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**BREAST CANCER MONTH**  
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**On October 15th, "The Many Faces of Breast Cancer"** will take place at the Leshner Center for the Arts in Walnut Creek, from 10am-12pm. This educational community event focuses on the unique needs and issues of survivors, providing the latest information on breast cancer. Heather Quarterman from KKDV 92.1 FM will be the moderator and medical experts will speak on issues effecting survivors and offer insight into treatment options and lifestyle changes that can help with rehabilitation. The event is sponsored by Diablo Valley Oncology, the American Cancer Society, and the Cancer Support Community. There is no charge for the event, however reservations are required as seating is limited. RSVP at (925) 677-5041, xtn 231.

**A special Breast Cancer Awareness event** entitled "Pink Up The Mall" will be taking place throughout the month of October at the Sunvalley Shopping Center. Merchants of the mall will feature "Pink" themed merchandise and special discount offers. The highlight of the event will take place on October 16th at 1pm in the Grand Court. Breast Cancer survivors will be recognized by their oncologists and surgeons and featured in a Surviving in Style Fashion Show. Open to the public.

**Spooky Sweets on Sale at the Lafayette Parks and Rec** Haunted House Friday, Oct. 28th & Sunday, Oct. 30th - Fortify your nerves and shore up your sweet tooth with an Edible Eyeball or Creep Crawly Cupcake before heading into the Youth Commission's House of Haunts - Thirsty? Try a tumbler full of swamp juice. The Lafayette Youth Commission will donate all proceeds of this bake sale to American Cancer Society and they'll be selling some pretty cool Community United T-Shirts, too!

**OTHER**

**Bath Simple & Canyon Construction presents** "A Night of Wine & Bathroom Design" on Wednesday, October 12 from 6:30pm - 8:30pm. Bath Simple's Founder and Lead Product Designer will discuss how new systems and products are streamlining the workflow for contractors and improving the customer experience for homeowners remodeling their bathrooms; several Bay Area bathrooms will be featured as case studies. Link to event details and RSVP: <http://paperless.ly/oLCSKh>. Cost: Free and open to the public.

**Oktoberfest, Saturday, October 15, 10am-1pm. Food, Fun for Kids, Prizes & Games.** Free Admission. Diablo Valley Montessori School, 3390 Deer Hill Road Lafayette; (925) 283-6036.

**Serbian Food Festival, Saturday, October 15, noon-9pm.** Featuring authentic Serbian cuisine, music and dancing. Free admission. Holy Trinity Cultural Center, 1700 School Street, Moraga. For info. (925) 376-6850.

**Oktoberfest at the Hacienda de Las Flores, Sunday, October 16, from 2-6pm.** Big Lou and her German band will offer live music, the Golden Gate Bavarian Dancers will entertain with authentic Oktoberfest dances. Draught beer, bratwurst, weisswurst, strudel and pretzels are available for a nominal charge. Jumpy houses, pumpkin painting, and other activities will be available to entertain children. All proceeds used for improvements to the Hacienda de Las Flores. (See article on page A5)

**WomenSing presents WomenSing's Annual Gala** on Sunday, Oct 16, from 4 to 7pm, at Veterans Memorial Building, 3780 Mt. Diablo Blvd., Lafayette. WomenSing's Annual Gala kick-off. Win a \$500 cash door prize and let SoVoSo, a premiere a cappella ensemble, entertain you. Great food and wine. Cost: General Admission \$45.00, Reserved Seating \$75.00. For more info see <http://www.womensing.org> or call (925) 974-9169 or email [info@womensing.org](mailto:info@womensing.org).

**Saint Mary's Guild Italian Night: Thursday, October 20, 5-9pm** at the Soda Center, Saint Mary's College; featuring Italian cuisine & music by Gene Falcone. \$32.00 per person. Contact Pat Wiegmann, Saint Mary's College Guild, P.O.Box 3002, Saint Mary's College, 94575. Proceeds to benefit SMC scholarship fund.

**Music, Dance, Conversation at Seniors Social.** Music lovers, social fans,

all-level dancers, couples and singles invited to join the fun Wednesdays 12:30-2:50pm, Live Oak Room, Lafayette Community Center, 500 St. Mary's Road. Large dance space, sociable table set-up, smooth new floor. Ballroom lessons first Wednesday of each month. \$2 for Lafayette Senior Center members, \$4 for non-members. Additional details and map: [sites.google.com/site/lafayetteadance](http://sites.google.com/site/lafayetteadance).

**Widowed Persons Support Group sessions** are on-going at 10am Saturday mornings at Saint Stephen's Church, 66 St. Stephen's Drive, Orinda. For more detailed information, please call Janice With at (925) 210-0333.

**A Journey with Mercy Ships October 23, 11:30am,** Orinda Community Church, 10 Irwin Way, Orinda. All are welcome to attend a presentation and slide show by our member John Creech on his latest tour with Mercy Ships to Sierra Leone, Africa. Mercy Ships is a global charity that has operated hospital ships in developing nations since 1978. Mercy Ships brings hope and healing to the forgotten poor by mobilizing people and resources worldwide, and serving all people without regard for race, gender, or religion.

**Who's Who in the Lafayette Cemetery?** Join one or two of the Lafayette Historical Society's events in October and find out! Wednesday, October 26 at 3pm in the Arts & Science Room in the Lafayette Library & Learning Center, hear about the history of the Cemetery. Sunday, October 30 at 1:30 pm Mary McCosker takes us on our first ever walking tour of the cemetery. She will point out the gravesites of the well known settlers of our area. Please send an email with your reservation or questions to [lafayette.history@comcast.net](mailto:lafayette.history@comcast.net) or call the History Room, or call (925) 283-1848.

**19th Annual Lafayette Reservoir Run October 30.** Over 2,500 participants compete in a 10K, 5K or 2 mile race through the heart of downtown Lafayette, around the reservoir and back. Sprinters, walkers, the "stroller brigade" and many of Lafayette's top four legged residents. Race times begin at 8am and "day of" registration begins at 6:30am. Pre-registration can be done by visiting the Lafayette Chamber of Commerce website, [www.lafayettechamber.org](http://www.lafayettechamber.org) or [www.active.com](http://www.active.com).

**Do you like working with people? Are you good with numbers?** Contra Costa County AARP Tax-Aide is looking for volunteers to become members of a team providing free tax preparation for individuals of all ages. Volunteers are trained by Tax-Aide and become IRS Certified tax counselors. Other volunteer positions are available. If interested, call LaVerne Gordon, District Coordinator, at (925) 726-3199 for information and to apply. Orientation is in November 2011 and classes for tax counselors start in January 2012.

**Step into the world of amateur radio! Communicate** wirelessly across town, across country, internationally or out into space. Learn about Amateur (ham) Radio and earn a Technician Class license through classes taught by Lamorinda area ham radio operators. Classes start, November 2, at 7pm in the Sarge Littlehale Room of Orinda City Hall and run for two hours each Wednesday night through the month. The class is free, but participants will use Gordon West's book Technician Class 2010-2014. The book, normally \$20, will be available at a reduced price at the first meeting. For details, call Keith at 925.376.3269 or Leasa at 925.631.6650, or e-mail [K6KWR@arrl.org](mailto:K6KWR@arrl.org).

**Special Event for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital** on Sunday November 6, 8:30am, Lafayette Moraga Trail; Stanley Middle School to Olympic Blvd. and return. Come participate in Lafayette in a Walkathon to benefit St. Jude and join us in reaching our goal of \$10,000.00 to help St. Jude Children's Research Hospital fight pediatric cancer and other catastrophic diseases. You can register on line at [St.Jude.org/special-events.com](http://St.Jude.org/special-events.com) or contact Andria at [StJude-walkathon@yahoo.com](mailto:StJude-walkathon@yahoo.com).

**POLITICAL GATHERINGS**

**The League of Women Voters of Diablo Valley and the Social Justice Council** of the Mt. Diablo Unitarian Universalist Church present a Celebration of 100 Years of Women's Right to Vote in California. The party and opportunity to meet your Electeds will take

place on Saturday, October 15, 2-5 pm at the new Bortin Fellowship Hall at the church, 55 Eckley Lane, Walnut Creek. Wine, cheese, finger food, pink tea, and singing. Wear suffragist colors of white, yellow and/or purple if you can. All are welcome to attend. Wheel Chair Accessible. \$10 donation.

**CLUBS**

**Moraga Women' Society program, Monday, October 17:** Stevie Mann will speak about her work in Oakland and Richmond as a crime and violence prevention consultant. She has written four national crime prevention books and is a nationally recognized expert in the field. At Holy Trinity Cultural Center, 1700 School Street, Moraga. Meeting 9:30am; speaker 10:45am. All are welcome.

**Lamorinda Toastmasters will be hosting Ed Alter of SpeechSkills LLC** in an evening dedicated to the nurturing and development of public speaking and leadership skills. The event will be held at the Social Hall of Temple Isaiah in Lafayette, 7:30-9pm on Tuesday, October 18. Anyone Interested in improving public speaking and leadership skills is invited. Please contact the club at (925) 385-8793, or e-mail to [membership@lamorinda.freesthost.net](mailto:membership@lamorinda.freesthost.net).

**The American Association of University Women, Orinda, Moraga, Lafayette Branch (AAUW, OML)** invites the general public to our October 18, 2011 meeting. Helen Hutchison, President of the League of Women Voters, Oakland, will be speaking about the Initiative and Referendum Process. Ms. Hutchison will discuss the history of the process and focus on California. Is California's process different than other states? She will also review issues identified with the CURRENT initiative and referendum process in California. The meeting will be held from 9:30-11:30am at the Holy Trinity Serbian Orthodox Cultural Center, 1700 School Street in Moraga.

**The Moraga Garden Club will see a demonstration** in container gardening by Susanne Frey at their general meeting on October 20th It will be held at the Holy Trinity Cultural Center on School St. in Moraga at 10am. Ms. Frey is the owner of Seasons Landscape Design and will discuss the choice of containers, plants and techniques. Interested parties are welcome to attend.

**Montelindo Garden Club meeting Friday, October 21,** Orinda Community Church, 10 Irwin Way, Orinda. Gary Gragg, who is the President of Golden Gate Palms and Exotics in Richmond, California, will discuss subtropical gardening for Northern California. Gary's design work can be seen throughout the Bay Area, including residential communities, avenues, public buildings and the Oakland Zoo. He is also the host of HGTV's "Superscapes". The lecture is

at 10:30am and a plant sale and refreshments are at 9am. The event is free and the public is cordially invited to attend.

**"Family Quilts" was the theme of the October meeting** of the Acalanes Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, (DAR). Members displayed their family quilts and shared stories about their quilt's history. If you are interested in joining DAR and can prove a direct ancestral link to a Revolutionary War patriot, please call Pat Peterson at (925) 284-9590 or email her at [pat\\_p94549@yahoo.com](mailto:pat_p94549@yahoo.com).

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**8:00am Downtown Lafayette**

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**2 Mile Run/Walk (8:00am) • 5K (8:30am) • 10K (8:45am)**

To register, go to [www.active.com](http://www.active.com) or [www.lafayettechamber.org](http://www.lafayettechamber.org)  
You can call the Lafayette Chamber of Commerce at 925-284-7404

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