



Danville-Alamo-Walnut Creek (CA)



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Third Thursday Member Meeting – January



Providing Health Care to Women Experiencing Violence

Thursday January 19, 2023
6:00 – 8:00 PM

Greenbrook Clubhouse
300 Greenbrook Drive, Danville

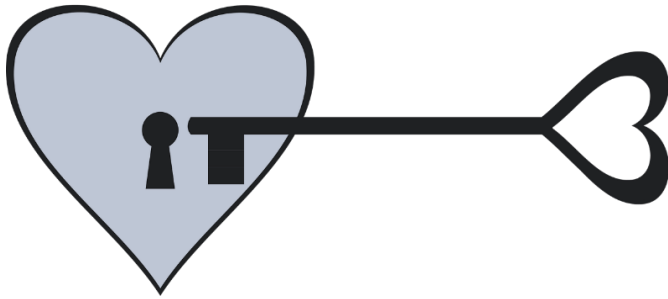
Speaker: Dr. William Francis, MD, MSEM, BSEE, Emergency Medicine Physician

Start the new year by joining us for our monthly meeting on January 19, 2023, at 6:00 pm. After ½ hour of our usual social time, our guest speaker will be Dr. William Francis, Assistant Medical Director, Family Violence Prevention and Pediatrics, at the Sutter Delta Emergency Department in Antioch. His talk will be about emergency medicine in general, leading into specifically providing health care to women experiencing violence. He'll also tell us about the innovative TeleCARE program in Contra Costa which enables remote care for victims who may not be able to access in-person services.

In 2018 Dr. Francis began partnering with STAND! followed by the Family Justice Center and founded the TeleCARE program with the objective of providing accessible and free healthcare to all survivor of interpersonal violence and their families. Dr. Francis is a champion of interpersonal violence prevention, healthcare access and pediatric emergency services.

Please [RSVP HERE](#) – attendance is free

Third Thursday Member Meeting - February



What's Next After Foster Care?

Thursday February 17, 2023
6:00 – 8:00 PM

Greenbrook Clubhouse
300 Greenbrook Drive, Danville

Speakers: Roshawn Campbell, Coordinator for CSU East Bay Renaissance Scholars
Britt Wade, LCSW, Workforce Development Manager for Family Harvest Farm

Join us for our Third Thursday Member Meeting on February 16 at 6:00 pm. In addition to our usual social time, we will have two guest speakers sharing their important work supporting youth who are transitioning out of foster care.

Roshawn Campbell will inform us about the **Renaissance Scholars Program**, founded in 2006, which aims to ensure that all former foster youth who enter CSUEB as undergraduate students complete their degree. This helps them to be successful in the next chapter of their lives. The program promotes the holistic development and graduation rates (70%!) of former foster youth attending CSU East Bay by providing comprehensive support services through collaboration with a variety of university departments and community organizations. This critical support includes access to housing, books, supplies, financial aid and counseling. To learn more about the Renaissance Scholars Program [click here](#)

Britt Wade's topic will be the **Family Harvest Farm** which is part of the John Muir Land Trust. Once a vacant lot, in 2020 this 3.5-acre parcel in Pittsburg was repurposed into a thriving organic farm. Its mission: to empower transitioning foster youth and adults to discover and participate in a local food system that encourages healthy living, nurtures the environment, and feeds the community. Family Harvest Farm employs transition-age foster youth in a hands-on job-readiness program, teaching marketable skills and preparing them for life outside the foster care system. To learn more about the Family Harvest Farm [click here](#)

Save the date!

Co-Presidents' Message

By Christine Ritter and Joanne Quijano, Co-Presidents

Welcome to the New Year! As we reflect on 2022 and think ahead to 2023, we're grateful for the opportunities we've had to re-unite our AAUW branch members at our in-person events. It's finally starting to feel like we know each other again. It was particularly nice to have time to share our holiday plans and enjoy catching up on each other at our December Holiday Party. If you have not yet attended one of our monthly third Thursday meetings, and you are comfortable meeting in-person, we highly encourage you to come to the beautiful Greenbrook Clubhouse. You'll be able to share fellowship with other members and be inspired to help make a difference in our own lives and the lives of other women.



Chris Ritter



Joanne Quijano

As we look forward to our activities for advancing the AAUW mission this year, we've taken stock of our progress and plans in the five focus areas our board identified during our 2022-23 strategy session; look for the details in the article in this edition. We encourage you to send your ideas about how to expand or improve our approach in ways that are meaningful to you and will help us continue to advance gender equity for women.

An important accomplishment to note for our branch is finishing and approving updates to our Policies and Procedures in anticipation of becoming a 501(c)(3) organization. In addition to small updates that enable us to qualify to grant tax deductions to our donors, we also made a revision to allow our board to adjust geography and other eligibility requirements for our Local Scholarship applicants. This will give us the flexibility to direct one or more of our awards to students with financial need evidenced by their membership in a particular group. This year, on a trial basis, we plan to award one of our Local Scholarships to a student from the Renaissance Scholars program at Cal State East Bay. Renaissance Scholars are students who are transitioning out of foster care; you'll learn more about this program at our February Member Meeting. We are excited to explore this new opportunity to extend our scholarship program!

On a final note, look for a milestone in U.S. history and for women in prominent positions – for the first time you will be able to see two women's signatures gracing one and five dollar bills when they go into circulation this year. Both Janet Yellen, Treasury Secretary, and Lynn Malerba, U.S. Treasurer, provided their signatures to the Bureau of Engraving in December to be printed on newly minted bills.

Wishing you all a wonderful, joyous, adventurous, and productive 2023!

January Checklist

- **January 18, 6:00pm** - Pleasant Hill-Martinez AAUW [International Soup Supper](#), St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church
 - **January 19, 6:00pm** – **Third Thursday Member Meeting - Providing Health Care to Women Experiencing Violence** – [RSVP here](#)
 - **February 17, 6:00pm- Third Thursday Member Meeting - What's Next After Foster Care?**
Save the date!
 - [Donate here](#) to support DAW branch programs
 - **Volunteer!** - We still have open positions on our branch board and committees! Learn more [here](#)
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DAW Branch Updates

December's Third Thursday Member Meeting - Holiday Socializing

By Rebecca Bhatt, Hospitality Chair



We hosted an Open House Holiday Celebration and Creativity Night on December's third Thursday Member Meeting night instead of a formal program. We enjoyed the holiday gathering with great food from Sunrise Bistro, wine provided by Bette Felton and Marilyn Lawver, along with holiday music. It was a wonderful opportunity to connect with each other and enjoy meeting new members and guests.

I want to thank Cindy Dragomanovich, Marilyn Lawver, Bette Felton, Susan Mann, Liz Peters, and Nancy Dowell for all their help with planning and executing this event, and Deborah Wechsler for coordinating the artists and their creative displays. Everyone seemed to really enjoy being together and celebrating the season!





Here are some of our very artistic members who displayed their fabulous creations.

First row;
Lynn Goodwin, Author, top left
Sharon Cohune, Painting, top right

Second Row, from left:
Jessica Barrett, Jewelry
Roseann Krane, Jewelry
Dianne Giacovelli, Jewelry
Sherry Wilcoxson, Jewelry
Kathy Harkins, Jewelry
Judy Lauper, Cross Stitch, Knitting

3rd Row:
Susan Mann, Photography
Caroline Sanchez, Painting

4th Row:
Tricia Grame, Painting, Sculpture
Mary Mix, Quilting

Tech Trek – In Progress for 2023 Camp

By Deborah Wechsler, Tech Trek Chair

Tech Trek 2023 is off and running! Check out the exciting new logo. We our branch’s request to sponsor 12 girls this year. Thanks to all of your generous donations, we are almost fully funded to meet this goal. Our branch is selecting girls attend the camp at Sonoma State University, Fresno State University, or the Virtual camp. Costs vary depending on the camp, ranging from \$500-\$1000 per girl. We underwrite the entire amount for each girl, just asking the families to contribute a nominal fee. Thanks everyone for your continued generous support of the great STEM opportunity for middle school girls.



I have informed the administrators and science and math teachers at the six public middle schools that our Branch represents that we will be asking for their nominations this month. I received this inspiring response from a teacher at Stone Valley Middle School:

“Thank you for this opportunity. Last summer's girls stopped by my room to share their awesome experience. They had a blast, they learned a lot and they already had plans for what to do next, maybe participating in similar programs, or even trying to give back to the community by volunteering with a program. Such empowering program in just one week!”

I am recruiting for volunteers for our Tech Trek Committee for 2023. Please contact me at Deborah.wechsler@gmail.com if you are interested in any of the opportunities below.

I will not ask for final commitment until we have more complete information, which should arrive from CA Tech Trek this month. I will put you on my list for further information when we receive it. Volunteer opportunities include:

- Participate on selection and interview teams. It is a real joy to meet these girls and their parents!
- Workshop leader at the camp in June
- Camp assistant (help with workshops, classes or other activities at the camp)
- Dorm mom at the June camp
- Help with ice cream social in June
- Participate on professional women's panel one evening during the June camp
- Assist with developing tools for communicating and tracking the girls after their camp experiences. This might be a social media solution, a database, or a combination. The goal is to continue mentoring these young women as they go on to high school and college.



Making a Difference- How are We Doing So Far?

By Chris Ritter, Co-President

As we launch into 2023, I’ve reviewed and summarized our branch’s progress toward making a difference in women’s lives in the five focus areas we identified during our 2022-23 strategy session. I also noted the activities that we have planned in these areas for the coming months. Below is a quick list of my findings.

Focus Area	Progress to Date	Planned Activities
Advancing Women in Power	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Publicized Gov Trek program to local high school student and parents • Encouraging DAW members to volunteer to help with Gov Trek breakout sessions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All branch members are encouraged to participate in Lobby Day March 21 & 22 • Our April program will focus on empowering women through art

Advancing Education Equity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We have raised most of the funds needed to support our Local Scholarships and Tech Trek camperships for 2022-23 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Our March program will be about DEI (Diversity, Equity and Inclusion) initiatives in local schools Our Garden Tour will support our LS and TT educational awards for 2023-24
Supporting Implementation of Title IX	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Our November program updated us on the status of Title IX at Cal State East Bay 	
Supporting Foster Care Students in Transition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We amended Policies and Procedures to enable our board to designate particular groups of students with demonstrated financial need, but who may not live in the defined Local Scholarship area, to apply for one or more of our Local Scholarships in a given year 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We will designate one 2023 Local Scholarship for a transitioning foster care student in the Renaissance Scholars program at Cal State East Bay Our February program will be about two great initiatives that help local students transitioning out of foster care
Protecting Women’s Health	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Our September Membership Branch speaker updated us on status of reproductive rights globally to empower us with facts for conversations on this topic 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Our January program will educate us on a new program allowing victims of domestic violence can get medical care without a physical visit to a doctor

We are working on other ideas to support our focus areas. If you have suggestions about how we can make a difference for women in these areas, please let Chris Ritter or Joanne Quijano know so we can add them to the discussion.

Know an Outstanding Branch Volunteer?

By Joanne Quijano, Co-President

Every year our branch board selects one or more of our members to nominate as AAUW Fund Branch Named Gift Honorees. This award recognizes those who have done outstanding work and given extraordinary service in supporting the programs and goals of AAUW.



Nominations for this award must be given to AAUW California by March 1st; the board will consider and vote to approve candidates at our February meeting. If you

have any suggestions for potential honorees, please submit the name and a short explanation of the member's exceptional service to AAUW to Joanne Quijano at jtq@sbcglobal.net.

Membership Corner

By Liz Peters, Membership Chair

This past year we have been excited about the new members joining our branch. Please welcome them if you see them at one of our events.

- New Alamo Members:
 - Lola Ganse
 - Debbie Hammond
 - Zora Kalinic
 - Kathleen Waters
- New Danville Members:
 - Judith Bensinger Haynes
 - Gwen Messman
 - Noelle Schoellkopf
 - Joan Trezek
- New San Ramon Members:
 - Deborah Koos
- New Walnut Creek Members:
 - Katha Harley
 - Donita Hohensten
 - Suellen McPhee
 - Mary Ann Shields

Updated Governance Documents

By Deborah Wechsler, P&P Committee Chair

This may be the most exciting article you read this year! I am pleased to announce that we have completed a major update to our Policies and Procedures (P&P) document. Thanks to the contributions of many, we have made the procedures more current with our operations, including our use of email and shared online documents rather than hardcopies and snail mail. We have also reviewed and updated the links to helpful information on our California and National AAUW websites.

While is a lengthy document, it has very helpful information and you don't have to read the whole thing at one sitting! The way to use it is to do a search and go directly to the pages that contain the information you want to reference. For example, if you are interested in a particular position in our organization, you can find out more about that position including a detailed list of responsibilities, usually only one page.

Also exciting to report – we have updated the P&P and other governance documents as one of the first steps towards becoming a fully tax-exempt 501(c)(3) organization. This challenging task was completed thanks to Chris Ritter and her team, who are now continuing the next steps for our application to 501(c)(3) status. This effort will enable contributions made to our branch to be tax deductible which will hopefully encourage more to contribute to our efforts to advance equity for women and girls in compensation, leadership, STEM, and education opportunities.

Please look at these documents on our website:

<https://daw-ca.aauw.net/about/governance-documents/>

Neighborhood Group Listings

By Joanne Quijano, Database and Directory Manager

If you haven't already, you'll be receiving your new 2022-23 Branch Directory soon. You may notice that the lists of members by Neighborhood Group are missing; we've eliminated them to streamline the new edition. In place of the old listings there are now two versions of members' contact information sorted by Neighborhood Group available on our branch website. These documents provide mailing addresses, phone numbers, and email addresses making it simple for members to contact other members in their local group. They are available in the "Members Only" section, so you'll need your branch password to access them. The new documents are:



- A **printable listing** of Neighborhood Group members
- An **Excel spreadsheet** of Neighborhood Group members

Please remember that **members' contact information is confidential** and should only be shared with other branch members. Be aware of where you leave printed copies and be sure to dispose of any printed member information appropriately.

For the "Members Only" webpage [click here](#)

Do You Have Hospitality Supplies to Share?

By Rebecca Bhatt, Hospitality Chair

The Hospitality Committee is looking for some items to have on hand at the Greenbrook Clubhouse for our Third Thursday meetings. We need: **some dish towels and rags** to clean up after meetings, a small **recycle bin**, and a couple of **knives and serving spoons**. If you have any items that you can donate, please contact me at beckybhatt@gmail.com. We appreciate your support!

Give to Support AAUW Initiatives

By Joanne Quijano, Co-president



Our annual letter asking for your donations was mailed in November. Many of you have responded by giving generously to our branch and to AAUW national's Funds. As you know, we need your generous help to contribute to the success of both our branch's signature annual projects and AAUW national initiatives. Funds raised by our branch are a critical factor in enabling the direct support of our organization's mission of advancing gender equity for women and girls. We still welcome donations in three specific areas:

- **The AAUW Greatest Needs Fund** to advance AAUW's national mission by sustaining all of its programs and activities nationwide to create and expand our renowned research, mission-based programs, and advocacy initiatives that tackle challenges facing women and girls,
- **Our branch's Local Scholarship program** to provide \$2,000 awards to college women in our area toward continuing their education,
- **Our branch's Tech Trek program** to provide scholarships of \$1,000 each so local girls can attend the popular weeklong science camps to augment their STEM education and encourage confidence.

Please [click here](#) to learn how to contribute either online or by mailing a check.

Thank you for your generous contributions!

Public Policy Updates

You Can Help with AAUW California's Gov Trek

By Ogie Strogatz, Public Policy Co-Chair

Put More Women in Power! Be a Gov Trek Volunteer! On January 28, California AAUW will launch the Gov Trek program, targeting the shortage of women in political leadership roles by giving junior and senior high school-age girls a glimpse of careers in public service and elected office. During five, online, two-hour sessions, students will engage in interactive learning with exposure to women legislators, career options, and the inner workings of a political campaign. To learn more about the program, [click here](#).

Comments Sandi Gabe, President, California AAUW: "We're honored to collaborate with California AAUW branches, education, government and community leaders to remove barriers to women in political leadership and increase access to public service jobs. We look forward to creating a more diverse government by building capacity and a pipeline of talent from female populations in California."

Gov Trek provides a terrific opportunity for us to act on our local branch priority to help *put more women in power*. We can volunteer as Zoom breakout room facilitators supporting the student participants. Facilitators will manage a group of up to 15 students in a Zoom breakout room, helping them stay on task, assisting with the understanding and implementation of assigned activities, and facilitating collaboration among the group for active participation. The two-hour sessions will be on Saturdays starting January 28.

Start the new year by empowering women! Please [click here](#) to learn more about volunteering for **Gov Trek**.

Public Policy Legislative Update: CA Assembly Bill (AB) 2832, Whole Child Community Equity

Turning to our branch priority to make a difference in the area of [education equity](#), I'll spotlight a piece of state legislation that was supported by California AAUW and signed into law by Governor Newsom on 9/29/22: [AB 2832, Whole Child Community Equity](#).

AB 2832 establishes the End Racial and Economic Inequities in Childcare in California Initiative. The bill requires the California Department of Social Services (CDSS), in consultation with the California Department of Education (CDE), to develop the Whole Child Equity Framework and Whole Child Community Equity Screening Tool, and to finalize and present the Equity Framework, Equity Screening Tool and their recommended uses to the state legislature by January 1, 2025. This bill also requires



CDSS to convene a stakeholder workgroup to provide recommendations for the development of the Framework and the Equity Tool.

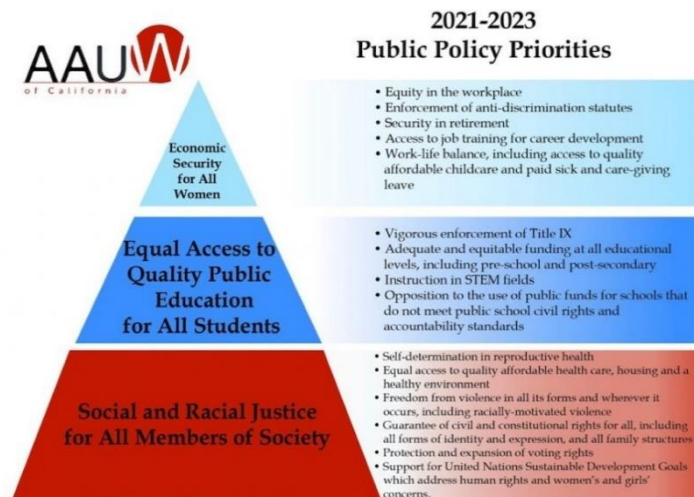
According to the bill’s author, Assemblymember Robert Rivas (CA Assembly District 29):

AB 2832 will help narrow the racial and socioeconomic gaps in our state’s early childhood education (ECE) system by establishing a tool to identify the equity needs of our most underserved children. Currently, the state distributes ECE resources to local communities based on median income. While this is an essential factor, this method unfortunately does not account for multiple factors of need beyond poverty. To better capture the holistic needs of a child, this bill creates the Whole Child Community Equity Screening Tool, which outlines and examines data, including COVID-19 impacts, housing, health, and other categories to identify the highest-need communities across the state. Lastly, through a stakeholder input process, AB 2832 will provide recommendations to address inequities in the areas identified by the tool. By pinpointing need and investing in our most underserved, AB 2832 brings California one step closer to achieving educational equity for our youngest learners.

Of note: California AAUW’s statement of support for AB 2832 was quoted in the bill analysis that served as background for the 5/26/22 Assembly full floor vote, which resulted in 74 ayes, 0 noes, and 4 abstentions.

I asked Julio Mendez Vargas, Legislative Aide to Assemblymember Rivas, about grassroots community group opportunities to help ensure effective, timely implementation of AB 2832. Mr. Mendez Vargas indicated that Assemblymember Rivas will be following the progress of the state Department of Social Services and the state Department of Education as they move forward with implementation. There may be opportunities for AAUW CA members with early childhood expertise to participate in the stakeholder workgroup required by the bill, and/or to provide public comments to the workgroup. We’ll stay tuned!

Which of our 5 current branch priorities – Women in Power, Education Equity, Title IX, Foster Care, and Women’s Health and Reproductive Rights – speak most deeply to you? Asha Bajaj and I invite you to check regularly [AAUW CA’s state legislation tracking sheet](#) to learn more about the status of our statewide priority bills, particularly those that resonate most closely with our annual branch priorities. Please let us know which bills and policy areas spark your interest in learning and advocacy!



Stay alert! Stay engaged! Stay involved!

AAUW California Updates

Nomination and Elections

by Charmen Goehring, Nominations & Elections Chair, nominating@aauw-ca.org

Love AAUW? Want to Give Back? This year we are looking for a President-Elect to serve one year followed by two years as president. I know that Sandi will be leaving some big shoes to fill. Each of us has strengths and weaknesses to share. Come forward and let your light shine. We need someone who cares about Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, Women's Rights, Financial Security and so much more.

Please think at least twice before you say you can't do it. AAUW matters, women matter, everyone deserves a chance. If President-Elect is too big a bite, how about CFO or one of the director positions? To learn more, click [here](#).

Public Policy

By Kathleen Harper, Director, Public Policy Committee Chair, publicpolicy@aauw-ca.org

November 8th was a Good Day for Women! The election is finally over and overall, AAUW members can be pretty happy with the results. Here are a few highlights:

- One woman was added to each house of Congress: the U.S. House of Representatives and the U.S. Senate, bringing the numbers to 124 (H) and 25 (S).
- Of the total of 149, 54 are women of color.
- With Nancy Pelosi stepping down as Speaker of the House, we lost the most powerful woman's voice in government, but still have a woman on the minority leadership team, Minority Whip Katherine Clark.
- Governors of 12 states are now women.
- 23% of all mayors across the nation are women, including our brand new and first woman mayor of Los Angeles, Karen Bass.
- 32 women won seats in the California Legislature (total confirmed 44, 3 pending)
- All executive positions in California except Governor are filled by women, including Secretary of State, Lieutenant Governor, Treasurer, and Controller.
- Proposition 1 prevailed and women's right to control their own reproductive choices is now enshrined in our constitution.

The state Public Policy Committee thanks each and every AAUW California member who voted, who assisted in our Voter Education (VE) campaign by spreading our messages on social media, who took the pledge to vote for Prop 1 (we had 437 sign up!), and who worked within their branches to do their own VE events.

On December 1st, I did a presentation for the California Online Branch on the election results. The recording of the presentation is posted on the website [here](#).

Next challenge: let's add California to that list of states with a woman governor! Together we can – and will – change the world!

Gov Trek

By Shauna Ruyle, Gov Trek Program Director, govtrek@aauw-ca.org

We Heard You at the Gov Trek Launch! Thank you to those who were able to join the Gov Trek launch webinar on November 16th to learn more about the new state-led program and how your branch can participate. If you were unable to attend, you can click [here](#) to download the presentation and view the recording of the session.

During the webinar, branch members expressed their need for a Spanish version of the student flier and online parent/guardian permission form. The AAUW California Leadership heard you and created a Spanish version of the flier. The parent/guardian permission form and follow-up emails to parents are now in English and Spanish.

How you can help: We appreciate branch members taking the important role of publicizing this amazing program in your local schools and community! Students can register themselves with a quick and easy click on a link or QR code. All they need is to see the flier in their school or library or local business or the social media posts from AAUW California and your branch. It's an easy way to provide a high-impact program.

If we want more women in leadership, this is how we start. Check out the Gov Trek Fliers, print them, and share them in your community!

- [Program Flier - English version](#)
- [Program Flier - Spanish version](#)

Tech Trek

By Mary Isaac, Tech Trek Program Director, techtrek@aauw-ca.org

Tech Trek is Gonna be 25!! That's right! Think about it... a whole new generation of daughters of Tech Trek alumnae may be in the next few batches of campers your branches select! We want to do something special in 2023 to commemorate such an important milestone in AAUW California's legacy.

We have the names and addresses from 25 years ago but we could sure use some help tracking them down so we can include them in the celebration! Contact techtrek@aauw-ca.org if you can help track the girls of 1998 and beyond!

Interest Group Updates

Great Decisions Groups – Starting in February

By Mary Granzotto, Interest Group Leader

Great Decisions is America's largest discussion program on world affairs. The program model involves reading the Great Decisions Briefing Book, watching the documentary film series, and meeting in a discussion group to discuss the most critical global issues facing America today.

Our AAUW chapter sponsors two groups, open to members and non-members, that meet weekly for two months. Those who have pre-ordered briefing books will be contacted by Mary in early January when they arrive.

- An evening group begins Monday, Feb. 6th at 7pm at the Mercer Social Room in Walnut Creek. Contact Mary Granzotto mgranzo@earthlink.net for more information.

- A daytime group will be led by Asha Bajaj on Zoom from 2-4 pm starting Feb. 7th. Please look for the link closer to the Feb. dates

Here is the 2023 list of topics:

- Energy Geopolitics
 - War Crimes
 - China and the U.S.
 - Economic Warfare
 - Politics in Latin America
 - Global Famine
 - Iran at a Crossroads
 - Climate Migration
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Pleasant Hill-Martinez Branch's Event

You are invited to join our neighbor branch for hearty, homemade soups, breads, and desserts at their **Annual International Soup Supper**. It's happening at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Pleasant Hill on Wednesday, January 18, 2023, at 6:00pm. Be sure to bring your own soup bowl and spoon! Dinner starts promptly at 6:00pm, and spouses, partners, and friends are most welcome. In addition to the supper, there will be a speaker, Evelyn LaTorre. Evelyn joined the Peace Corps upon graduation from Holy Names and was assigned to Peru where she taught PE, English and organized 4-H clubs. Evelyn's books about her experiences will be available for sale.

Read the latest Pleasant Hill-Martinez branch newsletter (page 8) for more information about the event and how to RSVP. [Click here.](#)

From the Editor

Roseann Krane

Contribute to the Advocate - Send ideas, articles, and pictures by the 15th of the month to appear in the next issue. Please use the [Submittal Form](#) on our website to direct your contribution to the Advocate, or other DAW social media, to our communications team.

Submissions should be in the following format:

- Articles in a .doc or .docx file, or in the body of an email
- Calibri font, size 11
- Pictures in .jpg format (compressed)
- Permissions set for editing

Find contact information about people mentioned in the Advocate on our [branch website](#) and in your directory. If you do not have a directory, contact Tena Gallagher.

From the Treasurer

Monika Witte

Handle money matters here - Please send expense vouchers or deposits to our AAUW P.O. Box 996 in Alamo, 94507 for expedited processing. Refer to our branch website for specific forms and instructions – Click on [Members Page](#)

From the Corresponding Secretary

Julie Grisham

Know someone who needs a note? - Julie Grisham, our Corresponding Secretary, sends cards on behalf of our branch. If you know of an AAUW-DAW member in need of a get well, condolence or congratulations card, contact Julie via email [here](#).

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

Vision: AAUW empowers all women and girls to reach their highest potential.

The Danville-Alamo-Walnut Creek branch promotes and supports our AAUW mission through local scholarships, AAUW program support, panel discussions, Tech Trek, AAUW Fund, and topical guest speakers.

Roseann Krane, Editor

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