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## business briefs

### Garden Tour for Tech Trek Scholarship

John Montgomery Landscape Architects is sponsoring "Life in the Lafayette Garden" on Saturday, May 14. Proceeds from ticket sales will benefit the Tech Trek scholarship program sponsored by the Lamorinda branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW-OML). Montgomery will be present to answer questions on the tour of five select Lafayette gardens. He believes "a landscape is much more than just shrubs, trees, and a patio. It has the power to rejuvenate, inspire, and relax." Presentations will include an outdoor cooking demonstration, urban farming demonstration, light refreshments, and live music. The tour will be held from 11:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. Tech Trek is a week-long summer program for junior high school girls. The camp inspires young women to consider careers in science, technology, engineering, or math. The proceeds from this fundraiser will provide girls interested in math and science with scholarships to attend the Grace Hopper Tech Trek camp on the Stanford University campus. Tickets are \$25 each. For more information, call AAUW member Pat at (925) 376-5155 or visit [www.aauwoml.org/TechTrek.html](http://www.aauwoml.org/TechTrek.html).

### Tri-Chamber Meeting - Make Your Movie

Lafayette, Moraga, and Orinda will hold a Tri Chamber Mixer at The New Rheem Theatre, 350 Park Ave, Moraga, on Tuesday, April 26. Since the meeting will be in a movie theater, the Chambers are asking residents to shoot a video (three minutes or less in length) or create a PowerPoint presentation or slide show about how much they love their town/city. "I thought, we are in a theater and we are all proud of our city - and hey, let's have some fun," said Lafayette Chamber Executive Director Jay Lifson. Winners from each community will be shown on the big screen and win prizes. All submissions must be on a DVD. Please contact the Lafayette Chamber of Commerce for submission instructions, 284-7404.

### J. Rockcliff Realtors "Office of the Year"

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J. Rockcliff Realtors announced on March 10 that its "Office of the Year" award will go to the company's Orinda and Lafayette branches which are viewed as, and function as, one united Lamorinda office. The annual award recognizes outstanding achievement in year-over-year growth in production, recruitment and overall performance. "Our Orinda/Lafayette office has positioned itself at the vanguard of industry expertise, leadership and community involvement," said Jeff Sposito, president of J. Rockcliff Realtors. "Between the two branch locations, there are not only some of the most respected and successful Realtors in the area, but in the nation. They are industry leaders. They are community leaders. They are compassionate, involved, engaged and focused and serve as excellent examples to their peers. It is an honor for me to congratulate them for being named our company's office of the year and I look forward to rewarding their sustained accomplishments in the future."

### News from the three Chambers of Commerce Lafayette

- Entrepreneur's Club, March 17, 8:30-9:30am in the Lafayette Chamber Conference Room.
- Coffee with the Mayor, March 18, 8-9am in the Lafayette Chamber Conference Room.
- Green Committee Open Meeting, March 22, noon-1pm in the Lafayette Chamber Conference Room.
- Ribbon Cutting at Posh Boutique, March 24, 5-6pm. 3416 Mt. Diablo Blvd. (925) 962-9691.
- Business Issues/Government Affairs Committee Open Meeting, March 25, 8-9am in the Lafayette Chamber Conference Room.
- 2011 Citizen of the Year Dinner Honoring Karen Mulvaney, Friday, March 25. Karen Mulvaney has been picked as the 2011 Citizen of the Year. Anyone who has worked on a school parcel tax, the library of the many projects Karen has worked on, knows that she gives it her "all." Karen will be honored on Friday, March 25th with a dinner at the Lafayette Park Hotel & Spa. Reservations are required, the form is available on the Chamber's web site, [www.lafayettechamber.org](http://www.lafayettechamber.org).

### Moraga

Chamber general meeting, Friday, March 25, 7:30-9am at the Hacienda, 2100 Donald Drive. Roos' muffins and coffee will be served. Mary Coe, Renee Zeimer and Rich Larsen, the Moraga Economic Development Team, will be the guest speakers. They plan a large outreach effort to the Moraga business community.

## Orinda

First Annual State of the City Address and Special Recognition Awards Luncheon on Wednesday, April 20, starting at noon in the Orinda Community Center, 26 Orinda Way, Orinda. The event is hosted by Rotary Club of Orinda and Orinda Chamber of Commerce. It will recognize Julian Juricevic's Orinda Taxi as Best Small Business in Orinda. The State of the Town Address will be given by Mayor Victoria Smith. The Chamber will also give Special Recognition Awards to Sally Hogarty, Editor of the Orinda News and columnist Valerie Hotz. RSVP required by April 15. Tickets are \$20.00 per person - to purchase tickets go to the Chamber's web site at [www.orindachamber.org/events.htm#AwardsDinner](http://www.orindachamber.org/events.htm#AwardsDinner).

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