

# AAUW HIKES AND WALKS 2018-2019

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 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month** - to parks or locations up to an hour away - hike 5-7mi.

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 - 4<sup>th</sup> 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 2018

Mark your calendar for really important adventures every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday!

- 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**
- 11 October** **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.**
- 25 October** **BACK BY NOON HIKE** + exercise on nearby trails, coffee or lunch. Meet promptly! 9A.M. **Los Gatos.**
- 8 November** **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**
- 23\*\*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!
- 29 November** **TRAIL CLEAN-UP** - back by noon hike + coffee or lunch. Meet promptly! 9A.M. **Los Gatos**
- 13 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 walk locally and party at Kay's at 11:30. Call Kay Duffy 1-408-867-0508.**
- 27 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.**

THIS WAY!

I THINK?

NO THIS WAY!

TIME FOR MY BANANA

THIS WAY!

ARE YOU SURE YOU'RE NOT LOST?

YOU SAID THAT WAS THE LAST HILL!

ISN'T IT TIME FOR LUNCH YET?

JUST ONE MORE HILL!

TIME FOR A PIT STOP

I'M HUNGRY

MY FEET HURT

DO YOU KNOW WHERE WE ARE?

TO PIE

NO THAT WAY!

ARE YOU SURE?

THIS WAY

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- 10 January [UVAS CANYON WATERFALLS](#) Hike up the canyon past numerous beautiful falls then loop through the oak forest to the viewpoint and picnic table. Bring lunch. Seasonal rain will make hike special. Bring Lunch. Meet promptly! 9A.M. [Los Gatos](#)
- 24 January [BACK BY NOON HIKE](#) Meet promptly! 9A.M. [Saratoga](#)
- 31 January [TRAIL CLEAN-UP](#) - Meet promptly! 9A.M. [Los Gatos](#)
- 14 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](#)
- 28 February [BACK BY NOON HIKE](#) Meet promptly! 9A.M. [Saratoga](#)
- 14 March [La HONDA CREEK OPEN SPACE](#) Magnificent views of the coast, colorful wildflowers, historic active ranchland with trail through open rolling grasslands. Meet promptly! 9A.M. [Saratoga](#)
- 28 March [BACK BY NOON HIKE](#) Meet promptly! 9A.M. [Saratoga](#)
- 4 April [TRAIL CLEAN-UP](#) - Meet promptly! 9A.M. [Los Gatos](#)
- 11 April [VARGAS PLATEAU](#) Explore this new park high on the Sunol Pass. Spectacular views of the whole bay area. Wildflowers and cows! Bring lunch. Meet promptly! 9 A.M. [Los Gatos](#)
- 25 April [BACK BY NOON HIKE](#) Meet promptly! 9A.M. [Saratoga](#)
- 9 May [RUSSIAN RIDGE OPEN SPACE](#) 6 miles easy walk along the Sky-line with spectacular views - Ocean to the left - bay to the right - late wildflowers. Meet promptly 9A.M. [Saratoga](#)
- 23 May [BACK BY NOON HIKE](#) Meet promptly! 9A.M. [Saratoga](#)
- 30 May [TRAIL CLEAN-UP](#) - Meet promptly! 9A.M. [Los Gatos](#)
- 13 June [DEMONSTRATION FOREST](#) Located high in the Santa Cruz Mountains off Summit-Highlands road. We will walk along dirt roads under lovely cool trees to picnic area. Meet promptly! 9A.M. [Los Gatos](#).
- 27 June [BACK BY NOON HIKE](#) Meet promptly! 9A.M. [Los Gatos](#).
- 11 July [LOCH LOMOND](#) This lake (and park) in the mountains is the water supply for Santa Cruz. An easy hike with lovely views above the shore line. Meet promptly! 9A.M. [Los Gatos](#).
- 25 July [BACK BY NOON HIKE](#) Meet promptly! 9A.M. [Los Gatos](#).
- 1 August [TRAIL CLEAN-UP](#) - Meet promptly! 9A.M. [Los Gatos](#)
- 8 August [PORTOLA STATE PARK](#) - a cool hike under the redwoods in this beautiful, redwood park toward the coast. Time to hug a tree! Meet promptly! 9A.M. [Saratoga](#)
- 22 August [BACK BY NOON HIKE](#) Meet promptly! 9A.M. [Los Gatos](#)
- 12 September [BEACH HIKE AND ANNUAL CLEAN-UP](#) - cool Moss Landing beach hike. Bring gloves and bags. Reward ourselves with lunch at Capt. Phil's Fish Market. Meet promptly! 9A.M. [Los Gatos](#)
- 26 September [BACK BY NOON HIKE](#) Meet promptly! 9A.M. [Los Gatos](#)
- 3 October [TRAIL CLEAN-UP](#) Meet promptly! 9A.M. [Los Gatos](#)

\*\*\*\*Look for details in the *Grapevine* next Spring and [JOIN US](#) for the AAUW Morgan Hill Branch [Wildflower 5K-10K Walk/Run](#). Most of us walk 5 or 10K and then go to breakfast /lunch in San Jose.

YOU ALWAYS SAY THAT!  
ALMOST THERE!

TO COFFEE



MY FEET HURT!

HOW MUCH FURTHER?

I LIKE DOWN HILL BETTER

DRINK LOTS!

BUT THEN I HAVE TO "GO"

IF YOU DO PLENTY OF NICE BUSHES