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AAUW SAN MATEO MARCH PROGRAM

AAUW San Mateo's "WOMEN IN HISTORY" TO VISIT THE SAN MATEO PUBLIC LIBRARY ON MARCH 20, 2007.



This month's program will be at the San Mateo Public Library, 55 West 3rd Avenue (1/2 block west of El Camino Real) on Tuesday, March 20, 2007 from 1:00-2:30PM.

This program is being held in conjunction with the San Mateo Public Library and is open to the public for free. Underground parking is available at the library. A tour of the library will follow the program.

In celebration of March's *Women's History Month*, our branch will present a program entitled *Women Who Make A Difference*. Portrayals of three American women, who have made their own unique contributions to this country's political and historical story, will be performed.

Members and the public will enjoy dramatizations of Lucy Webb Hayes, aka "Lemonade Lucy" (Cathy Foxhoven), Shirley Temple Black (Leslie Ragsdale) and Sandra Day O'Connor (Bobbi Benson).

The AAUW/San Mateo branch offers "Women in History" to the Burlingame/San Mateo/Foster City schools and organizations yearly during the month of March to provide an educational overview of famous women in history.

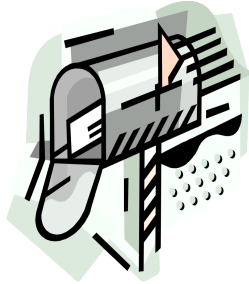
For more information, please call Cathy Foxhoven, 650-697-6936.

Next Board meeting March 1st, 10 – 11:30, 3401 CSM Drive, San Mateo

Letter from the President:

Dear Members,

The AAUW/San Mateo Branch is going to be celebrating March's Women's History Month in a big way this month.



As you may have noticed on the front cover of this newsletter, we will hold our monthly meeting at the new and fabulous San Mateo Library. Not only will you be able to tour the facilities, but you will also be treated to lemonade and cookies specially prepared for you by Lucy Webb Hayes, aka "Lemonade Lucy".

You will also hear Shirley Temple Black speak of her political years, as well as the judicious Sandra Day O'Connor. This will also be a perfect opportunity to toast (with lemonade of course!) our first WOMAN speaker of the house, Nancy Pelosi. It was not that long ago that women were finally given the right to vote and now look at us! What is next - a woman president??!!!!!!

Cheering Cathy

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Membership as of February 2007221

Carol Way, Membership Treasurer

Address Change:

• **Muriel Toler** moved-

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

Slate for 2007-2008:

President	Cathy Foxhoven
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E.F. V.P.s	Helen Hatchett & Elissa James
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Treasurer	Barbara Snedeker

Section News:

• **New Spanish Section!** Our new section began Jan.15, 2007 for beginning and intermediate students. The teacher is Mary Innes D'Anna, retired after 41 years as an adjunct professor of Spanish at CSM, with an impressive background including MA from Stanford University, a federal grant to study in Spain, and subsequent study in Valencia, Costa Rica, and Mexico. She is a returning AAUW member. The textbook, *Como se dice*, is available at the CSM Bookstore. The group will meet each Monday at 2:30 PM for 1.5 hours, and there is a \$15 teaching fee per session attended. The group will meet in different members' homes each month. Contact Mary for location of the classes at 349-2945, or email remid@sbcglobal.net.

Tech Trek: Thanks to the support of everyone in our branch who gave generously and to Borel Bank and Cell Genesys who each sponsored one camper, we have reached our goal for funding 6 campers again this year! It is so important for girls to be supported by women and shown that they can develop their talents in any field they might choose, especially math, science and technology.

Because of a congressional IRS decision in August 2006, we will no longer be able to write one check for our dues envelope. In order to support Tech Trek, a separate check must be made for AAUW CA SPF. This is to ensure that your donation is tax deductible and that we comply with AAUW California and the IRS. "SPF" is for the Special Projects Fund, which includes Tech Trek.
Maureen Buchner 573-1604

EF: A **Named Gift Honoree Award** is recognition given to AAUW members who have done outstanding work to promote the ideals of the Educational Foundation.

It is time for our branch members to nominate a named grant honoree. Please nominate a member who has done outstanding work in promoting education; worked to improve AAUW visibility in the community; and/or supports the goals and ideals of the Education Foundation. Check page 5 of the

branch directory to see those already honored.

Please send your nominations to June Hendrickson by Feb. 15 (P: 341-2515, pjhenhouse@aol.com)

Public Policy Section News: This section will tackle problems of electoral reform when we meet Tuesday, March 27th from 10:30-noon at Pauline Shumsky' home: 655 Cygnus Lane, Foster City. We will cover everything from the proposal to reschedule California's presidential primary to Feb. 2008 to the always nagging problems of redistricting and initiative reform. Even the nation's Electoral College system will be up for a lively discussion.

Everyone is encouraged to bring clippings from newspapers, magazines and Internet items to contribute to the free-wheeling conversation.

Participants may also want to bring in donated books to supplement our initial contribution to the new library of the San Mateo County Youth Service Center.

To donate new or used books in good condition suitable for 10- to 18-year-olds, contact Betty Bernstein, 343-9137, or Pat Haupt, 349-0371.

EF Fundraiser:

• **Change of Locale:** Due to the upcoming change in restaurant management at Allied Arts, it became necessary to change our plans for our EF event there. No new management is yet in place. Therefore, our Books & Authors Luncheon has been moved to the lovely Green Hills Country Club. We are looking forward to another delightful event there. Same date & same price.

• Anyone who is in need of a basket in which to place your donated items, contact Helen Hatchett as she has extras.

Please turn in donated baskets & auction items to Helen by APRIL 10. If you need forms for receipts,

invitations to friends, have books to donate for the book sale, etc. e-mail June @ pjhenhouse@aol.com & she will send them to you. Many thanks.

News from other branches:

• **Santa Clara County Court Watch Program Overview:** In 2005, the Victim/Survivor Advocacy Committee (VSAC) of the Santa Clara County Domestic Violence Council approached the AAUW to see if they would be interested in establishing a Court Watch Program in Santa Clara County. Court Watch programs monitor the courts as they try domestic violence cases to ensure victims are safe and perpetrators are held accountable. In the summer of 2006, San Jose AAUW adopted Court Watch as one of their Community Action Projects.

The mission of Court Watch is to make the courts more effective, responsive, and accountable in their handling and sentencing of cases of domestic violence and to create a more informed and involved public through individual and systemic monitoring and public education.

Court Watch has changed the way in which judges and prosecutors treat domestic violence cases. Examples include specialty courts, special days for domestic violence court, more safety for survivors, collaboration with Court Watch to improve the system, automatic orders for protection for domestic violence cases, and improved treatment for perpetrators.

Court Watch's primary activity is to train volunteers who monitor felony or misdemeanor domestic violence cases as they move through the criminal justice system. Volunteers track arraignments, pre-trial hearings, sentencing, and probation revocation hearings. They analyze data to identify patterns and long-term trends within the judicial system and make the system more accountable for its policies and actions.

This is not an advocacy program, but a program designed to encourage judges and prosecutors to

handle these cases thoroughly and respectfully. The result is that Court Watch and judges learn to work collaboratively. Court Watch programs develop community awareness through newsletters, public forums, and testimony on legislative issues.

For more information, contact Loren Reynolds 831-335-5572 or e-mail Lorenviet@yahoo.com.

• **35th Annual AAUW Amador Branch Home Tour**
Contact: Kelly Trotter, AAUW Home Tour Publicity Chair, 21401 Robin Lane, Pine Grove, CA 95665, 209-223-9133\FAX: 209-223-9134, kjtrotter@volcano.net

Sutter Creek, often described as the “nicest little town in the Mother Lode”, is the location of the 35th annual American Association of University Women (AAUW) Amador Branch Home Tour 2007, to be held Saturday, April 21 from 11am - 4pm. The tour will feature a spectrum of gracious homes, dating in construction from 1871 to 2001. Several Landmark sites in Sutter Creek, itself a California Historic Landmark, will be open for docent-led tours. Complimentary tea and wines from Amador County wineries will be available for tasting at the Sutter Creek United Methodist Church.

The Home Tour includes an opportunity to visit Knight’s Foundry, the last water powered foundry and machine shop in California. A few blocks away, the Monteverde General Store Museum displays wares typical of general stores at the turn of the century.

The oldest home on the Tour was originally built as a Victorian vernacular cottage. According to local folklore, this home had a complement of ghosts, supposedly exorcised now except for the spirit of its former owner.

Visitors also will view a beautifully restored Queen Anne cottage built near the turn of the 20th Century and filled with four generations of family treasures.

An AAUW member art show will be held at the newest home on the Home Tour, a Queen Anne-

inspired two story. The owners of this home used the talents of local artists and craftspeople to create the surprising modern design features of this home.

Home Tour homes and historic sites are within walking distance of each other. Local restaurants, also within walking distance from the homes, will offer special Home Tour lunches. Home Tour ticket-holders can round out their experience by spending the weekend at one of Sutter Creek’s bed & breakfast inns and enjoying Sutter Creek dining and entertainment venues.

A beautiful queen-size opportunity quilt, an original design by Brenda Lou Scott from Eureka, California called “Pink en Pointe” quilted by AAUW members, will be awarded in a drawing the day of the Tour. Tickets for the quilt may be purchased for \$1 each or 6 for \$5 from AAUW members or by sending a check (payable to AAUW) to AAUW Home Tour Quilt Tickets, 26317 Meadow Drive, Pioneer, CA 95666.

Cost of the Tour is \$20 payable to AAUW. For further information about the Tour, contact Lani Chapman at 209-245-6052, chapman@volcano.net. Tickets may be ordered by mail before April 16 from AAUW Home Tour, P.O. Box 611, Sutter Creek, CA 95685. Proceeds from the Home Tour events will support the AAUW mission *to promote education and equity for all women and girls.*



LAF:

Help support LAF by purchasing our new AAUW t-shirt at our branch LAF program in November or by calling Cathy Foxhoven at 697-6936. It comes in sizes and a style just right for "our kind of woman". You'll love the message the t-shirt sends. Cost of t-shirt is \$20 (\$10 will be a tax deductible donation for LAF!)

The Tenth Annual Books & Authors Luncheon Supports Educational Foundation's Fellowship Programs!

Come enjoy a great lunch in a beautiful setting with your AAUW friends and friends of AAUW; find books to add to your personal collection; and listen to stimulating commentary from these gifted members of the literary world—and it all helps EF!

When: Saturday, April 21, 2007
Where: Green Hills Country Club
End of Ludeman Lane, Millbrae Ludeman is one mile north of Millbrae Ave. Turn left (west) on Ludeman & continue to the end.

Time: 11:15 –Sign in, check out the book sale & auction
12:00 - Luncheon served
12:45 - Program begins

A VERY SPECIAL PROGRAM FOR THE EF LUNCHEON:

You won't want to miss the talented and popular author, Ayelet Waldman, who will be part of the Educational Foundation Luncheon Books & Authors program. She is the author of *Love & Other Impossible Pursuits*, *Daughter's Keeper* & *The Mommy Track Mysteries*. Rita Mae Reese will also be a part of the program & will share her experiences as a Stegner Fellow at Stanford & a Rona Jaffe Literary Award winner.

Cost \$45.00, includes lunch and a \$20 tax-deductible donation to the Educational Foundation

Tenth Annual Books and Authors Luncheon Reservation Form: Mail with your \$45 check to Nan Mahaffy, 4034 Kingridge Dr., San Mateo, CA 94403

Make checks payable to AAUW – San Mateo EF.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Please indicate your choice of salad

Asian Chicken Salad _____

Cobb Salad _____

I can't attend, but want to support EF with my tax-deductible donation of _____.

Please get your checks to us by **April 13**. Reserve early as seating is limited & late reservations will be accepted only if seating is available. Thank you for your support for EF!

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March 2007 INTEREST SECTIONS

Most sections meet in private homes, so space is limited. A star * indicates space is available.
Interest Sections Chair – Paula Gleason 579-1398 Calendar Chair – Susan Rowland 344-4674

*AAUW Singers

Call Cathy Foxhoven 697-6936 for information

Chinatown lunch prior to performance

RSVP to Marge Denni 573-8460

*Book Discussion I

Elsie Carlson 345-3096, Thur. Mar. 15, 10 AM
Clarice Lolich's, 10 De Sabla Rd., SM
Arthur & George by Julian Barnes

*Dining Out

Anne Goode 347-3747, Wed. Mar. 21, 6:30 PM
Kabul, 135 El Camino Real, San Carlos
RSVP to Kathy Everitt, 341-6742 by 3/18

*Book Discussion II

Marcia Leonhardt 343-5971, Thur. Mar. 22, Noon
Ellie Kirkham's, 1270 Talbryn Dr., Belmont
Snow Flower & the Secret Fan by Lisa See

*Drama Reading

Marjorie Kobe 579-5650, Wed. Mar. 7, 9:30 AM
Mary D'Anna's, 1061 Beach Place Blvd. #211, FC

Book Discussion III

Audrey Jackson 343-3315, Wed., Mar. 21, 10 AM
Margaret Neuffer's, 2609 Hallmark Dr., Belmont
The March by E. L. Doctorow

*Famous Women in History

Contact Cathy Foxhoven 697-6936
iambasque@gmail.com for more information

*Book Discussion IV

Call Virginia Schinagl 343-4614, Wed Mar. 21, 7 PM

Foreign Affairs – Great Decisions

Carol Way 345-7014, Thur. Mar. 8, 10:00 – 11:30
Elizabeth Daniel's, 15 Eastwood Dr., SM
Topic: Mexico: Neighbor in Turmoil

*Book Discussion V

Cecile Segal 347-5276, Thur. Mar. 8, 7 PM
Rita Nachman's, 10 Scenic Way, S.M.
The Last Van Gogh by Alyson Richman

French – Intermediate

Susan Rowland 344-4674, Every Monday, 10 AM
Please call chair for location

*Book Review

Joan Donovan 323-3070, Doris Brown 592-3267
Mon. Mar. 26, 10 AM, Reviewer: Doris Brown
Joann Pausner's 301 Fairfax, SM

*Hiking

Bobbi Benson 579-7555, Mon. Mar. 12, 10 AM
Purisima Creek Redwoods Preserve – Bald Knob Trail
Sat. Mar. 24, 10 AM, Burleigh Murray Ranch State Park
Call Bobbi for details & to reserve a space

*Bridge Groups

Elissa James 654-8995, 3rd Monday, 1:30 – 4:30

*Investments

Mary Bates 574-9160, No meeting in March

*California Fact & Legend

Helen Hatchett 571-6129, Tues. Mar. 13, 10 AM
Helen Guido's, 605 Dorchester Rd., SM
Program: Freddie's Women (of Kohl Mansion) by the
Burl. Hist. Society Living History Presenters

*Museum Tours

Call Maxine Golan 573-6582, Fri. Mar. 23; De Young
Museum. Bouquets to Art & Vivane Westward, 36
Years in Fashion from the Victoria & Albert Museum

*Cuisine & Culture (formerly Travel group)

Paula Gleason 579-1398, Sat. Mar. 18
Chinese Play at Buddhist Universal Church in SF

*Out to Lunch Bunch

Helene Pendergraft 340-6309
Wed. Mar. 14, 11:45 AM, RSVP to Helene by 3/11

***Public Policy/Current Events**

Betty Bernstein 343-9137, Pat Haupt 349-0371

***Tennis**

Call Helene Pendergraft 340-6309 if you're interested.

Monday	Tuesday	Wed.	Thurs. 1	Friday 2	Sat. 3	Sunday 4
5 French Spanish	6	7 Drama Reading	8 Board Mtg Book V Foreign A.	9	10	11
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MARCH 2007 SECTION SCHEDULE

Tues. Mar. 27, 10:30 – 12 Noon, Pauline Shumsky's,
655 Cygnus Lane, FC, "What Can Be Done to Create
Positive State and National Reform?"

***Spanish for Beginners/Intermediates**

Call Mary D'Anna 349-2945, Every Monday 2:30PM

***Theatre**

Marge Denni 573-8460 or margedenni@gmail.com
We attend Sunday matinees of local and Bay Area
theatre. Please contact Marge for information.