

Film Clips

'The Post'

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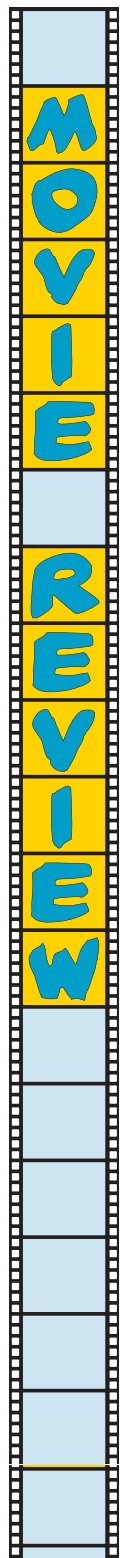


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When Meryl Streep, Tom Hanks and Steven Spielberg collaborate on a project for the first time it is a must see. If they are all on board for the same movie project, the standards are set very high. "The Post" is that movie and it will not disappoint.

Spielberg directs Streep and Hanks in "The Post," a thrilling drama about the unlikely partnership between The Washington Post's Katharine Graham (Streep), the first



film is perfectly directed and the acting is superb. Streep once again transforms herself into Graham and with Streep's amazing acting ability you do not see the actor on the screen. It is the subtle things that she does with her eyes, facial expression and hands that draw you in. For this role, Streep will receive her 21st Oscar nomination. Tom Hanks gives his best performance since "Cast Away" in 2001. Both Streep and Hanks received Golden Globe nominations for their roles in "The Post." Overall, "The Post" received six Golden Globe nominations, including Best Picture, Drama, and Best Director, Steven Spielberg.

The film features an acclaimed ensemble cast including Alison Brie, Carrie Coon, David Cross, Bruce Greenwood, Tracy Letts, Bob Odenkirk, Sarah Paulson, Jesse Plemons, Matthew Rhys, Michael Stuhlbarg, Bradley Whitford and Zach Woods.

"The Post" starts at the Orinda Theatre on Friday, Jan. 12. It is rated PG-13 with a total running time of 1 hour and 55 minutes.

My favorite seven films for 2017 are:

- 7) "Dunkirk"
- 6) "Big Sick"
- 5) "Coco"
- 4) "Lady Bird"
- 3) "Three Billboards from Ebbing, Missouri"
- 2) "I, Tonya"
- 1) "The Shape of Water"

We all know the outcome, but it doesn't matter when a

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Meets Friday mornings at 7:00 am at The Lafayette Park Hotel & Spa, Mt. Diablo Blvd, Lafayette. Check us out at www.lamorindasunrise.com or email us at lamorindasunrise@gmail.com

January 12

KPIX Chief Meteorologist Paul Deanno. Here to sort out all the floods and hurricanes!

January 19

Our Contra Costa Homicide inspector has had numerous fascinating and high-profile cases to unravel. Inspector John Conaty will give us inside scoop on the "who, what, and where?" of homicide investigations. You won't want to miss this!

Community, Service, Fun and Friendships

Lafayette Rotary Club

Step in on a Thursday and join us for our lunch meeting. Thursday at noon Oakwood Athletic Club, 4000 Mt. Diablo Blvd., Lafayette.

January 11: Andrew Parrott, CFP on the 2018 economic/investment outlook

January 18: CCC Sheriff - David Livingston

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Not to be missed Not to be missed

SENIORS

Mindful Aging: Brain Chargers at 10:30 a.m. on Mondays starting Jan. 22 at the Orinda Library. Sign up for an hour of brain stimulating activities - Elder Paws (reading aloud to a dog, solving puzzles, and coloring). Open to adults 55 years or older. Space is limited. Sign up for a session by phone or in person at the Orinda Library.

Many older adults experience concerns about falling and restrict their activities. A Matter of Balance is an award-winning program designed to manage falls and increase activity levels. A program of MOWSOS in partnership with Lamorinda Village, the 8-week program starts at 10 a.m. Friday, Jan. 12, at Lafayette-Orinda Presbyterian Church - Davies Room, 49 Knox Drive Lafayette. Registration is \$15. Call (925) 283-3500 for more information. https://lamorinda.helpfulvillage.com/events/1498.

Healthy Brain, Healthy Memory - Join memory expert Dr. Linda Sasser for an educational and entertaining presentation on how memory works and age-related brain changes. You will learn about lifestyle practices that help maintain and improve brain function as well as easy-to-use strategies for remembering names, information, and tasks. The presentation is from noon to 1:30 p.m. on Jan. 12 at Lamorinda Village, 49 Knox Drive, Lafayette. Call (925) 283-3500 to register!

Branch 116 Sons In Retirement (SIRS) will be holding its 11:15 a.m. lunch meeting Jan. 15 at the Clubhouse at Boundary Oak, 3800 Valley Vista Road, Walnut Creek. The guest speaker will be Monica Sanders, program director of the First Tee of Contra Costa and a LPGA member. Luncheon cost is \$25. For reservations or information please call (925) 322-1160 or email

branch116@gmail.com. For more information, visit www.branch116.org.

Lamorinda Village presents a series of workshops on financial topics that are important and relevant for seniors. Our speakers, all experienced investment advisors who advise clients daily, will address common issues and answer questions at the end of the workshop. The workshop runs from 11 a.m. to noon on Jan. 23 at the Lafayette-Orinda Presbyterian Church, and will cover investment strategies.

GARDEN

The Moraga Garden Club will hold its next meeting at 9:30 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 18, at the Holy Trinity Church, 1700 School Street, Moraga. The guest speaker will be William McNamara, executive director of the Quarryhill Botanical Garden. The subject of his discussion will be "Plant Hunting on the Edge of the World." Interested parties are welcome to attend the 9:30 a.m. social hour, the 10 a.m. meeting, as well as the presentation by Mr. McNamara, immediately following the meeting.

Montelindo Garden Club Meeting (third Friday of every month, September through May) will be at 9 a.m. Friday, Jan. 19 at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, 66 St. Stephens Drive, Orinda. Presentation: Fresh Ideas for Your Front Yard; speaker Janet Sluis, director of Sunset Western Garden Collection and a Berkeley-based horticulturist who will look at new trend-setting ideas for your California front yard.

Winter Rose Pruning Workshop at 10 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 27 at McDonnell Nursery, 193 Moraga Way, Orinda. To reserve a space please call (925) 254-3713 or email info@mcdonnell-nursery.com.

Please submit events: calendar@lamorinda weekly.com

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