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NCL Acalanes Chapter hosts annual Mother-Daughter Tea

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Alexandra "Kiki" Rosson Photo provided

Members from the National Charity League Acalanes Area Chapter gathered at the Orinda Country Club for the annual Mother-Daughter Tea to acknowledge members who contributed over 7,000 hours in one year at various philanthropies around the Bay Area.

Every year, the league awards a member with the most philanthropy hours across the whole chapter with a Merci Award; this year's recipient is Alexandra "Kiki" Rosson, who donated a total of 188 hours during the year. Kiki and her mother, Denise, also received the Mother Daughter Pair Award for volunteering 77 hours together. Kiki goes to Carondelet High School and enjoyed volunteering at the Swim Across America Open Water Swim event, which raised \$620,000 for the UCSF Benioff Children's Hospital in Oakland.

"The annual recognition tea is a tradition that has been a part of NCL since our beginning. It provides an opportunity for our members to be recognized for their hours of service to the community and contributions to our organization," said President Jackie Welch. "During the event this year, members shared stories of how philanthropy projects, leadership opportunities and cultural awareness allowed them to develop skills that

will help them to be their best. We are so proud of the achievements of each mother and daughter as they worked together to make a positive impact on the community and our recognition tea was a beautiful celebration of that effort."

The class of 2022 selected Blue Star Moms as this year's philanthropy for the annual tea. NCL collected donations of individually wrapped food items and travel-sized personal care items that Blue Star Moms can use to make care packages to send to military troops.

National Charity League, Inc., Acalanes Area Chapter provides hands-on volunteer service for a many philanthropic organizations in the community. Members are women and their daughters in grades 7-12. Through this community service, NCL, Inc. develops socially responsible community leaders and strengthens the mother-daughter relationship. The traditional six-year core program also includes leadership development and cultural activities. Mother-daughter teams nationwide are responsible, dedicated, skilled volunteers actively engaged in local community work across the country. For more information, visit acalanesarea.nationalcharityleague.org.

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