

# Lamorinda's Religious Services



**Holy Shepherd Lutheran Church, Orinda, 254-3422**



**Summer Worship Schedule**

8:15 a.m. Traditions Worship Service  
9:15 a.m. Coffee Fellowship  
9:45 a.m. Celebrations Worship Service  
Childcare available for ages 5 and younger

**Our Savior's Lutheran (ELCA)**

1035 Carol Lane, Lafayette  
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**SUMMER SCHEDULE**

Worship 9:30-10:30 am Sunday  
EZ laid-back choir 7-8 pm Thursday

Vacation Bible School  
June 23-27  
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**St. Anselm's Episcopal Church**

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**Sunday Services:** 8 and 10 AM  
Active Youth Program, Childcare

682 Michael Lane, Lafayette, 284-7420, www.stanselms.ws

**St. Giles Episcopal Church of Moraga**

Worshipping at St. Mary's College Chapel. All are welcome at our services.

**9 a.m. Sunday Service:** Holy Communion - with St. Giles' Choir.  
Child care is available all year.

1928 St. Mary's Road, Moraga. 925-376-5770

**Temple Isaiah welcomes you to worship with us on Shabbat.**



For specific questions, call the Temple office at 925-283-8575 or visit our website: temple-isaiah.org.

1st and 4th Friday evening - 6:30 PM  
2nd and 3rd Friday evening - 8:00 PM  
Saturday mornings at 10:30 AM

If you would like your services listed, please email to info@lamorindaweekly.com or call 925-377-0977. A one inch listing will cost \$20.



## Letters to the Editor



Share your thoughts with our community! Opinions in Letters to the Editor are the express views of the writers and not necessarily those of the Lamorinda Weekly.

All published letters will include the writer's name and town (please give us your phone number for verification purposes only), and should be 350 words or less. Letters may be edited for length or legal considerations.

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Dear Editor:

The residents of Thune Ave have nothing over us here on Ascot Drive in re the behavior of SMC students. In the past year we have had noisy parties, loud music, witnessed someones contentious girlfriend taken away in the police car after a shameful fight, a naked howling student in the parking lot at 2 am (his friends gathered him home before the police got here), screeching girls and the continuing problems of having the friends of our SMC neighbors parking in our assigned parking spots.

If anyone thinks that this type of behavior is going to diminish with the building of a night cafe or bookstore, they are utterly mistaken.

The problem is not "Boraga." The problem is the lack of civility and a culture that promotes alcohol at every turn and tolerates boorish behavior.

I agree that the landlords should feel the sting of the fines that their tenants cause, but who is going to make the students accountable? Actually that was their parents' job, and their parents failed. It seems no one taught these kids how to live with consideration for others. We don't need more "diversions" for the students. What is needed is a course on Manners and Growing Up. Now that they are in College, is that too much to ask?

Carolyn Aguirre, Moraga

Branch of the American Association of University Women event held on May 20 at the Orinda Country Club. Ms. Braccini gave an excellent listing of the accomplishments of our branch as well as a very flattering description of my activities serving the organization, my family and my church thus earning me the Distinguished Woman of 2008 award. This is an honor I shall treasure forever and the newspaper clipping has been added to my scrapbook.  
Maryann Zivic, Lafayette

YES on Measure E passes  
Thank you, Orinda voters, for overwhelmingly supporting Orinda's library! Thanks to you, this community jewel will be able to maintain its hours, keep current with its quality collection and continue to provide valuable programs well into the future. Thank you also to Friends of the Library volunteers for not only helping with this campaign, but for volunteering many hours on behalf of the library.

Thanks to the Orinda City Council for working with the Friends of the Library in placing this much-needed tax renewal on the ballot.

More thanks to the many supporters who wrote letters, donated money, and put out lawn signs in support of the measure. The campaign still has a loan to pay off, and anyone who would like to contribute can send their donation to Support Orinda's Library: Yes on Measure E at P. O. Box 278, Orinda 94563.

Thank you again!  
Susie Epstein  
Chair - Support Orinda's Library:  
Yes on Measure E, Orinda

Dear Editor,

I am very disappointed with the Acalanes School District Board due to a recent decision they made to exclude international foreign exchange students from graduation ceremonies at schools in the district.

I am a member and past president of the Rotary Club of Lafayette. All three of my children are graduates of Acalanes. The Rotary Club of Lafayette has hosted 6 exchange students over the past 10 years and all attended Acalanes. One of the highlights of the exchange student's time in the United States has been being included in the graduation exercises along with all the friends they have made during their senior year. Even though they were not receiving a diploma because they did not meet the requirements for graduation, they historically were allowed to participate in the ceremonies and received a "Certificate of Completion." The certificate commemorated their year here and is cherished me-

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mento of their time in the United States and at Acalanes. Many of them arranged for proud loved ones from their respective countries to visit California for the ceremony where they saw their smiling son or daughter receive a certificate acknowledging their completion of studies.

The school board decision was challenged during meetings of the School District and in letters directed to superintendent Negri. The board, however, has refused to reconsider. This decision is unwarranted since allowing exchange students to participate in graduation ceremonies has no impact on our schools or district. The precedent of many years of allowing their participation was negated at the last minute. While it is maybe too late for this year's students, those who have been involved with the exchange program hope that the decision will be revisited and reversed such that future exchange students can participate. We are, after all, exporting American good will.  
Bob Shusta, Lafayette

### Happy Birthday, Colonel Hampton!

Submitted by Earle Holt



left to right: Bill Wasson, Wes Tilton, Norb Nalecki, Dale Cook, John Hampton, Don Hester and Earle Holt cutting the cake

Marine Corp Lt. Colonel John L. Hampton of Lafayette celebrated his 101st birthday recently, surrounded by friends. Hampton, a former journalist who also worked in the public information sector, served in the Pacific in World War II and was a key player

in the establishment of the Marine Corp Toys for Tots program in 1947. The Lt. Colonel is a member of the San Francisco Joe Rosenthal Chapter of the US Marine Corp Combat Correspondents Association. Happy Birthday, Colonel Hampton!

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"While there are many projects that are gorgeous in and of themselves, in order to maintain the wonderful natural environment of Orinda, we will really be looking to see how the projects fit the topography, maintain privacy for both the homeowner and the neighbors, and contribute to the neighborhood, all while meeting high quality architectural design standards," she adds. Having received entries only in the architectural categories last year, the City hopes residents will consider submitting entries to the landscape and environmental sustainability categories as well. "In landscape we will be looking for the use of native vegetation with a mix of ornamental plantings that enhance the site's natural and man-made features. This is especially important in a drought year," says Smith. "In the environmental sustainability category, we hope to look at projects that use both high and low tech green building techniques," she adds.

Submission requirements and entry applications are available at the city website ([www.cityoforinda.com](http://www.cityoforinda.com)) and at City Hall. The deadline for entries is August 15, 2008. Winner will be announced at the City Council meeting on December 2nd, 2008.