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Killers of the Flower Moon Discussion of Book vs. Movie Thursday, February 1, 2-4 pm Waterford Library (In case of inclement weather, we will meet on Monday, February 5 from 2-4 pm)



January's program for our branch will feature a discussion of the film Killers of the Flower Moon in comparison to the book which the Book Group read in September. The movie has been highly recommended by members who have seen it. It is one of the selections of the Garde's Winter Cinema series and will be shown on Saturday. January 20 at 7:30 pm. The cost for a single ticket is \$15. There is something special about seeing a movie at the Garde with their surround sound and movie palace experience. Carpooling is being arranged for those who do not wish to drive in the evening. Please contact me (860-917-7483 or

gbradbury292@gmail.com) if you would like a ride with someone. If you prefer not to go out in the evening the movie is also available to stream in your home through Apple TV, You Tube, Amazon Prime and a couple of others for a fee. Members are welcome to join us for the discussion even if you do not see the movie. Listen to what others have to say about this thrilling mystery based on a true crime story about the Osage Indians.

### **Equal Rights Amendment**

An interest group in the AAUW California, Citrus Heights-American River branch has asked for our help keeping the Equal Rights Amendment (ERA) in the national conversation. They've been working on getting this amendment passed for over 100 years!

In 2020, the 38th state ratified the ERA satisfying the requirement to become a constitutional amendment. The Trump Administration prevented certification of the Amendment, stating it missed the congressional deadline. But, we contend, there is **no deadline** because Congress extended the deadline once, so they can extend it again! The 27th Amendment took a whopping 203 years to be ratified.

One easy way to help is to do a quick "two minute" activity on the AAUW National website to <u>Affirm</u> the Equal Rights Amendment.

Another step is to join us in writing letters or emails to media personnel, politicians, President Biden, and to rally support from other like-minded women's organizations.

Help us keep the ERA in the public discourse!

Here are talking points we have been using in our letters and emails for each of the following audiences:

Media/News Personnel:

• Why don't news reporters ask President Biden about the ERA during news conferences?

- Why doesn't President Biden tell the archivist, Colleen Shogan, to publish the amendment?
- Why isn't the ERA being discussed by the news media on national platforms?

• Please highlight the ERA topic at a national conversational level. This is very newsworthy news. Politicians:

- This issue is important to me as a voter.
- Please call President Biden and ask him to direct the archivist to publish the ERA.

#### President Biden:

Justice Power Hour)

- You campaigned on a promise to get the ERA into the Constitution and have publicly supported congressional resolutions that nullify the arbitrary deadline.
- Why are you not directing the archivist to publish the ERA?

We hope you will join us in advocating for the ERA. If you do, we'd love to hear about it! Please send us an email at <u>SocialJusticePowerHour@gmail.com</u>. (Re printed from an email sent from Members of the AAUW Citrus Heights-American River branch, Social

#### **Holiday Luncheon**

Members enjoyed a pre-holiday lunch at Langley's in early December.





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