Changing the World, One Woman at a Time

- HAVE FUN-take a field trip
- MEET— new members



WE ARE GETTING TOGETHER Join us for the Annual Membership Luncheon Meet New Members, Tech Trekkers, and Interest Groups

Saturday, September 12, 2015 When:

Where:

Ted Adcock Community Center, 535 Kelly Avenue, Half Moon Bay Time: 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

We are GETTING TOGETHER for our first program of the 2015/2016 AAUW-HMB Year: The Annual Membership Luncheon. Come enjoy delicious food, socialize with friends, and meet our new members. We'll be Getting Together to hear about the adventures of our Tech Trek recipients and to highlight our branch's many interest groups. There are myriad ways that you can be Getting Together and getting involved with our branch.

Getting Together is great when there are prizes! We have unique items, gift certificates. and event tickets for a special drawing. Suggested donation is \$3 for 1 ticket, \$5 for 2, and \$10 for 5. These proceeds will go into our general fund, which supports the yearly branch activities. In the week prior to the luncheon, you will receive an email with specifics on the drawing. That email will also let you know how to make a donation and get some tickets, if you are not able attend the luncheon. Winner need not be present, but we sure hope you are.

Please attend and bring a friend; give us a heads up for a "Welcome" badge.

Please bring an hors d'oeuvre, salad, or dessert for 8-12 people. Please jot down the name and ingredients on an index card; we have many members with dietary concerns.

Our branch officers will provide the main dishes.

With the ongoing Farmer's Market and influx of weekend visitors, we encourage getting together and carpooling for this event.

For directions to Ted Adcock Community Center contact:

Peggy Rozhon or Mary Sheridan, Membership Vice-Presidents

Make your Holiday Tea Reservation:



Come to a delightful and delicious afternoon tea in the Historic Ocean

Shore Railroad Train Station. Enjoy sandwiches, scones and sweets while sipping tea and listening to music.

Reservations are required for our Holiday Tea. Members can make reservations as of Wed. Oct.1. Cost is \$40 per person. Call Sarah Dekker at 650-245-7320. Credit cards are required. Tea dates are Saturday and Sunday Nov. 7 & 8/Nov. 14 &15. There is one seating at 1:00 pm each day. We hope you will bring your family, friends and neighbors to our lovely tea. Profits support AAUW Funds, Local Scholarships and Tech Trek.

We need volunteers for a variety of short term jobs that take 6 hours or less: Contact Harriett Beck and sign up for positions at our meeting on Sat. September 12.

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How did the White Elephant Sale do?

We are so pleased to report that we made \$2410 profit from the May White Elephant Sale! This profit was split among AAUW Funds (40% - \$964); Local Scholarship and Tech Trek (30% - \$723 each). This wonderful result could not have been achieved without the help of numerous members. Our best count shows that 52 members pitched in to either help set-up, work the sale day or help with the clean-up. Plus we had many other members who donated items.

Besides the money earned, we think the event increased our visibility in the community, attracted potential new members and we had fun working together. We also supported the following non-profits by donating our leftover items: Senior Coastsiders, Pescadero Thrift Store, HMB Library, St. Vincent de Paul, Goodwill of SF, Lucille Packard Thrift and the HMB Lutheran Church book sale.

With all these positive outcomes (or else because we are gluttons for punishment!), we have agreed to cochair the event again. We have decided to move the date up by one week since many of our members are out-of-town over Memorial Day weekend. This year's sale will be on **Saturday, May 21, 2016 at the Train Depot.** So start setting aside items now and save them for the sale.

If anyone loves garage sales or is a really great organizer, we would love to have you join our committee. We start working on the sale in February and the heaviest work time is April and May. Give us a call or send us an email to discuss how you could help.

Again, thanks to everyone who helped in any manner, big or small, to make the 2015 sale such a success.

Peggy Rozhon (<u>prozhon@gmail.com/712-9143</u>) Mary Sheridan (<u>mary.b.sheridan@gmail.com/722-3554</u>) White Elephant Sale Co-chairs

Tidings Deadline for October Issue: Tuesday, September 8, 2015

When emailing articles please be specific in your Subject Line. Please name your interest group or other subjects not just the word Tidings. It makes it easier for me to keep track of submissions. Thank you.

Please send articles as attachments, preferably in WORD.

Again, Thank you for your help and cooperation.

Harriett Beck, Editor hmbeck1@comcast.net

AAUW-HMB Local Scholarship:

At the May 16, 2015, Scholarship Luncheon, I was honored to represent our branch by awarding the Edna Cox Scholarship to Rebecca Beardsley, a student at SFSU, who studied at Meiji Gakuin University in Japan in 2015. Rebecca is planning to pursue a career in tourism/translation. The branch provided one Ivania Portacarerro Scholarships to Rhiana Schafer, a student at UC Berkeley, who studied at Copenhagen University, in 2015, and is planning to work as a musical therapist/clinical neurobiologist. The second scholarship in memory of Ivania Portocarerro was presented to Marissa Cagle, a student at Santa Clara University, planning a career in business/auditing/analysis. Her dream is start her own business. The recipients have set high expectations for themselves both as students, and as participants in their communities.

Our branch is able to provide one \$2K scholarships because of a bequest by our charter member, Edna Cox. Your generous donations and work at fund raising activities make it possible to provide the Ivania Portocarerro Scholarships of \$2K each.

During this past year, the executive board, lead by treasurer, Barbara Von Glahn, with assistance from our 2015-16 treasurer, Helen Paul, applied to and has been approved by the IRS to have 501(c)3 tax status. The status was approved by California AAUW with agreement from National AAUW. We will be updating our bylaws to meet IRS requirements.

Any donation you make now may be made directly to AAUW-HMB, with Local Scholarship on the memo line. Your donation may is tax deductible. Our branch will no longer have to send the donations to AAUW-CA SPF and pay a 5% fee. As we approach the end of 2015, please, consider donating to our Local Scholarship Fund. Your generosity makes it possible for our branch to support these talented students who are graduates of HMBHS or PHS entering their Junior or Senior year at university.

Half Moon Bay Chamber of Commerce Education Committee:

Once again, our branch has joined the HMB Chamber of Commerce, and will be represented on the Education Committee. The meetings are scheduled for the first Tuesday of each month. I have asked Mary Vargas or her representative to be my guest and to explain the summer STEM class to the committee at the September meeting.

Please note, that our community is constantly expanding educational opportunities. Half Moon Bay and Pescadero were two out of four recipients of the Big Lift Grants supporting pre-school education to improve reading proficiency. Our library is huge contributor to education in our community from babes to seniors. Educational programs from pre-school to community college levels are represented on the committee. Because of the committee's dedication to education, our AAUW Branch participates.

If you would like to contribute to our AAUW-HMB Local Scholarship Fund, you may use the form below. Our branch Local Scholarship Fund makes awards to outstanding graduates of Half Moon Bay and/or Pescadero High Schools who are entering their junior or senior year of college.

YES, I want to support Coastside women in the final stretch of their college education.

Membership Matters

We begin our new year with 143 members; thanks to everyone who renewed. We are looking forward to seeing everyone at our September 12 Membership Luncheon. This is the perfect opportunity to introduce your friends to our branch. Prospective members who join at the luncheon will receive a 50% reduction on national dues which is a \$24.50 savings. We will also have a fun get-acquainted activity at the luncheon with a prize awarded to one lucky person who completes the activity. If you are bringing a guest, please let us know so we can have a badge ready.

We had five new members join during the summer; all of their contact information is in the new directory. Please join us in welcoming:

Lizeth Bendana earned her BA in History from UC Berkeley and works as a teacher at Pilarcitos High School and lives in Half Moon Bay. She learned about AAUW through Ruth Rafello and the Edna Cox Grant which was awarded to Pilarcitos for their school yearbook.

Liz Colvard lives in El Granada and has a MS in Geology from the University of New Mexico. She works at USGS (US Geological Survey) and was a volunteer with our STEM class this summer.

Marguerite Kaufman lives in Woodside and earned her BS degree in Chemistry/Math from Michigan State University. Alma Fletcher recruited her and Marguerite used to belong to the Los Altos AAUW branch.

Patricia Keefe works as an art therapist/artist and lives in Half Moon Bay. She earned her MA in Art/Sculpture from San Jose State University. Thanks to Sue Hatfield for recruiting Pat.

Linda Meyer lives in El Granada and works as a social worker. She earned her BS in International Affairs from the US Air Force Academy.

Peggy Rozhon and Mary Sheridan Membership Co-VPs

Tech Trek Donation Form—2016	
 Yes, I want to continue to support Coastside girls at Tech Trek, the annual AAUW summer math and science camp, now in its 19th year! 	
Name	Phone
Address	
My gift is in memory of:	
Make checks payable to: AAUW-CA SPECIAL PROJECTS FUND and mail to: Julie Gerth, AAUW- Half Moon Bay Branch Tech Trek Chair, 2094 Touraine Lane, Half Moon Bay, CA 94019.	

DIRECTORY DISTIBUTION:

The new 2015-16 HMB Branch Directories are ready and will be available for pick-up at our September 12th luncheon. Each directory is labeled, so please take the one with your name on it. I want to thank all those members who responded to my emails for updates to their entries. If you see a mistake with your entry, please let me know so I can correct it.

If you are unable to attend the luncheon, your directory will be available from your neighborhood coordinator after September 12th. Please arrange a time to go and get it from her as it is not her job to deliver them. Your neighborhood is determined by your residence address, as described below.

South HMB (south of Redondo Beach Road): Gladys Francis gmflower@comcast.net West HMB (central HMB, west of Highway One): Irene Baume irenebaume@gmail.com East HMB (central HMB, east of Highway One): Peg Nordensten coastalpeg@gmail.com North HMB (north of Terrace Avenue/Grand Boulevard): Betty Lee-Kendall bleek917@sbcglobal.net El Granada: Nancy Evans egnancy@comcast.net Moss Beach: Pat McNutt patm@coastside.net Montara: Cecilia Mello cecilia.mello@gmail.com Please add the following members to your new directory:

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Delores Crabb, Directory Editor

<u>Speech Trek Opportunity:</u>

Speech Trek is a CA-AAUW program that we would like to initiate in Half Moon Bay. Members would work with high school students interested in developing their skills in public speaking and participating in a speech contest. The theme for this year's 5 minute speech is: <u>GENDER BIAS AND INEQUALITY</u>. If a student from HMB is chosen as a finalist, they would be one of 3 competing statewide at the CA-AAUW Convention in April. The process begins by selecting students in September from recommendations from the High School English Teachers. Students would be coached in the following months and a video would be submitted to the state Speech Trek Committee in March, 2016.

We have an offer for coaching help from Cathy Foxhoven, who was one of Speech Trek founders.

If you are interested in working on this project, please contact me at cvu59@aol.com or call Mary Vargas at 650 712-8699



2015 TECH TREKKERS SAY THANKS FOR THE MEMORIES by Julie Gerth

Our six 2015 Tech Trekkers enjoyed an eye-opening week at Stanford

University, July 5-11. The girls checked into the dorm on a sunny Sunday afternoon then walked with their families to the welcome session. After staff introductions and an overview of the week, the girls said goodbye to their moms, dads, brothers and sisters and began a week of nonstop, all-girl STEM activities that concluded on Saturday morning, July 11. The six scholarship recipients -- now Cunha 8th-graders -- are anxious to share their experiences with the branch at the upcoming September Membership Brunch. Here are excerpts from their enthusiastic thank-you notes:

"... This has been such a great experience that I will never forget ... (One) of the things I really enjoyed was the field trip to see the solar

car, and I also liked the chemistry experiment. Racing cars that we built in engineering was also amazing. But Professional Women's Night

was the best! I want to be just like those women. ..." MELISSA G.

"... For me the best part was being put in the Forensics Science class ... (It) introduced us to so many careers in the math and science

fields. Examples are microbiology, chromatography, and biology, that all combined into one career that helped solve crimes ... It has made such an impact one me. ..." MIA G.

"... Thank you so much for the opportunity of a lifetime which was Tech Trek ... I had been so sure of the career path I wanted to take until I came to Tech Trek and got to try many other options such as Forensics and Marine Biology. ..." SONYA C.

"... I met a lot of new friends that were a lot like me. I was placed in the Engineering core class which truly introduced me to a brand-new

field of science that I hadn't experienced before. ... My overall favorite part was making vehicles, like rockets and cars ..."

KENDALL M.

" ... Thank you so much for the incredible opportunity to be part of such an amazing camp. Being able to come to Tech Trek means the world to me and I've learned so much this week that I will remember my whole life. ..."

JAMIE M.

"... I like that I learned how to live in a dorm with other people. It helped me become friends with people my age with similar interests. I

loved learning about successful women in different fields of science ... and I really enjoyed building the mouse-trap car in my core class, Engineering Design. ..."

MADISON S.

AAUW Public Policy:

The state and national AAUW elections are over and the results are in. In California we had a voter turn out of 13%, national was not much better with a 14% turn out. AAUW has a goal this next year to get at least a 20% turn out. The one "Hot Button" issue nationally, to allow non university, AA degree and nursing degree holders membership into AAUW did not pass.

AAUW is going to be revisiting Title IX and how, and if, it is being implemented in the schools and workplace. It started out as equity in the field of sports, but has expanded into areas where people are discriminated against according to their sex.

The recent Gold Metal win in the World Cup of soccer by the American women's team has brought to the forefront the huge discrepancy in salaries paid to women professional athletes compared to their male counterparts (who did NOT win!)

And, on our local front, the historical Half Moon Bay Main Street Bridge has been saved from the wrecking ball. The recent extensive study found the bridge to be of sound construction, with only some cosmetic problems easily addressed. A grant to pay for this is currently being investigated. This shows the power of the people when they unite together for a common cause.

Mary Vargas & Carlos Vargas, Public Policy Co-Chairs

Inter Branch Council: (Mary Vargas, IBC Liaison (650) 712-8699 or cvu59@aol.com

The Inter Branch Counsel (IBC) met in June to plan our joint program which will be held ,with the other 5 branches of our IBC , on Sat. March 12, 2016 at the Basque Cultural Center in SSF. It will be a luncheon (information on the price will be available at a later date), the theme being based on the study of 2015 "SOLVING THE EQUATION" : The Variables for Women's Success in Engineering and Computing". We have invited the co-author of this study, Christanne Corbet, along with Marie Wolbach (founder of Tech Trek), to be our keynote speakers. This is our branch program for the month of March, so we hope to have a good turn out from HMB Branch. We will send more details as they become available, but please mark your calendars for this exciting and informative program.

Carlos Vargas IBC Chair

Third annual summer STEM camp hosts 13 middle-schoolers

by Mary Vargas, STEM Camp Chair

On July 14 -16, our branch sponsored the third summer S.T.E.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) camp for seventh- and eighth-grade girls at Cunha School. Thirteen girls attended and we had the assistance of three high-school students, two of whom were Tech Trek alums. The program offered a variety of hands-on activities that included:

- -units on geology, bridges, and nutrition;
- -building a "dream house";
- -bird-watching at the state beach with Ranger Nelle Lyons;
- -constructing and testing catapults at Oddyssea with store owner Mike Harding;
- -doing an energy assessment of various appliances with Lauren Johnson-Williams from CLEAResult:
- -and preparing short presentations on iPads using an app called AdobeVoice with member Maura Jones.

This branch project was funded by a grant from our branch's Edna Cox bequest and was led by a committee that included Chair Mary Vargas, Carlos Vargas, Gael Erickson and Julie Gerth. The STEM camp was well received by the girls who participated, and we enjoyed working with these enthusiastic future STEM professionals. We may even expand the camp to four days in the future.

A special thank you to the branch members who helped with the beach field trip, including Sue Hatfield and Ellen Donnelly, and to the members who participated on our professional panel on the final day:

Caryl Battles, Liz Colvard, Maura Jones, Nancy Struck and Betty Zographos.



Half Moon Bay Branch now a 501(c)(3) nonprofit.

Our branch has always been a nonprofit under 501(c)(4), meaning donations and dues were not tax deductible. Our board voted to apply for 501(c)(3) status with the IRS and State last fiscal year. On June 3, 2015, the IRS granted that status retroactive to our original filing date, February 2, 2015. Application to the Franchise Tax Board (California) is now pending.

What does this mean to you? If you make a donation to the branch, it will now be deductible on your income tax return. Also the branch portion of the dues (\$21) will be deductible too. If you know of a corporate entity that is willing to make a donation or match funds, it will be deductible to them also.

As part of this process, our branch bylaws have to be amended. They have been preapproved by the AAUW California Governance Committee and now will be voted on by the general membership. The changes are as follows:

Under Article II (Purpose), a paragraph was added which states "Said organization is organized exclusively for charitable and educational purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations described under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code."

Under Article XII (Property), Section 2 (Dissolution of Branch), AAUW is referenced as a 501(c)(3) organization.

The board is hoping that this will open avenues of funding to help support our worthy endeavors towards girls and women.

JANUS:



Welcome back, everyone! The JANUS luncheon group meets once a month on the fourth Wednesday at noon. The meal is potluck and we always have a great variety of good food. We will start our year on **September 23rd**, with lunch at the home of Carol Forster, 11200 Skyline Boulevard, Woodside. Please RSVP to Carol to let her know if you are coming. <u>carolforster@sbcglobal.net</u> (726-4984) It is helpful to also let her know if you are <u>not</u> coming. Remember to bring your \$2 each for the hostess. Everyone is welcome.

Delores Crabb, Chair



Incredible Edibles:

SAVE the date. **November 7, 2015**. That's when the Incredible Edibles (I.E.), Norwegian style brunch is to be held at a special place:

Henrik Ibsen Park on Skyline Blvd & Henrik Ibsen Rd.

Set amongst the redwoods this even promises to be unique, tasty and fun. Details will be in the October Tidings.

For just now & THEN, a little more info about dining on "incredible edibles"!!!

I. E.'s 2014-15 finale was a great picnic: theater/dinner-part "tailgated" at Coastal Rep's 2015 musical, "Jesus Christ Superstar".

Dining events with the I.E. are in a full range of "foodie-happenings"! Expect to enjoy: unusual foods, creative and fun menu/recipe searches, exciting experiences, hosts never having a cooking assignment, and for sure, delightful camaraderie in honor of the recipe assignments!!!

Considerations for your medium-range calendar, mark our dates and anticipate the "Not-2-B-Missed" Events!

Saturday Evening Cocktail Party, January 16, 2016: Dianne & Bo Bobko, hosts Saturday Evening "Irish Affair", March 19: Erika Pardo & Richard Grotch, hosts Sunday Lunch & "Our Town", May 29: at SF Symph/Davies Hall, Nina Nelson, host Becky Cawley/historian,560-2420, Nina Nelson/chair,560-9025, say, Plan to join us!"

Walk with us!

Friends--We walk all year round! Join us at 10 A.M. on Monday mornings. We walk for about 2 hours at various lovely locations on the coast. If you send me your name, I will add you to our list and you will receive an email every Friday or Saturday telling you where the Monday walk will be. It's a great way to exercise and socialize! Marilyn Garrison marilyngarr@hotmail.com

Home Theatre:

We will meet at the home of Debbie Gatzek for our movie of the month on Friday, Sep**tember 18**. Note that this is a temporary change from our usual last Saturday of the month. The title of the movie we will watch is "White God," a foreign film that won an award for creativity at the most recent Cannes Festival. If there are changes, the group will be notified, as we get closer to the date. If you are not part of the group but would like to be included please contact Debbie Gatzek (Debbie@gatzek.com) . The group recently decided that each attendee will bring an appetizer to share; Debbie will provide beverages and paper goods. As usual we will meet at 6:00 pm for snacks with film starting about 6:30 pm.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Debbie.

Hands On:

Hands On! is our sewing/knitting/crafting group where each person brings her own project to work on in a lively, friendly environment. We meet once a month in members' homes. Our meeting day is the second Wednesday of the month from 4-6 PM. In **September we will meet on the 9**th at the home of Nancy Struck, 431 Valencia Avenue, El Granada. Please RSVP to Nancy so she can arrange for enough chairs and table space. <u>njstruck@coastside.net</u> (712-8211) Her studio is a wonderful place to be inspired as you work on your project!

Delores Crabb, Chair





GREAT DECISIONS INTEREST GROUP - evening

The Great Decisions interest group uses topics from a book published by the Foreign Policy Association which all members buy (\$20 plus shipping). Eight topics that concern current crucial global issues are discussed. The group meets the second Tuesday of the month at 7pm in member's homes.

Books are not published until January 2016, <u>so</u> the group will not meet until late January or February and continue through September. The 2016 topics have not been announced yet. You can go to www.fpa.org to learn more.

You can email Barbara Von Glahn at <u>Barba-</u> ra hmb@yahoo.com or phone 726-7696 if interested.

Barbara Von Glahn, Chair

Bridge Group:



The bridge group meets the third Friday, September through May (except in December), from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. **September's meeting will be on the 18th**, hostess to be decided . Please contact Kit Bunnell at 726-9547 or by email at <u>csbunnell@earthlink.net</u> for more information or to reserve a spot.



Out to Breakfast:

The Out to Breakfast group meets the 2nd Friday of each month at 8:30 am. In September we will meet at the Café' Mezza Luna in Princeton on Friday, **September 11**. Hope to see you there, it's a nice way to begin the day.

Peg, Chair

Evening Book Group:



The evening book group meets on the last Tuesday of the month at 7pm at Madeline Mc Reynolds home in Miramar. **September 29** we will read a book to be determined by popular vote of book club members. For more information contact Marianne Harrison, mimih108@sbcglobal.net

Out and About:

The Out and About Interest Group has been very active this summer. In May we had a tour of Sunset Gardens in Menlo Park. In June we drove down to Salinas to visit the John Steinbeck Museum and house. In July we stayed close to home with an historical walking tour of Half Moon Bay with Dave Cresson, Pres. of the HMB Historical Society. In August we toured the Mexican Museum in Fort Mason. We usually have a trip the first Friday of the month. Ideas for upcoming trips are : Rosie the Riveter Museum in Richmond, several places in the Golden Gate Park (Science Academy, Conservatory of Flowers, Botanical Gardens) and Filoli. We will have a sign up sheet, for those interested in joining our interest group at the Scholarship Lunch on Sat. Sept. 12

The Our and About Interest group will be traveling to Danville to visit the Eugene O'Neil House on **Friday Sept. 11** (note the change from the first Friday to the second Friday of the month). We will leave the New Leaf parking lot(, by the bus stop) at 10AM. We will eat lunch at 12:00 and take a short shuttle ride to the house to begin our tour at 2:00. Please let us know by Sept. 1 if you are going to join us and if you can drive.

Writing Group:

The Writing Group meets at 9:30 am on the first and third Thursday of each month at Moonside Bakery and Café in Half Moon Bay. On alternate meetings we read from our work or do spontaneous writing in response to inspirational prompts provided by Jean Slanger.

Our first meeting will be on **September 3.** At this meeting we will do spontaneous writing.

All writers are welcome as are all genres of writing. If you have any questions, please email Janet Orumchian at jhorumchian@yhoo.com or telephone her at650 560-0362

September 2015 Thu Mon Tue Wed Fri Sun Sat 1 2 3 5 4 Writing Group 9:30 am 10 12 6 8 9 7 1 Out to Break-Walk & Talk <u>Tidings</u> Deadline 10:00 am fast 8:30 am **Membership** Hands On 4 pm <u>Board</u> Out and About Brunch 11:00 Meeting 10 am <u>am</u> 7 pm 13 17 15 18 19 14 16 Daytime Bridge 10:30 am Walk & Talk Writing Group Home Theatre 10:00 am 9:30 am 6:00 pm 20 23 24 26 21 22 25 Walk & Talk Janus 12:00 10:00 am 28 27 29 30 Walk & Talk 10:00

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Do you know about the Sunshine Committee?

We assist local branch members when support is needed and wanted. Our volunteers offer support by providing transportation to appointments, visiting the patient, and delivering meals for the AAUW member and their family. If you would like to volunteer on an as-needed basis, please contact Jeanette Chapman at 726-5161 or handyjc@juno.com. We appreciate all volunteers!



President's Corner:

Hello, my name is Mary Alice and I am your new President. I haven't been as active in the last few years as I was earlier in my membership, but I have been a member of this branch for over 25 years. I have held several positions since 1990, some of which no longer exist, like Education Equity. I have attended at least half a dozen state conventions. More recently, some of you may have noticed me taking photos at meetings for our historian.

Many of you know that I recently lost my husband of almost 45 yrs. Some of you know that in May, I became Trustee of a friend's estate, which is coming to a close.

I wish to assure you that I will make my presidency a top priority.

I hope to meet more of you in the coming months. I look forward to the challenges and new experiences to come.

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