

AUGUST EVENTS 2020

Radcliffe Club of San Francisco Annual Meeting Saturday, September 12, at 2 p.m., via Zoom.

All club members and prospective members are welcome to attend! The main item on the agenda will be an update on the Radcliffe College Alumnae Oral History Project by Project Director and RCSF member Alice Abarbanel. The project was begun last year by a committee of the club and initially funded with seed money from the club. We will also elect officers and briefly conduct club business. RSVP to Alison Boeckmann at alison_boeckmann@post.harvard.edu or 415-589-7001, and she will send you a link to the meeting.

Culinary Adventures: Wednesday, August 12, at 11:30 a.m. at your home while eating *your* lunch. The agenda is open!! Let's plan to share information on any new finds of pandemic enhancing resources like quiet walkways, recipes, not-so-crowded farmers' markets, online arts offerings, really good virtual exercise classes, masks, satisfying projects to take on. But also, let me know if you've read anything especially enlightening lately – the state of things, the election, the virus, how we might fit into the new world order, that sort of thing. If you have a shareable reference or article, send to me beforehand and I will circulate them. RSVP to Pat Bourne at patriciabourne@post.harvard.edu or 415-474-0212, and I'll send a Zoom link the day before the lunch.

Book Group: Sunday, August 9, at 3 p.m. via Zoom. The book (postponed from the July meeting) is “**Democracy in Chains: The Deep History of the Radical Right's Stealth Plan for America**” by Nancy MacLean. “[A] remarkably important book...this book is a superb contribution to our understanding of the rise of libertarian notions and right-wing political power in the US. If you wonder how the Supreme Court came to define speech as money or corporations as people, this volume will help you to figure it out....” (Bill McKibben, Times Literary Supplement.) RSVP to Alison Boeckmann at alison_boeckmann@post.harvard.edu or 415-589-7001. The September book will be “The Equivalents: A Story of Art, Female Friendship, and Liberation in the 1960s” by Maggie Doherty, about five inaugural Radcliffe Institute fellows in 1961.

Film Group: Saturday, August 15, at 2 p.m. We had a successful Film Group meeting via Zoom in July—the technology worked, we all watched together, and the quality of the film was excellent. So, we will continue via Zoom this month. We will watch **Part 2 of “Elizabeth I,”** starring Helen Mirren. While the production values of this film are top-notch, it is the acting that really shines. The director has chosen to use mostly close-ups rather than long shots, so we as viewers can appreciate every nuance of emotion in the actors' performances. This is especially effective when watching on a computer. If anyone is interested in joining us, please RSVP to Lucille Poskanzer at LBPoskanzer@icloud.com, and I will send you the link.

Harvard Overseer Elections: All alumnae and alumni are eligible to vote for the university's overseers and Harvard Alumni Association directors. The voting is open through August 18 and can be done by either email or paper ballot. The overseer candidates have been nominated by an HAA Nominating Committee or by alumni petitions. For information on the candidates, see <https://elections.harvard.edu/>. RCSF members are urged to exercise their right to vote and to consider the candidates and issues carefully.

Membership: You can renew your membership, join the club or make donations to Harvard organizations supporting women at the club website at www.radcliffeclubsf.org. The updated Membership Directory is in the “For Members” section. Please send any changes in your directory information to kgenschel@gmail.com.