

# *The Women's Faculty Club Newsletter*

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I hope you are enjoying this beautiful Fall season at the Women's Faculty Club. Lunch on the deck has been particularly enjoyable in the recent warm weather.

You may notice that this is the Fall Newsletter from the Club, and it is the first you have received since summer. Last spring, the Board of Directors decided to limit the Newsletter to Fall and Spring editions, and perhaps one more if needed. **Luncheon menus are sent to you by email on a monthly basis, and invitations to all special events at the Club are sent by email to you as well** (and are mailed to those who prefer hard copy). The Board believes that emailed notices are the most effective way to promote the Club's activities, and that the Newsletter can then be used to give you real "news" about your Club.

The news for this Fall is that the Board drafted Amendments to the Club's Bylaws. Active Members of the Club (persons holding faculty, research or administrative appointments with the University, or retired therefrom) were asked to vote to approve these Amendments. Members received, in the mail, hard copies of the proposed Amendments, an explanation of the Amendments, and a Ballot for voting on them. Voting by mail was conducted in October, and the Amendments were overwhelmingly approved.

The most important amendment provides that the **election of Club Directors and the voting for future proposed amendments to the Bylaws will be conducted by email and electronic ballot.** Our prior practice of hard copy mailed ballots tended to discourage voting, and mailed ballots were too often not received. Of course, anonymity of voting will be preserved. Other amendments include a procedure for the Board to waive term limits for Directors and the Board President, as well as other small editorial changes.

This means that our next election of Directors, presumably in January of 2015, will be conducted by electronic voting. The Club's Bylaws provide that **members may nominate candidates for the Board of Directors**. I invite you to make such nominations by sending a confidential letter or email to our Manager Mary Remy at [maryremy6055@gmail.com](mailto:maryremy6055@gmail.com). Think about who you would like to represent you on the Board of Directors! **Nominations must be received by December 15, 2014.**

Sincerely,



Eleanor Swift  
President  
Board of Directors

## PROGRAM AND EVENTS



(Pianist Sarah Cahill and Composer Mamoru Fujieda)

“Arts in the Afternoon” has featured two spectacular programs this Fall. We were honored to have pianist Sarah Cahill in a return engagement at the Club. Cahill inaugurated our “Arts” program in February

2008 with a performance in honor of Helena Brewer. Cahill is well known in the Bay Area for her radio show and her work in promoting new music as well as performance. We were delighted that composer Mamoru Fujieda could be with Sarah as she played a number of pieces from their newly released CD – *Patterns of Plants*. Fujieda is internationally recognized as one of music's outstanding younger composers. Much of his work emerges from his fascination with the essentially collaborative formation of music. Their CD has received outstanding reviews -- as did the performance!

The second event featured performances by UC Berkeley Student String Ensembles with music in a modern vein by Lou Harrison – *Varied Trio for Percussion, Piano and Violin* and then a return to the classic with Mozart's *String Quartet No. 19 in C Major, “Dissonance.”* Both groups of students were a delight and our audience responded well to both the more modern Harrison piece as well as the classical Mozart.



## HOLIDAY EVENTS

Plan to join us for our Annual Holiday Luncheon on **Friday, December 12, 2014**. The Holiday Luncheon is a long-standing tradition at the Club –a champagne reception begins at 11:30 a.m. in the Lounge. Lunch is served beginning at 12 noon. New members are the guests of the Board of Directors. Please specify your choice of

entrée when making reservations. Price per person is \$29.95. Reservations must be received by Friday, December 5, 2014. Contact the office at 510-642-4175 or [hotel@womensfacultyclub.com](mailto:hotel@womensfacultyclub.com).

*Spinach Salad with Bosc Pear, Pt Reyes Bleu Cheese and Shallot Vinaigrette*

*Choice of:*

*Grass Fed Roasted Lamb Stuffed with Pine Nuts, Currants and Pomegranate Jus*

*or*

*Broiled Snapper with Scallops, Shrimp and Roasted Tomato Sauce*

*or*

*Seasonal Vegan Ravioli with Olive Oil and Herbs*

*Wild Rice Pilaf*

*Roasted Winter Vegetables*

*White Chocolate Pistachio Mousse*

*Wine and Beverages*

### **Project Pride**

Join us as we once again gather toys, books and art materials for the children served by Oakland's Project Pride. Project Pride is a residential drug and alcohol treatment program for women served by the East Bay Recovery Project. This has become a long-standing tradition at the Club and one which staff and members alike enjoy!



For the last several years the Club's Front Desk staff has created individualized stockings for each child. The stockings are beautiful and are displayed throughout the Club. Please help us fill the stockings with many "wonders." The children range from 3 months to 5 years old. You may bring age-appropriate presents labeled with gender and age or we will be happy to purchase stocking stuffers if you prefer to make a monetary donation.

### **SPRING PREVIEW - 2015**

#### **ACADEMIC LIVES**

Two "Academic Lives" programs are planned for spring semester. "Books of Note" will return with a focus on addressing environmental issues from different disciplines. Be here **Wednesday, February 25, 2015, 4 – 6 p.m.** as great minds tackle problems created by and facing our environment. Louise Mazingo, Chair of Landscape Architecture, will discuss "Pastoral Capitalism: A History of Suburban Corporate Landscapes." Dr. Richard Jackson, Chair of UCLA's School of Public Health, has produced a PBS four-part special and companion book – "Designing Healthy Communities" which looks at the impact our built environment has on key public health indices. He connects bad community design with burgeoning health costs and analyzes and illustrates what citizens can do to combat these trends. John Gillis, Emeritus Professor of History - Rutgers, explores the deep history of seacoasts – the original home of humankind – in his book "The Human Shore: Seacoasts in History." More authors may be added! Discussion with a reception to follow – invite friends and colleagues!

In March "Academic Lives" will honor a world full – or at least a University full – of "First Women." Women that were the first at Berkeley to chair a department, gain

maternity leave, become a dean... The list goes on and we want to recognize and honor these ground breaking women. **Thursday, March 19, 2015, 4 – 6 p.m.** is the date and time for both a panel discussion and reception.

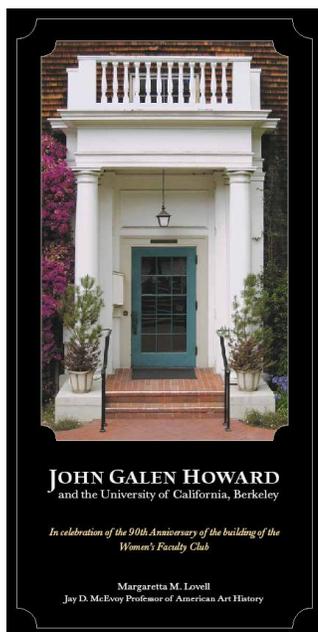
## **ARTS IN THE AFTERNOON –**

### **University Chorus – April 2, 2015**

Two events are scheduled and more are planned. Marika Kuzma and a selection of singers from the University Chorus will fill the Lounge with song on **Thursday, April 2, 2015**. This was a spectacular event last year and you will not want to miss this encore concert!

### **UC Berkeley Builds: Maybeck, Morgan and Howard - April 22, 2015**

Professor Margaretta Lovell was instrumental in programming our John Galen Howard series in 2013. She wrote a fact filled brochure with a campus map detailing the remaining Howard buildings on campus in celebration of the 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the building of the Women's Faculty Club.



Next Spring Professor Lovell joins us again as she orchestrates a program and tour of campus buildings on **Wednesday, April 22, 2015 beginning at 2:30 p.m.** The two part program - "UC Berkeley Builds: Maybeck, Morgan and Howard" will feature student presentations on core campus buildings as well as tours of sections of the campus. Participants will return from the campus tours to a reception at our own John Galen Howard designed building!

Note the time – this program begins at 2:30 p.m – with an hour for presentations – followed by tours with a return reception scheduled for 5:00 p.m. Mark your calendars now!

## **ANNUAL OPEN HOUSE**

Our final April event is the Annual Open House on **Thursday, April 16, 2015, 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.** Come enjoy an afternoon filled with wine tasting, chocolate and appetizers. Our tentative guest speaker for the day is Benjamin Glass – founder of Good Chocolate! Glass sampled his wares at our last Open House and they were tremendously well received. So – come sample, taste and tour! Invite friends and colleagues – this is a day to show off your Club!

## **UPCOMING ELECTIONS**

Board President Eleanor Swift is appointing this year's Election Committee. Those elected will begin serving in February 2015. Members are encouraged to consider nominees for these positions as well as self-nomination. The Board meets six times a year and is responsible for setting and reviewing policy for the Club. Nominations may be sent to the office to the attention of the Manager Mary Remy or email [maryremy6055@gmail.com](mailto:maryremy6055@gmail.com).

## DINING ROOM NEWS –Fall 2014



- **The Dining Room will be closed Tuesday, November 11 – Veteran’s Day Thursday and Friday, November 27 and 28 – Thanksgiving Holiday**
- **November Dining Room Special – Introducing Albertoni Wine – Cabernet Sauvignon and Chardonnay - \$3 per glass with lunch at the Club**
- **Remember our Catered Items “To Go” Menu when planning holiday parties for office and home**
- **“Tasting Tuesdays” - Join us for lunch on each Tuesday in November – We continue a tradition of small tastings each week. Tastings change each week.**
- **Thank you program for individual members – Receive a complimentary coupon for the Salad Buffet after every eight luncheons within either six month period:  
January – June or July - December**

