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President's Message Judy Steele

AAUW has been empowering women as individuals and as a community since 1881. For more than 130 years, we have worked together as a national grassroots organization to advance gender equity for women and girls. AAUW California facilitates California branches in meeting the AAUW mission by providing programs, education and resources. Here is a great webinar from AAUW-CA:

Feeling the Heat - Expectations for UN 26th Climate Conference Friday, October 1, 2021, 1:30pm - 5:00pm PDT On-line event

The United Nations Association's (UNA's) <u>three</u> <u>Western regions</u> have joined together to present a groundbreaking forum in anticipation of the United Nations 26th Climate Conference (COP26) to be held in Glasgow in early November, 2021. Renowned climate experts from the UN, federal and state governments from the western region of the United States, NGOs and the academic community, will provide in-depth information about the context, content, and potential results of COP26.

The Forum will show the need for all nations to have greater commitments and robust action plans --imperative due to current impacts of climate change and the existential threat of potentially irreversible global warming that the UN's scientists recently reported. The unique leadership role of the United States and its western states to mitigate the climate crisis over the decades and plans for future action, will be highlighted.

Join us as we come together for this thoughtprovoking event and leave mobilized to take action to make a real and lasting difference. You may register for this free event at: <u>Feeling the Heat</u> -<u>Expectations for UN 26th Climate Conference (COP26)</u> <u>Registration, Fri, Oct 1, 2021 at 1:30 PM | Eventbrite</u>.

And, of course, please don't forget our own Branch and Public Policy programs (see Calendar), most of which will be on Zoom for the foreseeable future. Please note one correction for the Calendar; next year's State Annual Meeting is moved to **April 30th**, **2022**. Have a great month and please get vaccinated if you haven't already - it's not just to protect you, but to protect those around you!! Thanks for your cooperation!

San Mateo Branch 2021-2022 Calendar

- Oct 13 *How Jobs Will Change in the Future,* Georgia Gillan, Research Manager from the Institute for the Future. Zoom meeting at 1:00 pm.
- Nov 6 *How to Get More Women into Politics,* Carol Mayer Marshall, founder of Women Who Identify, Recruit and Elect (WIRE). Zoom meeting at 10:00 am.
- Jan 19 Japanese Emigration, Settlement and Internment in California, Rosalyn Tonai, National Japanese-American Historical Society. Zoom meeting at 1:00 pm.
- Feb 19 Women of Russia--It's Complicated, Micki Carter, author and editor of the TRIAD, the Mid-Peninsula Newsletter. Zoom meeting at 10:00 am.
- Mar 16 *The Art of Korea*, presentation by Asian Art Museum Docent Mary Mead. Zoom meeting at 1:00 pm.
- Apr 30 AAUW State Annual meeting. Zoom meeting.

Public Policy

Public Policy discussion group is presenting a program on providing services for Afghan refugees newly arrived in the Bay Area. All of us have followed the incredible story of Afghans who have been able to leave their country and settle in the United States. We are fortunate to have Mindy Berkowitz, Executive Director of Jewish Family Services of Silicon Valley, speak to us about how her agency is helping to coordinate resettlement services for these refugees in the Bay Area with other local agencies. They will provide case management and other services which the refugees need in order to successfully establish their new lives here. The meeting is on Tues. Oct. 12, at 10:30 via Zoom. All members and their guests are welcome.

Membership

Please note the following corrections to the San Mateo Branch 2021-2022 Directory:

Nancy Jalonen email: Stephanie Katz area code: Patricia Haupt phone number: Kay (Kiki) Arnaudo new number:

The AAUW Fund "Luncheons" Now the AAUW Fund "Events"

It is almost time to fire up Zoom, put on your favorite waist-up attire, grab a snack, pick up a pen and paper, and join us in welcoming this year's California fellows and grant recipients. Because we are lucky enough to have so many (37) recipients in California, we have scheduled three virtual AAUW Fund events for 2021 to enable all of them to have an opportunity to explain their work. You may attend any number of events, but you must register in advance. We have two Saturday events from 10:00 am-noon (October 23rd and October 30th) and one Sunday event from 1:00-3:00 pm (November 7th). These are free, but you must register ahead of time by going to: <u>AAUW 2021 Fund Events - AAUW California (aauw-ca.org)</u>

How Jobs Will Change in the Future

Georgia Gillan will be speaking to us about how jobs will change in the future on Oct. 13, beginning at 1:00 pm, via Zoom. Georgia is a research manager in the Equitable Futures Lab at Institute for the Future. She has worked on several projects on economic inequality, including supporting the work of the California Future of Work Commission. She has conducted research on the problem of insufficient retirement savings as a driver of economic insecurity. Before joining IFTF in the spring of 2018, she produced Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs) on sustainable development across multiple domains for the Sustainable Development Goals Academy of the United Nations. Georgia holds a BA in Economics from Bard College, NY. We're fortunate to have Georgia speak to us about this intriguing topic. Please join us for this interesting presentation.

AAUW Supports Choice in the Determination of One's Reproductive Life and Family Planning Services.

AAUW believes that access to complete reproductive health services enhances women's reproductive choices, which leads to improvements in women's health care. Strong opponents of contraception and choice continue to encroach upon women's access to reproductive health services.

We will continue to ensure that government policies respect and respond to the needs and priorities of a diverse range of individuals, families, and communities, especially those who face barriers to access. We will also work to ensure that appointees, nominees, and elected officials uphold our nation's laws, affirm protections for individuals, and work to improve overall health and well-being in the United States and around the world.

AAUW's advocacy of a woman's right to safe, accessible, and comprehensive reproductive health care will stand at the forefront of our efforts to gain equity and justice for all women. If you'd like to participate, go to https://www.aauw.org/resources/policy/position-repro/

AAUW Anniversary Lapel Pins, Only \$5!

The Redlands Branch is selling lapel pins to commemorate milestone years of service. The San Mateo Branch will order pins for interested branch members and pick up the shipping fee. Below is a picture of the pins. If you would like to order a pin, please email your pin choice to Mary Ann McKay and follow with a check for \$5 by Oct. 15. Proceeds will go towards AAUW's mission of ensuring equity for girls and women.



October 2021 Interest Sections

Mary Ann McKay

Boggle (All Members Welcome) Judy Steele Wed. Oct 20, at 1:30 pm (In Person Meeting) Judy Steele

Book Discussion I Elissa James <u>Thurs. Oct 21, at 10:00 am</u> The meeting will be by Zoom. *Jane Steele*, Lindsay Faye

Book Discussion II (wait list) Karlyn Schneider <u>Thurs, Oct 28, at 12:30 pm</u> The meeting will be by Zoom. *Circe,* Madeline Miller

Book Discussion III (wait list) Mary Ann McKay Pat Fuetsch <u>Thurs, Oct 21, at 1:30 pm</u> (**Meeting held outside**) Host: Greta Csatho *The Tea Girl of Hummingbird Lane*, Lisa See

Bridge

Elissa James <u>Mon, Oct 18, 1:00 pm</u> The meeting will be by Zoom.

California Fact & Legend Bobbi Benson <u>Tues, Oct 5, 10:10 am</u> The meeting will be by Zoom. Paul Drexler, Director, Crooks Tour, *Dangerous Women*

Drama Reading Marjorie Kobe <u>Wed, Oct 13, 9:30 am</u> The meeting will be by Zoom.

Ethnic Lunch Annette Delaney No Meeting in October Foreign Affairs - Great Decisions Margo King <u>Thurs. Oct 14, at 10:30 am</u> (Meeting held outside) Host: Kate Parnes The End of Globalization

Mah Jongg Helen Hatchett <u>Wed, Oct 13, at 1:00 pm</u> (In Person Meeting) <u>Tues, Oct 26, at 1:00 pm</u> (In Person Meeting) Host: Helen Hatchett

Membership: New and Prospective Maureen Buchner Mary Ann McKay

Monday Movie Mary Ann McKay No Monday Movie in October.

Mystery Book Group Mikki Coffino <u>Fri, Oct 8, at 1:30 pm</u> The meeting will be by Zoom. *The English Girl,* Daniel Silva

Public Policy/Current Events Betty Bernstein Diane Silven <u>Tue, Oct 12, at 10:30 am</u> The meeting will be by Zoom. Providing Services for Afghan Refugees, Mindy Berkowitz, Jewish Family Services Silicon Valley

Walking 2nd and 4th Mondays 10:00 am year round Bobbi Benson <u>Mon, Oct 11,10:00 am</u>, Montara Beach <u>Mon, Oct 25, 10:00 am</u>, Huddart County Park Contact Bobbi Benson for more information.

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.

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