AGE OF AQUINAS

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Next Astronomy Lecture: Wednesday, March 10,5:45 pm
Next Shoreline hike: Saturday, March 13, 9:00 am
First Ever Stevens Creek hike: SUNDAY, March 14, 2:00 pm

Hike Report - Shoreline:
The sky was creamy this morning and across the bay, the hills appeared to be floating on a creamy marine layer. The sun was a bright spot in the then overcast and the temperature was mild enough for light clothing. A baker's dozen of hikers set out for the "benchmark" by about 9:03.

Our number had doubled by the time we gathered at the café and even though it was very mild outside, we pushed tables together inside and shared in coffee, tea, toast, and talk.

Coming up: Next Saturday is another Shoreline hike and next *Sunday* is the first in a hopefully long series of Sunday walks along the Stevens Creek Trail. See below for details.

Volunteers to assume the reigns of the Age of Aquinas group total three now! but we're still need more. You can take on as small or as large a piece of the action as you want. We are looking for people to: organize events, maintain web pages, make flyers, send out bulletin announcements, etc. If you're interested in finding out more about this important ministry, email Randy at *age-of-aquinas@paloaltocatholic.org* or call: 408.739.2881. Thank you!

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Wednesday, March 10, 2010, 5:45 pm: Astronomy Lecture/Dinner - Los Altos/Los Altos Hills
Sponsored by Foothill College Astronomy Program, NASA-Ames, SETI, and Astronomy Society of the Pacific
Meet at 5:45 for a light dinner at *Pasta Market,* San Antonio Rd & El Camino Real, in Los Altos. Then carpool at 6:30 to Foothill College. The Lecture begins at 7 and is usually packed. Visitors must purchase a campus parking permit for $2. Helen Quinn, Ph.D., of Stanford University, will present *The Many Mysteries of Antimatter.* Antimatter is just like matter with all its properties reversed. But when antimatter meets a matching amount of matter, they destroy each other. The imbalance between matter and antimatter is one of the great mysteries of the universe. Parking lots 1 and 8 provide the best access to the theater. The college is located on El Monte Rd at I-280. The speaker and topic are as yet to be determined, as well as the date. Check the website for the latest info.
Time: Dinner 5:45 pm, carpool 6:30 pm, lecture 7:00 pm.
Cost: Whatever you spend for dinner, plus your share of the $2 parking fee. The Lecture is FREE!
Location: *Dinner & Carpool:* The Pasta Market, 4546 El Camino Real, Suite A7, Los Altos, CA 94022
Map: http://maps.yahoo.com/maps_result?addr=4546+el+camino+real &csz=los+altos +ca+94022
Location: *Lecture:* Foothill College, Smithwick Theater, 12345 El Monte Road, Los Altos Hills, CA 94022
Map: http://maps.yahoo.com/maps_result?addr=12345+el+monte+rd&csz=los+altos+hills+ca+94022
More information: Contact Carrie, ckarnos@yahoo.com, call Randy on 408.739.2881, or visit http://paloaltocatholic.org/AofA.html.

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Saturday, March 13, 2010 @ 9 am: *Shoreline Park Hike & Coffee* - Mountain View

Meet at *Lakeside Cafe* in Mountain View's Shoreline Park at 9 am. We'll start off from there and walk for about a half hour, then turn around and walk a half hour back to the café for coffee and/or brunch about 10:00 or 10:15 am. You don't have to make the hike to come to coffee! The hikes go on regardless of temperature, sky condition, or precipitation state!

Directions to Lakeside Café:

From northbound 101, take the Shoreline Blvd exit (*CAUTION!* Slow down! Tight off-ramp curve!) and turn right at the light (NOTE: *No* right on red).

From southbound 101, take the Shoreline Blvd exit and turn left at the light.

Once on Shoreline Blvd, follow it about 2 miles to the Lakeside Cafe parking lot. We will gather near the breezeway between the cafe and the aquatic center.

Map:

http://maps.yahoo.com/maps_result?addr=3160+n+shoreline+blvd&csz=mountain+view+ca++94043

More information: Visit http://paloaltocatholic.org/aofa.html, call Randy on 408.739.2881 or Email: age-of-aquinas@paloaltocatholic.org.

***** These hikes are every Saturday *****

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Sunday, March 14, 2009 @ 2:00 pm: *Stevens Creek Trail Hike* - Mountain View

Meet at the trail head, corner of Sleeper Ave & Franklin Ave in Mountain View. There is a sign that says "Bike Trail" but we'll walk on it. The trail leads into Shoreline Park, a round trip of about 90 minutes in and back. The trail is level and easy. Bring plenty of water, and plan ahead. There are not many rest areas along the way.

Time: 2:00 pm

Directions to trailhead:

From Grant Rd & El Camino Real *in Mountain View****,*** go south on Grant Rd to Sleeper Ave and turn left. Follow Sleeper Ave to where it ends at Franklin Ave.

From Grant Rd & Foothill Expressway *in Los Altos****,*** go north on Grant Rd to Sleeper Ave and turn right. Follow Sleeper Ave to where it ends at Franklin Ave.

Map: http://maps.yahoo.com/maps_result.php?q1=sleeper+ave+at+franklin+ave+mountain+view+ca+94040

More information: Contact Ron, 408.772.0852 (cell), wipf7585@juno.com or age-of-aquinas@paloaltocatholic.org, or visit http://paloaltocatholic.org/AofA.html.

***** There will be hikes March 14 and April 11 for now *****