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The Orinda Woman's Club is currently accepting applicants for its major beneficiary awards in 2012. Appropriate applying agencies must be non-profit 501 (c), serving women and children in need, be Alameda and /or Contra Costa County based and have an annual income of less than \$1,000,000. Application forms can be acquired from Adeline McClatchie, Beneficiary Chair at (925) 254 1162 or Adeline@mcclatchie.com. The deadline is March 5th 2012, 7pm.

Looking for a few good readers to read to children. Volunteers interested in a rewarding opportunity are needed to read to groups of children ages 3-5 in preschool child care centers in Concord, Pittsburg and West County. Volunteers will need to attend one 3 - hour training session offered by the Contra Costa County Library in Concord, Pittsburg or San Pablo. Books and resources will be supplied by the library. For additional information contact Maureen Kilmurray, Contra Costa County Library, (925) 927- 3288.

Lafayette resident John Kiefer will again offer workshops on "How to Raise Your Own Chickens." Topics will include raising young chicks, laying hen maintenance, and sustainable coop construction. Workshops are free and will be held from 1-3:30 pm, Sunday, Jan.22, Feb. 5 & 19. Reservations are required. Contact: jhkiefer@comcast.net.

Science Cafe: The Science of Steinway and Sound on Tuesday, January 24 from 7-8pm at the LLLC. Concert pianist Justin Levitt will discuss the science behind the creation of the concert grand piano from 12,000 individual parts. Dueling pianists perform! Cost: \$5; reserve@LLLCF.org.

Twirl, chat, and tap your feet to the beat at the weekly Social for all-level, all-style dancers, music lovers, and observers Wednesdays 12:30 to 2:50pm at Lafayette Community Center located at 500 St. Mary's Road. The event, with continuous, professionally recorded music, is held in the big, bright Live Oak Room. On the first Wednesday of each month, professional dance duo Karen and Michael give lessons. A map, additional Dance Social details, and any upcoming skip dates are posted at: sites.google.com/site/lafayetteadance. \$2 for members of Lafayette Senior Center, \$4 for non-members. Just \$10 yearly to join the Center, and enjoy the complete range of activities.

Miramonte High School's Public Speaking Annual Showcase featuring nationally recognized high school speakers, debaters, and performers! \$5 entrance fee at the door, 100% going to support the Public Speaking Team. Refreshments provided after the show! Thursday and Friday, January 26th-27th; 7:00pm at the Miramonte High School Theater.

Interested in renovating or remodeling your home, but don't know where to begin? Come meet leading remodelers, builders, and design professionals at LamorindaWeb's first annual Home Expo '12 on Saturday, January 28, 10am-4pm at the Lafayette Events Center (formerly the Veteran's Memorial Building). Over 40 local businesses. The show includes, but is not limited to kitchen and bath remodeling, flooring, interior design, home security and solar products as well as the latest landscaping options. The event is FREE to the public and will include speakers, workshops, seminars, food for purchase and kids activities. A current list of ex-

hibitors can be found at www.lamorindaweb.com/homeexpo.

Oakland Museum of California presents the 11th annual Lunar New Year Celebration on Sunday, January 29, 12 noon to 4:30pm, at Oakland Museum of California, 1000 Oak Street, Oakland. Celebrate Lunar New Year at OMCA! Enjoy a fun-filled family day welcoming the Year of the Dragon. Free with Museum admission. Cost: Included with Museum admission. For more info see http://www.museumca.org or call (510) 318-8400.

Greenbelt Alliance & Sustainable Lafayette present: Protecting Open Space and Providing for Future Generations on Tuesday, January 31, 7-8pm at the LLLC. Alison Hill and Matt Vander Sluis will provide the current local and regional perspective. greenbelt.org. Cost: Free. www.LLLCF.org.

On February 4 at 7pm there will be a "Love for Ryan" concert featuring Shawn McDonald and Paul Johnson to benefit Ryan Buchanan. The event will take place at Creekside Community Church in Alamo CA. All proceeds from this event go direct to the Ryan Buchanan Trust Fund. Buy tickets at www.ryanbuchanan.org.

Creating a Peaceful School Conference on Saturday, February 4, 2012 from 8:30 to 3:30 at Acalanes High School, 1200 Pleasant Hill Road, Lafayette. The Mt. Diablo Peace and Justice Center in Walnut Creek is sponsoring an innovative and inspiring all-day conference for anyone who works with young people in middle and high school: Teachers, Administrators, Classroom aides, School personnel, After-school program providers. Participants will learn to create peace in their world, in the lives of your students, in the classroom, the school and the community. Registration is \$25 if you register by January 15, 2012, \$35 after January 16. Lunch is included. Five instructional hours of Continuing Education Credit (.5 CEU) are available through St. Mary's College for \$25. Details are available at www.mtdpc.org.

Please join us for the annual OIS Diverse Abilities Awareness Week Open House on Wednesday, February 8 from 6:30-8:30pm at Orinda Intermediate School, 80 Ivy Drive, Orinda. Hands on learning stations, community group representatives sharing support resources, and an exposition wheelchair basketball game. Come ready to learn and have fun! All are welcome; family participation is encouraged. Free admission. For more information, please contact Anna Tague: Tague6@comcast.net.

If you are thinking about getting your first puppy or have concerns about taking care of an ill or aged family dog, you are invited to attend a free and informative Canine CPR Class on Thursday, February 9th, 6:30-8pm. Ron VanderHeiden, a first aid/CPR instructor for over 20 years, will provide a free CPR class for your canine. Ideal for dog owners, trainers, sitters and anyone who just loves their furry friends, this class includes an opportunity for hands-on practice with a life-size dog mannequin. Perfect for all ages, it will only take 40 minutes. Space is limited. Please RSVP to Candice.moses@aegisliving.com or call (925) 377-7900.

Girl Scouts USA is turning 100 March 12, 2012 and Lafayette Girl Scouts are throwing a Birthday Party Dance, Monday, March 12, 5:45-7:30pm at the Veterans Memorial Hall, 3780 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Lafayette. Hosted by: Lafayette Service Unit and 2nd grade Brownie Troop 30577 from

Lafayette Elementary School. Cost: \$5 includes patch, dancing, pizza, cupcake decorating, fun activity, singing, and candle ceremony at 7:12pm which is when Juliette Low started her first troop in Savannah 100 years ago. RSVP to tanyaparmelee@mac.com by Feb 9 to receive a patch. Cost at the door: \$10. All 800 Lafayette Girl Scouts from K to 12th grade are invited.

CLUBS

Lamorinda Republican Women, Federated club luncheon program, Thursday, January 19; Orinda Country Club, 315 Camino Sobrante, Orinda. 11:15am Check-in, social time, 12:00 noon Luncheon. The guest speaker is Sharron Angle, who is a Tea Party leader, former member of the Nevada State Assembly, and 2010 U.S. Senate challenger to House Majority Leader Harry Reid, will begin at 12:25pm. Tickets: Online at www.lamorindarepublicanwomen.org or call (925) 459-6768.

Lamorinda Toastmasters provides a mutually supportive and positive learning environment where members develop communication and leadership skills, improving self-confidence and personal growth. We meet every Tuesday at 7:30pm-9pm at Temple Isaiah, 3800 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Lafayette. See our web-site: http://lamorinda.freetoasthost.net/.

CRAB FEEDS



Knights of Columbus Council's Annual Crab Feed will be held on Saturday January 28, 2012 in St. Monica's Peace Room, Moraga. Appetizers and no-host cocktails will be served beginning at 6pm. Dinner will be served at 7:30pm and will include salad, pasta, French bread, fresh cracked crab and dessert. Chicken is available when ordered in advance. Tickets are \$55 each. You may contact Karl Anderson at (925) 283-3679 or mail your checks to Karl at 510 Florence Drive, Lafayette.

Soroptimist International of 24-680's annual Crab Feed & silent auction, Saturday February 11, 5:30 pm, Lower Court Oakwood Athletic Club, Lafayette, \$40 per person. Tickets must be purchased in advance. Soroptimist International's mission is to improve the lives of women and girls in local communities and throughout the world. For tickets & information: (925) 285-7797 or si24-680@soroptimist.net.

Kiwanis Club of Moraga Valley 12th annual Crab Feed, February 18th at St Mary's College Soda Center. Silent auction, dancing. 6pm cocktails, 7pm dinner. \$50 ticket price. For tickets contact Ed Beatson @ (925) 376-3201. All proceeds benefit local charities for children.

Crab Feed & Dance, Saturday, February 25, 6-11pm, Holy Trinity Cultural Center, 1700 School Street, Moraga. Music provided by popular DJ. Dinner & dance \$37.50; Dance only \$10. For non-crab lovers: Chicken available by special advance order request. Dinner tickets MUST be purchased in advance. For info & reservations call (925) 672-6799.

Please submit events to: calendar@lamorinda weekly.com

BIG BAND

BALL ROOM DANCE/SHOW

Rheem Theatre, 350 Park Street Moraga

Come swing with your friends and neighbors or just watch the show!



Friday, February 3rd

The doors will swing open at 6:30pm. Brush up your moves with dance instructor Gail Enright beginning at 7:00pm. Then at 8:00pm, get ready to be entertained by the 31 piece band that includes musicians from 10 years old to 92.

Tickets \$10 at the door

or at the Lafayette Chamber of Commerce Call 284-7404 for reservations

Upcoming Special Events at:



Orinda Theatre

February 15th, 2012, 6:30PM

Q & A with Margaret O'Brien

Special Screening in Honoree of Oscar Winner Margaret O'Brien: **LITTLE WOMEN** Movie: 6:30PM - 8:30PM



Rheem Theatre

January 20th, 9 PM

The Queen's Slumber Party

See the "Best" of the "Worst" movies ever made each month at the Rheem! January's movie is "Bikini Planet". Cast and Crew will be attending!

January 21st, 8 PM (doors open 7 PM), Tickets \$12

Lamorinda's only Live Comedy Club! Come see some of the best comedians in the Bay Area and beyond.



February 3rd, 7 PM

Big Band Ball Room Dance/Show with the Rossmoor Big Band Come swing with your friends and neighbors or just watch the show!



14th Annual California Independent Film Festival, Feb 10th - Feb 16th, 2012



Become a member of CAIFF to receive free & discount movie tickets at Lamorinda Theatres! www.caiff.org

February 10th, 2012, 5:30PM

Opening Night Movie and Reception at California Independent Film Festival Monsieur Lazhar

- Official Oscar® Entry – Canada Best Foreign Language Film
- Toronto International Film Festival 2011 Winner – Best Canadian Feature Film
- Official Selection – Sundance Film Festival 2012



Bachir Lazhar (Fellag)

February 10th, 2012, 9:30PM

Q & A with Jon Gries

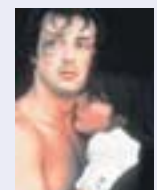
Five Time Champion Movie: 9:30PM



February 11th, 2012, 6:00PM

Q & A with Burt Young

Special Screening in Honor of Oscar Nominee Burt Young: **ROCKY** VIP Reception: 6:00PM, Movie: 7PM - 10:30PM



February 16th, 2012, 6:30PM

Closing Night with Margaret O'Brien

Meet Me in St. Louis followed by Q & A with Margaret O'Brien



Check www.lamorindatheatres.com for all movie listings