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## Community Service

### St. Perpetua Families Hike for SHELTER

65 students and families raise \$35,000 for homeless in Contra Costa County

Submitted by Theresa Maloney



From left: St. Perpetua School students Noah Sampson, William Johnston, Christopher Ruane, Owen VanStralen, Jack Flitter, Kieran Mein and Matthew Sexton. Photo provided

In mid-October, 65 students and their families from St. Perpetua School in Lafayette hiked beautiful Mount Diablo to help the homeless in Contra Costa County. With the intention of "giving back" to their community, one of the core foundations of the school, this dedicated group of parents and kids of all ages participated in the annual Hike for SHELTER. The event is run every year by SHELTER Inc., an organization working to raise awareness and money to help combat the problem of homelessness,

and students to accomplish this impressive goal. She says by giving these people the financial support they need, this year's event will help to change the lives of many in the county. The Hike for SHELTER is just one of the many events the close and compassionate community of St. Perpetua rallies for every year. Through the school's Mission Effectiveness program they will again partner with SHELTER Inc. for two more events this school year. With this program St. Perpetua strives to make a difference in the lives of those in their community and teach students the simple value of giving back. In a letter of thanks to St. Perpetua families and friends Chris Flitter congratulated her fellow parents on their achievement and contribution to SHELTER Inc. "You gave your children the message of what it means to be a true hero," she said.

Parents of soon-to-be kindergartners are invited to attend the next Taste of Kindergarten event on Friday, Dec. 13 at St. Perpetua School. Come for coffee at the Café before 8:45 a.m., followed by conversations with school staff and a visit to the kindergarten classroom from 9 to 10 a.m. Space is limited, pre-registration required at <http://stperpetua.org/domain/11>. Contact school development director Natalie Deininger for more information: [ndeininger@cndo.org](mailto:ndeininger@cndo.org).

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## MEF Receives Donation from Campo's Leo Club

Submitted by Robert Murtagh



Photo provided

The Campolindo High School Leo Club, a community service club sponsored by the Moraga Lions Club, recently conducted a fundraising activity which resulted in the presentation of a \$300 check to the Moraga Education Foundation. The club president Katie Rossi and

club vice president Tiffany Powell made the presentation Oct. 8 to Campolindo High School principal John Walker. Also present was Moraga Lion John Baitx, Leo Club advisor. From left: John Baitx, Katie Rossi, John Walker, and Tiffany Powell.

## Annual NCL Tea at Moraga Royale

Submitted by Bailey Yuen



Photo provided

"Grease" was the word and fun was on the menu at Moraga Royale where the Class of 2016 hosted the annual National Charity League Tea with the sophomore class. With the tables set and food prepared,

the girls mingled and entertained Moraga Royale guests with songs and dances from the movie "Grease." After dancing, singing and some mingling, the guests enjoyed tea and treats.