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Holiday Blessings from Be the Star You Are!®

STAR SEARCHER'S EXPRESS



Holiday Honkings

A Message from our Founder, Cynthia Brian



Are you feeling holiday stress, bombarded with requests from charities for donations, and uncertain how you can even afford gifts for your friends and loved ones? Take a deep breath, tame the demons,

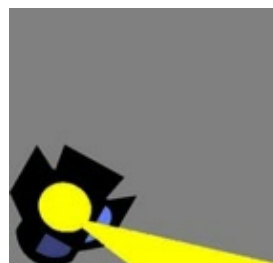
and remember the reason behind the season. From all of us at [Be the Star You Are!® charity](#), we want to thank you for your support, for reading this newsletter, for listening to our radio programs, and participating in our events and outreach programs.

Count your blessings, appreciate your life, and celebrate a beautiful Christmas, Hannukah, Kwanza, or day of joy. You are special. You are a star. You count! With gratitude and green greetings,
Cynthia Brian, Executive Director

PS: For cost saving Home Grown Holiday ideas,

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"Christmas gift suggestions: To your enemy, forgiveness. To an opponent, tolerance. To a friend, your heart. To a customer, service. To all, charity. To every child, a good example. To yourself, respect."
Oren Arnold



AUTHOR SPOTLIGHT

**Robert
Margetic: How to
Survive the Coming**

Retirement Storm

It's not too late to create a successful retirement! Retirement is about more than money. It's a time to act upon your long delayed personal pursuits; a time to reconnect more deeply with family and friends. In these turbulent and uncertain times, you need to manage the crucial balance between your income sources and lifestyle

read my [Digging Deep column in The Lamorinda Weekly](#)

I am available to coach you to success. My virtual door is always open at

Cynthia@BetheStarYouAre.org



Diva Behavior featured BTSYA in a recent blog. Thanks for the plug. Check it out. [Here is the link:](#)
<http://www.divamission.com/2011/12/divabehavior-be-star-you-are.html>

RADIO FLYER

Starstyle-Be the Star

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For guest guidelines, contact our Guest Coordinator, Angela Siekman at radio@bethestaryouareradio.com

"Cynthia, thanks a million for such a wonderful interview for my book. You are a Goddess!

Thank you once again for such a lovely showcase for the book. à bientôt." Nad Phillips, Author, Work Life Project, Women's Edition. France

"Thanks for a great interview. I was very impressed with your preparation and style. Keep up the good work."

Robert Margetic, Author how to Survive the coming Retirement Storm



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Review of book coming soon!

TALENT CALL!

South Bay Teen Idol

Auditions: If you love to sing, enter this amateur vocal competition that

highlights talented teens from Santa Clara and Santa Cruz counties. Sun., Jan. 29. 9am-5pm. \$20 entry fee. Top vocalists will compete for a \$2500 scholarship.

Addison-Penzak Jewish Community Center, 14855 Oka Road, Los Gatos. 408.357.7401. Restrictions apply. Visit siliconvalleyjcc.org/idol for full details or see us on Facebook.....

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\$\$\$\$, books, and an interview on our internationally broadcast radio show. [GUIDELINES:](#)

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Choose a Topic:

Topic 1: "The World at Your Fingertips": Technology allows people to access and do so much more than ever imagined. How has technology changed your life? Is it better or worse?

Topic 2: "Hear Me Out": Got something to say? Then say it! What does it mean to express yourself so that others can hear you? How do you personally go about doing so?

has been broadcasting for a month now to rave reviews. Our teen hosts Chan Dara Paschal and



Steven Zhou plus our six field reporters, Courtney Chegn, Vivien Lees, Rachel Glass, Eric Pawlakos, Jacqueline Tao, and Courtney Tran are having a blast bringing topics of interest to teens to the airwaves. Tune in for a new episode every Tuesday at noon on [Voice Americ Kids Network](http://www.voiceamerica.com/show/2014/express-yourself).

<http://www.voiceamerica.com/show/2014/express-yourself> or anytime at

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PEOPLE ARE TALKING!

- "Your work with teens is truly inspirational and you have to know you are shaping lives everywhere. If you receive just half of the blessings you give to others, you truly will be blessed!" **Karen Kitchel, President, Cheerful Givers**
- "Wow. Look at you! Go, Cynthia, Go! Congrats on the launch of the new radio show, Express Yourself!™! Way to go!" **Attila Bardos, Robert Half Management Resources**
- "Cynthia, sometimes I feel like I am just watching your vapor trail. By the time I get caught up with what you are doing, you are light years beyond! I am just thrilled." **Michael Williamsen, Marin Real Estate Broker**
- "I am a fan of your radio show online Express yourself! I enjoy the energy that is evident and the informational content you provide your teen listeners." **Jackie O'Neal, O'Neal Media Author Services**
- "YOU ROCK!! So proud of you and your Voice America Youth!!!" **Ellen Rohr, President, Bare Bones Biz**



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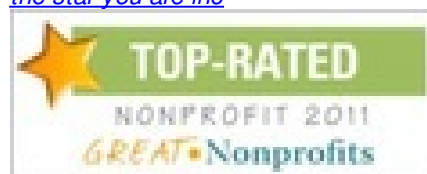
As 2011 ends and 2012 launches, BTSYA has volunteer opportunities for all ages and talents. Between January and February, [JOIN OUR SEASON OF SERVICE](#) for Live Your

Legacy: [Sign up:](#)

<http://www.volunteermatch.org/search/opp995086.jsp>.

Check out all the volunteer opportunities at [Volunteer Match](#) or [Volunteers of the East Bay](#). PLEASE DO NOT call our office asking to volunteer. All volunteer requests are answered via email, info@BetheStarYouAre.org.

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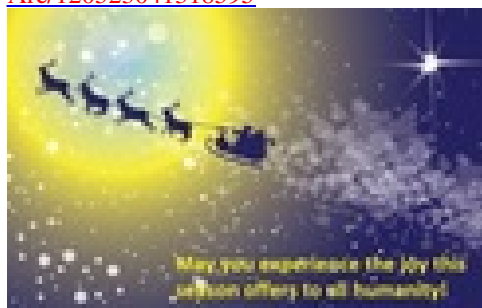
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Wishing you every blessing of the season.

Have a holly jolly Christmas. Thank you for being part of the Be the Star You Are!® Galaxy.

Shine on!

See you next year!



HAPPY HONKING HOLIDAYS!

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