he gave his audience a background picture of the formation and history of the community college system. Interestingly enough, he let us know that AAUW has been much involved in the continuing growth of the program and Amador County's own late Senator Caminetti proposed the legislation that established the program in 1906. Amador County residents are a big part as 339 students attended 18 different two-year Community Colleges this past year (1971) and a total of \$176,211.40 was paid towards this education by our county. (Note: Dinner was held at Bellotti's Inn (Hotel Sutter) and included roast beef, salad, soup, ravioli and spaghetti for \$4.00 each.)

Special Interest Groups

Afternoon Book Group

Robin Stolk, Chair
robinfstolk@sbcglobal.net

Join us for a thoughtful and friendly book discussion the 2nd Monday of each month at 2 p.m. Our next meeting is Dec. 14th at Iris Aparicio's home. We will be discussing *80 Days: Race Around the World* by Matthew Goodman. New members are welcome. If you'd like to join the group, contact Robin Stolk.



Cork & Fork

Greta McElroy, Chair
gretamcw@coastside.net

This group meets every other month to enjoy wine tasting and appetizers. Members' homes are the usual meeting place, but we sometimes gather at a winery tasting room or other appropriate venue. The next meeting is November 15. For details about this Cork & Fork meeting location or if you'd like to join the group, contact Greta McElroy.



Art in Action

Bev York, Chair
likacb@volcano.net

We are a group whose members enjoy drawing and painting at each others' homes or various outdoor locations such as PiPi Valley, Bear River, and Lake Tabaud. We share information about art workshops and gallery exhibits. Art in Action group members are responsible for the Art Show at the Home Tour. Beginners are welcome. Lunch is always part of the day. Meetings are every 2nd & 4th Tuesday. Contact Bev for information about the next meeting.



Garden Groupies

Nancy Schuster, Chair
nancys@volcano.net

Garden Groupies love plants and the beauty they add to our lives! No digging, raking or pruning is required. Instead we visit some very interesting places. The Garden Group will meet December 16 at noon at Bella Rosa in Sutter Creek for lunch and to schedule our plans for the coming year. If you would like to join us, please contact Sandra Campbell at skcampbell@volcano.net by December 12 as we will need a reservation.



Book Lovers & Page Turners

Jackie Martinez, Chair
jackiemartinezm@aol.com

We meet at 2 p.m. on the fourth Monday of each month (except December) at members' homes. We have great discussions about books and how their themes and characters relate to our own lives and worlds, while sharing a light dessert. New members are welcome. Our next meeting is November 23 at the home of Cathy Yochheim. We'll discuss *Invention of Wings* by Sue Monk Kidd. On December 7, 11:30 am, we have our holiday party at the home of Michele Powell. Members bring either a salad or dessert. If you'd like to join these conversations, contact the hostess by email or phone. If you'd like to join the book group, contact Jackie Martinez.



Lunch Bunch

Kelli Garcia, Chair
kgarciaod@hotmail.com

Lunch Bunch meets the second Thursday every month at 11:45 am. We patronize new and favorite restaurants in Amador County. The duty of the hostess rotates each month. The hostess is responsible for all arrangements including receiving reservations. We plan to meet on November 12 at Caddy's Restaurant inside the Castle Oaks Golf Club, 1000 Castle Oaks Drive, Ione.

Please RSVP to Rosalie Perfler by Monday, November 9th.

Lunch Bunch will not meet in December



Supper Club

Claire Wait, Chair
clairesc@sbcglobal.net

Supper Club had an excellent dinner in October that featured Cod Provençal, Celery Root and Potato Puree, Soupe au Pistou, Salade La Coupe, assorted cheeses served in the French style, and apple tarte. Norva and Doug Fagg were our hosts at their lovely Ione home. Nine members were able to attend this delightful autumn dining experience.

If you and your significant other would like to participate, please join us for a planning meeting in January. Bring your ideas and cookbooks to Claire's house in Sutter Creek on January 8 at 2 PM. Call Claire for additional information.



Working Girls' Book Group

Liz Powell, Chair
mslizpowell@gmail.com

In November, the "Working Girls' Book Group" will meet at 7 PM the evening of the 23rd at the home of Katie Scott to discuss *Year of Wonders* by Geraldine Brooks.

In December, the meeting will be held at 7 PM the evening of the 28th at the home of Liz Powell to discuss *Five Came Back: A Story of Hollywood and the Second World War* by Mark Harris.



January Board Meeting

The next Board Meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 20. We always meet at 6 PM at the home of Margie Guletz. All branch members are welcome.

Board meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month except for June, July, and December when the Board takes a vacation.

January Newsletter Deadline

The deadline for submitting articles and information for the January issue of Gold Filings is **December 28th**. Please submit material to rdiannaw75@icloud.com. Thank you.

Looking Ahead to 2015-2016

Yes, I know.... it seems early....way too early. But it's really not. January 2016 will be here soon and that is when the Nominating Committee starts its work to find a slate of officers for 2016-2107.

Please consider how you could contribute to AAUW Amador by being part of the governance of the branch. Can you be a nominee for President, President-elect, Treasurer, Secretary, Program VP or Membership VP? You can call or email the current officer or me to find out more about the duties. You can also go on our website under For Members Only and look at Job Descriptions.

Another way you can help is to be on the Nominating Committee. It is a very important role as it keeps this branch going forward. Call me if you would like to talk about it.

Thank you. Michele

Upcoming Events

December 6th

Holiday Open House

Time: 3:00 to 6:00 PM

Location: Lani & Jim Chapman's Home

January 21st

Local Gold Country Authors

Time: 6:00 to 8:00 PM

Location: First 5 Amador
975 Broadway, Jackson



On Safari with AAUW Mariposa Branch

The Mariposa branch of AAUW invites you to walk on the wild side on November 21st from 3-6 pm at its annual fundraising fashion show. The theme is "On Safari with AAUW" and guests will travel to the African savannah for an afternoon of food, fun, fashion and adventure. The event will feature community members exhibiting clothing from local retailers, a unique auction of services and "experiences" offered by our members (gourmet meals, art classes, birthday planning, etc.), a live auction for some special items and, of course, food and drinks from the watering hole. Dress for the bush, hop on a safari jeep and come to the Mariposa County Fairgrounds, Bldg. A. Tickets for the adventure are \$15. They are available for online purchase at www.aauwmariposa.com or at the door.

Branch Member Notes

Sunshine Update for October–

I would be honored to send a card on behalf of our branch to any member you feel needs sunshine for illness or loss; congratulations for significant family happenings or noteworthy community contributions; or just “thinking of you.” As I am a technological illiterate, you will have to call me.

Since our last issue of Gold Filings, I have sent sunshine cards to Charlene Unger, Nancy Schuster, Virginia Vasquez, and Carol Bilheimer.

–*Lynne Brumit*

Birthdays

Best wishes to our members with November birthdays.

Lisa Conti	Bonnie Krupp
Sonny Graves	Peggy Roberts
Dot Haislet	Katie Scott
Jeannette Jentzen	Chris Van Fleet
Norma King	

Best wishes to our members with December birthdays.

Loretta Porteous	Suzanne Nicholson
Joann Chevrette	Michele Powell
Kelly Trottier	Cathy Yochheim

Directory Corrections

Bonnie Krupp’s telephone number is incorrect in the directory.

Member Notes

Help welcome our two newest members. Their contact information is below. Please add it to your directory.

Carolyn Vargas (Jose)

vargas.carolyn8@gmail.com

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College of San Mateo; AS Drafting Technology
Carolyn joined AAUW Amador branch after attending the kick-off meeting in September. Carolyn and her husband Jose moved to Amador County one and a half years ago from Dublin, CA. Carolyn worked 25 years at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory as a mechanical design engineer and design team supervisor for the target fabrication group of the National Ignition Facility (NIF). After retirement she has reinvented herself as a certified personal trainer and you can find her at Bodies-n-Balance in Jackson.

Virginia Vasquez

virg@comcast.net

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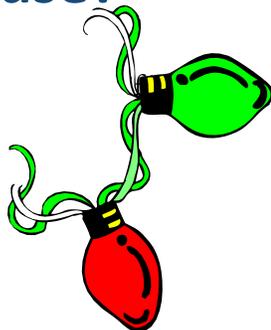
American River College; AA Culinary Arts

Virginia is very active in Amador City where she headed the Centennial Celebration Committee. There will be more about her next the next Gold Filings.

Charlene and Chuck Unger are moving to Santa Cruz on November 12 and Charlene is transferring her AAUW membership. They are not selling their home in Pine Grove as they do plan to visit their Amador friends as often as they can.

Are You Attending the Holiday Open House?

Please respond to Lani Chapman by the December 2 deadline and sooner if possible. Having the attendance numbers is a great help to those who are planning the event. Thank you very much for your consideration.



Hello–Nice to Meet You. What’s Your Name?

Please remember to wear your name badges to the holiday gathering on Sunday, December 6. We have new members who don’t know you and whom you don’t know. Seeing a member’s name will make starting a conversation with a new member so much easier.

If you are a new member and haven’t received your name badge yet, it will be at the open house, as will the remaining directories.

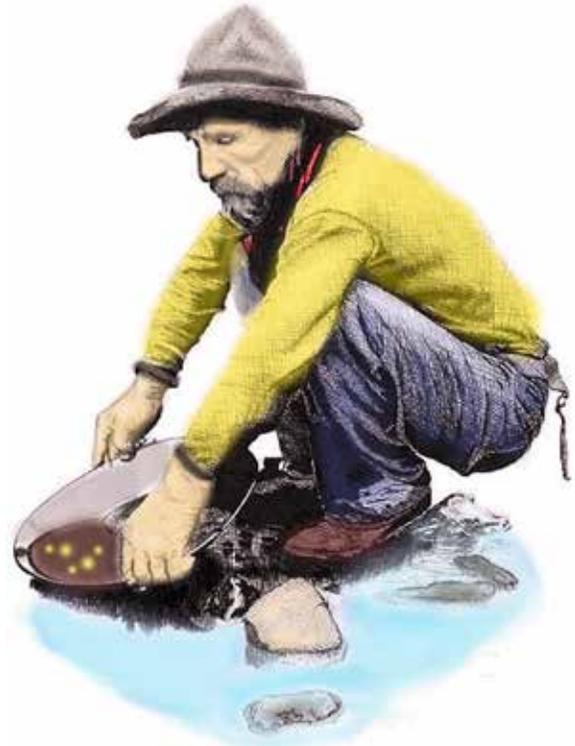
Thank you.

AAUW Sonora Branch presents

49th Annual

HOME

TOUR



*"There's gold in them thar hills."
And it all goes to scholarships
for Mother Lode women.*

DEC 5

Tour Four Mother Lode Homes

11 am to 4 pm

Tea, Boutique & Baskets

at Church of the 49ers in Columbia

1 pm to 5 pm

Tickets \$25

Available at Mountain Bookshop,
Joan's Boutique, or call 735-0950

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