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Sports Plug

By Cathy Dausman





Photos Cathy Dausman

R2D2's distant, poor cousin. We splash of paint, and suddenly it becomes a canvas for a bold sports statehas worn at least three coats since its book "American Hydrant," published installment. It began by showing Cal (Berkeley) pride. Next it went "pro"

ity the lowly fire hydrant – a to make a Giant statement. Currently bland, stubby affair resembling it's "game on" in the East Bay covered in a Golden State Warriors logo. If barely give it a glance. But add a this humble hydrant sets you on fire, a more complete collection covering hydrants throughout all 50 states is ment. One Lamorinda fire hydrant available in Sean Crane's coffee table by Santa Monica Press in 2004.





Orinda Siblings to Attend Summer Academic

Programs for the Gifted Submitted by Myra Ozaeta



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From left: Heath, Haley and John Mark Ozaeta

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School eighth graders Haley and John Mark Ozaeta, and their brother Heath Ozaeta, a rising fourth grader at Del Rey Elementary School, are spending the summer at the Columbia University Summer Institute for the Gifted, the Johns Hopkins the Center for Talented Youth's an-Center for Talented Youth, and the UC Berkeley Summer Institute for the Gifted, respectively. The format through May. For information about of the programs makes it possible for the CTY Talent Search, go to bright students to work at an acceler- www.cty.jhu.edu. For info about the ated pace, study topics in depth, and Summer Institute for the Gifted, visit explore subjects that are not usually http://www.giftedstudy.org/. available to students their age. This

D ising Orinda Intermediate summer, John Mark will complete the program in international relations, Haley is enrolled in engineering and technology development courses, and Heath is studying public speaking and writing. The Ozaetas qualified for the gifted programs by participating in nual talent search, which accepts applications from early September



'On Looking' Opens Eyes to Local Writer's (and Walker's) World

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It's simply fun to read Horowitz's breezy depictions of people and picture of the intricate spaces and home runs. faces she encounters. When the to creep into greater consciousness, we too can see a patient behind an IV, recognize weariness in a walk, or even begin to "see" with our ears or sense of smell.

events, conversations and vacations all a natural part of slowed-down summer months – change us. Thrilling or enthralling, significant to walk!"

"outings," whether literal or cerebral, endure beyond the pages of a book, a places-and easy to form an instant play's final scenes or remembered

"On Looking" reminds us to pay book's "fresh eyes" message begins attention; to venture out the door looking for excellent adventure. Better yet, with the author's "no mandate, only opportunity" encouragement, we might look upon a loved one's all-toofamiliar face and with enhanced The best books, films, athletic focus, see something new. We might slip out the door, alone or with a companion, free from sitting and independent of the setting, and think, "Oh,

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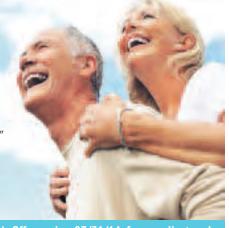
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