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## business briefs



Arranging the holiday display at Clocks, Etc. Photo Sophie Braccini

### Local Stores and Artists Prepare for the Holidays

On Friday, November 13 and Saturday, November 14, Clocks Etc. (971 Moraga Rd.) and its neighbor Design Within Reach (973 Moraga Rd.), in association with Mechanics Bank, will be hosting An Artful Gathering, a showcase of unique works of art by local artists. The seven artists to be featured are Jude Coren (candlemaker), Brian Giambastiani (glassblower and metal artist), Karin Lechner (beaded jewelry designer), Margaret Lucas-Hill (painter), Judy Bolef Miller (sculptor), Cheryl Wolff-Potter and Linda Yoshizawa (printmakers). During Friday evening's Artists Reception, visitors can enjoy wine and hors' d'oeuvres while chatting with the artists and seeing their work. Saturday will be an opportunity to kick off your holiday shopping, as the displayed works will be for sale. "This event is an outgrowth of the 'Try Lafayette First' campaign," said Wendy Tamis of Clocks, Etc. "We wanted to give the community a chance to see and purchase local art," she explained.

The show will be held on Friday, November 13 from 5-8pm and Saturday, November 14 from 10am-5pm. For more information, call Clocks, Etc. at 284-4720.

The next day, November 15th, from 1 to 4 p.m., Mt Diablo Nursery & Garden will be featuring local artists with handmade, local and unique items including soaps, lotions, sachets, olive oils, wines, honey, glass ornaments and more. The address is 3295 Mt. Diablo Blvd. For more information call 283-3839 or go to [www.mtDiablonursery.com](http://www.mtDiablonursery.com).

### Lafayette Physical Therapy Open House

Lafayette Physical Therapy Inc., now located at 3468 Mt. Diablo Blvd Suite B110 in Lafayette, will hold an open house on November 12th from 4:00pm-7:00pm. The company has been serving the Lamorinda community for 34 years. "The office was recently moved to a beautiful new suite that is bigger and has a floor plan that will allow us to better serve our clients," said Jill Watase, Administrative Director. "We have expanded upon our core services of Physical

Therapy to include Hand Therapy, and have been able to enhance our thriving wellness services of massage therapy, personal training, senior balance classes, and Pilates," she explained. Staff will be available to answer questions during the Open House.

### News from the

Three Chambers of Commerce

Lafayette

Coffee with the Mayor, Friday, November 13th at 8:00 a.m. in the Chamber Conference room

Green Committee meeting on Wednesday, November 18th at 11:45 a.m. in the Chamber Conference Room

Entrepreneur's Club on Thursday, November 19th at 8:30 a.m. in the Chamber Conference Room

Community Thanksgiving Breakfast on Friday November 20th, from 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. in the Veterans Memorial Building, 3780 Mt. Diablo Blvd. 2009 will be the 30th anniversary of the community event that brings together city leaders, residents and the business community. This year the breakfast will be graciously prepared by Chef's Touch Catering. The morning speaker is State Controller John Chiang. Partnering to bring this event to the community are the Lamorinda Sunrise Rotary Club, the Lafayette Rotary Club and the Lafayette Chamber of Commerce. Reservation are required, download the registration form on the Chamber's web site at [www.lafayettechamber.org](http://www.lafayettechamber.org).

Moraga

Chamber Meeting on November 20, starting at 7:30 a.m. at the Hacienda de las Flores. Grant Stubblefield will present the new Moraga Chamber of Commerce website and talk about the possible advertising opportunities on [ShopMoragaFirst.com](http://ShopMoragaFirst.com).

Orinda

Chamber After Hours Mixer on Thursday, November 12th from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Oak Springs Pool, 39 Spring Road, Orinda, CA 945596. The Oak Springs Pool has invited Orinda Chamber members to visit their historical club house, which is now available for private parties. "Join old and new friends, and sip a glass of wine while standing next to a roaring fire in a knotty pine cabin," said Candy Kattenburg, the Chamber Executive Director. See more information about Oak Springs Pool at the club web site: <http://www.oakspringspool.com>. Free admission.

Save the date for the Chamber Christmas Mixer on Thursday, December 10th from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Mechanics Bank, 77 Moraga Way, Orinda. Free admission.

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