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Sweet Thursday Author Series presents Debbie Chinn

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The Friends of the Lafayette Library and Learning Center offers the second author event this fall at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 6 in the Don Tatzin Community Hall. Debbie Chinn, author of "Dancing in Their Light: A Daughter's Unfinished Memoir" will discuss her colorful memoir of growing up first generation Asian American in the restaurant, hospitality industry. Her family fled China when the Communists took over the country in 1949 and immigrated to the United States. They brought with them specialized culinary skills which they used to open fine Oriental dining restaurants when Polynesian clubs were the rage in the 1960s and 1970s. The restaurant was her playground and training ground for the utmost in gracious hospitality and discretion. Debbie's book is inspiring and unfathomable as she weaves together stories of humor, pathos, confluences of fate, and the eternal guiding hands of her ancestors. You won't want to miss her great storytelling.

Join the Friends of the Lafayette Library for this free in-person event by registering at tinyurl.com/Sweet-Oct22. The DTCH doors will be open at 6:30 for coffee and sweets before the talk. Orinda Books will be on site selling copies of the book. Wear a facemask, if not fully vaccinated.

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