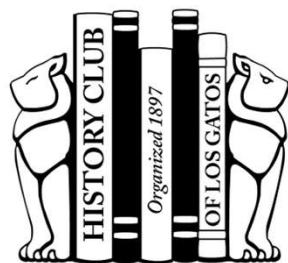


THE CATS' TALE

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Thank You and Welcome to the 2026-27 Board

As another wonderful club year ends, we pause to express our heartfelt gratitude and appreciation to the 2025-2026 HCLG Board. What an extraordinary group of passionate, dedicated, and hardworking members! Your leadership, vision, and countless hours of service have helped make this a memorable and successful year for our club.

As we celebrate all that has been accomplished, we also warmly welcome the 2026-2027 HCLG Board. We know this incoming team will bring the same enthusiasm, commitment, and love for HCLG and its members as they guide us into another exciting year.

Please join us in thanking our outgoing Board for their exceptional service and wishing our new Board every success as they begin their journey.



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Year End Donation

NUMU SAYS THANK YOU!

The History Club's year end donation of \$4,426 was granted this year to NUMU. The donation amount is based upon our fiscal year's rental income. The Philanthropy Committee requested that the contribution be applied to the development of the ArtNow 2027 program. The club received a heartfelt note from Kimberly Snyder, NUMU's executive director.

Dear friends at the History Club of Los Gatos,

Thank you for supporting NUMU's longest-running exhibition and program *ArtNow*. Your contribution ensures that *ArtNow* continues to support and celebrate emerging young artists.

June

Linda Hoffman	6/4
Mary Alden	6/5
Phyllis Hardin	6/7
Mary Daily	6/22
Pauline Ferrito	6/23

July

Rebecca White	7/4
Diane Dinardi	7/8
Karen Logan	7/8
Betty Ulrich	7/10
Michelle Paganini	7/10
Judy Kennedy	7/20
Kathy Mlinarich	7/30

Remembering Nancy Bever

We are sad to share news of the passing of Nancy Bever. Nancy joined the History Club in 2019 and resigned in 2024 due to health issues. She always brought such a positive attitude to any committee she worked on. And we appreciate that several times she volunteered her husband Mike to help us with "History Club Husband handyman tasks"!

A celebration of life is planned for July 11th, 11:00 AM at Venture Christian Church, 16845 Hicks Road, Los Gatos 95032.

From Michael - "I thank everyone for all the prayers, support and love Nancy and I received over the past few years. "

Cards can be mailed to Michael Bever, 4485 Williams Rd, San Jose CA 95129.



Calendars

JUNE 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	★	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	★	11	12	13
14	15	★	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

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2	11:00 AM	HCLG Foundation Board of Directors Meeting (via Zoom)
10	10:00 - 12:00 PM	HCLG Board of Directors Meeting (at the Clubhouse)
10	12:00 - 1:00 PM	Fashion Show Planning Meeting (at the Clubhouse)
16	1:00 - 2:00 PM	Marketing Meeting (at the Clubhouse)

JULY 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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1	12:00 - 1:00 PM	Fashion Show Planning Meeting (location TBD)
21	1:00 - 2:00 PM	Marketing Meeting (at the Clubhouse)
23	8:00 AM - 2:00 PM	Blood Drive (at the Clubhouse)
29	10:00 AM - 2:00 PM	Activity Day (at the Clubhouse)
29	12:00 - 1:00 PM	Fashion Show Planning Meeting (location TBD)

Welcome Billie Jean Sgarlato



Welcome Billie Jean Sgarlato!

Billie Jean was introduced to the History Club by her friend Marylyn Copper. She has lived in Oregon, Tennessee, Florida, and Hawaii. She raised family in Los Gatos and has lived here 50+ years. In her work life, Billie Jean owned her own medical company and worked in human resources. You might have run into Billie Jean at the Happy Dragon where she volunteers. She also participates in the Current Affairs Discussion Group at the

JCC. Billie Jean hopes to find new relationships, information and community involvement in History Club membership. Her mentor is Marylyn Copper.

New Member



May Events

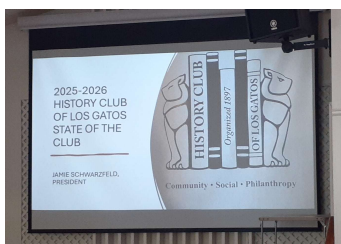
A Sweet Celebration



On May 20th, HCLG members gathered for the annual installation and voting-in of the Board for the upcoming club year. To mark the occasion, the Hostess Committee served up a truly memorable celebration with a creative and delicious "Pie Crawl."

The beautifully decorated pies were almost too pretty to eat while some even seemed to be smiling right back at us. It was a wonderful way to celebrate our incoming leadership while enjoying the camaraderie and fun that make HCLG so special.

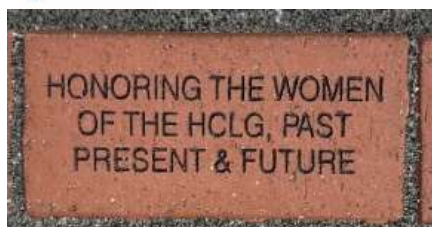
A heartfelt thank you to the Hostess Committee for creating such a sweet and memorable event.



Inspiration - by Jubie Jaramillo

"There are only two ways to live your life. One is as though nothing is a miracle. The other is as though everything is a miracle."

By Albert Einstein



Brick Fundraiser

Our brick project is on going.
Bricksrus.com/donorsite/hcolog



Activity Day

On April 29th (better known as Activity Day), the Book Club met with Matt Tracy, the author of “Darker Than the Sky.”

His novel tells the story of a father and son who embark on a camping trip on horseback.

The purpose of the trip is to look for gold, aided by an old family treasure map. Each evening as they settle into their campsite, the father engages his son in stories about his youth.

Matt Tracy was engaging and open as he described his writing process. He writes about two hours a day and just lets his characters develop along the way.

To complement the campfire theme, the group enjoyed Campfire Stew and some cornbread.



If you missed Activity Day in April, we have another one coming your way in July! So, mark your calendar for July 29th - if it is hot, we will have the AC on!

July 29, 2026	The Many Lives of Mama Love, a memoir by Lara Love Hardin. Moderator will be Cathy Beltran
September 30, 2026	The Correspondent by Virginia Evans. Moderator will be Krissy Wilson
December 30, 2026	TBD

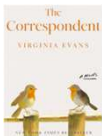
Our discussion will begin at 12:30 PM. Come at 10:00 AM for the Activity Day Games in the foyer with Mary Daily. And of course, bring a brown bag lunch. And bring a friend! For any of you new to the History Club, Activity Day occurs four times a year, in the months with five Wednesdays. We play board games such as Rummikub and Dominoes, or you can bring a game suggestion to add. Don't know how to play? We will teach you! Love to read? Are you on Therese's book discussion email? If not, ask her (theresewiese@gmail.com) to add you.



July



September



Community Outreach

American Red Cross Drive - July 23rd

Our first Community Outreach event for the 2026-2027 year is coming Thursday July 23. Community Outreach is looking for volunteers to help with signing donors in and to chat with donors at the "cookie and juice" tables. Shifts are: 7:30am to 11:30am, and 11am to 3pm. Contact Therese (theresewiese@gmail.com) to volunteer. Yes, you can work one shift, and donate in the other, which we hope you will do!

To sign up to donate blood, go to redcrossblood.org/give.html/find-drive. Enter our zip code 95030 and scroll down to July 23. Please encourage your friends and neighbors to sign up and donate. Make our blood drive a success! And good news, Los Gatos High School will not have started back yet, so there will be plenty of street parking!



Ways and Means

Creativity on Display: HCLG Art Showcase & Sale a Success

The Ways and Means Committee hosted an outstanding Art Showcase and Sale on May 17th, transforming the HCLG clubhouse into a vibrant gallery filled with creativity and inspiration.

Twenty-one talented local artists shared their beautiful works, offering guests an opportunity to admire and purchase an impressive variety of artistic masterpieces including photography. Al Shamble, one of the artists, painted our very own Clubhouse and donated the oil painting as a gift to HCLG. The weather could not have been more perfect, allowing visitors to enjoy both the artwork and our stunning newly completed patio bar, which made its debut during the event.

Thanks to the generosity of the participating artists, more than \$1,000 was donated to HCLG through the sale proceeds.

Adding to the excitement, several of our very own HCLG members—Marylyn Copper, Rebecca White, and Vikki Pearce—showcased their artistic talents in support of the club. Their beautiful creations were a wonderful reminder of the remarkable talent within our membership. We are truly fortunate to have such gifted and generous women who share their creativity while supporting the mission and fundraising efforts of HCLG.

A heartfelt thank you to the Ways and Means Committee, participating artists, volunteers, and guests who helped make this event such a tremendous success. It was a wonderful celebration of art and community.





And let's not forget the exciting kickoff event for the coming club year! Mark your calendars for September 16th when HCLG presents "Sashay into September," a spectacular Fashion Show and Luncheon.

This promises to be a memorable afternoon of fashion & friendship. We need your help to make it a success! There are many opportunities to volunteer both before the event and on the day itself. Whether you can lend a hand with planning, setup, guest hospitality, or event operations, your support will help create an unforgettable experience.

As a special benefit for HCLG members, tickets are available at the discounted price of \$150. Send payment to treasurer@historyclublosgatos.org and mention Fashion Show.

To volunteer or learn more, please contact:
 Joanne Rogers - 408-568-1323
 Orla MacLean - 408-691-0888



