

◆ Not to be missed ◆

FESTIVALS & SPECIAL EVENTS ... continued

Artisan Faire. Offering unique, creative gifts, with complimentary wine tasting from 4 to 7pm Thursday, Nov. 15 at the Orinda Country Club, 315 Camino Sobrante, Orinda.

Community Thanksgiving Breakfast. The Lafayette Chamber of Commerce invites you to join city leaders, residents and the business community for breakfast as we have done for 32 years. Breakfast will be graciously provided by Dave's Cuisine from 7 to 8:30am Nov. 15 at Lafayette United Methodist Church, 955 Moraga Road, Lafayette. Cost: \$20. For more info, call (925) 284-7404 or visit www.lafayettechamber.org.

African & Guatemalan Bazaar. Great holiday shopping. Shop with a purpose for baskets, jewelry, batiks, beaded jewelry, handbags, scarves and much more Nov. 17 from 10am to 3pm and Nov. 18 from 8am to noon at Our Saviors Lutheran Church, 1035 Carol Lane, Lafayette. For more info, e-mail patwirdaily@gmail.com.

The holidays are upon us and Lafayette Community Center has of variety of classes to help you prepare. Come by the Santa's Bag Boutique Nov. 30 to Dec. 2 to peruse our local vendors' wares. For more info, call (925) 284-2232 or visit www.lafayette-terec.org.

Celebrate the Joy of Remembrance at the 26th Annual Hospice of the East Bay Tree of Lights. Please join any of the commemorative ceremonies to enjoy music, poetry, remembrances by family members and friends of Hospice, and the special moment when the tree lights up. There will be a tree lighting ceremony Saturday, Dec. 1 at 4:30pm at the Orinda Tree in Orinda Village, and at 5:30pm Sunday, Dec. 9 at the Moraga & Lafayette Tree, Moraga Country Club, 1600 St. Andrews Drive, Moraga. There will be a reception following the tree lighting. For more info, call (925) 887-5678 or visit www.hospiceeastbay.org.

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Words of Wisdom. From the Philosophical to the Light-hearted. Take part in this free-wheeling exchange of inspiration, information, and humor. This is a discussion group led by Paul Fillingner from 10:30am to noon Tuesday, Nov. 20 in the Cedar Room, Lafayette Community Center, 500 St. Mary's Road, Lafayette. Cost: \$1 members; \$3 non-members. For more info, call (925) 284-5050.

Hearing Screening By Audiologists from Hearing Science/Diablo Valley Ear, Nose, and Throat. The screenings are on the 1st Wednesday of the month, Nov. 7 and Dec. 5 in the Cedar Room, Lafayette Community Center, 500 St. Mary's Road, Lafayette. Appointment required. Cost: \$1 members; \$3 non-members. For more info, call (925) 284-5050.

Self-Discovery and Aging, Creative Writing Workshop. Workshop sessions include writing prompts, feedback and encouragement, and information about the world of writers, writing, and publishing. This workshop is from 10am to noon, the 2nd and 4th Thursday monthly, the Cedar Room at the Lafayette Community Center, 500 St. Mary's Road, Lafayette. Cost: \$1 members; \$3 non-members. For more info, call (925) 284-5050.

Nature Walk and Bird-Watching. Delight in the beauty that unfolds around each bend, all the while learning to identify a variety of birds. Bring a water bottle; binoculars will be helpful if you have them. The nature walks are every Wednesday from 9 to 11am except Nov. 21, Dec. 19, and Dec. 26. Call Lafayette Senior Services at (925) 284-5050 for weekly meeting locations.

Lamorinda Dance Social. Enjoy afternoon dancing and learn some great new dance moves every Wednesday from 12:30 to 3pm, the Live Oak Room, Lafayette Community Center, 500 St. Mary's Road, Lafayette. Cost: \$2 members; \$4 non-members. For more info, call (925) 284-5050.

The Cycle Recycle. Tom and Bobbie Preston of Moraga will be collecting gently used bicycles and tricycles which are repaired and refurbished and then donated to groups which gift them to underprivileged kids in our area. Gently used repairable bikes and tricycles or usable bike parts will be accepted until Dec. 1; just drop them off in the side driveway of the Preston's home, 1307 Larch Road, Moraga. For more info, call (925) 376-8474.

Free Memory Screenings as part of National Memory Screening Day from 1 to 4pm Tuesday, Nov. 15 at Aegis of Moraga, 950 Country Club Drive, Moraga. For more info, call (925) 376-9900 or visit www.alzfdn.org.

Lamorinda Moms' 15th Annual Preschool Fair. Attendees will receive a comparison of each of the participating preschools and have the opportunity to meet and talk with the directors and parents from each school from 6:30 to 8:30pm Thursday, Nov. 15 at Oakwood Athletic Club, 4000 Mt. Diablo Blvd., Lafayette. Free. For more info, visit www.lamorindamoms.org.

Help Feed Our Furry Friends. Share the Joy Pet Photography of Lafayette is teaming up with the Contra Costa Humane Society to collect dog and cat food for needy families. Share the Joy Photography is holding 15 minute mini studio sessions Friday, Nov. 16 for pets for \$50 and a 30 pound bag of dog or cat food. For more info, call (925) 284-3280 or visit www.cchumane.org.

Free Pet Fix Day – Dogs. Tony La Russa's Animal Rescue Foundation is pleased to offer free spay/neuter surgeries for dogs Wednesday, Dec. 5, 2890 Mitchell Drive, Walnut Creek. Call the Spay/Neuter Clinic at (925) 296-3125 for an appointment.

Kindergarten Tour at St. Perpetua School. St. Perpetua School in Lafayette invites all incoming kindergarten-age children and their parents to get a taste of kindergarten and the school's very own Café St. Perpetua from 8 to 10pm Friday, Dec. 7 at St. Perpetua School, 3445 Hamlin Road, Lafayette. For more info, visit www.stpsparenteducation.eventbrite.com.

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