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## Longtime Moraga resident bequeaths \$200K to Rescue One



Photo courtesy Tony Nuccio

**Angie Sakalay passed away on Sept. 1, 2020.**

By Jennifer Wake

As part of her lifelong commitment to give back to the community, over the past several years Moraga resident Angie

Sakalay made an annual donation to the Rescue One Foundation – a nonprofit that collects and administers funds to purchase medical equipment on behalf of the Moraga-Orinda Fire District.

Sadly, Sakalay passed away on Sept. 1, 2020. In the fall, according to Rescue One-Treasurer Gregory Reams, the nonprofit was notified by her brother and trustee, Tony Nuccio, that the nonprofit was named as a beneficiary in Sakalay's trust. Last month, Rescue One learned that Sakalay had bequeathed \$200,000 to the organization – the largest single donation the nonprofit has received since its inception in 1977.

"During any time, these truly significant donations enable us to grant funds to MOFD for items that may be more costly," said Rescue One presi-

dent Maridel Moulton. "Rescue One has always partnered with MOFD particularly to grant funds for the purchase of 'cutting edge' technologies and trainings. That reflects our founding intent when forward-thinking citizens of Moraga went door to door and raised funds to purchase a van and retrofit it to serve as our very first district ambulance while also sending two firefighters to Stanford to be trained as paramedics."

Over its 44-year history, Rescue One has purchased, with donated funds, over \$580,000 in advanced medical and safety equipment, supplies, and educational services for MOFD, said Reams. Some examples included multiple LUCAS devices at \$14,000 each, multiple thermal imaging cameras at \$10,000 each, multiple defibrillator/monitors,

ranging from \$8,000 to \$31,000 each, and multiple AEDs (automated external defibrillators) at \$2,000 each.

In 2016, at the Moraga 24-Hour Fitness, operations manager Kiley Yeaman used an AED to revive a client who had suffered a heart attack. She had learned how to use the device during a CPR certification class. Thanks to generous donations like Sakalay's, AEDs have been installed at multiple

locations throughout Lamorinda.

"The dual challenges of the pandemic and wildfires has prompted continued donations to maintain the very high quality of MOFD services so valued by our community residents," Moulton said. Rescue One is currently working with MOFD Chief Dave Winnacker "to identify the best way(s) to utilize these funds and to honor Angie."

### Fire District Public Meetings

**Moraga-Orinda Fire District**  
Board of Directors  
Wednesday, March 17, 6 p.m.  
For meeting times and agendas, visit [www.mofd.org](http://www.mofd.org)

**ConFire**  
Board of Directors  
Tuesday, March 9, 1:00 p.m.  
For meeting times and agendas, visit [www.cccfpd.org](http://www.cccfpd.org)



## Friends of Moraga Adobe

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This will be matched by the developer, who will further absorb any additional costs. Beyond this \$500,000 the FJMA is committed to raising an additional \$500,000 as an endowment, to provide for ongoing costs, for a total fundraising goal of \$1 million.

The Friends currently need about \$80,000 to make the final payment of \$365,000 in September, which will complete the \$500,000 purchase price agreed to under a Memorandum of Understanding between the Friends and J&J Ranch, a housing development on the lands around the adobe. Under the MOU, J&J will renovate the building to its appearance as depicted in the earliest available documentary evidence (circa 1848), provide a parking lot and

another small building with ADA-compliant bathrooms and room for storage of artifacts.

The Joaquin Moraga Adobe is the oldest surviving building in Contra Costa County. It was built in 1841 by Don Joaquin Moraga as one of two family homesteads on the 13,000-acre "El Rancho Laguna de los Palos Colorados" land grant from the Mexican Government. It has been recognized as a California State Historic Landmark since 1954 and was designated as an Orinda City Landmark in 1995. J&J Ranch is named after Joaquin Moraga and his cousin Juan Bernal, recipients in 1835 of the Mexican land grant.

More information on the adobe can be found on the Friends' website, where contributions can also be made. [www.MoragaAdobe.org](http://www.MoragaAdobe.org)

## Search continues for coyote

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Foy explained that any trapped coyotes must eventually be euthanized and then tested for rabies, which requires a brain tissue sample, and can't be done with a live animal.

Researchers say that coyotes that traditionally inhabit wildlands are drawn to suburban environments where they can take advantage of water sources, pet food, household garbage cans, and even house cats and small dogs as prey. When asked if MPD has received reports of coyote attacks on pets, South replied, "I have no data on that other than anecdotal stories. There would be no way to know for sure that the coyote responsible for the human bites has ever attacked a pet."

Digital Commons at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, published a report stating that "in the absence of harassment by residents, coyotes can lose their fear of people and come to associate humans with this safe, resource-rich environment. This problem is exacerbated by people who intentionally feed coyotes. In such situations, some coyotes have begun to act aggressively toward humans, chasing joggers and bicyclists, confronting people walking their dogs, and stalking small children."

For more information on coyote safety visit [www.keepmewild.org](http://www.keepmewild.org). To report a coyote sighting to either Lafayette or Moraga Police call: (925) 284-5010.

As of March 1, no new developments were reported.

### Public Safety

#### Emergency response:

Emergency: 24 Hours 911  
Police Dispatch: 24 Hours  
925-284-5010

Nixle: Text your zip code to 888777 or go to [www.nixle.com](http://www.nixle.com)

**Lafayette Police Department:**  
3471 Mt. Diablo Blvd. 925-283-3680  
Chief of Police, Ben Alldritt  
925-299-3221

Police Department Tip Line  
94549Tip@gmail.com  
Police Department Traffic Issues  
94549Traffic@gmail.com

**Moraga Police Department:**  
329 Rheem Blvd., 925-888-7055  
Chief of Police, Jon King ext. 7049

**Orinda Police Department:**  
22 Orinda Way 925-254-6820  
Chief of Police, David M. Cook  
925-254-6820  
[Orindatip@cityoforinda.org](mailto:Orindatip@cityoforinda.org)

#### Lafayette Police Department Incident Summary Report

**Fe. 7 - Feb. 20**

Alarms	47
911 Calls (includes hang-ups)	13
Traffic	87
Suspicious Circumstances	13
Suspicious Subject	19
Suspicious Vehicle	20
Service to Citizen	48
Patrol Req./Security Check	46
Pubic/School Assembly Check	1
Supplemental Report	28
Vacation House Check	6
Welfare Check	17
Ordinance Violation	0
<b>Vehicle violations</b>	
Attempt Auto Burglary	3100 Block Rohrer Dr.
Auto Burglary	1900 Block Reliez Valley Rd.
Hit And Run Misdemeanor	1200 Block Pleasant Hill Rd.
	Pleasant Hill Rd./Deer Hill Rd.



Reckless Driving	Moraga Rd./Brook St
	Mt. Diablo Blvd./Moraga Rd.
Tc - Property Damage	Mt. Diablo Blvd./Happy Valley Rd.
	St Marys Rd./Glenside Dr.
	Taylor Blvd./Pleasant Hill Rd.
	700 Block Moraga Rd.
Vehicle Theft	3500 Block Brook St
<b>Other criminal activity</b>	
Commercial Burglary	3600 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.
	Mt. Diablo Blvd./Happy Valley Rd.
	3700 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd. (2)
	4000 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.
Fraud Credit Card	10 Block Roxanne Ln.
Fraud False Pretenses	3300 Block Las Huertas Rd.
	3300 Block Moraga Blvd.
Grand Theft	3200 Block Withers Ave.
Grand Theft From Veh	3200 Block Glenside Dr.
Identity Theft	3300 Block Victoria Ave.
	1100 Block Orchard Rd.
	3900 Block Woodside Ct.
	1100 Block N Thompson Rd.
Petty Theft	3500 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd. (2)
	4000 Block Happy Valley Rd.
	3100 Block Stanley Blvd.
Petty Theft From Veh	600 Block Murray Ln.
Shoplift	3600 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd. (2)
	3500 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.)
<b>Nuisance to the Community</b>	
Disturbance-domestic	3800 Block Los Arabis Dr.
	1000 Block Dewing Ave.
	3200 Block Andraesen Dr.
Disturbing The Peace	Upper Happy Valley Rd./El Nido
Ranch Rd.	
Loud Motorcycle	700 Block St. Mary's Rd.
Loud Music	Las Trampas Rd./Phillips Rd.
	3600 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.
Loud Noise	4000 Block Mario Way (2)
	3200 Block Mt. Diablo Ct.
	3300 Block Sweet Dr.
	1000 Block Brown Ave.

Loud Party	1100 Block Rahara Dr.
Public Nuisance	Mt. Diablo Blvd./Golden Gate Way
	3400 Block Golden Gate Way
	El Curtola Blvd./Old Tunnel Rd.
	3400 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.
Vandalism	3900 Block Canyon Rd.
	3600 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd. (2)
<b>Other</b>	
Covid19 Violation	700 Block Silver Crest Ct.
	El Curtola Blvd./Eb Sr 24
Trespass	El Nido Ranch Rd./Acalanes Rd.
	3500 Block Mt. Diablo Blvd.
Unwanted Guest	3800 Block Quail Ridge Rd.
Violation Custody Order	3300 Block Moraga Blvd.
Violation Restraining Ord	600 Block Sweet Ct.

#### Moraga Police Department Incident Summary Report

**Feb. 9 - Feb. 22**

Alarms	11
911 Calls (includes hang-ups)	9
Traffic	46
Suspicious Circumstances	2
Suspicious Subject	2
Suspicious Vehicle	2
Service to Citizen	34
Patrol Req./Security Check	14
Supplemental Report	5
Vacation House Check	0
Welfare Check	3
Pubic/School Assembly Check	4
<b>Vehicle violations</b>	
Dui Misd	Nations
	1300 Block Camino Pablo
Excessive Speed	Moraga Rd./Moraga Way
	Ascot Dr./Moraga Rd. (2)
	Ivy Dr./Moraga Way
	Moraga Way/Hardie Dr.
	Moraga Way/Miramonte Dr.
	Moraga Rd./Campolindo Dr.
	Moraga Rd./Buckingham Dr.



St Andrews Dr.	
Moraga Way/Ivy Dr.	
Moraga Way/Canyon Rd.	
Moraga Rd./Delores Ct.	
Eastwood Dr./Moraga Way, Ori	
Rheem Blvd./Harold Dr.	
Moraga Way/Leslee Ln., Ori	
Hit And Run Misdemeanor	1900 Block Ascot Dr.
Reckless Driving	2100 Block Ascot Dr.
	Moraga Rd./Rheem Blvd.
	Rheem Valley Shopping Center
	Moraga Rd./Ascot Dr.
Tc - Property Damage	Rheem Blvd./Chalda Way
	2000 Block Ascot Dr.
	Canyon Rd./Country Club Dr.
Vehicle Theft	300 Block Draeger Dr.
<b>Other criminal activity</b>	
Identity Theft	100 Block Walford Dr.
	10 Block Bal Tusrol
Petty Theft Veh Parts	2100 Block Ascot Dr.
<b>Nuisance to the Community</b>	
Loud Music	Francisca Dr./Josefa Pl.
	2100 Block Ascot Dr.
Loud Noise	200 Block Sharp Dr.
Vandalism	Alta Mesa Dr./Via Joaquin
	Library
<b>Other</b>	
Indecent Exposure	Moraga Commons Park
Trespass W/ Vehicle	Rheem Blvd./Moraga Rd. (2)
Violation Restraining Ord	90 Block Buckingham Dr. (2)



#### Orinda Police Department Incident Summary Report

**Feb. 7 - Feb. 20**

Alarms	29
911 Calls (includes hang-ups)	11
Traffic	37

Suspicious Circumstances	4
Suspicious Subject	4
Suspicious Vehicle	8
Service to Citizen	68
Patrol Req./Security Check	119
Supplemental Report	4
Vacation House Check	0
Welfare Check	7
Pubic/School Assembly Check	2
<b>Vehicle violations</b>	
Reckless Driving	Camino Pablo/Eb Sr 24
	Camino Pablo/Camino Sobrante
Way	Bear Creek Trail/Wagner Ranch
	100 Block El Toyonal
Vehicle Theft	20 Block Camino Del Monte
<b>Other criminal activity</b>	
Burglary	10 Block Theatre Sq 106
Grand Theft Veh Parts	30 Block Tara Rd.
Identity Theft	10 Block Ardilla Rd.
Petty Theft	30 Block Donald Dr.
	Cvs
Shoplift	Safeway
	Cvs
Warrant Arrest	Beverages And More (2)
	Camino Pablo/Bear Creek Rd.
	Police Department
	Wb Sr 24 At Wilder Rd.
<b>Nuisance to the Community</b>	
Disturbing The Peace	Police Department
Loud Music	Glorietta Elementary School
	Orinda Theater
Loud Party	50 Block Moraga Way
	60 Block Brookwood Rd.
Public Nuisance	Chevron
	60 Block Brookwood Rd.
	Theatre Square
Vandalism	20 Block Altarinda Cir.
	10 Block Marston Rd.
<b>Other</b>	
H&S/Poss Of Conr Sub	200 Block Overhill Rd.
Unwanted Guest	Cvs