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LECTURE & LITERATURE

Josh Niles will discuss how to hear and trust divine intuition in his presentation, "Spiritual Training: Learning to Listen" from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. Sunday, June 30 at The First Church of Christ, Scientist, 650 Danville Blvd, Danville. Free. Child care provided. For more info, call (925)-837-1081.

KIDS, PARENTS & TEENS

Enjoy a day of family fun with hands-on activities for children and families between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Saturday, May 25 at John Muir National Historic Site, 4202 Alhambra Ave., Martinez. Park staff will run rotating activity stations in the park orchards. The site is open five days a week, Wednesday through Sunday, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is free. For more info, please visit the park website at www.nps.gov/jomu or call (925) 228-8860.

Zombies at the library! Zombies will be coming to the Lafayette Library from 3:30 to 5 p.m. Thursday, May 30 in the Arts and Science Discovery Room. The day will feature: A zombie photo booth where participants can have their photos taken and "zombified," yearbook pages that can be "zombified," pin the body part on the zombie, zombie haiku, Zombies vs. Unicorns, make your own zombie comic strip, and of course, brain food!

Make-A-Wish's 4th annual family, dog and stroller-friendly 5K walk is scheduled from 8 to 11 a.m. Saturday, June 1 at Saint Mary's College, 1928 St. Mary's Rd., Moraga. Walk day includes food, entertainment, and a BYO picnic with a focus on wish-granting and wish children! Registration, breakfast and entertainment from 8 to 9 a.m. before the walk. For more info, contact (415) 982-9474 or visit www.sf.wish.org.

A new Modern Woodmen of America Youth Service Club is starting in Orinda. The club will have its first activity at 6:30 p.m. Sunday, June 2 at the Orinda Community Center, 28 Orinda Way. Children ages of 10-16 are invited to the activity to find out about the benefits of membership. Jenny Hee of Orinda will lead the club, and Winifred Tran, a local Modern Woodmen representative, will sponsor the club's monthly activities. If you'd like more information about becoming a member of this new club, call Tran at (808) 384-9464.

The Campolindo Senior Class of 2013 would like to invite you to view their Memory Boards and write personal notes in their Mailroom at the CPAC from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. and 7:30 to 9 p.m. June 4 and 6 and from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. June 5. Memory Boards will also be available to view after graduation on June 7.

Girl Scout Troop 33039 and the Lafayette Library and Learning Center will be partnering to bring you an evening of fun and entertainment with author Mac Barnett, the author of the "Brixton Brothers" series as well as several picture books at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 5 at the Lafayette Library and Learning Center, 3491 Mt. Diablo Blvd., Lafayette. Barnett will read from his books, wear a mustache, answer questions, and sign books. Information on "Guys Read" (a Web-based literacy program) and 826LA (a non-profit writing and tutoring center) will also be available. The free event is open to families and their children, K-8 grade. For more info, call (925) 385-2292 or visit the website at ccclib.org.

OTHER

Mount Diablo Adult Education (MDAE) has a large selection of

excellent woodworking courses for the spring. Hand Tools course teaches how to select, set up, maintain, and use the most necessary hand tools in a workshop. Twelve classes are offered from 1 to 4 p.m. through June 28. Students may register online at www.mdusd.k12.ca.us/adulted/life-longeducation.htm or at the Pleasant Hill MDAE office on One Santa Barbara road, Room 210.

Oakland Museum of California and Heyday present Friday Nights at OMCA: Gallery of California Natural Sciences Reopening from 5 p.m. to midnight Friday, May 31 at Oakland Museum of California, 1000 Oak Street, Oakland. Join a creature-filled celebration reopening the Gallery of California Natural Sciences. Enjoy surf music, a costume contest, food trucks, and more! Cost: \$6 adults; \$4.50 students and seniors with valid ID; free for members and children age 18 and under. For more info, visit museumca.org/event/friday-nights-omca-gallery-california-natural-sciences-reopening or call (510) 318-8400.

Free cat adoptions will be offered to qualified homes by Community Concern for Cats during the two-day Maddie's Adoption Days June 1 and 2 at their three sites: Lafayette Pet Food Express, 3610 Mount Diablo Blvd.; Pleasant Hill Pet Food Express, 2158 Contra Costa Blvd.; and Walnut Creek Petco, 1301 S. California Blvd. Adoption hours are from noon to 5 p.m. Saturday, June 1, and from noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, June 2. Maddie's Fund gives stipends ranging from \$500 to \$2,000 to the shelters and rescue groups for each pet adopted during this weekend in order to help achieve and sustain a no-kill nation.

Dogs & Diapers Workshop from 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday, June 5. Your dog has probably been the baby for a long time. From diapers to blinky, squeaky toys to crying in the night, your dog's world is going to be turned upside down. Working together, we make sure that both you and your dog are ready for baby to come home. Cost: \$25. For more info, visit training.arf.net.

Motorama World of Wheels Car Show from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. June 16 on Golden Gate Way in Lafayette is presented by the Rotary Club of Lamorinda Sunrise. Free admission. For more info, visit www.motorama.us.

Register for our next Volunteer Orientation from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, June 29. Located in the majestic Oakland hills, Chabot Space & Science Center is looking for volunteers to welcome visitors and share our exhibits and historical telescopes. Observatory deck volunteers and Exhibit Guides engage our school groups and families in interactive demonstrations. A variety of volunteer shifts are available during the day Tuesday through Sunday as well as Friday and Saturday evenings. Register for our next Volunteer Orientation and help inspire the next generation of scientists, teachers, engineers, innovators and dreamers. For more information on our volunteer program and to RSVP for orientation, visit chabotspace.org or email the Volunteer Department at volunteers@chabotspace.org.

CLUBS

Sons in Retirement Lamorinda Branch 171 meets the first Wednesday monthly at Holy Trinity Culture Center 1700 School St. Moraga. Social hour 11 a.m., lunch noon. The after lunch speaker on June 5 will be Fire Chief Randy Bradley of Moraga-Orinda Fire District. For details and membership information, call Larry at (925) 631-9528.

SENIORS

Lamorinda Seniors Nature Walk and Bird-Watching. Flock together with fellow bird lovers as you delight in the beauty that unfolds around each bend from 9 to 11 a.m. on these free Wednesday local trail walks. Trail maps provided; please bring a water bottle. Binoculars may also be useful in helping you learn to identify a variety of birds. Supported by the Lafayette Senior Services, Town of

Moraga, and City of Orinda. Call (925) 254-2445 for the weekly meeting location.

Do you knit or crochet but wish you could do it in a more social setting with people of similar interests? Wish that you had someone of equal or greater expertise to brainstorm with when instructions makes no sense? Join us to work on your current project while enjoying an afternoon of camaraderie. All levels are welcome and encouraged. There is no formal instruction

in this drop-in group from 1 to 3 p.m. Thursday, June 6 and 20 at the Lafayette Community Center, Elderberry Room. Cost: \$1 members; \$3 per non-members.

Looking for a good book to talk about with others? Join this brand-new, informal group of book lovers and enjoy enrichment, discussion, fellowship and refreshments from 1 to 3 p.m. June 18 at the Lafayette Community Center, Elderberry Room. Cost: 1\$ members; \$3 non-members.

Please submit:

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"Annie" is Coming to the Ranch!

Submitted by Margie Petersen Hyman



Cast of "Annie" at Wagner Ranch

Photo Grace Wilson

Lights, Camera, Action. Wagner Ranch Elementary School is gearing up for its annual spring musical, "Annie," to be performed Friday and Saturday, May 31 and June 1. The young performers will share their talents with the community, following months of hard work and preparation. Musical director Ron Pickett has been working with the kids every step of

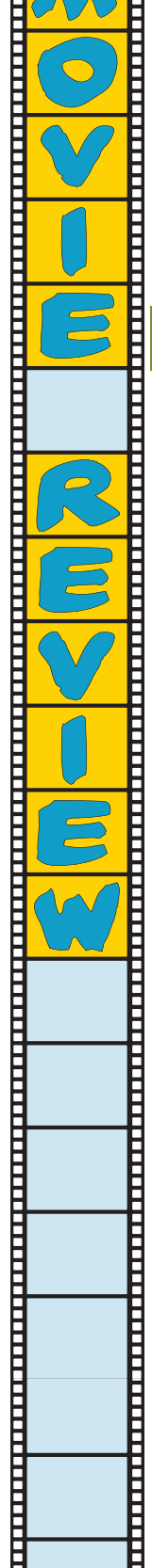
the way to ensure the evening is a memorable one for all. "The Annie experience has been challenging but thrilling and rewarding," Pickett said. "These actors are very talented and once committed, they will put on a production to rival any in Wagner's glorious history of musicals." Tickets (\$10 for general, \$12 reserved) will be available to the general public for



purchase online at www.showtix4u.com or at the door (as available) before the performance.

"Star Trek Into Darkness"

By Derek Zemrak



From left: Zachary Quinto is Spock and Chris Pine is Kirk in "Star Trek Into Darkness" from Paramount Pictures and Skydance Productions. (C) 2013 Paramount Pictures. All Rights Reserved.

One of the most famous quotes in the Star Trek legacy is "Where no man has gone before!" This film is a huge undertaking for any director of the Star Trek franchise that has created more than 700 television shows and 12 movies.

At first glance into the galaxy, I would say man has gone everywhere, but surprisingly director J.J. Abrams, who directed the first reboot in 2009, delivers a detailed storyline and a movie that is exhilarating to watch on the big screen. Moviegoers will be on the edge of their seats as they experience a brilliantly shot film, while they cheer on the Enterprise crew to succeed in battle against the evil villain of mass destruction.

Once again Chris Pine ("Bottle Shock," "Rise of the Guardians") returns as Captain Kirk and Zachary Quinto ("Margin Call," "Heroes," "American Horror Story") portrays Spock. As with the cult popular television series, it is the ensemble cast that makes it all work, with Zoe Saldana ("Avatar") as Uhura, Karl Urban ("The Lord of the Rings") as Bones, Simon Pegg ("Ice Age") as Scotty, and John Cho ("Harold & Kumar") as Sulu. It should be noted that not one of these cast

members is a scene hog like William Shatner was in the television and early film series.

The amazing crew must come together to stop a force of terror within their organization. Starfleet agent John Harrison, portrayed by the talented British actor Benedict Cumberbatch ("The Hobbit," "Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy," "War Horse"), leads a terrorist attack on the Starfleet Library in London. He quickly follows up the London hit with an attack on the key Starfleet officers. Kirk and the Enterprise are assigned the responsibility of hunting down Harrison on the planet Kronos populated by the rival Klingons.

"Star Trek Into Darkness" is a thriller and Abrams delivers something new in a franchise that dates back to 1965. Kudos to Abrams, for that is no small feat. The film is rated PG13 for violence and intense images. You will feel like you are in warp speed during the 2 hour, 12 minute running time.

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