President's Letter

I hope every member joins the fun filled event called Trivia Bee on Saturday, March 25 at 5:30 PM. It's how we pay for our scholarships for women and our Tech Trek for 7th grade girls. If every member came and brought 1 friend we would have a full house and a great start to meet our goals.

If you are not familiar with Trivia Bee, it started 12 years ago, and it is an entertaining event. The Bee includes dinner with friends, done by Penguin's Catering, and Trivia Teams to entertain us. This year the theme is "HerStory," focusing on women who made history, as well as people of all genders who are still making history and encouraging equal rights (which have no gender.)

Everyone is invited, and we get great community support. All profits go directly to our Scholarships and Tech Trek.

How can you make this a success? Be a Sponsor of the Bee!! Put a team of 3 together and compete in the Trivia Game. Buy a reserved dinner table for you and your friends. OR buy a dinner ticket for you and someone special.

Tickets are on sale at both Ropers I o c a t i o n s i n A u b u r n . Sponsorships, Teams, Reserved tables and tickets can be ordered using a charge card on-line at https://auburn-ca.aauw.net/. Deb Sabo. President

Upcoming Events

Trivia Bee, March 25, 2023 @5:30 **April Program** Election of Officers April 10 @5:30 Beecher Room Auburn Library

May Program Installation of Officers & Scholarships



TRIVIA BEE MARCH 25 @5:30



We invite all our AAUW members to band together as teammates to compete against other teams at the Congregational Church. Our theme is "HerStory," celebrating the 19th Amendment ensuring women's right to vote. The cost to compete is \$300 for a team of three. In addition to having a good time, **Trivia Bee is our MOST important scholarship fundraising event.** Contact Susan Rushton: goldcountrydenizens@gmail.com.

FIRST ANNUAL SPEECH TREK CONTEST

Three local high school girls won Auburn's First Annual Speech Trek on Sunday, February 26, 2023, at the Auburn Library. Auburn's branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) launched a speech contest this year, called Speech Trek, and all Auburn-area high school students were invited.

The goal of Speech Trek is to encourage young people to do independent research, organize their ideas logically, and speak persuasively. This speaking contest, initiated by the California governing organization of AAUW, is open to all California high school students, including public schools, private schools, and homeschools. Individual AAUW branches conduct the contest. It will be an annual event for our Auburn Branch.

The topic was: How can communities, organizations, and citizens of all ages help protect and expand voting rights?

Ashleigh Oates of Placer High School was the first-place winner; she received a \$500 check. Alex Belles, also of Placer High School, was the second-place winner; she received a \$300 check. Natalie Carroll, of Feather River Charter School was the third-place winner; she received a \$200 check.

MEMBER UPDATE

Remembering Peggy Dunievitz

Peggy Dunievitz passed was January 26, 2023 at her home. She was a life member of Auburn AAUW for over 60 years and served the Branch in many campsites, including President 2010-12.

Peggy graduated Placer High School (1951) and then Sacramento State (1956). She married Bill Dunievitz in 1960; the family was completed with the arrival of two sons, Philip and Michael.

Peggy was a person with a unique and upfront personality. As a woman of many facets, AAUW's interest groups were very appealing to her. She participated in the bridge, gourmet, travel, theater, and civic affairs groups. She was a supporter of the AAUW art show of the 60's and 70's and anchored the winning team at the first Trivia Bee.

Even though her career was teaching, (where she mastered many curriculum subjects with ease) she still took time to be involved in several community and professional organizations. The organizations included Auburn Union Teachers Association; Auburn Symphony League; American History Association; Friends of the Library; and the Placer County Museum, where she was a docent for many years. Peggy Dunievitz will be missed by many.

Welcome New Member Mary Lambeth Please welcome new member Mary Lambeth of Meadow Vista. She graduated with a B.S. from San Jose State University. Her contact information is: Phone; 801-360-9441 and email lambethfamily@hotmail.com

Election of Officers

Traditionally the April meeting includes the election of officers for the upcoming program year starting in September. The Slate of Officers will be sent out to the membership in early March. We still need a President Elect. Is it your turn to step up and lead? Contact Deb Sabo if you're interested in serving.

MARCH/APRIL INTEREST GROUPS

Contact Susan Rushton, 530-878-7938

BOOKMARKS: Bookmarks will be meeting March 17 and April 21 at 2 p.m. at Sue Dings' house. For information, contact Sue Dings.

DRAMA READING meets at 1 p.m. Tuesday, March 7 at Susan Rushton's home, and Tuesday, April 4 at a location to be determined. We read a play to each other and talk about it. Contact Susan Rushton.

GLOBAL ISSUES/GREAT DECISIONS: Meets at Raley's Event Center, 1915 DouglasBlvd., Roseville. At 10 a.m. on Friday, March 10; the topic: "War Crimes" presented by Denise Hexom. At 10 a.m. on Friday, April 14, the topic: "China and the U.S." -- an open forum. For more info: Elsie.

BOOKSTERS: meet at 1:30 pm on Mondays -- March 27 on zoom, April 24 on zoom or in person and May 22 in person. Contact Carol Francis.

BOOKENDS: Bookends meet at 2 p.m. on the fourth Wednesday, March 22 (Book: "Klara and the Sun," by Kazuo Ishiguro, meeting at Charlene Kiesselbach's, and April 26 (Book: "The Sum of Us," by Heather McGhee, meeting at Mary Walker's. Contact Susan Rushton.

HIKING GROUP: Hikes for March are planned for Thursday, March 9th and 23rd. April hikes will be Thursday, April 13th & 27th . An email will go out early March and early April with more details. April 27th we will go see the tulips and have lunch at the Crystal Hermitage Gardens. Contact Deb Sabo.

BRIDGE: For information, days, and locations, contact Meredith Bruck. All members welcome.

WOMEN'S IMPACT ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT 3 p.m. on Wednesdays: March 15 and April 19. Contact Steven Lease.

Dale Shuttleworth's new address: 110 Donnington Avenue, Auburn, CA 95603