

Good Neighbors: Share-ing in the praise, recognition

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Conlow, who has volunteered at the nonprofit SHARE Food Pantry for 25 years, said, "We get paid by the smiles!"

To learn more about volunteering at SHARE, call Ron Hannan at 925-827-4273 or visit www.sharepantry.org.

RSVP volunteers share their skills and experience with deserving nonprofits who welcome recent retirees to volunteer their expertise to help them grow. To learn more about RSVP, call Dolores Pita at the Volunteer Center of the East Bay at 925-472-5769 or 925-472-5760.

Kops For Kids Golf Classic

A shotgun start follows the 10:30 a.m. registration and ends with an awards reception at 5:30 p.m. at Oakhurst country Club, 1001 Peacock Dr. in Clayton.

Contra Costa District Attorney Mark Peterson has offered \$1,000 at the Vegas Hole for one lucky winner.

Register for this great event with Laury Olson, 925-827-1998 or email cocopaa2@yahoo.com.

AAUW scholarships

High School Seniors recognized for excellent grades, community service and leadership ability awarded a \$1,000 scholarship are Mayuko Butterfield and Diane Neypes from College Park High School and Kaitlyn Emigh and Laurel Green from Alhambra High School.

Tech Trek Science and Math camp, a program of AAUW California started in 1998, offers eighth-grade girls with a passion for math and science an opportunity to learn more about careers in science, math, engineering, or technology on university campuses throughout California. Programs include astronomy, engineering, chemistry, marine biology, and environmental studies.

Tech Trek scholarships for camp this June at Sonoma State University campus were awarded to Sierra Dabby and Anja Groess of Martinez Junior High School, Emma Janssen of Sequoia Middle School and Samantha Reitzes of Pleasant Hill Middle School.

STAND! benefit

Proceeds will support programs and services at STAND! Free. Call STAND! 925-676-2845 or email info@standffov.org for details.

Martinez Rotary

The Martinez Rotary Club welcomed FJC Executive Director Susun Kim to share her vision with members at a recent meeting.

Prospective members are encouraged to attend a meeting every Wednesday at 7:30 a.m. at Grace Episcopal Church in Martinez. Call for details at 925-639-7674.

March For Meals

Subaru donated \$250 to the owner's choice of participating charities for every new vehicle purchased or leased.

"The March for Meals campaign shines a light on the needs of seniors in our community who worked all their lives and supported children and grandchildren who now need a little help in order to keep their independence," says Elaine Clark, executive director of Meals On Wheels Senior Outreach Services.

In March, community leaders including Concord Mayor Tim Grayson, Pleasant Hill Mayor Ken Carlson, Walnut Creek Councilman Rich Carlston and Interfaith Council of Contra Costa County Executive Director Will McGarvey rode alongside Meals on Wheels volunteer drivers to deliver hot meals and a friendly smile to frail homebound seniors throughout Contra Costa County through Walnut Creek-based Meals on Wheels Senior Outreach Services, at 1300 Civic Drive in Walnut Creek.

Fill The Boot results

Those who were not able to make it to the events in person are encouraged to donate online at www.mdaevent.org/contracostacounty2015.

Muscular Dystrophy Association's life-enhancing programs, support groups and clinics, include the MDA Clinic at California Pacific Medical Center at Forbes Norris in San Francisco, Stanford's Adult Neuromuscular Clinic and Lucile Packard Children's Hospital Pediatric Neuromuscular Clinic in Palo Alto, UCSF Benioff Children's Hospital Pediatric Neuromuscular Clinic and UCSF Medical Center ALS Clinic in San Francisco.

They also make MDA summer camp possible so kids with muscle disease can enjoy "the best week of the year" at Westminster Woods in Occidental, CA and nearly 80 other locations nationwide.

Soroptimist tapas

Chef James Koskiniemi of The Pig & the Pickle will prepare a special menu of small plates, including gazpacho, Spanish meatballs and seafood paella, paired with beers from Ale Industries.

Reservations are limited to 75 people. Tickets cost \$65 and must be purchased in advance at sidiablovista.org, email carlyno@yahoo.com or call 925-324-9595.

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