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Lamorinda Taphouse Photo provided

Something to Cheer About: New Beer Garden Coming to Town

Something new is brewing in the old spot just vacated by the Lafayette Gallery at 3418 Mt. Diablo Blvd., Suite A, in Lafayette. The Lamorinda Taphouse Beer Garden and Bar is a local, craft beer taphouse specializing in offering rare and unique craft beer. They plan to open sometime this summer. For more information, visit their Facebook page at www.Facebook.com/lamorindataphouse.com.

Get that Island Spirit as Way Side Inn Thrift Shop Goes Hawaiian

The volunteers at Assistance League Way Side Inn Thrift Shop are busy preparing for the "lazy, hazy days of summer-like" weather with the Bathing Suits/Hawaiiana event. This popular sale begins at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, "Mei" 3, and continues as long as the inventory lasts. The combined one-stop shopping spree offers a wide selection of bathing suits, cover ups for both adults and children, pareos, beach bags and swim

accessories, all "suitable" for poolside and the beach time.

Hawaiian shirts, purses, artwork, décor and books - all with that "island feel" - will also be available.

The Way Side Inn Thrift Shop is located at 3521 Golden Gate Way in Lafayette.

Learn About Pilates

Absolute Center in Lafayette is celebrating Pilates Day, 2016, with an open house from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday, May 12. Attendees can learn more about the history of Pilates, new approaches, and hear from Theo St. Francis, a competitive swimmer and MIT student who used Pilates to recover from a spinal cord injury. There will also be light refreshments and raffle prizes. Absolute Center is located at 3758 Mt. Diablo Blvd., Suite 101, in Lafayette.

From the Chambers

Lafayette

Coffee with the Mayor

Join us for "Coffee with the Mayor" with Mayor Mark Mitchell at 8 a.m. on Friday, April 22 in the Chamber Conference Room. This meeting is open to everyone. Please park on the street.

Chamber Mixer

The Lafayette Chamber Monthly Mixer will be held from 5:30 - 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 27 at Douglass Designs Plumbing, Tile & Lighting, located at 3535 Mt. Diablo Blvd. in Lafayette.

Ribbon Cuttings

A Ribbon Cutting celebration will be held at 5 p.m. on Thursday, April 28 at the Tail Haven Hotel & Day Lounge, 3399 Mt. Diablo Blvd., Lafayette

A Ribbon Cutting celebration will be held at 10 a.m. May 26 for Oakbay Chiropractic-Lamorinda, located at 1080 Carol Lane in Lafayette.

Moraga

Small Business of the Year

Ron Schumacker and his Moraga Motors will be recognized as Moraga's Small Business of the Year at the East Bay Leadership Council lunch and award ceremony on May 6 at the Concord Hilton.

Schumacker bought the business in 2001 after working for 13 years at Pepsi Cola as its Fleet Manager. Initially he started off with two mechanics and now has three, a service writer, and the help of Schumacker's wife, Janelle.

He has enjoyed tremendous success in Moraga, and received great reviews on Yelp. He works foreign and domestic vehicles and "does not take short-cuts with any cars," he says. A real plus of his job, he says, is that he also gets to see and work with his son every day and someday hopes to pass the business to him.

For tickets and information about the event, call 925-323-6524

Moraga Community Fair

Booth registration is now open for the Moraga Community Faire which will take place from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. on Saturday, May 14. Moraga Chamber members and any Moraga business may showcase at the faire with their own booth. Register at www.moragachamber.org.

Orinda

Trivia Bee

The Orinda Chamber of Commerce and the Orinda Rotary present the Orinda Trivia Bee on Friday, April 29 at St Stephen's Episcopal Church, 66 St Stephens Dr. Orinda. Cost is \$360 per team (up to six people per team), which includes a family style dinner. Doors open at 5 p.m., dinner at 6 p.m. and the game begins at 7 p.m. sharp. Winners take a cash prize for the nonprofit of their choice. Reserve a table quickly, as only 16 tables are available. To purchase a table go to orindachamber.org, call 254-3909 or email info@orindachamber.org.

Cinco de Mayo Mixer

Save the date for a Cinco de Mayo-style mixer at Land Home Financial Services after hours on May 3 in Theater Square. For more information, contact the Orinda Chamber at (925) 254-3909.



Check out Way Side Inn's "Hawaiiana" event. Photo provided



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