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## NCL service honored

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From left: Hailey Hiett, Avery Bahl, Kelly Resendez (speaker), Jojo Bishop, and Julia Darin. Photo Laura Lamison

The Lamorinda and Acalanes Area Chapters of the National Charity League (NCL) hosted its second annual joint Ticktock meeting Oct. 6 at Miramonte High School. There were almost 250 members in attendance. Each member brought donations for their philanthropy service project with the Blue Star Moms, a nonprofit organization that supports members and their sons and daughters who serve or have served honorably in the U.S. Armed Forces. Donations included new socks, tuna packs, drink powder, peanut butter and cash donations. Blue Star Moms Suzi Lister and Jaci Beering presented to the girls about their organization and how NCL could help. After the presentation, the girls wrote letters to and made cards for the servicemen and servicewomen.

Also at the event was guest speaker Kelly Resendez, who spoke about "moving from intention to action." Her three ways to do this are to: write down your vision and goals; differentiate your "big voice" from your "little voice;" and identify your preferred method of self-sabotage.

Resendez is the author of the best-selling books "Big Voices" and "Foundation to Sustainable Success." She also offers training and coaching through her two companies, Big Voices and Foundation to Sustainable Success.

The National Charity League, Inc., is a renowned volunteer organization with more than 50,000 active members, women and their daughters in grades 7 through 12, in more than 200 chapters across the country.

The Lamorinda and Acalanes Area Chapters are comprised of members from the communities of Lafayette, Moraga, and Orinda. NCL's mission is to foster mother-daughter relationships in a philanthropic organization committed to community service, leadership development, and cultural experiences. The philanthropies NCL works to provide a wide array of essential services and support in the community and includes Monument Crisis Center, Blue Star Moms, Child Abuse Prevention Council, Contra Costa Food Bank, J.F. Kapnek Trust Pediatric AIDS Fund, Loaves & Fishes, Special Olympics, Town Hall Theatre Company of Lafayette, Children's Quilt Project, Las Trampas, Youth Homes, Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, Xenophon Therapeutic Riding Center, Friends of the Library, Cal Shakes, and many more.

These volunteer opportunities help instill a lifelong commitment to community work; develop leadership skills; and deepen the bond between mothers and daughters through their shared contributions to meaningful, worthy pursuits.

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