

A monthly newsletter of The Aronos Research Club, Inc.
Proud members of GFWC & CFWC



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Dear Members and Friends of Aronos,

In October 2023, I wrote a President's Message announcing the theme "Sustainability through Love and Care". It seems like a good time to revisit that theme and our accomplishments over the last two years. I hope you have all read Elena's article on our 110th Anniversary which was front page (and 2 more pages) in the September 27th Union Democrat. We have sustained, maintained, served, cared and loved our community.

We have brought in new members dedicated to these values of service. So what is next? We have a full calendar of events and activities for the next year, so please plan to attend and support the Club. Fundraisers include the Fall Bunco, Spring Tea and monthly Contra/Barn Dances. We will be planning a fundraiser to support the Clubhouse itself. Hopefully our Clubhouse will be on the National Registry of Historic Buildings and, if so, we plan a *BIG* celebration!

This year we are building and strengthening our Committee structure. This is similar to the Committees of GFWC and CFWC. Committees offer us the strength of structure and sustainability. Members have enjoyed meetings in small groups to accomplish projects and goals - then bringing their ideas and plans to the Board for approval. We hope to get more people involved and interested. In days past, our Garden Club was even instrumental in the beautification of Sonora! Working together, brainstorming, connecting with one another has generated some of our greatest gifts and service to the community—adopt a plant, stipends for teachers, Message in a Bottle, Building Bridges debates, History Mystery Walks, Veterans Christmas Tree, crafts for meals on wheels, our bookclub and more.

Let us all keep moving forward, growing and working together toward our goal of "advancement, betterment and culture" ... and let's have some fun while we're doing it, too! *Happy Autumn!*

Shelly

Upcoming Events

October 1st - Wednesday 9 am - Coffee with a Cop
October 7th - Tuesday 11 am - Board Meeting
October 14th - Tuesday 11 am - Page Turners Book Club
October 17 & 18th - CFWC Area B Conference @ Chicken Ranch
October 18th - Saturday 7 pm - Contra Barn Dance
October 21st - Tuesday 11 am - 1 pm General Meeting, Viet Nam Study begins
November 1st - Saturday 2 - 4 pm - Building Bridges Debate
November 2nd - Sunday 2 pm - Gunpowder Man

ARONOS RESEARCH CLUB STUDY OF VIETNAM



SAVE THE DATE
10/21 11/18 1/20
2/17 3/24 4/24

Coffee with a Cop - October 1st 9 am to noon

This is our third year of hosting this neighborhood event. Come meet our local law enforcement officers and discuss your concerns and hear more about what is going on in our community. This is open and you may come and go during the morning. Enjoy coffee and refreshments - Everyone is welcome!

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.

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History Mystery Walks Continue Fridays at 10am thru October 31st

Aronos Research Club was recognized by the Blue Zones Project as being a Participating Organization. We received this acknowledgement due to our commitment to creating healthy living via our many activities. We have lead over 15 MOIA community walks - we call them our "*History Mystery Walks*" open to anyone, but we also sponsor monthly dances and have begun offering free well-being/yoga exercise classes while continually encouraging healthy snacks and meals at our events. Thank you Blue Zones Project!

Our free *Wellbeing/Yoga classes* for members and the community are Wednesday mornings at 9 am. and the *Tai Chi Chuan classes* by Ron are Wednesday mornings at 10:30.-11:30



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

October - *The Black Echo*, Michael Connolly
 November - *The President's Daughter*, James Patterson
 December - *A Gentleman in Moscow*, Amor Towler



Gunpowder Man

The Aronos Research Club is offering a free theatrical performance of "Gunpowder Man" on Sunday, November 2nd at 2 p.m. at the Aronos Clubhouse. Local actress Lesly Baker stars in this play. This is an amazing opportunity to see a terrific performance that is not only free, but also is open to the public.



"Gunpowder Man," written by Rick Foster, tells the story of Little Tiger, a young woman forced to flee China during the Taiping Rebellion in the 1860s. For her protection, she disguises herself as a man and finds employment working on the construction of the Central Pacific Railroad during the California Gold Rush setting explosive charges in the granite rock along the route. This is a *one-woman show* with a *compelling story that needs to be told*.

The play is a magnificent tale of hope and betrayal on two continents. It does not necessarily have a happy ending, but it does close on a note of optimism after Little Tiger must choose between revenge and forgiveness. It is with gratitude for a wonderful donation to the Aronos Club from a member that we are able to host Gunpowder Man and present it to you; we do hope you will tell your friends and attend this *very special event!*

Rent the Aronos Club for a Wonderful Family Holiday Gathering!

Do you know of anyone looking to rent a space for a family event? How about renting the Aronos Clubhouse over the holidays? Members receive a 20% discount on rent and the clubhouse will be fully decorated for the holidays!

Call Shelly Stewart for more information ... 209-770-1144



A DELIGHTFUL time was had by all at the Welcome Back Luncheon!

... and we had a *Special Award* presented to Dixie Turzai

Elena Linehan presented Dixie with a 25-year pin for her years of service in the Aronos Club. Thank you, Dixie!

International Day of Service

Bring your Walmart gift cards to the October meetings and Cathie will deliver to the Center for Nonviolent Community.

Christmas Tree for our Vets at Courtyard Plaza

This year our tree will honor Tuolumne County Veterans. 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 your service! We 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), Our handmade ornaments will adorn Our Tree - one for each veteran and later given to the family for posterity after the holidays. More information will be on our website at aronosresearchclub.com and on facebook and instagram.

Recycle Program

Please take your recycle items to Waste Management and donate the proceeds to the Aronos Research Club. This money will help us develop a recycle area at the Clubhouse.



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