



# BAY LEAVES

AAUW/San Mateo

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## Presidents' Message

Ramona Raybin and Jane Bradley

### Opportunity to Change AAUW Policies

Have you hesitated recommending a friend join AAUW because you don't know whether she has a college degree? Sometimes college naturally comes up in casual conversation, but other times it can be awkward to ask a friend or new acquaintance whether she graduated from college. An associate or bachelor's degree from an accredited four-year or two-year institution is a requirement for membership in AAUW. Shortly, members will have the opportunity to vote to eliminate this degree requirement. The National Board of Directors' proposal regarding a college degree has come before the membership for a vote in the past. It is being raised again because the requirement is now seen as counter to AAUW's mission and limits AAUW's impact as an organization.

Some will argue "Our very name implies we are women with a college degree". The persuasive argument on the other side is that AAUW's mission is to advocate for and educate woman. Many potential members believe in that mission, yet either they did not have the opportunity to attend college or they had to withdraw before completing a degree. Such people have much to offer AAUW because they know the value of a degree and could be highly motivated to help young people pursue and complete their education. Voting on the proposed amendment, along with two other amendments regarding board terms and qualifications, will be from April 25 to June 9, 2018 via email. Be sure to let your voice be heard by discussing the amendment with fellow members and voting.

## Upcoming Branch Events

Please Save the Date!

April 20      Annual Meeting/Fundraiser Luncheon  
Congregational Church of Belmont  
751 Alameda de las Pulgas, Belmont  
Speaker: Author Michelle Carter,  
*From Under the Russian Snow*, 11:30

## New Slate of Officers for 2018-2019

The Nominating Committee has announced the following slate of officers for 2018-2019:

**Co-presidents:** Ramona Raybin and Jane Bradley

**Recording Secretary:** Sandy Shapiro

**Financial Officer:** Judy Steele

**Vice President Membership:** Maureen Buchner

**Vice President Programs:** Gerhild Klein

**Corresponding Secretary:** Kathy Wiblin

A vote by the general membership will take place at the Annual Meeting on April 20<sup>th</sup>. More nominations to the slate may be made at that time, but you must have the nominee's permission.

## Spring Fundraiser and Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting for the San Mateo Branch will be held on Friday, April 20, 2018. Not only is this one of the most fun meetings with a delicious buffet lunch and an interesting speaker, but it's also one of the most important. At this meeting we will be electing the new slate of officers for 2018-2019 and approving the enclosed Proposed 2018-2019 Budget. Your vote in this matter is very important.

The funds raised at this meeting will be used for the Branch's *National Conference for College Women Student Leaders* (NCCWSL) scholarship fund. Please use the flyer in the *Bay Leaves* to register by April 10<sup>th</sup>.

## AAUW Dues Reminder

AAUW annual dues statements will be sent out by the end of March. Please note that AAUW approved an increase in the National dues from \$49 to \$59, beginning Fiscal Year July 1, 2018. For most members this means your total dues will be \$100, which includes \$20 for State and \$21 for our local branch. Special members (50-year, life, etc.) will generally stay the same. Payments will be due by May 15<sup>th</sup> to allow time for processing by June 22<sup>nd</sup>.

## Public Policy/Current Events

### Growing Old Gracefully with a Little Help

Most of us don't want to admit that we are getting older. We pride ourselves on how active we are in AAUW and other organizations in our communities and generally are getting through life without too many problems. But sometimes poor health or other complications derail our plans and we have to seek help to overcome the problems that face us.

For these reasons the Public Policy/Current Events Group has invited Mary Collins, Geriatric Care Manager from *Sage Eldercare Solutions*, to discuss some of the services that are available to residents of San Mateo County on April 10<sup>th</sup>. The meeting will begin at 10:30 am at the home of Diane Silven. The meeting is open to all AAUW members and guests.

### Vote on Three Amendments to the AAUW National Bylaws.

The AAUW National Board of Directors has voted to put three proposals for bylaws amendments before the membership for a vote this spring. The National Board strongly supports the proposed amendments that we believe will help keep AAUW vital and enable us to increase our impact in advancing equity for women and girls.

The proposed amendments address creating three-year staggered board terms; opening board service to those outside of the AAUW membership; in addition to eliminating the degree requirement for membership.

The first two proposals would bring AAUW's board governance structure more in line with accepted nonprofit best practices and better meets the needs of the organization. The board recognizes that we have not traditionally put proposals up for vote outside our AAUW National Election, but these proposed changes have been under consideration for several years by both the Governance Committee and the Board. We believe it is important to move forward without delay to position the organization for greater growth.

Voting will open on April 25, 2018, and close June 9, 2018, at 9 p.m. ET. We encourage you all to engage in respectful debate, a hallmark of the AAUW community. Please exercise your vote and encourage fellow members to do the same.

## Tech Trek

Thanks to all of our loyal donors. We are offering 8 scholarships to girls nominated by their science teachers in the SM/FC school district. Thanks to Sharon and Joel Friedman for their donation through their required distribution. At their request, we now have a named scholarship for Sharon, who is one of our past presidents. One lucky girl will be writing to them to personally thank them for supporting her trip to Stanford. Besides our STEM exposure, we also find that the girls learn leadership, personal commitments, friendships, independence, and FUN--all by-products of their week at Stanford. Checks should be made to AAUW CA SPF and sent to Maureen Buchner.

## Membership

Joanne Chee

Joanne Chee received her BS in chemical engineering from MIT in 1989. She is rejoining AAUW after a year of supervising a remodel of her home. Joanne has been involved in helping with Tech Trek Registration paperwork for all of Camp Grace Hopper in the past and has joined the Tech Trek Committee to work on the reunion emails. This year she has also been working on the first Leadership Meeting of the County Commission on the Status of Women. Joanne has 2 sons in college and a daughter in high school who attended Tech Trek a few years ago.

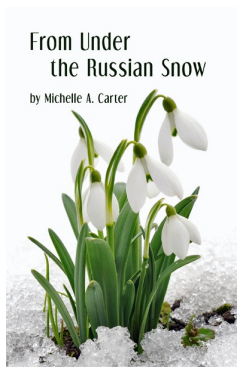
Nancy Copeland

Nancy Copeland received her BA in psychology and social welfare from UC at Berkeley in 1962. She is also a former member of the San Mateo branch of AAUW. Nancy is currently a member of Book Group II. Her hobbies include designing and making miniature doll houses and participating in an investment group. Welcome back to the branch, Ladies!

### April is National Volunteer Month

Let's celebrate by thanking all who volunteer for San Mateo AAUW, including those who serve as Elected and Appointed Officers on the Board of Directors; Scholarship, NCCWSL & Tech Trek Committees; Interest Section Leaders and all of you who give your time to the mission of AAUW. Thank you very much! San Mateo AAUW is better because of you.

The American Association of University Women  
San Mateo Branch  
cordially invites you to attend the  
21<sup>st</sup> Spring Fundraiser Luncheon & 2018 Annual Meeting



We will be meeting at the Congregational Church of Belmont to elect our new officers, approve the Proposed Budget, and to hear from Michelle Carter, author of *From Under the Russian Snow*: a memoir of her time in Russia working with newspaper editors who were struggling to adapt to the new concepts of press freedom and a market economy.

**Date:** Friday, April 20, 2018

**Time:** Doors open at 11:30 am

**Location:** Congregational Church of Belmont  
751 Alameda de las Pulgas  
Belmont, CA 94002

There is ample parking in the church parking lot.

**Cost:** \$45 to cover the cost of the buffet luncheon and contribution to the Branch's National Conference for College Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL) scholarship fund.

**Reservation:** Send the tear slip and your check payable to "AAUW San Mateo" by April 10, 2018, to Gerhild Klein.

If you cannot attend, please consider supporting NCCWSL by sending a contribution.



Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Guest Name \_\_\_\_\_

I can not attend but would like to send a contribution \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**AAUW/San Mateo Branch**  
as of 3/01/2018

	Prior Budget FY 2017-18	Actuals as of 28-Feb-18	PROPOSED Budget 2018-19
<b>INCOME</b>			
Branch Membership Dues	\$ 3,485.00	\$ 3,406.00	\$ 3,485.00
NCCWSL Income	-	-	-
Tech Trek Income	-	-	-
Other Inc (Bayleaves mailing fees.)	460.00	336.00	480.00
Interest Income	5.00	6.52	9.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$ 3,920.00</b>	<b>\$ 3,750.52</b>	<b>\$ 3,920.00</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
<b>COMMITTEE EXPENSES</b>			
Membership Recruiting Exp.	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00
NCCWSL Sponsorships	250.00	-	280.00
Spring Fundraiser			
Spring Fundraiser Expenses	150.00	-	180.00
Spring Fundraiser Receipts	-	-	-
Spring Fundraiser (Net (Inc)/Exp)	150.00	-	180.00
Hospitality Committee	100.00	-	100.00
Tech Trek Brunch			
Tech Trek Expenses	125.00	318.06	125.00
Tech Trek Income	-	(374.00)	-
Tech Trek Brunch (Net (Inc)/Exp)	125.00	(56.94)	125.00
Tech Trek - Local Camp Exp	150.00	262.24	150.00
Membership Treasurer	75.00	-	75.00
Programs			
Other meetings	225.00	49.75	225.00
Total Programs	225.00	49.75	225.00
Scholarship	100.00	-	100.00
<b>Total Committee Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 1,275.00</b>	<b>\$ 256.06</b>	<b>\$ 1,275.00</b>
<b>CONVENTION EXPENSES</b>	<b>1,000.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,000.00</b>
<b>OTHER EXPENSES</b>			
EF Assessment	85.00	65.00	85.00
Internet Website	120.00	-	120.00
Liability Insurance	600.00	606.78	600.00
Memorials	75.00	25.00	75.00
Miscellaneous	100.00	-	100.00
Office Expenses	200.00	90.00	200.00
Vocabulary Class at WCCF	500.00	-	500.00
<b>Total Other Expenses</b>	<b>1,880.00</b>	<b>786.78</b>	<b>1,880.00</b>
<b>PUBLICATION EXPENSES</b>			
Newsletter	280.00	204.54	280.00
Postage	225.00	187.50	225.00
Yearbook	300.00	279.80	300.00
<b>Total Publication Expenses</b>	<b>785.00</b>	<b>671.94</b>	<b>785.00</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>4,740.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,714.77</b>	<b>4,740.00</b>
<b>NET INCOME</b>	<b>\$ (820.00)</b>	<b>\$ 2,035.75</b>	<b>\$ (820.00)</b>

CHECKING ACCOUNT BALANCE AS OF Feb 28, 2018: \$20,209.17

TOTAL ENDOWMENT FUND BALANCES AS OF Feb 18, 2018: \$361,883.

## April 2018 Interest Sections

Mary Ann McKay

### Boggle (All Members Welcome!)

Judy Steele

Wed, Apr 18<sup>th</sup>, at 1:00 pm

Host: Judy Steele

### Book Discussion I

Elissa James,

Thurs, Apr 19<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 am

Host: Margo King,

*The Vegetarian*, Han Kang

### Book Discussion II (wait list)

Judy Podesta

Thurs, Apr 26<sup>th</sup>, at 12:00 pm

Host: Sally Roe

*A Gentleman in Moscow*, Amor Towles

### Book Discussion III (wait list)

Sherrean Rundberg

Thurs, Apr 19<sup>th</sup>, at 1:30 pm

Host: June Hendrickson

*The Underground Railroad*, Colson Whitehead

### Book Discussion IV

Jan Lamphier

Fri, Apr 27<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 am

Host: Cathy Jensen

*The Art Forger*, B. A. Shapiro

### Bridge

Elissa James

Mon, Apr 16<sup>th</sup>, at 1:00 pm

Host: Elissa James

### California Fact & Legend

Bobbi Benson

Tue, Apr 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 10:30 am,

Host: Gayle Hardt

Valerie McGrew, Librarian at the *Irish Center SF*

### Dining Out

Jane Bradley

Wed, Apr 18<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 pm (carpool? call Jane)

Izzy's, 525 Skyway Rd, San Carlos

RSVP to Jane Bradley by April 16<sup>th</sup>

### Drama Reading

Marjorie Kobe

Wed, Apr 4<sup>th</sup>, at 9:00 am

Host: Linda Byers

### Ethnic Dining

Sue Rosenberg

Contact Sue Rosenberg for Ethnic Dining in March

### Ethnic Lunch

Annette Delaney

Wed, Apr 25<sup>th</sup>, at 11:30 am

Shanghai Dumpling Shop, 455 Broadway, Millbrae

RSVP to Annette Delaney by Apr 23<sup>rd</sup>

### Foreign Affairs - Great Decisions

Margo King

Thurs, Apr 12<sup>th</sup>, at 10:30 am

Host: Kate Parnes

*Media and Foreign Policy*

### Hiking Always 10 AM year round

Bobbi Benson

Mon, Apr 9<sup>th</sup> Hillsborough neighborhood walk

Mon, Apr 23<sup>rd</sup> Mt Davidson Park, SF, 275 Juanita Way

To join us anytime, contact Bobbi Benson

### Mah Jongg

Helen Hatchett

Wed, Apr 11<sup>th</sup>, at 1:30 pm

Tues, Apr 24<sup>th</sup>, at 1:30 pm

Host: Helen Hatchett

### Membership: New and Prospective

Maureen Buchner

### Monday Movie

Mary Ann McKay

Mon, Apr 2<sup>nd</sup>, time TBD

Email Mary Ann McKay to get on the email list

### Mystery Book Group

Mikki Coffino

Fri, Apr 13<sup>th</sup>, at 1:30 pm

Host: Barb Schotzko

*Magpie Murders*, Anthony Horowitz

### Public Policy/Current Events

Betty Bernstein

Diane Silven

Tues, Apr 10<sup>th</sup>, at 10:30 am

Host: Diane Silven

Mary Collins, Geriatric Care Manager of Sage

Eldercare Solutions, *Help with Growing Old*

*Gracefully*

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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.*

**April 2018**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 <i>Easter</i>	2 Monday Movie	3 California Fact and Legend	4 Drama Reading	5 AAUW Board Meeting	6	7 <i>Passover Ends</i>
8	9 Hiking	10 Public Policy	11 Mah Jongg	12 Foreign Affairs	13 Mystery Book Group	14
15	16 Bridge	17	18 Boggle Dining Out	19 Book I Book III	20 Annual Meeting & Fundraiser	21
22	23 Hiking	24 Mah Jongg	25 Ethnic Lunch	26 Book II	27 Book IV	28
29	30					