



# BAY LEAVES

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## Co-Presidents' Message

Ramona Raybin and Jane Bradley

## Protect Title IX Provisions Regarding Sexual Harassment

It's time to pay attention to proposed changes to the enforcement of Title IX. What comes to mind when you hear the term Title IX? For most of us it's the increased opportunities for women in high school and college sports over the last 45 years. In 1972, Congress passed Title IX which prohibits sex discrimination in education. Opponents have sought to weaken the law since its passage with most opposition centering on the athletic requirements.

Last year the Department of Education rescinded two important documents which informed educational institutions of their legal obligations under Title IX regarding sexual abuse allegations. The Department issued new interim guidelines and then last month announced a proposed rule and invited public comment until January 28, 2019.

The changes in Title IX enforcement guidelines would

- Narrow the definition of sexual harassment.
- Reduce which employees are required to respond to reports of sexual harassment.
- Require schools to ignore harassment that occurs outside a school activity including most off campus and online harassment.
- Allow schools to use processes that make it harder for students to come forward and receive the support they need when they experience sexual harassment or assault.

Check out AAUW National website ([www.aauw.org](http://www.aauw.org)) for a detailed explanation of the proposed rule and three ways you can have an impact right now.

## ♥ February is Heart Health Month ♥

Know the symptoms of a heart attack.

- Extreme Fatigue: may last for days
- Nausea: should not be dismissed as the flu
- Pain in shoulders, neck, jaw, or arms
- Shortness of breath, with or without chest pain
- Faintness or lightheadedness

Don't be afraid to speak with your doctor if you experience these symptoms.

## San Mateo Branch 2018-2019 Calendar

Please Save the Dates!

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| Feb 2    | Interbranch Council (IBC) Regional Event<br>Burlingame Parks & Recreation<br>850 Burlingame Ave, Burlingame<br>11:30 am, Potluck lunch<br>Kathleen Cha, Past CA AAUW President<br><i>Worldwide Gender Equity</i> |
| Mar 30   | Legion of Honor Docent, Julia Geist<br><i>Monet: The Late Years</i> , 1:00 pm<br>SMCCCD Board Room, 3401 CSM Dr, SM  |
| April 26 | Annual Meeting and Fundraiser<br>Speaker Mary Jo Ignoffo,<br>author of <i>The Captive of the Labyrinth</i><br>a biography of Sarah Winchester<br>College Heights Church,<br>1150 W Hillsdale Blvd, SM, 11:30 am  |

## Public Policy/Current Events

Betty Bernstein

More and more we are hearing about the need for prison reform in our country. Luckily, for those of us who live in San Mateo County, we have a successful example for both men and women in San Mateo County jails called *Choices*. *Choices* is a unique and successful approach to restorative justice.

On Tuesday, Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>, Public Policy/Current Events is fortunate to have Adrian Maldonado, Program Services Manager for *Choices*, speak about his experiences as an early participant in and now director of *Choices*.

As reported in a previous *Bay Leaves*, our AAUW branch has sponsored a popular vocabulary class in the women's jail under the *Choices* program. Three of our members have supervised the class every Thursday afternoon for nearly 9 years.

The meeting is at 10:30 am at the home of Diane Silven and is open to all AAUW members and guests. This is one meeting you absolutely should not miss!

## Membership

Welcome our new dual Member

Norma (Butchie) Griffin

Norma (Butchie) Griffin, has returned to the peninsula from the Paradise Branch, following the devastating Camp Fire. She graduated from Sequoia High School. Butchie received a BA in Theater Arts from San Jose State and has credentials in Jr. High School Education and School Administration. She is interested in drama reading, poetry, book group, and loves to garden and watch hockey games.

### -Featured AAUW Interest Sections-

**Dining Out:** Dining Out meets at 6:00 pm on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month at restaurants chosen by the rotating "hostess." Usually there is one table for six. We like to try new restaurants such as King Kat Bar & Eatery in San Mateo and Water Dog Tavern in Belmont as well as old favorites, such as Stella Alpina in Burlingame. In April 2018, we joined the Mid-Peninsula Dining Out, which also meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday, for a delicious and fun dinner at Izzy's in San Carlos. We welcome new members and new restaurant ideas. Contact Jane Bradley for more information.

**Ethnic Lunch:** We meet on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday at 11:30 am. At our first fall meeting in September, traditionally we have lunched at Kabul in San Carlos-everyone's favorite. Since our beginning in the fall of 2013, there are very few places where we have lunched more than once. There are so many choices in our area that we never go to two restaurants of the same ethnicity in a row! Usually, we sit at two tables, depending on how many RSVP, which makes conversation easier. Our leader, Annette Delaney, orders the menu and we split the cost. Please contact her to join the group.

In June, July and August, no RSVP is needed and we frequently "repeat" restaurants. Our all-time summer favorite is the New England Lobster Shop in Burlingame. Also, in the summer, we go to less formal places where each person orders and pays for her own food. Come join us! There is always a seat at the table!

**Ethnic Dining:** Ethnic Dining is a fun group of people, including some "other halves", who meet one Sunday evening each month for dinner. It seems we're all so busy that Sundays, at 5:30 pm, is the best way to end a week and begin another. Deciding which week and choosing a venue can be daunting, but, amazingly, a decision is made, usually a month before. Guests are always welcome. For more information, contact Susan Rosenberg.

## Tech Trek

Thanks to all who donated in 2018. As you know, we are planning to send 7 girls to camp at Stanford for the summer of 2019. If you haven't had a chance to respond to the pink postcard, we still need to pre-pay the camp fees at the end of March! Please make checks to AAUW CA SPF. This is a 501(c) charity. Send checks to Maureen Buchner. Donations above \$249.00 are acknowledged by AAUW National or AAUW CA. Otherwise you will get a thank you from your San Mateo branch committee.

## Interbranch Council Regional Event



The San Mateo County/San Francisco Interbranch Council (IBC) cordially invites all members to attend a special gathering on February 2<sup>nd</sup>, at the Burlingame Parks & Recreational Department, 850 Burlingame Ave., Burlingame, from 11:30 am-2:00 pm.

Our special guest speaker will be Kathleen Cha, past AAUW CA president as well as past national AAUW director. She will be speaking about "worldwide gender equality - women's global leadership".

This will be a potluck luncheon. Here are the branch assignments:

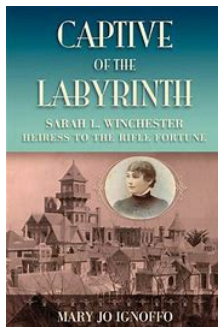
- Set-up/take down - San Mateo
- Salads - Mid-Peninsula, North Peninsula
- Paper products - plates & utensils - Pacifica/San Francisco
- Coffee, water, and other soft drinks - Half Moon Bay

RSVP to Cathy Foxhoven if you plan to attend.

The American Association of University Women  
San Mateo Branch  
cordially invites you to attend the  
**22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting and Spring Fundraiser Luncheon**

**We will be conducting Branch business prior to the Luncheon, including electing our new Board of Directors.**

Our Speaker for the Luncheon will be Mary Jo Ignoffo, author and historian, who finally sets the record straight about one of the most fascinating and misunderstood women in California history: *The Captive of the Labyrinth: Sarah L. Winchester, heiress of the Winchester rifle fortune.*



Ms. Ignoffo is shedding light on the bizarre happenings at the Winchester house in San Jose and transports us into the exciting life of Sarah Winchester. Prepare to be amazed!

**Date:** Friday, April 26, 2019  
**Time:** Doors open at 11:30 am  
**Location:** College Heights Church  
1150 W. Hillsdale Blvd.  
San Mateo, CA 94403

There is ample parking in the Church parking lot.

**Cost: \$45 for the 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<sup>th</sup> to Gerhild Klein.**

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



Name \_\_\_\_\_ phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

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

I cannot attend but would like to send a Contribution \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Bring your dues envelope to the Luncheon and save postage!

## Feb 2019 Interest Sections

Mary Ann McKay

### **Boggle (All Members Welcome)**

Judy Steele

Wed, Feb 20<sup>th</sup>, 1:30 pm

Host: Judy Steele

### **Book Discussion I**

Elissa James

Thurs, Feb 21<sup>st</sup>, at 10:00 am

Host: Maureen Buchner

*Between the World and Me*, Te-Nehisi Coates

### **Book Discussion II (wait list)**

Ramona Raybin

Thurs, Feb 28<sup>th</sup>, at noon

Host: Sally Roe

*Flowers of the Killer Moon*, David Grann

### **Book Discussion III (wait list)**

Mary Ann McKay

Thurs, Feb 21<sup>st</sup>, at 1:30 pm

Host: Pat Haupt

*The Ministry of Utmost Happiness*, Arundhati Roy

### **Book Discussion IV**

Jan Lamphier

Fri, Feb 22<sup>nd</sup>, at 10:00 am

Host: Jan Lamphier

*Bear Town*, Fredrik Bachman

### **Bridge**

Elissa James

Mon, Feb 18<sup>th</sup>, at 1:00 pm

Host: Sherrean Rundberg

### **California Fact & Legend**

Bobbi Benson

Tue, Feb 5<sup>th</sup>, at 10:30

Host: Barb Schotzko

Speaker: Pat Keats, *Early Women Pioneers*

### **Dining Out**

Jane Bradley

Wed, Feb 20<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 pm

Please contact Jane Bradley for Feb Dining Out information

### **Drama Reading**

Marjorie Kobe

Wed, Feb 6<sup>th</sup>, at 9:00 am

Host: Nancy Blachman

### **Ethnic Dining**

Sue Rosenberg

Contact Sue Rosenberg for Ethnic Dining in Feb.

### **Ethnic Lunch**

Annette Delaney

Wed, Feb 27<sup>th</sup>, at 11:30 am

CreoLa Cajun

RSVP to Annette by Feb 25<sup>th</sup>

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

Margo King

Thurs, Feb 14<sup>th</sup>, at 10:30 am

Host: Norma Tarrow

*Middle East*

### **Hiking** Always 10:00 am year round

Bobbi Benson

Mon, Feb 11<sup>th</sup>, Devil's Slide, (led by Barb Schotzko)

Mon, Feb 25<sup>th</sup>, Wilbur's Watch Trail, Pescadero

To join us anytime, contact Bobbi Benson

### **Mah Jongg**

Helen Hatchett

Wed, Feb 13<sup>th</sup>, at 1:30 pm

Tues, Feb 26<sup>th</sup>, at 1:30 pm

Host: Helen Hatchett

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

Maureen Buchner

### **Monday Movie**

Mary Ann McKay

Mon, Feb 4<sup>th</sup>, Time TBD

Email Mary Ann McKay to get on the email list

### **Mystery Book Group**

Mikki Coffino

Fri, Feb 8<sup>th</sup>, at 1:30 pm

Host: Barb Schotzko

*Testimony*, Scott Turow

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

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Diane Silven

Tues, Feb 12<sup>th</sup>, 10:30 am

Diane Silven

Speaker: Adrian Maldonado, Program Manager, *Choices*, San Mateo County Jails

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*AAUW mission: To advance gender equality for women and girls through research, education, and advocacy  
By joining AAUW you belong to a community that breaks through educational and economic barriers so all women have a fair chance.*

February 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2 IBC Regional Meeting
3	4 Monday Movie	5 CA Fact & Legend	6 Drama Reading	7 AAUW Board Meeting	8 Mystery Book Group	9
10	11 Hiking	12 Public Policy	13 Mah Jongg	14 Foreign Affairs	15	16
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