

## Peninsula Multifaith Coalition Meeting on Sept. 17, 2018 at Mercy Center

Attendees:

<b>Faith House / Affiliation</b>	<b>1st Name</b>	<b>Last Name</b>
Trinity Baptist Church in San Mateo	Ina	Allen
Sanatan Mandir Hindu in San Bruno	Dilip	Amin
Pacifica Institute of Burlingame	Mustafa	Balcioglu
Bahai Faith of Mid-Peninsula	Nasrin	Bashiri
Sisters of Mercy in Burlingame	Sister Marguerite	Buchanan
First Presbyterian Church of Burlingame	Gary	Deatherage
Peninsula Temple Sholom in Burlingame	Evelyn	Engelman
Peninsula Temple Sholom in Burlingame	Lionel	Engelman
Peninsula Temple Beth El in San Mateo	Michele	Epstein
JCRC Peninsula	Sarah	Fields
Trinity Baptist Church in San Mateo	Diane	Gillen
LDS Church (Mormon) San Bruno	Debbie	Grewal
Peninsula Temple Beth El in San Mateo	Dick	Heiman
Peninsula Sinai Congregation (PSC) in FC	Dana	Izenson
Sanatan Mandir Hindu in San Bruno	Veenu	Kohli
Peninsula Temple Beth El in San Mateo	Joel	Miller
Peninsula Temple Beth El in San Mateo	Judy	Miller
St. Bart's Catholic Church in San Mateo	Liz	Olsen
MLK Day Event Coordinator	Leila	Perraras
Holy Trinity Lutheran in San Carlos	Dick	Rescho
Island United in FC	Brian	Ring
Shinnyo-en USA Buddhist Temple in RWC	Kyoko	Sato
St. Bart's Catholic Church in San Mateo	Jim	Sell
First Presbyterian Church of Burlingame	Vickie	Sherman
Pride Center in San Mateo	Jack	Siebert
Sisters of Mercy in Burlingame	Penni	Thorp
Episcopal Church of St. Matthew in SM	Kitty	Van Beckum
Hillsdale United Methodist in San Mateo	Sina	Vuna
St. Andrews Lutheran Church of San Mateo	Pastor Connie	Winter- Eulberg
Bahai Faith of Mid-Peninsula	Tanya	Yavari

## **Welcome and Opening Prayer - Pastor Connie**

**Education** – Mercy Center – Sister Marguerite B.

*This presentation was recorded (thank you Dilip A.) and is available at:*

<http://www.peninsulamultifaith.org/education/>

**Prayers for Peace Report** –Nasrin B. &, Tanya Y.

- Great event
- 100 people
- all major faiths prayed
- photos and videos on PMC site
- everyone had lunch
- very spiritual
- location very good
- potluck worked out well
- thank you to Sarah F. and JCRC and Dana I. for drinks and plates and plastic ware
- we need a paper trail of how this event was planned and organized for next year

**Women of Faith Panel** – September 29, 2018 – Pastor Connie

- Flyer was distributed
- Pastor Connie W. needs help with desserts and cleanup
- everyone is invited
- each speaker 7 minutes followed by Q&A
- each speaker will talk about their faith and how important it is
- suggested that each speaker speak in stories
- everyone will gain from this event

**Educational Programs** – Penni T.

Welcoming the Stranger in our Six Faith Traditions

December 1, 2018 @6:30-8:30 pm at

Temple Beth Shalom

Speakers:

- Rabbi Lisa Delson (Jewish faith),
- Ibhahim Ijaz (Muslim faith)
- Sister Marilyn Lacey Christian faith)
- Ramin Alizadeh (Baha'i faith)
- Ashley Moore (Hindu Faith)
- Buddhist faith (not yet confirmed)
- any suggestions are welcome
- Lionel E. will do the welcome & Rev. Kristi D. will lead the Q&A

Spiritual Growth Through Faith Traditions

Soup Suppers and speakers at our different faith houses

Wednesdays, March 13 - April 10, 2019 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm

- Speakers?
- Which Faith houses?
- Need speakers to present

- also need hosts
- spiritual growth thru faith traditions
- is it prayer or chants?
- Lecture and Q&A for 1<sup>st</sup> hour followed by food
- Sisters of Mercy is the April 3<sup>rd</sup> host
- Island United Church hosts on March 20<sup>th</sup>
- Cong. Church of Belmont is host on March 27<sup>th</sup>

#### **MLK Day – Dick H., Dana, Sarah F. and Leila P.**

- 22 projects in 1 day with 420 – 450 volunteers
- Leila P. indicated some specifics:
  - We are still recruiting for Project Captains for Knitting and Sew For Love.
  - We may need some help with our schools projects involving gardening and some construction.
  - Please email [Leila@peninsulamultifaith.org](mailto:Leila@peninsulamultifaith.org) if interested and to get more information.
  - Leila will be emailing each of the project captains individually with the description of duties.
  - Sponsorship packets will be made available soon that will serve as an MLK event brochure that will assist in getting both in-kind and monetary donations to help with supplies.
  - We are currently checking our t-shirt inventory before ordering more.
- what is the goal of the project captains
  - provides list of required supplies
  - verifies and inspires volunteers
  - create project context for volunteers to inspire them
  - chair and captains can go out and try and get sponsors
- OSH is going out of business and maybe they can donate or at least get a big discount
- some sponsors may need notice of non-profit status and details in advance
- Jim S. – Principal at Hoover school in RWC
  - would like a new sign in front of his school
  - can we get we a graphic artist to create a sign design?
  - opportunity for landscaping also but needs landscape designer types to create a planning
  - get plans ready in time to implement on MLK Day
- Registration will start about Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>
- Sarah F. suggested that she or rest of MLK planning group could speak to individual faith houses
- Jim S. indicated that schools have not firmed up plans yet until early October – so some project details are not available

#### **[Financial Report – from Yolanda H.](#)**

#### **Announcements and Concerns from our Community Partners**

- Songfest confirmed March 3, 2019 at Mercy Center
- Jack Siebert, Pride Center of San Mateo (LBGQT in San Mateo)
  - center is up and running
  - members of different faith house could give a presentation at Pride Center followed by a free-flowing discussion
  - can use the Pride Center or use CC Belmont
  - Oct 29<sup>th</sup> to serve on panel (Rev. Kristi to serve a moderator)
  - get Jack's email -jdsfo@comcast.net
  - Sarah has volunteered to be there or provide a Jewish speaker
  - Pastor Connie has also volunteered

- Next MLK planning meeting with Project Captains on Oct 8th at 6:00pm at PTBE
- Debbie G. talked about Annual Multifaith Choral Concert and Home & Hope fundraiser on October 14<sup>th</sup> at First Presbyterian (*flyer posted on PMC web site*)
- Vickie S talked about Muslim Fashion event at the DeYoung museum (*flyer posted on PMC web site*)
- Dick H. talked about the plight of the Hizmet movement and Pacifica Inst.
  - How can PMC help?
  - PMC is not a political organization, but could we provide education?
  - He spoke about how a million Jews were released from Russia (Let My People Go movement).
  - Could something similar work in Turkey?
  - We would need individual or congregational support.

**Next Meeting** – October 8, 2018 at 7:00 pm at Peninsula Temple Beth El (PTBE) in San Mateo

**Closing Prayer** – Pastor Connie

*Notes taken by Joel Miller on Sept. 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018*