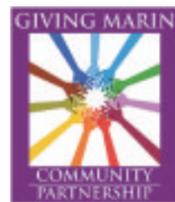


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VOLUNTEER

Holiday volunteer opportunity

The Lifehouse holiday party on Dec. 10 is for members of its community who are without friends or family close by. This event is led by volunteers. The party is an opportunity for families and community organizations to volunteer to serve others during the holidays. Volunteers are needed for set-up, registration, food service and clean-up. The volunteer times are between 4 and 8 p.m. at the San Rafael Community Center, 618 B St., San Rafael. For information or sign up, contact Erin Bertulfo at ebertulfo@lifehouseagency.org or by calling (415) 526-5305.

Helping the critters

WildCare's support volunteers help with one-time and ongoing projects such as computer support, data entry, event planning and staffing, and general maintenance. Support volunteers can also help WildCare by lending their professional skills to areas such as fundraising and photography. There are also volunteer opportunities with longer time commitments at the Wildlife Hospital and in nature education programs. To find out which volunteer opportunity works best for you, visit discoverwildcare.org/volunteer-opportunities.

Bell-ringers needed

The Salvation Army Red Kettle Bell Ringing Program is a tradition which provides the opportunity to meet the public and support The Salvation Army in a unique way. The Red Kettle Campaign is one of the primary fundraising efforts of The Salvation Army. By volunteering to be a Bell-Ringer you are helping to raise the much needed funds to support The Salvation Army services and programs throughout the year. Go to volunteer.usawest.org/OpportunityDetail.aspx?ID=3506 to sign up to volunteer at a location in Marin County.

EVENTS

Seasonal music

Mayflower Chorus will present "Sounds of the Season" on Dec. 7, 8 p.m., and Dec. 8 at 2:30 and 7:30 p.m., at the Marin Showcase Theater, 10 Avenue of the Flags, San Rafael. For additional information, visit mayflowerchorus.org and for tickets, go to marincenter.org or call (415) 473-6800.

Holiday concert

Marin Symphony Holiday Pops concert, featuring the Marin Symphony Chorus, Marin Symphony Children's Chorus, special guests, sing-a-longs and treats to eat, will take place on Dec. 11, 7 p.m., at the Marin Veterans' Memorial Auditorium, 10 Avenue of the Flags, San Rafael. Tickets and information are available at marinsymphony.org/holiday-pops.

Camp Fire benefit

A benefit concert for the victims of the Camp Fire in Butte County will take place on Dec. 22 at the Elks Lodge, 1312 Mission Ave., San Rafael. Doors open at 6 p.m. The event will include live music from the 1108 All Stars and the Miles Schon Band and a silent auction and raffle. The \$25 admission includes food. First responders with identification will get free entry. Find additional information and tickets at elks1108.org.



NEW NAME REFLECTS MISSION: The Canal Welcome Center commemorated its rebranding as the Multicultural Center of Marin on Oct. 27. The new name and identity better reflect the organization's work throughout Marin County, its leaders say. The organization works with diverse immigrant and underserved communities in advancing their social, cultural and economic well being through self-empowerment programs that encourage participation in the broader civic life of U.S. society. Pictured (left to right) are Mariano Zamudio, deputy chief probation officer at Marin County Probation, Douglas Mundo, executive director, Multicultural Center of Marin and David Escobar, director of programs and operations, Multicultural Center of Marin.

Cultural and economic well being



CELEBRATING THE MULTICULTURAL CENTER: Guests from Marin and beyond were among the approximately 325 people who attended the celebration. Pictured (above left) are Cesar LaGleva, board president of the Multicultural Center of Marin and LaToya Webb, (above right, left to right) Alexis Wise, founder/director of WISE Choices for Girls and Janice Mapes of First Missionary Baptist Church of Marin City and (left, left to right) Brandi Howard, San Francisco Foundation's Koshland program officer, Michelle Myles Chambers, San Francisco Foundation's FAITHS program manager, Retha Robinson, San Francisco Foundation's Koshland program director and Douglas Mundo, executive director, Multicultural Center of Marin.

-Photos by Brian Wilk

MEALS FOR SENIORS: Marin Home Care Association, a non-profit organization, delivered a check for \$1,750 to Whistlestop in San Rafael for Meals on Wheels. It was part of Marin Home Care Association's fundraising event, Helping for the Holidays. Marin Home Care Association wants to help make sure all elders in our community have meals throughout this holiday season. Pictured is Whistlestop CEO Joe O'Hehir receiving the check from Marin Home Care Association's (left to right) President Lorena Garbarino, Vice President Carolyn Tucker, Andrea Nakagaki, Treasurer Carol Parks, Secretary Kirsten Stewart, Jessica Price, Caroline Glassell, Krystian Zebrowski and Kelley Mottola.

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