AGE OF AQUINAS

a Bay Area group for Christian singles 40+

Next hike: Saturday, January 24, 9:00 am
Dance Helper dinner: THIS SUNDAY, January 18, 6:00 pm
Next A of A dance: Saturday, January 31, 8:00 pm

Hike Report - Shoreline:
It was a beautiful morning for hummingbirds and helicopters... as well as for the humans walking around beneath them. (Does anyone know what all the helicopters were about?) Anyway, we had at least one first-timer, a return visit by one who was a first-timer last time, and a first-time-in-a-long-timer. One to of the best things about these hikes is nobody takes attendance, so if you need to sleep in, you can. Doesn't mean you won't be missed, though!

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Our bird diarist has started over in the bird diary so we should be able to compare what we saw last year at this time with what we see this time around. This time around, besides the ubiquitous American Coots and Canada Geese, the panoply of nature included Anna's Hummingbirds, Lesser Scaups, Great Egrets, Black-crowned Night Herons, Cinnamon Teals, Ruddy Ducks, Common Goldeneyes, and more.

For those interested in helping at the upcoming dance, join Mabel at her house for a light dinner **THIS Sunday, the 18th!** Send an email to tell her you're coming to m-ngo@sbcglobal.net. This is in preparation for the Fifth Anniversary Dance (http://paloaltocatholic.org/pdfs/Anniversary090131flyer.pdf), when we have the ***Sharp Nines*** back on the **31st!** For a complete rundown on all the latest events, visit: http://paloaltocatholic.org/aofa.html.

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Saturday, January 24, 2009 @ 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:
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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Helpers are invited Sunday, January 18, 2009 @ 6:00 pm to the home of Mabel
for a light dinner and preparation for the dance. If interested in helping...
Email: Mabel m-ngo@sbcglobal.net.

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Saturday, January 31, 2009 @ 8:00 pm: *Age of Aquinas 5th Anniversary Dance*
Come join the festivities celebrating **Age of Aquinas's *FIFTH* year!** The nights have started getting shorter, but they're still long enough to dance to the tunes of ***The Sharp Nines,*** back by popular demand! Warm up those cold winter nights with their repertoire of music that will stir your soul and get your feet moving!
Time: Doors open 8:00 pm, the music will start around 8:30 pm and go till about 11.
Cost: Still only $10.00! Snacks and beverages will be provided.
Location: St. Albert the Great Hospitality Center, 1095 Channing Ave, Palo Alto, CA 94301
Map:
http://maps.yahoo.com/maps_result?addr=1095+channing+ave&csz=palo+alto+ca+94301.
More information: Contact Mabel by email: m-ngo@sbcglobal.net, or Tom by phone: 408.298.2064, or visit http://paloaltocatholci.org/AofA.html.

***** Those who hear not the music think the dancers mad! *****