

Message from our President

Dear Members and Friends of the SCCW,

The Winter issue of our newsletter is always a pleasure as it announces the group of remarkable women who have made contributions to Stanislaus County.

We had many extraordinary nominees making the final choices difficult. I want to thank all of our nominators for their submissions and the selection committee for their commitment in compiling this year's list of honorees. They will join the six hundred and fifteen women who have been recognized for their contributions to Stanislaus County over the past 40 years! I look forward to seeing all of you on Saturday March 21st as we honor these exceptional women.

One of our goals this year was to enhance our social media presence. You can now follow the Commission on Twitter at <https://twitter.com/StanislausWomen>, on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/SCCW.org/> or at our website, <https://www.stanislauswomen.net/>.

These sites provide news on the issues important to women and share information on local events that may be of interest to you. I encourage you to connect with us on any or all of these platforms and let us hear from you.

Once again, congratulations to the Outstanding Women of 2020!

Warmly,
Jennie

2018-20 President, Stanislaus County Commission for Women



Mission Statement:

Stanislaus County Commission for Women is committed to supporting a coordinated effort by concerned groups and individuals in Stanislaus County to more develop fully the potential of all women.

We support:

- Pro-Choice and reproductive Rights
- Gender pay equity
- Adequate funding for women and children's health issues and research
- Ending violence against women
- Adequate, safe and affordable child care and other child care issues
- Anti-discrimination based on sexual orientation

www.stanislauswomen.net

WE ARE PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE

SCCW Outstanding Women 2020

Angelica Anguiano

Joanna Esparza

Augusta Farley

Dr. Arlaine Barcelona Gutierrez

Dr. Ellen Junn

Amy Pezzoni

Judie Piscitello

Monica Vergara

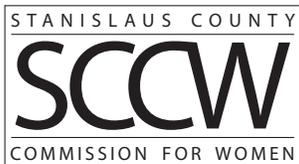
Outstanding Young Women

Lauren Edh

Jasmin Tello Esparza

Woman of History

Mary Giventer



Stanislaus County Commission for Women
41st Annual Outstanding Women of Stanislaus County Awards
Saturday, March 21, 2020
Greens on 10th
 953 10th St., Modesto

RESERVATION FORM

To make your reservations please respond by mailing the form below with your payment. Must be received no later than March 13, 2020.

10:00 a.m. No-host champagne bar
10:30 a.m. Brunch
11:00 a.m. Program
\$40 per person

 Return just the bottom portion for reservations.

- Your name: _____ Phone _____
 Email: _____
- Name of Honoree: _____

To be completed by Honoree only. All Honorees + 1 are guests of the Commission. Young Woman +2 guests.
 Complimentary Guest of Honoree ticket for: _____
 Second Comp ticket (*Young Woman Honorees only*) for : _____

- Number of individual reservations: _____ x \$40 each = 
- Payment included for the following people: (Names of attendees)

- To contribute to the Young Women's Scholarship Fund (any amount) or register to become a member please complete the information below:

- Contribution to Young Women's Scholarship fund in the amount of 
- YES, I want to become a Member (**No Fee, Donations Accepted**) 

Name _____
 Phone _____
 Address _____
 City _____ ZIP _____
 Email _____

\$ _____
 \$ _____
TOTAL \$ _____

- Enclose a check made payable to SCCW or Credit Card info

Name as it appears on Credit Card: _____
 Credit Card # _____ ZIP _____ Exp. ____/____ Sec. Code _____

Send to:
 Olga Castaneda, SCCW
 1424 Irons Ct.
 Modesto CA 95355
 Questions: Call Olga at 209-566-5707 or email Olga.val.cardenas@gmail.com
 Reservations must be received no later than Tuesday, March 13, 2020. Thank you.

News from the SCCW Board Members.....

What We're Reading Winter 2020

No Visible Bruises, What We Don't Know About Domestic Violence Can Kill Us by Rachel Louise Snyder

First off, this book might not be appropriate for someone dealing with the trauma of domestic violence, but rather is a must read for those who want to better understand that trauma, the realities of living in a violent relationship, the quest for survival and some of the community changes that must take place to protect survivors and their children. The book details real stories of the lives and, in some cases, the deaths of real people, victims, survivors, abusers and their loved ones.

-Nancy Fisher

The Wordy Shipmates by Sarah Vowell

We are reading this for our family book club. It is a great book to introduce middle and high school kids to the Puritan settlers of New England. It is more in-depth than they get in school and much more fun to read. It will complement a family trip to Boston this summer; I want my children to understand the history before we go and have some ideas of what they want to see.

-Theresa Spezzano

Night by Elie Wiesel

His account of the Nazi death camp and horrors he survived.

-Marian Martino

Hope is a Science by Casey Gwinn, J.D. and Chan Hellman, Ph.D.

Overcoming trauma and rebuilding hope.

-Marian Martino

The Nickel Boys by Colson Whitehead

The author uses historical information about a juvenile reform prison in Florida, the Dozier School, which operated until 2011. During its "reign of terror," boys were tortured, killed, and buried in a secret graveyard. Archaeology students at the University of South Florida began digging up and trying to identify the remains of students in 2014. Whitehead creates fictional characters that embody the evil of the adult "reformers" and the struggle to survive of the young prisoners, all poor, and many of them innocent victims of racist law officials. A compelling and difficult book.

-Jane Manley

The Overstory by Richard Powers

Once this book gets rolling, it is hard to put down. The author ties humans to trees in ways not imaginable to the non-biologist, and it is fascinating. There were vocabulary terms I did not understand at all, but the narrative kept moving and I could not quit. The characters are diverse and motivated by their life experiences to interact with ... trees!

-Jane Manley



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- Vice President Program** – Olga Castañeda
- Vice President Membership** – Ruhi Sheikh
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- Secretary** – Nancy Fisher
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- Ad Hoc Political Action** – Jessica Self
- Young Women Outreach** – Yashlee Nazi

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