

Irreverent Warriors: AUGUST 21 HIKE FOR VETERANS

By Genevieve Laucher

The Irreverent Warriors Los Gatos hike is coming up soon, happening on Saturday, August 21. Irreverent Warriors is an organization that brings veterans together through camaraderie and humor. IW is holding over 70 hikes across the country this year!

All ages of veterans, active, and reserve are welcome and encouraged to participate in the hike. Civilians and businesses can help out by setting up, checking people in, giving out water at stops, or sponsoring the hike.

The hike will start out at the Veterans Memorial in Los Gatos and will move at a slow enough pace for all to participate, have fun, and to make sure that the veterans are visible in the community.

All extra funds raised go to veterans' suicide prevention and putting on smaller get-togethers throughout the year.

There is a national Irreverent Warriors Facebook page, and each city has a private page. Veterans who want to participate as well as volunteers can sign up at www.irreverentwarriors.com/events or contact David Boston, Irreverent Warriors San Jose Coordinator, at sanjose@irreverentwarriors.com.

Thank you to our local veterans - we are so grateful to you and hope to see you on August 21!



MAD HATTER COMES TO TOWN (or GONE THROUGH THE LOOKING GLASS)

Join **Cancer CAREpoint in August for its Very Merry Un-Garden Party Activities**

By Erin O'Toole
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Cancer CAREpoint's Garden Party Dream Team committee again put their creative heads together to plan their premiere fundraiser, one of the most successful in Silicon Valley. With a commitment toward respect for clients, volunteers and the community, the group is once again hosting an unconventional garden party, called A Very Merry Un-Garden Party, inspired by the topsy turvy world of Alice in Wonderland. Sponsors of the event will receive a Wonderland Basket that will include specialty items to eat, drink, and bid their way through the month of August. Event sponsors will also be invited to a special Sponsor Reception taking place in October. Sponsorships are still available at cancercarepoint.org/gardenparty-sponsor.

August events are free and open to the public. Local businesses are partnering with Cancer CAREpoint to celebrate the Very Merry Un-Garden Party with themed menu items on designated days. For instance, Flights Restaurant in Los Gatos will be cooking up something special on Wednesday, August 11 and Chef Nally at The Basin in Saratoga invites people to make reservations for Thursday, August 12 for surprise menu items.

Many businesses and friends of Cancer CAREpoint are contributing to the online auction, which kicks off on August 26. Look for garden baskets supplied by the Saratoga Village Gardeners, Polly Hillis and Gayle Johnson, chef

dinners, a virtual group cooking class by Chef Nally of The Basin, a barbecue for 30 guests at Cindy and Tiger Teerlink's ranch, golf, wines (including Screaming Eagle!) and winery tours, quilts by Los Gatos Edna Herman, a David Stonesifer painting done exclusively for the auction, a home concert by internationally known pianist Katya Grineva, exclusive items donated and signed by Isabella Rossellini about her mother, Ingrid Bergman, getaways at Silverado, Carmel and back for the seventh year in a row, a fabulous four night stay at the Four Seasons Wailea. Register for free to see all the amazing auction items at cancercarepoint.org/gardenparty.

Joe Escobar Diamonds in Campbell donated a stunning pair of .81 karat diamond hoop earrings for the Very Merry Un-Garden Party Raffle that will also include a Mystery Wallet, a Bandolier wallet filled with gift cards to local establishments. Tickets can be purchased online at cancercarepoint.org/gardenparty or at any of the Very Merry Un-Garden Party partner businesses on their designated date.

To learn more, follow the White Rabbit the month of August and check out cancercarepoint.org/gardenparty. And it's not too late to sponsor. Call (408) 402-6611 for more information.

