

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.

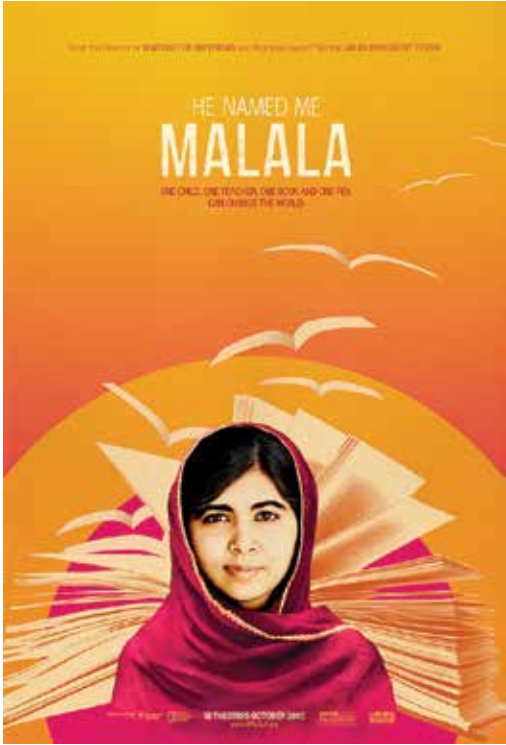
Diversity Statement

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.

Women's History Month Program

By Myrna-Kay Robinson

March has been designated as Women's History Month since 1980 when President Jimmy Carter issued the original proclamation. U.S. presidents have continued to issue annual proclamations because both men and women have worked together to build our nation, however too often women have been unsung in history. Amador's Branch of The American Association of University Women (AAUW) has typically celebrated Women's History Month with a program based on a woman's past achievements. This year AAUW is celebrating a current woman whose actions will contribute to recognition in world history.



the Margaret Dalton Center, 975 Broadway in Jackson. This will be an amazing opportunity to learn about the life of advocate Malala Yousafzai who was attacked as a girl by the Taliban in their efforts to restrict education and stop girls from going to school. She survived the attack and continued to speak out for the right to women's education. In December 2014, at 17 years old, Malala became the youngest person to ever receive a Nobel Peace Prize, and she contributed her entire prize money to financing the creation of a secondary school for girls in Pakistan.

On Thursday March 30th at 6:00 PM, AAUW is presenting the film by Academy Award winning director David Guggenheim, *He Named Me Malala*. Location will be at

Please join AAUW in viewing this amazing film with discussion to follow. It is open to the public with no entrance fee, but donations are appreciated. Light refreshments will be served. Let's celebrate Women's History together!



AAUW - Amador Presents Science Saturday



***Pine Grove Elementary School
Saturday, May 6, 2017 10:00-2:00***

FREE EVENT

Science Saturday is an interactive day of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) activities and exploration that will fuel kids' passion for a lifetime. Kids will be excited to explore hands-on activities and learn new skills in technology. We are inviting kids K-6th grade county wide to have the opportunity do science with us.

President's Message

Dear Members,

As March comes roaring in, I think we all look forward to an easing of the harsh winter weather. I sincerely hope that none of you have suffered any serious property damage.

Spring will bring a number of AAUW celebrations and events. There are more details included in this newsletter and in the email blasts and flyers you have or will receive. See you there!

Save the Dates for 4 exciting events slated for this Spring:

March 30 – Celebrate Women's History Month with a screening of the film *He Named Me Malala*. 6:00 p.m. at the Margaret Dalton Center in Jackson.

April 22 – Enjoy and work at our annual Home Tour "Strolling Sutter Creek" – Hostesses Needed!

May 6 – AAUW-sponsored Science Saturday at Pine Grove Elementary School. 10 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. – Helping Hands Needed!

May 25 – Libations & Conversations will host our Tech Trek and Scholarship Award Ceremony with a special discussion about careers and education. Sutter Hotel in the Banquet Room. 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.

I would implore you to attend and volunteer to help with all of our programs and events. The members who have worked to put them together are busy, busy women, some of whom work full time, many are engaged in a variety of Boards and volunteer for other organizations but, they still make time to support AAUW. Please demonstrate your commitment to AAUW's Mission by donating your time.

*Warmly,
Santee*

Board Briefs – 2/6/17

- Called to order 6:05 p.m.; quorum declared by President Santee Bowman
- Approval of previous minutes were approved
- Treasurer's Report by Treasurer Bonnie Krupp: Some scholarship money from last year has not yet been paid out.
- President-Elect – Rebecca Wilson is planning to attend the California AAUW 2017 Annual Meeting and Speech Finals in San Mateo on April 22, paid by branch funds, as budgeted.
- Membership – Sara Wilson: nothing new to report. Membership "talk" encouraged as integral part of L & C gatherings to encourage membership growth.
- Publicity – Myrna-Kay Robison: 2 articles in LD about Holiday Party. She will be submitting announcements and coverage for upcoming events.
- Scholarship Awards presentation planned for May Libations & Conversations (5:30-7:00) at Hotel Sutter, exact date TBA. Kelli Garcia and Kathy Guletz to coordinate scholarship information. Future upgrades to scholarship guidelines to be considered.
- Women's History Month Program ideas discussed and preferred is the screening of *He Named Me Malala*.
- Michele Powell will be further researching and will be apprising board members via email. Second choice was a speakers' panel of "women in high places" of Amador to discuss their experiences.
- Science Festival Update – Rebecca Wilson: working on the projects for May 6 event at Pine Grove Elementary. Staff and parent involvement. Up to 200 K-6 students expected.
- Home Tour Update – Bonnie Krupp: Suggestion that there be a membership table at more than one location on the Home Tour in order to engage more people.
- Operation Care – slow/little response from AAUW members. Suggested that more specificity in what services are needed/wanted by Operation Care might encourage greater response, or drop as a priority due to lack of interest.
- Mentoring Program – Santee Bowman: upcoming meeting for input on next steps in the still-shaping long-term project.
- Adjournment @ 7:25 p.m. Next AAUW board meeting scheduled for Tuesday, March 14 @ 6 p.m. at Paisano's Pizza in Jackson.

Submitted by: Janet Kendig

Strolling Sutter Creek ~ Homes of the 45th Home Tour

80 Broad Street — Owner: Nan Muzinich



If you are a fan of HGTV home design programs, the renovated home at 80 Broad Street is a must see. Owner Nan Muzinich rivals any of the HGTV designers in the recent remodel of her 1865 home. The design is fresh and updated for modern-day living, while keeping the home's historic charm and character.

Nan had a vision, so she gathered a team of professionals to make her vision a reality. Wendy Woolrich was the designer, John Peabody was the draftsman, and Alan Clinton was the contractor. Together, they turned a fixer-upper into the envy of the block.

The home is in the National architecture style. The exterior remains largely unchanged, with little hint of the transformation inside. Originally, the front door led to a hallway flanked on both sides by two bedrooms. At the end of the hall was the living room, with a kitchen in the back. Now the front door leads directly into a spacious living room and open kitchen. Walls have been taken down to open up the living area. The result is impressive. The walls are painted a soft mist green throughout, with white trim and teal accents. Floors are wide-plank hickory.

In the living room, an inviting fireplace is centered on one wall with a bench seat and bookcases on either side. Much of the furnishings in the house are mid-century pieces from Nan's mother, Patricia Dullnig. A comfortable tweed sofa faces the fireplace with Nan's mother's glass-top tables completing the seating area. Paintings on the wall were done by Nan's mother in the style of Renoir and Vermeer. Nan painted musical notes on the family piano from the song "The Yellow Rose of Texas," a nod to Nan's Texas heritage.

An effort was made in the remodel to save and recycle much of the original wood and fixtures throughout the house. The stair treads leading upstairs are from 150-year-old virgin cut redwoods from the original walls; the wood still has saw marks on it. The same redwood is on the sides of the kitchen work island. The front door is original, as is the buzzer doorbell and transom above the door. The window casings are original, but new glass has been added.

The stairs from the living room were added in the renovation, replacing a ladder to the attic. This is now a loft area guest bedroom with twin beds and an en suite bathroom. Vintage pieces complete the cozy setting, including a burgundy velvet Bustle Chair, antique Samsonite luggage for creative storage, and an antique cradle from a plantation.

Downstairs is the completely renovated kitchen. The centerpiece is an impressive teal work island with white Corian countertop and redwood siding. Kitchen cabinets are white with black Corian countertops. Especially creative and practical is a pull-out pantry cabinet with wire racks. White subway tile forms the back splash behind the counters. On a shelf above the sink is a display of vintage Fiesta Ware pitchers in yellow, orange, and blue. The dining area adjoins the kitchen, and is furnished with a family heirloom hutch and a dining table from Water Street Antiques. Adjacent is the laundry area defined by a sliding barn door in teal with black hardware. This is a stylish solution for

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Strolling Sutter Creek ~ Homes of the 45th Home Tour

280 Spanish Street — Owners: Judy & Don Steger

The home at 280 Spanish Street was once the home of the Postmaster, Mervin Shephard, and his wife Audrey. In fact Audrey Deluchi Shephard lived in the home her entire life of 103 years. The original home was built around 1871, then was torn down and rebuilt in 1901. It underwent an extensive remodel over a year ago by Kyle and Andre McClay. In March 2016, Judy and Don Steger bought the home. The Stegers owned the Amador Lumber Yard before it became Meek's Lumber.

Facing the front of the home, the size is deceptively modest. Once you enter the front door, you realize the home is actually very large. The living room is grand and spacious. Large bay windows let in lots of light. A marble tiled fireplace is the focus of one wall.

The opposite wall is framed to display photos of the family's history. At the back of the room is an impressive Hoosier cabinet that is 100 years old. The cabinet is from Don Steger's grandmother, who bought it for \$100. A closer look reveals a built-in flour sifter.

Next to the living room is the master bedroom, furnished in soothing shades of grays and blues. The bed's headboard is antique wicker, and the bed faces an elegant armoire. A wall of mirrored doors conceals the closet. The en suite master bath has been extensively renovated. Classic marble tiles line the floor and glass-enclosed shower. Marble also tops the classic white vanity, lending a spa feel to the space.

An office and guest bedroom are also on the first floor and share a Jack and Jill bathroom. The guest bedroom has a charming peony wallpaper and antique furnishings. The bathroom features an original claw foot bathtub that has been refinished. White subway tiles surround the walls and marble tops the vanity.

A set of stairs leads to a suite of rooms that include a large sewing room, bedroom and sitting area. Judy's collection of antique quilts add character to the sewing room. Along one wall is a long

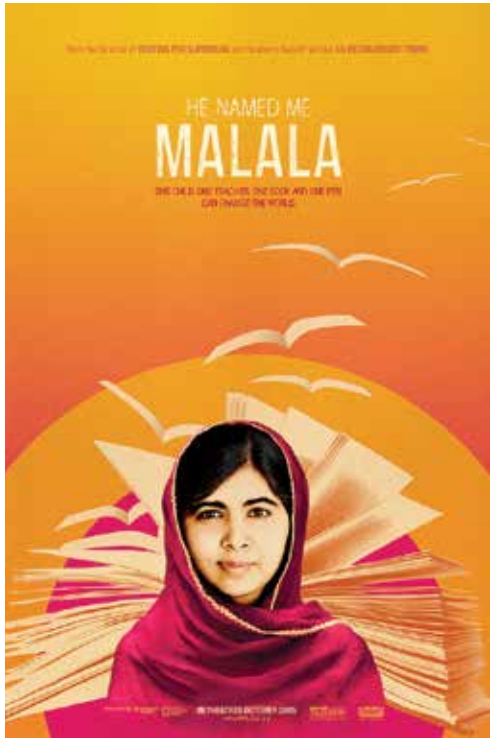


work top for sewing projects or hobbies. Judy's mother's antique Singer sewing machine is on display, a government gift during the Roosevelt era. A white and green azalea print wallpaper decorates this room and the adjacent bedroom. The bedroom also has a lovely antique quilt and furnishings to make the room cheery and relaxing.

Back downstairs, you enter a combination kitchen, dining, and family room. This is the heart of the home. Like the living room, it is also grand and spacious. White kitchen cabinets extend to the high ceiling. Modern high-end appliances include a commercial grade stove and refrigerator. A generous work island divides the kitchen from the dining area. The family room sitting area completes the space. One can envision large family gatherings in this great room.

A side door leads outdoors to a cozy sitting porch. The porch overlooks an enormous backyard with many garden spaces for fun and play. Do not miss the lower level BBQ patio with its outdoor fireplace or the nearby fish pond and mini waterfall. As you meander back uphill, admire the orchard of trees and plantings. You will leave the Steger home with admiration and maybe even a wistful desire to linger.

Celebrate Women's History Month



Join AAUW for a Special Showing of *He Named Me Malala*

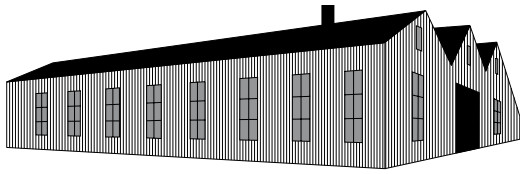
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March 30th

Movie Starts at 6 PM

Location: Margaret Dalton Center, 975 Broadway in Jackson

Donations Welcome



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AAUW Volunteers Needed for Science Saturday

Please see the flyer on page 2, and save the date. On May 6, from 10am to 2pm, our Amador Branch will sponsor Science Saturday at Pine Grove Elementary school (our county's STEM Magnet school). This will be a family friendly event for K-6th graders countywide. Numerous hands-on STEM activities are being planned.

At our planning meetings last summer, Branch members decided that a major Branch priority for 2016-2017 is to support Tech Trek and STEM activities in our community. Science Saturday is our second such event this year, and promises to be a fun and educational day for all involved.

Obviously, in order to make this event a success we need the help of all Branch members. There are two ways that you can support Science Saturday. First, we will need many volunteers to assist with the activities. We could have between 100 and 200 children in attendance---lots of hands will be needed. No science background necessary. Second, if you or someone you know has a favorite STEM project we would love to add it to our list of activities.

If you can volunteer, please contact Bonnie Krupp at bonniekrupp@yahoo.com.

If you have a project to suggest, please contact Karen Dickerson, karenltd@volcano.net or Brenda Walker, walker@volcano.net.



Join Our AAUW Partnership With Operation Care

- Provide practical help to women in transition to a new life
- Mentor teen girls to raise self esteem
- Help raise awareness in the community

Let's make a difference!

For more information contact Judy Lerner-Liston at dandjl@suttercreek.com or 209-296-4745.

Strolling Sutter Creek ~ Homes of the 45th Home Tour

Immaculate Conception Catholic Cemetery – 115 Amelia Street

They came from Austria, Poland, Ireland, and Italy to settle in the new community of Sutter Creek. Here they died and were buried in the small graveyard that surrounds the little Catholic church they so faithfully attended. Come take a self-guided walk through one of the county's oldest cemeteries and learn about some of the families who lived here when the community was new. See the headstone of Mary Mahoney, the first to be buried in the cemetery in 1858; that of little Giuseppe Ramasotti who died the day he was born; and the tombstone of Thomas Brady, born when George Washington was President, and died after the Civil War. Elaborate headstones and simple markers give clues about the lives of Sutter Creek's families who have gone before us. A pamphlet which will correspond to numbered grave sites will be available during the tour. Members of the Amador County Historic Cemeteries Board will also be available to answer questions.



80 Broad Street — Continued

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closing off the laundry room from the kitchen and dining area. An attractive half-bath completes the laundry area. The laundry area flooring is a ceramic tile from Lowe's that looks like light-colored wooden flooring. The same tile flooring is in the master bath.

The master bedroom is where the original kitchen was located. The room's main feature is a room divider behind the bed. The divider is salvaged bead board that came from the original living room ceiling. The bed's headboard is a door that was also saved and repurposed. Furnishings are mid-century family pieces. Behind the room divider is a large and open walk-in closet, a creative use of space. Accessories such as an ornate wall mirror

and crystal chandelier lend a romantic touch to the bedroom. A second sliding barn door leads to the en suite master bath. Classic marble-like tile surrounds the glass-enclosed shower and provides the countertop to the new vanity. Altogether the space has a modern spa feel.

A new extended covered porch has been added to the exterior of the bedroom and kitchen. This area is now a screened-in porch with the screen extending from floor to ceiling. A bamboo settee and chairs in a tropical print create an outdoor living room for relaxing and entertaining. What a perfect finishing touch to this successful renovation.

Strolling Sutter Creek ~ Homes of the 45th Home Tour

Sutter Creek Grammar School – Cole Street

The renovation of the Sutter Creek Grammar School is the first major undertaking of the Sutter Creek Community Benefit Foundation. Founded in 2012 by a group of residents, SCCBF is dedicated to the restoration, preservation, and development of Sutter Creek's historic assets.

The schoolhouse is rich in Gold Rush history. The original Sutter Creek School, built in 1856, burned to the ground in 1870. The building you see today, a thirty-five by fifty-five foot, two-story brick schoolhouse, was built in 1870 by a community-funded project for \$10,000. Some 200 to 300 children from as far away as Plymouth and Latrobe attended the school each year. In 1896 the school district raised \$5,000 in bonds to add the wings in the rear of the building. The school remained open until the early 1960s.

The building, one of the last remaining two-story brick schoolhouses in the Mother Lode, is unique for the period. Most schoolhouses in the region were small, simple wood frame structures; few were as imposing or substantial as that in Sutter Creek. Only one other extant school building in the Mother Lode, the old two-story brick school house in Columbia, can compare in terms of size, scale, materials, and quality. The original design featured classical revival lines and symmetry, with its low gabled roof, simple unornamented cornice and frieze, and small wooden belfry over the entrance.

The schoolhouse is now on lease to the City of Sutter Creek and no longer used by the school district. In the 1980s the Sutter Creek Woman's Club replaced the roof, painted the outside, and



brought wiring and plumbing up to code. Thereafter, it was used as a community center until it was closed to the public. Further renovations are now being undertaken by the SCCBF to include the front stairs, the bell tower, and the fire escapes. When renovations are completed, the building will house a community museum and the Sutter Creek archives, and will be available to the public for meetings, events, and other activities. The foundation is currently working to assemble a list of alumni and relatives of alumni who attended the school. Stories and pictures provided by the alumni will be part of the planned museum.

Home Tour Update

Home Tour tickets go on sale March 17th for the Sutter Creek tour at the following locations: Ione at Ione Pharmacy; Plymouth at Amador 360; Pine Grove at Pine Cone Drug; and Martell at Claypool's Gift & Home. Tickets are \$25 at these locations, cash or check only.



On our website (amador-ca.aauw.net), tickets will be available through PayPal or credit card for \$28 beginning the same date. These tickets will be mailed.

All members are expected to support this event, which funds our scholarship program, by purchasing a ticket. Hope you all have your hostess assignment, we need everyone to pitch in and help.

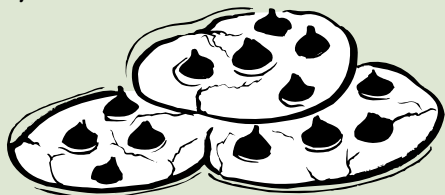
Posters and tear sheets will be available shortly. Nancy Street will be contacting those who volunteered for distribution. Generally businesses prefer they be posted only one month ahead.

Don't forget to bake your cookies and start sending those good vibes for a day of SUNSHINE!!!

- Sandi Baracco, Chairman

Tea Cookies, Please

Our 2017 Home Tour: Strolling Sutter Creek is on April 22. All AAUW members are expected to make 3-4 dozen cookies. These should be one or two bites. Cookies will be picked up from the drop-off locations on Friday, April 21, at 4 PM. Drop-off locations are the homes of Margie Guletz in Jackson, Jackie Martinez in Ione, and Sandi Baracco in Sutter Creek. You may take them there ahead of time after calling to make sure it is convenient. Thank you!



Home Tour Hostesses Needed!

Stephanie Young & Nancy Street, the Home Tour Hostess Committee, are now in the process of recruiting and organizing the hostesses for this year's Home Tour, "Strolling Sutter Creek." We know you have all reserved Saturday, April 22nd on your calendars; it is our one fundraiser that allows us to support our community outreach. Please contact one of them by phone or email to sign up as a hostess asap. If you have a preference for site or shift or if there are any special needs you have (like if you need to be able to sit down for all or part of your shift), please let them know about that too.

There are five houses and the Monteverde Museum that we need to staff this year. There are two shifts as usual; morning and afternoon (10:40 AM-1:30 PM or 1:15-4:15 PM) and we need 4-6 hostesses at each house per shift, for a total of 50+ hostesses. We will also need one hostess for each shift at the Monteverde Museum on Randolph St.

We have a wonderful set of houses in Sutter Creek this year, none of which has been on our tour before—it will be a very enjoyable day for all of us. The homes are being featured in Gold Filings over the next few months, with two homes and one of the five living history sites already featured in February's newsletter. Tea, music, and our famous homemade cookies will be served at the Creekside Methodist Church. The quilt will be on display at the Tea until it is raffled at 3:30 PM.

45 Elm St., the John Walsh & Bonnie Spencer home

80 Broad St., the Nan Muzirich home

146 Spanish St, the Linda & Don Meadows home

125 Spanish St., the Elene & Jerry Cook home

280 Spanish St., the Judy & Don Steger home

Thanks in advance for your cooperation!

Stephanie Young
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Nancy Street
streetjb@volcano.net

Help Distribute Posters

Home Tour is on April 22, 2017, and we need to get posters up by mid March. I have most poster distributors lined up, but I still need volunteers to put up posters in Mokelumne Hill and Valley Springs, Pioneer, Plymouth and the Wineries, and Outer Jackson. If you can do one of these, just email me or give me a call ASAP. THANK YOU!

Nancy Street, streetjb@volcano.net

Home Tour Opportunity Quilt 2017

Remember to get your tickets for this year's Home Tour Opportunity Quilt!

You can either purchase tickets or take a packet of tickets to sell to family and friends. Just contact me and we can arrange to get the tickets to you. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00; packets come with either \$25.00 or \$50.00 worth of tickets. You can reach me at susanlh@volcano.net.

The full cost of the ticket goes to the AAUW Scholarship Fund for local women and girls (Tech Trek), so you know your money is going toward a worthy cause. It is your support that makes sewing the quilt worthwhile! Thanks for your participation in this effort.

~ Sue Harrington



Don't Forget to Buy Your Quilt Tickets!

Amador Community College Foundation

El Flamenco Festival — A Night in Spain ~ July 22, 2017

Enjoy performances by flamenco dancers and Spanish guitar artists while basking in the decor of Old Spain.

Dinner, Entertainment, Silent & Live Auctions. For more information, call Amador College Connect (209) 217-8239. Tickets available at Jacksoncasino.com starting April 3, 2017.

All proceeds benefit the Amador Community College Foundation, which operates Amador College Connect, a college resource center in Amador County.

Grand Oak Ballroom — Jackson Rancheria Casino Resort
 12222 New York Ranch Road
 Jackson, CA 95642
 5:30-11:00 PM



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From the Amador Chapter of the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI Amador):

FAMILY TO FAMILY and PEER TO PEER FREE EDUCATION PROGRAMS

NAMI Family to Family, March 25 – April 29, 9 – 2:30 *(with breaks)*

Six Saturday classes -- information you need as a family member, close friend, or caretaker of someone living with mental illness. You will gain skills and knowledge to live with more comfort, less stress.

Sutter Amador Hospital Multi-conference Room, 200 Mission Blvd, Jackson

NAMI Peer to Peer, April 1 – April 29, 9 – 1:30 *(with breaks)*

Five Saturday classes -- problem-solving skills, strategies, emotional and practical support for people living with mental illness. You will gain knowledge and skills to live well in recovery with your diagnosis and the plans you make.

Sierra Wind Wellness & Recovery Center, 10354 Argonaut Lane, Jackson

Both classes are taught by NAMI Amador state-certified instructors and mentors. Each class builds upon the prior one, so participants must sign up and attend all sessions.

"I wish this class could go on and on."

Information, encouragement for better understanding and caregiving."

-- Family to Family Participants

"I feel more optimistic about my future."

"I am coping better than before."

-- Peer-to-Peer Participants



www.NAMIamador.org

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- Estate gifts allow you flexibility to provide for your family and support AAUW.
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- There is no minimum gift requirement, and every gift can be tailored to suit your specific wishes.

For more information and giving options, please call AAUW's planned giving office at 877-357-5587.



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 March 13th at Judy Lerner-Liston's home. We will discuss *The Japanese Lover* by Isabel Allende. New members are welcome. If you'd like to join the group, contact Robin Stolk.



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.



Book Lovers & Page Turners

Jackie Martinez, Chair
jackiemartinezm@aol.com

Come join us! We meet at 2 p.m. on the fourth Monday of each month (except December) at members' homes. We have great discussions about books while sharing a light dessert. New members are welcome. Our next meeting is March 27 at the home of Chris Van Fleet. We'll discuss *A Man Called Ove* by Fredrik Backman. 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.



Cork & Fork

Michele Powell, Chair
powell.michele288@gmail.com

The Cork & Fork 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 of Cork & Fork is Sunday, March 12 at the usual time 5:30. If you'd like to join C&F or want to know about the interest group, contact Michele Powell.



Garden Groupies

Judy Venckus, Chair
venckus@aol.com

Garden groupies love plants and the beauty they add to our lives. No digging, raking, or pruning is required. Just join us in visiting some very interesting places. Our next outing is Ironstone Winery in Murphys. The winery grounds are lovely and the half-barrel plantings are a sight to see. Additionally, lunch at the winery is delicious. Meet us on March 15 in Sutter Creek parking lot next to the Post Office at 10:00 to carpool.



Lunch Bunch

Kelli Garcia, Chair
kgarciaod@hotmail.com

Lunch Bunch is meeting at Strings Italian Café, 11976 State Hwy. 88, Jackson on Thursday March 9th at 12:00 noon. The restaurant is reserving a private room for our group so we hope we will have a good turnout again. Please RSVP by March 7th to Myrna-Kay at myrnakay@volcano.net.



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Supper Club

Claire Wait, Chair
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Supper Club will have five fabulous dinners in 2017. Our first hosts are Bonnie and Harold Krupp; they will plan a Greek Feast. The other Supper Club members will furnish appetizers, side dishes, and dessert. If you are interested in joining our great meals groups, please call the hostess for March, Bonnie Krupp.

Working Girls' Book Group

The Working Girls' Book Group will be discussing *Pierced by the Sun* by Laura Esquivel on March 27th. We will meet at 6 PM at Cocina Michoacana in Jackson. Please contact Rebecca Wilson at rdiannaw75@icloud.com for more information.



April Newsletter Deadline

The deadline for submitting articles and information for the April issue of *Gold Filings* is **March 22nd**. Please submit material to rdiannaw75@icloud.com. Thank you.

Temple Grandin Speaking at Amador High School

One of our local Amador High School seniors succeeded in booking Temple Grandin as a speaker for her senior project. Temple Grandin will be speaking April 9th at 6 PM at the Amador High School Gym. Contact Carly Brenner at 209-257-7318 for tickets, which are \$10 each and support the local chapter of Future Farmers of America.

Mary Temple Grandin is an American professor of animal science at Colorado State University, world-renowned autism spokesperson, and consultant to the livestock industry on animal behavior. She is widely celebrated as one of the first individuals on the autism spectrum to publicly share insights from her personal experience of autism. She is also the inventor of the "hug box," a device to calm those on the autism spectrum. In the 2010 Time 100, an annual list of the 100 most influential people in the world, she was named in the "Heroes" category. She was the subject of the award-winning, semi-biographical film, *Temple Grandin*, starring Claire Danes.

Branch Member Notes

Sunshine Update for March

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." Please call me if you would like me to send a sunshine card.

Since our last issue of *Gold Filings*, I have sent a sunshine card to Suzanne Kreutzer, Judy Regnier, and Myrna-Kay Robinson.

—Lynne Brumit

Birthdays

Best wishes to our members with birthdays.

March

Iris Aparicio	Suzanne Kreutzer
Cynthia Butler	Kathy Allen
Marge Chisholm	Mona Evans Brown
Norva Fagg	Elizabeth Rhein
Judy Regnier	Rebecca Wilson
Carol Bilheimer	

March Board Meeting

The next Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 14th. We meet at 6 PM at Paisano's Pizza in Jackson. All branch members are welcome.

Board meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month except for August and December when the Board takes a vacation.

Upcoming Libations & Conversations

By Katie Scott

I am excited to announce our topic for March. In honor of Women's History Month, Stephanie Young will be sharing some information about Mary Rippon - the first woman professor west of the Mississippi. This should be a fun opportunity to learn more as well as to enjoy our community. We will be meeting at Amador 360 in Plymouth on Tuesday, March 21st from 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM. As usual, no RSVPs are required and guests are welcome. I hope you can make it.

The L&C planning team could use your help! If you would like to partner to help find venues, speakers, and plan dates, please reach out to Katie Scott at kbscott3576@gmail.com.