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## Friends get a little academic help

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As to roofing, he suggests redwood as an appropriate roofing material, noting that Mission style tiles would be out of character. Mendoza says that he was very impressed with the heroic effort to save this adobe, calling it an amazing feat to raise the money to purchase and run the adobe.

Concerns about the restoration efforts may have an effect on the closing of the transaction that will give the Friends title to the building. Vice President Tania DeGroot reminded the group that the contract states that J&J Ranch must complete the restoration work within two years of payment.

Prior to the final payment by the Friends to the builder, on Aug. 24, Moraga Historical Society President Susan Sperry presented a check to FJMA for the final installment of the \$100,000 raised by MHS to help save the Moraga Adobe. In 2013, the MHS pledged to raise 20% of the funds needed to purchase the Adobe. The FJMA has acknowledged the participation of the MJS as a very significant partnership leading to satisfaction of the goal of acquiring the Adobe for the benefit of the

The Friends are excited to now focus on the next phases of the Adobe project. As the rehabilitation of the Adobe building is being done, the group is busy making plans and formalizing ideas for museum exhibits, landscaping, site features, and the creation of an Adobe operating team. Two committees have

been formed, the Museum Committee and the Adobe Site Operating Committee and volunteers are always welcome. Those interested in helping to plan Lamorinda's newest museum (in the oldest house in Contra Costa County),

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## **Orinda Classic Car Show** returns on Sept. 11

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"I want to keep the car stock as possible," Orsi noted. The only modification to the car's classic configuration is the addition of disk brakes, which is allowed for safety purposes. Although Orssi says that he doesn't feel comfortable driving Ruby on the freeway, he will do so for short, necessary stints. The car will handle 55-60 mph. Orsi tries to stay on the back roads. The new engine is a little over a year old, and he is breaking it in slowly. He has bought a set of five new, steel-belted white wall tires. He keeps the car garaged and pampered. When he drives the car, Orsi says, "Ruby gets a lot of attention."

In 2005 Orinda residents

Chip Herman and John Vanek, backed by Orinda Motors, partnered to start the Orinda Classic Car Show to bring together the local classic car community and to raise money for local charities including Seniors Around Town, the Educational Foundation of Orinda (now ONE Orinda) and the Orinda Historical Society. Over the past 16 years, substantial funds have been raised for local charities.

The 17th Orinda Classic Car Show will take place Sept. 11 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in front of Orinda Motors. More information is available at: www.orindacarshow.com

Last year's classic car tour webinar can be viewed here: https://youtu.be/xKxS81J0Wms



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