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“They All Laughed: Some Stories About Career Choices”

Speaker: Arati Prabhakar

U.S. Venture Partners

Thursday, March 20, 2003

Time: 6:30-8:30 pm

At the East Bay AWIS March chapter meeting, we welcome speaker Dr. Arati Prabhakar. Currently at U.S. Venture Partners in Menlo Park, California, Dr. Prabhakar will speak with us about her career path and how she got to where she is now. Her fascinating career path includes being head of the NIST, The National Institute of Standards and Technology, as appointed by President Clinton in 1993. Later, in 1997, she became the senior vice president and chief technology officer of Raychem Corporation. She was subsequently vice president and then president of Interval Research Corporation in 1998. Come to the meeting to find out more about how Dr. Prabhakar made her career choices and how she makes the most of her life opportunities.

Arati received her B.S. in Electrical Engineering from Texas Tech University. She received an M.S. in Electrical Engineering and a Ph.D. in Applied Physics from the California Institute of Technology. Arati began her career as a Congressional fellow at the Office of Technology Assessment. She is a Caltech Distinguished Alumna and a Texas Tech Distinguished Engineer. Arati is a Fellow of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers.

President's Message – by Kitty de Jong, Ph.D.

First I want to thank you all for the kind wishes that I have received for the birth of Cecilia, along with the encouragements for sleeping through the night and other good motherhood advice! I am now back at work -- courtesy of the minimalist maternity leave policies that apply to me. The leave policies make me terribly envious of my sister in Amsterdam, who is taking 4 months off for the birth of her second child and will go back

part time after that. But enough complaining already, everybody is doing fine... As for AWIS, we are heading for an exciting time with a lot of events. Our meetings are scheduled through September, with interesting speakers in March and May, and a joint meeting with the Palo Alto chapter in July. Furthermore, the Winter Workshop is coming up. I strongly encourage you to attend, since it has been an invaluable source for me to gain 'other skills' in the past and I'm

sure it will be again this time. The topic, professional conduct, is certainly something that does not usually come as part of our training as scientists. We can all benefit from gaining some insights into personal interactions in the workplace and how we can come across better. In April we will celebrate our Awards Banquet. Nominations are still wanted for all categories. Please read about this elsewhere in this newsletter. ...continued pg. 2

President's message continued...

I nominated the winner of the Judith Pool award last year, and it is a great thing to do. Do you know any woman who has made a difference for other women's careers? Think about it, sure you do! Why not write them, ask them if they are available on April 24, and if they can send

you a CV and let you know what else they have done for women that you may not know about. And then write up that nomination: it's that easy! I hope that we can welcome some great nominations this year, and look forward to seeing many of you at the awards banquet. *Kitty de Jong*

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Take this opportunity to become involved in your chapter. If any of these activities interests you, contact a board member for further information.

Publicity Coordinator: We are looking for people interested in taking over the publicity chair position as well as being interested in publicity in general. It is a great opportunity to be more involved in AWIS and learn how to rally interest and support for our meetings.

Contact Laura McDevitt (see board members list).

Newsletter and Meeting Sponsor Seeker: Invites sponsors to place ads in the ebAWIS newsletter and seeks sponsors for chapter meetings. Develop your cold-calling skills! Contact Kitty de Jong (boardlist).

Membership committee member

Email distribution

We are looking for someone who wants to be in charge of the email distribution list. Please contact Kitty de Jong if you are interested.

DO YOU WANT A PAPER COPY OF THE NEWSLETTER?

Members have an opportunity to receive the ebAWIS newsletter in their choice of formats. The options are:

1. only a paper copy
2. only the electronic version (PDF format)
3. both a paper copy and the electronic version

Of course, it is always possible to download the newsletter file from our website: www.ebawis.org. If you are not satisfied with the way you currently receive your newsletter, please contact either Anne Frazer (membership) or Kitty de Jong (President) by phone or email (see board list)

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**The Northern California Chapters of the Association for Women in Science present
The Ninth Annual Awards Dinner
Thursday April 24, 2003**

You are cordially invited to attend this year's award dinner. This event honors outstanding women scientists, professors and students from across Northern California. Several awards will be announced and presented to recipients including:

- Judith Pool Award - established science career (10 or more years)
- Ellen Weaver Award - young scientist (5-10 years)
- Distinguished Professional Award - nontraditional science position or management
- Chapter Scholarships - Students at local community colleges

These awards are established to recognize professionals who assist others in career development as an important aspect of professional life. When evaluating nominees for the awards, selection for these awards recognizes excellence in this area. The Northern California chapters -- East Bay Chapter, Monterey Bay Chapter, Palo Alto Chapter, and Sacramento Chapter -- welcome you to this evening of inspiration and celebration. Join us to congratulate these women of remarkable achievement.

Date: Thursday April 24, 2003

Time: Registration and hors d'oeuvres - 6 pm

Dinner - 7 pm

Program - 8 pm

Place: Genentech, South San Francisco, CA, Conference Center Building #5

Directions: <http://www.gene.com/gene/contact/san-francisco.jsp>

Cost: \$25 Students, Postdocs, unemployed
 \$30 Corporate Sponsors
 \$30 Early registration before April 7
 \$35 Registration after April 7

Please send your registration (include your name, your chapter affiliation(s) and a phone number or email in case we have any questions about your registration) to: Joy Barnitz, jtbarnitz @ yahoo . com. Checks should be made payable to NCC-AWIS and sent to: Association for Women in Science/Northern California Chapters, 43494 Ellsworth St. #16, Fremont, CA 94539. For registration inquiries contact your local NCC AWIS board member or email <http://www.nccawis.org/>. Final registration deadline is Tuesday, April 7 so that we can plan for the dinner portion of the evening.

*Laura McDevitt
Interim Publicity Chair 2003 ebAWIS*

Still time to nominate someone you know for an AWIS Recognition Award!

Do you know a woman who has helped you or others in personal career development? NCC-AWIS will grant three awards that recognize this important support for women in science at the recognition awards dinner on April 24 at Genentech. Nominating someone is easy. Write a letter explaining how the person has helped other women develop professionally. Include a brief professional history to allow us to determine which of the three award categories is appropriate. For more information or to submit nominations contact Mary Alice Yund at 510 525 1715 or yund @ worldnet.att.net. Nominations should be received by March 15.

**The Northern California Chapters of AWIS 2003 Winter Workshop
"Professional Conduct for Power and Success"**

Saturday March 15, 2003 9:00 - 12:30 pm

Lunch and discussion following workshop 12:30 - 2:30 pm

This year's NCC-AWIS workshop provides a different perspective on effective communication. Our presenter, Syndi Seid, is an expert in effective professional conduct. She is the founder and director of Advanced Etiquette, a San Francisco-based company dedicated to teaching world-class personal skills. She has appeared on radio and television, has been featured in many magazine and newspaper articles and recently gave a great presentation for the Palo Alto AWIS mentoring program.

Professional communication skills are essential for developing and managing effective professional relationships. Whether you are interviewing for a job, networking, contacting clients, or giving a presentation, how you present yourself and handle situations strongly influences career development. You want to be prepared to meet people, behave professionally and handle such interactions with comfort and confidence.

This interactive workshop will provide strategic dos and don'ts, guidelines, and tools for professional image and business communication. You will learn how to:

- be assertive without being aggressive
- maximize networking effectiveness
- handle difficult people in workplace interactions
- be a professional but still be yourself
- create a new personal image for success.

A review the basics of professional business skills will be included. There will be time to address specific situations or concerns of workshop participants.

Cut here and mail-----

R.S.V.P.: Please register me for the NCC March 15th Workshop

Name:

Address:

Phone:

Member — Chapter: _____

Non-member —

Make check payable to: NCC-AWIS (\$25 members / \$40 non-members)

Mail to: Mary Alice Yund
723 Woodhaven Road
Berkeley, CA 94706

Whether you are just beginning your professional career, a laboratory worker looking towards the business side, hoping to make a transition into management, or an experienced professional, this comprehensive professional review for women in science will help you. After Syndi's presentation you will have the opportunity to practice and reinforce your professional business skills with your AWIS colleagues and guests over lunch.

DATE: Saturday, March 15, 2003

LOCATION: Genentech, Inc.
1 DNA Way (formerly Pt. San Bruno Blvd.), South San Francisco

TIME: 9:00 - 9:30 am registration,
free continental breakfast
9:30 -12:30 pm workshop
12:30-2:30 pm lunch and discussion

COST: \$25 members and students
\$40 non-members

Directions: <http://www.gene.com/gene/contact/san-francisco.jsp>

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** Please register and pay on or before March 8th to guarantee lunch **

MARCH MEETING

Thursday, March 20, 2003

Chiron Corporation, Emeryville

Room 4.104

6:30 PM catered light, cold supper

7:00 – 8:30 PM meeting

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Arati Prabhakar has been a venture partner at U.S. Venture Partners in Menlo Park, California since February 2001. From 1986 to 1993, Arati worked at the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency, initially as a program manager and subsequently as director of the Microelectronics Technology Office. Through her DARPA investments, she worked with over 300 companies, universities, and other labs to pursue breakthrough technologies in semiconductor manufacturing, imaging, optoelectronics, and nanoelectronics. In 1993, President Clinton appointed Arati as the director of the National Institute of Standards and Technology. At NIST, she co-invested with companies in R&D in areas ranging from healthcare information infrastructure to composite materials to DNA diagnostics. Arati joined Raychem Corporation as senior vice president and chief technology officer in 1997. She was subsequently vice president and then president of Interval Research Corporation, which she joined in 1998.

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For more ebAWIS chapter information please refer to our website at www.ebawis.org

For questions regarding the Chiron meeting site contact AB Jefferson at AB_Jefferson@chiron.com

**Meetings are free and open to non-AWIS members
Men, Women, Scientists and Non-Scientists are Welcome!**

Directions to Chiron are on the next page

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www.ebawis.org

Directions to Chiron Corporation 4560 Horton St, Emeryville, CA

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 right most 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 stop light. Turn right on Folger Avenue and follow the road as it turns left and becomes Hollis Street. Continue on Hollis Street, across Powell Street, and turn right on 53rd Street. Chiron is the third driveway on the left (4560 Horton Street).

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 I-80 East. Stay to the right and proceed towards Berkeley on I-80/I-580. Exit Powell Street and turn right on Powell at the stop light. Continue on Powell over the overpass to Hollis Street. At the stop light turn right on Hollis and then right again on 53rd Street. Chiron is the third driveway on the left. From Highway 80 Eastbound exit Powell Street and turn right on Powell at the stop light. Continue on Powell over the overpass until Hollis Street. At the stop light, turn right on

Hollis, then another right turn on 53rd Street. Chiron is the third driveway on the left.

From Highway 80 Westbound/or Highway 24, 80 Eastbound, Exit Powell Street and turn left on Powell at the stop light. Continue on Powell over the overpass to Hollis Street. At the stop light turn right on Hollis and then another right turn on 53rd Street. Chiron 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 stop light. Continue on Powell over the overpass to Hollis Street. At the stop light at Hollis turn right, then right again onto 53rd Street. Chiron is the third driveway on the left.

Park for the AWIS meeting in the visitor parking area you will see immediately after turning off 53rd Street into the Chiron driveway. Our meeting takes place in the large brick façade building with purple and yellow stucco located across 53rd Street from the visitor parking area. Enter at the doors nearest the big yellow stucco ball. We will meet in room 4.104.

Women in Science Lecture Series Invitation

WiSTEM, the National Center for Women in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (www.wistem.org), is proud to be working with NASA Ames Research Center and DeAnza College to present "WOMEN IN SCIENCE: No Limits", a series of lectures featuring accomplished women from the scientific arena. We invite you to join us in learning how each of these women is making a positive impact in the world. By attending, each of you also supports or serves as an important role model for women and girls in STEM. The WiSTEM collaborative currently includes seven national women's organizations who share a common vision for advancing the representation of women and girls in STEM: the Association for Women in Science (AWIS), the Association for Women in Mathematics (AWM), the Institute for Women and Technology (IWT), the Math/Science Network, MentorNet, the Society of Women Engineers (SWE), and the Women in Engineering Programs & Advocates Network (WEPAN). The lecture series is presented at the

Flint Center, Cupertino CA. Lectures are FREE to the public, but bring 8 quarters for parking.

Wed. Feb 19, 2003, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

"Ocean Exploration: Using High-Tech Tools to Study the Sea"

Dr. Marcia McNutt, President and CEO, The Monterey Bay Aquarium Research Institute

Wed. Apr 2, 2003, 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

"Global Warming: Protecting and Preserving Earth's Fragile Atmosphere"

Dr. Azadeh Tabazadeh, NASA Ames Research Center

Wed. Jun 11, 2003, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

"NASA and Space: An Astronaut's Perspective"
Dr. Ellen Ochoa, NASA Astronaut

For more information on the lecture series, go to www.flintcenter.com or call (408) 864-8816. For more information on WiSTEM and its collaborative partner organizations, go to www.wistem.org.

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