

AAUW HIKES AND WALKS 2017-2018

Join us for exercise, companionship, fun and good food!

YOUR LEADERS: Kay Duffy 1-408-867-0508 & Jane Bishop 1-408-356-7796.

EVERY SECOND and FOURTH THURSDAY AS LISTED HERE AND IN THE GRAPEVINE STARTING TIME IS 9 A.M.! PROMPTLY! BE ON TIME BECAUSE WE DON'T WAIT!

Distance 5-7 miles You can do a shorter version of the hike, but you must bring a buddy to walk with.

There is no need to call unless you have an urgent question.

Rain or shine, hot or cold we go! Wet-weather days will alter scheduled hikes to nearby and shorter.

Waffle-soled hiking shoes or boots are strongly recommended + water + something warm to wear, just in case.

MEETING/CARPOOLING LOCATIONS Drivers receive a donation of 10 cents/mile/passenger + shared entry fees.

IN LOS GATOS – “FREE LIMITED PARKING - Northside Lot” way back - behind Starbucks and PetCo.

Coming from the north on Saratoga Avenue, turn left on Santa Cruz Avenue. Turn right into the parking lot just past the “Los Gatos Shopping Center” sign. Drive to the back of Starbucks and PetCo. and drop down to parking.

Coming from the south on Saratoga Avenue, turn right into “Free Limited Parking – Northside Lot” after University and before Santa Cruz Ave. Drive way down to the meeting location behind Starbucks coffee.

IN SARATOGA - **Argonaut Shopping Center** on Saratoga-Sunnyvale Road 1½ miles north of the Village.

Look for us way out in front of the CVS Pharmacy away from the shops and bank.

REGULAR ALL DAY HIKE – 2nd Thursday of the month - to parks or locations up to an hour away - hike 5-7 mi. Return 2 to 4 P.M. - more or less - depending on distance to hiking location and additional activities. We will often schedule a food stop or interest site. For details **save this schedule** or see the **Grapevine**.

BACK BY NOON HIKES - 4th Thursday of the month. With no advance planning, we will do a nearby, quick exercise, about 5 miles on the local trails within a ½ hour drive and get back by noon. Coffee or lunch? (In Nov. we will hike the day after Thanksgiving - on Friday.) **NOV. - MAY meet in Saratoga; JUNE – OCT. meet in Los Gatos.**

TRAIL CLEAN-UP DAYS – every few months, on an extra Thursday we clean-up a section of the Los Gatos Creek Trail that our AAUW Branch has adopted. After cleaning-up and clipping, we hike some more (back by noon). Coffee or lunch at a Los Gatos restaurant is an option. Bring gloves and clippers, if you have them. Bags and grabbers are provided. Check the **green dates** on the schedule below. **Meet in Los Gatos.**

HIKES AND WALKS 2017

Mark your calendar for really important adventures every 2nd and 4th Thursday!

- 14 September **ANNUAL SAN FRANCISCO HIKE** - We will visit the new Presidio Visitors Center and hike this beautiful SF park and open space. Wonderful views, cool temperatures, Bring lunch **Meet promptly 9A.M. Saratoga**.
- 28 September **BACK BY NOON HIKE** + exercise on nearby trails, coffee or lunch. **Meet promptly! 9A.M. Los Gatos.**
- 5 October **TRAIL CLEAN-UP** **Meet promptly! 9A.M. Los Gatos**
- 12 October **HARVEY BEAR OPEN SPACE** – 5-6 mile hike up to the ridge overlooking Coyote Reservoir on the east side of the valley. Wonderful panoramas. Dress warmly! Bring lunch. **Meet promptly! 9 A.M. Los Gatos**
- 26 October **BACK BY NOON HIKE** + exercise on nearby trails, coffee or lunch. **Meet promptly! 9A.M. Los Gatos.**
- 9 November **TARWATER TRAIL - PESCADERO PARK** Hike through lovely redwoods and along a creek with unusual tar-ball deposits – off Alpine Road toward the coast. Bring lunch. **Meet promptly! 9A.M. Saratoga.**
- 24**November **FRIDAY **AFTER THANKSGIVING BACK BY NOON HIKE** - Meet promptly! 9A.M. **Saratoga**
Walk off some of that huge turkey dinner together with the Friday hikers!
- 30 November **TRAIL CLEAN-UP** - back by noon hike + coffee or lunch. **Meet promptly! 9A.M. Los Gatos**
- 14 December **HOLIDAY HIKE AND PARTY** – One of our favorite hikes along the banks of beautiful **FALL CREEK** near Felton, followed by our annual holiday lunch on the deck of friendly Hallcrest Winery. Bring "goodies" to share for lunch. Kay provides drinks, plates, utensils. **Meet promptly! 9A.M. Los Gatos.**
P.S. If the weather is really poor, we will party at Kay's at 11:30. Call Kay Duffy 1-408-867-0508.
- 28 December **BACK BY NOON HIKE – NO EXCUSES!** Exercise after and before all that holiday food by walking and talking with friends. (Bring family, too!) **Meet promptly! 9A.M. Saratoga**

I'M HUNGRY

MY FEET HURT

DO YOU KNOW WHERE WE ARE?

TIME FOR A PIT STOP

ARE YOU SURE YOU'RE NOT LOST?

YOU SAID THAT WAS THE LAST HILL!

ISN'T IT TIME FOR LUNCH YET?

TIME FOR MY BANANA

I THINK?

NO THIS WAY!

THIS WAY

THIS WAY!

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- 11 January** UVAS CANYON WATERFALLS Hike up the canyon past numerous beautiful falls then loop through the oak forest to the viewpoint picnic table. Bring lunch. Early rains will make this a special hike. Bring Lunch. Meet promptly! 9A.M. Los Gatos
- 25 January** BACK BY NOON HIKE Meet promptly! 9A.M. Saratoga
- 1 February** TRAIL CLEAN-UP - Meet promptly! 9A.M. Los Gatos
- 8 February** VALENTINES DAY – LIVERMORE RAMBLE Bring your lover or best friend on this easy hike along a lovely creek-side trail to picnic (and tasting) at Wente Winery. Meet promptly! 9A.M. Los Gatos
- 22 February** BACK BY NOON HIKE Meet promptly! 9A.M. Saratoga
- 8 March** VARGAS PLATEAU Explore a new park high on the Sunol Pass. Some good up-hills to spectacular views of the whole bay area. Bring lunch. Meet promptly! 9 A.M. Los Gatos
- 22 March** BACK BY NOON HIKE Meet promptly! 9A.M. Saratoga
- 29 March** TRAIL CLEAN-UP - Meet promptly! 9A.M. Los Gatos
- 12 April** PORTOLA PARK REDWOODS – a cool hike in the Santa Cruz Mts. Hug a redwood! 6 miles to Page’s Mill site. Bring lunch. Meet promptly! 9A.M. Saratoga
- 26 April** BACK BY NOON HIKE Meet promptly! 9A.M. Saratoga
- 10 May** MINDEGO HILL - Off Alpine Road north of Russian Ridge. On newly acquired open space, a recently completed trail brings us gently to the hill top for spectacular views Bring lunch. Meet promptly! 9 A.M. Saratoga
- 24 May** BACK BY NOON HIKE Meet promptly! 9A.M. Saratoga
- 31 May** TRAIL CLEAN-UP – Meet promptly! 9A.M. Los Gatos
- 14 June** WILDER RANCH COASTAL HIKE – An easy hike on the cliffs above the coast north of Santa Cruz. We will see seals, birds, wildflowers, and maybe even some whales! Climax the day with coffee and Pastry at Kelly’s yummy bakery . Meet promptly! 9A.M. Los Gatos
- 28 June** BACK BY NOON HIKE Meet promptly! 9A.M. Los Gatos.
- 12 July** ANNO NUEVO COASTAL HIKE Although this is not the busy elephant seal season we will see a few lounging along the shore of this interesting peninsula. Afterwards we will visit the Pie Ranch, observe organic farming and yes- pies! Possible visit to glass blowing shop at Davenport. Meet promptly! 9A.M. Los Gatos.
- 26 July** BACK BY NOON HIKE Meet promptly! 9A.M. Los Gatos.
- 2 August** TRAIL CLEAN-UP - Meet promptly! 9A.M. Los Gatos
- 9 August** BEACH HIKE AND ANNUAL CLEAN-UP – Moss Landing beach. Bring gloves and bags. Reward ourselves with lunch at Capt. Phil’s. Meet promptly! 9A.M. Los Gatos
- 23 August** BACK BY NOON HIKE Meet promptly! 9A.M. Los Gatos
- 13 September** TRAVERTINE SPRINGS Toll Road loop from Saratoga Gap to the head waters of the San Lorenzo River. Bring Lunch. Meet promptly! 9A.M. Saratoga
- 27 September** BACK BY NOON HIKE Meet promptly! 9A.M. Los Gatos
- 4 October** TRAIL CLEAN-UP Meet promptly! 9A.M. Los Gatos

TO PIE

NO THAT WAY!

ARE YOU SURE?

THIS WAY

YOU ALWAYS SAY THAT!

ALMOST THERE!

TO COFFEE

I LIKE DOWN HILL BETTER

DRINK LOTS!

BUT THEN I HAVE TO "GO"

IF YOU DO PLENTY OF NICE BUSHES



MY FEET HURT!

HOW MUCH FURTHER?

