CMWIC News for December 2024

All the Essential and Only the Essential News



December 3, Tuesday, Noon - 1:00pm Bingo! CM Community Center Bingo is becoming an annual event! We last played in December 2023 and a good time was had by all. The Club is providing California Lottery Scratchers as prizes. Scratcher odds of winning are 1 in 4.16!

December 10, Tuesday, NO Planning Meeting

December 10, Tuesday, Noon - 1:30pm Holiday Party, CM Community Center This Holiday Party is packed with festivities:

Jillian Varonin will show slides and tell us about her volunteer artistry for Cakes4Kids. Linda Varonin will take photos for your very own portrait.

Dress up or dress down for our Ugly to Elegant Holiday Outfit contest.

Enjoy all of the above while sipping hot cider (Becky Reed), listening to live music (Ellen Karel) and viewing a slide show of previous holiday parties (Donna Wenig). Plus:

Bring cookies for the Optional Cookie Exchange.

Bring magazines, unopened toiletries and greeting cards for distribution to residents of La Casa Buena.

Our usual Holiday Gift Drive: This year Central Marin First Responders are teaming with "San Rafael Santa Cop,"a 502(c)3. They would like new UNWRAPPED toys, crafts, books or games for 0-12 year olds. If you prefer, a check may be made payable to "San Rafael Santa Cop" (donations may be tax deductible). More info is at <u>https://</u>

sanrafaelsantacop.org/#About or ask Suzi Beatie suzbeatie@gmail.com

Bring a favorite dish to share and **RSVP** to <u>rsvp@cortemaderawomensclub.org</u>.





Friends of La Casa Buena, Homeward Bound Residence

Kathleen Sheehan and Linda Varonin lead activities once a month at this Homeward Bound supportive residence for 18 previously homeless residents. They are not taking volunteers at present but can always use unopened toiletries, magazines, and unused greeting cards. Bring donations in a bag to the Holiday Party or Club program meetings. LCB residents very much appreciate these items.

December 17, Tuesday, 11am - 12pm, Craft Hour, CM Community Center

Vini will be showing us how to make unique gift tags. They can be made with tiny pockets for brief notes, stickers or other gifts. The samples I've seen are very elegant. Come, see and make our own! RSVP to Vini <u>designvc@comcast.net</u>

December 17, Tuesday, 12:00 - 2:00pm Canasta, CM Community Center Come to open play and practice canasta with your friends. Bring cards, if you have them.

December 19,Thursday, 12:30 - 2:00pm, Ladies Who Lunch at II Fornaio in Town Center. It's become a tradition for Ladies Who Lunch to meet at II Fornaio for the holidays. The restaurant limits the party size to 10 so **RSVP** promptly with Judi to get a seat. judisheridanrn@gmail.com



December 24, The **Knitting Group** will not meet this month. Contact **linda.varonin@gmail.com** to get on the mailing list for the latest knitting news.

December 24, Book Group will not meet this month. Get a head start on January's book, <u>Catcher in the Rye</u> by J.D. Salinger.

WHAT ELSE IS NEW

How about going on a local adventure? Linda Varonin has posted a list of 42 walks she has done with her neighbor on the Club website. <u>https://</u> <u>www.cortemaderawomensclub.org/activities/field-trips-and-strolls.html</u> Take a look, select a walk and have it announced on in the newsletter by notifying Cheryl at <u>info@cortemaderawomensclub.org</u> or just go get out in nature on your own.