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TURLOCK-MODESTO AAUW BRANCH Newsletter- volume 59, Issue3, Nov., 2018

SOUP SUPPER

Friday, DECEMBER 14 at 6pm.

VALERIE DOHERTY'S HOME, 1420 QUINCY RD. TURLOCK

This is a tradition for Turlock AAUW Branch. All members and guests are welcome for a festive evening to celebrate our successful fundraiser, and the holiday season.

You must call VALERIE DOHERTY (634-3778) TO SIGN UP FOR THE FOOD PROVIDED. WE NEED 3 OR MORE SOUPS, 3 TO BRING BREADS, AND ANOTHER 3 OR 4 TO BRING FABULOUS DESSERTS.

IF YOU WISH TO HAVE WINE YOU SHOULD BRING THAT ALSO. BRING A WRAPPED ORNAMENT FOR EXCHANGE

A PART OF OF OUR TRADITION IS TO BRING A DONATION FOR TURLOCK TOGETHER. THIS CAN BE AN UNWRAPPED TOY OR CANNED FOOD. AN ADDITIONAL DONATION FOR THE HOMELESS SHELTER, ESPECIALLY TOILETRIES AND BED LINENS, MAY BE BROUGHT.

IF YOU ARE COMING FROM MODESTO, YOU MAY FIND VALERIE'S HOME BY TAKING THE FULKERTH RD. EXIT OFF HWY 99. DRIVE EAST AND CROSS GOLDEN STATE BLVD, WHICH BECOMES HAWKEYE AVE. AT THE 4 WAY STOP ON HAWKEYE AND QUINCY RD., TURN RIGHT. GO TWO BLOCKS AND 1420 N. QUINCY IS THE FIRST HOUSE ON THE LEFT. SEE YOU THERE.

PAT PORTWOOD AND MARGO SOUZA

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Kiddos and Bravo to the Fall Fundraising committee for a successful delightful evening November 4th at Toscana's Restaurant in Turlock. Thank you's to local merchants and members for your varied donations ; your donations help support Tech Trek, High School scholarships, attendance at NCSWWL, and AAUW advanced study fellowships and grants. The Board is pleased to announce the Mary Giventer Scholarship (\$2,000) to be awarded to a female Turlock High School 2019 graduate. AAUW Branch members, friends, Mary's family, Oakdale-Riverbank-Escalon AAUW, and California Faculty Association—Stanislaus Chapter donated to the scholarship fund. Mary's husband, Larry stated when notified of the scholarship: "I am very pleased with that award and know Mary would be honored and proud." Thank you's also to those who donated to three AAUW funds in Mary's name. Contributions were made to the Eleanor Roosevelt Fund, Unrestricted Legal Advocacy Fund, and AAUW Fund. What better way to add to the enjoyment of the Holiday Season than to join in the Annual Soup Supper December 14th, 6:00 PM at Valerie Doherty's. See the article in this newsletter for specific information and/or call Valerie. Plan to attend. Wishing all of you and yours the Joys of the Season.

CHEERS, Beverly Schlegel

UPCOMING EVENT! EF LUNCHEON

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We always have an Educational Funds Luncheon in late February. This year we are changing things up a little. The EF Fellow we requested to speak at our luncheon had also agreed to speak at the EF Luncheon of the Oakdale-Riverbank-Escalon Branch. CA AAUW EF V.P., Sharon Westafer, picked up on our two branches being so near each other and having requested the same speaker. A series of emails followed, our Board of Directors met, and the decision was made to join the two branches for one luncheon with the speaker we both want to hear.

Please mark your calendars for **Saturday**, **March 16**. In the next month we will be able to give you cost and location information for the luncheon.

The EF Luncheon is a great opportunity to share AAUW with anyone you know who may be interested in the things we do and represent. Guests are welcome.

Kait Murray, the EF Fellow we requested as a speaker, received a Community Action Grant. She and her project partner took disadvantaged high school girls on a two-week backpacking trip. In conjunction with the National Park Service they did various tasks, about which Kait will explain.

Look for further information next month.

Bjorg Johannsdottir, Valerie Doherty - AAUW EF V.P.'s

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FUNDRAISER UPDATE

Bravo everyone! Our major scholarship fundraiser on Nov. 4 was another success. Everything went smoothly, due to so many of you showing up when you said you would, and a variety of other factors, as well.

Many thanks to our faithful committee members for attending the many planning meetings, for helpful suggestions along the way, and for following through on the many assigned tasks. Three cheers for Sheila Younkin, Pat Portwood, Hanna Renning, Mary Allen, Arlene Ison, Nedra Voorhees, and Mary Giventer. In addition to her help on the committee, Sheila also made all the table centerpieces you saw in the foyer at Toscana's.

Mary Giventer was a guiding spirit, who has been, and will be missed dearly. We will need to add at least one person to the fundraising committee in planning for next year to replace her. Mary prepared a template for the letters sent out to donors in mid-summer, letters sent to members in September, as well as letters of appreciation to donors following the fundraising event. We invite you to join this hard working, and inspired, committee. We'll need to hear from you by June 2019, when planning meetings begin.

Gratefully, Bjorg Johannsdottir, Valerie Doherty

Interest Groups, updated as of November, 2018

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 1nd and 3th Mondays at 1:30 pm. Marilynn Brunton 667,5450

Book Group: Will meet 2nd Monday, December 10 at 7:00 pm discussing "A Gentleman in Moscow" by Amor Towles. Call Sue Baldwin for further information. (668-2483) January book is "Every Day is Extra" by John Kerry on January 14th. Contact Sue for details.

Book Bunch: December 20th, 1:30 lunch at Papapavio's, 1320 Standiford Ave. Please call Carol Anderson at 529-2428, to make reservations.

Hand Crafters: Hand crafts, lunch and conversation, 3rd Tuesday at Toscano's at 1:00 p.m.. Call Marilyn Hoobyar 602-1400 for further information.

Gourmet Group: Contact Sue Baldwin 668-2483 for dates and times.

AAUW Board Meeting Minutes 19 November 2018 Home of Arlene Ison

Called to order by Beverly Schlegel at 7:10

<u>Minutes approved with correction</u>. Arlene moved with correction. Valerie seconded. Approval with correction unanimous.

Financial report: Reports were presented by Arlene. (see attached)

<u>Mary Giventer Scholarship</u>: \$1760 collected thus far. Much discussion as to how to manage this. Valerie moved that the chapter add to the total we now have so that the scholarship is \$2000 and that it be given at THS to a female student pursuing a career in a health related field. Arlene seconded. Vote was unanimous. Beverly will contact Larry Giventer with scholarship information.

Old Business

Distribution of Membership booklets They were handed out at four events in October and November, the rest were mailed. Diane requested an earlier deadline for dues and inclusion in the booklet next year. June 30 is the expiration date for dues and she asked that July 31 be the date that dues are to be paid, so that she has adequate time to prepare and print the booklet for distribution at the September membership meeting. **Membership**: current 42 members and 5 Life members

Fall Fundraiser: Bjorg and Valerie reported on the success of the event. Various aspects stated were: extra space at the event was positive, change of day got positive reactions, many students could help because of the day and time change, table succulent arrangements cost over all much less than the flowers from previous years, board members need to see themselves as hostesses during the fund raiser, drawing gifts and auction donations were a little less but still brought a good income. (See Arlene's attached financial report of the event.)

New Business:

<u>January Program Event</u>: After discussion of Table Talk and supporting CSUS Leadership conference, it was decided that Pat would work with CSUS people to assist them with the Leadership Conference in January. She will report to the board at the January meeting what is needed on our part.

<u>Nominations for Stanislaus Commission on Women</u>: Outstanding Women due January 11, 2019: Hanna Renning's name was suggested. Pat will check this out with Hanna.

<u>EF Luncheon February 23 at Table 26</u>: Sharon Westafer has confirmed our Branch request of Kait Murray, a Community Action grant recipient as speaker. Valerie invited Oakdale-Riverbank-Escalon chapter, but they cannot attend as they have another event that day.

<u>Start Smart Workshops at CSUS</u>: Carol reported there are, presently, two AAUW Start Smart trained presenters at CSUS. The CSUS student Branch president will need to meet with trainers. Carol and Bjorg are to facilitate better student participation in upcoming workshops

Branch Newsletter deadline: November 28

Announcement: Arlene Ison will be moving, she will continue her work as treasurer

through the January 7 Board meeting. Arlene will recruit a member to complete her term.

Next Board Meeting: January 7 at Valerie Doherty's home at 7pm

Submitted by Recording Secretary, Nedra Voorhees

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2018-2019 TURLOCK-MODESTO AAIW BRANCH OFFICERS

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