

The Gazette

Women's Rights Action Group



Friends of Orange County Detainees: Volunteers and Former Detainees

FOCD: Visitor Orientation 7/2/18

Right now there are over 79 women from 14 countries (Brazil, Cameroon, China, Ecuador, El Salvador, Eritrea, Ghana, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Somalia, Uganda, Venezuela & Vietnam), who speak 6 different languages (English, Spanish, French, Mandarin, Cantonese & Somali) currently in jail at the James A. Musick Facility in Irvine! These women are detained simply for walking up to the border and asking for asylum. Yes, what is on the news is happening in our backyard!

Friends of Orange County Detainees (FOCD) was created by a small group of Tapestry UU Congregation members in 2012. FOCD is "a community of volunteers that offer regular visits to immigration detainees in Orange County."

MARK YOUR



CALENDARS!



June 17

Celebration of Ellen DeYoung's Life
1-3pm

Plaza de Magdalena
next to Sundried
Tomato American Bistro

31781 Camino Capistrano, San Juan Capistrano

In lieu of flowers,
suggested donations
to Friends of OC
Detainees

<http://friendsofocdetainees.org/>

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PEN PALS, ANYONE?

Let our female deployed soldiers hear from you!

See page 2 for details.

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WRAG MEETING

Sunday, 6/24/2018,
12:45-2pm

Bourne Hall, St.
George's Episcopal
Church

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TEA WITH ALICE & ME

Sunday 7/1/2018,
2-5pm

The Frida Cinema
305 E. 4th St, Suite 100
Santa Ana

We offer listening ears and compassionate hearts in an act of friendship to end isolation and affirm each person's human dignity and worth."

Please consider attending the next new visitor orientation to learn more about becoming a visitor. This volunteer opportunity is open to the community, please forward to anyone who might be interested:

Monday, 7/2/18, 6-8pm at Irvine United Congregational Church, 4915 Alton Parkway, Irvine, CA 92604

"Friends of Orange County Detainees gave my soul back to me. Somebody knew that I existed." ~ Male, country of origin: Ghana

"It is such a simple thing to do. Go talk to someone for 30 minutes. That this small action can make such a difference to someone's life is really humbling." ~ Ellen, volunteer, Laguna Niguel

For more details: <http://www.friendsofocdetainees.org/>

In Case You Missed It:

HO-HO-HO! Tapestry's Christmas in June Gift Card Drive for Women's Transitional Living Center, Inc. = SUCCESS!!

Once again Tapestry shines in helping Orange County women in need! \$550 in gift cards/cash and check donations were received and will be used to assist domestic violence victims. For more info on the services offered by WTLC, check out: <http://wtlc.org/>

Upcoming Events:

Ladies of Liberty Pen Pal Opportunity

If you are interested in sending cards/letters to our Ladies of Liberty deployed soldiers, contact Karen Nichols at kbbingo@hotmail.com or (949)951-2501 for details.

OC Planned Parenthood Advocacy Nights, Thursday, 6/21, at 5:30-7:30pm, Santa Ana

Contact Rona at rona.s.henry@gmail.com or Debbie at debbiesalahi@gmail.com if interested in carpooling.

WILD WEST WOMEN INC. PRESENTS: TEA WITH ALICE AND ME — 7/1/18

Celebrate two visionaries who believe in the possibility of change. This is a personal journey through the lives of militant feminists, Alice Paul and Zoe Nicholson.

This multimedia stage presentation features Alice Paul Scholar, Zoe Nicholson. With a backdrop of hundreds of photographs and newspaper clippings, Zoe tells the story of the great teacher of Nonviolent Direct Action and the incendiary thread of tea in the American Women's Revolution; Seneca Falls: 1848 to Washington DC 2018.

So far, Karen N., Terry P., Laurel W., and Charlotte C. have their tickets! What about you?

Sunday, July 1st, 2-5pm at The Frida Cinema, 305 E. 4th St., Suite 100, Santa Ana, 92701

For tickets: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/tea-with-alice-and-me-tickets-46637171034>

