

UCSC WOMEN'S CLUB: Where Campus and Community Come Together

President's Message

Welcome to the UCSC Women's Club for 2012-13! Our 47th year promises to be another interesting, informative, exciting, and entertaining one.

Your Executive Board and Interest Group Chairs have been planning a very exciting catalog of events. 1st Vice President May Clark has put together a slate of engaging speakers from the campus and community for our meetings in November, February, March, and April. *Be sure to check out the list on p 5.* We're fortunate again this year to hold our meetings at the UCSC Arboretum.

At the Fall Gathering, on Wednesday, October 3rd from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., you'll hear more about plans for the year including opportunities for joining one or more of our wide range of interest groups. The Executive Board will kick off the year by providing refreshments; you will have the opportunity to show off your culinary skills at subsequent meetings. *See p 6 for more information on food.*

We have a new web site (<http://womensclub.ucsc.edu/>). Thanks to Andrea Cohen for all of her efforts in this realm. The new site will enable Executive Board Members to update information on a frequent and timely basis. Be sure to check in there for the latest and greatest!

Fundraising efforts continue this year with the Chocolate Festival, the Shadowbrook dinner, the Human Race, the Phantom Tea, and the Show & Sell. Please consider participating in all of these events. In addition to contributing to a worthy cause, you will have a great time with your Women's Club colleagues and friends. And... thanks to your contributions, the Rita Olsen Pister Endowment continues to grow! Please

continue to maintain your generosity to this fund as well.

Special thanks go to the new newsletter editor, Tara Walker, and to the article contributors for this creative and wonderful document.

I look forward to seeing you at the Fall Gathering on October 3rd. Please feel free to contact me with any questions, suggestions, or concerns at BonitaSebastian@comcast.net or (831) 425-5995.

With warm regards,

Bonita Sebastian

Key Fall 2012 Women's Club Dates

Wed Oct 3 – Fall Gathering
Wed Oct 10 – Newcomers' Soiree
Wed Nov 7 – General Meeting
Tues Dec 4 – Shadowbrook Night
Dec ? – Holiday Party, Date TBA

Mission Statement: *The UCSC Women's Club is open to all women of the campus and town communities. Its purpose is to be of service to the university, to foster friendships between town and gown, and to encourage understanding and support for the mission and functions of the university. A special goal of the club is to develop scholarships for re-entry students.*

Fall Gathering & Newcomers' Soiree

The first meeting of the season, our Annual Women's Club Fall Gathering, is coming soon: Wednesday, October 3 at 11:30 a.m. at the UCSC Arboretum. This meeting is the perfect time to bring that friend, colleague, or family member you've been meaning to introduce to the club. And remember, guests are always welcome at the various meetings throughout the year.

If you're a new member, meaning you joined after March 31, 2012, you'll be interested in our Welcome Newcomers' Soiree on October 10. This event will be hosted by the Women's Club Board at the home of Mary Ann Hobbs from 4-5:30 p.m. (address will be given to invitees). Beverages and hors d'oeuvres will be served, and a fun time is promised for all.

New Board/Old Board Annual Lunch



The 2011-12 UCSC Women's Club Board of Directors gathered with new board members at Mary Ann Hobbs' home on June 6 to share information about club duties and dine on delicious potluck food including Annita Sibert's two pans of lasagna (1 vegetarian, 1 meat), a Mediterranean quinoa salad made by Tara Walker, fruit salad by Sally Lester, Ann Berry-Kline's pie with fresh rhubarb and strawberries from her garden, and many more treats too numerous to mention.

New and continuing board members include (front row) Kira Steinberg, Kathy Rouhier, Tara Walker, Ellen Kimmel and (back row) Mary Gonzalea, Mary Ann Hobbs, Jan Corriden, Rusty Bowman, May Clark, Sally Lester, Annita Sibert and Hazel Powell. Not pictured: Bonita Sebastian, Laurie Salatich, Ann Berry Kline, Ilene Wilson, Susan Algert, Irma Andrews, Sharon Barry,

Andrea Cohen, Virginia Rivera, Laurel Jarnagan and Jo Barbier.

The Music in Our Midst: A report from Fiat Musica

Fiat Musica, the Club's choral ensemble, presented its annual concert for family and friends on June 2 at Mount Calvary Lutheran Church in Aptos, followed by a reception on the church patio. Sheila Willey, who holds an advanced degree in vocal performance from UCSC, directs Fiat Musica. Zack Myers, a current UCSC music student, accompanied on piano.

The musical selections performed included classical pieces, folk music, show tunes, and pop songs. Several Fiat Musica singers performed solos, duets or sang in groups. Julie Goldstein accompanied several pieces on flute and she also did a solo piece, while David Kaun played clarinet for *Bei mir bist du schon*—an Andrews Sisters favorite—sung by several Fiat Musica singers. Surprise guests were Club member Lorraine Margon's son and daughter-in-law, Chris and Megan Cromwell, who performed the Beatles song, *I Will*, with Chris on guitar and Meg as vocalist.

Approximately 60 guests attended the concert. A donation basket raised \$229 for the Rita Olsen Pister Scholarship Endowment for our re-entry scholarship program. It was a lovely ending to Fiat Musica's 2011-2012 musical year, which included a total of ten concerts for a variety of events on campus as well as in the community.

The 2012-2013 season promises to be equally fun and fruitful. The group meets weekly on Thursday evenings on the Westside. If you are interested in singing

with Fiat Musica, please contact Michele Kibrick at kibrick@cruzio.com.

New Look for Women's Club Website

We are delighted to announce a new look and feel for the UCSC Women's Club website. The new <http://womensclub.ucsc.edu/> launched on Thursday, September 20, 2012. Please consult it regularly for club news and updates. If you have questions, improvement ideas or suggestions, or photos you would like to share, email Andrea Cohen, acohen@ucsc.edu.

2011-12 Scholars

Each May, we honor the UCSC Women's Club re-entry student scholarship recipients with a celebratory luncheon. The 2012 lunch, held on Wednesday, May 2 at the Cocoanut Grove, was a wonderful event that included a performance by Fiat Musica. Attendees, including many club members, got to meet several of the scholars and hear some of their stories. Read about these special students below, and don't forget to put the next lunch on your calendars; it's Wednesday, May 1, 2013.

Jesse Avila is an undergraduate majoring in intensive psychology with minors in education and philosophy, hoping ultimately to earn a Ph.D. in school psychology but still applying to the multiple subject teaching credential program. The married father of two small girls maintains an excellent academic record.

Alex Bardales tells us that his wife and children, ages 4, 1, and newborn, are the reason he returned to the university. He wants to be a role model for his family and is completing a degree in electrical engineering. Alex plans to use his scholarship to purchase parts to build a new desktop computer.

Joshua Becker is working toward a bachelor's in business management economics with an emphasis in accounting. He planned to complete an internship with KPMG, a major audit, tax and advisory services firm, this past summer, using his scholarship to assist with travel costs to and from the internship.

Sarah Benjamin, single parent of a 7-year-old son, is pursuing a career in the helping professions. She is a first generation college student majoring in sociology who planned to use her scholarship toward summer tuition and fees.

Guadalupe (Lupe) Burgara, an undergraduate with a double major in sociology and community studies, is passionate about working with children of incarcerated fathers. This past summer she planned to fulfill part of the community studies internship by working with Friends Outside, an advocacy group assisting families of those who are incarcerated, and her scholarship will help with tuition and fees.

Kevin Deutsch is an undergraduate student majoring in mathematics education. He currently works as a 7th grade math teacher and is looking forward to completing both his bachelor's degree and teaching credential. The married father of three seeks to be a role model for his children.

Richard Flores' interests have led him to the medical field, and a variety of experiences working with those who are disabled and/or receiving rehabilitation. An undergraduate majoring in human biology, Richard will be using his scholarship to assist with fees associated with medical school applications.

Tamara Gonzalez, an immigrant who came to the US when she was young, was determined to excel and describes herself as a 'product of persistence and perseverance.' Currently completing a bachelor's degree in feminist studies, she planned to use her scholarship to attend the Committee in Solidarity with the People of El Salvador (CISPES) Summer Literacy Brigade.

Erin Gray is completing a doctoral degree in the History of Consciousness. She will use her scholarship to pursue archival research at the Library of Congress on the political cartoons of the late 19th and early 20th centuries in Hawaii.

Lesley-Reid Harrison, an undergraduate major in sociology and feminist studies, is a single parent. She is an active member of an educational NGO (non-governmental organization) in her native South Africa. She planned to use her scholarship for summer tuition and fees.

Anthony Palavi is pursuing a bachelor's degree in economics and a minor in electrical engineering. He is interested in becoming an engineer in the renewable energy industry, working to create clean and sustainable sources of energy. Anthony received the second annual Robert Leet-Corday Memorial Scholarship, which he planned to apply to summer tuition and fees.

Martin Rizzo is a Ph.D. candidate in history with a focus on local California history. As he must research texts from the Spanish colonial period, Martin is seeking to enhance his Spanish skills. He planned to use his scholarship to fund summer Spanish classes.

Nestor Silva, an undergraduate student majoring in Latin American and Latino Studies, is currently researching historic and contemporary conflict in Peru. His long-term goal is to teach anthropology at the university level. He will use his scholarship for fees and books for the 2012-13 academic year.

Maxim (Max) Tabatchnik is completing a Ph.D. in politics. His current project focuses on how globalization redefines citizenship. He hopes to teach at the university level. He will use his scholarship to purchase a new desktop computer.

Virginia (Gina) Thomas is a graduate student completing a Ph.D. in psychology. Her goal is to teach issues of identity, culture, and development at the university level. Her summer

research project, for which she received the scholarship, investigates how technology, especially social media and connective devices, affects the capacity for solitude in adolescents. Gina received the 5th annual Frances Spodick Drake Memorial Scholarship.

Karla Valenzuela's early life was very difficult, leaving her native Guatemala and immigrating alone to the U.S. at age 14. The lesson she took from her early struggles was that education is liberation. Karla majors in sociology with plans to pursue her passion for education by teaching K-12. She used her scholarship to fund summer tuition and fees.

SAVE THE DATES:

Dec. 4, 2012 – Shadowbrook Night

Jan. 20, 2013 – Chocolate Festival

March 2013 (date TBA) – Phantom Tea

Shadowbrook Night



Mary Ann Hobbs will have flyers and more information at upcoming meetings, but here's the gist: Dine at Shadowbrook on Tuesday, December 4 and mention the Women's Club, and we will get 1/3 of the money you spend. Hmm, so it's a night to eat fabulous food and it benefits students in need? Sounds like a double winner!

Chocolate Festival



The 6th Annual Santa Cruz Chocolate Festival is Sunday, January 20, 2013 from 1-4 p.m. at the Cocoanut Grove! This Women's Club event has grown throughout the years and continues to be a major fundraiser. Scholarships are awarded to deserving re-entry students from this and other Women's Club fundraisers.

We need your help as club members. Here are a few specific volunteer opportunities:

- 1) Perform phone or written follow up with vendors and potential sponsors
- 2) Obtain silent auction items
- 3) "Day of" help: More vendors means we have a greater need for vendor-helpers!
- 4) Become a sponsor (Levels start at \$100 for a "Chocolate kiss" sponsorship)

Sponsorships are now being sought and vendors are signing up for table space. AND it's time to start thinking about who to nominate for Chocoholic of the Year!

If you are able to volunteer your time, please call Ann Berry-Kline at (831) 332-4042.

Phantom Tea



More information will be distributed in the future, but here are the basic details: Sometime in March 2013, look for your invitation to enjoy a virtual cup of tea at home while you make a donation to our scholarship fund. Send Phantom Tea invitations to friends who may be willing to contribute to this worthy cause!

This "virtual" event raised \$4,000+ last year! There are so many students for whom we can make a difference. Let's try to raise \$6,000 this year!

2012-2013 Women's Club Speakers

What do the UCSC Women's Club and GIIP have in common? And what is GIIP?

The answer to the first question: In the spring of 2009, Jyeshtha Wren received a scholarship from our organization to help with travel expenses to Ethiopia for a GIIP position with the Institute of International Education on Women's Reproductive Health.

To find out the answer to the second question, and learn a lot more, come to the 11:30 a.m. November 7 General Meeting at

the Arboretum to learn about GIIP (the Global Information Internship Program). It's a program, unique to UCSC, that prepares students to work with non-governmental and community-based organizations throughout the world to use information technology to promote their goals. From human rights organizations in Namibia to coffee farm collectives in Central America, GIIP interns help these groups improve their communication skills to raise awareness of and advance their causes. At the same time, the UCSC students learn valuable technical knowledge and improve their own leadership and project management skills.

For the November Women's Club presentation, program interns will accompany Managing Director Kathryn Roper so that we can hear about their specific situations.

Schedule for 2013: Nina Simon, Executive Director of Santa Cruz's Museum of Art and History, will speak on February 6. On March 6, Susan Algert, one of our Board members and a member of the UC Cooperative Extension Program, will speak about nutrition. Look for more information in future newsletters.

November 7, 2012
Kathryn Roper
Managing Director
Global Information Internship Program (GIIP)

February 6, 2013
Nina Simon
Executive Director
Museum of Art and History

March 6, 2013
Susan Algert, Ph.D., R.d.
Nutrition, Family & Consumer Sciences
Advisor

Agriculture & Natural Resources,
University of California, Cooperative
Extension
UCSC Women's Club Board Member

April 3, 2013
TBA

Food At Our Meetings: A Primer

Curious about food at our meetings? Wonder where it comes from, or what the rules are? Read on...

For those unfamiliar with the process, Women's Club members actually provide the yummy savory and sweet food at our general meetings. Attendees then partake of the food with no cost to them. As a member, you are asked to choose one meeting during the year to sign up for, and then bring either sweets or savory items (it should be a portion that feeds about 10-12 people).

The main requirement: it must be a "finger food" so no utensils are required.

You can either cook or bake something yourself, or purchase something from a store or restaurant. Many people appreciate it if at least *some* of the savory items are on the healthier side. If you do not wish to bring an actual food item, please give a small financial donation to one of the food coordinators, Annita Sibert and Ilene Wilson, and they will use this money to purchase a food item for an upcoming meeting.

Here are some past savory contributions:

- small sandwiches (vegetarian and meat)
- meat and/or cheese trays
- lettuce roll-ups
- dips with chips or vegetables
- quiche or frittata
- open-faced sandwiches

- pizza
- deviled eggs
- tortilla pinwheels
- stuffed celery
- shrimp with cocktail sauce

Past sweet contributions have included:

- cookies
- brownies
- cupcakes
- mini-tarts
- pastries
- fruit

If you think that your item isn't easily recognizable, or you want to tell folks about certain ingredient(s) in your dish, please feel free to attach a note to the food.

BONUS: Each person who brings food is entered into a drawing. The prize is a beautiful flower arrangement created by Jo Barbier plus a small gift provided by Annita Sibert.

Membership

If you have not yet renewed your membership in the UCSC Women's Club, please visit our new online secure site -- community.ucsc.edu/wc -- to join us for the 2012-13 year. Our membership year runs from July 1 to June 30. If you prefer to renew in person, we will have forms available at the Fall Gathering on October 3rd. If you prefer to mail in your membership, you can download a form from the membership page at our new site: <http://womensclub.ucsc.edu/about/membership/index.html>.

Interest Groups: Updates & Calendar

Updates

from Rusty Bowman, Interest Group Coordinator (ebowman@ucsc.edu)

Adventure Club Change: Thanks to Mary Ann Hobbs and Lori Green for two years of excellent planning for Adventure Club outings! They are stepping down as leaders, and the group will follow a new procedure, similar to that used by Lunch Bunch (a different volunteer does the planning each month). Annita Sibert is the new organizational leader, and so far three members have volunteered to lead a monthly activity. Come to the October meeting, sign up for the changed Adventure Club, and volunteer to lead for a month.

New Group, Memoir Writing: After hearing Donna Love's presentation at the April meeting, Kate Erstein was inspired to start a memoir writing group for the UCSC Women's Club. If you are interested, come to the October meeting and talk with Kate about her ideas – and yours. Then, sign up!

Other Groups: Most other groups will continue essentially as usual – Bon Appetit, Book Clubs (2, 3, 4, and 5), Bridge Club, English in Action, Fiat Musica, Garden Club, Hiking Club, Learn To Play Bridge, Lunch Bunch, Mah Jong Club, Play Reading, Sew 'N' Sews, Travel Club, and West Side Walkers. Although a few are filled to capacity (Book Clubs 2, 3, and 4 and Sew 'N' Sews), most welcome new members.

We have a few changes in leaders and meeting times: (1) Bon Appetit – Amanda Van Loan, planning leader, and Rusty Bowman, contact person, (2) Mah Jong – Hazel Powell, group leader, (3) West Side Walkers – time change to 3 p.m. every Monday, and (4) Hiking Club – Louise West to help lead, as fearless leader Laurie West completes recovery from her tumble in Castle Rock State Park.

Welcome Susan Algert: Susan (salgert@ucdavis.edu) is the new co-coordinator for interest groups. Come meet her at the next meeting, introduce yourself, and let her know about your group's activities. Maybe you can entice her to join your group!

Finally: Susan and I welcome comments and suggestions you have about current groups or new ones you want to see. Please contact us.

Interest Group Calendar Fall 2012

Check womensclub.ucsc.edu or the printed directory for contact information. Call or email for details.
Interest groups are open to all Women's Club members. There is no additional fee for joining a group, but there could be a charge for materials, or for transportation or admission fees for some events.

For location and dates of the monthly Adventure Club activities contact Annita Sibert.
 The Bon Appetit group meets four times a year at dates that accommodate members of the group. Contact Rusty Bowman.

Playreading meets at varying times, but always in the daytime.

Book Clubs 2, 3 and 4 are not accepting new members in order to keep the groups small enough for good discussion. Book Club 5 welcomes new members.

OCTOBER CALENDAR

<i>DATE</i>	<i>INTEREST GROUP</i>	<i>TIME</i>	<i>CONTACT</i>
1, 8, 15, 22, 29	WEST SIDE WALKERS	3:00	Karin Grobe
1	LEARN TO PLAY BRIDGE	6:00-9:00	Irma Andrews
2	ENGLISH IN ACTION	1:00	Karin Grobe
2, 9, 16, 23, 30	MAH JONG	1:00	Hazel Powell
2, 9, 16, 23, 30	SEW 'N' SEWS	6:00-9:00	Jo Barbier
4, 11, 18, 25	FIAT MUSICA	7:00	Michele Kibrick
8	GARDEN CLUB	11:00-1:00	Cherry Thompson, Barbara Vorlop
9	BRIDGE CLUB	12:30	Virginia Law
10	BOOK CLUB 3	NOON	
10	BOOK CLUB 4	7:30-9:00	
11	HIKING GROUP	9:30-3:00	Laurie Salatich, Louise West
15	BOOK CLUB 5	1.00-2.30	Mary Jane Chambers
17	PLAYREADING	Times vary	Mary Jane Chambers
18	BOOK CLUB 2	1:00	
19	LUNCH BUNCH	NOON-1:00	Irma Andrews
22	LEARN TO PLAY BRIDGE	6:30-9:00	Irma Andrews
29	TRAVEL GROUP	10:00-11.30	Rusty Bowman

NOVEMBER CALENDAR

DATE	INTEREST GROUP	TIME	CONTACT
1, 8, 15, 29	FIAT MUSICA	7:00	Michele Kibrick
5, 12, 19, 26	WEST SIDE WALKERS	3:00	Karin Grobe
5	LEARN TO PLAY BRIDGE	6:00-9:00	Irma Andrews
6	ENGLISH IN ACTION	1:00	Karin Grobe
6, 13, 20, 27	MAH JONG	1:00	Hazel Powell
6, 13, 20, 27	SEW 'N' SEWS	6:00-9:00	Jo Barbier
8	HIKING GROUP	9:30-3:00	Laurie Salatich, Louise West
12	GARDEN CLUB	11:00-1:00	Cherry Thompson, Barbara Vorlop
13	BRIDGE CLUB	12:30	Virginia Law
14	BOOK CLUB 3	NOON	
14	BOOK CLUB 4	7:30-9:00	
14	PLAYREADING	Times vary	Mary Jane Chambers
15	BOOK CLUB 2	1:00	
16	LUNCH BUNCH	NOON - 1:00	Irma Andrews
19	BOOK CLUB 5	1:00-2:30	Mary Jane Chambers
26	TRAVEL GROUP	10:00-11.30	Rusty Bowman
26	LEARN TO PLAY BRIDGE	6:30-9:00	Irma Andrews

DECEMBER CALENDAR

DATE	INTEREST GROUP	TIME	CONTACT
3, 10, 17, 24, 31	WEST SIDE WALKERS	3:00	Karin Grobe
3	LEARN TO PLAY BRIDGE	6:00-9:00	Irma Andrews
4, No meeting	ENGLISH IN ACTION	1:00	Karin Grobe
4, 11, 18	MAH JONG	1:00	Hazel Powell
4, 11, 18	SEW 'N' SEWS	6:00-9:00	Jo Barbier
6, 13, 20, 27	FIAT MUSICA	7:00	Michele Kibrick
10	GARDEN CLUB	11:00-1:00	Cherry Thompson, Barbara Vorlop
11	BRIDGE CLUB	12:30	Virginia Law
12	BOOK CLUB 3	NOON	
12	BOOK CLUB 4	7:30-9:00	
13	HIKING GROUP	9:30-3:00	Laurie Salatich, Louise West

17	BOOK CLUB 5	1:00-2:30	Mary Jane Chambers
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20	BOOK CLUB 2	1:00	
21	LUNCH BUNCH	NOON-1:00	Irma Andrews
31	TRAVEL GROUP	10:00-11.30	Rusty Bowman