

AGE OF AQUINAS

a Bay Area group for Christian singles 40+

Star party: TONIGHT! Saturday, May 10, 7:30 pm

Next hike: Saturday, May 17, 9:00 am

Well, we got a late start today because of the [Human Race](#). If you arrived at the entrance to Shoreline Park before 8:50, you drove right in. If you got there 5 minutes later, you waited 15 minutes for more than a 1000 (estimated) humans to pass. But once inside, there was plenty of room to park, and to walk. A dozen and a half of us took off about 9:15 along our usual path beside the lake.



But at the end of that path, we saw cones and signs, and walkers/runners with tags on their backs. Obviously they were members of the [Human Race](#), so we hung a left and then a right and peeled off on another right following a leader who (we all hoped) knew where she was going.

By the time we returned, carefully avoiding the [Human Race](#), we had seen Great Egrets, Barn Swallows and Cliff Swallows, Forster's Terns, and a Red-Shouldered Hawk tracking a ground squirrel. As well as the usual Canada Geese with their goslings, Coots, Robins, etc, etc. We had a great time identifying birds and avoiding the [Human Race](#)!



Every Saturday in May, 2008, 9 am: Shoreline Park Hike & Coffee

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: [Lakeside Café at Shoreline Park](#).

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

*** Hikes are every Saturday ***



STAR PARTY - PALO ALTO: Saturday, May 10, 2008, 7:30~10:30 pm

The second Peninsula Astronomical Society Star Party of the season is **Saturday, May 10!** Bring your telescope and/or binoculars (if you have them) *and* a picnic dinner. While the sun sets and twilight deepens, we'll have our picnic and get our telescopes set up. Dress warmly in layers. Clear nights can get chilly.

Admission: FREE!!

Location: Meet at the Park'n'Ride at I-280 and Page Mill Rd west of Palo Alto at 7:30 pm. From there we'll carpool to Foothill Park. Anyone with a telescope aboard gets in free and does not need to be a Palo Alto resident. Just tell them at the gate that you are an amateur astronomer participating in the public star party. We will be joining the [Peninsula Astronomical Society](#) for this month's summer star party.

Directions:

http://maps.yahoo.com/maps_result?addr=i-280+%26+page+mill+rd&csz=los+altos+ca+94022

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