

## TUESDAY FEBRUARY 21 General Meeting

➔ **Due to another event taking place at the Orinda Community Church, We will be meeting at a different location - TBA. Look for an email notification soon! We apologize for this last minute change.**



### ***We All Have a Story to Tell. How Will You Tell Yours?***

AAUW-OML member **Sandy Fox-Sohner** has had a burning story to tell ever since she taught high school algebra and geometry. It is a true story about a famous 19th century self-taught mathematician, **Sonia Kovalevsky**, the first female professor in Europe and Russia.

In the 1800s, women were not allowed in universities because they were considered incapable of abstract thought. Determined to change this, Sonia set out to open the door for women to obtain an education by proving women are just as intelligent as men. Sandy believes this uplifting story has a lot to tell us about perseverance, struggle, and the possibility of change.

**Sandy wrote a screenplay based on the life of Sonia Kovalevsky that has won several awards at film festivals. Working with a director and a co-producer, she now seeks a major producer to make the film.**

*What is your story and how will you tell it?* Sandy will share her journey of learning how to write a screenplay and how to connect with other screen writers, editors, and representatives. She learned how independent films get made, as well as how to engage a director, co-producer, or investor; how to attract a major producer; and, most importantly, how things are changing for women filmmakers.

## Tuesday, March 21 General Meeting

**MOBILITY MATTERS**  
with Dr. Chris Thompson,  
University of San Francisco

Chris Thompson has designed an innovative assessment and exercise program to help improve our mobility.

Come prepared to test and assess yourself in a short program which could change your life forever!



This program, originally planned for our January meeting had to be postponed due to unforeseen circumstances. We hope you will join us in March!



**Join the scholarship committee for an evening of fashion, fun and friendship at Harper Greer on Thursday, February 9.**

**Turn to page 3 for all the details.**

... PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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Many people pick a single word as their focus for the new year. Others make long lists of resolutions that they hope to accomplish in the next twelve months. My focus for the year is one word – GRATEFUL – encompasses how I feel about our branch and our members. Grateful

for all the wonderful programs that are available through our general meetings, our special interest groups, and our community projects.

Grateful for all returning members but especially grateful for the new members who have joined our branch and are already participating in projects and committees. Grateful for our board members who work so hard behind the scenes to accomplish so much, to engage so many members, to offer such a variety of activities.

Grateful for the huge success of our first annual branch Holiday Fundraiser which raised almost \$12,000 (net of expenses). This event brought us together as a branch to focus on all the projects we sponsor and our alignment with AAUW mission. Grateful for the generous donations of members to either the Undesignated Fund or to the individual Community Outreach (CO) Projects for a total of \$11,400.

Grateful for the grants we have received from outside organizations plus the net proceeds from fundraisers held by individual CO projects for a total of almost \$8,000.

Grateful that total donations to our Community Outreach Fund (our 501©3 organization) from July 1, 2022 through January 22, 2023, are over \$31,000.

Our projects have sufficient reserves to pay for all upcoming expenses for the rest of the year. We look forward to many exciting events in the coming months as we select and honor five young women for scholarships, select and award six young women to attend a week long Tech Trek camp at Sonoma State, put on a day long conference for 180-200 middle school girls at Saint Mary's College.

Our community outreach projects have good reserves as of January 22, 2023:

Undesignated (available for allocation to our individual projects)	\$16,287
Burckhalter	\$3,736
Scholarship	\$30,560
STEM	\$10,738
Tech Trek	\$19,811
DEI	\$1,700
<b>Total Funds as of Jan. 22, 2023</b>	<b>\$82,832</b>

Our branch (a 501©4 organization) is also in good shape with reserves of \$31,844 as of December 31, 2022. The branch depends solely on revenue from member dues and advertising income each year to run the operations of the branch. Our board remains committed to maintaining adequate reserves and operating under a fiscally conservative budget each year. If you have any questions about the budgets or finances of our two groups – the branch (a 501©4 organization) or the Community Outreach Fund (a 501©3 organization), please reach out to our treasurer Marielle Boortz or to me, Peggy Cabaniss.

See the chart below for details about donations, their source, and their destination.

**Peggy S. Cabaniss, President**

SUMMARY OF FUNDRAISING FOR COMMUNITY OUTREACH FUNDS FROM JULY 1 - JAN. 22							
	Burckhalter	DEI	Scholarship	STEM	Tech Trek	Undesignated	TOTAL
December Fundraiser (net)	250	-	4,000	-	-	7,662	11,912
Solicitation Letter	450	150	434	983	283	435	2,735
General Donations	1,035	250	2,828	1,425	2,303	840	8,681
Grants & Fundraisers (net) excluding Dec fundraiser	-	-	1,110	4,500	2,335	-	7,945
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,735</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>8,372</b>	<b>6,908</b>	<b>4,921</b>	<b>8,937</b>	<b>31,273</b>

**FOCUS ON ... RAISING MONEY for SCHOLARSHIPS**



- **FASHION • FUN •**
- **FRIENDSHIP •**
- **YOU'RE INVITED! •**

**Thursday, February 9**  
**4 ~ 7 pm**  
**Harper Greer Boutique**  
**La Fiesta Square, Lafayette**

**Join the scholarship committee for an evening of fashion, fun and friends at Harper Greer, 979 Moraga Road in Lafayette.**

As you listen to live jazz, enjoy a glass of wine and some tasty appetizers, you will be able to wander around the store viewing the latest spring and cruise fashions. Enjoy your AAUW models as they describe the clothes they are wearing. Visit with friends and SHOP !

**10% of the evening proceeds will benefit scholarships.**

Please remember to mention AAUW. This discount will be honored from February 2 through February 12. The scholarship committee would like to thank owners **John and Terry Kiskaddon** for sharing their unique, distinctive clothes for women and for their generous donation of wine for this fun event. *Bring your friends!*

**GOT SNEAKERS?**

**Have you cleaned out your closets?**

Ask your friends, neighbors and family to clear their unused sneaker clutter and keep them out of the landfill by dropping them off at:

- Moraga Hardware
- Lafayette Veterans Memorial Building
- 5 AAAAA Rent-A-Space
- Lafayette Community Center
- Orinda Community Center (new)
- Acalanes High School (new until 2/3)
- *Bring your sneakers to our February meeting!*

We are making a difference for our environment and helping to fund scholarships for our local high schools and Saint Mary's College High Potential Program women.

**Keep collecting those shoes!**



**Mary Ann McLeod and Bonnie Fend, Co-Chairs, Scholarship Committee**

**Turn to page 7 to read more about the OML scholarship program.**





## STEM CONFERENCE ~ SATURDAY, MARCH 25, 2023

## The STEM Conference Needs Your Help!



Everyone will receive an application by email to volunteer at the STEM Conference. Please fill out the Google form at your earliest convenience by clicking on the link below. We need your help to make this conference a success. Looking forward to seeing you there. Contact **Sheila Apte** at [sheila.apte@gmail.com](mailto:sheila.apte@gmail.com) or 925 324-3466 if you have any questions or comments.

<https://forms.gle/Nc244tjd6DfYa2yp7>

## Celebrating Our Ambassadors, continued



Why are these people all smiling? Did they win the lottery? Not exactly, but they did win the support of the **Lafayette Rotary** through a contribution of \$1,500 to the STEM Conference!

On February 12, members of our STEM committee (Stacia, Molly, Bella, Laura, Peggy, and Chris) presented the STEM Conference to the Lafayette Rotary, that holds their meetings at the Oakwood Athletic Club. We shared Bella's video of the 2022 conference (available to watch on the OML website) and four of the ambassadors told their STEM/AAUW stories. It was one of the best presentations, primarily because it was followed by 30 minutes of Q&A. The questions and discussions were encouraging and very validating of our young women's pursuit of STEM.

**Kimberly Lam**, the current president of the Lafayette Rotary, has offered to volunteer the day of the conference, and she is spreading the word in her Concord community. We are very grateful to **Chris Laszcz-Davis**, who coordinated this opportunity. We now have three Rotaries, the Lamorinda Sunrise Rotary, the Rossmoor Rotary, and the Lafayette Rotary, giving us financial and volunteer support.

**Stacia Cragholm, Chair,  
STEM Conference**



**Ashley Sang**  
Freshman, Miramonte High School

I've always had an interest in STEM ever since a young age. However, I was formally introduced to the world of STEM over the year 2020, when everybody was in lockdown. Like everyone, I was bored out of my mind and found coding. Ever since then, I've expanded my interest to robotics and physics as well. This is my first year with AAUW, and I'm excited to work with this amazing organization to help girls find their interest in STEM. I'm so glad I joined this inspiring organization and I look forward to continuing with AAUW throughout my high school years!

**Helena Linnen**  
Sophomore, Campolindo High School!

My interests in STEM started from a young age and growing up AAUW has given me amazing opportunities to help me reach my goals in becoming a woman in STEM. Without these opportunities I don't think that I would have believed that I could be successful in a STEM career. I hope that I can help younger girls through AAUW realize and pursue their hopes of pursuing a career in STEM.



**Molly Stephens**  
Junior, Campolindo High School.

From a young age, I knew I wanted to pursue a field in STEM. Throughout my journey, AAUW has given me incredible opportunities to explore new disciplines and learn from a network of brave and intelligent female mentors. Without such experience, I wouldn't have been able to discover my passion for cognitive neuroscience and researching medicinal cures for psychological disorders. I am honored to be a part of the AAUW team, and can't wait to guide aspiring girls toward success in STEM careers.

## ONE WEEK at BURCKHALTER

Grades K, 1st, 2nd, 3rd and Special Ed heard the California Young Reader book “We Don’t Eat our Classmates” a story about a T. Rex who has trouble making friends with the children in his class because he finds them delicious and can’t resist his desire to eat them. As a prereading activity, students were asked what we don’t do in the library. Students said don’t talk, don’t run, etc. Lots of laughs when the title was shown to them. Next week the book is “Parker Looks Up: An Extraordinary Moment” about a young girl seeing the portrait of Michelle Obama in the National Gallery. Biography books about Ms. Obama will be displayed for further reading.



Students received a pencil prize for remembering to return the books and some classes got pencils for good library behavior. Volunteers brainstormed how to help the Kindergarteners learn library behavior. Tables were moved to manage the space better. We are looking to solve the problem of them switching books or putting books back on the shelves after they are checked out to them.

The 4th and 5th grade classes were introduced to the passport program we will be doing with the upper grades. We showed a short video about the continents. The video was very popular with its fun song. The passport sticker this week was Mexico. Students were shown Mexico on a map and a few facts given. Also taught were geography terms city, state, country and continent. Only a few students knew the name of their city, state, etc. Good introduction to geography. Next week we will use the individual laminated maps donated by AAUW member, Mary Leigh Miller and teach more geography. It was a terrific opportunity to show off our library program to the principal. She was a substitute teacher for the 5th graders. On the way out the door she said, “this is important information to know city, state, country and continents.” Yeah, for AAUW’s community outreach program!

More work was done on the major library collection project this year by our efforts to raise the targeted average age in nonfiction books. Tremendous progress was also made in the last two years of changing the average copyright date from 2002 to 2006. Thank you to all our members who were very generous in donating to Burckhalter in 2022.



### Burckhalter Volunteers:

Janette Maher, Alison MacKenzie, Joanie Jump, Linda Bochte, Diane Bell, Marilyn Evans, Karen Feeney, Lisa Walsh, Ling Yan and newest member Jennet Zundel.

**Janette Maher,  
Chair, Burckhalter**

## DISTINGUISHED WOMAN ~ 2023

Thank you to all who have sent in letters helping us identify, which of our busy members is the distinguished woman of 2023. We have many choices, so help us narrow the field, by sending us your recommendation.

**DW committee: Stacia, Mary Leigh, Judy Helder, Trudy Baron, and Nancy Kornfield**

**Stacia Cragholm,  
Distinguished Woman, 2022  
[staciawater@hotmail.com](mailto:staciawater@hotmail.com)**

## AAUW FUND

AAUW Greatest Needs Fund (#9110) helps the National Organization direct your donations to strategic focus areas.

The Orinda, Moraga, Lafayette Branch donated \$3,805 from February to December 2022. Thank you for your generosity!

**Diane Bell, VP AAUW Fund**

## TECH TREK UPDATE

We are confirmed for six girls to go to Sonoma State University on July 23-28. We will be selecting two girls from each of the three intermediate schools. Teachers at the schools have each been asked to nominate girls. We will invite the girls to apply in February and they will be asked to interview in March.



**Jan Cushman, Chair, Tech Trek**



## SUMMARY of EDDA COLLINS COLEMAN’S TALK at the JANUARY GENERAL MEETING

### On Being Good, Caring, Ethical, and Non-partisan When Serving Constituents

Edda Collins Coleman, newly elected to Orinda Union School District board, was our speaker at the January membership meeting. Ms. Coleman is a managing director of Cogent Strategies advising Fortune 50 companies as they communicate with congress and the executive branch. She is also a co-founder of *All In Together*, a nonprofit with the mission to equip voting age women with a non-partisan civic education; and chair of the board of directors of *Facing History and Ourselves* – equipping teachers with strategies and content that help young people wrestle with current events and difficult issues through the lens of history.



Ms. Coleman shared her personal story of growing up in the midwest in a family involved in the community and political campaigns. No wonder that she left for Washington, D.C., after college, where she got a job working for Virginia Governor Mark Warner lobbying congress for the state of Virginia. She then worked on democratic presidential campaigns. Her expertise was growing in fundraising and lobbying, especially in the health care arena. When John Kerry lost, she was recruited by an insurance carrier to lobby for them. She decided to write a manual on how to lobby, after which she became a lobbyist for the American Pediatric Association. Her current employer was named one of the top lobby firms in D.C. in 2022.

She was disturbed by the fact that there were not many women in politics or lobbying. So she co-founded *All In Together*

*Campaign* to train women to become civically engaged and gain confidence to speak in front of legislative committees to lobby for our issues. And her concern about what is not being taught about history in schools, she got involved with *Facing History and Ourselves* and is currently chair of that organization.

Ms. Coleman is a fantastic speaker and this article does not do her talk justice. A theme throughout her presentation was working for people (politicians) who are good people who cared and served their constituents in an ethical and non-partisan way. She said her focus on the Orinda school board will be a partnership with the City of Orinda, fiscal responsibility, and academic excellence. With the example of her family and mentors, commitment to

education, past experience, and her ability to influence public policy for good, Orinda schools will be well served by Edda Collins Coleman.

**Denise Burian, Chair, DEI**



### More on DEI from the AAUW Website

AAUW seeks to promote inclusion and awareness for all members to create an equitable, sustainable and inclusive membership reflective of today’s world.

The AAUW Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) resources aim to identify best practices for promoting diversity, equity and inclusion within AAUW. These resources present guidelines for how AAUW branches, national members, student members and individual members can demonstrate

an understanding of AAUW’s mission, values, goals and strategic plan. It is meant to start the inclusion conversation. We encourage all members to seek ways to incorporate inclusive practices into their branches and daily life.

As Maya Angelou said, “In diversity, there is beauty and there is strength.” AAUW respects and celebrates the diversity of our members and those differences form the backbone of our organization. These resources are one way to show others how to bring together differences for positive change through inclusive practices.

**PUBLIC POLICY in ACTION**



**AAUW California will hold its 2023 Lobby Days on March 21 and March 22.**

This is a wonderful opportunity to meet your legislators, inform them about AAUW and what your branch is doing for their constituents, and advocate for their support of our priority bills. AAUW-CA has scheduled Lobby Days to take place while the Legislature is in session. There are three possible meeting scenarios, and we will do our best to match AAUW teams with their districts and their preferences:

- 1) In-person meeting at the Capitol (ideal for branches in and around Sacramento)
- 2) In-person meeting with staffers in the district office
- 3) Virtual meeting

The sign-up form was due by January 18, but you can still participate. Contact Kathi Harper [publicpolicy@aauw-ca.org](mailto:publicpolicy@aauw-ca.org) so she can learn your preferences and make plans for successful, impactful Lobby Days. Your voices are needed to bring about the changes AAUW is committed to. You **MUST** complete a signup form in order to participate.

**Laura Monin and Connie Whitting, Co-Chairs, Public Policy**

**WELCOME to OUR NEWEST MEMBERS**

We had a wonderful **New Member Social** at the home of Marie Bonilla on January 22. New members Karen Feeney, Lisa Walsh, Lou Williams, Kathy Wyland and Jennet Zundel joined Peggy Cabaniss (President), Laura Monin and Connie Whitting (Public Policy), Mary Ann McLeod (Scholarship), and Jan Cushman (Tech Trek). Lots of information about OML Priorities and special interest groups was shared. The new members shared their backgrounds and what drew them to AAUW-OML. We look forward to their participation in our branch.

We currently have 120 members. The latest to join our OML branch is **Marcella (Marcy) Place**. She has a BA in Economics from UC Berkeley and an MA in Education from Saint Mary’s College. She is interested in volunteering at Burckhalter and getting involved with Public Policy. Golf, bike riding and hiking the East Bay Parks are also interests. She has offered to bring a snack for general meetings, chair a short-term project/event and give a hand where needed. Marcy is also interested in global warming (education/advocacy).

**Linda Bochte, VP, Membership**

**SCHOLARSHIP**

**Our High School Community Service Scholarship deadline is Wednesday, February 15.**

The scholarship applications are now online at [oml-ca.aauw.net](http://oml-ca.aauw.net). The requirements for graduating senior women are a 3.5 grade point average and an ability to demonstrate participation in community service.

**Our Saint Mary’s College Scholarship deadline is Thursday, March 9**

The scholarship applications are now online at [oml-ca.aauw.net](http://oml-ca.aauw.net). The requirements for sophomore or junior women in the High Potential Program are academic success and the ability to demonstrate a sustained commitment to community engagement.

If you know a young woman at Acalanes, Campolindo or Miramonte High School or a student in the High Potential Program who has participated in community service activities please encourage her to apply.

**Our next scholarship meeting is at my home on Thursday February 2 at 1:30 p.m.**

We’ll review our interview process and make final plans for our February 9th fashion show. Special Thanks to Carol Heppenstall and Bonnie Fend for planning our Harper Greer Open House.

**Mary Ann McLeod  
Scholarship Committee  
Co-Chair**



## BOARD MEETING January 10, 2023

Our January 2023 Board meeting was called to order by Peggy Cabaniss through tumultuous rain and icy hail – it was a most unusual day. Peggy extended congratulations to all those who had worked on the December fundraiser at the Moraga Art Gallery. Particular shout-outs were given to Barbara Bell, Mary Leigh Miller, Laura Wittenberg and Bonnie Fend. All agreed it was a great social success and funds raised were extensive. Barbara Bell reminded us all the funds raised will benefit all our OML Priorities.

Our January 17 speaker will be Edda Collins Coleman. She is a very accomplished woman who has spent time in Washington, D.C., before coming to Orinda. She has worked on varied election campaigns across the nation. February 21 we were reminded that our own Sandy Fox-Sohner will discuss “How to Make a Movie.” This meeting will be February 21. The March 21 meeting will feature Dr. Chris Thompson with Mobility Matters.

We are looking to add a person or two to the Nominating Committee. If you think someone you know would enjoy being on our board of directors, encourage her to call Gail Chesler or Linda Bochte

On February 9, scholarship is planning a unique party. We are looking forward to introducing beautiful lines of women’s wear for lawn parties, cruises you missed during the pandemic, and commencement activities this spring. Your fellow club members will be joining you in the store to model some distinctive clothes. Please join us at HARPER GREER, in La Fiesta Square, Lafayette, Thursday, February 9, 4-7 pm. If you can’t make the special party time, you may shop prior to the event or the following weekend. Mention AAUW and 10 percent of the proceeds will go to AAUW scholarship.

**Maryellen Judson, Secretary**

## WELCOME to OUR NEW ADVERTISERS

### You can do it – it’s just a matter of being thankful!

How many years have you frequented our returning advertisers? Have you visited our five new advertisers? The continued success and revenue from all these businesses advertising with us depends on each of us. We are headed into February, the third month of a 12-month cycle. I sincerely encourage you to enjoy what they offer and when you visit tell them how important they are to our branch.

Four of our new businesses are:

- **Lamorinda’s Handyman East Bay – Jayme Perez**
- **Goliath Water Heater & Plumbing in Moraga**
- **Casa Turing – Cal-Mex Dining in the Rheem Shopping Center**
- **E’s Auto Service & Repair**

Think about the many other businesses that you frequent and would like to see included here. Please call or email your suggestions or questions. Our sales team is great, so this is not a commitment to sell; new ideas are welcome and our lifeline to success.

Please see my contact information below. I loudly express my gratitude for all the branch members who read and shop, the ad team who “seek and find” and the OML editors who deliver. *Our advertisers are important to us.* Please let them know how much they too are appreciated.

With appreciation for past and hope for future sponsor/advertising,

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Milner’s Jewelers – Countrywood Shopping Center, Pleasant Hill

**The 2023 OML Directory is out! Please contact Linda Botche to get your copy if you didn’t already pick it up at the January general meeting.**

**PLEASE NOTE a CORRECTION:** The February and March dates for the board meetings and general meetings are incorrectly listed. They are: Board Meetings: February 14 and March 14; General Meetings: February 21 and March 21.



**SPECIAL INTEREST ACTIVITIES**

**DEI – BLM ALLIES GROUP**  
**Monday, February 13**  
**Via Zoom • 3-4:15 pm**

We are reading *How the Word is Passed*, by Clint Smith. We will discuss the 3rd and 4th chapters, which are very powerful. Contact Denise Burian to be included. [denburian@gmail.com](mailto:denburian@gmail.com).

**GREAT DECISIONS**  
**Wednesday, February 1**  
**Via Zoom • 10 am**

We have rearranged the Great Decisions discussion topics as they are listed in your book. Please note the new order of topics, followed by the discussion leader.

**February 1**  
 Economic Warfare #4  
 Susan Wilson

**March 1**  
 China and the U.S. #3  
 Mary Mlynek

**April 5**  
 Energy Geopolitics #1  
 Marielle Boortz

**May 3**  
 Global Famine #6  
 Judy Hammon

**June 7**  
 Politics in Latin America #5  
 Barbara Bell

**July 5**  
 War Crimes #2  
 Lana Reichick

**August 2**  
 Iran at a Crossroads #7  
 K. deGroot

**September 6**  
 Climate Migration #8  
 Connie Whitting

For more information, contact **Judy Helder** at [judyhelder@gmail.com](mailto:judyhelder@gmail.com)

**BOCCE BALL**  
**1st & 3rd Mondays**

We will meet again in March. Contact Mary Leigh Miller at 925 360-4443 or online at [mlmiller602@gmail.com](mailto:mlmiller602@gmail.com) to join the group.

**MUSEUM & GARDEN GROUP**  
**Friday, February 24**  
**UC Berkeley Botanical Garden**  
**10:30 am**

On Friday, February 24, we will meet at the UC Berkeley Botanical Garden (Weather permitting) at 10:30 am for a self-guided walking tour of these gorgeous gardens followed by lunch nearby. Cost for the gardens is \$12 for seniors. We might see such flower displays as camelias, English primroses and rhododendrons as well as many exotic and interesting plants.

Please RSVP by February 20 to Trudy Barron, [TrudyLbarron@gmail.com](mailto:TrudyLbarron@gmail.com) if you are interested in attending. **Reservations are required.** Weather prediction for the end of February is sunny and 65 degrees!

**ANYONE WHO HAS READ THE BOOK**  
**Friday, February 17**  
**Via Zoom • 10 am**

*Invisible Women: Data Bias in a World Designed for Men*, by Caroline Criado-Perez, Nonfiction, 432 pages Data is fundamental to the modern world. But, because so much data fails to take into account gender, because it treats men as the default and women as atypical, bias and discrimination are baked into our systems.. **NOTE:** Due to attendance of many at a funeral in December the book selections were shifted by one month.

Contact Susan Wilson for the Zoom link, [schnappsmom@sbcglobal.net](mailto:schnappsmom@sbcglobal.net)

**BIKE RIDING GROUP**  
**Last Thursday of the Month**

Our group bicycles on the last Thursday morning of each month. We ride on trails (not on streets). Please contact Diane Bell, [dianelouise2020@yahoo.com](mailto:dianelouise2020@yahoo.com). for information about this month's ride.

**EVENING SALON**  
**Thursday, February 9**  
**At Denise Burian's home • 7 pm**

All members are welcome for appetizers and wine. We have an open discussion about issues of the day – social, cultural, important news stories. Contact Denise Burian at [denburian@gmail.com](mailto:denburian@gmail.com).

**ORIGAMI ANYONE?**  
**Monday, February 6 & 20**  
**At Mary Leigh Miller's home • 1 pm**

Contact Lynda Leonard if you want to join the group. [lyndaeleonard@gmail.com](mailto:lyndaeleonard@gmail.com).

**HIKING EAST BAY REGIONAL PARKS**  
**First and Fourth Saturday**

We are resurrecting a hike mentioned previously – **February 4** at Leona Canyon, led by a ranger. This is a park that has had no closures like so many others. The next hike will be **February 25**, starting at Valle Vista staging area in Moraga. Hikers will get more information just before the hikes as to where to meet and at what time. Generally speaking we meet at car pool sites depending on where the hike is: front door at Rite Aid, Orinda, or behind Canyon Brewery, Moraga. Contact Marilyn Evans or Ellen Beans for more information.



*January 26 proved to be a beautiful day for the bike riders!*

**FEBRUARY 2023  
AT A GLANCE**

1 WED – CRITICS CHOICE BOOK GROUP  
Please pass your book.

1 WED – GREAT DECISIONS  
10 am – Via Zoom  
*Read more on page 9.*

2 THU – SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING  
1:30 pm – At the home of Mary Ann McLeod

4, 25 SAT – REGIONAL PARK HIKES  
*Read more on page 9.*

6, 20 MON – ORIGAMI ANYONE?  
1 pm – Mary Leigh Miller’s home  
*Read more on page 9*

**9 THU – SCHOLARSHIP FUNDRAISER**  
**4-7 pm – Harper Greer Boutique**  
*Read more on page 3.*

9 THUR – EVENING SALON  
7 pm –Denise Burian’s home  
*Read more on page 9.*

13, 27 – MON – GOLF GROUP  
Contact Jan Gee for time and venue, [jgee17@yahoo.com](mailto:jgee17@yahoo.com).

13 MON – DEI-BLM ALLIES GROUP  
3 pm – Via Zoom  
*Read more on page 9.*

**14 TUE – BOARD MEETING**  
**1-3 pm –Via Zoom**  
Contact Peggy Cabaniss for the link.

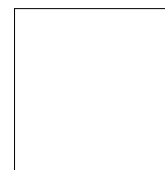
15 WED – MEMOIRS & MUSINGS  
1 pm – Via Zoom  
Contact Carol Messinger.

17 FRI – ANYONE WHO HAS READ THE BOOK  
10 am – Via Zoom  
*Read more on page 9*

17 FRI – FRIDAY EVENING MOVIE GROUP  
6:30 pm – Contact Mary Leigh Miller for more information.

**21 TUE – GENERAL MEETING**  
***WE ALL HAVE A STORY TO TELL.***  
**Sandy Fox-Sohner on writing a screen play.**  
**9:30 am – Orinda Community Church**

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23 THURS – BIKE RIDING GROUP  
9:30 am – Meeting place TBA  
Contact Diane Bell, [dianelouise2020@yahoo.com](mailto:dianelouise2020@yahoo.com).

24 FRI – MUSEUM & GORGEOUS GARDEN GROUP  
10:30 am – Berkeley Botanical Gardens  
*Read more on page 9.*

24 FRI– DEADLINE for MARCH, 2023 TRIAD  
Send all articles to Mary Leigh Miller, 925 360-4443  
[mlmiller602gmail.com](mailto:mlmiller602gmail.com).

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**14 TUE – BOARD MEETING**  
1-3 pm –Location TBA

**21 TUE – GENERAL MEETING**  
**MOBILITY MATTERS!**  
**9:30 am – Orinda Community Church**

**IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL  
SPECIAL INTEREST COORDINATORS:**  
*If your group decides to meet on a different day or  
time than normal, please contact our Calendar Coor-  
dinator, BONNIE GALLOGLY, so she can update the  
website calendar.*