Changing the World, One Woman at a Time

- HAVE FUN— take a field trip
- VOLUNTEER—to be a tutor or mentor
- MEET— new members



EDUCATION, HERE AND NOW

Monday, November 13, 2017 6:30p.m. Community United Methodist Church, 777 Miramontes Street Half Moon Bay



Dr. Jane Yuster, Cabrillo Unified School District Superintendent **Mary Vargas**, AAUW HMB Branch STEM Camp Coordinator

Our Speakers for our November meeting will give us insight into educational opportunities for young women right here, our own district.

Dr. Jane Yuster is our School District Superintendent. We have invited her to speak to us about Title IX, particularly with regard to how it is at work in our district. As part of the Education Amendments of 1972, Title IX states: *"No person in the United States shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied bene-fits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any education program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance."* There is a perception that Title IX only applies to sports. However, athletics is only one key area addressed by the law. The other areas are: access to higher education, career education, education for pregnant and parenting students, employment, learning environment, math and science, sexual harassment, standardized testing, and technology.

Also at this meeting, our own Branch powerhouse, **Mary Vargas**, will report to us about our local STEM Camp which took place in July. Seventh and eighth grade girls participated in four days of very diverse activities here on the coast. STEM Camp is one of the ways our Branch supports young women in our community, along with Local Scholarship and Tech Trek.

Our meeting will begin at 6:30p.m. with Social Time, followed by our General Business meeting just after 7. <u>Please note: Hospitality Hosts are West Half Moon Bay.</u> Speaker presentations will begin at 7:30 p.m. We hope you will join us for this informative evening about educational opportunities for women, Here and Now.

College Scholarship Committee Needs New Readers!

The scholarship committee is kicking off its 2018 scholarship competition and we need a few more readers! The commitment is in April. You would be given a criteria guideline and then asked to read 20-30 scholarship student applications and essays and rate them. You would have a month to read through the applications, and then you would participate in a committee meeting at the end of April to decide on finalists with the other 4 readers. We have a couple reader spots still open. If you are interested, please contact Suzanne DuFore at <u>suzannedufore@gmail.com</u> ASAP. Thank you!

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Come Brunch and Be Merry!

Saturday, December 2, 2017 at 10:00 a.m



Colony Club, Fairway Drive, Half Moon Bay

Our December Program will give us time to Celebrate the Season together sharing Holiday Memories and Momentos. Join us and **Brunch and Be Merry** at the Colony Club on Saturday, December 2, at 10 a.m. A fun and festive program is in the making, and we need you! Please bring a favorite holiday memory or tradition to share. Do you have a favorite decoration? Or a special reading that evokes celebration this time of year? Please come tell us all!

Long time Coastside resident, Lori Hofmann, will <u>cater</u> our delicious Brunch fare. The cost for our full Brunch, with beverage, and gratuity is \$25.00 per person. Our delectable buffet will include: Scrambled eggs with fresh herbs, sliced ham, chicken apple sausages, cheeses, fruit trays, honey yogurt with berries, and a toast bar with assorted breads, muffins and pastry. Our beverages are: Coffee, tea, hot cider, sparking apple juice, and orange juice. Reservations are open to the <u>first</u> **50!** <u>PAID</u> participants. The last, absolute <u>last</u>, *no exceptions*, date to pay and reserve your place is **one week prior to the party: Saturday, November 25, 2017.**

To reserve your spot, please send your check, payable to AAUW HMB Branch, marked <u>Brunch</u>, to Jan Grierson, 900 Alsace Lorraine, Half Moon Bay, CA 94019. Payment MUST be received no later than Saturday, November 25, 2017.

Kindly Remember: Parking at the Colony Club can be problematic. Carpooling is strongly recommended.

RSVP NOW: Come Brunch and Be Merry!! Looking forward to Celebrating the Season

AAUW HMB President's Message November/December 2017

Volunteers are not paid. Indeed, volunteers are priceless. They are willing to work without wages because volunteers put more into their job than effort. They work with love, commitment, and is many cases, passion. I think that the result can be seen all around our own – and every community. That result is that so much of the best work done for our community is done by local nonprofits. Especially by our own AAUW-HMB. This applies to each of you. Yes, you. Active members of our American Association of University Women Half Moon Bay volunteer in many ways. Just behind us is the Pumpkin Festival – under Amy Broom's leadership. You just gave time at the Pumpkin Festival. You have raised money for local scholarships. You also offered time and energy to help fellow friends in need. Local schools benefit from your time with their classrooms, and your aiding and tutoring students. Giving our time to our community is a high point of our AAUW community service.

The October general meeting showed a DVC that highlighted some of the numerous projects from our past 50 years. Many of you helped along with Peggy Rozhon's direction to review past accomplishments completed by members. (There are some available copies left. Please contact me -Sheila Cresson - if you are interested in having one.)

Plan to attend the coming November 13 meeting. Of course you will hear about our upcoming projects and work. And in line with one of our principal interests, we are privileged to have Cabrillo Unified School District's Superintendent, Jane Yuster. She will be describing her view of the current and future district situation. This meeting will be held at the Community United Methodist Church.

<u>Celebrating 2017 Scholarship Winners</u> as we kick off the 2018 Scholarship Competition!

There is nothing better than to highlight our 2017 winners to build excitement as we kick off our 2018 scholarship competition.

November marks our second installment of getting to know our 2017 Scholarship winners so you can get to know each remarkable young woman who proudly represents the next generation that will carry the AAUW torch.



Dayanne has just started her senior year at Notre Dame de Namur University. She is majoring in Business. Dayanne is an avid soccer fan. She was a rising star in her youth and hoped to pursue a career in soccer, but then was faced with a medical crisis when she was diagnosed with a brain tumor. While the medical treatment was a success, Dayanne had to change her path as playing was no longer a possibility. While most might turn their back to the sport that they loved with this set back, Dayanne did not. She has found a new role to play in soccer – she manages her school's women's soccer team all while studying her course studies in business. Dayanne seeks gender equality on the field and hopes to play a role in increasing awareness of women's soccer programs so they may one day enjoy the same admiration as men's soccer programs.

Dayanne's aspirations are to go on to graduate school and then pursue a career in sports management or to work for a non-profit.

Dayanne spent time this summer in Houston supporting the professional women's soccer team Houston DASH – and she was able to spend time with many of the players! Additionally, she has spent significant hours volunteering for other organizations including Call To Action, Halloween at the Tenderloin, and the Black Student Union. She is very involved in an organization called 'I Am That Girl' which encompasses the passion we want in future AAUW members!

I AM THAT GIRL is a chapter-based 501c3 non-profit organization that provides leadership, social and personal development programming to girls in high school and college throughout the US.



We know that by empowering and empodering girls, we will help them find their voice, inspire action, and make the world a fetter place.

AAUW PUBLIC POLICY:

Equal Pay Day has been a top priority for AAUW for several years. Equal Pay Day is when women's wages finally catch up to those made by men the year before. In California the pay gap is 88% of what men make, the second highest in the nation (NY is a little higher) Nationally this day has been observed in April, but for women of "color" the gap is even larger. Native American women observed Sept.26 and Latina women will be observing Nov. 2 as their Equal Pay Day.

What is the "Dream Act"? Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (<u>DACA</u>) is a program that for the past five years has provided nearly 800,000 recipients the ability to attend school, go to work and contribute to our economy. These are young people who arrived here in the US without papers before they were 15. We have quite a few of these young people here in our community working and going to school. <u>Pres</u>. Trump has recently moved toward ending the DACA program leaving these young people without an opportunity to achieve the "American Dream" as many of our ancestors did in the past.

Mary and Carlos Vargas Public Policy Co- Chairs

WHAT IS AAUW SPEECH TREK?

Speech Trek is an <u>AAUW</u> CA speech contest for all high school students: public, private and home schooled. The theme this year is: " How Can We Stand Up To Sexism?" The three top local contestants will present their speeches to us at the Feb. 12 general meeting at 7:30. The 1st place winner will receive \$100, the 2nd. \$75 and the 3rd. \$50, thanks to a generous donation by Maura Jones. Our 1st place winner will then be submitted to <u>AAUW</u> CA and the top three (with 2 runner ups) through out the state will be selected to present their speeches at the state convention in April. Two years ago our first place winner was selected for 4th place and received \$250 from <u>AAUW</u> CA. <u>AAUW HMB</u> member, Antoinette <u>Wrubel</u> will help tutor the students.

I need a Co-Chair to help me with the organization of the event, etc. If you can help out please let me know at 712-8699 or cvu59@aol.com.

Mary Vargas Speech Trek Chair

Thanks to the Volunteers:

Tuesday, Sept. 26 was National Voter Registration Day. <u>AAUW HMB</u> was asked by the library to take on this task from 10-8 in the <u>HMB</u> Library. The following members volunteered to help out:

Joanne Rokosky, Sheila Cresson, Mary Alice Pearce, Mary Sheridan, Sheila Spieller and Anne Grauzis. Thank you for your participation. Mary and Carlos Vargas

HMB Chamber of Commerce Education Committee

I wish to express my thanks and that of Suzanne Dufore, the local scholarship co-chair to our Membership co-chair, Barb Steinberg for attending the October meeting when both of us were unable to attend. Barb reported that the HMBHS Principal, John Nazar, talked about adding a 5th year of high school to support those students who are first time members of their families to pursue post-secondary educational opportunities.

Superintendent Jane Yuster also spoke about support systems for all students attending our local public schools. Remember that Superintendent Yuster will be our guest speaker at the November general meeting. All members are urged to attend this informative meeting to meet our and learn from our energetic and dedicated female superintendent.

Barb also mentioned that the HMB Library reviewed the many educational opportunities that are offered to the coastal community. She was impressed by the number of organizations that support education in this place we call home. Any member who wishes to share in this experience is welcome to attend the meetings on the first Tuesday of the month with me. Attending this most efficient and informative one hour meeting truly is time well spent representing AAUW-HMB as part of our educational community.

Thanks again, Barb.

Sue Hatfield, Representative.

Do you know about the Sunshine Committee?

Please contact Sheila Cresson if you know of an AAUW HMB member who would like to know that her or his fellow members send support during challenging times. Phone 650-726-9215 or email <u>sic@csc-research.com</u>.

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: <u>AAUW-HMB Branch</u> with Local Scholarship noted on the memo line. MAIL TO: SUE HAT-FIELD, 450 Cypress Ave., Half Moon Bay 94019.



DO YOU WANT TO PUBLICIZE AN AAUW PROGRAM OR EVENT?

If you are the chair of an AAUW-Half Moon Bay program or event which you want to publicize to our members and/or the community, please follow these guidelines:

Email a list of brief specific details (Who, What, When, Where and Why—<u>not</u> an article) to june-<u>bhmb@yahoo.com</u> a <u>minimum of two weeks</u> before the date of the program or event. Indicate if the public is welcome and whether it is free of charge and includes refreshments. <u>Always</u> include the name of the contact person and a phone number. Be sure to include your own phone number on everything you submit to me.

Thank you! Looking forward to getting the word out for our Half Moon Bay Branch's amazing activities!

June Baxter

Branch Directory Info:

The Branch Directory for 2017-2018 has been mailed to you. If you did not receive your copy, please contact me and I will get a copy to you.

Neighborhood Coordinators, please be sure to check your neighborhood lists in the back of the Directory and update the email list of your neighborhood.

Also, let me know of any errors or changes that need to be made in your personal information.

Pat McNutt, Directory Editor

Tech Trek Donation Form—2018

Yes, I want to continue to support Coastside girls at T science camp, now in its 21th year!	ech Trek, the annual AAUW summer m	ath and
Name	Phone	_
Address		_
My gift is in honor of/memory of:		_
Make checks payable to: AAUW—HMB. In memo section, please designate: TECH TREK CA Mail to: Julie Gerth, AAUW-Half Moon Bay Branch Te Moon Bay, CA 94019.		Half

Lisa@fogtowntoys.com

When you patronize these businesses, please let them know that you saw their ads here.



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<u>Janus</u>



Our **November 15** lunch (Note: this is the THIRD Wednesday) will be at the home of Betty Lee-Kendall at 1 LeHavre Place in HMB. **Parking** is tight; carpooling is recommended. We meet at noon. Please don't forget your \$3.00 for the Hostess. Please RSVP to Betty at <<u>bleek917@sbcglobal.net</u>> by the 13th, if possible.

Mary Alice Pearce, Chair



Out To Breakfast

Our group meets the 2nd Friday of each month at 8:30 a.m. It's decided at the breakfast where to meet the following month.

Café Mezza Luna, 240 Capistrano Road, Princeton-bythe-Sea is the choice for **Friday**, **November 10**. Join us for good food and lively conversation -- it's a nice way to start the day. No reservations needed.

Great Books



The book selected for our meeting on **Thursday**, **Nov 9**, is Hillbilly Elegy by J.D. Vance. The meeting will be at the home of Janet Orumchian from 2-4:00 p.m.

Evening Book Group:



The Evening Book Group usually meets the last Tuesday of the month at 7PM at Madeline Mc Reynold's home in Miramar.

There will be no meeting in November because of Thanksgiving. The next meeting will be a Holiday Potluck Supper on **December 12**, Antoinette Wrubel will lead a discussion of *Fortune Teller* by Gwendolyn Womack. For more information, contact Marianne Harrison at mimih108@sbcglobal.net

Out & About

Out & About has planned our outings through February.

November 3: Stanford University. We'll explore the museums and gardens of this world-class university in our own backyard. Free. RSVP to <u>hayden.sara@gmail.com</u> by November 1 and please indicate if you can drive that day. We'll meet at New Leaf parking lot (near the bus stop) at 10 am.

December 1: Great Dickens Christmas Fair, Cow Palace, San Francisco. Adults \$30, no senior rate. We are working to acquire complimentary or deeply discounted tickets. RSVP

to <u>hayden.sara@gmail.com</u> by November 15 and please indicate if you can drive that day. We'll meet at New Leaf parking lot (near the bus stop) at 10 am.

January 5: Charles M. Schulz Museum, Santa Rosa. As most schools will still be out for the holidays, members are encouraged to bring the children in their lives. Adults \$12, seniors \$8, kids 4-18 \$5. RSVP to <u>hayden.sara@gmail.com</u> by January 3 and please indicate if you can drive that day. We'll meet at New Leaf parking lot (near the bus stop); departure time TBA.

February 2: Museum of the African Diaspora and Contemporary Jewish Museum, San Francisco. MoAD - adults \$10, seniors \$5; CJM - adults \$14, seniors \$12. RSVP to <u>hayden.sara@gmail.com</u> by January 31 and please indicate if you can drive that day. We'll meet at New Leaf parking lot (near the bus stop) at 10 am.



WannaBe Gourmet

After two successful and delicious events, Picnic in the Park followed by Romeo and Julietta and a fabulous German Brunch, we will kick off the new year with a Coastal Dinner in the home of E. Pardo. The menu will feature coastside bounties, some of the foods unique to our region.. The date is Saturday, **January 13, 2018**.

Mark it on your new 2018 calendar now. If you'd like to have input for the dinner menu, call or email Nina Nelson or Erika Pardo. Look for emails about this event.

For more info contact Nina Nelson, 560 9025 or nenegn@yahoo.com

Writer's Group

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The Writers' group meets at 9:30 am on the first and third Thursdays of the month in the conference room of Leslie Gardens. We alternate reading from our work and writing

in response to Jean Slanger's creative prompts.

We will meet on **November 2nd** and on **November 16th.** On November 2nd we will be writing in response to Jean's prompts. On November 16th we will be reading from our work.

All writers and all genres are welcome.

If you have a question, please contact Janet Orumchian @ jhorumchian@yahoo.com

or phone her at 650- 560- 0362.

Janet

Walk with us!



Come walk with us on the beautiful coast **Monday mornings from about 10 to 12 AM**. If you send me your name and e-mail, I'll add you to our list and you'll receive an e-mail over the weekend telling you where we'll meet on Monday. Fresh air, exercise, and good company! Marilyn Garrison

Bridge:

We had such a great time at Sheila Cresson's home in Higgins Canyon in September. October games were at the home of Kit Bunnell in the Sea Haven neighborhood, and on **November 17**, our hostess, Ruth Rafello, is in Montara. We do get around! We have one player who has us to her home on King's Mountain! Great fun!

Our group is holding steady, though we have a few people traveling still, as the weather is so great. We play the third Friday of each month, excluding December and the summer months. Hours are 10:30 to 2:30 & sometimes we are having too much fun & play longer. We have snacks, coffee, etc., and take turns hostessing.

We welcome any AAUW bridge players to join us. Your participation starts with a call or email to me, as I coordinate the games so we can all play with the appropriate number of players. We play, informally, for fun following contract bridge rules, though we have some duplicate players in the group. Join us for a great time! Sharon Miller, 726-3380

millersa@coastside.net

RECEIVING YOUR TIDINGS???

The lifeline for getting information about our AAUW branch activities is the Tidings. It is usually sent sometime between the 25th and the end of the month. I know there are times when individuals do not get theirs. If it's not in your e-mail box by the first of the month, please let me know and I will resend it. Also, during the month I send out special notices, etc. If you are not getting those please let me know. Thank you for you cooperation.

Betty Lee-Kendall, email distributor (bleek917@sbcglobal.net)



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 Writer's Group 9:30 am	3 Out & About 10:00 am	4
5	6 Walk & Talk 10:00 am <u>Board Meeting</u> 7:00 pm	7	8	9 Great Books 2:00 pm	Out to Breakfast 8:30 am	11
12	13 <u>General Meeting</u> <u>6:30 pm</u> Walk & Talk 10:00 am	14	15 Janus 12:00 pm	16 Writer's Group 9:30 am	17 Bridge Group 2 pm	18
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26	27 Walk & Talk 10:00 am	28	29	30		

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Tidings Deadline for JANUARY, 2018 Issue Friday, December 15, 2017

When emailing articles please be specific in your Subject Line. <u>Please name your interest group or other</u> subjects not just the word Tidings. It makes it easier for me to keep track of submissions. Thank you. Please send articles as attachments, preferably in WORD.

Again, Thank you for your help and cooperation.

Harriett Beck, Editor <u>hmbeck1@comcast.net</u>

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In principle and practice, AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barrier to full participation in this organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin, disability or class.