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#### **President's Message**

Judy Steele

You are all invited to come along to AAUW-CA's Annual Meeting, Adventures in AAUWLand. On Saturday, April 30, 2022, CA members will gather on Zoom for a virtual event celebrating our AAUW branches, listening to inspiring speakers, and crowning a 2022 Speech Trek winner! Tour guides (hosts) will lead conversations about a range of topics related to AAUW and our mission in Zoom breakout rooms. Here you will be able to share your opinions with others, learn something new, and connect with AAUW friends across the state. If you haven't signed up already, click <u>HERE</u> for more information and to reserve your space for our "expedition." The best thing is that this journey is free! So, hope to see you all soon!

And don't forget that our **Branch Annual Meeting** will be held on **May 6th** also on Zoom. This is when we will vote on our slate of officers for the coming year 2022-23, followed by our speaker, Jasmeet Dhaliwal. Hope to "see" all of you there!

The long wait is over: the **Community Hub** has arrived - mostly - replacing the old Member Services Database (MSD). <u>All</u> members will need to reset their password. Click <u>HERE</u> to go to the AAUW National website. To access your account, click the "Log In" at the top right corner of the home page. The first time you log in, you'll need to reset your password by clicking the "Forgot Password" link. From there you will be directed to your "Personal Snapshot." Don't be afraid to try it. Click <u>HERE</u> for instructions and several tutorials on how to set up your Personal Snapshot, the new term for your personal AAUW portal. (As a current member, don't be concerned about the information in the video on how to add new members.)

Also, if you have not yet done so, please take a moment to **vote** in the <u>AAUW National</u> <u>Election</u>, which is open until May 16th. You'll find <u>all the information you need on their National</u> <u>Election page</u>, which includes key deadlines, board candidates' bios, and answers to members' most frequently asked questions. You should already have received your individual PIN along with your Member ID, either in an e-mail or by "snail" mail.

Wishing you all a safe and healthy summer and I hope to see many of you in September!

#### San Mateo Branch Calendar

San Mateo Branch Annual Meeting Election of Officers Speaker, Jasmeet Dhaliwal 1:00 pm, Meeting by Zoom

The Nominating Committee has presented
this Slate of Officers for 2022–2023
President: Judy Steele
Co-Vice Presidents-Membership: Maureen Buchner & Mary Ann McKay
Financial Officer: Stephen Buchner
Co-Recording Secretaries: Jane Bradley & Erika Abbott
Vice President Programs: <i>Position Open (Volunteer needed</i> )
Please plan to attend the Branch Annual Meeting on May 6 at 1:00 pm on Zoom to vote.

#### **Public Policy**

Public Policy Group Will Discuss Current Events!

Over the years our Public Policy Group has hosted speakers from a wide variety of local organizations to learn about the services they offer our community.

In May we have decided to do something different. We will look at a dozen different issues that we are concerned about and offer our own ideas as to how they can be resolved. Everyone will have a chance to participate, and we expect this will result in a very lively meeting.

So put on your thinking caps and join us on Tuesday, May 10 at 10:30 am at Lyn Haithcox's home.

The meeting is open to all AAUW members and guests who look forward to having a chance to express their opinions about solving the problems of the world!

### AAUW-CA Public Policy

The **AAUW-CA Public Policy Committee** recently selected the top six bills they will support during the 2022 California legislature session. They are as follows:

- **AB 92**—creates an equitable sliding scale for family childcare fees
- **AB 1666**—enables persons from outside CA to obtain abortions
- AB 1968—mandates websites at CSU/UC campuses to assist sexual assault survivors
- **AB 2881**—gives priority to student parents in CA colleges
- SB 523-expands health plans' contraceptive coverage
- SB 1375-allows nurse practitioners to practice under standard protocols to provide first-trimester abortion care

For more details on these bills, you can follow them by clicking on this link:

https://www.aauw-ca.org/documents/2021/04/billtracking.pdf/

## California Fact & Legend is Closing its Doors

May will be the very last meeting for this group! After many years of guidance from Helen Hatchett and Bobbi Benson, the California Fact & Legend Interest Section will no longer meet in its usual format, i.e. the first Tuesday of the month at 10:30, September through May. If you are interested in helping to lead this group, please contact Mary Ann McKay.

Come and join us this last time for a continental breakfast at the home of Bobbi Benson, as we celebrate our many years of enjoyment and enlightenment and give thanks for the memories!

#### Memorial for Zelta Adams

The members of the San Mateo Branch of AAUW are invited to a memorial service for Zelta Adams on May 14 at 1:00 pm at the Congregational Church of San Mateo, 225 Tilton Ave, San Mateo, 94401. The RSVP was due April 15 to but you may contact them to see if they will be able to accommodate you.

If you can't attend there is also a video feed online: facebook.com/CCSM.UCC. YouTube at CCSM Media

#### Dues Renewal 2022-2023

AAUW membership renewal invoices will be mailed in April to all branch members. As most of you know, National AAUW increased the membership dues last year and again for next year. Because we have not had any in-person meetings this year, our Board of Directors decided to pay part of the dues increase from our operating budget.

Renewing regular branch member's dues is \$104. If you would like a printed copy of the *Bay Leaves*, please add \$15 to your dues. Please return your dues by **May 15**, so we may include your membership in our Branch Directory.

#### Interest Sections' Summer Schedules Book I

June 16 Afterlife, Julia Alverez, <u>Annette</u>, (Potluck) July 21 *How Much of these Hills is Gold*, C Zhang, <u>Elissa</u> Aug. 18 *Stony the Road*, Henry Louis Gates Jr, <u>Jackie</u>

<u>Bridge,</u> Meetings at Marge Denni June 20 July 18 Aug. 15

<u>Foreign Affairs</u>, contact Margo King for more information June 9 TBD

July 14 No End in Sight, A Century of Drug Wars, <u>Sandy</u> Aug. 11 Foreign policy, economic power, and U.S. industrial policy, <u>Karlyn</u>

<u>Walking</u>, Contact Bobbi Benson for Locations June 13, June 27 July 11, July 25 Aug. 8, Aug 22

<u>Mystery Book, Meetings at Barb Schotzko</u>, June 10 Enter Pale Death, Barbara Cleverly July 8 The Lost Vintage, Ann Mah Aug. 12 The Last Flight, Julie Clark

#### Enjoy Your Summer!

The *Bay Leaves* will be taking a Summer hiatus; our next issue will be September 2022. It's a pleasure to edit the *Bay Leaves* but I couldn't do it without a lot of help. Thank you to Judy Steele for her informative President's messages; to Annette Delaney, Judy Steele, & Anne Horgan for their sharp eyes in proofreading; and to Anne Horgan for picking up & mailing the *Bay Leaves* every month.

#### May 2022 Interest Sections Mary Ann McKay

Boggle (All Members Welcome) Judy Steele Wed, May 18, at 1:30 pm Host: Judy Steele

Book Discussion I Elissa James <u>Thurs, May 19, at 10:00 am</u> Host: Gayle Hardt *The Lost Man*, Jane Harper

Book Discussion II (wait list) Karlyn Schneider <u>Thurs, May 26, at 12:30 pm</u> The meeting will be by Zoom. Selection of Books for 2022-2023

Book Discussion III (wait list) Mary Ann McKay Pat Fuetsch <u>Thurs, May 19, at 1:30 pm</u>, Book Selections Due Host: Sherrean Rundberg *The Double Bind*, Chris Bohjalian

**Bridge** Elissa James <u>Mon, May 16, 1:00 pm</u> Host: Marge Denni

**California Fact & Legend** Bobbi Benson <u>Tues, May 3, 10:10 am</u> Presentation by Tom Berens, *Small Hidden Parks* Bobbi Benson Brunch will be served.

Drama Reading Marjorie Kobe <u>Wed, May 11, 9:30 am</u> Location TBD: Contact Maggie Kobe for more information about whether the meeting is on Zoom. Ethnic Lunch Annette Delaney <u>Fri, May 20 at 11:30 am</u> Fiddlers Green Pub, 333 El Camino, Milbrae 94030 RSVP to Annette by May 18.

Foreign Affairs - Great Decisions Margo King <u>Thurs, May 12, at 10:00 am</u> Betty Bernstein *Myanmar's Never-ending Crisis* 

Mah Jongg Helen Hatchett Wed, May 11, at 1:00 pm Tues, May 24, at 1:00 pm Helen Hatchett

**Membership: New and Prospective** Maureen Buchner Mary Ann McKay

Movie Group Mary Ann McKay Date TBD Contact Mary Ann for more information

Mystery Book Group Mikki Coffino <u>Fri, May 13, at 1:30 pm</u> Host: Barb Schotzko *The Thursday Murder Club*, Richard Osman

Public Policy/Current Events Betty Bernstein Diane Silven <u>Tue, May 10, at 10:30 am</u> Diane Silven Topic TBD Please bring proof of vaccination and booster shots

Walking, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays 10:00 am year round Bobbi Benson <u>Mon, May 9,10:00 am</u> <u>Mon, May 23, 10:00 am</u> Contact Bobbi for location of walks. 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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