



Mary Flo Giventer (July 25, 1946- September 15, 2018)

Mary was born in Chicago, Illinois and as a child moved with her family to Wexford, Pennsylvania where she graduated from North Allegheny High School. She graduated University of Pittsburgh with a degree in Physical Therapy. It was in Pittsburgh, PA where she met the love of her life, her husband, Lawrence Giventer. In 1975 they moved to California, where Mary became Director of Physical Therapy for Doctors Medical Center and Modesto Rehabilitation Hospital.

Mary was active as a volunteer in her community serving as President of the Turlock Chapter of the American Association of University Women, and President of the Stanislaus County chapter of the League of Women Voters. She loved to sew and when she wasn't involved in her volunteer activities could often be found at her sewing machine making a quilt, often to give away.

Mary was said to have a big heart and she showed that in her love and dedication to her family. Her family was always her priority and she shared much pride in the activities of her children and grandchildren. She was the rock of the family and will be dearly missed.



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Scholarship Fundraiser Update

**Sunday, Nov. 4**

By now each of you has received the fundraiser flyer and five tickets. Our hope and expectation is that you will find buyers for all of your tickets. Once that is done, please send the checks to our P.O. address (AAUW; P.O. 2373; Turlock, CA 95381). If you need more tickets you may call Arlene Ison at 544-8141 or Sheila Younkin at 667-0380.

The deadline for getting our ticket count is Thursday, Oct. 25. Time passes quickly, so talk to your friends right away to put a group together for this very special event.

We will be calling on members to help with a number of things ahead of the fundraiser, as well on that night. If you wish to offer your help it will be much appreciated. People will be needed on Sunday, Oct. 21 to assemble silent auction baskets, and to record the items included in each basket as well as who donated the items (bring your laptop). On Sunday, Nov. 4 we will need people to set auction items on the tables at Toscana's, take a shift at the welcome table, and to collect money at the end of the event. You may call Bjorg or me to let us know how you wish to help.

We need your donations – items of value that you no longer wish to keep. Also, bottles of wine may be donated, as well as knitted or quilted pieces. Baskets, empty or filled, may also be donated. Donations may be brought to Bjorg's home by Oct. 19 (822 Hartwick Ave., 347-406-1133). Call her to be sure when she will be home.

As our costs are greater this year, we need to sell, sell, sell those tickets. Our scholarship program depends on this fundraiser. We will use the lobby of Toscana's, as usual, and also the entire restaurant is available to us, so we have lots of space! The meal will be delicious, the company great, so it's guaranteed to be a good time.

Valerie Doherty

Co- Educational Foundation VP



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## Contribute to AAUW in memory of Mary Giventer

It was requested by the family of Mary Giventer that, in lieu of flowers, donations to AAUW be made in her honor. Mary was an avid supporter of AAUW locally and nationally. She always directed her donations to AAUW Funds when not contributing to our Branch.

Members may donate in one of two (2) ways; online to AAUW National or by check to the Branch.

### 1. Online

- a. Access AAUW National Web site, log in with your member number and password
- b. Click on Member Services Database (MSD) at bottom of screen & again on MSD box
- c. Click on 'Branch Contribution Report Form' in left column on screen
- d. Click on donor name arrow and find your name – select
- e. Enter amount in fund of your choice (AAUW Funds preferred by Mary)
- f. Scroll down to & complete "Honorary Gift Information" box
- g. Scroll down to & complete "Notify the honoree" which is Larry Giventer, spouse
- h. Click Add Gift icon. Next screen is AAUW Contribution Report Form and print X 2
- i. Send with your check & form to address on printed form.
- j. Notification of your donation will go to family.

### 2. Branch

- a. Send check made out to **AAUW** in honor of Mary to the Branch P.O. Box 2373
- b. The treasurer will complete the Contribution Report Form as above for family notification and your receipt from AAUW for IRS reporting purposes.
- c. Donations to the Branch in Mary's honor are accepted but cannot be individually acknowledged to family.
- d. If check is made out to AAUW Turlock/Modesto, it will be deposited in Branch account and included in the general fund.

Feel free to call me @ 544-8141 with any questions regarding this process. Thank you.

Arlene Ison, Treasurer

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## INTEREST GROUPS

### Updated, as of October 1

AAUW Interest Groups provide the opportunity for members and non-members to connect with common interests. Sections offer the opportunity to meet, talk, and develop lasting friendships. Every non-member who attends may attend 3 sessions and then is expected to join AAUW.

**Bridge:** Meets 1<sup>st</sup> and 3rd Mondays at 1:30 pm. Marilyn Brunton 667-5450

**Book Group:** Will meet the 2nd Monday, October 8, 7 PM. We will be discussing "**Beneath the Scarlet Sky**" by Mark Sullivan. Call Valerie Doherty, 634-3778 or Sue Baldwin 668-2483 for further information.



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**TURLOCK-MODESTO BRANCH OF AAUW**

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

**Value Promise:** By joining AAUW, you belong to a community that breaks through educational and economic barriers so that all women have a fair chance.