Changing the World, One Woman at a Time

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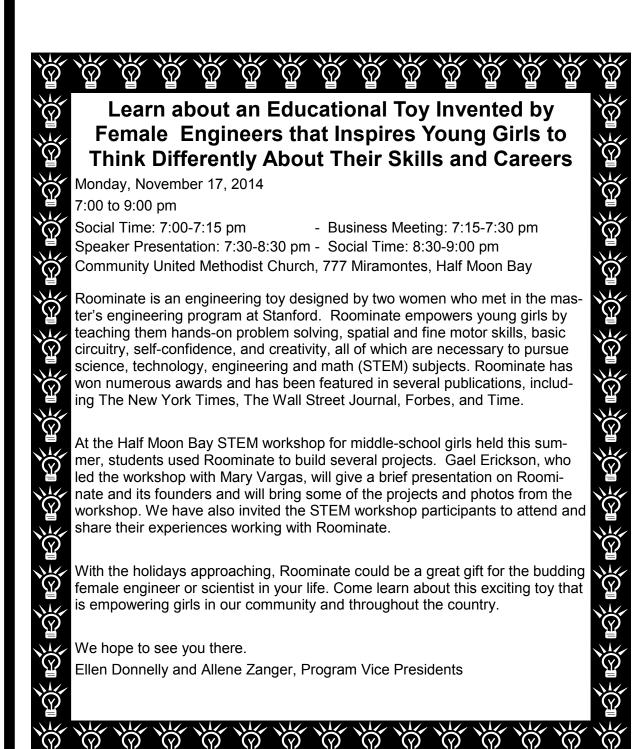
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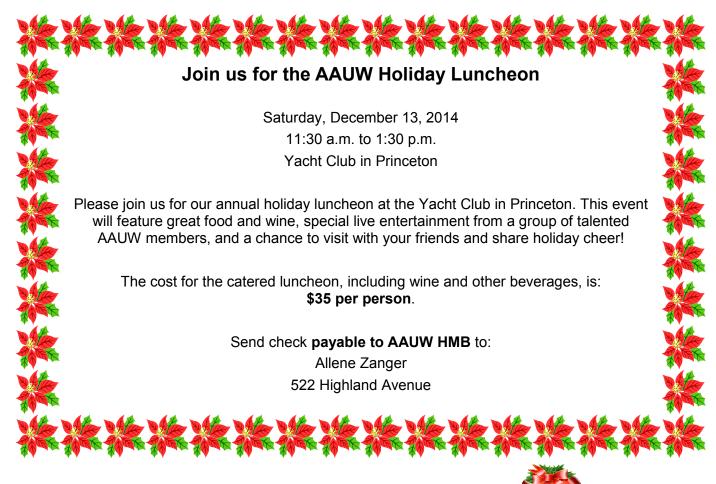
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HOLIDAY TEA HAPPENING NOW!

As you receive and read this issue of the TIDINGS, we are in the midst of our Holiday Tea fundraising event being held November 1,2,8 and 9. Hopefully, you made your reservations so you could enjoy this festive occasion as no tickets will be sold at the door. There are no refunds.

Please honor your commitment if you have volunteered to help and you have been assigned a specific day and/or job. We can use some last-minute alternate volunteers to fill in where needed. Please contact: Ruth Rafello, 728-3013, Delores Crabb, 728-3794 or Erika Pardo, justresolu@aol.com.

For Reservations call: Sarah - 650-245-7320

Thank you to all of our members who joined in to assure the success of this event!

Tidings Deadline for January Issue: Monday, December 15, 2014

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Please send articles as attachments, preferably in WORD.

Again, Thank you for your help and cooperation

Half Moon Bay Chamber of Commerce Education Committee:

So many activities take place in our community supporting education. Watch the HMB Review or the Chamber website for local education opportunities and chances to volunteer. The HMB Library offers a wealth of activities. The Nick of Time Foundation recently provided the Youth Heart Screen at HMBHS. STEM Robotics led by Len Erickson provides programs in local schools. Sonrisas provides dental checkups in the elementary and middle school. The Coastside Children's Program support learning in the afterschool programs. Rotary and Chamber collaborate to provide school to work training at the high schools in the spring. AAUW-HMB is a member of this committee because we, too, are providing support for education in our com-

AAUW-HMB is a member of this committee because we, too, are providing support for education in our community. In addition to our scholarships and Tech Trek, Mary and Carlos Vargas, Gael Erickson, and Julie Gerth, with financial support from the Edna Cox Fund, have planned and provided a STEM Workshop in the summer for science/math minded Tech Trek applicants. Our branch is very involved.

Sue Hatfield, HMB Chamber of Commerce Representative

Half Moon Bay AAUW Local Scholarship

While doing a book search at our local library, I needed some technical assistance when who should appear at my elbow, Giselle Mendoza, the recipient of our 2014 Edna Cox Fund Scholarship. She was eager and prepared to begin fall classes. By now, Giselle has begun her classes at UCSC. With her determination and drive, I believe that AAUW-HMB Branch can feel proud of providing support for her continuing education.

Remember that fundraising for our Local Scholarship Fund is ongoing. Many thanks must be said to the major efforts of the co-chairs, Amy Broome, Jennifer Brey, Michelle Sansot, and their team of participants in the Pumpkin Bread sales at the Pumpkin Fest and to Ruth Rafello and her team who have assumed responsibility for the Holiday Tea from the Johnson House Committee. On Memorial Day weekend in May, Peggy Rozhon and Mary Sheridan with their band of helpers will preside over the 3rd Annual AAUW White Elephant Sale. These are the major fundraising events that provide financial support with 40% of funds applied to AAUW Funds, 30% to Local Scholarship, and 30% to Tech Trek.

Our respected and beloved Edna Cox left the branch a legacy to support the education of women. The Edna Cox Fund provides one \$2000 scholarship yearly.

The balance of our Ivania Portocarrero scholarship funds are provided by your generous donations. So far, the members have donated \$1033 toward scholarship. Remember, as you plan your end of 2014 donations, all donations are tax deductible. Thank you for your generosity toward education for women.

Sue Hatfield, Local Scholarship Chair

If you would like to contribute to our AAUW-HMB Local Scholarship Fund, you may use the form below. Our branch Local Scholarship Fund makes awards to outstanding graduates of Half Moon Bay and/or Pescadero High Schools who are entering their junior or senior year of college.				
YES, I want to support Coastside women in the final stretch of their college education.				
Name	Phone			
Address				
My gift is in memory of:				
Make checks payable to: AAUW-CA SPECIAL PROJECTS FUND with Local Scholarship noted on the memo line. MAIL TO: SUE HATFIELD, 450 Cypress Ave., Half Moon Bay 94019.				

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LET'S TALK ABOUT AAUW FUNDS

The Legal Advocacy Fund is a very important part of AAUW. Founded in 1981, the Legal Advocacy Fund (LAF) works to achieve equity for women in higher education by offering assistance to women faculty, staff, and students who have grievances against colleges and universities and by supporting sex discrimination lawsuits. The LAF Board only approves support of cases which are currently involved in litigation, and that have the potential to set legal precedent, such as the Lilly Ledbetter case (pay equity).

A New LAF Case challenges gender discrimination at the University of Tennessee: *Moshak v. University of Tennessee*. The lawsuit was filed in 2012 by Jennifer Moshak, Heather Mason, and Collin Schlosser, former employees of the University of Tennessee's women's athletic department. The plaintiffs allege sex discrimination and unlawful retaliation under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, and the Equal Pay Act of 1963. They claim that they were unlawfully discriminated against and eventually forced out of their positions during a university-led merger of the women's and men's athletic departments. We will follow this case and let you know what happens. This is yet another example of your donations at work.

June Baxter, AAUW Funds VP

CABRILLO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TUTORING

Our tutoring group is off and running in this, our seventh year of volunteering in the local elementary schools! It's never too late to become involved, whether in a teacher's classroom, after-school homework club, or the school library. Willing ears and hands are always welcome! Please contact Chair Jean Burch and learn more.

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Membership Matters:

Thank you to all our members who brought guests to the Membership Brunch. We had two individuals join at the brunch so we are now at 141 members and still growing. Please be sure to welcome our new members when you meet them at one of our meetings or interest groups; you can recognize them by the red dot on their name badge. Their names and contact information are below; please be sure to add them to your Directory.

Win free national dues for next year:

We will offer a recruitment contest again this year. The member who recruits the most new members this year will have her/his national dues for 2015-16 paid by the branch (currently a \$49 value). This contest will run from September 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015 and the winner will be announced at our April General Meeting. So bring your friends to a general meeting where they can save 50% on their national dues if they join at the meeting and earn points toward your free national dues payment. I will provide periodic updates of who is leading the contest in future Tidings.

New Members

Nancy S. Harris

98 San Lucas Ave, Moss Beach Nharrismd2008@yahoo.com, Home # 728-8627

Nancy earned her BS and MS in Biology from Yale University and her MD from Stanford University. She is the Medical Director for a non-profit foundation and was recruited to the branch by Wendy Lama.

Deborah Marion

P.O. Box 2304, El Granada Accoun5@aol.com, Home # 393-3044

Deb earned her BS in Accounting from San Francisco State and she is a self-employed CPA and tax preparer working here on the Coast. She was recruited by Jean Burch.

Mary Sheridan, Membership VP

2014-15 Directories

If you were unable to attend the September luncheon, your directory is with your neighborhood coordinator. Neighborhoods are determined by your residence address and are described below. Please contact your coordinator to arrange to get your copy.

South HMB (south of Redondo Beach Road):

Gladys Francis gmflower@comcast.net

West HMB (central HMB, west of Highway One):

Irene Baume irenebaume@gmail.com

East HMB (central HMB, east of Highway One):

Peg Nordensten coastalpeg@gmail.com [contact after Oct. 6th]

North HMB (north of Terrace Avenue/Grand Boulevard):

Mary Alice Pearce malice_hmb@comcast.net

El Granada: Nancy Evans egnancy@comcast.net

Moss Beach: Pat McNutt patm@coastside.net

Montara: Cecilia Mello cecilia.mello@gmail.com

Please review your entry in the directory and let me know if there are corrections.

CORRECTIONS:

page 3 – Newsletter Ad Sales -open [remove Maura Jones]

Judy Buckland – add street address, 215 Francisco Street, El Granada

Maura Jones – remove phone number, 726-6423 [keep & use listed cell number]

Bonnie McGuinness – Quinnipiac U.; BS Health Administration/BS Business Administration

Didja'Know

1984: First Christmas House titled "Country Inn Christmas" was held by AAUW at the Mill Rose House and San Benito House—a resounding success.

This huge undertaking was ably handled by: Jidge Boell, Bev Jorgenson, Trenkins Buckley, Sue Murphy, Anna Anderson, Jan Grierson, Mary Burgett, Iva Kraencke, Toni Foster, Carmen Geidt and naturally Ruth Rafello.

There were gingerbread bears (sold 600 in an hour), mulled apple cider, music provided by Eve Baldwin (Golden Bough Celtic Group) at Mill Rose with Gwen Halterman on harp and Lori Nichols on guitar. Part of HMBHS Chorus sang. Decorated trees were a feast for the eyes and nose—a wonderful holiday time was had by all (the clean-up crew maybe not so much).

Many of the members mentioned are no longer around—ASK about these valuable women from long time members—you will wish you could have known them.

Katie M

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING TECH TREK

by Julie Gerth

Cinderella's pumpkin may have been turned into a golden carriage by her fairy godmother, but here on the Coastside our AAUW branch turns pumpkins into delicious muffins and breads that become scholarships for local middle-school girls to attend math and science camp at Stanford University.

Thank you to all the many hard-working, devoted "godmothers" of our branch who helped during Pumpkin Festival to give girls, not a night at the ball, but a whole week of S.T.E.M. activities, a glimpse of dorm life on a college campus, camaraderie with other smart, motivated peers, and the example of women role models in science and technology fields.

We are looking forward to seeing some of our past Tech Trekkers as volunteers at the upcoming Holiday Tea. A portion of the proceeds from that event will also support math and science camp scholarships. Tech Trek alumnae are always ready and willing to help with our branch fundraising.

If you would still like to make a separate, end-of-year contribution to our branch's Tech Trek scholarship fund, checks should be made out to: AAUW-CA, SPECIAL PROJECTS FUND and sent to: Julie Gerth, 2094 Touraine Lane, Half Moon Bay 94019.

Tech Trek Donation Form—2015	
Yes, I want to continue to support Coastside girls at Tech and science camp, now in its 17th year!	n Trek, the annual AAUW summer math
Name	Phone
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Public Policy: Don't forget to Vote on November 4th!

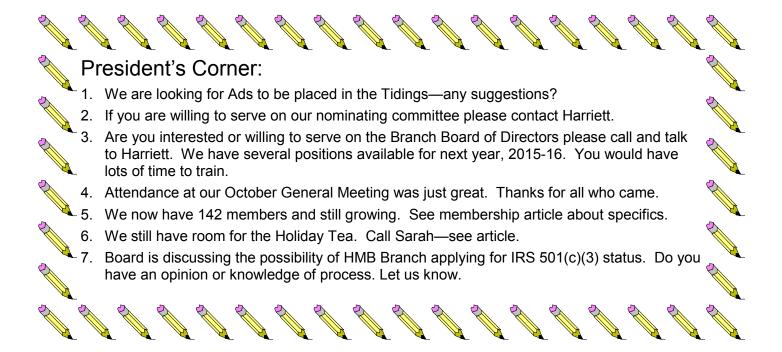
On Tuesday, November 4, we will have the opportunity to exercise our democratic right to vote. Some people are of the opinion that their vote does not make a difference and so they do not vote. Don't be one of those people. One place where even one vote can cause a candidate or proposition to win or lose is in **our Local Elections**. Here in Half Moon Bay we have six candidates running for three seats on the City Council ...two are incumbents, one has been on the council in the past, and the rest are new to politics in Half Moon Bay. The way we choose to vote in this election will affect the future of the coastside for years to come.

Recently we were able to attend a forum where the six expressed their opinions by answering questions from the audience on several issues :

- 1. The Main Street Bridge—How to proceed now that the public voted to restore it.
- 2. The Beachwood Property—Sell it or?.
- 3. Kehoe Ditch—How to repair it without flooding the street.
- 4. The Coastal Trail/Hernandez Bridge—Not a local responsibility, but can repair/build new be expeditied
- 5. Sidewalks—Presently property owners are liable and responsible for the repair of sidewalks in from of their houses. Some believe this should be the city's responsibility (According to CA Law, homeowners are responsible.)
- 6. The Library—How much revenue from Proposition O will go towards building a new library it it passes.
- 7. Proposition O—This would continue the 1/2 cent sales tax until 2019 with funds being used for a variety of things, the new library included. The panel was split on this issue.

Don't forget to vote on November 4. Remember, women were not "given" the vote, our predecessors fought hard to "win" the right for women to vote!!!

Carlos and Mary Vargas, Public Policy Co-Chairs



A Message from Your Interest Group Coordinator

This edition of the Tidings will cover the activities for the Interest Groups for both November and December. Some of the groups are less active thru the holidays. The Membership brunch brought some renewed interest in many of groups. Hope you can find one that tweaks your interest. Any questions, contact the Interest Group Chairman, or feel free to contact me. Carol Forster

carolforster@sbcglobal.net 726-4984

Hands On!

Thank you to Jeanette for stepping in to host the October meeting of Hands On. The holidays are coming! Are you busy with craft projects to give as gifts? Get out of the house for a bit but keep on schedule and bring it to work on at Hands On! We meet on the second Wednesday of the month, 4-6 pm. All members are welcome but please let the hostess know you are coming so enough chairs and space are made available. Please volunteer to host so we do not over-stay our welcome at any one home.

November 12th at the home of Delores Crabb, 567 Sixth Street, Montara. coastcrabb@comcast.net **December 10th** – hostess needed! Please contact

Delores Crabb, Chair

Delores to volunteer.

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Otherwise known as the bunch that likes to lunch. We meet in rotating private homes promptly at noon. The next two months we will be meeting on the third Wednesday instead of the usual fourth. It is strictly pot luck.

Everyone brings a dish to share. We love to chat, eat, drink a little wine and have a wonderful congenial time. This is a group that will welcome you and make you feel at home. Our next lunch will be on **Nov. 19** at the home of Chris Green, 400 Balboa Blvd., HMB, 712-0373, candmres@aol.com. The Dec. lunch will be **Dec. 17** at the home of Nina Nelson, 115 Vallejo St., El Granada, 560-9025, nencgn@yahoo.com. Call Dorothy Mauer, 728-3415 for more information.

Out and About

The Out and About interest group had a beautiful trip in Oct. to Coit Tower to view the restored murals from the 1930s. It was a beautiful clear day and we were able to go up to the top and look out at the city and the bay and all the surrounding area. Our next adventure will be on Friday, **November 7** when we will be traveling to Muir Woods. We will leave at 9 from the New Leaf parking lot and car pool. Several of us have a senior pass that will admit 4 people free. If we have more people than cards, the cost is \$7 for seniors. There are many paths we can walk from walker friendly to a challenge walk. We will eat at the Pelican Café on the beach at 1:30 and return over the Golden Gate Bridge. (\$7 if you don't have a Fast Pass and you get the bill for the \$7 in the mail) Please let us know if you can join us and if you need a ride or can drive ,and if you can, how many **BY NOV. 1**. Call me at 712-8699.

We have no trips planned for Dec. or Jan. YET. Suggestions welcome.

On **Feb. 6** we a planning the trip to Alcatraz and the exhibit by Chinese artist and dissident, Ai Weiwei. Prices are \$28.25 for visitors 62 plus and \$30 for visitors ages 61 and under. We will have more information closer to the date. If interested please let one of us know.

Mary Vargas and Mary Alice Pearce, Co-Chairs

Walk with us!



We walk and talk Monday mornings at 10 and have a great time! If you're interested, give me your email and I'll send you a weekly e-mail telling you where we will be walking that week. Call me if you'd like to know more. Marilyn Garrison

Writing Group

The Writing Group will meet at 9:30 am on the first and third Thursday of each month at the Moonside Café and Bakery. We alternate meetings with readings from our works and spontaneous writing. At our **November 6** meeting we will be reading from our works.

All writers are welcome! If you have any questions, please contact Janet Orumchian at ihorumchian@yahoo.com.



Great Books

Great Books meet the second Thursday of the month. **Nov. 13** at 2 pm is the next meeting. The book of the month is **The Invisible Man** by Ralph Ellison. The group will meet at the home of Mariam Champion for discussion of the book and the author. Please let me know if you plan to attend.

The **Dec. 11** meeting is with Linda Owen and the book is **The Painted Veil** by Someset Maugham. Mariam Champion, Chair

Bridge Group



The bridge group meets the third Friday, September through May, from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. The next meeting will be **November 21**, at Ruth Rafello's house in Montara. There will not be a meeting in December. Please contact Kit Bunnell at 726-9547 or by email at csbunnell@earthlink.net for more information or to reserve a spot.

Out to Breakfast



This interest group meets the second Friday of each month at 8:30 am.

This month we will meet at Ketch JoAnne's at the Harbor on **Nov. 14**. Please come join us –it's a great way to start the day. Peg Nordensten, Chair

Current Events Group

We usually meet the second Tuesday of the month at 2 pm in the home of Mary & Carlos Vargas at 14 Lighthouse Road (in Canada Cove). The next two meeting will be on **Nov. 11 and Dec. 9.** Please let us know if you can make it at 712-8699 or cvu59@aol.com. We should have a good discussion be cause the elections will be over. There will be no meeting in Jan. and Feb., We will meet again on Tuesday, **March 10** same time and place. Carlos Vargas, Chair

Gourmet

The November Gourmet Diners will move a little south to France where the theme is <u>Three Cozy</u> French Bistros.

The dinner will feature hearty French food and good wine. The hosts are: Helen Paul, Chris Green and Sue Perls.

The starting time for the event is 5:00 pm on Saturday, **November 15**. Each host will have no more than 10 guests.

Everyone welcomed! Please reserve promptly as it is, "First Come__First Served!" Reservations open from October 15 thru November 1. Contact:

Nina Nelson at 560-9025 /nencgn@yahoo.com. Nina Nelson, Chair

Home Theatre

Since our group would not be meeting in November and December because of conflicts with Thanksgiving and Christmas, we have rescheduled movie night for **November 22**. We will meet at the home of Carol Forster at 6:00 p.m. for "snacks." It's potluck so bring whatever you'd like. The movie for the evening, *Blue Is the Warmest Color*, will start at 6:30 pm. Be sure to let Carol know if you plan to attend. She can be reached at 726-4984 or carolforster@sbcglobal.net. If you would like to be a member of Home Theatre please contact Betty Lee-Kendall at 712-1850 or bleek917@sbcglobal.net.

Betty Lee-Kendall, Chair

Evening Book Club



The Evening Book Club does not meet in November. Our next meeting is the Holiday Potluck on Tuesday, **Dec. 9 at 6:30 pm** at Madeline McReynold's home in Miramar. Susan Perls will lead a discussion of **DELICIOUS!** A non fiction book by Ruth Reichl. For more information contact Marianne Harrison at mimih108@sbcqlobal.net

Play Reading

The Play Reading Group is scheduled to meet on **Nov. 9 and Dec. 14** at 1:00pm. For more information please call Luanne King at 726-3101. We always meet on Sundays once a month and munchies of your choice are wel-

November 2014



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 _{Holiday Tea}	3Walk & Talk 10:00 am Board Meeting 7 pm	4	5	Writers Group 9:30 am	7 Out and About 9:00 am	8 _{Holiday Tea}
9 _{Holiday Tea} Play Reading 1:00 pm	10 Walk & Talk 10:00 am	Current Events 2:00 pm	12 Hands On 4:00-6:00 pm	13 Great Books 2:00 pm	14 Out to Breakfast 8:30 am	15 Gourmet 5:00 pm
16	17Walk & Talk 10:00 am General Meeting 7:00 pm	18	19 Janus 12:00 pm		21 Daytime Bridge 10:30 am	22 Home Theatre 6:00 pm
23/30	24 Walk & Talk 10:00 am	25	26	27	28	29

Your **TAX CALENDAR** by **Deb Marion, CPA, EA** AAUW Member, Half Moon Bay Branch

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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14 Play Reading 2:00 pm	15 Tidings Deadline Walk & Talk 10:00 am	16	17 Janus 12 noon	18	19 Daytime Bridge 10:30 am	20
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Check Out our web site?

Check the updated website halfmoonbay-ca.aauw.net for news about our branch activities and AAUW. We have a MEMBERS section which is protected. How do you get into the MEMBERS only section? Type in our branch password for this section: HMB Tidings.

This MEMBERS section should have our bylaws, meeting minutes from the board, board agenda, board member contact information.

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