



## **BOOK DONATIONS FLOWING IN**

Our new book donation bins are installed and are often brimming with donations! Book donations during workshop hours are preferred. If you are unable to donate during workshop hours, **the outdoor book donation bins are available for donations off-hours.**

### **Book Workshop Hours**

**Mondays, 6:00 - 8:00 pm**

**Tuesdays/Wednesdays, 9:00 am - 2:30 pm**

*2197 High Tech Road near  
University Park Airport*

## **MEMBER SPOTLIGHT**

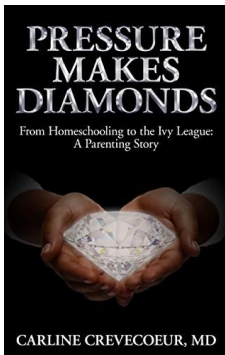
*Two of our newest AAUW State College members, Carline Creveceour and Grace Hampton, have been very busy of late. Congratulations to you both on your wonderful achievements.*



### **Dr. Carline Creveceour, Author of Pressure Makes Diamonds**

Carline's memoir is a refreshingly honest look at one family's decision to opt-out of mainstream education and home school their children.

Carline and her husband, Michael, both had successful careers as doctors, so in the beginning, home-schooling was never on their agenda. Over time, their reality changed, particularly after an accident involving their three-year-old son under the care of a babysitter. Carline quit her obstetrics and gynecology practice to home school all five of their African American children in a time when home-schooling, especially by Black parents, was a rarity.



*Pressure Makes Diamonds* illustrates how the family navigated the educational system by incorporating a variety of teaching approaches. The memoir chronicles Carline's 20-year journey of non-traditional education in Central Pennsylvania while dealing with issues of sibling rivalry, Haiti's 2010 earthquake, illnesses, death, racism, and other problems of life in our society. However, despite some adversity along their journey, all five children flourished, getting accepted into elite universities.

The book is available for [pre-order](#) now for a November 20, 2021 release date.



### ***Dr. Grace Hampton, ENCORE Foundation Fellowship Recipient***

Dr. Grace Hampton has received an **Encore Foundation/ Generation 2 Generation (Gen2Gen) fellowship** and a \$10,000 award to support and advance the *Weaving Wisdom: Fabrics and The Stories They Tell* project.

The Encore Foundation/Gen2Gen Innovation Fellowship is for innovators who are bridging generational divides. Each year the Encore Foundation selects 15 practical visionaries with great new ideas for putting generational connection and collaboration front and center in ways that benefit all ages, solve critical social problems, and mend our fraying social fabric.

Dr. Hampton explains, "'Weaving Wisdom' is a community-focused project I designed in collaboration with two other members of Penn

State's *Intergeneration Leadership Institute*. The project uses the communicative power of the arts to increase communication between older adults and younger individuals. Kente and Adinkra cloths, American quilts, and basketry from West Africa are used to show how cultural values, social norms, heritage, and the history of nations, communities, and families can be transmitted between generations."

The Encore Foundation provides advice, mentorship, visibility, and other support to replicate and elevate the program to national prominence.

Janet Oh, Director of the Gen2Gen program, shared the following in a letter to Grace, "We are so thrilled to let you know that you have been selected as a fellow for the Gen2Gen Innovation Fellowship! Our team is so impressed with your ability to meaningfully connect older adults and younger individuals through art and conversation." [More information about Grace's Fellowship and Award can be found at](#)

<https://encore.org/grace-hampton/>.



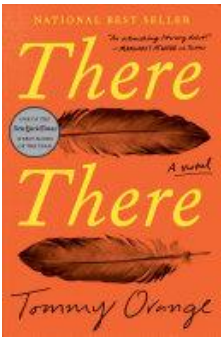
### ***DIVERSITY CORNER***

November is Native American Heritage Month. PBS is streaming some documentaries about native Americans, including some women. Visit the following link to watch:

<https://www.pbs.org/specials/native-american-heritage-month/>

"Prior to my election, young Cherokee girls would never have thought that they might grow up and become chief."— Wilma Mankiller

--Maria Schmidt, Diversity Committee member

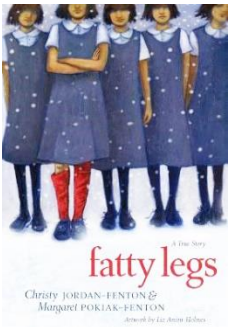


### **¡ADELANTE! BOOK CLUB TO MEET JANUARY 20**

Our book club is modeled after the AAUW Diversity Outreach for Impact Program, featuring diverse cultures in both fiction and nonfiction offerings. We meet during the afternoon every other month on the third Thursday of the month, with our next (virtual) meeting taking place on **January 20<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 pm**. We will discuss ***There There***, by Tommy Orange. It is a wondrous and shattering novel that follows twelve characters from Native communities: all traveling to the Big Oakland Powwow, all connected to one another in ways they may not yet realize.

To participate with the group, please contact [info@auwstatecollege.org](mailto:info@auwstatecollege.org). We warmly welcome new members. **Join Zoom Meeting on January 20:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82382979859?pwd=RUp2VS9xMEdTOG41M0Rkdm9HK3VYdz09>



### **Book Recommendation: *Fatty Legs*, by Christy Jordan-Fenton**

*Fatty Legs* is a moving memoir of an Inuit girl who emerges from a residential school with her spirit intact. She decides at age 8 that she must learn to read, and the only way that she will be able to learn to read is to attend the residential school that is many miles away from her home village in the Arctic. Recommended for 4th, 5th and 6th grade readers.

--Naana Nti, AAUW State College Diversity Chair



### **PENN STATE HUMPHREY FELLOW WOMEN PRESENT DECEMBER NOONTIME PRESENTATIONS Global Perspectives in Education**

Join the Penn State College of Education and the Penn State Humphrey Fellows for their noontime in-person presentations featuring a fascinating look at the educational systems in their countries. The December schedule is as follows:

#### **December 1 - The Future of Education, 12:00 pm, Foster Auditorium, Penn State**

- **Vuyokazi Jamieson** is the Head Librarian at St. Andrew's College, South Africa
- **Madina Pulotova** is director of Jahoni Mo and coordinator at American Space Khujand, Tajikistan
- **Shahla Davoodi** is an English teacher and trainer at the Ministry of Education, Iran

#### **December 8 - Higher Education Trends, 12:00 pm, Mann Auditorium, Penn State**

- **Dr. Philipina Marcelo** is dean of the Faculty of Engineering at the University of Santo Tomas, Philippines
- **Dr. Nagwa Elnwshy** is a lecturer at Suez Canal University, Egypt



Get Well wishes to **Pat Kephart**, who had shoulder replacement surgery on October 27<sup>th</sup> and is in recovery for the next few months.

Condolences to **Louise Tukey** on the loss of her sister-in-law Ann Tukey Harrison on October 28<sup>th</sup>. Ann lived in Michigan but made it a point to visit the annual Used

Book Sale at least 14 times over the years.



The next *Branch Bulletin* will be issued **Monday, December 6<sup>th</sup>**. Please send submissions for inclusion in that issue by **Monday, November 29<sup>th</sup>** to *Branch Bulletin* Editor Connie Schroeder, [connieschroeder@gmail.com](mailto:connieschroeder@gmail.com).

*Bulletins* are sent electronically to branch members and friends and also are accessible at <https://aauwstatecollege.org/blog/>.