

**East Bay Chapter of the Association for Women in Science**

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January Meeting of the East Bay Chapter of the Association for Women in Science

## **An Evening of Networking**

**Thursday, January 25, 2007**

**NOVARTIS\*, Room 4.104, Emeryville**

6:30 – 8:30 pm

Light supper at 6:30 pm, meeting begins at 7:00 pm.

For directions, see inside or visit [www.ebawis.org](http://www.ebawis.org).

Suggested donation to cover cost of food: \$10 non-members, \$5 members.

Our most popular event: An entire Chapter meeting devoted to networking!

**Connect** with other scientists

**Find** your next job

**Make** new friends

Scientists and Science Enthusiasts, Men and Women are Welcome! Meetings are open to non-AWIS members.

A brief review of networking strategies and techniques will be followed immediately by games to fine tune our networking skills and make those ever-important job contacts! Our expert hosts will engage us in effective networking games that enable you to meet and exchange information with many people in a very short time. You will meet people in an informal, friendly setting while collaborating to perfect your skills.

So, invite your friends and colleagues (don't forget, men are invited too) and print out those business cards! Come to polish up your 'introduction', exchange cards, share networking skills, make new friends, and find out who's doing what in Bay Area science.

\* NOVARTIS security procedures requires check in at the guard station prior to parking.

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### ***President's Message***

Please join me in welcoming the newly elected 2007 East Bay AWIS Board Members. We are privileged to have such a purposeful team of people working together on the chapter's behalf. I hope you take the opportunity to meet with each of us in upcoming meetings.

And now, with the knowledge that communication benefits us all, please consider the following call to action from Mara Jeffress, newly elected chapter Vice President:

**by Terry Calarco**

"I have noticed that many of my colleagues are unaware of ebAWIS meetings and benefits. In 2007, I would like to improve our visibility through increased advertising and website updates. The board has been working on the website, but we still need help getting the word out and distributing fliers announcing our chapter meetings. If you can post fliers at your place of work or study, please contact me at [mara.jeffress@gmail.com](mailto:mara.jeffress@gmail.com)."

## NCC-AWIS Thirteenth Annual Recognition — Nominations

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Each year NCC-AWIS presents awards to women who have combined their professional activities with support of other women in science. Training and education in science is not enough. We each need to find our individual ways of using our science and developing a professional life and career. In honoring individual women, AWIS recognizes the importance of mentoring and of teaching and sharing with others more than just the content and techniques or our science.

We give awards in three professional categories. Two awards go to women working in research or technological advancements in academia or industry: one, the Judith Pool award, to a woman established in her field, one, the Ellen Weaver award, to a woman earlier in her career. A third award, the Distinguished Professional award, goes to a woman using her science away from the bench. Service to other women in science could be to the scientific community through professional societies or schools or to individual women directly through mentoring and facilitating career development. The nominees need not be AWIS members.

What do all the previous recipients of these awards have in common? Someone nominated them. Most mentoring and professional assistance is done privately, one-on-one. AWIS cannot honor these women and recognize the importance and value of what they do if we don't know who they are.

The nomination process is simple. We need a letter of nomination explaining how the nominee has helped other women develop professionally and a brief resume or CV giving the nominee's educational background and professional history that will allow us to ascertain the correct award category. To make a nomination contact Mary Alice Yund at [nominations@nccawis.org](mailto:nominations@nccawis.org) (enter "NCC-AWIS award nomination" as Subject text).

Nominations for this year should be received by March 2. If you find a deserving recipient, don't delay. The recipient should be able to attend the banquet in late April and will be asked to speak for about 10 minutes on the general topic of mentoring and supporting other women in career development. These personal observations and motivations are always the highlight of the evening.

## Clayman Institute Fellowships — Call for Applications

Clayman Institute Fellowships are offered in the following interdisciplinary areas: Gendered Innovations in Knowledge; Gender in the Physical and Technical Sciences, and Math; Gender in Engineering; Gender in Environmental Sciences; Gender in the Life Sciences; Clustering in Scientific Subfields; Dual-Career Academic Couples; Women and Gender in High-Tech; Technology Entrepreneurs in Silicon Valley; and Women's Traditional Knowledges.

Fellows must be in residence at Stanford University's Clayman Institute for the duration of their fellowship. Fellowship stipends range from \$36,000 for postdoctoral scholars to \$60,000 for senior faculty and practitioners of women's traditional knowledges. To apply and for further information, please visit the Clayman Institute website at <http://www.stanford.edu/group/gender/>. Complete applications are to be received by 5:00 pm (PST) on Thursday, March 1, 2007. Applications may be mailed or faxed. Please direct any questions to Jane Gruba-Chevalier at [jmgruba@stanford.edu](mailto:jmgruba@stanford.edu) or call (650) 725-0372.

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## Upcoming Meeting

### 2007 American Society for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) Annual Meeting

**When:** February 15 – 19, 2007  
Advance registration deadline: Friday,  
January 19, 2007

**Where:** Hilton San Francisco and Towers  
333 O'Farrell Street, San Francisco

For more info, please visit [www.aaas.org/meetings/](http://www.aaas.org/meetings/)

**AWIS events** (meeting registration not required):

- Sunday, February 18, 5–6:30 pm, National AWIS awards reception; event is open to press, dignitaries
- Monday, February 19, 7:30 am–12:30 pm, National AWIS breakfast, sponsored by NCC-AWIS, includes speaker and panel discussions

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A message to our members from Mentoring Program Coordinator, Laura McDevitt:

My new year's resolution is to reinvent & reinitiate the mentoring program, which began about 5 years back. (Stay tuned to our website for a new archive on historical ebAWIS mentoring program activities.) We have travelled as far as the Monterey Bay Aquarium and as close as the UC Berkeley Botanical Gardens. If you would like to be a part of shaping mentoring events and participating in ebAWIS organized activities, send an email to lauramcdev@yahoo.com and we will get the ball rolling again in 2007!

**Directions to Novartis****Room 4.104, 4560 Horton St., Emeryville**

From San Francisco: Take 101 North/I-80 East towards San Francisco. Continue on I-80 across the Bay Bridge. I-80 then joins I-580 (left lanes). Immediately move to the far right lanes and take the Ashby Avenue exit, which is the next exit past Powell Street. Exit at Ashby Avenue and proceed under the railroad overcrossing, then turn right on 7th Street at the stoplight. Turn right on Folger Avenue and follow the road as it turns left and becomes Hollis Street. Continue on Hollis, across Powell Street, and turn right on 53rd Street. The Novartis entrance is the third driveway on the left.

From Oakland: Take I-880 North. Continue past Oakland to the I-980 interchange towards Walnut Creek. Proceed to I-580 West to San Francisco then to I-80 East. Keep to the right and proceed towards Berkeley on I-80 East/I-580 West. Exit at Powell Street and turn right on Powell at the stoplight. Continue on Powell over the overpass to Hollis Street. At the stoplight at Hollis, turn right and then right again on 53rd Street. The Novartis entrance is the third driveway on the left.

From Highway 80 Westbound, and/or Highway 24, 80 Eastbound, exit at Powell Street and make a left on Powell at the stoplight. Continue on Powell over the overpass until Hollis Street. At the stoplight at Hollis, turn right and then right again on 53rd Street. Novartis entrance is the third driveway on the left.

From Walnut Creek: Take Highway 80 East toward Berkeley from Highway 24 Westbound, Exit Powell Street and turn right on Powell at the stoplight. Continue on Powell over the overpass to Hollis Street. At the stoplight at Hollis, turn right and then right again on 53rd Street. The Novartis entrance is the third driveway on the left.

From the South Bay: Take I-880 North. Take I-980 exit towards Highway 24/Walnut Creek. Take the I-580 exit towards San Francisco/Hayward. Take the I-580 West exit on left towards San Francisco. Merge onto I-580 West. Turn slight right at the intersection of I-80 West Ramp to stay on I-580 West. Take the Powell Street exit towards Emeryville and turn right on Powell at the stoplight. Continue on Powell over the overpass to Hollis Street. At the stoplight at Hollis, turn right and then right again on 53rd Street. Novartis entrance is the third driveway on the left.

Parking: Check in at the guard shack, which you will see immediately after turning off 53rd Street into the Novartis entrance. State that you are attending the AWIS meeting. They will direct you to parking. Our meeting takes place in Building 4, the large brick façade building with purple and yellow stucco located across 53rd Street from visitor parking. **Enter at the doors nearest the big yellow stucco ball.** We meet in Building 4 (5300 Chiron Way), room 4.104. Please sign in at the front desk.

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