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Wells Fargo Advisors Opens New Office in Theatre Square
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From left: Gary Ledbetter, Scott Hampton, Alan Metheny and David Clarke. Photo provided

High School and one in college. His partners at Wells Fargo Advisors are David Clarke, Scott Hampton and Scott Hampton Jr., Gary Ledbetter, and Mark Passalacqua.

The new Wells Fargo Advisors in Theatre Square boasts professional wealth management counselors with vast experience. Over the years Alan Metheny, a 30-year wealth management veteran, has observed an evolution in his clients' requests. "People used to have their mind set on some specific stocks," he says, "now they are looking at investments all over the world." As for how much money clients need to retire, he says, "it depends on your lifestyle and expectations." Many factors have to be considered when people prepare for retirement, he adds, such as the continuous increase in health care costs and longer life expectancy. "We help our clients keep track of the goals, not take too much risk, but not panic either," he adds. During the 2008-09 financial meltdown, his advice to clients was to stay the course. "If there is one thing that this crisis taught us, it was the importance of being diversified." An Orinda resident, Metheny has three kids - two at Miramonte

Kenny Lau Named Moraga Employee of the Month for September

Kenny Lau, who has been serving patrons at the popular Moraga restaurant, Chef Chao, for almost 30 years has been named the Moraga Employee of the Month for September. Lau's familiar face and outgoing personality has made him one of the most popular servers in the local restaurant community. He goes out of his way to get to know his customers. "Kenny is so friendly with our customers that many will always ask for his station because of his personality," said owner Henry Chao. "He has been with us for over 25 years and is a large part of our success." Lau will receive Safeway and T.J. Maxx gift cards, which will be presented by the Rotary Club of Moraga and the Chamber of Commerce at the Moraga Rotary luncheon Oct. 1.

News from the Three Chambers of Commerce

Tri-Chamber Mixer and Film Festival Kick-off. The Orinda, Lafayette, and Moraga Chambers join together to kick-off the California Independent Film Festival from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 23 in the lobby of the Orinda Theatre, 2 Theatre Square, Orinda.

Lafayette

Ribbon Cutting at California Human Resources LLC at 5 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 24 at 201 Lafayette Circle, Suite 200.

Chamber Mixer at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 9 at the Lafayette Library and Learning Center, 3491 Mt. Diablo Blvd.

Moraga

Membership meeting at 7:30 a.m. Friday, Oct. 25 at the Hacienda de las Flores. Roger Poynts will make a presentation of his project for the 'painted rock' property.

Orinda

Orinda Chamber Member Luncheon at noon Friday, Oct. 25 at the Orinda Country Club. Tickets and reservation at OrindaChamber.org.



From left: Henry Chao, Kenny Lau and Frank Melon Photo provided

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