



## AAUW Marin September 2016 Newsletter

### **Website**

<http://marin-ca.aauw.net>

If you need the password for the "members only" section, email [aauwmarin@gmail.com](mailto:aauwmarin@gmail.com)

### **Newsletter and Interest Group Schedule**

The newsletter and interest group meeting schedule are on our website under "Members Only." Check

<http://marin-ca.aauw.net/>

### **Membership Dues Renewal Reminder**

Annual dues are now past due. If it slipped your mind, please renew now so we can keep you on the membership list. As of September 30 only persons up-to-date with dues will be included in the new membership roster and on the mailing and email list for branch programs. Questions? Contact Membership Chair **Karen Reid** at [karenleereid@yahoo.com](mailto:karenleereid@yahoo.com) or 408-612-5526.

### **Fall Programs:**

### **Branch Year Begins September 10!**

Join branch members on **Saturday, September 10 at 2**



**p.m.** in the Corte Madera Town Center's Community Room (second floor) to start the new AAUW year. San Domenico Science Department Head

**Hilary Staples** will be our guest speaker, and will enlighten us on the subject of biomimicry. We will also hear from our 2016 Tech Trek Scholars who will fill us in on their July week at AAUW's math/science summer camp at Stanford. Marin Branch Tech Trek Chair **Joyce Erlenbach**, Dorm Mom (and branch member) **Jane Winter**, and former Trekker now a camp counselor **Alexa Barnes** will also be on hand.

**When:** Saturday, September 10, 2 p.m.

**Where:** Corte Madera Town Center Community Room.

**Cost:** \$5-\$10 sliding sale donation at door.

**What Else:** Re-use, recycle, re-book. Bring a book to donate and take home a new one to read. \$2 a book.

**RSVP:** to paperless post or contact Katherine Brinnier, [brinnier@sbcglobal.net](mailto:brinnier@sbcglobal.net) or 415-382-

### **Save these Dates!**

On **October 22**, 2 to 4 at the Town Center Community Room a presentation by Dominican students on their work with the Presidential Debate Commission;  
On **October 29** the AAUW Funds luncheon in Danville;  
On **November 5**, the ever-popular book talk with Elaine Petrocelli at Book Passage;  
On **December 3**, our holiday luncheon and silent auction at McInnis.

### **Welcome to New Members**

Welcome new members **Sherene Chen, Etta Deikman, Jackie Gorton, Lynn Horton, Beverlee Sandy, Roberta Schwarz, Lynn Scott, and Starr Tabor.**

### **Online Shopping-at Amazon Smile**

Add to our scholarship Fund whenever you shop at Amazon. To do so **start each shopping session** on Amazon at the URL <http://smile.amazon.com>. Make sure you've chosen our scholarship fund as your charity, and they will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible purchases at no cost to you.

### **Memorial Service for Dee Skore Sept. 18**

The family of long-time branch member **Dee Skore**, who passed away in May, will celebrate her life with a memorial service and buffet, at **2 p.m. on Sunday, September 18** at Community Congregational

8178.

**Guests are welcome**

### **Sip and Sup: Catching Up**

More than 40 members and guests were on hand for the August 18 Sip and Sup at Jason's



Restaurant in Greenbrae. Among those enjoying late afternoon refreshments and conversation were **Sherene Chen, Rita Lakin, Janet Quin-Harkin, Jennifer Omholt, Melanie Limacher, and Lynn Scott.**

### **Summer Fling: Fun and Friends**

**Chris O'Neill's** San Rafael garden was once again the venue for our annual Summer Fling luncheon, held on July 17. After a stimulating icebreaker, attendees settled in for a buffet luncheon and lively conversation. **Christina Leimer** and

**Reni Rothschild** (at left) exchanged views on movies and music while **Dee Holthe**



and **Vickie Samos** (at right) relaxed under a patio

umbrella. Thank you to **Chris** for being a gracious hostess and to **Katherine Brinnier** for seeing that

Church, 145 Rock Hill Drive, Tiburon.

[www.AAUW.org](http://www.AAUW.org)

Check out the Association's website, <http://www.aauw.org>, for a wealth of information on all of our mission-related activities.

**2017 National Convention Set for Washington, D.C.**

AAUW will take the nation's capital by storm for its 2017 biennial convention: June 14-17, 2017. Registration opens on October 1, 2016 so watch for more information coming soon.

invitations were sent out and that the event went smoothly.

***Interest Groups: Time to Join!***

Branch interest groups are open to all members. Check out the list on the website and, if one looks interesting, call the chair for information. Here are a few of the interest group events coming up soon:

**Theatergoers** will attend the 4 p.m. matinee of *Othello* at Marin Shakespeare on Sunday, September 11 (Senior Sunday, half of normal price for seniors). Email **Nancy Van Horn** or **Mary Fran McCluskey** for information: [nancyvh1021@gmail.com](mailto:nancyvh1021@gmail.com) or [taxea@faststatstax.com](mailto:taxea@faststatstax.com).

**Art Tours** visits the World War II Home Front National Historical Park in Richmond on Friday, September 23 and while there will meet with one of the original "Rosie the Riveters" to learn about the role these women played doing a "man's job" in the war. Carpools leave from Bon Air Center in Greenbrae at 9:15 a.m. and return from the East Bay after lunch. Call **Marilyn South** at 415-492-2688 for details.

**Hiking Group** has disbanded but we have a lot of hikers so if anyone is interested in leading this group, please contact Interest Group Chair **Heidi Scott** at 415-847-1205.

Interest Groups actively seeking new members are:

**LitWits** (reading works this year by A.S. Byatt, Chinua Achebe, and Thomas Mann). Contact **Jeanne Lese** at 415-492-8424, or **Terri Ulin** at 415-461-2169.

**Play Reading**, contact **Mary Fran McCluskey** at 415-454-2489, or **Florence Garvie** at 415-388-6825.

**Reading Arts AM.** (some of the books this year: *Palace Walk* by Naguib Mahfouz, *My Brilliant Friend* by Elena Ferrante, *The Invention of Wings* by Sue Monk Kidd, and *Grapes of Wrath* by John Steinbeck). Contact Interest Group Leader **Joan Hersko** at 415-461-6078.

### ***Bring Books/Take One Home!***

Bring books you have finished to upcoming branch meetings and donate them to our "reuse, recycle, re-book" table, then take home a new one for only \$2. Proceeds help underwrite branch operating funds.

### ***Branch Holiday Party & Auction***



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behind, and the branch holiday party and silent auction is scheduled for Saturday, December 3 at McInnis Park Club Restaurant. As you know the auction is a fun fundraiser for the branch college and Tech Trek scholarships, so it is not too early to think about an item you could donate for the auction: a gift certificate for a restaurant, theater, or personal service; jewelry; handmade items such as scarves; and, of course, the ever popular gift baskets which interest groups - and some individuals - provide. **Dale Satake** and **Sandy Westin** are this year's Auction Co-chairs. Look for their auction flyer and merchant letter which will come to you in September. Any questions, Call

**Dale** at 415-924-2162, or **Sandy** at 414-235-1835.

### ***Hall of Fame***

#### ***Suggestions Welcome***

The Marin YWCA is seeking nominations of candidates for the Marin Women's Hall of Fame. AAUW was one of the founders of the MWHF and supports the YWCA's efforts to strengthen their organization. A flyer will come soon with details about the nomination process and how you can help.

### ***AAUW Equal Pay***

#### ***Research***

AAUW recently compiled an update of information about state equal pay laws, pay gap numbers and more. This month AAUW will introduce this information resource exclusively for members. To be kept in the loop, sign up for the *AAUW in the Statehouse E-bulletin*. Sign up at <http://www.aauw.org/resource/aauw-in-the-statehouse/>