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

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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.

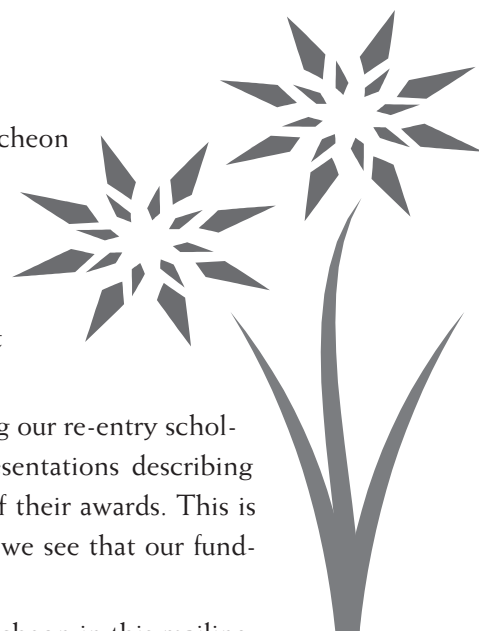
Annual Spring Luncheon Wednesday, May 3

Peachwood's at Pasatiempo

Join the fun at our annual spring luncheon to be held Wednesday, May 3 at Peachwood's at Pasatiempo. In addition to a wonderful meal, we'll be serenaded with a musical presentation by the Women's Club choral group, Fiat Musica.

The highlight of the day will be meeting our re-entry scholarship recipients and hearing their presentations describing themselves, their studies, and the use of their awards. This is always a very rewarding event because we see that our fund-raising efforts are worthwhile!

Look for the green invitation to the luncheon in this mailing, and RSVP right away.



HELP WANTED/BOARD POSITIONS

AVAILABLE FOR 2006/07

Do you enjoy supporting volunteer organizations? Are you organized and capable of taking on projects either big or small? Does working in a small team or committee appeal to you? The Women's Club Board is seeking volunteers for the following 2006/07 Board positions: 1st Vice President, Food Coordinator, Publicity, Treasurer and Members-at-Large.

Consider offering your expertise towards our shared goals. Please contact current President, May Clark (May@kestrel-press.com), or 1st Vice President, Andrea Cohen (459-3278 or acohen@ucsc.edu), to express your interest or obtain more information about available positions.

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Remember to send your Phantom Tea donation to support scholarships for re-entry students. If you don't have an invitation, please contact May Clark at may@kestrel-press.com (preferable) or 438-2577.

2005—06

UCSC Women's Club board roster

Officers

President - May Clark

1st VP - Andrea Cohen

2nd VP - Helga Cathrein

Secretary - Sarah Schuster

Treasurer - Mary Wells

Coordinators

Scholarship - Ellen Kimmel

Interest Groups - Bev Merkley

Membership - Laurie Salatich

Newsletter - Sally Lester

Publicity - Barbara Vorlop

Fundraising - Felice Sandoval

Hospitality - Cynthia Noble-Vesecky

Food - Pat Miller

Members-at-large

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Inga Hoffman

Mia Kang

Heidi McGough

Dorothea Ditchfield

Grace Jacobs

Corinne Miller

Marline Bushey

Estelle Levine

Staff Liaison

Liz Evanovich

Chancellor's Representative

Donna Blitzer

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PROGRAMS

2005-2006

APRIL 5, 2006

Dr. Phil Crews, Chemistry Professor,
Vintner and Owner of Pelican Ranch

MAY 3, 2006

Spring Luncheon at Peachwoods
with Scholarship Recipients

INTEREST GROUPS & ACTIVITIES

HIKES, VIEWS, AND ADVENTURES



The hiking group not only enjoyed some wonderful hiking trails this winter they also drove to areas outside of Santa Cruz taking in the scenery along the way.

In January we drove past farm fields and approached Carmel Valley via the beautiful Laureles Grade. The destination was Garland Ranch on Carmel Valley Road. Most of the hikers climbed up a trail and looped

around back to the visitors center but a couple of us stayed on more level ground and discovered a nature center to explore. On the way home we stopped at an artichoke stand where purchases were made.

Almaden Quicksilver County Park in Santa Clara County was the next hike for the group. It was a lovely day and an interesting hike with some nice views out towards the valley and slopes of Mount Hamilton. Almaden Quicksilver occupies the site of the first mining enterprise in California and throughout the park you can find old mine buildings. A few steps up the trail there's an interpretive display with some old photos and a history of the mining operations.

The weather forecast did not promise good hiking weather announcing the possibility of showers for the March trek. However, the group had a glorious day, sunshine and very few clouds. It was chilly but hiking helps to take some of that chill away. The views were outstanding at the Long Ridge Open Space Preserve on Highway 35. We could see towards the ocean and Pescadero and the tree covered slopes of Big Basin. We felt we were on top of the world with very few signs of civilization to be seen. The hike went through open hilltops, to rambles next to a creek, to a pond situated at a turn for a monastery, to walks in the forest. We sat and gazed at the breathtaking view while eating our lunch on the Wallace Stegner memorial bench.

Come join us for our next outing! These hikes are on the second Thursday of the month.

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FIAT MUSICA

Fiat Musica! Let there be music! Fiat Musica is the name selected by the Women's Club Chorus for the melodic group of singers. This gathering has been practicing very hard, individually at home and in the car and in the shower and wherever and whenever they can, as well as in the home of the director, Bev Merkley. Their premier performance was at the InterCampus Meeting on March 29th for the members from various women's organizations in the UC system. If you did not get a chance to hear them at that time, don't miss their next appearance at the Spring Luncheon. Let there be music! Fiat Musica!

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Alumni Association Honors Corinne Miller

On Saturday, February 4, the Alumni Association held its annual awards luncheon honoring individual faculty, staff, alums and a group of students. Established by the Alumni Association in 1995, the

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Outstanding Staff Award is presented annually to a staff member to recognize sustained, distinguished service by staff to student life, the growth and improvement of UCSC's programs,

and the preservation of UCSC's unique intellectual and physical environment. UCSC Women's Club Past-President and UCSC Services for Transfer and Re-Entry Students (STARS) Director Corinne Miller won the Outstanding Staff Award. Under Corinne's leadership, STARS has grown from a small support program for re-entry women to one serving more than 3,000 transfer and re-entry students.

Recipients are nominated for the award, and Corinne received a number of compelling nominations from current and former staff, faculty, students, and members of friends groups including the Women's Club and Lifelong Learners. Ronaldo Ramirez, Director of Development in Student Affairs wrote, "As a testament to the quality of these programs, a greater proportion of transfer and re-entry students are elected to Phi Beta Kappa than from the general population." Yvonne Rodriguez, a STARS student and former Women's Club scholarship recipient, said of Corinne, "After you spend time with her, you really feel like there is nothing you can't do. Thank goodness she has an open-door policy so that you can stop in anytime you need support."

The luncheon was held at the College Nine and Ten Multipurpose Room, and a number of Women's Club members were present to celebrate Corinne's award. For the first time in its history the event was sold out, in no small part due to Corinne's friends and supporters!

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BOWLING INTEREST GROUP



On Saturday, October 22, 2005, 4 members of the UCSC Women's Club took part in a bowling benefit activity. Each participant was asked to wear a costume based on the theme of kitchen- complete with apron and appropriate headdress. Despite not winning any of the prizes for our bowling expertise (including the lowest score prize), we did win a prize for our fabulous costumes (see photo at left).

We had such a good time bowling, that we thought it might be a fun new interest group for the UCSC Women's Club. If you are interested

in joining us, please contact Bonita Sebastian at bonitas@ucsc.edu or 831.425.5995.

First meeting: Saturday, April 15 at 9:30 AM at the Boardwalk Bowl- 115 Cliff Street (across from the Coconut Grove). \$4.10 per game; \$2.50 for shoes. Come celebrate tax day at the lanes!

EMILY CLARK "THROWS IN THE TROWEL"

One of the founding members of the club, Emily Clark, has retired from volunteer work at the UCSC Arboretum. Emily has been volunteering in various capacities for over 30 years there and has now taken a much deserved rest. Welcoming visitors as they came to the gardens, helping to complete the building of the gift shop, making items to sell at the gift shop, and potting plants for sale are some of the work she has undertaken for the Arboretum. They will miss her weekly presence but welcome her as a visitor in the future.

SUMMER READING IDEAS

Some books read by our book clubs this year

The Amateur Marriage by Ann Tyler

Ben Franklin by Isaacson

The Birth of Venus by Sarah Dunant

Blink by Malcolm Gladwell

Botany of Desire by Michael Pollan

Catcher in the Rye by JD Salinger

The Confessions of Max Tivoli
by Andrew Sean Greer

The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night
by Mark Haddon

Krakatoa by Simon Winchester

Ladies #1 Detective Agency
by Alexander McCall Smith

Little Friend by Donna Tart

Me and Emma by Elizabeth Flock

Mexifornia by Victor Davis Hanson

The Optimist's Daughter
by Eudora Welty

The Piano Tuner by Daniel Mason

Poisonwood Bible by Barbara Kingsolver

Prep by Curtis Sittenfeld

The Rape of Nanking by Iris Chang

The Secret Life of Bees
by Sue Monk Kidd

The Time Traveler's Wife
by Audrey Niffenegger

Unless by Carol Shields

The Year of Magical Thinking
by Joan Didion

UCSC Women's Club Interest Group Calendar 2006

Check womensclub.ucsc.edu or membership directory for contact information. Call or email for details.



MAH JONG CLUB
1:00-3:00
Helen Palmer

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<i>May</i>	1 BOOK CLUB ONE 1:00-2:30 Cheryl Wong	2 	3 SPRING LUNCHEON 11:00-1:00 Helga Cathrein for tickets (Pasatiempo)	4	5	6
	Sunday					
7	8 GARDEN CLUB 11:00-1:30 Kay Wagstaff Emily Clark	9 BRIDGE CLUB 12:00-2:00 Marion Brown, Christine King 	10	11 HIKING CLUB 9:30-3:00 Ellen Kimmel Bev Merkley	12 (new date) ADVENTURE CLUB 10:00-3:00 Steinbeck Museum; Lunch at Steinbeck House Bev Merkley	13
14	15 KNITTING CLUB 7:30-9:30 Barbara Vorlop	16 	17	18 LUNCH BUNCH 12:00-1:00 Bonita Sebastian	19 BOOK CLUB 4 12:00-1:30 Amanda van Loan	20
21	22	23 WALKING WOMEN 10:00-11:00 East Cliff from Natural History Museum to lighthouse stop at Aldo's 		25	26	27
28	29	30 		<i>June</i>		
				Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2 ADVENTURE CLUB 10:00-3:00 Monterey Museum; Lunch at Roy's (Pebble Beach) Bev Merkley	3
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