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Co-Presidents' Message

Ramona Raybin and Jane Bradley

The first newsletter of the new AAUW year seems like a good time to tell you about our plans. We met in June to decide events and programs for the year. Interesting speakers and programs relevant to the AAUW membership and mission were topmost in our planning. We think we achieved both.

To start, mark your calendar for Sunday, September 30, when we will have the ever popular Tech Trek Brunch to hear from our Tech Trek Campers and National Conference of College Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL) Scholars. Next is the Interbranch Council (IBC) AAUW Funds luncheon on Saturday, October 6. We will be having a joint meeting with the League of Women Voters on October 16 about the State Ballot Measures. Make a special note for Saturday, November 10, San Mateo and Mid Peninsula Branches will co-sponsor a talk by a Legion of Honor docent, *Jewels of the Maharajas*. This presentation will shed light on 500 years of Indian culture and how jewelry has played an important role that continues even in modern day India.

Moving into the New Year, Saturday, January 12, will bring us Sheryl Rinkol, author of *Titanic Today*. Sheryl will tailor her talk specifically to women's issues at the time, including labor conditions in the Edwardian era, food, fashion, and the role of women employee's onboard the Titanic. An Interbranch Council (IBC) mini conference is planned for March 9, the time TBD. As usual, we will end the year with our Annual Meeting and Fundraiser for local students to attend the NCCWSL training in Washington, DC. The Annual Meeting and Fundraiser will be held on Friday, April 26, at the College Heights Church, San Mateo. Please see the San Mateo Branch Calendar for more information.

Stay tuned for details for each of these events. You won't want to miss any of them! As always, we encourage your attendance and if you need a ride to any event, please let us know.

San Mateo Branch 2018-2019 Calendar

Please Save the Dates!

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| Sept 30 | Tech Trek & New Member Brunch
San Mateo Senior Center, 11:30 am
2645 Alameda de las Pulgas SM
See flyer for reservations, page 2 |
| Oct 6 | AAUW Funds Luncheon
Basque Cultural Center, SSF
599 Railroad Ave, SSF, 12:00 noon
See flyer for reservations, page 3 |
| Oct 16 | Joint meeting--League of Women Voters
Ballot Measures Pros & Cons Presentation
San Mateo Library, 1:00 pm
55 W. 3 rd , San Mateo 94401 |
| Nov 10 | Legion of Honor Docent Presentation
SMCCCD Board Room, 3401 CSM Dr, SM
<i>Jewels of the Maharajas</i> 1:00 pm |
| Jan 12 | Sheryl Rinkol, author of <i>Titanic Today</i>
<i>Women's role in the Titanic era</i> , 1:00 pm
SMCCCD Board Room, 3401 CSM Dr, SM |
| March 9 | Interbranch Council (IBC) meeting
Speaker Kathleen Cha,
Past State President, Time TBD
SMCCCD Board Room, 3401 CSM Dr, SM |
| April 26 | Annual Meeting and Fundraiser
Speaker Mary Jo Ignoffo,
author of <i>Captive of the Labyrinth</i> ,
a biography of Sarah Winchester
College Heights Church,
1150 W Hillsdale Blvd, SM, 11:30 am |

Public Policy

We all have been concerned about the Administration's "zero tolerance" immigration policy so we have invited Katherine Reyes, program analyst from the San Mateo County Health System, to speak about *Creating Safety among Latino Immigrants in San Mateo County*. The meeting will be on the third Tuesday, Sept. 18th, at 10:30 am at Diane Silven's home. All AAUW members and guests are welcome.

ANNUAL CHAMPAGNE BRUNCH

FOR CURRENT and PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS and GUESTS

Make a reservation now for the Tech Trek Brunch!

Sunday, September 30, 11:30 am - 1 pm

San Mateo Senior Center
2645 Alameda de las Pulgas

**Invite Your Friends as well as any Prospective New Members.
There is no Charge for Guests!**

Come and meet our 2018 Tech Trek students as they regale us with tales of their week at AAUW Science & Math Camp at Stanford University.

Meet our National Conference for College Women Student Leader (NCCWSL) scholarship recipient and follow her trip to Washington, D.C.

- The luncheon cost is \$17 per member.
- Checks must be received no later than September 24, 2018.
- The Senior Center will not permit any payments on the day of the event.
- There is ample parking in the lot at the rear of the building.
- Let us know if you need to carpool.

We thank you for your generous support in enabling us to send these students to the Tech Trek program and NCCWSL!

Please mail your check to: Maureen Buchner

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2018 Champagne Brunch Reservation

Name _____

Phone _____

Guest(s) _____ Total # of people in your party _____

Guests & Prospective members are Free!

Please mail your check for \$17 payable to "AAUW San Mateo" to:
Maureen Buchner. Checks must be received by Sept. 24.



The AAUW California Fund Committee invites you to celebrate and honor our 2018-2019 California Fellowship and Grant Recipients!

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA – SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO

Saturday, October 6, 2018

RSVP: September 26, 2018

12:00 Noon to 3:00 PM (Check In at 11:30 AM)

Basque Cultural Center

599 Railroad Ave - South San Francisco, CA 94080

AAUW Fund Luncheon

Don't miss the opportunity to learn more about AAUW Funds and how your donations are being spent. Every year, AAUW CA provides the AAUW Funds Luncheons, both in Southern California and Northern California. The Northern California luncheon has always been in Danville at the Crow Canyon Country Club. However, there will again be a luncheon on this side of the Peninsula to accommodate our members, at the Basque Cultural Center in S. San Francisco on October 6th, 12 pm.

The purpose of these luncheons is to introduce the women who have received grants/funds from AAUW Funds, i.e. Eleanor Roosevelt, LAF (Legal Advocacy Fund), Tech Trek, Tech Savvy, Start Smart, etc. Fellowship and Grant. Each luncheon provides an opportunity to meet six to eight recipients who will give a brief overview of their studies or projects and highlight what the support they received from AAUW means to them.

Please plan on attending this very important event and learn more about the wonderful organization we belong to. The cost is \$45 and you can register online at www.aauw-ca.org or use this link https://san-francisco-fund-luncheon.eventbrite.com. The deadline is September 26th.

For questions about the event, call the AAUW CA Office at 916-448-7795



Meal Selection (choose one):

- Chicken with Mushroom Sauce
Vegetarian Penne Pasta

AAUW FUND LUNCHEON RESERVATION

- 1. Register online through Eventbrite (see links above for choice of luncheon events). - OR -
2. Mail your \$45.00 check or credit card information to 1331 Garden Highway, #100, Sacramento, CA 95833.

Name: _____; Branch: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____; Email: _____

Credit Card No. _____

Expiration Date: _____; Security Code (on back of card): _____

Registration Link:

https://san-francisco-fund-luncheon.eventbrite.com

Tech Trek

Maureen Buchner

Join us on September 30th as we reunite with our 2018 campers at our annual brunch. We sent Ally Gorman and Kiera Aldridge from Borel, Kaya Kumar and Delaney Lenihan from Abbott, Evelyn Aguirre and Grace Isola from Bayside and Maahika Samudrala and Leena Wang from Bowditch.

Here are some of the highlights from their "Thank You" letters:

I really didn't know what to choose, so I picked forensic science, Now, at the end of the week, I am in LOVE with forensic science! (M.S.)

Thank you so much for the hard work and effort you put into Tech Trek. My core class was coding/app inventor. I really loved the class because we took time on what we did; one app was taking a picture of someone and then being able to draw on their face. (E.A.)

My favorite activity was astronomy night. I enjoyed learning about the telescopes and listening to how passionate the people were about the subject. (G.I.)

One of my favorite activities was making a pipe to fill a water bottle from a fountain as a team, using all of the materials given, It was a fun group activity which made your mind think a little differently about your solution. (D.L.)

Thank you so much for helping me have this opportunity. I loved my week, the activities, and learning about cyber-security and binary code.(T. A.)

This week has been filled with fun and amazing experiences, such as dissecting a female squid. It has been a truly amazing experience that I will always remember. (A.G.)

On women's Professional Night, I got to meet a computer engineer which was cool and reinforced my wanting to become one. Thank you again for encouraging me to pursue my dream. (K.K.)

Thank you for the opportunity to attend Tech Trek Camp. I am grateful for the experiences I have had and the way it will affect me in later life. (L.W.)

A Big Thanks to our Volunteers at Tech Trek Camp at Stanford! Thank you to Judy Steele and Anne Horgan who worked on Registration with Counselor to-be Srimaye Samudrala, Also helping with Mad City Money were Marilyn Canon, Judy Steele, Anne Horgan, and Stephanie Katz. Besides having lunch with the girls at Wilbur Dining, they worked hard to be realistic "up-sellers". In addition, Marilyn and Judy came back the next day to drive on the Marine Biology field trip.

Wow! It really does take a village to get a week at Tech Trek to go smoothly!

Also of note: Maureen Buchner and Melinda Moir are retiring from the job of Co-Directors. We will always be involved, but after 8 years, we felt it was time to bring in some new and very capable co-directors. We had a great time at the helm!

Membership

Welcome to New Branch Members

Elsa Jimenez

Elsa Jimenez received her BA in molecular cellular & developmental biology from UC Santa Cruz in 1997, and her MS in molecular cell biology from Cal in 2001.

Elsa became interested in AAUW when her daughter attended Tech Trek Camp Grace Hopper 4 years ago. She volunteered to introduce that year's group to her microbiology classroom at Skyline College. She has also been a member of our panel at Professional Women's Night for several years. She currently teaches at Cañada and Skyline Colleges. She has 2 daughters, one at Aragon and one at Borel.

Tina Kapkin

Santina Kapkin known as "Tina" received her BA in English at Cal in 1980. She heard about AAUW from her neighbor, Helen Fricke, who encouraged her to join the Bridge group. As groups get going this fall, we hope she will find other interesting groups to try.

NCCWSL NEWS

Thanks to our spring fundraiser, the branch sponsored a Skyline student, Nellyana Altuve, to attend the 3-day National Conference for College Women Student Leaders at College Park, Maryland last May. She will speak about the conference at the annual Tech Trek brunch this fall. Come Meet her!

We recently heard from two 2016 conference attendees. Patricia Manubay is graduating from USF this fall with a major in Psychology and a minor in Children and Youth Studies and mentors high school students on mental health, among other activities. "I have still been using my skills and inspiration from NCCWSL!" Lesley Bode, also a branch scholarship winner, is majoring in Intensive Psychology at Santa Cruz. "To this day, I look back on NCCWSL fondly. It definitely helped reinforce my passion for empowering women."

Sept 2018 Interest Sections

Mary Ann McKay

Boggle (All Members Welcome)

Judy Steele

Date TBD, 1:30 pm

Book Discussion I

Elissa James

No Meeting in September

Book Discussion II (wait list)

Ramona Raybin

Thurs, Sept 27th, at 12:00 pm

Host: Elizabeth Haning

The Bridge of San Luis Rey, Thornton Wilder

Book Discussion III (wait list)

Mary Ann McKay

Pat Fuetsch, 349-3402, patriciafuetsch@gmail.com

Thurs, Sept 20th, at 1:30 pm

Host: Nancy Hobbs

Before We Were Yours, Lisa Wingate

Book Discussion IV

Jan Lamphier

Fri, Sept 28th, at 10:00 am

Host: Cathy Jensen

Sycamore Row, John Grisham

Bridge

Elissa James

Mon, Sept 17th, at 1:00 pm

Host: Sherrean Rundberg, 309 W 25th, SM, 572-1988

California Fact & Legend

Bobbi Benson

Tue, Sept 4th, at 10:30 am

Michael Svanevik, topic TBD

Host: Diane Silven

Dining Out

Jane Bradley

Wed Sept 26th, at 6:00 pm (carpool? Call Jane)

Rocca's, 1205 Broadway, Burlingame

RSVP to Jane Bradley by Sept. 21

Drama Reading

Marjorie Kobe

No Meeting in September

Ethnic Dining

Sue Rosenberg

Contact Sue Rosenberg for Ethnic Dining in Sept

Ethnic Lunch

Annette Delaney

Wed, Sept 26th, at 11:30 am

Kabul Afghan Cuisine, 135 El Camino, San Carlos

RSVP to Annette by Sept 24th

Foreign Affairs - Great Decisions

Margo King

Thurs, Sept 13th, at 10:30 am

Host: Sandra Shapiro

US Global Engagement and the Military

Hiking Always 10:00 am year round

Bobbi Benson

Mon, Sept 17th, Milagra Ridge, Pacifica (**Date Change**)

Mon, Sept 24th, Presidio, SF

To join us anytime, contact Bobbi Benson

Mah Jongg

Helen Hatchett

Wed, Sept 12th, at 1:30 pm

Tue, Sept 25th, at 1:30 pm

Host: Helen Hatchett, 954 Shoreline Dr. San Mateo

Membership: New and Prospective

Maureen Buchner

Monday Movie

Mary Ann McKay

Mon. Sept 3rd, Time TBD

Email Mary Ann McKay to get on the email list

Mystery Book Group

Mikki Coffino

Fri, Sept 14th, at 1:30 pm, (**Different Location**)

Host: Barb Snedeker

The Secrets of Wishtide, Kate Saunders

Public Policy/Current Events

Betty Bernstein

Diane Silven

Tues, Sept 18th, at 10:30 am (**Date Change**)

Host: Diane Silven

Katherine Reyes, San Mateo County Health System

Creating Safety among Latino Immigrants

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.

September 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3 <i>Labor Day</i> Monday Movie	4 California Fact and Legend	5	6 AAUW Board Meeting	7	8
9 <i>Rosh Hashana</i> <i>Begins</i>	10	11 <i>Rosh Hashana</i> <i>ends</i>	12 Mah Jongg	13 Foreign Affairs	14 Mystery Book Group	15
16	17 Hiking Bridge	18 <i>Yom Kippur</i> <i>Begins</i> Public Policy	19 <i>Yom Kippur</i> <i>ends</i>	20 Book III	21	22
23	24 Hiking	25 Mah Jongg	26 Ethnic Lunch Dining Out	27 Book II	28 Book IV	29
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