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Upcoming Events: November & December

Holiday Luncheon December 5

Invitations to the holiday luncheon and silent auction were in the mail last week. The event is Saturday, December 5, from 11 to 3 at the Club Restaurant at McInnis Park and includes a delicious lunch, holiday music, a silent auction to benefit the Marin AAUW Scholarship Fund and a chance to play bridge or board games. If you didn't receive the flyer, call Ann at 924-9559.



Silent Auction Donation Reminder

Speaking of the holiday lunch, don't forget to scour your closets for treasures to donate to the auction. Other suggestions: a gift certificate for a hair stylist, manicurist or restaurant. Tickets for the theatre, symphony, ballet, Giants, A's, etc. are all welcome. Call Linda Noel at 435-6356 (Southern Marin) or Chris O'Neill at 457-0862 (Central or Northern Marin) to arrange to drop off your donation with them **by November 20**. Value of the donation should be at least \$10.

Gift Wrap Volunteers Wanted

We are fortunate to have five days during the holidays to gift wrap at Barnes & Noble in the Corte Madera Town Center in return for donations. As most of you know, every penny we collect goes straight to the branch Scholarship Fund, and the wrapping is a lot of fun.

Early callers will get their prime picks for times - so don't delay. The dates are November 27 & 28 and December 18, 19 & 20. All shifts are three hours each: 11 AM to 2 PM, 2 to 5 PM, and 5 to 8 PM. Call Pat Hager at 388-6872 and reserve your preferred shift time. Pat is also looking for someone to co-chair this activity.

Theater Buffs Outing November 15

This new group hopes to attend three or four plays each year, followed by coffee or dinner following the show, starting with Ross Valley Players production of the Tony Award-winning play, *The Miracle Worker*, at the Barn Theatre, Art and Garden Center, Ross.

Time: 2 PM, Sunday, November 15, 2009. Tickets: \$20 or \$25. If there is sufficient interest, group rates are available. For information or to sign up, call leader Laura Paul, 491-1918, for details.

Scholarship Fund Appeal

By now you should have recently received a letter asking for your cash donation to the AAUW Marin Scholarship Fund. This is the branch's 501(c)(3) tax-deductible organization from which we give our scholarships to middle school girls to attend Tech Trek camp at Stanford University and award the annual scholarships to financially needy women at College of Marin and Dominican University. Know that 100% of your donation goes directly to the Fund and stays right here in Marin County.

Holiday Project -Toiletries For Homeless

Branch member Katherine Brinnier is coordinating a project with friends to provide toiletries to the Family Emergency Shelter and Ritter House. If you have extra travel size toiletries (toothbrushes, toothpaste, combs, shampoos, soaps, deodorant, razors, etc.) bring them to the December 5 holiday luncheon where there will be a box for your items. Or call Katherine at 415/456-4482 if you need a pickup.

October Outing on Mt. Tam

On Thursday, October 15 a small group of intrepid branch members ventured up Mt. Tam in a light rain to hear a docent talk on the Mt. Tamalpais Scenic Railway and the famous gravity cars. Our thanks to Arlene Halligan of the Mt. Tamalpais Interpretive Association for her enthusiastic and informative talk.

Branch Calendar/Interest Group Meetings: November 2009

- Nov 2 Mon** **READING ARTS AM.** 10 AM. Read *The Story of Edgar Sawtelle* by Davd Wroblewski. Leader is Joan Hersko, 100 Thorndale Drive, Apt. 305, San Rafael, 492-2656.
BOARD MEETING. 6 PM, San Rafael Corporate Center, 750 Lindar Street, San Rafael.
- Nov 3 Tues** **BRIDGE AM.** Leader Bonnie Casassa, 457-6501.
- Nov 4 Wed** **GOLF.** 9:00 AM (approx) McInnis Park. Group Leader Joyce Erlenbach, 491-1542.
- Nov 5 Thurs** **GOLF.** 9:00 AM (approx) McInnis Park. Leader Joyce Erlenbach, 491-1542.
HIKING ADVENTURES. 9:00 AM. Bring lunch. Section Leader Dee Skore, 472-1072, to confirm.
- Nov 9 Mon** **BRIDGE PM.** Ladies Duplicate. Leader is Pat Zentner, 453-5769.
- Nov 10 Tues** **CRAFTS.** Members work on personal craft projects including knitting, quilting, needlepoint, scrap booking, card-making, crocheting. Meets 1 to 4 PM. Group Leaders: Judy Ryan, 883-1028, and Mary Mossteller, 924-3096.
- Nov 11 Wed** **GOLF.** 9:00 AM (approx) McInnis Park. Call Section Leader Joyce Erlenbach, 491-1542.
LUNCH BUNCH. Meets for lunch at a different restaurant each month (members chose the restaurants). Leaders are Diana Brown, 453-3569, and Libby Byers, 453-2148.
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- Nov 12 Thurs** **GOLF.** 9:00 AM (approx) McInnis Park. Call Group Leader Joyce Erlenbach, 491-1542.
HIKING ADVENTURES. 9:00 AM. Bring lunch. Call Leader Dee Skore, 472-1072, to confirm..
- Nov 13 Fri** **PLAY READING.** 9:30 AM. Please call Chair Florence Garvie at 388-6825 if you would like to be a substitute for one of the ten members.
FRIDAY FRIENDS. 7:30 PM. Pot luck dinner at members' homes.
- Nov 15 Sun** **THEATRE BUFFS.** 2 PM matinee to see *The Miracle Worker*, at the Barn Theatre, Marin Art and Garden Center, Ross. Group leader Laura Paul, 491-1918, for reservation details.
- Nov 17 Tues** **DAY BOOKS.** 10 AM. Meet at Jean Rhodes's, 450 Edgewood Ave, Mill Valley, 388-4247. Jean is reviewer. Leader is Natalie Whittlesey, 383-8638.
- Nov 18 Wed** **GOLF.** 9:00 AM (approx) McInnis Park. Call Section Leader Joyce Erlenbach, 491-1542.
JOAN B SINNA GROUP. 9:30 AM at home of Dorothy Kilian, 508 Corte Madera Avenue, Corte Madera, 924-2648. Reach *The Estate* by Isaac Singer. Leader is Dorothy Kilian, 924-2648.
FUTURES OF WOMEN. 7 PM. Home of Heidi Scott, 54 Dolores Street, San Rafael, 459-3103. Read *My Life in France* by Julia Child. Leader is Kathy McCaffrey, 492-1727.
READING ARTS PM. 7 PM. Read *When the Emperor Was Devine* by Julie Otsuka. Group Leaders are Ann Jessup, 461-6078, and Judy Ryan, 883-1028.
- Nov 19 Thurs** **GOLF.** 9:00 AM (approx) McInnis Park. Call Group Leader Joyce Erlenbach, 491-1542.
HIKING ADVENTURES. 9:00 AM. Bring lunch. Call Section Leader Dee Skore, 472-1072, to confirm.
BRIDGE AM. Leader Betty Jennings, 472-0359.
EVENING BOOKS. 7:30 PM. Home of Marilyn Filbrun, 542 Browning Street, Mill Valley, 383-1946. Read *Dreamers of the Day* by Mary Doria Russell. Leader is Sharon Levien, 383-2135 or SLevien@aol.com.
- Nov 20 Fri** **BOARD GAMES.** 7:00 PM, home of Ann Ocheltree, 17 Mt Burney Court, San Rafael, 479-3876. Leader is Ann Thomas, 924-9559.
- Nov 24 Tues** **MEET ME AT THE MOVIES.** Movie followed by critique & social time over coffee, wine, dessert or whatever at a nearby location. SLs are Susan Gilardi, 924-1793, and Mary Mossteller, 924-3096.
- Nov 25 Wed** **GOLF.** 9:00 AM (approx) McInnis Park. Call Section Leader Joyce Erlenbach, 491-1542.
- Nov 26 Thurs** **HAPPY THANKSGIVING!**
- Nov 27 Fri** **POKER.** 7:30. Location to be decided. Leader Dee Skore, 472-1072.
BRIDGE. Evening Couples Duplicate. Section Leader Terry Gordon, 897-7692.

All AAUW members are welcome at sections (a couple are limited). Call the section leader to verify place and time or for information on any group in which you are interested.

Occasional Sections (call for information on next meeting)

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COOKING LIGHT. Informal pot lucks emphasizing light cuisine, meets quarterly. Leader is Jeanne Lese, 492-8424.

WEEKENDERS. Saturday or Sunday hiking any weekend. Section Leader is Dee Skore, 472-1072.

ART INTEREST GROUP. This group plans visits to museums or art galleries, for example a special exhibit at the de Yong or Legion of Arts. Members carpool and pay for own admission and may have no host lunches at a nearby café. Call Section Leader Gerrie Young, 461-3222, to get on her email list for events.