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Presidents' Message

Ramona Raybin and Jane Bradley

The incoming Board of Directors for 2017-18 hopes you all enjoyed the summer and are ready to engage with your fellow AAUW members in some exciting and informative events. Thanks to those who researched ideas for a myriad of activities, the following are a sampling of their excellent work.

We'll kick off the year on September 17th with the Tech Trek Luncheon at the San Mateo Senior Center. Please see the flyer in this issue of the Bay Leaves.

On October 14th we'll enjoy a Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco docent lecture on Rodin and innovative painter, Gustav Klimt (*Woman in Gold*) on display at the Legion. This is good introduction to their works.

November 17th, due to popular demand, we will repeat the Holiday Flower Arranging event.

After the first of the year, we will take BART to San Francisco for story telling at the Asian Art Museum with docent and AAUW member Karlyn Schneider who has graciously offered to share her special expertise with us.

The Annual Meeting and Fundraiser will be April 20th. We are excited to announce that Michelle Carter, former Managing Editor of the San Mateo Times and author of a memoir, *From Under the Russian Snow*, will be our speaker. In 1995, sponsored by the United States Information Agency, Ms. Carter spent a year in Russia advising editors in the former Soviet Union on how to operate a newspaper. She has a unique grasp of Russian history and current events including recent reports of violence toward Russian journalists.

Finally, Bobbi Benson has graciously agreed to fill the open position of Secretary. Bobbi is incredibly generous with her time and we are grateful for her willingness to fill yet another role. And, that reminds me, we are always seeking volunteers. If you enjoy being a member of the San Mateo Branch, please consider filling one of many open volunteer positions. The time commitments are quite small and we promise you will get to know some interesting people and maybe have some unexpected FUN!

Upcoming Branch Event

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| Oct 14 | Art lecture on Gustav Klimt and Rodin
SMCCCD Board Room, 1:00 pm
Joint program with San Carlos Branch |
| Nov 17 | Flower arranging for the holidays
SMCCCD Board Room, 1:00 pm |
| April 20 | Annual Meeting/Fundraiser Luncheon
Foster City Recreation Center,
11:30 am |

Public Policy/Current Events

Betty Bernstein

Our Public Policy/Current Events discussion group is fortunate to have an opportunity to hear Rose Mukhar, attorney and founder of a new organization, *Justice for All*, at our meeting on Tues, Sept. 12th at 10:30 am at Lyn Haithcox's home. Rose is looking forward to bringing us up to date on the important subject of human trafficking both in the United States (and in particular, San Mateo County) and around the world. The meeting is open to all AAUW members and guests.

Membership

Maureen Buchner

Welcome to New Branch Member

Patt Montgomery

Patt is a 1973 graduate of Hood College with an English major then studied Instructional Design at the U. of Maryland. Recently retired, her career centered on Educational Technology, creating new tools for teaching and learning. She looks forward to meeting people interested in learning and improving the planet and universe.

Patt is interested in Scholarship, Hiking, CA Fact & Legend, book group, movies, Foreign Affairs, Ethnic Lunch, Ethnic Dining, Facebook, and college partners.

Tech Trek

Maureen Buchner Co-Director Camp *Grace Hopper*

2017 was a great year for Tech Trek Camp *Grace Hopper* at Stanford. San Mateo Branch supported 8 campers (2 from each middle school). Five core classes were offered: engineering of motion, coding/app invention, cybersecurity, forensics, and marine science. Our campers enjoyed their assigned cores very much.

Four volunteers attended our *Mad City Money* experience and helped run the 8 tables of sales/payments. Marilyn Canon, Anne Horgan, Judy Steele, and Stephanie Katz were very engaged in upselling cars, vacations, etc. The girls were given a family, a budget, bills, checks, and a check register to manage a month's budget. What an incredible experience for them! This is a program of Meriwest Credit union. I know we will want to repeat that experience next year. Thanks, ladies. Prior to the event they joined us for lunch in the cafeteria with a few thousand kids!

Here are the names of our fabulous 2017 campers: Anna Solis-Rodriguez, Kasvi Singh, Kiana Castro, Bridget Vause, Sooki Beeley, Allyson Chan, Kaitlin Lara, Olivia Jensen. (To see photos check <https://facebook.com/techtrekcamphopper2017>.) Their schedules were filled with interesting classes, speakers, star gazing, making bag ice cream, and visiting fountains!

Here is a note from one of our Professional Women's Night participants: "I have loved participating in Women's Professional Night for the past two years, it's a great experience. The campers are so motivated and wonderful kids. It's inspiring to see their raw energy and enthusiasm, a reminder of why I myself love science! I look forward to years to come". Valerie Sahakian, USGS, geology post-doc.

We plan to hear about the campers' experiences at a lunch in early November. More information about this event will be coming soon.



Tech Trek girls learning finance through *Mad City Money*

California Fact and Legend

Bobbi Benson

Our group meets at 10:30 am on the first Tuesday of the month. This is a fun and interesting group that learns about the history of California through guest speakers, member presentations, and field trips. Please contact Bobbi Benson, for more information. Join us anytime-or put yourself on our Roster for specific information.

The following is the calendar for 2017-2018.

Sept. 5	Michael Svanevik, popular historian, will surprise us with his topic!
Oct. 3	Tenderloin Museum & Walking Tour
Nov. 7	John Lumea on <i>Emperor Norton</i>
Dec. 5	Presidio Officers' Club Museum & Lunch
Jan. 2	In-House Presentations by California Fact & Legend members
Feb. 6	<i>Professorville</i> Walking Tour, Palo Alto
Mar. 6	Frank Dunnigan, Growing Up In SF's Western Neighborhoods
Apr. 3	Valerie McGrew, Irish Center Librarian & Historian
May 1	South San Francisco Field Trip & Lunch

Advocacy

Pat Fuetsch

Become a Two-Minute Activist

Take a few minutes to subscribe to the AAUW's Action Network. Action Network sends email notices to members to make it easy for subscribers to contact their representatives in congress through the Two Minute Activist tool.

Anyone with an e-mail address can subscribe to the Action Network, even non-AAUW members. The more people who sign up the louder our voices will be as we advocate for education, equal pay, paid family leave and many more issues.

When you receive the email, take a moment to read about the latest issue in Congress. Then take one minute to personalize and send an e-mail message to your representative in Congress. It's also a good way to keep informed about the many issues AAUW supports.

It's easy to sign up:

1. Google "AAUW Action Network"
2. Click on "Two Minute Activist: AAUW"
3. Enter your email address
4. Click on *Sign-up* and enter information as indicated

Interest Sections: *Come Be Our Guest*

We all joined AAUW because of its mission which, as you know, *advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research* but also for the many interest sections that our Branch has to offer. Our members enjoy Book Groups, Bridge, California Fact and Legend, Foreign Affairs, Hiking, Public Policy, and our various dining groups, among many others.

If you have friends who have similar interests why not invite them to attend one of the interest section meetings, as your guest, so they can experience some of the reasons you enjoy your membership? Your friend doesn't have to join AAUW to attend a meeting.

This might be the best way to introduce them to our branch and AAUW's mission. If you would like to invite a guest, merely let your Interest Section leader know you will be bringing someone new. We want them to feel welcomed. If they want to join AAUW the only requirement is a degree from an accredited college, including AA degrees from community colleges.

Gustav Klimt: Dialogues with August Rodin

Legion of Honor Exhibit, Oct. 14-Jan. 28, 2018

We have the privilege to hear about this gorgeous exhibition featuring the art of Gustav Klimt and the sculpture of August Rodin from a Fine Arts Museum of San Francisco docent. Kathryn Zupsic will be giving this presentation on Oct. 14 beginning at 1:00 pm at the SMCCCD Board room, 3401 CSM Dr. San Mateo, 94403. This will be a joint meeting with the San Carlos Branch.

Fine Arts Magazine describes the exhibition as follows: *This exhibition marks the first significant presentations of Klimt's works in California. Sharing the galleries with the Legion of Honor's important holdings of Rodin works will be examples from Klimt's oeuvre on loan from public and private collections in the United States and Europe, including the artist's estate in Vienna and the Österreichisch Galerie Belvedere, which holds the world's largest and finest collection of Klimt paintings anywhere.* Mark your calendars and join us for this interesting presentation. Please feel free to invite your family and friends.

Scholarship

Jane Bradley

Our scholarship recipients will soon begin the transition from community college to a four-year institution. Three of the students graduated from Skyline, two from CSM, one from Cañada and all are goal oriented, positioned to be successful.

Katharine Ramirez Perez, a three-year resident of the U.S. born in Lima, Peru, will major in economics and mathematics at U. C. Berkeley. While at Cañada, Katharine tutored four subjects, was co-president of the honor society and worked in human resources.

Kivilcim Cumbul emigrated to the U.S. from Turkey, established a Robotics Club at CSM and will pursue a degree in engineering at U.C. San Diego.

Menghao Li maintained a 3.96 GPA, tutored in three subjects, worked at three jobs and volunteered in the community while at CSM. Her goal is obtain a double major in accounting and mathematics at San Francisco State.

Lesley Bode, a NCCWSL recipient in 2016, worked as a financial aid "Ambassador" while maintaining a high GPA and will pursue a degree in psychology at UC Santa Cruz. She wrote to the branch "Thank you for bringing my dreams into reality".

Janah May Oclaman received an Associate Degree from Skyline in Natural Science with a 4.0 GPA and plans to get a BS in neuroscience from UC Davis followed by an MD/PhD. Janah thanked the Branch for "believing in my dreams and capabilities."

Wai Hnin Oo's first sentence in her scholarship application's personal statement was, "I love physics". Wai will study mechanical engineering at UC Irvine and promised in her thank you note "to put every cent to good use."

These scholarships were made possible through the generous bequests of members Ethel Gayman and Kathleen Smith.



Scholarship recipient Katherine Ramirez Perez with AAUW members Pat Fuetsch and Judy Winkelstein at Cañada's Recognition Reception

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	Budget	Year to Date	APPROVED
	FY 2016-17	Jul 16-Mar 17	Budget 2017-18
INCOME			
Branch Membership Dues	\$ 3,360.00	\$ 3,524.50	\$ 3,465.00
NCCWSL Income		2,246.07	-
Tech Trek Income		932.12	-
Other Inc (Bayleaves mailing fees)	350.00	453.29	450.00
Interest Income	5.00	10.69	5.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 3,715.00	\$ 3,942.53	\$ 3,920.00
EXPENSES			
COMMITTEE EXPENSES			
Membership Recruiting Exp.	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00
NCCWSL Sponsorships	250.00	(1,411.92)	250.00
Spring Fundraiser			
Spring Fundraiser Expenses	150.00	1,098.93	150.00
Spring Fundraiser Receipts	-	(1,993.93)	-
Spring Fundraiser (Net (Inc)/Exp)	150.00	-	150.00
Hospitality Committee	100.00	45.22	100.00
Tech Trek Brunch			
Tech Trek Expenses	125.00	256.88	125.00
Tech Trek Income	-	(256.88)	-
Tech Trek Brunch (Net (Inc)/Exp)	125.00	-	125.00
Tech Trek - Local Camp Exp	150.00	228.49	150.00
Membership Treasurer Programs	175.00	160.41	75.00
Other meetings	350.00	(70.00)	225.00
Total Programs	350.00	(70.00)	225.00
Scholarship	100.00	-	100.00
Total Committee Expenses	\$ 1,500.00	\$ (1,047.80)	\$ 1,275.00
CONVENTION EXPENSES	600.00	-	1,000.00
OTHER EXPENSES			
EF Assessment	85.00	65.00	85.00
Internet Website	120.00	119.88	120.00
Liability Insurance	600.00	607.00	600.00
Memorials	75.00	100.00	75.00
Miscellaneous	130.00	153.00	100.00
Office Expenses	200.00	269.93	200.00
Vocabulary Class at WCCF	500.00	-	500.00
Total Other Expenses	1,710.00	1,314.81	1,680.00
PUBLICATION EXPENSES			
Newsletter	300.00	224.44	260.00
Postage	375.00	303.16	225.00
Yearbook	325.00	292.52	300.00
Total Publication Expenses	1,000.00	840.26	785.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	4,810.00	\$ 1,107.27	4,740.00
NET INCOME	\$ (1,095.00)	\$ 6,059.40	\$ (820.00)

CHECKING ACCOUNT BALANCE AS OF JUNE 30, 2017: \$24,297.72

TOTAL ENDOWMENT FUND BALANCES AS OF Dec 31, 2016: \$359,870.15

as of 7/28/2017

September 2017 Interest Sections

Mary Ann McKay,

Boggle

Judy Steele, Judy-Steele@comcast.net, 574-8089
Wed, Sept 20th at 1:00 pm All members welcome
Judy Steele,

Book Discussion I

Elissa James,
No Meeting in September

Book Discussion II (closed)

Judy Podesta,
Thurs, Sept 28th at 12:00 Noon
In a Sunburned Country, Bill Bryson

Book Discussion III (closed)

Sherrean Rundberg
Thurs, Sept 21st at 1:30 pm
Moonglow, Michael Chabon

Book Discussion IV

Mikki Coffino 341-2428 mikkicof@att.net
Fri, Sept 15th at 10:00 am (Date Change)
Empty Mansions, Bill Dedman & Paul C Newell, Jr.

Bridge

Elissa James
Mon, Sept 18th at 1:00 pm
Sherrean Rundberg,

California Fact & Legend

Bobbi Benson,
Tue, Sept 5th 10:30 am
Diane Silven,
Speaker: Michael Svanevik

Dining Out

Jane Bradley,
Wed, Sept 20th at 6:00 pm (carpool? call Jane)
Restaurant to be determined
RSVP to Jane Bradley by Sept 15th

Drama Reading

Marjorie Kobe,
No Meeting in September

Ethnic Dining

Sue Rosenberg,
Contact Sue Rosenberg for information regarding
Ethnic Dining in September

Ethnic Lunch

Annette Delaney
Wed, Sept 27th at 11:30 am
Kabul Afghan Cuisine,
RSVP to Annette by Sept 25th

First Monday Movie Matinee

Mary Ann McKay,
No September meeting due to Labor Day
Email Mary Ann McKay to get on email list

Foreign Affairs - Great Decisions

Margo King,
Thurs, Sept 14th 10:30 am
Norma Tarrow,
Latin America's Political Pendulum

Hiking Always 10 AM year round

Mon, Sept 11th Spur Trail, Millbrae
Mon, Sept 25th Fort Funston, SF
To join us anytime, contact Bobbi Benson

Mah Jongg

Helen Hatchett,
Wed, Sept 13th 1:30 pm
Tues, Sept 26th 1:30 pm
Host: Helen Hatchett,

Membership: New and Prospective

Maureen Buchner

Mystery Book Group

Mikki Coffino
Fri, Sept 8th at 1:30 am
Barb Schotzko
The Expats, Chris Pavone

Public Policy/Current Events

Betty Bernstein,
Tues, Sept 12th 10:30 am
Host: Lyn Haithcox,
Speaker: Rose Mukhar, Justice for All
Human Trafficking in San Mateo & Around the World

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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.

September 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4 <i>Labor Day</i>	5 California Fact and Legend	6	7 Board Meeting	8 Mystery Book Group	9
10	11 Hiking	12 Public Policy	13 Mah Jongg	14 Foreign Affairs	15 Book IV	16
17	18 Bridge	19	20 Boggle Dining Out	21 <i>Rosh Hashanah begins at sundown</i> Book III	22	23 <i>Rosh Hashanah ends at sundown</i>
24	25 Hiking	26 Mah Jongg	27 Ethnic Lunch	28 Book II	29 <i>Yom Kippur begins at sundown</i>	30 <i>Yom Kippur ends at sundown</i>