

Radcliffe Club of San Francisco
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Dear Alumna,

We invite you to join, or renew your membership in, the Radcliffe Club of San Francisco, the first Radcliffe Club in the world, founded in 1898 and the last remaining stand-alone Radcliffe Club.

Our club remains in force as an active and friendly affinity group, even though there is no longer a Radcliffe College. Membership is open to residents of Northern California who were attendees of Radcliffe College, Harvard University, or an affiliated program, instructors at Harvard, surviving spouses or domestic partners of a member, and parents of current and former students. We are part of the Harvard Alumni Association's family of alumni/ae groups.

All members are welcome to participate in all activities, whether on a regular or occasional basis, and to propose and lead continuing programs and special events.

Our regularly scheduled events are:

Museum events. These include private docent tours and self-guided tours at various San Francisco museums. Museum events are also listed on the Harvard Club of San Francisco's website (www.harvardclubsf.org).

Culinary Adventures. Once a month this group meets at restaurants that are new or unusual or in favorite parts of the city, from SOMA to Bernal Heights and from the Embarcadero to Ocean Beach. We have tried cuisines from a variety of countries, ethnicities and styles, from Turkey to Viet Nam, from seafood to salumeria. If there is sufficient demand, we may expand to the East Bay.

Film group. This group meets monthly in San Francisco to watch films on DVD. Its choices have included an eclectic mix of the whimsical, historical and dramatic.

Book group. This group meets monthly in our members' homes in San Francisco, Berkeley, and Marin County. See the list of books read at the link to Book Group Reading Lists on the club website. We welcome new members!

Special events include **the Annual Meeting, on April 21 this year**, and our New Year's Eve party.

Our president, Alison Boeckmann, is now serving on the Harvard Club of San Francisco's Board of Directors as our club's representative.

Club events are listed in a monthly newsletter. Past newsletters detail the variety of exhibits visited, books read, films watched, restaurants tried, and other events. Our club's website is **www.radcliffeclubsf.org**. There we post newsletters, correspondence, and our club directory. The website includes links to the Radcliffe Institute, Harvard College Women's Center, etc. The **member**

name is **radcliffe** and the password is **garden**. Members can print newsletters and the directory from the website or request a paper copy of the directory by contacting Julie Cheever.

We combine our social activities with support for the Schlesinger Library and for women at Harvard University. The Radcliffe Club of San Francisco Scholarship Fund has been providing support to a student from the Bay Area since 1959. We also raised funds for the Radcliffe Alumnae Professor at Harvard and a Radcliffe Alumnae Fellow at the Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study.

Currently, our fund-raising is focused on the Schlesinger Library, the Radcliffe Club of San Francisco Scholarship Fund and the Harvard College Women's Center, which develops and implements a wide range of programs addressing women's and gender issues at Harvard and beyond. The dues form includes the option of making a contribution to any of these entities. If you choose to make a donation through our club, Harvard University will give credit for the contribution to you as an individual and to your college class. Making a donation through RCSF also provides recognition to the club as an alumnae group actively supporting the interests of women at the university.

We send our monthly newsletter to all members as a pdf via email. The pdf can also be seen and printed from the Members section of the website. A brief summary of the month's events can be found at our **www.radcliffeclubsf.org** home page, and this letter and the dues form can be found there as well.

We hope you will join our community of women of many ages and interests.

This year, the **Annual meeting** will be on **Saturday, April 21**, at 11:30, at the home of Julie Cheever, 44 21st Avenue, San Francisco,. It will be a pot-luck lunch, with the meeting following lunch. Please RSVP to Julie (at jcheever@igc.org 415-387-6843).

We will elect officers, and will discuss a future mailing to a broader group of potential members, online payment of dues, and an update to the Club's directory. Please do come!

Sincerely,

Co-Presidents

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**Steering Committee 2017 – 2018: Co-Presidents: Janet Taber-Coppola and Alison Boeckmann.
Co-Vice-Presidents: Julie Cheever and Patricia Bourne. Secretary: Mary Claugus.
Co-Treasurers: Kathy Henschel and Lorrie Norby. Communication: Janet Taber-Coppola and Julie Cheever.
Book Group: Janet Hankin and Charlotte Shoemaker. Culinary Adventures: Patricia Bourne and Ellen Lew.
Film Group: Lucille Poskanzer and Mary Claugus. Museum Visits: Alison Boeckmann and Mary Claugus.
Web Editors: Alison Boeckmann and Kathy Henschel. Membership: Janet Taber-Coppola.
Representative to the Harvard Club of San Francisco Board of Directors: Alison Boeckmann**