

SEPTEMBER EVENTS 2018

RCSF Program: “Are Women in Danger of Losing the Advances of the Last Half-Century?” A talk and discussion led by Drucilla Ramey, '68, on Saturday, September 29, at 3 p.m. at the home of Julie Cheever, 44 21st Avenue, San Francisco. Dru is the board chair of Equal Rights Advocates and dean emerita of Golden Gate University Law School. She previously was the first female chair of the ACLU of Northern California, chair of the San Francisco Commission on the Status of Women, and executive director and general counsel of the Bar Association of San Francisco. Join us for tea and conversation. RSVP by September 20 to Julie Cheever at julie.cheever@gmail.com or 415-387-6843.

Culinary Adventures: San Francisco: Wednesday, September 12, at 11:30 a.m. at Mama Ji's, 4416 18th Street (between Douglass and Eureka). This surprising, family-run neighborhood jewel serves, yes, Dim Sum. Dumplings with shrimp and pea shoots, Shanghai soup dumplings, pumpkin cakes and more come highly recommended. Noodle and clay pot dishes lean toward Sichuan. Castro Muni station is at 17th (walk 3 1/2 blocks west on 18th), the 24 runs on Castro, or the 33 comes over the hill on Clayton from California and Arguello and ends up on 18th. Neighborhood street parking. RSVP to Pat Bourne, 415-474-0212 or patriciabourne@post.harvard.edu.

Book Group: Sunday, September 9, at 3 p.m. at the home of Christie Coffin, 1622 Spruce Street, Berkeley. The book is **“Exit West” by Mohsin Hamid**. “In spare, crystalline prose, Hamid conveys the experience of living in a city under siege with sharp, stabbing immediacy. He shows just how swiftly ordinary life -- with all its banal rituals and routines -- can morph into the defensive crouch of life in a war zone...[and] how insidiously violence alters the calculus of daily life...By mixing the real and the surreal, and using old fairy-tale magic, Hamid has created a fictional universe that captures the global perils percolating beneath today’s headlines.” (Michiko Kakutani, New York Times.) RSVP to Christie at 510-546-2146 or christieandsteve@yahoo.com. The October book will be chosen at the September meeting.

Film Group: Saturday, September 22, at 1 p.m. at the San Francisco Towers home of Stephanie Trimble, 1661 Pine Street, #413, San Francisco. We will continue watching the **2009 BBC production of Charles Dickens’s “Little Dorrit,”** the story of a devoted daughter who spends her days earning money for the family and looking after her proud father who is a long-term inmate of Marshalsea debtors’ prison. Called “Little” because she is very small (but strong), Amy Dorrit was born in debtors’ prison, and lives there, but clearly doesn’t belong there. Claire Foy, who went on to awards and fame playing Queen Elizabeth in The Crown, stars as Amy Dorrit. Many famous British actors play other roles. RSVP to Stephanie at 415-846-5431 or stephielaw@yahoo.com. Parking is available if Stephanie is notified ahead of time.

Museum Dates: Guests welcome! Please arrive 10 minutes early. Join us afterwards for coffee or lunch at the museum café. RSVP to Alison Boeckmann at alison_boeckmann@post.harvard.edu or 415-589-7001 (home), 415-317-2150 (cell). Send check (made out to Alison Boeckmann) to Alison Boeckmann, 440 Davis Court, #1211, San Francisco 94111.

Sunday, September 16, at 11 a.m. at the Contemporary Jewish Museum: “Veiled Meanings: Fashioning Jewish Dress,” from the collection of the Israel Museum, Jerusalem. These exquisite objects from the 19th and 20th centuries demonstrate how diverse global cultures have thrived, interacted and inspired each other for centuries. Adults \$23, seniors \$18, members of the CJM and guests \$10.

Sunday, October 28, at 9 a.m. at the de Young Museum: “Contemporary Muslim Fashions.” This is the first major museum exhibition to explore the complex, diverse nature of Muslim dress codes worldwide. It examines how Muslim women -- those who cover their heads and those who do not -- have become arbiters of style within and beyond their communities, and in so doing have drawn mass media attention to contemporary Muslim life. Adults \$40, seniors \$30, members of the FAMSF and their guests \$15.

To renew your membership or join the club, please use the membership form in the Membership Information section of the club website at <http://www.radcliffeclubsf.org>. If you have a change of address, please send it to Kathy Henschel at the address below or kghenschel@gmail.com.