



# BAY LEAVES

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## Presidents' Message

Annette Delaney and Ramona Raybin

Did you know that 40% of undergraduates attend a community college and the majority of those students are women? Students choose community colleges for their affordability, proximity to home and work and the range of programs and degree options offered.

Unfortunately, within six years of enrolling in a community college, almost half of the students have not completed a degree, received a certificate or transferred to a four-year institution. In other words, they drop out. Financial difficulties are among the main reasons for leaving.

The San Mateo Branch is proud that we are able to provide scholarships this year of \$5,000 each to six deserving students at our local community colleges who want to continue their education at a four-year institution. We received 60 scholarship applications this year, and a team of AAUW volunteers will read them and select the winners.

Although this project requires some dedicated time, all who have volunteered in past years have agreed unanimously that it is one of the most rewarding activities of membership in AAUW. This year the volunteers include Jane Bradley, Stephen Buchner, Richard Delaney, Pat Fuetsch, Gerhild Klein, Sandra Shapiro, Kathy Wiblin, Judy Winklestein and Cathy Yeung. A big round of thanks is due for giving their time to this most worthy project.

In addition, the branch has chosen two students to attend the National Conference for College Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL) which is sponsored by AAUW and takes place at the University of Maryland campus in College Park from May 31 - June 3. They are Leanna Moreno from Cañada College and Manying Wu from the College of San Mateo. Our NCCWSL sponsorships are the beneficiary of the annual spring fundraiser!

Have a wonderful summer!

## Upcoming Branch Event

June 1 AAUW San Mateo Branch May and June Combined Board Meeting  
SMCCCD Board Room, 9:30 am

## Annual Dues Deadline May 15<sup>th</sup>

Dues envelopes were sent by first class mail at the end of March. The due date for your payment is May 15<sup>th</sup>. The charge for receiving a mailed copy of the Bay Leaves remains at \$12.00. Be sure to send in your check before May 15, 2017 in order to for us to update our Branch's roster.

## Public Policy/Current Events

Betty Bernstein

Public Policy Group Will Follow up on Problems of Undocumented in U.S.

After a thought-provoking meeting in April on the subject of how we can help our undocumented friends and neighbors, our Public Policy discussion group decided they wanted to hear more about the subject. As a result we have invited Felipe Navarro, immigration counselor and community liaison with Catholic Charities, to meet with us on Tuesday, May 9<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 am at the home of Diane Silven.

Felipe is busy trying to provide the kind of services that these undocumented men, women and children need to remain in this country. He will also talk about the many other services that Catholic Charities provides for residents of all faiths in San Mateo County. The meeting is open to all AAUW members and guests.

## Membership

Maureen Buchner and Kathy Wiblin

Email Correction  
Richard Delaney email

## Tech Trek STEM, Camp *Grace Hopper*

Maureen Buchner

Our committee has chosen eight campers for this year's STEM Camp. They are excited and ready to experience the fabulous week on Stanford campus. The directors have been planning curriculum and field trips and our branch will have an ice cream social on 5/21/17 so that our local girls can meet each other and ask questions about what to expect.

This year's campers are: Bayside students: Olivia Jensen, and Bridget Vause; Bowditch: Sooki Beeley and Allyson Chan; Borel: Kasvi Singh and Kaitlyn Lara; and Abbott: Kianna Castro and Anna Solis. They have applied, submitted an application and essay, and taken part in an interview at their school prior to being chosen for our scholarships. In addition, two local girls will join the team of counselors from our past trekkers. They are Jackie Alvarado of Hillsdale High and Glynnis McNamara of Middle College at CSM.

Thanks to all of our donors for making these girls' dreams a reality. Your generosity will open their minds to many possibilities and model for them high school curriculum paths, college finance, careers of our visiting professional women and the development of their own leadership skills.

We will hold a branch visitation day on 7/19/17. We are asking our visitors to assist us with a Mad City Money program, so most of the day from 10-3 would be part of a volunteer effort. Kindly call Maureen Buchner if you have the time to volunteer. Our branch currently has 2 volunteers who will join us for lunch in the cafeteria and man a table after the budget training.

## AAUW National Election 2017-2018

In the April Issue of Bay Leaves we told you how to vote in the AAUW California Election. The May issue will guide you in voting in the AAUW National Election.

Voting will take place on the AAUW website, because online voting is fast, efficient, reliable, cost-effective, secure, and green! To vote online:

Find your member number and voter PIN on the back of your issue of Outlook, highlighted in yellow.

Go to the AAUW homepage at [www.aauw.org](http://www.aauw.org), and click on VOTE NOW.

Enter your voter PIN and member number to cast your ballot.

Read the online voter guide to learn about the candidates on the ballot. For additional candidate information, including links and videos, click on *Meet the Candidates* on the election site.

To vote, select one candidate for AAUW board chair and one candidate for AAUW vice chair. Select 10 of the 13 candidates listed for AAUW director.

Consult the voter guide for information about the proposed changes to the Public Policy Program, the AAUW Bylaws, and resolutions. Then follow the instructions on the website to vote for or against the proposals.

Click on the VOTE button to cast your ballot.

## Interest Sections Summer Schedule

### Boggle (Summer Schedule)

Wed, June 21<sup>st</sup>, 1:00 pm

Wed, July 19<sup>th</sup>, 1:00 pm

### Book Discussion IV (Summer Schedule)

Host: Cathy Jensen

Fri, June 23<sup>rd</sup> at 10:00 am

*A Spool of Blue Thread* by Anne Tyler

Fri, July 28<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am

*The Last Runaway* by Tracy Chevalier

Fri, Aug 25<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am

*Me Before You* by Jojo Moyes

### Mystery Book Group (Summer Schedule)

Host: Barb Schotzko

Fri, June 9<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm

*The Black Widow: Gabriel Allon* by Daniel Silva

Fri, July 14<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm

*Vintage Murder* Inspector Alleyn by Ngaio Marsh

Fri, Aug 11<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm

*The Whites* by Harry Brandt

### Hiking, 10:00 am (Summer Schedule)

Mon, June 12<sup>th</sup> Bay Trail, Burlingame

Mon, June 26<sup>th</sup> Golden Gate Heights Stairway Walk

Mon, July 10<sup>th</sup> Spur Trail, Millbrae

Mon, July 24<sup>th</sup> San Bruno Mountain, Brisbane

### Mah Jongg (Summer Schedule)

Wed, June 14<sup>th</sup>, Tue, June 27<sup>th</sup>, 1:30 pm

Wed, July 12<sup>th</sup>, Tue, July 25<sup>th</sup>, 1:30 pm

## **May 2017 Interest Sections,**

Elissa James,

### **Boggle**

Judy Steele, Judy-Steele@comcast.net, 574-8089

Wed, May 17<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm All members welcome

Judy Steele

### **Book Discussion I**

Elissa James

Thurs, May 18<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am

Gayle Hardt

*Doc*, Mary Doria Russell

### **Book Discussion II (closed)**

Judy Podesta

Thurs, May 25<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 Noon

Donna Pribble

*Pot Luck & Selection of Books*

### **Book Discussion III (closed)**

Sherrean Rundberg

Thurs, May 18<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm

June Henderson

*Spectator Bird*, Wallace Stegner

### **Book Discussion IV**

Mikki Coffino

Fri, May 19<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am (Date Change)

Cathy Jensen

*The Marriage of Opposites*, Alice Hoffman

### **Bridge**

Elissa James

Mon, May 15<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm

Elissa James

### **California Fact & Legend**

Bobbi Benson

Tue, May 2<sup>nd</sup> take 9:30 BART from Millbrae Station

Explore San Francisco Jackson Square Historic Dist.

RSVP to Bobbi Benson by April 28<sup>th</sup>

### **Dining Out**

Jane Bradley

Wed, May 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm (If need carpool call Jane)

Water Dog Tavern, Belmont

1015 Alameda de las Pulgas, Belmont

RSVP to Jane Bradley by May 15<sup>th</sup>

### **Drama Reading**

Marjorie Kobe

Wed, May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 9:30 am (Note Time Change)

Ida Braun

### **Ethnic Dining**

Maureen Buchner

Contact Maureen Buchner for information regarding

Ethnic Dining in May

### **Ethnic Lunch**

Annette Delaney

Wed, May 24<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 am

Foundry & Lux

RSVP to Annette by May 22<sup>nd</sup>

### **First Monday Movie Matinee**

Mary Ann McKay,

Mon, May 1<sup>st</sup> Time & Movie TBD

Email Mary Ann McKay to get on email list

### **Foreign Affairs - Great Decisions**

Margo King,

Thurs, May 11<sup>th</sup> 10:30 am

Barbara Snedeker

*Conflict in South China Sea*

### **Hiking** Always 10 AM year round

Bobbi Benson

Mon, May 8<sup>th</sup> Russian Ridge, Skyline Blvd,

Vista Point Parking Lot

To join us anytime, contact Bobbi Benson

### **Mah Jongg**

Helen Hatchett

Wed, May 10<sup>th</sup> 1:30 pm

Tues, May 23<sup>rd</sup> 1:30 pm

Host: Helen Hatchett, 954 Shoreline Dr. SM

### **Membership: New and Prospective**

Maureen Buchner

Kathy Wiblin

### **Mystery Book Group**

Mikki Coffino

Fri, May 12<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 am

Barb Schotzko

*The Waters of Eternal Youth*, Donna Leon

### **Public Policy/Current Events**

Betty Bernstein

Diane Silven

Tues, May 9<sup>th</sup> 10:30 am

Host: Diane Silven

Speaker: Felipe Navarro, Catholic Charities,  
Immigration Assistance in San Mateo County

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**AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research.**

*By joining AAUW you belong to a community that breaks through educational and economic barriers so all women have a fair chance.*

### May 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 First Monday Matinee	2 California Fact and Legend	3 Drama Reading	4 No Board Meeting in May	5	6
7	8 Hiking	9 Public Policy	10 Mah Jongg	11 Foreign Affairs	12 Mystery Book Club	13
14	15 Bridge	16	17 Boggle Dining Out	18 Book I Book III	19 Book IV	20
21	22	23 Mah Jongg	24 Ethnic Lunch	25 Book II	26	27
28	29	30				