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**St. Mary's College Guild's presents a St. Patrick's Evening** from 5:30 to 10 p.m. on Sunday, March 9 at the Soda Center on the Saint Mary's College Campus. The evening includes music, a show and silent auction with a traditional corned beef and cabbage (chicken fettuccini) dinner and wine. A no host bar opens at 5:30 p.m. \$45 per person. Call Billie Jones (925) 254-3645 for reservations. Everyone is welcome.

**Workshops on "How to Raise Your Own Chickens" in Lafayette.** Topics will include raising young chicks, laying hen maintenance, and sustainable coop construction. Workshops are free and will be held from 1 to 3:30 p.m. on Sundays during March. Reservations are required. Contact: jhkiefer@comcast.net.

**Daughters of the Goddess, a Bay Area Women-only Goddess Temple,** will be holding its annual celebration of Spring Equinox from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. Thursday, March 20. East Bay location address upon RSVP. Newcomers: \$15. Call Leilani at (925) 787-9247, email Leilani@DaughtersoftheGoddess.com, or visit www.DaughtersoftheGoddess.com.

**Another year of classic films is scheduled for Moraga's New Rheem Theatre.** A time-honored movie is slated for the third Wednesday of each month. New for 2014: 1 p.m. starting time. Each film program is introduced by Larry Swindell. Once again, the 8th annual Lamorinda district wide film festival will be held, this year showcasing over 20 films at 7 p.m. on Feb. 28 at Campolindo High School's Performing Art Center. LAUFF (Lamorinda Acalanes Union Film Festival) showcases the best of student films from the community.

**The East Bay's Best Bridal Fair will be held from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.** Sunday, March 2 at the 5-star Lafayette Park Hotel. Sip champagne, sample hors d'oeuvres and meet with the finest wedding vendors in the East Bay as you plan that once-in-a-lifetime wedding. Tickets: \$15 at www.EastBayBridal.com.

**Join visiting experts for inspiring details of historic shifts** in U.S. policy in 2013 and hear testimonies of the power of prayer, advocacy and education, starting at 10 a.m. Sunday, March 2 at the Lafayette Orinda Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall, 49 Knox Drive, Lafayette. Content appropriate for ages 13 years and up. Childcare available by reservation, childcare@LOPC.org by Feb. 28. Questions? Call (925) 812-2496.

**For the fifth year, San Francisco's laugh-lovers will have the renewed opportunity to enjoy a champagne-filled night of comedy at the landmark Orinda Theatre** on Friday, March 7. Advance discounted and VIP tickets

may be reserved until March 6 using credit cards at the Chamber website - www.OrindaChamber.org - or at First Republic Bank, 224 Brookwood Road. Tickets at the door (if available) will be at increased pricing. Advanced reservations are recommended, so attendees should reserve early.

**CSEA Tax Help Day - Get Your Tax Questions Answered.** Enrolled Agents, "America's Tax Experts" will be answering tax questions free of charge from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, March 7 at the Lafayette Chamber of Commerce 100 Lafayette Circle, and Women's Initiative for Self Employment 1814 Franklin St., Suite 200, Training Room, Oakland. Please visit the Taxpayer Information Center on www.csea.org, or call 1-800-TAX-PRO-5 for more information.

**The Moraga Book Sale will take place from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.** at the Moraga Library Saturday, March 8. Proceeds from this sale help support library programs for children, teens, and adults, new materials for the library, and continued Sunday hours. If you have any questions, please contact ckstanley@gmail.com or at (925) 360-0572.

**Volunteer opportunity: English tutors needed. The next workshop** will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, March 22 and Saturday, March 29 at the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 4000 Clayton Rd. in Concord. English need not be your first language - no teaching experience is required - we will teach you to be a tutor. You must attend both sessions. There is a nominal fee to cover the training and material costs. Adult volunteers typically give one or two hours per week. For more information visit our website at dvlc.tripod.com. To register call our hotline and leave a message at (925) 685-3881 or e-mail us at DVLC4ESL@gmail.com.

**Free Film Screening - "Behind the Orange Curtain" from 6 to 8 p.m.** Tuesday, March 25, Miramonte High School Theater. Panel Discussion and Q & A will immediately follow the film screening. http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E45A8A928A02-signup1.

**Our creeks, environment, and sewage treatment - How does it all work?** Speaker, Michael Scahill, from the Central Contra Costa Sanitary District, will give a free public lecture sponsored by Friends of Orinda Creeks at 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 26 in the Garden Room at the Orinda Library. Learn about: How the Central Contra Costa Sanitary District works, the Sanitary District as a steward to the environment, and how we can prevent sewer overflows. For info, contact Jim Luini, (925) 254-6208.

**State-of-the-art "cross-cut" shredding will be done from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.** Saturday, March 29 at 5A Rent-A-Space in the Shred Defense Truck starting at just \$5 per file box. Save your boxes of papers to be shredded

for March. Financial advisors, attorneys, medical offices, and other businesses can meet their legal obligation to dispose of clients' information responsibly, while helping send Lamorinda middle school girls to AAUW's Tech Trek Science and Math Camp. Shredding details: Government Specified Approved Shred, HIPAA Compliant Shredding, TWIC Certified Drivers. Certificates of Destruction and Donation receipts will be provided.

**SENIORS**

**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 at noon. The after-lunch speaker on March 5 will be Mark Peterson, Contra Costa County district attorney. His Office is responsible for prosecution of crimes committed in Contra Costa. His office also actively supports and develops programs aimed at crime prevention. Mark will provide current updates on his department activities and share some of his experiences as district attorney.

**Health matters for Boomers and Beyond: Embracing the Benefits of Living a Balanced Lifestyle.** Health experts will be covering various healthy aging topics, as well as offering free mini fitness classes suitable for all levels from 9 a.m. to noon Friday, March 7 at the Orinda Library. Free. Registration begins at 9 a.m. in the Orinda Library auditorium. Coffee, tea and treats will be available. For more info, contact Beth Girshman, Orinda Library, bgirshma@ccclib.org, or call (925) 254-2184, ext 15, or visit www.friendsoftheorindalibrary.org. (See related story page B5)

**The Boomers' Journey to 100 Years Young - a workshop** to empower and prepare Boomers from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 20 at the Lafayette Library, Art and Science Center. Workshop Topics: Aging Families, Levels of Care Covering Hospital to Home, and Common Estate Planning Pitfalls. Wine and hors d'oeuvres provided. Registration required by Tuesday, March 18. Email Lori Luckenbach at LoriL@EldercareAnswers.com or call (925)324-5985.

**The First Friday Forum, "The Village Concept - A New Way of Aging,"** with Ruth McCahan and Andy Amstutz as presenters will be at 1:30 p.m. March 7 at Lafayette-Orinda Presbyterian Church, 49 Knox Drive, Lafayette. Refreshments served at 1 p.m. in Fellowship Hall followed by the lecture in the Sanctuary. The Village Concept began in 2001. It combines efforts of members with services of local vendors and community organizations to off services to help keep seniors in their own homes either free or at a discount. The Lamorinda Task Force is in Phase II of the development process. Come learn about this new vision for the seniors of Lamorinda.

**GARDEN**

**Lafayette Garden Club March meeting and Plant and Garden Sale** will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, March 13 at the Lafayette Christian Church 584 Glenside Dr., Lafayette. Speaker Stephan Andrews, UC Berkeley professor, will discuss "Good Soil, Bad Soil, and Soil," and include a soil testing demonstration. For info, contact cpoetzsch@gmail.com.

**Montelindo Garden Club Meeting (third Friday,** September through May) will be at 9 a.m. Friday, March 21 at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, 66 St. Stephens Drive, Orinda. Visitors welcome. Topic: Succulent Jewel Boxes. The speaker will be Patrick Lannen, garden designer and consultant, Flora Grubb Gardens. For info, visit www.montelindogarden.com.

**Please submit events to: calendar@lamorindaweekly.com**

**St. Patrick's Evening of Dinner, Music, and Show, with Silent Auction**  
*Mc'd by Dick Callahan*  
**March 9th (5:30 P.M. - 10 P.M.)**  
 no host bar @ 5:30 P.M., @ Soda Center on St. Mary's College Campus  
 Join us for a traditional corned beef & cabbage (chicken fettucini) **Dinner - wine included at dinner \$45 per person - inclusive**  
**Silent Auction i.e.:**  
**Hotels:** Sir Francis Drake-Hilton; SF-Embassy Suites; Lafayette Park Hotel  
**Golf:** Olympic Club; Lakeside SF; Moraga Country Club  
**Restaurants i.e.:** Alfred's Steak House, SF; Original Joe's, North Beach; Tarantino's Fisherman's Wharf; Michael's of Moraga; Mr. Lucky's Pleasant Hill  
 Musical review: Beach Blanket Babylon  
 Sponsored by: Saint Mary's College Guild  
 Call Billie Jones 925-254-3645 for reservations  
 Everyone is welcome !!!

**Service Clubs Announcements**

**Rotary**  
 Explore Lamorinda Rotary clubs The heart of Rotary is our clubs- dedicated people who share a passion for both community service and friendship. Learn about Lamorinda's Rotary clubs.

**SOROPTIMIST**  
 A global volunteer organization working to improve the lives of women and girls through programs leading to social and economic empowerment.

**Lamorinda Sunrise Rotary Club**  
 We meet Friday mornings at 7 am at Celia's Mexican Restaurant, 3666 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Lafayette. For more info, please email us at lamorindasunrise@gmail.com

<b>Febuary 28:</b> Kevin Cragholm, Sr. Analyst-Bank Examiner for the Federal Reserve Bank, San Francisco and LSR member will "expose himself".	<b>March 7:</b> David Gerson, Lafayette School District Governing Board member will speak on the upcoming parcel tax measure.	<b>Please join us!</b>
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**SOROPTIMIST OF 24/680**

**Please join us for our next meeting:**  
**WHEN:** Wednesday 3/5/14  
 Social 5:30-6:00 p.m.  
 Meeting 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.  
**WHERE:** The Buttercup Grill  
 660 Ygnacio Valley Road, Walnut Creek.

**For more information, contact:**  
 Regina Englehart @925-876-9076  
 or go to: [soroptimist24-680.org](http://soroptimist24-680.org)

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