

The Women's Faculty Club Newsletter

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I am very pleased that the following were elected to the Board of Directors in March:

Professor Mark Hansen (Civil Engineering/CEE Transportation)
Professor Eleanor Swift (Law)
Associate Director Alma Valencia (Environment, Health & Safety)
Professor Birgitta Whaley (Chemistry)

These Directors were introduced at the Club's Annual Meeting, held on March 5th. Thereafter, the Board met and elected the following officers:

Eleanor Swift, President
Judith Sykes, Vice-President
Alma Valencia, Secretary
Patty Mead, Treasurer

The Annual Report, presented at the Annual Meeting, told a very positive story about the Club's accomplishments in 2013. Increases in revenue were realized in all of the Club's operations. Many of our programs focused on the 90th Anniversary of the opening of our Club in 1923, including lectures on John Galen Howard (the architect of our building), a tour of his home in Berkeley, reflections on the work of Julia Morgan and other women architects, a panel on "books of note" authored by six of our Club members, a rousing address by Governor Jennifer Granholm, and of course musical offerings galore. Holiday events at the Club abounded, including as the highlight, the Holiday Reception for Chancellor Nicholas B. Dirks and Associate Professor Janaki Bahkle.

Hidden from view are two major improvements: A state of the art fire alarm system and a new heat exchange to provide hot water. The challenge of attracting new faculty and staff to Club membership remains.

You may be aware of the major construction underway at the Haas School of Business. We are working closely with Haas and with campus representatives to minimize noise and disruption that could negatively affect our activities and guests.

Working as your Club President is both a challenge and a pleasure. To echo what Professor Marian Diamond said in the Club's Oral History, I very much enjoy "working with this group of intelligent women (and men)."

Sincerely,

Eleanor Swift
President, Board of Directors

SPRING HIGHLIGHTS – REVIEW

Academic Lives – February 12, 2014



(Governor Jennifer Granholm)

On Wednesday, February 12, 2014, we welcomed Governor Jennifer Granholm back to The Women’s Faculty Club! Governor Granholm is well known on campus for her many accomplishments including two terms as governor and attorney general of Michigan, host of Current TV’s “*The War Room with Jennifer Granholm*” and co-author of *A Governor’s Story: The Fight for Jobs and America’s Economic Future*. However, we are most proud of the fact that while an undergraduate at UC Berkeley Granholm worked at The Women’s Faculty Club as the live-in Night Supervisor!

Governor Granholm currently holds appointments in both the Schools of Law and Public Policy and is considered one of the nation’s leading authorities on clean energy policy. Governor Granholm led Michigan through a brutal economic downturn. She worked to diversify the state’s economy, strengthen its auto industry, preserve the advanced manufacturing sector, and add new sectors, such as clean energy, to Michigan’s economic portfolio. (David Card)

Granholm also focused on creating jobs, attracting international investment, improving education and training Michigan’s workers.

Governor Granholm’s presentation was a “stunning event – both enjoyable and enlightening to all who attended.” Granholm is an inspiring speaker and the audience was suitably impressed. (Gloria Burkhalter)



(Governor Granholm, Manager Mary Remy and Committee Chair Christina Gillis)

Arts in the Afternoon- February 25, 2014

Our first “Arts in the Afternoon” of the Spring semester featured two UC student Chamber Music groups and included music by Dimitri Shostakovich and Beethoven.



(Student String Quartet – Lucia Catherine Petito – violin, Madison Alan-Lee, Violin, Christina Simpson – Viola and Mosa Tsay – Cello)



(Student Piano Trio – Michael Hwang – Violin, Melody Huang – Cello and Nathaniel Ben-Horin – Piano)

Arts in the Afternoon – March 13, 2014

U.C. Jazz Ensemble joined us for the next event of the season. This was their first appearance at the Club and both performers and audience seemed to thoroughly enjoy the session. Ted Moore, Director, explained a bit of his “philosophy of jazz” in between sets of classic jazz standards. The student trio obviously loved the music and their own version flowed!



(Ted Moore, Director, Nathan Bickart - Piano, Ryan Petigura - Bass, Aaron Hipschman – Drums)

Arts in the Afternoon – April 8, 2014



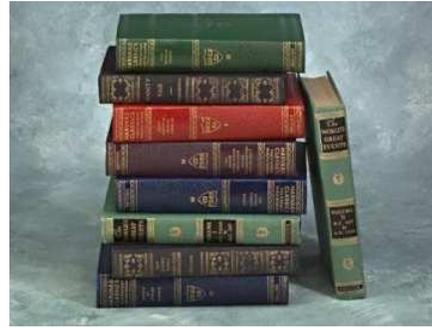
(Sasha Kudler, Maxime Cugnon de Sevracourt, Christina Swindlehurst- Chan, Valerie Pooudomsak, Erin Alford and Jeffrey Sykes – Piano)

Our final “Arts in the Afternoon” for the Spring semester featured vocal music with singers from the UC University Chorus and Chamber Chorus. The groups were a delight and filled the Lounge with songs from “around the world and from

different centuries.” Selections ranged from operatic duets and arias to two German *lieder*.

Marika Kuzma directed the singers and Jeffrey Sykes provided accompaniment on the Steinway. (Robert L. Middlekauff)

Future Events –



We want to launch a second edition of “Books of Note.” Last Fall six Women’s Faculty Club authors kicked off this event with a program that displayed the wide diversity and passion of our members. We plan on making this an annual event and invite other member/authors to join. Please let the Manager Mary Remy(510-642-4175 or hotel@womensfacultyclub.com) know if you are interested in participating.

Retiring Board Members

A “thousand thanks” to retiring Board Members Gloria Burkhalter and Elizabeth Deakin. Both Betty and Gloria will still be active members of the Club but decided they needed to direct their prodigious energies elsewhere. Betty has served on the Finance Committee and helped direct the Club on campus policy issues. Gloria served on both the Building and Program committees. Both will be sorely missed!



(Gloria Burkhalter)



(Elizabeth Deakin)

DINING ROOM NEWS – Spring – Summer 2014



- **We are now offering weekly entrees featuring fish, poultry and vegetarian options – Let us know your thoughts.**
- **“Tasting Tuesdays” - Join us for lunch each Tuesday – We continue a tradition of small tastings each week. Tastings change each week.**
- **Thank-You Program for Individual Members – Receive a complimentary coupon for the Salad Buffet after every eight luncheons within either six month period:
January – June or July – December.**
- **Find your (name) within the body of the newsletter and win a \$20 gift certificate.**
- **New Bread Vendor – Panorama Baking Company, San Francisco-
“Artisan Bread” made daily by hand with no chemical preservatives or additives, baked “old world” style in stone hearth ovens**