

March 5, 2007

Dear Members,

Come and join us for:



Easter Egg Hunt
Saturday, March 22
from 10:30 am (prompt start!) until noon
405 Cervantes Road, Portola Valley



DIRECTIONS:

- From 280, take the Alpine Road exit.
- If you come from 280 North, turn right at the exit to go on Alpine Road.
- If you come from 280 South, turn left at the exit (back under freeway) to go on Alpine Road.
- Proceed for about 1 mile.
- Turn right on Westridge Drive (opposite a baseball field).
- Go up the hill for .8 miles.
- Turn left on Cervantes Road (top of the hill).
- Go down the hill and proceed for 1.1 miles (pass Cherokee on your left).
- 405 Cervantes Road is on your left, on the opposite corner with Shawnee Pass.



COST:

\$5.00 for child – member / \$8.00 for child – non-member / Adults free

Please bring your own basket.

VOLUNTEERS:

We are looking for some volunteers, who could help with the setup at 9:30 am on March, 22.

REGISTRATION:

Advance registration is required by sending a check for the required amount (see attached registration form) **by Monday, March 17, 2008**. For more information, call Sofie Vandeputte at 650 529-0689 or e-mail at sofie@bcnc.com. **In case of bad weather, call 650 529-0689, the morning of the event.**

Please, no late registrations.

Be prepared for muddy terrain. We advise you to bring boots!

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REGISTRATION FORM FOR THE EASTER EGG HUNT – NO LATE REGISTRATIONS, PLEASE

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Write a check made payable to the BCNC and mail together with the registration form by **Monday, March 17,**
to: Sofie Vandeputte, 405 Cervantes Road, Portola Valley, CA 94028

Name:

Phone Number:

Email address:

Names + birthday of the children attending:

	Name	Birthday (MM/DD/YR)	Member \$5/Non-Member \$8
1.
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Total amount included:

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Lieve Joris, born in Belgium and one of Europe's leading travel writers, will be giving a lecture on Saturday, April 26, at the residence of Dame Rita Bral. Lieve Joris has won many awards for her books on Europe, the Middle East, and Africa. More details on the lecture will be announced in our next newsletter.
- As usual, the BCNC will participate in the Bay to Breakers footrace in San Francisco. The race will be held on **May 18**. Further details will follow but if you're interested in going, you can already sign up at www.ingbaytobreakers.com/main.html. You will save if you sign up before April 1.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The skating evening at the Winterlodge was cancelled due to bad weather. If you are interested in a make-up skating session, please contact Philippe@bcnc.com.

DID YOU KNOW THAT

- U.C. Berkeley has a highly reputable Dutch Studies program; regular international conferences on Dutch language and literature are held on campus and it is the only American university to offer a Dutch major. Dr. Inez G. Hollander Lake, the instructor of Dutch 1 this summer, holds the position of Dutch Lecturer at UC Berkeley.

Dutch Language Course for Beginners (open to the general public) May 27, 2008 – July 03, 2008

<http://summer.berkeley.edu/mainsite/languages/dutch>

For more information: ihollander@berkeley.edu

- Introduce yourself to the cultural history of the Netherlands and Belgium, two contrasting monarchies in the heart of Europe. Using Amsterdam as our starting point and Brussels as our final destination, we will trace important cultural developments from the medieval towns in Flanders over the Dutch "Golden Age" up to the contemporary (multi)cultural and liberal identity of the Low Countries. You will engage with Dutch and Belgian culture through daily field trips to Amsterdam, The Hague, Delft, Rotterdam, Haarlem, Antwerp, Bruges, Brussels, Ghent and many other cities. Dr. Jeroen Dewulf, the instructor and organizer of this travel course, holds the position of Queen Beatrix Chair in Dutch Studies at UC Berkeley.

Travel Course to the Netherlands and Belgium (open to all American students, min. age 18, max. age 35)

July 7, 2008 - August 9, 2008

<http://summer.berkeley.edu/mainsite/travelstudy/netherlands.html>

For more information: jdewulf@berkeley.edu

THANK YOU

Many volunteers, sponsors, auction contributors, and donors for making the beer/friet/waffle fundraiser a very successful event.

- To our **volunteers**: Mrs. Keuppens and Inge Keuppens, Noel and Claire Verbist, and Lieve and Hugo Moortgat for peeling and cutting 200 lbs. potatoes; Marleen Van Steenberge for making all the waffle dough; Marie-Jeanne Parsons and Micheline Renette for baking the waffles; Noel Verbist for frying all the fries; Pierre Smit, Margot Vandenbossche and Jeroen Vandersteen for serving beer; Alexandra De Kesel and Koen Van Rompaey for preparing the auction and helping with setup; Doris Davis for picking up and returning the rental fryer; and to the hard core South Bay Belgians to stay until the very end, finish off the beer, and clean up the hall! Your help is so much appreciated!
- To our **sponsors**: Mattagrano for the Stella, Leffe, and Hoegaarden; Laurent Demuynck from Ommegang for the Duvel, the shirts, cookbooks, and hats; Kompas Consulting, Philippe Jansen, Lena De Kesel, Ann Peeters, Dame Rita Bral, Tim Van Herck, Pierre Smit for the potatoes, fryer oil, ice, sauces, and other supplies to run the event.
- To all **contributors** to the auction: CVS Belgian endive, Laurent Demuynck from Ommegang for the shirts, cookbooks, and hats; Richard and Martine Callebaut for the chocolate, Roger Schellekens for bringing a suitcase of Belgian goodies, Robert Bruckstein for a most beautiful Swarovski piece, Coupa Café for the gift certificates, Frank and Gitta for the babysitting offer, Paul and Bieke Lauwers for the airport ride offer, Claire and Noel Verbist for the comic books, and Hilda and Mark Jacops for the bath set.
- To all **donors**: John Lindon, the de Fontaine family, Doris Davis, Luc and Joyce Poppé, Ingrid Vande Velde, Claude and Mary Labeeuw, Hilda and Mark Jacops, Bieke and Paul Lauwers, Frank and Gitta Steegmans, Robert Bruckstein, Maria Sainz, and Helene Varsamidou.
- One last thank you to **all of you** who attended!.

We are very proud to announce that we raised **\$4,899.67** at this event, which comes to \$1,633.00 for each of our three beneficiaries: Sahaya International, Superatec, and the JW House. We hope you had a great time, because we had a great time organizing it! Thanks again for your contributions and participation, and we hope to see you again next year!