

Presidents' Message

February is upon us and everyone is back in the swing. Big kudos go out to Marilyn Zack and Nancy Crampton and all the volunteers who helped raise \$1097.76 during our Kepler's Gift Wrapping event. Kudos also to the Neighborhood Chairs who did such a sterling job of organizing the Neighborhood Gatherings. Note that the "Neighborhoods" are not currently literal neighborhoods, so expect some redistricting in the next year. Thanks, too, to all the people who donated a whopping \$2,265 to the Paradise AAUW members who lost their homes in the devastating Camp fire. We welcome Paradise member Norma (Butchie) Griffin, who is temporarily living in Belmont and is a guest member of our Branch while she's here.

Of course, the nominating committee is already busy at work on next year's slate. If there is something that you have an interest in doing, please contact Carolyn Miller or Phyllis Hesik before they have to call you! Our wonderful Program VPs Teddy Heinrich and Stephanie Katz are continuing so there are two slots filled already! But plenty of vacancies remain.

Our February 2nd general meeting is an IBC (translate that as branches in San Mateo and San Francisco counties) potluck, and the Funds Luncheon is March 1st at Donato's in Redwood City, with details elsewhere on both.

So be part of all the fun, camaraderie and stimulation of actively participating in our Sections and our branch activities. Never be intimidated into thinking you cannot do something. That is what AAUW is all about - supporting every woman and girl so they CAN!

Carolyn Miller, Ellen Van Creveld, Wilma Hoffmann

LEGAL ADVOCACY IN ACTION!

The Supreme Court decides what cases it will hear, and AAUW will continue to report on those we have been following. Here is an update on two of those cases:

Rizo v. Yovino:

This case is about the discriminatory practice of using prior salary alone to determine current wages under the Equal Pay Act of 1963. We should hear shortly whether the Supreme Court will take this case.

Andersen v. Planned Parenthood of Kansas and Mid-Missouri:

This case considers whether a state should be able to bar an eligible health-care provider - which also provides a full range of reproductive health-care services - from the Medicaid program and whether or not those contract terminations can be challenged. The Supreme Court declined to hear this case, leaving the lower court decision in place. That decision ruled that Medicaid recipients can challenge the state's action.

*Please consider making a tax-deductible donation to help balance the scales of justice.
Sara Jackowitz will forward all donations to national AAUW.*

CALLING ALL ARTISTS!

The annual AAUW Art Contest is underway, and it's a terrific opportunity to display your work! Enter now and vote later for your favorite entries. Submissions are being accepted through February 9th. Go to <https://www.aauw.org/contests/> for details.

November 17th, 2018, will forever be a highlight in my life. It is the day I was honored at a lovely lunch as our branch's Unsung Hero. I am humbled and truly appreciative of being chosen AAUW's 2018 Unsung Hero. Thank you so very much.
-Lois Monroe

KEEPING AN EYE ON MEMBERSHIP

Please welcome two of our newest members...

Hilary Hausman—650-814-0411
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UC Berkeley, BA 1977, USC MA 1984

Hilary is a native San Franciscan. She graduated from UC Berkeley and received her MA from USC. She has had a career in Account Management at various ad agencies and currently works in marketing at Stanford. She lives in Redwood Shores. Both of her children - a boy and a girl - are married and live in San Francisco. Hilary loves painting, hiking, reading, traveling, going to movies, museums and concerts.

Laurie Donovan—650-591-5686
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San Jose State, BA 1969

Laurie has been a resident of San Carlos her whole life except for a brief period living in Upland, California. She has been married for 35 years and has two sons and two grandchildren. She went to Notre Dame High School. Laurie taught for 5 years in East Palo Alto then took a break from teaching to go into corporate sales. But Laurie discovered she missed the children and went back to teach at St. Charles School and Buri Buri Elementary in San Bruno. She is now retired but remains busy with her grandchildren, church activities, singing and friends. She loves traveling, singing in her church choir and community chorus. Laurie has traveled and performed with Peninsula Musical Arts Association at the Sydney Opera House, the Vatican, Carnegie Hall and several other venues. She loves gardening and her daily walk with her dog Oliver!

FUNDS LUNCHEON DETAILS ANNOUNCED

Join us for the AAUW "Funds" Luncheon featuring Alicia Hetman speaking about Title IX on Friday, Mar. 1, 2019, 11:30 am at Donato Enoteca Restaurant, 1041 Middlefield Rd., Redwood City.

Lunch will include Insalata Mista (mixed greens with tomato and house vinaigrette), coffee, dessert of Panna Cotta (organic lemon panda cotta with local orange sauce), and your choice of Entrée:

CARAMELE DE ZUCCA (candy-shaped ravioli of local organic squash, "Amaretto" crumbs, Branzi cheese sauce & brown butter sage)

POLLO ARROSTO IN TECIA (Terra cotta roasted natural free range Mary's chicken, Yukon potatoes, Bosane olives & oregano)

BIGOLI E CODA ("Bigoli" pasta with Nebbiolo braised oxtail & asparagus)

Reservation deadline: Feb. 25. Mail your check for \$40, payable to "AAUW-Mid-Peninsula," to Pat Armstrong, 1374 Alameda de Las Pulgas, San Carlos, CA 94070

Name _____

Entree choice: _____

STATE AND NATIONAL AAUW NEWS

The U.S. Department of Education is attempting to erode the Title IX protections from sexual harassment and assault by announcing in November 2018 a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM). The November 2018 NPRM would weaken Title IX's protections by narrowing the definitions of sexual harassment to potentially exclude much of the abuse students experience and changing when schools must respond to reports of sexual harassment and violence. The rule would install processes that would make it more difficult for students to lodge a complaint and receive support when they experience sexual harassment or assault. Title IX protects all students from discrimination, from kindergarten through college.

AAUW joined 123 organizations and 231 individuals in requesting that the Department of Education extend the comment period for the NPRM to allow time for meaningful public participation. The comment period is currently 60 days. AAUW is seeking an additional 60 days.

To read more about NPRM, go to <https://www.aauw.org/article/the-attack-on-title-ix/>. To take action on the subject, click the red Take Action button to the right on the middle of the page under Protect and Strengthen Title IX. It will take you to the 2-minute Activist. Letters to the editors of local periodicals on the subject are also suggested.

The Affordable Care Act - from AAUW Washington Update 12-21-18

In December, the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas ruled in favor of a group of attorneys general who argued that the Affordable Care Act is unconstitutional. It is assumed that the ruling will be appealed and the ACA is likely to remain in place while it is being appealed. AAUW is committed to the ACA as repealing it would prevent access to women's health care.

KEPLER'S BOOK WRAPPING FUNDRAISER SETS A NEW RECORD!

Many thanks to all the following members who wrapped books at Kepler's: Teddy Heinrich, Karen Rende, Elvira Monroe, Mirna Hirschl, Phyllis Hesik, Cristina Summerville, Cathy Chowenhill, Ellen Van Creveld, Jean Fazzio, Judy Hartnett, Jeanne Wangsness, Judi Kerfoot, Susanne Burrill, Carole Last, Vicci Mueller, Sara Jackowitz, Carolyn Miller, Wilma Hoffmann, Nancy Oliver, Margo Diltz, Barbara Haas, Stephanie Katz, Hilary Hausman, Anne Palu, Chris Panero, Jean Dehner, Joan Peicimer, Sue Schmid, Michelle Carter and Kathy Morrow. The result is a \$1,092 addition to our treasury!

Nancy Crampton and Marilyn Zack

February Section Information

American Mah Jongg: The American Mah Jong Group meets the second and fourth Friday of each month from 10:00 - 12:30. If you are interested in joining the group, email Ann Palu at Palu650@gmail.com.

Bocce Ball: Our next meeting for Bocce Ball will be on Wednesday, February 20th. If you are interested in playing for fun, please contact Lois Monroe (at 593-1950 or loiswmonroe@gmail.com). The game is scheduled for the third Wednesday of the month, but if another day of the week works better for interested players, we are open to making a change. We do need 4 players to have a good game.

Book Bunch: Join us on Friday, February 8th, at 12:30pm, at the home of Pat Armstrong at 1374 Alameda de las Pulgas in San Carlos. We will discuss the novel "The Virgin Blue" by Tracy Chevalier. Contact June Hennig at 650-593-6541 or pjhennig1@gmail.com for questions or directions.

Bridge: Interested in Bridge? Please call Helene Haughney (650) 592-2517.

Film Group: The Film Group meets on the 4th Monday of the month for a movie and dinner. We usually go to the Century Theater in Redwood City but will occasionally go to the Guild Theater in Menlo Park and have dinner in that area. Section members will be notified by email the previous Thursday of movie possibilities. Notification of final movie selection and restaurant choice will be sent on Saturday. Carpooling is encouraged. Our next movie day is February 25th. To be added to this section, please email scaauwfilm@gmail.com or call Susanne Burrill at 759-3352 or Barbara Regello at 595-1630.

French Conversation: On Tuesday, February 12th, at 1:30 pm, we'll be meeting in the home of Chris Panero, 165 Belvedere in San Carlos. Be sure to RSVP at 650-593-5495 or cpanero@gmail.com. Contact Laverne (Lrainbow24@yahoo.com) for information about what we'll be reading!

Gamesters: We meet at 1:00 pm on the third Thursday of the month. The Gamesters group will meet next on February 21st. Please contact Nancy Oliver at 592-5822 for more information. Our goal is to have fun and strengthen the relationships between members. We are competitive but not driven and enjoy sharing our games with new players.

Great Decisions Foreign Affairs Group: This discussion group meets on the 4th Wednesday of the month to discuss foreign policy topics based on articles from the booklet "Great Decisions." This month we'll meet on February 27th, and the article will be #2 – The Middle East Regional Disorder. RSVP to Linda Townsend at townsend2@comcast.net.

Hiking Group: The hiking group meets Thursdays around 9:00 am. Walks are flat or hilly, last about 2 hours, and may include lunch. If interested, please send your email and cell phone number to Stephanie Katz (stk4@lehigh.edu). Informational emails are sent a few days prior to the hike; destinations may change.

Feb.7: San Carlos: Eaton Park (3000 Easton Ave. 94070)- hilly
Feb. 14: Woodside: Huddert Park (1100 Kings Mountain Road) - hilly
Feb. 21: San Mateo: Laurelwood Park (3471 Glendora Drive/ street parking) - hilly
Feb. 28: Belmont: Hidden Canyon Park (2642 Carlmont Dr. 94002)

Historic Preservation: Join us on Friday, February 8th to visit “The World of Charles & Ray Eames” at the Oakland Museum of California. Fueled by their belief in design as a way of life, this innovative husband and wife duo were two of the most influential designers of the 20th century. Lunch will be at the museum. Call Nancy Oliver (592-5822) for carpool location and time.

Mystery Group: The Mystery Group meets on the 2nd Monday of the month. Our next meeting will be on February 11th at 12:15 pm at the Belmont Library, usually in the Taube Room. Feel free to bring your lunch and a drink. For book selection call Joan Peceimer at 650-593-9514.

Out to Lunch: Join us on Wednesday, February 13th at 1:00 pm at Whispers Cafe and Creperie at 390 El Camino Real, almost on the border between San Mateo and Belmont. There is comfortable open seating, order at the counter, pay when you order. Whispers offers a varied menu. We have been here several times, and you will not be disappointed.

No need to RSVP this month; just show up. Barbara will be recovering, and Diane is out of town. See you all next month!

Out to Supper: Trattoria da Vittorio, 617 Laurel St., San Carlos, will be our next restaurant selection. We will meet at the restaurant at 6:00 pm on Wednesday, February 20th for good conversation and a delicious Italian meal. Please RSVP by February 18th to Lois Monroe at 593-1950 or loiswmonroe@gmail.com.

Public Policy: Our meeting will be on Tuesday, February 26th (the 4th Tuesday of the month) from 3:00 to 5:00 pm, at Barbara Regello's home--209 Stevens Court, San Carlos. RSVP to Barbara at theobarb@comcast.net or 595-1630. Marilyn Zack will discuss: "Your property tax bill includes a mandatory contribution to Sequoia Healthcare District." Marilyn's presentation will include the history and current status of this local "charity." We invite all new and continuing members to join us.

Spanish Conversation: This group meets to talk and laugh and eat in Spanish, 2:30 - 4:30 pm, on the first and third Mondays of each month. Our February meetings will be on February 4th and 18th. We meet at Marilyn Zack's home, 17 Williams Lane, San Carlos. If you want to speak, practice or improve your Spanish, you are welcome to join us. Please let Marilyn know if you are coming at marilynzack10@yahoo.com or 591-2353.

Women in Literature: On Monday, February 4th, we will discuss “Anne of Green Gables” by Lucy Maud Montgomery. We will meet at 7 pm at the home of Eloise Mayo, 601 Laurel St., #202, San Mateo (NOTE PLACE CHANGE). Call Nancy Oliver (592-5822) or Eloise (375-8271) if you're coming. On March 4th, we will read “A Tree Grows in Brooklyn.”



Like us on facebook!

AAUW Mid-Peninsula has its own facebook page so you have a great reason to join social media if you haven't already! Give a thumbs up to <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1900597526829776/> and help spread the word about our wonderful branch!

SAVE THE DATES!

*Watch for a special FRIDAY monthly meeting on March 1st
International Women's Day 2019 is March 8th
Our Annual Bridge Luncheon has been scheduled for May 17th*

Details in the next Triad.

DO YOU SPEAK NEGOTIATIONS? LEARN WORKSMART ONLINE! These Simple Social Media Tools Will Help Mobilize a Million

AAUW needs our leaders' help to reach our goal of getting a million women to take AAUW's [Work Smart Online](#), a free course that helps women negotiate for better salaries and benefits and to understand their own value. The program has been updated to be more user-friendly. The fastest way to spread the word is through social media, and our [new resource page](#) walks you through how to do that easily and effectively. It provides sample language, graphics, video, and instructions so you can create compelling posts in just a few clicks.

Know of a prospective member?

If you know of a prospective member, please contact Karen Rende at 592-1857, email karendem@mindspring.com

Sunshine Lady

Please contact Pam Smithson at 363-2725 or pamderek@earthlink.net if you know anyone who would appreciate a card from our Branch.

Board Meeting

The next board meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 5th, at 10:00 am. Location is Community Activities Building, 1400 Roosevelt Ave. RWC, Room 5.

Triad Deadline for March

Please send articles by the 10th of the month to the Triad Editor, Wendy Levine at WendyLevine@yahoo.com.

In principal and practice AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin, class or disability. AAUW promotes equity for all women and girls, lifelong education and positive social change.

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February 2019 Calendar						
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