

Lamorinda's Religious Services



The Orinda Community Church

An Open and Affirming Congregation of the United Church of Christ
10 Irwin Way, Orinda | 925.254.4906 | www.orindachurch.org

"No matter who you are, wherever you are on life's journey, you are welcome here!"

Join us Sundays at 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.

St. Anselm's Episcopal Church

A Loving Community

Sunday Services: 8 and 10 AM

In-church Youth Zone, 10 AM Nursery Childcare
682 Michael Lane, Lafayette, 284-7420, www.stanselms.ws



St Stephen's Episcopal Church

66 St. Stephen's Drive, Orinda
254-3770. www.ststephensorinda.org
Sunday 8am, 10am & 5:30p.m. Casual Eucharist



Lafayette United Methodist Church

955 Moraga Rd., Lafayette,
284-4765, office@thelumc.org

Worship	Sunday	10 am
Children & Teen Faith Formation	Sunday	10 am
Teen Fellowship	Sunday	6 pm
Study Groups, Service Opportunities	Various	
Free Community Luncheon	4th Sunday of Month	11:30 am



► SUNDAY Worship, 9:00 & 11:00 AM,
with programs for 3-mos.-12th grade.

► SEEDLINGS Preschool, M-F.

► LOPC: Where everyone is welcome, nobody is perfect & anything is possible with God.

LAFAYETTE-ORINDA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
LOPC.org

ORINDA CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH

24 Orinda Way (next to the Library) - 254-4212

Sunday Service and Sunday School 10 - 11 am
Informal Wednesday Meeting 7:30 - 8:30 pm
Reading Room/Bookstore M - F 11 - 4; Sat 11 - 2

www.christianscienceorinda.org



Worship the Lord!

Sundays, 9 & 10:30am

MORAGA VALLEY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
10 Moraga Valley Lane, Moraga CA
www.mvpctoday.org • 925-376-4800

Willow Spring Community Church

Loving God Loving People

Come and Meet our New Pastor

Sundays: 9:15am Adult Sunday School Classes
10:15am Pre-Service Fellowship (Free Coffee & Bagels)
10:45am Contemporary Worship Service
Wednesdays: 10:00am Community Bible Study
1689 School Street, Moraga (925) 376-3550
www.willowsspringchurch.net

Holy Shepherd Lutheran Church

433 Moraga Way, Orinda, 254-3422
www.holyshpherd.org



WORSHIP JANUARY 4

Single Service at 9:30 a.m.
Childcare available for ages 5 and younger

WORSHIP JANUARY 11

8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship
9:40 a.m. Education for all ages
10:45 a.m. Contemporary Worship
Coffee Fellowship at 9:30 and 11:45 a.m.
Childcare available for ages 5 and younger

SAINT GILES' EPISCOPAL CHURCH

9am Sunday School & Communion Service
in the SMC Chapel



stgiles-moraga.org
(925) 376-5770
traditional liturgy • inclusive theology

◆ Not to be missed ◆ Not to be missed ◆

ART

The Moraga Art Gallery's new show entitled "Waters of the Koi" highlights the bright, colorful abstract paintings of Heather Metcalf, and the exquisitely turned-wood platters, bowls and vases of Jacques Blumer through Jan. 11. The exhibit "Art Apassionata," featuring the light-washed landscapes and portraits by Lisa Gunn of Orinda and oil paintings of the California coastline by Carol Tarzier, launches the Moraga Art Gallery's 2015 schedule of shows. The show runs from Jan. 14 to March 24. The public is invited to a free opening reception from 5 to 7 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 17 in the gallery at 522 Center Street in Moraga's Rheem Shopping Center. For more info, visit www.moragaartgallery.com, call (925) 376-5407 or email moragaartgallery@gmail.com.

Jennifer Perlmutter Gallery presents a solo exhibit with artist Julie Schumer. "Without Hesitation" focuses on recent work in the artist's bold expressive style. Landscapes are constructed in an intuitive manner in the tradition of post-modern expressionism. The show runs through Feb. 14, with an Artist's Reception from 6 to 8 p.m. on Jan. 10, 3620 Mt. Diablo Blvd. in Lafayette. For more information: www.jenniferperlmutter-gallery.com or call (925) 284-1485.

MUSIC

WomenSing will be holding auditions for experienced singers for the continuing 2014-15 season on Tuesday, Jan. 6 or by appointment at Orinda Community Church, 10 Irwin Way, Orinda. New this season is the formation of the new WomenSing Ensemble, a small a cappella ensemble, selected from the larger WomenSing chorus. Membership in this group will provide additional opportunities for performing, both at and outside of regular WomenSing concerts. Email at audition@womensing.org, or visit www.womensing.org for more information. All voice parts are welcome and scholarships are available.

Voci Women's Vocal Ensemble, directed by Dr. Anne Hege, will be holding auditions for experienced choral singers in all voice parts through Jan. 15. Voci is a 24-voice, auditioned ensemble, which performs classical music from a wide variety of historical periods and rehearses from 7:30 to 10 p.m. on Wednesday evenings in Orinda. For more information or to schedule an audition, please contact artistic director Anne Hege at anne@annehege.com. To learn more about Voci, visit www.vocisings.com.

THEATER

Role Players Ensemble Auditions: "Of Mice and Men" (John Steinbeck; director Eric Fraisher Hayes). Five male roles (ages 20-60), one female (age 20-30). All ethnicities encouraged. Roles of George and Lennie pre-cast. Monologue and cold read. Non-AEA. Stipend. Auditions from 3 to 6 p.m. on Jan. 18 at Danville Town Meeting Hall, 201 Front Street, Danville. Rehearsals begin March 2. Performances: April 17-May 3. For appointments, email ehayes65@yahoo.com or call (312) 286-9224.

LECTURE & LITERATURE

Join Julia Scheeres, Berkeley resident and New York Times and London Times bestselling author as she discusses her latest book, "A Thousand Lives: The Untold Story of Jonestown" at 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 15 as part of Sweet Thursday program at the Lafayette Library and Learning Center. In this true life story of blind loyalty and daring escapes, of corrupted ideals and senseless, haunting loss, Scheeres follows the experiences of five Peoples Temple members who went to Jonestown. Free.

Join the Orinda, Moraga and Lafayette Branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) at 9 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 20

for a free program examining the powerful role of women in the WWII workforce. Location: the Holy Trinity Serbian Church Cultural Center at 1700 School Street, Moraga. The guest speaker is Ranger Raphael Allen from the Rosie the Riveter National Park.

January Term Speaker Series at Saint Mary's College Soda Center (unless otherwise noted). Ruth Ozeki: "Writing A Tale for the Time Being and cultivating your superpower" at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 12; Reverend Bryan Hehir "Pope Francis, the Church and the World" at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 13; Jesse Saperstein "Getting a Life With Asperger's" at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 14 (Hagerty Lounge); Alan and Karen Jabbour "Life-Changing Encounters with Appalachian Culture" at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 20; Matthew Boger, Tim Zaal, and Jason Cohen "Facing Fear: A Path to Forgiveness" at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 21 (Hagerty Lounge); Tobias Buckell "The Future You Don't See" at 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 26; and Theresa Sparks "The Emerging TGNC (Trans-Gender-Non-Conforming) Community: Challenges and Opportunities" at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 28. Free.

KIDS, PARENTS & TEENS

Contra Costa Children's Chorus - a nonprofit, community-based organization for boys and girls, ages 4-18 years - is accepting new members for the spring semester. Rehearsals are held weekly at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 1035 Carol Lane, Lafayette. For a free placement interview, visit www.childrenschorus.org and fill out the registration form under "Join Us," or email frontdesk@childrenschorus.org.

Parent Ed night at Miramonte High School from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 13 will feature Simone Marean, executive director and co-founder of the internationally recognized Girls Leadership Institute (GLI). Marean will share with parents and teachers how to help girls practice assertive self-expression, emotional intelligence, and healthy relationships, preparing them for a life of personal and societal leadership. Her engaging presentation will cover the development of girl dynamics beginning in pre-school through high school. The presentation is for adults only. Space is limited - RSVP at http://rrgmiramonte.eventbrite.com/.

Five Habits of Healthy Families Nutrition Workshop from 7 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 13 at Lamorinda Music, 81 Lafayette Circle, Lafayette features Jill West, RD, author of the book "400 Moms" and a nutrition consultant in Lafayette. Cost: \$37. To register, visit http://www.400moms.com/workshop. For more info, email Jill@400moms.com.

OTHER

Friends Corner Book Shop Half Price Sale from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 3 at the corner of 1st Street and Golden Gate Way.

American Red Cross Blood Drive from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 7 in the Orinda Community Center Founder's Auditorium, 28 Orinda Way. See story on page A9.

Registration is now open for the next series of Community Emergency Response Training (CERT) classes held at the Lafayette Community Center, 500 St. Mary's Road. Classes begin Jan. 13 and are held from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. every Tuesday night through Feb. 24. Classes are open to residents and employees of the Lamorinda area, as well as teenagers 16 and older with a parent. Free, but there must be a commitment to attend all classes. Register online at www.lamorindacert.org.

Bentley School will present the Freedom Award to Honor Former FBI Special Agent Jim Clemente at 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 15 at the Bentley School Student Performing Arts Center (SPAC), 1000 Upper Happy Val-

ley Rd. in Lafayette for his success in investigating and prosecuting crime and advocating for its victims. Clemente, who is currently an expert advisor and writer for CBS's "Criminal Minds," will share his own experiences and determination to protect children and adults, across the country. Free.

"Strategies to Maximize your Social Security Retirement Benefits" - a free educational workshop from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 28 at the Lafayette War Memorial Center. Do you know which Social Security retirement benefit filing strategy is optimal for you? There are 567 filing choices for a married couple ... over 70 percent of people file for benefits before their full retirement age. Learn how to make the best decision regarding your Social Security retirement benefits. RSVP required: tfriedman@financialguide.com.

SENIORS

Sons in Retirement Lamorinda Branch 171 will meet at 11 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 8 at Holy Trinity Culture Center, 1700 School St., Moraga. The after lunch speaker will be Sal Captain, a Moraga resident who has been growing grapes in Moraga since 2005 and who will talk about his Captain Vineyard's startup with an overview of wine making and grape growing from ancient times to today. His vineyard is dry farmed and is the first and only green winery in Contra Costa County. For information on attending the lunch and membership in Sirs, call Larry (925) 631-9528.

Lamorinda Home Expo '15 - A Home Show for the Lamorinda Community. Lamorinda Home Expo '15 offers the latest trends in home and landscape improvement and design. Homeowners wondering how to make changes to their home will get answers to their questions and find local high quality contractors and suppliers. The expo runs from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 25 at the Veterans Memorial Building, 3780 Mt. Diablo Blvd., Lafayette. Free.

Origami - Instruction by Julia Lam from 2 to 4 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 28 in the Elderberry Room, Lafayette Community Center. Learn the ancient art of origami - Japanese paper folding to create works of art. Although there are very intricate designs, beginning paper folders will start with a basic design. Lam will accommodate those who would also like to learn slightly more difficult, but still easily mastered designs. Please bring one crisp, new \$1 bill with which to make a special creation. Paper for all other projects will be provided. Free for Senior Services members; non-members: \$10.

GARDEN

The Lafayette Garden Club January meeting from 9:30 a.m. to noon Thursday, Jan. 8 in the Lafayette Veterans Memorial Hall, 3780 Mt. Diablo Blvd., will feature Gary Bogue speaking on the subject of "Garden Friends and Not-Such-Friends." Gary was curator at Lindsey Wildlife Museum and a long-time gardening and wildlife columnist for the Contra Costa Times. Now in "retirement," he is an author, lecturer, and friend to all who garden. Guests are welcome at this meeting.

Hands on Winter Pruning Workshop from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 10 at Mt Diablo Nursery and Garden, 3295 Mt Diablo Blvd, Lafayette. Fruit trees, perennials, Japanese maples and roses, bring your questions and hand pruners. Free. For info, visit mtdiablonursery.com.

Montelindo Garden Club Meeting (third Friday, September thru May) will be at 9 a.m. Friday, Jan. 16 at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, 66 St. Stephens Drive, Orinda. Speaker Claire Splan, a San Francisco Bay Area Gardener, author of California Fruit and Vegetable Gardening, will discuss fruit and vegetable gardening. For info, visit www.montelindogarden.com.

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