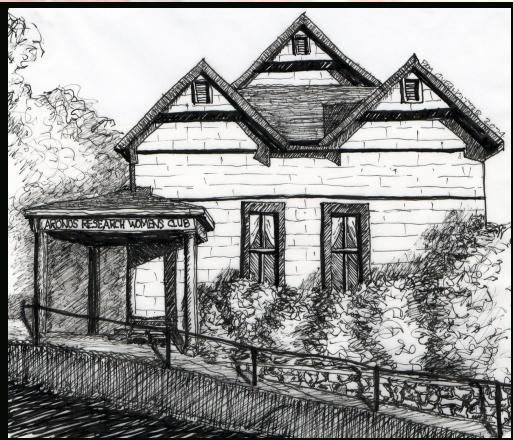


November

# ARONOS GOLD

A monthly newsletter of The Aronos Research Club, Inc.  
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## Gunpowder Man a Great Success!

Lesly Tejero Baker was amazing in her portrayal of Little Tiger. The Aronos Clubhouse provided a perfect venue for this Rick Foster Play, which was attended by a large crowd of 79 people! A very special thank you to Donna Elias, Aronos Club member, for bringing this play without charge to our Club. We hope for other significant cultural performances in 2026!



## Want to be a Bell Ringer?

Then the Salvation Army needs you! If you are interested, please contact Shelly 209 770 1144 for dates.

## Bunco Night!

Get your ticket—go to the [aronosresearchclub.com](http://aronosresearchclub.com) website. See the flyer announcing the Bunco and to the right you will see an http link. Click on that link and go to the site where you can purchase your ticket for \$30! No need to pay any other fee to Zeffy site as free to us. Call Shelly at 209 770 1144 if questions or if you want to purchase tickets with cash/check. We need you! Elena and her team have many fun boxes to purchase which all help raise money for our local teachers. WEAR RED in honor of Dianne Aventi. We want 40 game players! Please buy your ticket and come to the event! Buy 2 tickets and invite a friend for a fun evening of entertainment.

## Upcoming Events

November 6th - Thursday - 9 am - District Meeting Coalinga  
November 11th - Tuesday - Book Club  
November 11th - Tuesday - 1 pm - Tree Ornament Decoration  
November 14th - Friday - 6 pm - Bunco Night  
November 15th - Saturday - 10 am-2 pm - Free Drive-thru Recycling Event at Mother Lode Fairgrounds  
November 15th - Saturday - 7 pm - Contra/Barn Dance  
November 18th - Tuesday - 11 am - General Meeting - Vietnam Study, The Early History  
November 26 - Wednesday - 1 pm - Ornament Decorating; 3:30 pm - TCA Arts & Crafts  
November 26th - Wednesday - Lighting of Downtown Tree  
December 2nd - Tuesday - 10:30 (new time change) Board Meeting  
December 3rd - Wednesday - 8:30 am sharp! - Our tree set up in Courtyard Square  
December 9th - Tuesday - Jazz @ 8 concert - 1 pm  
December 31st - Wednesday - New Years Eve Dance  
January 6th - Tuesday - 10:30 am - Board Meeting

## Gentle Movement, Balance and Relaxation with Annie

Mondays and Wednesdays 9-10 am

Annie has over 40 years of experience and provides a gentle stretching class for everyone. Chair exercises are available as well in a nice warm, friendly environment. Come meet new friends at Aronos!

## Vietnam Study Continues

November Vietnam study by Dennis Wiebe will present a video presentation of the Early History of Vietnam. This will be presented immediately following our General Meeting on Tuesday November 18th, so make it a point to come to the Meeting!

## Veteran's/Military Christmas Tree

If you or a family member served in any branch of the military at any time in our history, we want to recognize and honor that service! We only need a photo (a quick phone snap of an old photo will be perfect), the service member's name, their Service Branch and approx dates served (or the war). We are still collecting names and pertinent information of any family member who ever served in the military, living or passed.

We are dedicating our Christmas Tree in the Courthouse Plaza this year to honor those veterans this Holiday Season. If you or a relative have a member of your family who served in the military and haven't submitted it yet, please contact Shelly at 209-770-1144 or Dennis Wiebe at 209-770-2232 for further information. These very special ornaments being hand crafted by our members for each veteran will be gifted to the family upon taking the tree down after the holidays. If you would like to join in the fun of helping to create them, please come on Tuesday, Nov. 11th and/or Wednesday, Nov. 26th at 1:00 pm and join in!

**The Aronos Research Club, Inc.**, is a proud member of the General Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC) and the California Federation of Women's Clubs (CFWC). We are in Area "B" in the San Joaquin Valley District. Meetings are held the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month September through May at 11:00 A.M.



## Officers, Directors, Chairs

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**Contra Barn Dance Chairs** • Sue Endter & Jim deGlopper

### Welcome to our New Chairs

In the model of the CFWC, we have formed Committees as listed in the newsletter. Committees will be the work horses of our Club by meeting, listening to the ideas of our members and friends, working together and then reporting back to the Board for approval and ensuring support and success. Welcome to Michelle Dean as Communication Chair and Jeri Cates as Co-Chair of Health and Wellness. We are currently looking for an Education and Library Chair but we also need committee members to serve - you can make a difference and a lot of new friends, at the same time!

### New Bylaws and New Mission Statement Approved

New Mission Statement—Our Purpose is to “promote an interest in Art, Civics, History, Literature, Music, Science and Technology; and for the increase and diffusion of knowledge among its members of such additional subjects as may be appropriate. Approved Bylaws available at [aronosresearchclub.com](http://aronosresearchclub.com) website under bylaws.



Aronos Research Club - Scan the QR Code to make a donation

### Page Turner's Book Club

*The Book Club Meets the 2nd Tuesday of Each Month - 11 am at the Aronos Clubhouse*

November - *The President's Daughter*, James Patterson  
 December - *A Gentleman in Moscow*, Amor Towler



We accept tax deductible donations which help fund building projects, scholarships and our Aronos Club Teacher Support Program.

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## Happy Thanksgiving!



### Holiday Food Giving

Watch our emails as we work on a plan to address the food insecurities in our County.

### Recycle for the Environment and Cash!

We now have a recycle container near the kitchen door. Thank you, Donna, for establishing an account for the Aronos Club at the Recycle Center for us. You may bring your recyclables to the container next to the kitchen and we will transport to the Recycle Center for you! **ALSO, note the announcement and opportunity below ...** Tuolumne Co. Public Works, Solid Waste Division, is holding a free drive-thru recycling event at the Fairgrounds on November 15th “America Recycles Day”!

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**AMERICA RECycles DAY** is **November 15<sup>th</sup>**

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**WHO:** Tuolumne County Public Works Department, Solid Waste Division

**WHAT:** FREE drive-thru recycling event

**WHERE:** Mother Lode Fairgrounds, 220 Southgate Dr., Sonora, CA

**WHEN:** Saturday, November 15<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

This is a one-stop recycling event where you can recycle the following items or materials.

**Loop 1**  
 Household Hazardous Waste  
 Used Oil & Filters  
 Antifreeze  
 Mercury Thermometers  
 Batteries (Household, rechargeable & automotive)  
 Light Bulbs (fluorescent, LED, CFL's & incandescent)

**Loop 2**  
 Mattress & Box Springs  
 Cardboard  
 Mixed Paper (copy paper, magazines, junk mail, newspapers)  
 Scrap Metal (NO fren units)  
 E-waste (TV's, computer equipment & electronic devices)  
 Tires (up to 9 car or passenger truck tires; NO rims allowed)  
 Textiles (bedding, clothing, purses)  
 Document Shredding (Secured containers)

We are unable to accept the following items:  
 Ammunition  
 Asbestos  
 Medicines (Any kind)  
 Sharps  
 Explosives or Fireworks  
 Marine Flares  
 Styrofoam  
 Plastics  
 Yard Waste  
 Vape pens  
 Crib Mattresses  
 Tires over 40"  
 Medical Waste  
 Household garbage

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The Salvation Army will be onsite to accept clothing and household goods that are gently used or in new condition, not broken, torn, stained or in need of repair.

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For additional info, contact Tuolumne County Public Works Dept., Solid Waste Division at (209) 533-5589.



### History Mystery Walks Conclude for Fall

With the theme of Churches and Cemeteries, our last walk for this season was October 31st at the First Baptist Church of Sonora, established in 1860 - Yes, it is the Aronos Research Club! Shelly presented the history of the Church telling the story of the baptism of the first Chinese Christian in California and Pastor Sturtevant becoming the Chaplain for the California Senate. Thank you to Pam Overholtzer for researching and providing all of the written brochures that were given to our “walkers”. Thank you also to Blue Zones Projects for your support of this event. We will return in the Spring with a brand new spring-fresh theme!