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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.*

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### Newcomers Luncheon

Rain pelted down, the wind shook and bent tree branches, the skies were dark and forbidding but none of that prevented 17 women from having a lovely afternoon luncheon. This was the Newcomers Luncheon held on October 19<sup>th</sup>.

The event was at Bev Merkley's house where the lights went out just as people began arriving for the noontime affair. However, the candlelight all over the house gave it an elegant atmosphere and there was enough daylight coming through the windows to allow everyone to see. Some parts of the house though could only be explored using candles and flashlights. One casualty was the coffee—it could not be made after the power went out.

Everyone who attended that was not a board member either recently joined the club or became members before leaving the house—was it the sparkling conversations, the delicious food, or the mention of all the interest groups that convinced them to join? The board was well represented and happily answered questions regarding the organization. The gathering gave us all a chance to get to know each other better.

It was decided that the event was so enjoyable and successful that we should do it again next year!

# INTEREST GROUP UPDATES

## Book Club 3

**B**ook Club 3 now has a name! It's **Brown Bag Bibliophiles** as we meet at noon and bring our own lunches.

Although many were away, we continued to meet throughout the summer. We are now back in full force and have recently read and had great discussions of: *Reading Lolita in Tabran*, *Secret Life of Bees*, *Middlesex*, *Benjamin Franklin*, and *Sister of My Heart*. As we plan to read a classic once a year we just finished *Uncle Tom's Cabin*.

In January we will read *Feast of Love*. We are also looking forward to a visit in the spring of Janet Leimeister from the Capitola Book Cafe.

## Lunch Bunch Munches

**T**he Lunch Bunch met in October at the XIN noodle house in Santa Cruz. This pan-Asian restaurant serves a variety of tasty dishes in an airy, casual setting and proved to be the perfect place for sampling a variety of new dishes and enjoying good conversation. The group will be exploring a new place each month and welcomes everyone to join in the fun.

Ethnic food seemed to work so well in October that for the next Lunch Bunch adventure we went Italian. We met at Kianti's in downtown Santa Cruz which was decorated for the holidays with a huge tree glittering with lights. We had a very good meal sharing a large platter of their gourmet pasta and a salad. At the end of the meal we each received a 'scratcher' ticket (you use a coin or knife to scratch off the covering of six items) and busily removed the silver layer to see what we had won. Some will receive a free beer or breadsticks while others will get \$3 off a pizza. Not only will the delectable food bring us back but so will these scratchers!

If you like good food and delightful company join us each month as we roam around Santa Cruz County. Call President May Clark at 438-2577 if you want to be added to our roster and be notified of where we plan to go next.

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## The Hikers Explore

**S**ix dauntless hikers braved the fog at Point Lobos State Park in October to start the hiking season with a very successful trek. The trek took us to Point Lobos, where it was determined that the fog was thicker than we liked. Being women, we were able to quickly adapt, reverse the order of our day, and trek into Carmel (by car) to The Cheese Shop in Carmel Plaza. Here we were educated, by means of many tasty samples, about world cheeses. A successful trek that day included some fine culinary purchases.

Returning to the park, we hiked along the craggy shore under the cypress trees – a magnificent spot of nature – to an inviting picnic bench, within earshot of sea lions and crash-

ing waves, where we lunched. After the hike through the woods back to the cars, one carload chose to extend our adventure with a stop at "The Barnyard". Here one hiker/shopper met with great success, and all enjoyed the gardens and shops.



Our group cohesiveness was strengthened as we realized how many interests we share, as well as traits very popular among the 50 somethings, like memory loss. Two hikers were trying to describe a great hike they had been on by saying, "we don't remember exactly where it is, or what the name is..." when a third hiker exclaimed, "Oh, I've been there!"

If you would like to be part of an adventuring, interesting group that hikes, feel free to join us! Contact Bev Merkley at [bevmerkley@yahoo.com](mailto:bevmerkley@yahoo.com) or 421-9396 or Pat Miller at [pasvca@yahoo.com](mailto:pasvca@yahoo.com) or 430-0156. We promise a fun event on the second Thursday of the month.



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Presents UCSC faculty and student stars in  
ALL THE WORLD'S A STAGE



**PROGRAMS 2005**

**FEBRUARY 2**

**"Supporting Aspiring Actors"**

Student affairs Director of Development  
Ronaldo Ramirez and Past re-entry  
Scholarship Recipients

**MARCH 2**

**"Star Power"**

The Recent Probe of Titan, a Moon  
of Saturn Adriane Steinacker, UCSC  
Lecturer and Fellow of the National  
Research Council at the NASA Ames  
Research Center

**APRIL 6**

**"The Play's the Thing"**

The Interstice of Teatro Chicano in  
the U.S. and Nuevo Teatro popular in  
Latin America and the Transnational  
performances of Mestizaje  
Colonialism and Third World Politics.  
Theater Arts Professor Alma Martinez

**MAY 4**

**"An Encore & Final Curtain"**

Spring Luncheon at Peachwoods  
with a Keynote Address by Sociology  
Professor Marcia Millman, author of  
"The Perfect Sister"

## Calling All Members!

Have some ideas on the operations of the club? Maybe you have a thought about fund-raising or refreshments. Or you enjoy creating new ways to garner publicity. There may be speakers that you think would be great for our club. Do you enjoy working with a group of women to improve and run the UCSC Women's Club? Each month we meet and discuss the monthly meetings, fund-raising, scholarships, interest groups, and other matters that are a part of the Women's Club.

We are looking for people to serve on the board next year. There are a number of offices open including members-at-large and coordinators. If you have an interest in serving on the board please contact President May Clark via email at [May \(@\)kestrel-press.com](mailto:May (@)kestrel-press.com), or regular mail at 500 Sand Hill Road, Scotts Valley, CA 95066, or speak to her at one of the monthly meetings. She will be happy to tell you about the various offices and answer any questions you may have about serving on the board.

It is a way to become more involved, to get to know other members better, and to serve a good cause. We hope you will consider volunteering your time and efforts.

## Sushi Creations

Mark your calendars for Saturday, January 22 to learn the art of sushi making. We'll meet from 10 am – 1 pm at the home of Mia Kang and make luscious sushi. You'll get to eat your creation and keep the rolling mat!

A \$5 donation is requested and will be contributed to our scholarship fund. There's only room for 20 participants, so please respond soon to Heidi McGough at [mcgough@soe.ucsc.edu](mailto:mcgough@soe.ucsc.edu). If you can't make this date or if this session fills, add your name to a wait list for the possibility of another session.

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## UCSC Women's Club board roster

### Officers

President May Clark  
1st VP Corinne Miller  
2nd VP Estelle Levine  
Secretary Andrea Cohen  
Treasurer Mary Wells

### Coordinators

Scholarships Helga Cathrein  
Interest Groups  
Joan Harrington-Trenbeth  
Membership Sally Lester  
Newsletter Sally Lester  
Publicity Barbara Vorlop  
Fundraising Anne Easley  
Sarah Schuster  
Refreshments Pat Miller  
Hospitality Bev Merkley

### Members-at-Large

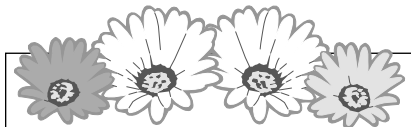
Dorthea Ditchfield  
Frances Drake  
Inga Hoffman  
Mia Kang  
Heidi McGough  
Cynthia Noble-Vesecky

### Staff Liaison

Liz Evanovich

### Chancellor's Representative

Donna Blitzer



### MEETING REFRESHMENTS

Remember our new system for refreshments. There will be sign-up sheets at our meetings for each of the subsequent months.

## Announcements

The Women's Club board is seeking a volunteer to help us create a web site for the club. If you have skills in web design and construction, and a desire to contribute to the club, please contact President May Clark at [may\(@\)kestrel-press.com](mailto:may(@)kestrel-press.com)

With this newsletter we are sending you a UCSC Women's Club directory of members. Please review the membership list and if you have any changes contact President May Clark at [may\(@\)kestrel-press.com](mailto:may(@)kestrel-press.com) or 500 Sand Hill Road, Scotts Valley, CA 95066.

We would love to recognize significant events in the lives of our members. If you have a new family member, or if you know a Women's Club member who's lost a family member or suffered an illness or accident, please contact a board member so we can send an acknowledgement.

## Many Thanks

Molly Bartram is a re-entry woman who received a Women's Club scholarship last spring to help her with some work she was doing in Mexico. She took the time to write us the following lovely thank you letter.

Dear UCSC Women's Club,

I would like to thank the entire UCSC Women's Club for awarding me the STARS Re-Entry Scholarship. Being selected for this award has been a great honor. Additionally, it will bring even more meaning to the project that I will be doing this summer in Zacatecas, Mexico, because while I am there I will have in mind all of the hard work and commitment that went into raising money for students like me. It is a wonderful feeling to know that there are so many caring women in this community who value and support UCSC students and who are willing to sacrifice their precious time and energy in order to help them on their road towards academic achievement.

Also, I was very touched by the beautiful luncheon in our honor. I felt excited and inspired to meet and hear from other female students who are as enthusiastic as I about their studies and about connecting with other cultures and communities throughout the world.

Sincerely,

Molly Bartram

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### Application for membership in the UCSC Women's Club

*Membership period: July 1, 2004 to June 30, 2005*

Please complete the form below as you would like to be listed in the directory.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

WORK PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

New  Renewal  I am interested in serving on the Board  
Membership contributions fund the UCSC Women's Club's operating expenses and its annual scholarship program. Enclosed is my membership contribution of:

\$100 Sponsor  \$50 Sustaining  \$35 Contributing  \$25 General

*Enclosed is an additional tax-deductible gift to the Rita Olsen Pister Endowed Scholarship for UCSC Re-Entry Students:*

\$100  \$50  \$35  \$25  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Please bill my credit card:

Visa  Mastercard

NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

EXP. DATE \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount To Be Charged:

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to:

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