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Sons in Retirement (SIR) Christmas Luncheon

Submitted by Jon Leuteneker



Campolindo High School Chamber Singers

Photo Andy Schreck

More than 300 people from the Lafayette, Moraga and Orinda Branches of SIR (Sons in Retirement) gathered at the St. Mary's College Soda Center to celebrate the holidays. This annual event brings together the members, spouses and friends of Branches 171 and

174. The highlight of the luncheon was a Christmas choral presentation by the Campolindo High School Chamber Singers, directed by Stacey Kikkawa. These 32 talented students are truly a local treasure.

Sons in Retirement is an organization of men who are no

longer devoting full time to their careers and who enjoy the many activities their branches offer. Our Lamorinda branches both have luncheon meetings monthly featuring a prominent speaker. There are 150 Branches of SIR in California with 20,000 members.

NCL Throws a Party at BARM

Submitted by Carrie Dern (written by Emily Davis)



Photo provided

As members of Acalanes Chapter National Charity League, the girls of class 2012 worked hard to create a wonderful holiday party for the Bay Area Rescue Mission (BARM). The BARM party was on December 4th, 2010 and was a huge success. Long before the actual party, we were busy organizing into committees for the party, such as crafts, decorations, games, gift buying and wrap-

ping, etc. When we arrived at the Bay Area Rescue Mission, we began setting up in the main building, getting ready for all of the activities. We then met everyone who was there. There were about 40 people in total who stay at the Bay Area Rescue Mission, all women and children. The kids were adorable, and we broke up into groups and helped them set up trees on each floor of the housing building.

After that, we returned to the main building to start the festivities. Games and pictures were set up in one room, while snacks, face painting, and crafts for the kids were set up in the dining area. At the very end of the party, we passed out gifts to all of the kids and all joined together to sing some holiday carols. The party was a huge success and we all had a wonderful being around all of the holiday cheer.

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Moraga Girl Scouts Lend Helping Hands

(Information submitted by Penny Drobny)



Photo Penny Drobny

Members of Moraga Girl Scout Troop 30734 recently spent several hours volunteering in the kitchen at the Bay Area Rescue Mission (BARM) in Richmond. The troop split into two groups, one going in November and the second in De-

cember (the December group is pictured.) After donning hairnets and aprons, the girls got to work peeling dozens of pounds of potatoes and carrots, serving meals to two waves of men, women and children, and washing dishes. The kitchen supervisor

complimented the girls' efforts, thanked them for their hard work, and invited them back after the holidays – tired but happy, the girls agreed that they would definitely like to return to BARM and help out again.



Visitors to Moraga Valley Presbyterian Church on the evening of December 11 were treated to a (very) live nativity scene as the courtyard was transformed into a Bethlehem manger. Photo Doug Kohen