



ASSOCIATION FOR WOMEN IN SCIENCE PALO ALTO CHAPTER

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March/April 2003

AWIS Winter Networking Social

by Silke Thode

The winter networking social of the Palo Alto Chapter was held in our usual meeting spot in the PARC auditorium. The attendance was great and everyone got to meet a number of new people. Thanks to volunteer Susan Bernhard we enjoyed great Chinese food and tried our hand at Mingle Bingo while chatting with new acquaintances and old friends alike. We then heard about the advantages of being an AWIS member and a volunteer for a local chapter. For the last part of the meeting with then lined up to practice our skills in introducing ourselves to new people (also known as the "Elevator Speech"). Overall the meeting has been declared a great success and attendees continued to network even after the meeting was closed. A big thanks to all the volunteers who helped make this meeting possible and to the PARC staff for graciously hosting us.

President's Note

by Michelle Boytim

It is time for our annual elections. I want to thank all of the members who volunteered to run for the board for the upcoming year. I also want to thank our outgoing board members, Erin Cline and Nancy Jennerjohn for their excellent service. Nancy will be continuing on with the board as our NCC representative. As we have a one-year term of service, I would invite any of our members who are interested in finding out more about our board positions to contact us and perhaps "intern" for a position. We have a lot of exciting events coming up, including the Winter Workshop, the Awards Banquet and a joint chapter meeting this summer, along with our regularly scheduled meetings. I encourage all chapter members to submit your vote by mail or through our website.

Career Development Workshop: RSVP Today!

By Staff Correspondent

This year's NCC-AWIS workshop provides a different perspective on effective communication. Good communication skills are essential for developing effective professional relationships. How you present yourself and handle situations can and does influence your career development. Our presenter, Syndi Seid, is the President of 'Advanced Etiquette' in San Francisco. She has appeared on radio and TV, has been featured in magazine and newspaper articles and best of all— she knows AWIS! Syndi recently gave a presentation to the Mentoring Program to great acclaim.

This interactive half-day workshop will provide strategic dos and don'ts, and there will be time to address specific questions or concerns of workshop participants – all in a friendly, supportive environment.

Register today and bring a friend! Registrations must be received by **March 8th** and the \$25 price includes breakfast, lunch and all the handouts for the workshop.

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Congratulations to AWIS members!

Laura Smoliar and her husband welcomed baby Russel James Michael Arbore into the world on Jan 6, 2003. Chances are good that by the time you read this news our Membership co-Chair, Lalitha Subramanian will have her second child in her arms. Sweet dreams to the new Moms and their families.

Kudos to Avital Bareket-Samish our newsletter editor who started a new position in January as a Medical Director at Helix Medical Communications. She made contact with her new employer through a job fair! Beth Hill, volunteer on the Program Committee started a new job in February as Director of Protein Chemistry at Alza.

Six Reasons to Join AWIS-Palo Alto

From the Newsletter Archives

AWIS-Palo Alto is a local nonprofit organization affiliated with National AWIS and AAAS. We are an organization where you can:

- Network and receive support from other women in science
- Problem-solve with others who have been where you are now
- Develop leadership skills and strategies to advance your career
- Project a voice with impact on national issues like science education
- Promote opportunities for women in science
- Exercise your commitment to foster the next generation of women in science

Your membership supports our committee work and our programs. Our goal is to double membership this year! For information on how to join please visit our website at www.pa-awis.org.

Mentoring Meeting On Personal Values–

Staff correspondent

More than sixty people turned out to hear Bonnie M Goodman, MA and Libby Pannwitt, MA at the Mentoring meeting on January 21st to participate in their team-taught workshop on defining personal values. Personal values form the basis for our choices in work and life, and are different for each of us - yet they remain largely unexamined. Using their handout 'tool' we worked in small groups and then had some very animated discussions with the group as a whole. Both mentors and protegeses agreed that the presentation allowed us to gain perspective on our own key values, and think about what matters in terms of defining meaningful work. Both speakers offered follow-up. Bonnie is based at Stanford and offers group as well as individual career counseling. You may contact Bonnie at phone 650-858-0755, or by e-mail BonnieMGoodman@aol.com. Libby Pannwitt may be contacted at The Work-Life Design Group in San Carlos. Phone (650) 802-1161, or email libby@worklifedesigngroup.com.

❖ NEWS and
INVITATIONS

Science Fair Judges Needed!

By Katy Kuo Korsmeyer

The Fourth Annual Synopsys Silicon Valley Science and Technology Championship will be held on Thursday, March 13, 2003. This is the 43rd annual regional science fair in Santa Clara County, feeding into the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair. The event will take place in Exhibit Hall 3 (closest to Almaden) at the San Jose McEnery Convention Center.

The annual Science Fair is supported by hundreds of Bay Area companies and individuals; they help by providing funds, awards, scholarships and scientific/engineering expertise. At this time we are writing to solicit some of this expertise from you: WE NEED JUDGES!

We anticipate that a thousand students from grades 6 through 12 will participate. We are looking for 400 volunteers to serve on judging teams of two to four people to determine winners at each grade level in eleven categories. In addition to selecting the winning projects, judges will be encouraging and sharing their experience with all the students. This interaction is a critical and integral part of the Fair.

Official category judging will take place from 2 pm to 4:30 pm on Wednesday, March 13. Category judges will receive their assignments starting at 11 am. A box lunch will be available at 11:30 am. A short orientation for judges will start at 12:30. Judges will be able to preview, without students present, from 1 to 2 pm. Each judge will have an opportunity to speak to students separately, evaluating eight to fifteen projects. A designated leader will facilitate a team decision to select the winners.

If you would like to judge this year, please register via our website as soon as possible at <http://www.science-fair.org>. If you wish to be on a judging team with friends or colleagues, please indicate your preferences as you register. Upon receiving your registration, we will send a confirmation message. Further details such as the "Judging Guide" can be obtained from our website, <http://www.science-fair.org>. Directions to the Convention Center may be found at http://www.sjcc.com/getting_here/directions.html.

Join Us for Our Spring Mentoring Meeting

A final wrap-up meeting of the Mentoring Program is planned for May 22nd. We will feature a panel of distinguished mentors who will share their experience of 'transitions' in all its manifestations, in both life and work. More information about the meeting may be obtained by email to the co-chairs at mentoring_awis@yahoo.com.

Call for Recognition Award Nomination

By Mary Alice Yund

Each year at our Awards Banquet, NCC-AWIS presents awards to women who have combined pursuing their own careers with support of other women in science. In honoring individual women, AWIS recognizes the importance of mentoring and of teaching and sharing with others more than just the content and techniques of our science. Two awards go to women working in research or technological advancements in academia or industry: one to a woman established in her field (Judith Pool Award), one to a woman early in her career (Ellen Weaver Award). A third award goes to a woman who uses her science away from the bench (Distinguished Professional Award).

What do all the previous recipients of these awards have in common? Someone nominated

them. Most mentoring and professional assistance is done privately, one-on-one. To nominate a woman send a letter of nomination explaining how the nominee has helped other women develop professionally and a brief resume or CV giving the nominee's educational background and professional history, by February 15, to Mary Alice Yund, 723 Woodhaven Road, Berkeley, CA 94708. Questions? Contact Mary Alice at (510) 525-1715 or yund@worldnet.att.net.

Please take an active role and help AWIS identify and honor these exceptional women and recognize the importance and value of what they do.

The 3rd National Postdoc Network Meeting

The meeting, titled "Changing the Culture of Science", will be held at 15-17 March 2003, in Berkeley, CA

The Postdoc Network is organizing a third national meeting to discuss postdoctoral policies and programs. We invite postdocs, principal investigators, mentors, research administrators, disciplinary societies, postdoc office administrators, funding agencies, and policymakers to attend. Speakers represent a cross section of the postdoc policy stakeholder arena, from professional society representatives, postdoc leaders, and administrators, to education and policy leaders.

For more information, please see the agenda posted at <http://nextwave.sciencemag.org/cgi/content/full/2002/12/03/10> or contact postdocnetwork@aaas.org.

✧ RESOURCES

Job Listings

GeneEd is Looking for a Pain Neurology Consultant A candidate would have an M.D or Ph.D, with expertise in Nociceptive and Neuropathic Pain to work as a subject matter expert/consultant in the preparation of e-learning Please contact Dr. Salil Patel at salil.patel@geneed.com or Dr. Blesila Castro at blesila.castro@geneed.com courses.

Northern California Chapters

NCC- AWIS

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presents:

Career Development – Saturday Workshop

Featuring

Workshop Leader: Ms. Syndi Seid

Founder and Director of “Advanced Etiquette” a company in San Francisco
dedicated to teaching world-class personal skills

“Professional Conduct for Power and Success”

We will learn how to:

- * be assertive without being aggressive
- * create a new personal image for success
- * maximize networking effectiveness
- * handle difficult people in workplace interactions

DATE: Saturday, March 15, 2003
LOCATION: Genentech, Inc.
 1 DNA Way (formerly Pt. San Bruno Blvd.)
 South San Francisco
TIME: 9:00 - 9:30 am **Registration** (free continental breakfast)
 9:30 - 2:30 pm **Workshop** (box lunch is included)
COST: \$25 (members) / \$40 (non-members)
 ** Please register and pay on or before March 8th **
CONTACT: Mary Alice Yund, NCC AWIS 510 525-1715 or email yund @ worldnet.att.net

R.S.V.P. Please register me for the NCC March 15th Workshop

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Make Check Payable to: NCC-AWIS (\$25 members / \$40 non-members)

Member _____ Chapter: _____

Non-Member: _____

Mail to:
Mary Alice Yund
723 Woodhaven Road
Berkeley, CA 94706

Directions to Genentech, Inc.

Genentech, Inc.
1 DNA Way
Building “B5” Auditorium
South San Francisco, CA 94080

Driving From the North

Take the 101 Freeway South.
Exit at Grand Ave./South San Francisco.
At the bottom of the exit ramp, turn left at the light onto Airport Blvd.
At stoplight, turn left onto Grand Ave. and proceed under freeway to East Grand Ave.
At the fourth stoplight, turn left onto FORBES BLVD.

Driving From the South

Take the 101 Freeway North.
Exit at Grand Ave./South San Francisco.
At the bottom of the exit ramp, turn right onto East Grand Ave.
At the first stoplight, turn right to continue on East Grand Ave.
At the second stoplight, turn left onto FORBES BLVD.
Continue on FORBES BLVD. for 1.3 miles until it terminates to DNA Way.
Proceed to one of the three visitor parking lots and register at Building B5 lobby.

East Bay Association for Women in Science Chapter Meeting

They All Laughed: Some Stories About Career Choices

Speaker: Arati Prabhakar, *U.S. Venture Partners*

Thursday, March 20, 2003

Time: 6:30-8:30 pm

6:30 PM Catered Light Supper; 7:00 PM Meeting Begins

**Chiron Corporation, Building 4.104
4560 Horton St, Emeryville, CA**

**Meetings are free and open to non-AWIS members
Men, Women, Scientists and Non-Scientists are Welcome!**

Arati Prabhakar is a venture partner at U.S. Venture Partners in Menlo Park, California since February 2001. From 1986 to 1993, Arati worked at the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency, initially as a program manager and subsequently as director of the Microelectronics Technology Office. Through her DARPA investments, she worked with over 300 companies, universities, and other labs to pursue breakthrough technologies in semiconductor manufacturing, imaging, optoelectronics, and nanoelectronics. In 1993, President Clinton appointed Arati as the director of the National Institute of Standards and Technology. At NIST, she co-invested with companies in R&D in areas ranging from healthcare information infrastructure to composite materials to DNA diagnostics. Arati joined Raychem Corporation as senior vice president and chief technology officer in 1997. She was subsequently vice president and then president of Interval Research Corporation, which she joined in 1998.

Arati received her B.S. in Electrical Engineering from Texas Tech University. She received an M.S. in Electrical Engineering and a Ph.D. in Applied Physics from the California Institute of Technology. Arati began her career as a Congressional fellow at the Office of Technology Assessment. She is a Caltech Distinguished Alumna and a Texas Tech Distinguished Engineer. Arati is a Fellow of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers.

For more ebAWIS chapter information please refer to our website at www.ebawis.org

For questions regarding the Chiron meeting site contact AB Jefferson at AB_Jefferson@chiron.com

What type of coaching works for your personality?

Heather Davis
HDCoaching

Professional Certified Coach, Heather Davis will take you through the different types of professional coaching that is available to you such as Executive coaching, Business coaching, Small Business coaching, Personal coaching, relationship coaching to name a few. She will demonstrate coaching and the power it can have on your life. You will receive a complimentary coaching session with Heather just by showing up! To learn more about Heather and professional coaching you may visit www.hdcoaching.com or www.sfcoaches.org.

DATE:	Tuesday, March 25
TIME:	7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
LOCATION:	Xerox PARC Auditorium 3333 Coyote Hill Rd, Palo Alto

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7:00-7:30 pm	Networking and light Supper
7:30-7:45 pm	Announcements
7:45-8:45 pm	Program
8:45-9:00 pm	Discussion

- ***Welcome!! The Meeting is free but a donation of \$2 is suggested to help offset the cost of food. You don't need to be a Member to attend. All scientists, students, and their friends are welcome. Men too!***

Directions from the North:

Take Hwy 280 SOUTH, exit at Page Mill Rd and at the bottom of the ramp turn LEFT and head towards Palo Alto. Turn RIGHT onto Coyote Hill Road. Xerox PARC is on the left, just past the crest of the hill. Enter main door and look for signs to the Auditorium.

Directions from the South:

Take Hwy 280 NORTH, exit at Page Mill Road, turn RIGHT at the bottom of the offramp and head up hill towards Palo Alto. Turn RIGHT onto Coyote Hill Road. Xerox PARC is on the left, (follow directions above).

ALTERNATE: Take Hwy 101, exit at Oregon Expressway heading west towards Stanford. As you cross El Camino, Oregon is renamed Page Mill Road. Follow Page Mill Road WEST, cross Foothill Expressway, and take a LEFT on Coyote Hill Road. Xerox PARC is on the left, (follow directions above to Auditorium).

LOCAL (from Stanford): Take Foothill SOUTH towards Los Altos, and turn RIGHT at Page Mill Road heading WEST. Turn LEFT onto Coyote Hill Road. Xerox PARC is on the left, (follow directions above to Auditorium). See also www.parc.xerox.com/location.html

Association for Women In Science

Annual Awards Banquet

You are cordially invited to attend this year's Awards dinner. This event honors outstanding women scientists, professors and students from Northern California. It's a great party and a wonderful way to meet other women in science!

Think – food, flowers, wine, chocolate, celebration!

Awards:

- * Judith Pool Award
- * Distinguished Professional Award
- * Ellen Weaver Award
- * AWIS Chapter Scholarships

Date: Thursday, April 24th, 2003

Time: Registration 6-7 pm
 Dinner – 7-8 pm
 Program – 8-9 pm
 Place: Genentech, South San Francisco, CA
 Conference Center Building #5
 Directions: see page 5

Cost (before April 7): \$30 regular, \$25 for students/postdocs/unemployed
 Cost (after April 7): \$35

Please send registration to the address below. Check payable to “NCC-AWIS” and send to:

AWIS – Northern California Chapters
 43494 Ellsworth Street #16
 Fremont, CA 94539
jtbarnitz@yahoo.com

Early Registration deadline is Monday, April 7th so that we can arrange the delicious dinner. Veggie options will be available. Please join us for the FUN and to honor and recognize some very special award winners. Acceptance speeches are short, often funny and always inspirational.

Information may also be found on the NCC web page and the Palo Alto website:
<http://www.nccawis.org> or <http://www.pa-awis.org>

Yes! I Plan to Attend the Awards Banquet on April 24th. Here is my check for \$30 (before April 7). Please add my name to the list.

Name _____

CALENDAR of EVENTS

March BioE2E Meeting

Wednesday, March 5
7:00-9:00pm

FDA Regulatory Strategies

Wilson Sonsini Goodrich and Rosati
950 Page Mill Road, Palo Alto

Cost: \$20 at the door.
Please visit www.bioe2e for details

WILS March Meeting

Thursday, March 13

Women Leader in Science Seminar
Series

Polly Matzinger, Ph.D., National
Institute of Allergy and Infectious
Disease.

Please visit
<http://itsa.ucsf.edu/~wils/WILS.html#listserver>
for details

Science Regional Fair

Thursday, March 13

A regional science fair for students
from grade 6 through 12

Volunteer to be a judge!

San Jose McEnergy Convention
Center.

See page 2 for details

**Annual Bay Area AWIS
Winter Workshop**

Saturday, March 15
9am-2:30pm

Professional conduct for power and
success

Syndi Seid, Founder and Director of
Advanced
Etiquette, San Francisco.

Genentech, South San Francisco

See flyer on page 4 for more details

**Expanding Your Horizons
Workshop**

Saturday, March 15
9am-2:00pm

Hands on workshops for
6th-9th grade girls

San Jose state

For volunteering opportunities contact
Kathy Land Tel: 650-947-3311

BioScience Forum

Wednesday, March 19
6:00-9:00pm

Vaccines and Immunotherapeutics by
Directed Molecular Evolution

Juha Punnonen, M.D., Ph.D.
Vice President of Vaccine R&D at
Maxygen

San Mateo, CA

Please visit www.biosf.org for details

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Thursday, March 20
6:30-8:30pm

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Arati Prabhakar, Ph.D.

Chiron Corporation, Emeryville, CA

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see page 5 for details.

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Tuesday, March 25
7:00-9:00 pm

What type of coaching works
for your personality?

Heather Davis
HD Coaching

PARC Auditorium
3333 Coyote Hill Road, Palo Alto

See flyer on page 6 for more
details.

BioScience Forum

Wednesday, April 16
6:00-9:00pm

Title:TBA

David Spellmeyer, Ph.D.
CSO and VP Drug Discovery
Signature BioScience Inc.

San Mateo Marriott Hotel
San Mateo, CA

Please visit www.biosf.org for details

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