#### **CMWIC Club Newsletter for December 2018**

# **Holiday Party and Gift Drive on December 11**

Please RSVP: Use <a href="mailto:rsvp@cmwomensclub.org">rsvp@cmwomensclub.org</a> with DecMeeting as subject line

Location: CM Community Center, 498 Tamalpais Dr., Corte Madera

- 10:30 AM Business Meeting: This is where the board makes decisions about the club. All members are encouraged to attend and participate.
- 12:00 Noon Holiday Party and Donations for Older Kids: Our annual celebration features favorite holiday dishes made by members, hot cider, beautiful decorations, and holiday crafts from Linda Varonin.

Our holiday tradition continues as we support "Things for Teens and Toys for Kids," sponsored by Central Marin Police Authority, Central Marin Fire, Corte Madera Chamber of Commerce, Corte Madera Lions Club, and The Village of Corte Madera. Gifts will be distributed to local young people in Marin Health and Human Services programs.

Please bring \*unwrapped\* gifts to donate. All gifts are welcome, but items for older children and teenagers fill a special need. Movie passes and gift cards for music and books, and to clothing stores and eating establishments, are super.

Checks: You can also write a check. Monetary donations will be used to fulfill wish lists. Donations are tax deductible. Checks may be made out to "LVFF" (Larkspur Volunteer Fire Foundation, tax exempt # 94-6000831). Please write "gift drive" in the memo line.

Please bring a special holiday dish to share. Plates, utensils, and beverages will be provided.

**RSVP by Friday, December 7.** Your response helps us determine how many tables and chairs to set up.



## Giant Indoor Yard Sale Planning Meeting on Tuesday, December 4

Location: CM Community Center, 498 Tamalpais Dr., Corte Madera

Come to the organizational meeting for the Giant Indoor Yard Sale (GIYS) on Tuesday, December 4, at 10:00 AM to help plan the sale and decide how you will contribute.

The GIYS, the club's only major fundraiser, will take place much earlier in the year than usual: on March 2, 9:00 AM–3:00 PM. Set up is on March 1, 11:00 AM–7:00 PM.

This event is organized and staffed entirely by CMWIC members, who help to collect, advertise, set up, sell, or clean up. The proceeds fund the scholarships the club awards each year, including those for college-bound female high school students who have demonstrated a sustained commitment to community service.

The GIYS is our most direct link to our community, with hundreds of people coming to shop the sale. It is also our opportunity to come together to make it happen, to work alongside each other, and have fun, too. There is room for every talent and there are tasks for each of us.

If you need further incentive, treats will be served. For now:

- Start saving gently used and sellable items to donate. Please refer to this list of items that we cannot accept.
- · If you have a large vehicle, consider signing up to drive a load of leftover items to a donation center when the sale ends.
- Come to the planning meeting on Tuesday, December 4, at 10:00 AM.
- Block out March 1 and March 2 on your 2019 calendars!

#### Field Trip December 18 to Jack London Historic Park in Glen Ellen

Meet in the CM Community Center parking lot at 10:00 AM to carpool.

Linda Varonin will lead a field trip on Tuesday, December 18, to the Jack London State Historic Park in Glen Ellen to visit the newly redesigned

House of Happy Walls Museum. https://www.jacklondonpark.com/

Explore the museum and walk around the grounds, then have lunch nearby. The park charges \$10 per car admission.

Sign up at fieldtrips@cmwomensclub.org.

Please do not wear scented products on field trips. Several participants are highly allergic.

### **Book Club, Marathon Bridge, and Knitting Canceled in December**

Book Club, Marathon Bridge, and the Knitting Group are canceled in December due to the holidays. All will resume their regular schedules after the New Year.

Book: When the Book Club meets on January 22, the book to be discussed is There There by Tommy Orange.

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### **CM Rummy Special Meeting December 5**

Location: Home of Jane Purkey in Larkspur

Corte Madera Rummy is canceled on December 19 because of the holidays. Players will meet instead on Wednesday, December 5 at 1:00 PM at Jane Purkey's home in Larkspur.

For questions about CM Rummy, contact Jane at 415-758-7102.

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### **New Member Spotlight: Pamela Berg**

Our newest CMWIC member, Pamela Berg, was introduced to the club by Donna Wenig via the October luncheon.

Pamela moved to Corte Madera with her family in August. Her husband works at BioMarin and they have a daughter who is a junior at Redwood High and a son who is a sixth-grader at Hall Middle School.

Originally from Philadelphia, the Berg family spent the past 10 years in New Jersey, about 30 miles west of New York City. Pamela worked in pharmaceutical marketing before the move. She is now "in transition," taking time to get set up on the West Coast, which, Pamela says, "we all absolutely love!"

She came to the October and November luncheons and enjoyed the speakers' presentations, along with being introduced to club members. Please welcome Pamela.

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