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Linda Millard (left) of
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Barbara Glynn (right)
of Atherton with
scholar Katie Antilla.

Celebrating the Minds of the Future

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Dear Residents,

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On April 28 the ARCS Foundation of Northern California is holding their annual Symposium and Gala at The Palace of Fine Arts. The Symposium and Reception begin at 5 pm; dinner and the program are at 7 pm. See northern-california.arcsfoundation.org for tickets and registration.

ARCS stands for Advancing Science in America. The Northern California chapter, begun nearly 50 years ago, is a group of Bay Area women dedicated to enhancing scholarship and research in the sciences, technology, math, medical research, and engineering. They've partnered with seven California Universities, awarding grants for students to pursue graduate studies.

My older sister pursued graduate studies, sleeping on a futon for a couple of years, eating macaroni and cheese with her two young children, sharing childcare duties with her graduate student neighbors. She had a grant or it wouldn't have happened. My younger sister earned a Master's in Engineering, spread out over forever many years, never wavering, but struggling to pay the bills, to survive really. She entered a challenging field and then rose to become a vice president of an internationally recognized civil engineering firm. My mother, widowed at 36 with five children, worked during the day and went to graduate school at night.

Many young scholars live near the intersection of triumph and defeat. Three cheers for ARCS and their associated universities and sponsors for helping them.

Sincerely,



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Celebrating the Minds of the Future

By Abbie Burgess | Photos by Aaron Alvarez Mendoza

Local supporters of Achievement Rewards for College Scientists (ARCS) are eager to honor top scholars pursuing graduate studies in the sciences, technology, engineering, math, and medical research at an event on April 28 at the Palace of Fine Arts in San Francisco. At “An Affair to Remember - Celebrating the Minds of the Future,” this year’s 76 scholars supported by the organization will present their work and be celebrated. ARCS Foundation Northern California Chapter (ARCS NCC) is a dedicated group of Bay Area women focused on securing America’s leadership in science by granting awards to top scholars pursuing graduate studies at seven Northern California universities.

ARCS supporter Nancy Mueller of Palo Alto is looking forward to meeting those students and hearing about their research. “Our future depends on discovery and entrepreneurship and this is a great way to advance this mission,” she says.

“Most especially, it is exciting and rewarding to see the recipients building friendships and networking,” adds Barbara Glynn, an Atherton resident.

“I love hearing from them and gaining insight and inspiration,” agrees Nancy Bush of Menlo Park, a consulting CFO for early-stage companies in Silicon Valley. Her interest in ARCS was captivated by the first annual symposium she attended, and she has been involved ever since. She appreciates that the organization funds scholars who are passionate about their own research.

Deborah Mann, event co-chair, supports ARCS because “the scholars open our eyes to the boundaries of science, enriching our understanding of problems and their solutions.”

“An Affair to Remember” is open to anyone interested in supporting the organization’s mission. “Event co-chairs Kris Forbes and Deborah Mann have planned a brilliant evening of cocktails and dinner, speakers and surprises,” describes Barbara.

“I have always valued education,” says Barbara. “When my children were growing up in Palo Alto, there was little funding for science education, especially in Middle School.” She joined a committee through the Junior League of Palo Alto to establish an educational science museum in Silicon Valley. The project ultimately grew to be The Tech Museum of Innovation, now The Tech Interactive in San Jose. “I was a member of the Founding Board of The Tech for nine years,” she says. “The Tech was founded to inspire young people to study science; ARCS Foundation supports those older young people who do just that. It was a natural transition.”

“As the wife of a longtime venture capitalist, I have been aware of the deep educational foundation of science required for success in startup companies from bioengineering and chip manufacturing to artificial intelligence,” Barbara says.

Barbara was inspired by Ann Russell Miller, founder of the Northern California Chapter of the ARCS Foundation. “In a talk many years ago in

San Francisco, she advised the importance of giving to 4 major areas: Science, because that is our future. The Arts, because that is our soul. Medicine, because that is our health. And Social Justice, because that is our obligation." She adds, "Imperfectly, I try to carry that out each year."

When Nancy Mueller first joined the organization, she was part of the Field Trip committee organizing excursions to science venues around the Bay Area. Now in her second year on the Science Activities committee, she enjoys meeting with graduate student scientists to learn how they view solving problems in many spheres. Their work ranges from climate change management to food insecurity to novel cancer treatments to fusion technology, to astrophysics. And she has learned new skills too! At first, Zoom was daunting. But she persevered and now uses it effortlessly to run ARCS lectures.

Nancy is a scientist herself, having graduated as a chemistry major from college in 1965. "I then had a five-year career at Syntex Corporation, founder of the birth control pill," she says. "The pill revolutionized the lives of young women by controlling the timing of starting a family. We could now have a career!" After a career pivot to found a restaurant, she then founded Nancy's Specialty Foods and figured out how to manufacture and distribute Nancy's Quiche. After 22 years in business, her product was distributed at Costco and Sam's Club. At the time she sold the company in 1999, Nancy's was making 1.5 million Petite Quiche a day. Now retired, she focuses her time on ARCS and other nonprofit organizations.

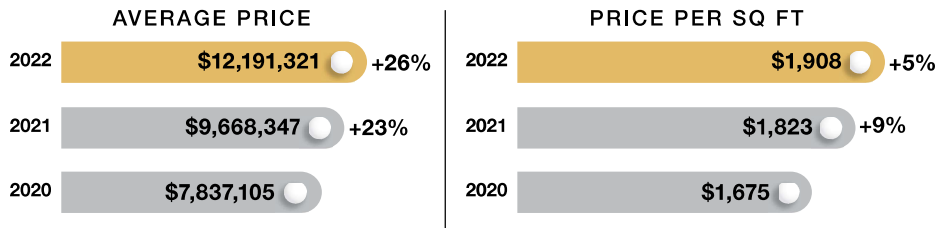


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Back After Two Years

The annual event is back after a break for the pandemic. “After a two-year wait, it will be wonderful to celebrate our Graduate Scholars in the Sciences. They have prevailed in their research despite covid and its variants. It’s also a time to celebrate our generous members, sponsors, and friends who’ve enabled ARCS NCC to award over \$23.6 million to 2,900 scholars,” says Portola Valley resident Linda Millard, who has been involved in the organization since its first year in 1970.

What inspires her about ARCS? “The optimism, the excitement of learning from our scholars about their research—some of which is basic, some applied, some way over my head but all fascinating.”

Want to get involved? “There are many Friends of ARCS here on the Peninsula,” Linda says. “We always welcome support from those who believe, as ARCS members do, that the future can be made brighter through science.”

About ARCS

The Northern California chapter is one of 15 independent chapters of ARCS Foundation, Inc., a national organization dedicated to supporting the best and brightest United States graduate scholars by providing financial awards in the sciences, technology, engineering, math and medical research. ARCS was founded in Los Angeles in 1958 during an era of fascination with space exploration highlighted by the Soviet Union’s launch of Sputnik in 1957. This, the first artificial satellite, marked the start of the space race and left a group of women leaders in educational philanthropy asking what could be done to elevate our own nation’s scientific leadership. Their answer was to found ARCS, which now has chapters across the country.

“Today ARCS carries on as an organization run entirely by women who recognize this country’s most critical competitiveness issue – the serious shortage of American scientists and engineers – and have voluntarily taken the initiative to try to solve it,” describes the chapter’s website (northern-california.arcsfoundation.org).

“ARCS Northern California Chapter has made an impact on science on a national and global scale,” says event co-chair Kristin Forbes. “This is evidenced by the careers of the ARCS Scholars it has funded.” At the national level, scholars have gone on to found more than 1,800 new companies, have been awarded more than 3,600 patents, and have been published extensively in their fields. And some have even been recipients of Nobel prizes, such as Dr. Jennifer Doudna who shared the 2020 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for her work on the genome editing breakthrough CRISPER-Cas9.

Now in its 52nd year, ARCS NCC supports scholars attending seven local universities including Stanford, SFSU, UC Berkeley, UC Davis, UC Santa Cruz, UC San Francisco, and the newest addition, UC Merced.

“Scholars with advanced degrees are the natural next step to becoming founders of incubators and startups breaking through science silos leading to innovations,” Kristin says. “To maintain a competitive edge and generate innovation, companies seek the best and brightest young visionary scientists and by supporting these brilliant young ARCS scientists, we are investing directly in the future of America.”



Atherton resident Barbara Glynn has always valued education and helping young people pursue the sciences. Photo by Aaron Alvarez Mendoza.



Now in her second year on the Science Activities committee, Nancy Mueller enjoys meeting with graduate student scientists to learn how they view problem-solving. Photo by Carin Rollins.



ARCS Stanford University Scholar Katie Antilla.



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An Affair to Remember – Celebrating the Minds of the Future

Date: April 28, Thurs.

This year ARCS NCC is 52 years old, and on April 28th is honoring scholars at "An Affair to Remember; Celebrating Scholar Advancements in Science."

Two annual events—the stimulating Symposium and elegant Scholar Awards Celebration dinner—are being merged into one commemorative experience to salute the 2021-2022 scholars.

At the Symposium, attendees will have a chance to connect with the scholars, view their presentations, hear about their research results, and to participate in breakout sessions that delve into high-profile, urgent science-centric topics.

A cocktail reception follows, with an opportunity to meet and mingle with the scholars, representatives from partner universities and ARCS members. An exquisite dinner by McCall's will be served, along with a short program to celebrate this momentous 50++ year anniversary.

The Palace of Fine Arts provides a large, open space that allows for distancing and good circulation. ARCS complies with the city of San Francisco Covid-19 requirements. Proof of vaccination is required.

Location:

The Palace of Fine Arts, 3601 Lyon Street, San Francisco.

Event Schedule:

- 4pm Registration opens
- 5 – 6pm Scholar Roundtables
- 5 – 7pm Scholar Symposium
- 5 – 7pm Cocktail Reception
- 7pm Dinner and Program

Tickets:

Symposium and cocktail reception: \$50.
 Symposium, cocktail reception, dinner, and program \$250.
 For more information please visit:
<https://northern-california.arcsfoundation.org>.

Diced or Sliced Pork Filet

and Slivered Pressed Tofu

By Diana Chan

Ingredients

- ½ lb lean pork filet
- 2 pieces of pressed tofu, slivered
- 3 pieces of scallions, slivered
- 2 cloves of sliced garlic
- 1 tsp premium LKK soy sauce
- 1 tsp premium LKK oyster sauce
- 2 tsp tapioca starch or corn starch
- 1-2 Tbsp rice wine
- 2 Tbsp grapeseed oil, avocado oil, or extra virgin oil
- Sesame seed oil

Cut pressed tofu into very thin slices, and then turn over thin sliced tofu and sliver into thinner slices.

Trim fat, and cut pork filet against the grain into very thin pieces. Turn sliced pork and cut into smaller slices. Marinate cut pork filet with tapioca starch and wine, salt, pepper.

Heat wok or Teflon pan, add oil, and sauté pork filet and sliced garlic in hot oil. Add wine to keep the food sizzling. Add slivered tofu, scallions, and season to taste with a dash of oyster sauce, sesame seed oil, and sugar. Garnish with a sprig of green vegetable.

This same entrée can be diced into mini cubes (instead of slicing) and prepared the same way with a different presentation. Optional ½ cup of roasted peanuts tossed on top of this entrée gives a delectable crunch. It makes a delicious noodle topping for lunch too.



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APRIL 28, 2022



Symposium 5pm – 7pm

- 76 Scholars
- 7 Universities
- Stimulating Roundtables & Scholar Presentations

Cocktail Reception 5pm - 7pm
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