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### PRAYER WARRIORS PLAN GATHERING TO SEEK PEACE

A communitywide prayer meeting -- to ask for continuing peace in the greater East Palo Alto area -- will be held Saturday in East Palo Alto. The public is welcome.

The gathering for prayer, potluck food and music is sponsored by Prayer Warriors, an organized group of Christian women and men who meet daily to pray for peace in the community.

The event will be from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the former Gertrude Wilks Academy, 805 Runnymede St.

Visitors are sought particularly from the East Palo Alto, Palo Alto and Menlo Park communities. Everyone is asked to bring utensils and a dish to share. Admission is free. Residents also will get a chance to share ideas on how to get the community involved in solving its problems of crime and violence.

For information, call Gertrude Wilks at (415) 321-5160.

#### PEOPLE

- Judith Little has been named acting director of Stanford University's Office for Multicultural Development. Little, who has a doctorate in psychology from Cornell University, previously has served as associate affirmative action officer and chairwoman of the African American Staff Group. She succeeds Sharon Parker, who resigned, citing personal reasons.

#### COMING

- The Society of Croatian Mothers is sponsoring a benefit fashion show May 29 to help children victimized in the war in Bosnia-Herzegovina and Croatia.

The Red, White and Blue gala show, which includes dinner, entertainment and dancing for \$75, will be held from 5 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Hyatt Palo Alto, 4290 El Camino Real, Palo Alto. Admission without the dinner is \$35. For reservations, call (408) 978-9499 or (415) 341-6415.

- Midpeninsula Citizens for Fair Housing, a civil rights organization dedicated to fostering fair and affordable housing on the mid-Peninsula, is holding a fund-raiser Sunday at a home in Los Altos Hills. The event starts at 3 p.m. with Mexican food and drink. At 4 p.m., dancing entertainment will be provided by \*Raices\*de\*Mexico\* of East Palo Alto.

Also featured will be a cash bar, raffle and silent auction. Proceeds will go to the organization's educational fund.

Tickets cost \$25, but subsidized tickets are available for those who can't afford the \$25. For reservations and directions, call (415) 327-1718.

- Two soloists -- a cellist and a violinist -- will be featured in the Spring Festival Concert of the El Camino Youth Symphony to be held at 7 p.m. Sunday at the Smithwick Theater at Foothill College, 12345 El Monte Road, off Interstate 280, Los Altos Hills. Admission is \$10 for adults and \$5 for seniors and students. For reservations and information, call (415) 327-3369.

- On Saturday, the San Mateo County Historical Association will celebrate the completion of the renovation of its Woodside Store at King's Mountain Road and Tripp Road, Woodside.

The open house, which will be held from 3 to 6 p.m., will include a wine tasting, snacks from local restaurants and music of the Modal A's. For reservation information, call Mitch Postel at (415) 574-6441.

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