



## March 2026 Newsletter

It's **Dues Renewal Time** for 2026.

If you haven't renewed already, you have three options:

- **Pay by check or cash** at the March meeting,
- **Send a check to EDCF**, PO Box 1388, Placerville, Ca. 95667 by the end of February. Please make your check payable to EDCF and put Sierra Renaissance Society on the memo line,
- **Or go to the EDCF website** and pay by credit card. The URL is listed below.

<https://www.srsedc.org/>

The dues are \$40 for one year per member and we thank you for your support.

Link  [Renew your membership online](https://www.srsedc.org/)

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**Presentation March 20, 2026, will be: El Dorado Community Foundation Reflections & Visions: Celebrating 35 Year of Community Impact**

by Amy Pooley Executive Director



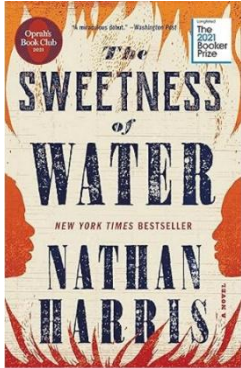
Graduating from Sacramento State with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration and a concentration in Human Resources, Amy pairs her business mindset with her passion for community service. Her 16-year career in community philanthropy & development includes service to many local organizations including Women's Fund El Dorado, El Dorado County Office of Education, and CASA El Dorado, as well as serving as a volunteer and board member for many organizations within our region. When she's not working or volunteering, Amy enjoys health and fitness and spending time with her family.



**The Book Group meeting at the Placerville Main Library 345 Fair Lane,  
Placerville from 1-3 PM**

**March Book**

**March 12th**



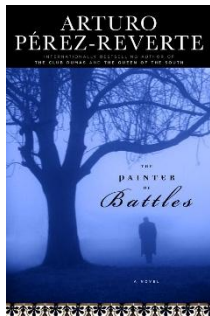
*The Sweetness of Water* by Nathan Harris is a debut novel set in post-Civil War Georgia, following newly freed brothers Prentiss and Landry as they work for a white couple, George and Isabelle Walker, who are grieving the loss of their son. The story explores themes of racism, grief, and forbidden love, particularly a secret romance between two Confederate soldiers, which brings violence and turmoil to the community. It's an Oprah's Book Club pick praised for its beautiful prose and exploration of humanity in harrowing circumstances.

***The Sweetness of Water***

by Nathan Harris

**April Book**

**April 9th**



The *Painter of Battles* by Arturo Pérez-Reverte is a novel about a retired war photographer, Andrés Faulques, who lives in solitude painting a mural of battle scenes from his past. His quiet life is interrupted by a mysterious man who claims to be a subject from one of his iconic photos and threatens to kill him, leading to a tense, philosophical confrontation about art, memory, love, and cruelty. The book is a deep, character-driven story that draws on Pérez-Reverte's own experiences as a war correspondent.

***Painter of Battles***

by Arturo Pérez-Reverte

## What's Happening this Month and Next

**Thursday**  
March 12<sup>h</sup>

**Book Group** meets 1-3 PM  
Placerville Main Library  
345 Fair Lane, Placerville

**Friday**  
March 20<sup>th</sup>

**Monthly Meeting**  
4701 Missouri Flat Rd, Diamond Springs  
Mother Lode Lions Hall 1-3 PM

**Thursday**  
April 9<sup>th</sup>

**Book Group** meets 1-3 PM  
Placerville Main Library  
345 Fair Lane, Placerville

A link to You Tube videos of previous presentations:

<https://www.youtube.com/@sierrarenaissancesociety6812>

A PDF of the newsletter can be found on the SRSedc.com website at the link below:

[Newsletter in PDF link](#)

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