



Please join us for  
The Bernese Mountain Dog Club of Northern California's

## 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Holiday Party & Winter Membership Meeting

Saturday, December 13, 2014  
California National Guard Armory  
711 Hillcrest Ave, Benicia CA  
11 am - 5 pm

(Doors open at 8:00am for set up & drop Off)

- 11:00 am Arrive, get settled, mingle & munch  
Noon Enjoy Potluck Luncheon  
1:00 pm Membership Meeting  
(see next page for Agenda)  
2:00 pm Recognition of our veteran dogs

**Bring your holiday dish to share**  
A-G Side Dish - H-O Main Dish - P-Z Appetizer

We will be having a raffle & auction; proceeds to benefit the club's general fund and continuing our tradition of collecting dog/cat items or \$\$ for a local animal shelter (see next page for details)



## Winter Quarterly Membership Meeting Agenda

**Approve Annual, Summer and Fall Quarterly Meeting Minutes**

**Reports of Officers & Committee Chairs**

**Election of New Members**

**Unfinished Business**

**New Business - to include 2015/2016 Officer & Board of Directors Nominations**

**Raffle & Auction**

Bring an item that we can raffle or auction to raise money for our club.

**The Way & Means Boutique** will be open for Holiday Shopping, so bring your Christmas List.

**Don't forget to bring your e-x pens or crates as dogs must be confined during lunch and the meeting.**

**Help us set up & clean up**

**If you are not going to be in the parade please help us set up and decorate tables**

**Help Debbie with Ways & Means**

**Clean up will start at 4-4:30**



**This is the signature event of the year! Spectators love our 1<sup>st</sup>-place award-winning group of Berners. Bring your four-legged friends, with or without carts. It's a fun holiday event!**

**Where?**

1<sup>st</sup> Street, downtown Benicia. The staging area is at East 2nd & 'D' Street

**When?**

Saturday, December 14, 2014. Assemble at 9:00 am. Parade begins at 10:00 am.

**What to wear?**

Christmas attire for you and especially for your K9 friends. Try to wear Santa or holiday hats and as much red and green as possible so we can coordinate as the BMDNC Berner Christmas group.

**Berners with/without carts.**

Dogs may wear decorated harnesses, bells, hats, scarves, packs, etc. We will have a team leading our group with the Club Christmas Tree. Have your carts filled with wrapped presents, toys, stuffed animals, candy canes, etc. Candy may be passed out but not thrown.

**If possible, please call Cynthia Hilton at 510-235-4922 if you will be joining the parade.**

The parade organizers would like to know the size of our contingent in advance.



### **Directions to the Nation Guard Armory - 711 Hillcrest Avenue, Benicia CA**

From 680 Freeway

Take 780 Freeway west toward Benicia/Vallejo

From 80 Freeway

Take 780 Freeway east toward Benicia/Martinez

From the 780 Freeway

Take the East 5<sup>th</sup> Street exit, turn north onto 5<sup>th</sup> Street at the end of the off-ramp and go under the freeway (if exiting from 780 East). 5<sup>th</sup> Street ends at Hillcrest Ave.

Turn right onto Hillcrest Ave. The Armory is at the end of the road on the left.

### **Directions to the Holiday Parade staging are on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 'D' Street**

From 780 Freeway take the 2<sup>nd</sup> Street exit.

Turn left onto 2<sup>nd</sup> Street at the end of the off-ramp.

Turn right on Military Street West, then turn left on 1<sup>st</sup> Street.

Continue on 1<sup>st</sup> Street or jog over to 2<sup>nd</sup> Street to park.

The parade runs north up 1<sup>st</sup> Street, so it's best to park above 'H' Street to return to your car.

**Meet at 9:00 am**