

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 17, 2026

General Meeting
Serbian Orthodox Church
School Street, Moraga
9:30 ~ 11:30 am

REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS UNDER SEIGE

Program Speaker: Beth H. Parker, Esq.



Last year, Beth Parker addressed our AAUW group highlighting the history, progress and status of reproductive rights in the United States.

This year, she will share further erosive activity by our Administration. Planned Parenthood has been defunded and huge attacks, and consequent roll back of sex education have occurred.

Title X, the premiere program for birth control for low income women is threatened. Don't miss this informative meeting!

Join us for an eye opening delivery!

Turn to page 3 to learn more about Beth Parker.

**Please note the change of venue:
Our February 17 General Meeting
will be held at
the Serbian Church in Moraga.**

TUESDAY MARCH 17

General Meeting

**voting
challenges
Ahead**

Janet Hoy, Civic Engagement Chair of the League of Women Voters, Diablo Valley, will discuss how new federal voting laws and Supreme Court rulings could affect access to voting at the national, state, county, and local levels in 2026 and beyond.

PLUS ... Our Disguished Woman of the year will be announced!

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... from DENISE'S PERSPECTIVE

Our country is at a critical point right now. No matter your personal beliefs, you can't watch the news and not be concerned about what you see. It is overwhelming. For most of us, we want to do something! The good news is AAUW National, AAUW CA and our OML Branch leaders are working hard to offer each of us opportunities to take action. Maybe you participate in *Two-minute Activist*, *Lobby*

Days, *The School Board Project*, *5Calls.Org*, or other advocacy work. Both our Public Policy committee and DEI committees advocate and provide educational and awareness activities for our members. The work of our branch priorities are very important to advancing equity and opportunities for those we serve. Any work you do with AAUW and OML is more than just something, *it makes a big difference!*

The panel discussion on immigrant rights provided us with many options to make a difference. Maybe you are able to volunteer to accompany people at immigration court or stand watch at Monument Crisis Center or other community service events. Or you could donate to direct service organizations or engage in advocacy to advance human and legal rights. Whatever you can do will be impactful to people who need our help. A summary of the meeting is on page 8.

Distinguished Woman Nomination: I want to remind you to send your nomination for 2026 Distinguished Woman to Lana Reichick (lanasan@aol.com) due by Feb. 18th. There are many deserving women but there are several who have served important roles for many years who have not yet been recognized. Please make your voice heard and recognize a deserving member by sending in that nomination.

Our nomination committee for our next Board of Directors, chaired by Peggy Cabaniss, has also started their work to find members who are willing to ensure the work of the board continues with a full slate so our branch can continue doing all of the good work we do.

Don't forget to submit the Google form to volunteer for the STEM Conference. We want our members to have first choice of the many volunteer jobs to be done. Soon, we will reach out to the Rotaries, Kiwanis and other organizations who support us for additional volunteers needed.

Thank you for your participation and all you do.

Denise Burian, President

BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS JANUARY 13, 2026

Our membership generously supported AAUW-OML through the October/November fundraising letter campaign. Through member donations, our budget fundraising goal is well within reach.

Big thanks to our advertising committee who raised \$3,650 through ad sales in our 2025-26 Membership Directory.

Mark your calendars for February 17th when Beth Parker will return to our general meeting to discuss the deterioration of our reproductive rights. Note, this meeting will be held at Holy Trinity Serbian Orthodox Church in Moraga.

Don't miss our March Membership meeting when the "Distinguished Woman" will be announced.

Three new members joined OML in December. Be sure to seek out our new members and introduce yourself.

Want an easy, manageable way to speak your mind to your elected representatives? Go to *5calls.org*, select an issue that is near to you, and the site will walk you through speaking your mind.

Mark your calendars on April 30th for the return of the fashion show fundraiser, by and in support of our Scholarship committee, at Harper Greer in Lafayette.

Let's continue our generosity to the students and families of Burckhalter School by bringing non-perishable food donations to our monthly meetings for Burckhalter's newly established food pantry.

Crazy numbers of interest in our STEM Conference. As of the time of our January Board meeting, we already had 80 middle school girls signed up to attend.

Marcy Place, Secretary

FOCUS ON ... THE WORK of TWO IMPORTANT COMMITTEES

Nominations for the 2026-2027 Board of Directors

Our Nominating Committee has been appointed and met recently to begin the process of selecting candidates for the seven elected offices in our branch. Their recommendations will be presented to the board and to the general membership in March.

We have the following elected officer positions to fill:

- President – leads the branch thru general meetings and board meetings, appoints all appointed positions
- Vice President/Chair-Elect – supports the president, interacts with special interest groups
- Secretary – takes minutes at all board meetings, assists president in various ways
- Treasurer – maintains the financial records for the branch and the community outreach projects
- Membership Chair – in charge of dues collection/renewals, maintains a data base of members as well as member profiles and recruit new members
- AAUW Fund – collects all donations to AAUW national, in charge of a general meeting during the year introducing an AAUW fellow
- Program Chair – in charge of organizing programs and speakers for many of the general meetings.

Our bylaws call for all of these positions to have a two year term limit. Most of the elected board members this year are completing their second term. We are on the lookout for new members to step up and take the opportunity for leadership on our board. Most of the positions require teamwork and so you might want to be a team member before taking on the role of the elected position. We need you and want you! Please contact any of the members of the Nominating Committee with your interest in a position, an idea of someone you know who would be great, or whether you would be willing to serve on the team/committee of that position.

Nominating Committee members:

Peggy Cabaniss – pcabaniss7@gmail.com, **Marcy Place** – marcyplace1@gmail.com,
Heidi Mayer – himayer@aol.com, **Joanie Jump** – jmjump@mac.com, **Liddy Clark** – liddyclarklc@gmail.com

Distinguished Woman Award 2026

You can influence the selection of the AAUW-OML Distinguished Woman for 2026. February is last chance to submit DWA recommendation letters. Include examples of your nominee's commitment to the mission and priorities of AAUW and OML, her support for her community and possibly accomplishments in her career.

Qualities of an AAUW-OML Distinguished Women:

- Commitment to the mission of AAUW and priorities of AAUW-OML
- Personal & Professional Growth
- Initiative & Achievements

Send "DWA 2026" letters to DWA Chair, Lana R. at: lanasan@aol.com or mail to her address in the OML Directory.

OR deliver your letters at the general meeting: February 17th, at the Serbian Church, 1700 School St., Moraga.

**Lana Reichick,
Distinguished Woman, 2025**

MORE ON OUR GENERAL MEETING'S SPEAKER



Beth Parker is currently an Adjunct Professor at UC Law San Francisco (Hastings), General Counsel for Planned Parenthood, California Central Coast. Before joining Planned Parenthood, Beth was a Partner at Arnold & Porter, Bingham McCutchen and McCutchen, Doyle, Brown and Enersen in San Francisco. Beth has practiced complex civil and constitutional litigation and served as mediator for the US District Court. Among other high profile

matters while in private practice, Beth litigated more than twenty reproductive rights cases

She is a graduate of Harvard Law School (JD) and Yale University (BA, Magna Cum Laude, Major Architecture and Urban Studies). In her free time, she enjoys hiking and gardening in Point Reyes. She is also on the Boards of the Charlotte Maxwell Clinic, Breast Cancer Prevention Partners and California Abortion Alliance.

PUBLIC POLICY

A Simple, New Powerful Way to Take Action—5Calls.org

I recently discovered 5-Calls and was struck by how effective and doable it is. In a moment when news and policy shift daily and it's hard to know where to focus, 5 Calls makes civic action clear, timely, and doable.

The website and app automatically identify your congressional and state representatives based on your ZIP code and provide the phone number for the closest local office, where calls are far more likely to be answered than the congressional or assembly switchboard. For each issue, 5 Calls provides a short, clear conversational script with 5–6 bullet points—you can simply choose the ones that best capture what you want to say.

How it works:

- Enter your ZIP code
- Choose an issue that matters
 - Pick your talking points
 - Call the local office

I made five calls in under 7 minutes and felt informed, confident, and genuinely empowered. You can also sign up for a weekly email highlighting the most up-to-date issues to weigh in on. Visit <https://5calls.org> or download the “5 Calls” app from the Apple App Store or Google Play (look for five white stars on a blue background).

EMBRACE ACTION

Want to stay on top of all that the AAUW-California Public Policy Team is doing, [click on this link](#):

Want an easy way to call your congressmembers or assemblymembers to make your voice heard? Visit 5Calls. [by clicking here](#)

Register for the upcoming half-day School Board Project Symposium presented by AAUW-California. January 31st via zoom, 9:00 am - 12:30 pm PST. Register by [clicking here](#):

Join OML's Public Policy Team!

Meetings are held the 2nd Monday of the month at 1:00 pm via zoom. The next scheduled meeting is February 9th. If you are interested in attending, email Shari Simon (sharisimon55@gmail.com) for the zoom link.

SCHOOL BOARD OUTREACH UPDATE

Are You Passionate About Public Education?

If so, would you like to be a part of our School Board Outreach Team? We are looking for two people: one who would like to monitor the Lafayette Elementary District and the other to monitor the Moraga Elementary School District.

Liddy Clark currently monitors the Orinda School District. She says, “Going to the Orinda School Board is fun and warms my heart every time I go. Last month, there was a presentation honoring the *English as a Second Language Learners*. Each student was called up and handed a diploma for their accomplishment and shook the hand of the school board president. They heard over and over how everyone welcomed them and how much our school was better because they were here. Imagine that! It made me think about how lucky we are in Orinda. This was followed with a first grade presentation on heroes. This is why I attend these board meetings.”

If you are interested in joining our Team, contact Karen Feeney.

**Karen Feeney,
School Board Liaison**



Shari Simon, Chair, Public Policy

TECH TREK

Our three intermediate schools have been contacted to request teacher nominations for girls to be invited to apply to Tech Trek. We'll hear back by the end of January and will invite the girls to complete an application after receiving permission from their parents.

How would YOU answer one of the prompts for their essays? These are challenging prompts for a 7th grader!

Prompt 1:

- Think about a problem that you notice in your school, neighborhood, family or the world. Write an essay describing:
- What the problem is and where you see it in everyday life.
- Why it matters to you personally – a moment or experience that made you care.
- How you imagine science, technology, engineering or math being part of the solution.
- How Tech Trek could help you learn more about the skills or fields connected to solving this problem.

Prompt 2:

Tell the story of your interest in STEM by including:

- A moment, activity, class or person that sparked your curiosity.
- What you discovered, enjoyed or found challenging as you explored STEM.
- How you engage with STEM now – through school, hobbies, clubs, making, building, music/technology, sports science or everyday problem-solving.
- What you hope to learn or do at Tech Trek and how attending camp might support your goals or build your confidence.

Jan Cushman, Chair, Tech Trek

STEM CONFERENCE UPDATES

Our STEM Committee Volunteers and High School Ambassadors have been busy planning for our upcoming STEM Conference on March 7 at Saint Mary's College. If you are available to help and have not yet signed up to volunteer, [please click here](#) today or use the QR code to sign up.



We are looking forward to our Keynote speaker - **Danielle Feinberg of Pixar Animation Studios**. She is a 28-year veteran of Pixar Animation Studios, Visual Effects Supervisor. Danielle Feinberg reveals how STEM secretly powers the magic of animation. At each stop, she explores the blend of math, science, and art that, when used together, brings imagined worlds to life. With examples from her own life and movies like *Finding Nemo*, *WALL-E*, *Coco*, *Turning Red*, and more, she will deliver a behind-the-scenes look at problems, big and small and their hard-fought solutions.

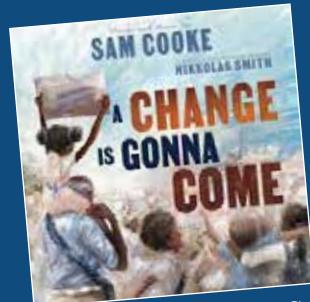


As of February 1, our participant registration is closed for the conference. Thank you to all who helped to advertise.

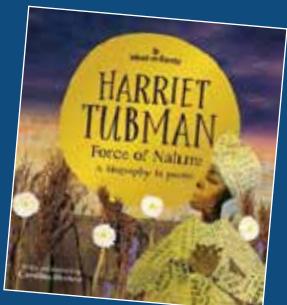
Kim Lockett, Co-Chair, STEM Conference

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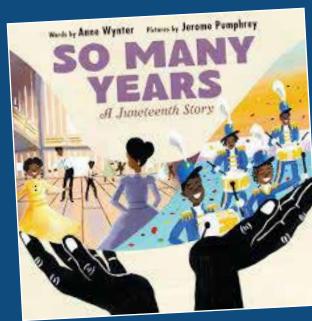
It's Black History Month – here are some new books we are reading to Burckhalter students.



Illustrated book of Sam Cooke's song



Biography done in poetry



The history of a national holiday: Juneteenth

**Janette Maher,
Chair, Burckhalter**

COUNTED OUT

The Tech Trek and STEM Conference committees have secured 30 free tickets for our AAUW members to watch the Zoom showing of this outstanding documentary. Turn to page 7 to read about it.

MEET OUR 2025-2026 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Exciting times for the scholarship committee as they get ready to meet this year's new applicants. Scholarship High School Applications are due February 11th and Saint Mary's College applications are due March 5th.

Let's meet another of last year's recipients.



SOPHIA GONZALES
Saint Mary's College
Class of 2026

Sophia has been part of the Residential Experience at Saint Mary's College. Completing two years as a Residential Advisor. She loved being there for her residents and fostering a sense of community, support, and inclusivity. Sophia spent eight years as a math tutor working with students from various backgrounds and volunteering with the Multicultural Institute in Berkeley to support children lacking academic resources. She dedicates herself to fostering an inclusive and supportive environment for students. She has served as a mentor, advocate, and resource for students facing academic, social and personal challenges.

This year she is working at the Contra Costa Crisis Center where she provides emotional support through a crisis hot line. Her passion for neuroscience and medicine has fueled her interest in understanding the complexities of mental health and how social support structures can improve individual wellbeing. She hopes to have a future in medicine or genetic counseling.

February Scholarship Meeting

Our next scholarship meeting will be on Thursday, February 5th at 1:30 pm. We will be meeting at Jill Eberhard's house, 90 Tara Rd. Orinda, off Overhill Rd. We will be discussing and doing a practice evaluation of an application. This is the best part of our committee! Come and see what we are all about!



FASHION NEWS!

Save the date for April 30th, 3-6 pm to join the scholarship committee to see and shop for the latest spring fashions at Harper Greer.

Bonnie Fend, Chair, Scholarship

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

I often hear, "Laura you are so good at recruiting new members." It is easier than you think. Before I joined AAUW-OML as a working mother and widow, I often felt left out and uncomfortably alone. I remember how welcomed I felt when I joined our branch. When in sales I often was called to meet new people and was drawn to chat with someone I do not know. If I saw someone off by themselves I would ask a simple open question about them. Focusing on their story helped me let go of my discomfort. Wow! Everyone has a story. The women I meet often have so much to offer, I feel blessed to be a part of a group of smart, wise and caring friends and fellow AAUW-OML members. So, with that in mind, I would like to encourage you, to reach out to the new faces in the room. They might just be looking for a purposeful community activity to give their time and a means to making new friends. I will feature new members first and then move onto highlighting our current members stories.

Get to know our new members:

Sari Heyman grew up in the Bluffs overlooking Saint Mary's College. She has a BS in Foreign Service and a JD from Georgetown University and practiced telecom law in DC until one terrible snowstorm convinced her to move back home to California in 1996. She retired from UC Hastings in 2019 after 23 years where she ran the Career Development Office advising both students and alumni on career exploration and professional development. Since then Sari has been managing a family real estate business, volunteering as a non-scientist for the UCSD Institutional Review Board. Education and access are twin passions. She is very interested in the work of the AAUW-OML, especially Scholarship and the AAUW-OML/Saint Mary's College and University relationship.

I met **Christine Camp** at a Moraga Art Gallery reception where we had a great connect and discussion. Christine is launching the first edition of *Moraga Greets*, a monthly publication focusing on what is going on in Moraga, and, yes, there is a lot to know about the goings on. Since there is limited newsprint available our world has gone digital, and it is nice to have a tabletop publication focusing on Moraga. She is planning on an article on Dr. Sonja Schuh, our speaker for the STEM Conference Parents Program and AAUW-OML - Saint Mary's College affiliation. Christine is also offering to assist with AAUW-OML publicity, including Social Media sites.

We have had five new members since July! We thrive when we bring in new members, invite friends, neighbors and acquaintances to join us at the General Meetings or an interest group.

Laura Wittenberg, Chair, Membership

TEEN GIRLS REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AWARENESS PROJECT

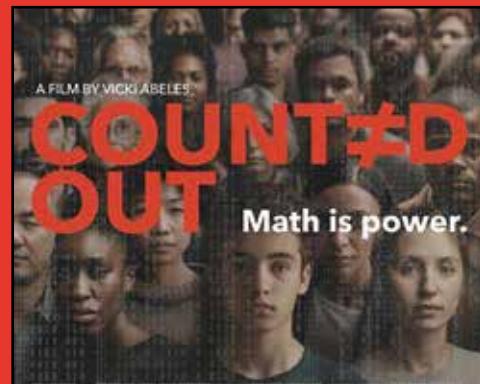
I have been mentoring some local high school girls who are leaders of the H.E.R project (Health Equity Research). The focus this year is they proposed and drafted a *Teen Girls Reproductive Health Awareness Month* in California and asked our **Assemblywoman Rebecca Bauer-Kahan** to sponsor a Resolution in the Assembly to declare September 2026 as that month. Bauer-Kahan is the founder and Chair of the Reproductive Health Select Committee. She has agreed to do it as one of two resolutions she can present to the entire Assembly, which will give it prominence and publicity with the full weight of the CA Assembly behind it. After more research and tweaking by the H.E.R. team at the recommendation of RBK, her office will submit it to the CA Legislative Counsel's Office for review.

We asked AAUW CA Public Policy team to support this effort and, after consulting with AAUW CA leadership and our legislative advocate, they are all in. They have established the “Teen Girls Reproductive Health Awareness Project” within the Public Policy Committee. This Resolution will be mentioned in the discussion with all CA Assembly members during Lobby Day. They hired three interns this semester to work on public policy issues and they will use some of the interns’ time to work on this project. They will work with the H.E.R. team to do additional research as needed as well as develop a communication plan and materials to distribute to stakeholders in August to ensure the September awareness month impact is significant and effective.

And the even bigger news is that AAUW CA is hoping the focus on reproductive health of teen girls will result in future legislation to enhance existing laws to advance and improve teen girls reproductive health. From teaching about reproductive health in schools, to addressing and controlling misinformation on social media, their interns will work with our local H.E.R. high school girls to provide the information and data needed to demonstrate that more legislation is needed to improve reproductive health outcomes for teen girls in California. Thank you AAUW CA and Assemblywoman Rebecca Bauer-Kahan.

Denise Burian
President and DEI Chair

COUNTED OUT DOCUMENTARY



The Tech Trek and STEM Conference committees have secured 30 free tickets for our AAUW members to the Zoom showing of the outstanding documentary, *Counted Out*. Another 20 tickets are reserved for Tech Trek campers and STEM Conference Ambassadors.

Vicki Abeles, the director of this film, says, “In making *Counted Out*, I learned that we have a math crisis in America, but it is a crisis whose solution is at our fingertips. As we draw on the knowledge, organizations, and wherewithal of those advocating for widespread math literacy, we can unleash something else: the power of all of us to shape the world we live in. Math is a tool for understanding and harnessing the beauty, wonder, and possibility of the world we live in. And our lack of access to that tool is the critical civil rights issue of our time.” View the trailer on YouTube.

ZOOM SHOWTIME:
Tuesday, March 17, 2026

- 3:30 pm: Pre-screening get together
- 4 pm: Showing of the documentary
- 5:30 pm: Discussion led by Nancy Blachman

If you want to see the film, email your request to Sandy at fox-sohner@comcast.net. You will receive a Zoom code via email for the discussion and film showing. **This code is NOT to be shared, as we have limited Zoom viewings.** However, you might invite several friends to view it together at your home.

Our AAUW Tech Trek Scholarships and STEM Conferences encourage young women to pursue careers in STEM. If you wish to support our branch’s efforts, please feel free to donate using our website: <https://oml-ca.aauw.net/>. Click on “Donate.” You may specify your donation for Tech Trek or our AAUW STEM Conference.

FOLLOW UP ON THE JANUARY DEI MEETING

DEI sponsored a panel on *Immigrant Rights in Contra Costa: What You Need to Know and What You Can Do* for our January 20th member meeting, featuring four local community organizers who provide direct services to the immigrant community. The panel was facilitated by OML member, Ogie Strogatz. The panelists were:

- **Sergio Jaime Lopez**, Contra Costa Immigrant Rights Alliance (CCIRA)
- **Debra Ballinger**, United Latino Voices of CCC
- **Lisa Hoffman**, East Bay Sanctuary Covenant
- **Nancy Dougherty**, Indivisible ReSisters Contra Costa

CCIRA helps immigrants file for asylum with their *Welcome Navigator* program. They connect immigrants with Spanish speaking volunteers who do not give legal advice, but help them complete the application; and “court observers” take notes on what is happening in court. This has great impact by informing immigrants they are not alone and people care about them. **Sergio Lopez** left his country due to political persecution and wanted protection from a country that valued human rights – an experience similar to what asylum seekers experience today.

United Latino Voices of Contra Costa County

This is not a legal organization but does advocacy to get civic engagement, leadership development and power building in the immigrant community so they have a voice. The biggest challenge is lack of legal representation. They also provide community health workers and are involved in tenant rights. They visit immigrant serving businesses to develop a plan if ICE shows up, informing them of their rights. They need more volunteers for immigrant court protection, “Adopt a Corner” program, as well as monetary donations at www.unitedlatinovoices.org.

East Bay Sanctuary Covenant

Provides comprehensive integrative legal services and social services. They serve 12,000 people per year. They work with families who are beyond terrified and grieving, to try to find their members who are in a detention center somewhere. They need volunteers for their Clinic in Richmond on the 3rd Saturday of every month, and for other rapid response activities. To donate: eastbaysanctuary.org

Indivisible ReSisters Contra Costa

They have 400 volunteers and need more to do the following:

- Support the court observation program
- Work at a pantry on Mondays on Clayton Road in Concord with Monument Impact.
- Watch out for ICE at Home Depot, Monument Crisis Center and courts.
- Donations to Monument Impact Food Pantry monumentimpact.org

I know the panelists were encouraged by the great turnout to know that so many of you in our communities were interested in what is happening and how we can help impacted families. [Click here](#) for volunteer opportunities:

**Denise Burian,
DEI Committee Member**

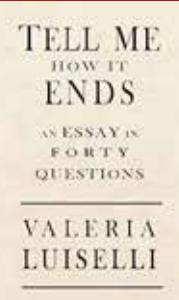
DEI LENDING LIBRARY MAKING CULTURAL CONNECTIONS



DEI team will have books from the lending library available at our meetings.

Here is a highlight of one of the books:

Follow a young boy through a sometimes baffling immigration system and experience how children are treated. An important read for current times.



SPECIAL INTEREST ACTIVITIES

MUSEUM MAVENS

Trip to the Martinez Museum
Friday, February 27 •
Meet at 10:20 am at LOPC

Join us on a fun tour of the Martinez Museum. The museum is housed in a quaint 1890 Victorian cottage. A docent will lead us through a one hour tour of photographs, documents and artifacts of the area. Afterwards, we will walk to the wonderful Roxx on Main restaurant for lunch. We will carpool from the LOPC parking lot. Please contact trudyLbarron@gmail.com if you are interested in attending. Also, let me know if you would be willing to drive and how many people you could take in your car. Hope you can join us! **Looking ahead:** Mark your calendar for Friday, April 17th for a special tea and tour of the Pardee Home and Gardens in Oakland.

EVENING SALON

Thursday, February 12 • 7 pm
Home of K. deGroot
31 Hartwood Ct, Lafayette

Evening Salon is a casual discussion group trying to make sense of the current issues of the day. We share snacks and wine and enjoy each other's company. Contact Denise Burian, denburian@gmail.com or Marilyn Evans, marilyn-bevans@att.net for details or to get on the email contact list. Reminders will be sent prior to the meeting.

GOLF

Monday, October 13 & 27
10 am • Diablo Hills Golf Course

The golf group gets together twice a month for casual play in a golf course in Walnut Creek. Contact Janita Gee for more information, jgee17@yahoo.com.

GREAT DECISIONS

Wednesday, February 4 • 9:30 am
Home of Janette Maher
31 Kent Court, Moraga

We will be discussing the first topic on the list: *America and the World: Trump 2.0 Foreign Policy*. For more information and to RSVP, contact Judy Helder: judyhelder@gmail.com or (925) 980-0151.

FINANCIALLY SAVVY WOMEN

Tuesday, February 3 • 1 pm
Home of Peggy Cabaniss
743 Crossbrook Drive, Moraga

Please join us on Tuesday, February 3 (first Tuesday of the month) for a discussion on Inheritances. What can we do with an inheritance? How can we talk with our families about the inheritance they might receive one day from your estate? Our group meets monthly for six sessions and this is the 4th session in the series. We meet from 1-3 pm at the home of Peggy Cabaniss, 743 Crossbrook Drive, Moraga. Please email/call Peggy for more information or if you have questions: pcabaniss7@gmail.com.

ANYONE WHO HAS READ THE BOOK

Friday, February 20 • 10 am
Orinda Books
276 Village Square, Orinda

Book: *James*, by Percival Everett, fiction, 303 pages. National Book Award winner 2024. The fictionalized adventures of Huckleberry Finn and the runaway slave, Jim, as told by Jim's point of view. It has nuanced humor and sharp observations of the dangers of the Mississippi River, dangers of racist towns and con men. James can read, but he purposely slips in and out of Negro dialect depending on whether he is talking to a black or white person. For more information, contact Mary Mlynek, ml_mlynek@yahoo.com.

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DEI GROUP

Wednesday, February 11 • 3 pm
Home of Joanie Jump
737 Augusta Drive, Moraga

We are meeting this month at Joanie Jump's home to discuss various topics, including our lending library, Constitutional Observer Training and the Resolution on Teen Girls Reproductive Health. Contact Denise Burian, denburian@gmail.com, for more information.

THE TRIAD

FEBRUARY 2026

FEBRUARY 2026 AT A GLANCE

1 SUN – CRITICS CHOICE BOOK GROUP

Pass along your book.

3 TUE – FINANCIALLY SAVVY WOMEN

1 pm – Home of Peggy Cabaniss

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4 WED – GREAT DECISIONS

10 am – Home of Janette Maher

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5 THU – SCHOLARSHIP MEETING

1:30 pm – Home of Jill Eberhard

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9, 23 MON – GOLF GROUP

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9 MON – PUBLIC POLICY MEETING

1 pm – on Zoom.

Read more on page 4.

10 TUE – BOARD MEETING

1 pm – Orinda Community Church

11 WED – DEI GROUP

2 pm – Home of Joanie Jump

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12 THU – EVENING SALON

7 pm – Home of K. de Groot

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17 TUE – GENERAL MEETING

Reproductive Rights Under Siege

Speaker: Beth Parker

9:30 – Serbian Orthodox Church, Moraga

20 FRI – ANYONE WHO'S READ THE BOOK

10 am – Orinda Books

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24 TUE – DEADLINE for FEBRUARY TRIAD

Send articles to Mary Leigh Miller, mlmiller602@gmail.com

27 FRI – MUSEUM MAVENS

10:20 am – LOPC Parking Lot for trip to the Martinez Museum

Read more on page 9.

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March 2026

Look for more information in the March Triad

10 TUE – BOARD MEETING

1 pm – Orinda Community Church

17 TUE – GENERAL MEETING

Voting Challenges Ahead ~ The League of Women Voters

9:30 – Orinda Community Church

BECOME A TWO MINUTE ACTIVIST

Let AAUW help you *Make Your Voice Heard.*

Join AAUW's Action Network by signing upfront for the TWO-MINUTE ACTIVIST. AAUW will send you emails periodically about upcoming legislation. When you click on the link, they send a letter that will pop up that is already written to our two senators or our Rep. Mark DeSaulnier asking them to vote either for or against a specific legislation. A recent example was one on voting no on the current budget bill going through Congress.

You will be asked to fill out your name and address (they want to know that you live in their district), and the letters will be automatically sent to them. You will even receive a follow-up response from the legislator a few days later. To sign up, click this link:

<https://www.aauw.org/act/two-minute-activist/>