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Presidents' Message

Jane Bradley and Judy Steele

As part of our Co-President duties for AAUW, this year we are acting as chairpersons for our local IBC - Interbranch Council--which includes the nearby branches of Half Moon Bay, Mid-Peninsula, North Peninsula, Pacifica, and San Francisco. As Co-Presidents, we notify other IBC branches of quarterly and specific group meetings and attend those meetings.

Judy recently attended a special lunch meeting at which Kim Churches, National CEO, spoke. Kim is widely recognized for her success at working collaboratively in education as well as on capacity-building among grassroots groups and national and international nonprofits. She also serves on the Board of the Leadership Conference on Civil & Human Rights and is a member of the International Women's Forum of Washington, D.C., and the Association of Fundraising Professionals.

With her pragmatic approach, Kim is a dynamic and popular speaker, emphasizing AAUW's strategic vision which concentrates on the three critical areas where we can make the biggest difference in gender equity: education and training, economic security, and leadership. She emphasized that AAUW is working hard to make us "distinct and differentiated" from other women's advocacy groups by focusing specifically on mission impact.

Kim reminded us of the recently developed on-line *Work Smart Program*, for which National received a \$500,000 grant from Coca-Cola to train 100,000 women in salary negotiations by August 31, 2019. As of the luncheon date (Aug. 22nd), they had already achieved 90,000 which could mean more funders looking to AAUW for mission impact.

Kim also spoke about all of our on-going struggles to recruit new and younger AAUW members. National is trying some new models/ideas including a new Equity Network to be tested this fall, that will complement AAUW, but be for donations rather than memberships. She noted that younger women are more interested in social media groups with gender equity emphasis rather than "joining their mother's or grandmother's" clubs.

Upcoming Events

Mark Your Calendars

- Oct 5 AAUW Funds Luncheon
Basque Cultural Center
599 Railroad Ave SSF, 11:30
- Oct 19 Tech Trek Brunch
College Heights Church
1150 W Hillsdale Blvd, SM, 11:30
- Nov 2 Tour of Cypress Lawn Fundraiser
Cypress Lawn Memorial, 12:00 (noon)
1370 El Camino Real, Colma 94014
- Nov 9 Asian Art Museum
Silk Room Docent Presentation
SMCCD Board Room
3401 CSM Dr, SM, 1:00 pm
- April 16-19 AAUW CA State Convention
SF Airport Westin
1 Old Bayshore Hwy, Millbrae
- April 24 San Mateo AAUW Annual Meeting
and Spring Fundraiser
College Heights Church
1150 W Hillsdale Blvd, SM, 11:30

5-Star Recognition Program

Kim Churches also spoke of a related topic, AAUW National fund-raising model, which currently has "extraordinary resources" in restricted endowments (they give out more than \$4 million/year to fund women's educational futures!). However, they desperately need more in their much smaller unrestricted funds "to support their strategic plan priorities" - i.e. to be able to respond in a more timely manner to relevant and newsworthy equity issues (such as the many recent workplace sexual harassment reports). In that regard, National will soon be launching a new "5 Star Recognition Program" which will have 5 major focus areas: Advancement, Communications & External Relations, Programs, Public Policy & Research, and Governance & Stability". National feels that with all levels of AAUW working together on these common goals that focus on mission, new membership will follow. For more information, go to the AAUW homepage and search 'Five Star'.

ANNUAL CHAMPAGNE BRUNCH

FOR CURRENT and PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS and GUESTS

Make a reservation now for the Tech Trek Brunch!

Saturday, October 19, 11:30 am - 1 pm

College Heights Church
1150 W. Hillsdale Ave. San Mateo

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

Come and meet our 2019 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 October 14, 2019.
- There is ample parking in the lot around 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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2019 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 Oct. 14.

Public Policy/Current Events

Betty Bernstein

Over the years, we have met leaders from many of our county's non-profit organizations. The Peninsula Humane Society is one that has had an impact on many of us and will be the subject of our October meeting.

Buffy Martin Tarbox, Communications Manager of the Peninsula Humane Society and SPCA, will tell us about her organization and how it affects us and our pets. The meeting is on Tuesday, October 8th at 10:30 am, at the home of Diane. The meeting is open to all AAUW members and guests.

Trolley Tour of Cypress Lawn

To celebrate the beginning of our next season of exciting programs we start out with a trolley tour through Cypress Lawn in Colma. Cypress Lawn will **donate \$20.00 per person to AAUW** to take this docent-led excursion to their magnificent grounds, historic mausoleums, stained glass and statuary. The trolley seats 24 persons and has heat and/or air conditioning! Refreshments will be served and one lucky participant will win the raffle prize. We encourage you to bring a friend.

This tour is on Sat. Nov. 2nd, at noon. If interested, please contact Gerhild Klein by October 15th.

Asian Art Museum: *Silk Room*

On November 9, at 1:00 pm, we will have the pleasure to hear from a Docent of the Asian Art Museum about the contents of their *Silk Room*.

Travel the ancient routes that provided goods, technologies, and ideas to countries and cultures from the Mediterranean to the Pacific. Discover the transformations that resulted from the complex exchanges between East and West.

Before jet planes and trucks, militia, merchants, monks and pilgrims spent months, even years, traveling over perilous land routes to carry luxury goods and new ideas thousands of miles. Commodities such as silk, porcelain, paper, tea, jade, amber, gunpowder and spices were carried across land and sea routes known as the *Silk Road*. Religions and ideas, technologies and innovations also spread along these trade routes.

Come discover the complexity of the exchanges and variety of cultures transformed as a result of goods, knowledge and techniques transmitted between East and West. Join us at the SMCCD Board Room, 3401 CSM Dr, San Mateo.

Prospective Members

Come Be Our Guest

Maureen Buchner, Mary Ann McKay

We all joined AAUW because of its mission which *advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, 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 the *Tech Trek and Prospective Member Brunch* to learn about our mission and various interest sections? If you would like to invite a guest, merely fill out the reservation form found in this *Bay Leaves*. There is no charge for your guests. The Brunch is at the College Heights Church, 1150 W. Hillsdale Blvd. San Mateo, 94403, beginning at 11:30 am. If your guests decide to join AAUW the only requirement is a degree from an accredited college, including AA degrees from community colleges. Let's make 2019-2020 a banner year for membership recruitment.

Tech Trek

Join us on **Saturday**, October 19th, at College Heights Church for our annual *Tech Trek Brunch*. We look forward to meeting our 8 campers from the 2019 STEM camp at Stanford.

Who are these students? They are a fabulous group of 13 year-olds from our 4 district middle schools. We will hear about their experiences living in a college dorm for a week, some hilarious, some inspirational.

We also sponsored a college student to attend the National Conference for College Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL) meeting in Washington, D.C. in June. She has also been invited to report on her experiences at their national meeting.

Our guest speaker, Henrietta Williams, is a member who joined our branch in 2019. She will share her path to higher education and her current assignment with the San Mateo County Health care system. Dr. Williams, originally from Kentucky, has a doctorate in public health education. If you have questions, please call Maureen Buchner.

AAUW Funds Celebration

The AAUW California Fund Committee invites you to celebrate and honor our 2019-2020 California Fellowship and Grant Recipients. The Northern California celebration is on Saturday, October 5th, at the Basque Cultural Center, 599 Railroad Ave, South San Francisco, 94080, at 11:30 am. The price is \$45.00. The deadline for your reservation is Monday, September 30. Below is a form to use for your reservation.



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AAUW Fund Luncheon Reservation Northern California Luncheon, Saturday October 5th, 11:30 am

1. Register online through Eventbrite - OR-
2. Mail this form & \$45.00 check payable to AAUW CA or credit card information to 1331 Garden Highway, #100, Sacramento, CA 95833.

Name: _____ Branch: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

Credit Card No _____, Amount \$ _____

Expiration Date _____ Code on back _____

Meal Selection: Chicken with Mushroom Sauce, Vegetarian Penne Pasta

Registration Link: <https://2019-aauw-fund-southsanfrancisco.eventbrite.com>

October 2019 Interest Sections

Mary Ann McKay

Boggle (All Members Welcome)

Judy Steele

Wed, Oct 16th, at 1:30 pm

Host: Judy Steele

Book Discussion I

Elissa James

Thurs, Oct 17th, at 10:00 am

Host: Cathy Stigge

Waking Lions, Ayelet Gundar-Goshen

Book Discussion II (wait list)

Karlyn Schneider

Thurs, Oct 24th, at noon

Host: Nancy Copeland

Delight of Being Ordinary, Roland Merullo

Book Discussion III (wait list)

Mary Ann McKay

Pat Fuetsch

Thurs, Oct 17th, at 1:30 pm

Host: Nancy Hobbs

Janesville, Amy Goldstein

Book Discussion IV

Jan Lamphier

Fri, Oct 25th, at 10:00 am

Host: Jan Lamphier

Code Girls, Liza Mundy

Bridge

Elissa James

Mon, Oct 21st, at 12:30 pm

Host: Pat Haupt Host:

California Fact & Legend

Bobbi Benson

No Meeting in October

Dining Out

Jane Bradley

Wed, Oct 16th, at 6:00 pm

Vault 164, 164 So. B St. SM, 94401, 348-8164

Host: Gayle Hardt, RSVP by Oct 11th

Drama Reading

Marjorie Kobe

Wed, Oct 2nd, at 9:00 am

Host: Gerhild Klein

Evelyn Marcus,

Contact Evelyn Marcus for Ethnic Dining in Oct.

Ethnic Lunch

Annette Delaney

Wed, Oct 23rd, at 11:30 am

Miramar Beach, 131 Mirada Rd HMB, 94019

RSVP to Annette by Oct 21st

Foreign Affairs - Great Decisions

Margo King

Thur. Oct 10th, at 10:30 am

Host: Karlyn Schneider

The United States and Mexico: partnership tested

Hiking Always 10:00 am year round

Bobbi Benson

Mon, Oct 14th, Windy Hill Open Space Preserve

Mon, Oct 28th, McNee Ranch, Pacifica

To join us anytime, contact Bobbi Benson

Mah Jongg

Helen Hatchett, 571-6129, helenhatch@earthlink.net

Tues, Oct 22nd, at 1:30 pm

Helen Hatchett, 954 Shoreline Dr. San Mateo

Membership: New and Prospective

Maureen Buchner

Mary Ann McCay

Monday Movie

Mary Ann McKay

Mon. Oct 7th, Movie TBD

Email Mary Ann McKay to get on the email list

Mystery Book Group

Mikki Coffino

Fri, Oct 11th, at 1:30 pm

Host: Barb Schotzko

Fall of Angels, Barbara Cleverly

Public Policy/Current Events

Betty Bernstein

Diane Silven

Tues, Oct 8th, at 10:30 am

Host: Diane Silven

Buffy Martin Tarbox, Peninsula Humane Society

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

AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, and research.

By joining AAUW you belong to a community that breaks through educational and economic barriers so all women have a fair chance.

October 2019

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|--------|----------------|------------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| | | 1 <i>Rosh Hashanah ends sunset</i> | 2 Drama Reading | 3 Board Meeting | 4 | 5 AAUW Funds Luncheon |
| 6 | 7 Monday Movie | 8 Public Policy | 9 | 10 Foreign Affairs | 11 Mystery Book Group | 12 Tech Trek Brunch |
| 13 | 14 Hiking | 15 | 16 Boggle Dining Out | 17 Book I Book III | 18 | 19 |
| 20 | 21 | 22 Mah Jongg | 23 Ethnic Lunch | 24 Book II | 25 Book IV | 26 |
| 27 | 28 Hiking | 29 | 30 | 31 | | |