

BAY LEAVES



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PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE

Gayle Hardt & Margo King

For Auld Lang Syne

The custom of singing Auld Lang Syne to say farewell to the old year and to ring in the new year is often bittersweet. It symbolizes endings, but also new beginnings.

Our AAUW/San Mateo Branch has said goodbye to many friends and colleagues. And we have also welcomed many new women who have joined our group and embraced our mission of empowering girls and women in a variety of ways.

We deserve to celebrate the ending of the Old Year of 2014. It was a year of AAUW accomplishment. Young girls have learned through Tech Trek that they can become scientists and engineers. Young women, through our scholarships, have received support in attending four-year universities studying in fields that will launch them into new opportunities and careers. And other young women, through the National Conference for College Women Student Leaders, have been instructed and inspired to consider leadership roles in private and public service. Your generosity and caring has made this possible. We also enjoyed a year of each other's company: reading and discussing books, playing bridge and mah jongg, meeting and learning from many public servants also involved in missions related to our own, sharing meals, taking walks and many other activities enjoyed with friends who share our values.

Now it is time to ring in the New Year of 2015. We look forward to another year of support for our causes, achievement for the girls and women we assist, expanding our awareness of the needs and achievements of others in our community, and of continuing the pleasure of activities with our colleagues and friends.

Farewell 2014; Welcome 2015

For auld lang syne, my dear

For auld lang syne.

We'll take a cup of kindness yet

For auld lang syne.

Best to all,

Gayle Hardt and Margo King, Co-Presidents

Kay Payne Lecture Will Feature Women Who Made a Difference

AAUW/San Mateo's favorite art historian and lecturer, Kay Payne, will open our 2015 series of programs with a talk entitled "California Treasures: Women Who Make a Difference" on Saturday, January 10, at 1 p.m. in the SMCCCD Board Room, 3401 CSM Drive, San Mateo.

Every year our members look forward to Kay's art lectures. They are always stimulating and thought provoking. This year's presentation includes a slide show and lecture which includes paintings, sculpture and photography celebrating the lives of a wide variety of women who have made a major contribution to our state.

The program is free and open to all AAUW members, family and friends. This is a meeting you absolutely won't want to miss so we look forward to seeing you there.

UPCOMING BRANCH EVENTS

Jan. 10 - Art Lecture by Kay Payne

Feb. 21 - Lunch at Delancey Street, SF

Mar. 21 - AAUW-CA Leadership Develop.

Apr. 20 - Spring Fundraising Luncheon

MEMBERSHIP TREASURER

Carol Way

Membership as of 12/01/2014: 164

Branch Dues 2015-16

San Mateo branch dues will be increased to \$90.00 beginning July 1, 2015. The increase is due to the mandate passage of California State dues. Following is the breakdown of the dues structure:

Branch: National \$49, State \$20,
Branch \$21

National Life: National \$0, State \$20,
Branch \$21

Dual/50-year Honorary: National \$0, State \$0,
Branch \$21

WELCOME TO A NEW MEMBER:

Amy Woolf

Amy was born on Long Island and graduated from the University of Pennsylvania with a BS in Biology/Pre-Med. She received her MD from NYU, after which she did her residency in Anesthesiology at Stanford. Since that time she has been a peninsula resident, having lived in a number of places, the longest of which was Hillsborough for 23 years, and currently she is a San Mateo resident.

Her work experience includes stints at two trauma center county hospitals followed by a long career at Peninsula Hospital in Burlingame, and she is now retired. She has been a choir member at the Congregational Church of San Mateo for 19 years, loves dogs, outdoor activities, opera and volunteering with the Peninsula Humane Society, InnVision Shelter Network and Samaritan House.

AAUW-CA Leadership Development

Leadership Development is pleased to be starting 2015 with an innovative program offering that will be premiered on March 21 in northern California and on April 19 in southern California when it will follow the 2015 Annual Meeting. Both programs will include keynote speakers from AAUW's national office. "Leadership Within the AAUW Environment" will be our national speakers' theme, which aligns with the entire series of new training programs developed by the AAUW-CA Leadership Development Team. On March 21st, the northern California speaker will be Erica Stout, AAUW Training & Program Manager, Member Leadership Programs.

We hope every California branch will attend these important events. In addition to the opportunity to hear from National speakers, the Leadership Development Committee will present totally new content, none of which is job-alike training! Make time to join us for exposure to new ideas and skills and, more importantly, finding new enthusiasm. These days will be packed full of ideas and techniques to promote leadership in your branches.

Watch for details and registration information in early January.

From AAUW Washington:

AAUW Cheer of the Week (12/12/14)

In what might be our first posthumous "Cheer of the Week," today we recognize Albert Einstein, who we recently learned wrote a letter of support to Nobel Laureate Marie Curie in 1911 when she was denied a seat as a physicist in the French Academy of Sciences. Einstein wrote that he was "so enraged by the base manner in which the public is presently daring to concern itself with you" and that he considered "himself lucky to have made [Curie's] personal acquaintance."

(P.S. Did you know that in 1920, the Association of Collegiate Alumnae, the predecessor to AAUW, helped raise money to purchase a gram of radium for Marie Curie?)



Delancey Street Luncheon

By popular demand, we are returning to Delancey Street Restaurant, Brannan and the Embarcadero, San Francisco, for lunch on Saturday, February 21st. Six years ago, we had a memorable luncheon at this remarkable restaurant and we are looking forward to matching that pleasurable experience.

Because space is limited to 40 people, we urge you to get your reservation in right away. The cost for the four course luncheon (soup, salad, entrée, dessert) is \$30 per person and includes coffee, tea or soda. Valet parking is available in front for \$4. We encourage you to carpool.

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Reservation for Delancey Street

Appetizers at 12 noon; 4 course lunch begins at 12:15 pm. Please select your entrée. (Specify if you are ordering more than one meal)

- Grilled filet of Salmon
with light soy glaze and organic field greens with Balsamic Vinaigrette

- ½ Rotisserie Rosemary and Garlic Chicken
served with angel hair pasta in a light red sauce

- Mediterranean Vegetable Platter: Spinach and Feta Phyllos
with minted cucumber yogurt sauce, tomatoes, hearts of artichoke,
baba ganoush, hummus and pita bread

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Reservations must be received by Friday, February 6, 2015.

Name(s) _____

Address _____ Phone _____

Number of people _____ at \$30 each Total enclosed _____

Send your reservation and check to: Mrs. Carol Way
417 Seville Way, San Mateo, CA 94402

For additional information call Betty Bernstein at 650-343-9137

JANUARY 2015 INTEREST SECTIONS
INTEREST SECTIONS CHAIR - Elissa James

Arts & Culture

Marge Denni

Marjorie Kobe

Sat., Jan. 17, 9:55 AM. “**The Merry Widow**,” starring Renee Fleming, at the Century Movie Theater in SM. Three hours with intermission. Meet in the lobby at 9:40 am. Contact Marge or Maggie to confirm.

Book Discussion I

Elissa James

Thursday, January 15, 10:00 AM

Carol Rose

Mr. Penumbra's 24-Hour Bookstore by R. Sloan

Book Discussion II

Mary Stella Flynn

Thursday, January 22, 12:00 Noon – 2 PM

Pat Motto

The Burglary by Betty Medsger

Book Discussion III

Sherrean Rundberg

Thursday, January 15, 1:30 – 3:30 PM

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Fighting Chance by Elizabeth Warren

Book Discussion IV

Mikki Coffino,

Friday, January 23, 10 AM-12 NOON

Fran Gillen

Daughter of Time by Josephine Tey

Bridge

Elissa James

Monday, January 19, 1 – 4 PM

Marge Denni

California Fact & Legend

Helen Hatchett

Tuesday, January 6, 10:00 a.m.

Diane Silven

Program: Tom Davids, Filoli Part II

Please contact Helen by Jan. 2 if you plan to attend

Dining Out

Jane Bradley

NO MEETING IN JANUARY

Drama Reading

Marjorie Kobe

Wednesday, January 7, 9:00 AM

Cathy Foxhoven

Ethnic Dining – Contact Mary for details

Mary Faber

Wednesday, January 14, 6:30 PM

Ethnic Lunch

A Delaney

Wednesday, January 28, 11:30 AM

Shanghai Dumpling House, 455 Broadway, Millbrae

Please contact Annette by 1/26 if you are going.

Foreign Affairs – Great Decisions

Carol Way

Thursday January 15, 10:30-12:00

Carol Way

TOPIC: Defense Technology

Books for 2015 have arrived. New members welcome.

Hiking 10 AM year-round. To join us anytime, contact Bobbi.

Bobbi Benson

Monday, Jan. 12. Lyn Haithcox will lead a

Downtown San Mateo Art Discovery Walk

Monday, Jan. 26. Devil's Slide

Mah Jongg

Helen Hatchett

Thursday, January 8, 1:30 PM

Tuesday, January 27, 1:30 PM

For more info, contact Helen.

Membership: New and Prospective

Maureen Buchner

Wednesday, January 14, 1:30 PM - Coffee

Please RSVP to Maureen.

Mystery Book Group

Mikki Coffino,

Friday, January 9, 1:00 – 3:00 PM

Seneca Falls Inheritance by M. G. Monfredo

Specialty's Café & Bakery, 1886 S. Norfolk, SM

Public Policy/Current Events

Betty Bernstein

Diane Silven Tuesday January 20, 10:30 AM -12

Noon

Monica Gadda Hendrix, regional director of Edgewood Center for Children and Families, will speak on "What Services Does the Edgewood Center for Children and Families Offer our Community?"

Home of Barbara Schotzko

American Association of University Women
P.O. Box 1465
San Mateo, CA 94401-0816

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.

JANUARY 2015 CALENDAR

<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>
				1	2	3
4	5	6 CA Fact & Legend	7 Drama	8 Board Mtg Mah Jongg	9 Mystery Books	10 Kay Payne Lecture
11	12 Hiking	13	14 Membership Ethnic Dining	15 Foreign Affairs Books I Books III	16	17 Arts & Culture
18	19 Bridge	20 Public Policy	21	22 Books II	23 Books IV	24
25	26 Hiking	27 Mah Jongg	28 Ethnic Lunch	29	30	31

