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New Skin Care Spa in Orinda

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On Friday May 21st, at noon, the Orinda Chamber of Commerce will cut the red inaugural ribbon at Elizabeth Buddington's Med EstheticsRx. Buddington recently opened her skin care spa a block from Theatre Square, in downtown Orinda. A certified medical esthetician, she offers a wide variety of skin treatments aimed at promoting health and beauty. The treatments available include Peels, Skin Care 101 (introduction to skin care for young adults), Express Cleansing Treatment, and Healthy Glow. A variety of skin care products are available including Biopelle, elta MD, La Roche-Posay and Skinceuticals.

Nominate Your Favorite Woman Entrepreneur in Lamorinda

Women's Initiative for Self Employment, one of the largest microenterprise training organizations in the country, is now accepting nominations for its 2010 Woman Entrepreneur of the Year Awards. The awards seek to recognize women entrepreneurs in who demonstrate the following:

- Have been successful despite the barriers that exist for woman business owners
- Exemplify how business ownership and leadership is beneficial for women and their families
- Have a positive impact on the local community
- Advance their business through innovation.

A Leadership Committee from each region will determine the Woman Entrepreneur of the Year based on information provided by the nominee. Winners will be announced in August and honored at one of five regional award celebrations in October. Deadline for nominations is May 31. For more information and to nominate a woman entrepreneur, go to www.womensinitiative.org. Since 1988, Women's Initiative has been assisting high-potential low-income women who dream of business ownership.

Jan Gunn Honored by ASID

134 Diablo View Road, Orinda, 254-6570, www.designfinder.com/gunn

The NorCal Chapter of the American Society of Interior Designers (ASID) is honoring Jan Gunn, Interior Architect and Designer, as a featured designer. Gunn opened her Bay Area interior design firm in Orinda in 1983. Her special area of expertise is creating remarkable bathrooms. "Through her innovative design sense and with the use of unusual materials, Ms. Gunn makes each bathroom a joy to embrace," says the ASID, "In one instance, she placed an overscale operable glass skylight over a tub, which was hewn out of a single piece of Carerra marble. In another she cantilevered the marble seat in a shower outside the shower to serve as a sculpture platform. Another bathroom has a replica of Ursa Major in twinkling fiber optic cable on the ceiling."

News from the three Chambers of Commerce Lafayette

Taste of Lafayette, Tuesday, May 18th. The Lafayette Chamber of Commerce and the Lafayette Community Foundation are once again teaming up for a great night out on the town. "Taste of Lafayette" is a tour of Lafayette's finest eateries that lets you sample the signature cuisine of each restaurant. The event begins in Lafayette Plaza at 5:30 p.m. where you will check in, listen to music provided by Red House Studios, and a raffle that will raise money for the projects that the Lafayette Community Foundation will fund. Next you can stroll down Lafayette's Restaurant Row on Mt. Diablo Blvd. or board the shuttle bus that will take you up and down the boulevard. 15-20 local restaurants and catering companies will be participating. At each stop, comes another "taste." Finally, participants gather back in the park to pick up their auction items and enjoy coffee and dessert. Proceeds from the event benefit the Lafayette Community Foundation and the Services and Programs of the Lafayette Chamber of Commerce. Tickets for the event and raffle tickets are available through the Lafayette Chamber of Commerce, located at 100 Lafayette Circle, Suite 103. Visit our website at www.lafayettechamber.org or call 284-7404.

May 19th at noon, Green Committee open meeting at the Chamber of Commerce office.

May 20 at 8:30 a.m., Entrepreneur Club at the Chamber of Commerce office.

Moraga

The Moraga Business Person of the Year Award ceremony will be held at Terzetto Cuisine on Monday, June 28, 2010 at 6:00 PM. Mechanics Bank is sponsoring this event by inviting the members of the Moraga Chamber of Commerce to be their guests for dinner at Terzetto's. The first order of business is to select the Moraga Business Person of the Year. Here are the criteria: A Moraga Business Person of the Year would: Practice good business strategies, support the Moraga community, serve as a good business role model, have good customer relationships, demonstrate ethical business practices. Please email your selection to Yelena Mucovich, globalsecuritysystems@juno.com; be sure to list the reasons you have for selecting this person.

General Chamber meeting on Friday May 21 from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. at the Hacienda de las Flores.

Orinda

Friday, May 14th, Chamber Luncheon from noon to 1:30 p.m. at the Orinda Country Club, 315 Camino Sobrante. Guest Speaker: Gus Kramer, County Assessor, will present: "Discover what is involved in assessing our property."

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Cost: \$30.00. Please call 925-254-3909 for reservations.

Orinda Chamber web site gets new interactive calendar: Chamber President Sue Breedlove initiated the concept of having an interactive online calendar of Chamber and community events so all can easily access it and even add events to their own calendars. By scrolling through the coming months (using the little arrows at the top left of the calendar), you'll find a wealth of information. The calendar is maintained by Candy Kattenburg using the self-edit technology built in.

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