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The patio at Home/Made Kitchen Café and Bakery. Photo Sophie Braccini

Moraga Pediatric Dentistry Opens 533 Moraga Rd., Suite 100, Moraga (925) 247-0193, www. moragapediatricdentistry.com

Dr. Joanna Cheung opened a new dental office providing specialized dentistry for children and adolescents in a warm, caring and child-friendly environment. Cheung graduated from dental school in 2001. After practicing general dentistry for a few years in the Bay Area, she found her passion in working with children. She returned to school and completed a two-year pediatric residency program in New York. Cheung says that the American Academy of Pediatrics, the American Dental Association, and the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry all recommend establishing a "dental home" for children by one year of age. Children who have a dental home are more likely to receive appropriate preventive and routine oral health care.

The new practice serves infants, children, teens and children with special health care needs.

Home/Made Kitchen Café and Bakery 337 Rheem Blvd., Moraga (925) 388-0841, homemadekitchen.com

Word spread quickly in Moraga that Gayle Somers' café was opening on Rheem Boulevard across from the theater. The chef and her partner, Aly Dean, built a strong following with their fresh and creative menu when they operated temporarily at the Hacienda de las Flores, during what they hoped would be the few short months before renovations were completed at their current location. But as construction sometimes goes, it took much longer and patrons had to wait for Somers' organic and creative breakfast and lunch menus. As soon as Home/Made Kitchen Café and Bakery opened, the large, inviting patio and modern interior filled up. Home/Made Kitchen is open from 8 a. m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday-Sunday; during the week you can get coffee until 4 p.m.

Business Anniversaries Diablo Foods Celebrates 45 Years 3615 Mt. Diablo Blvd., Lafayette (925) 283-0737, www.diablofoods.com

Founded 45 years ago by Ed Stokes, three generations of the Stokes family now run the iconic Lafayette grocery store and still follow the same guiding principles - best quality, full friendly service, excellent selection, utmost cleanliness, and fair prices. Despite fierce competition from much larger chains, the family continues to attract loyal customers who appreciate their remarkable selection of local fruits and vegetables, meat and seafood, and continual support of local food producers and the community.

Lamorinda Dental Care Turns 2 533 Moraga Rd., Suite 240, Moraga (925) 247-5343, www.lamorindadentistry.com

Dr. Julia Hoang recently celebrated the second anniversary of her Moraga dental practice. The hard working young woman has been able to establish herself rapidly and is enjoying a very busy

practice. Lamorinda Dental Care is her first business venture; she worked in Orinda for many years before opening her own office. She said she recently bought a house in Moraga and is happy to be getting involved in the life of the town.

News from the three Chambers of Commerce:

Lafayette

Ribbon-cutting for T's Firehouse Restaurant and Bar, 5 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 4, 3709 Mt. Diablo Blvd.

Mixer at Atria Lafayette, 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 10, 1545 Pleasant Hill Rd.

Tri-ribbon-cutting for Lashify Studio, Sandra Martin Skin Care & Make-up Studio and Conceive & Receive, 5 p.m. on Thursday, Sept.11, 1043 Stuart St.

Moraga

Shred Event next to 5A Rent A Space, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, Sept.13, 455 Moraga Rd. - \$5/Banker Box size.

Orinda

Sunrise Mixer in the lobby of the Orinda Theatre on Thursday, Sept. 4 from 8 a.m. to 9:30 a. m. for a morning kick-off to rev up the Orinda Classic Car Show and the California Independent Film Festival. Both events are on the same weekend - the Classic Car Show is on Saturday, Sept. 13 and the film festival runs Sept. 11-14. Complimentary coffee and sweets, everyone is welcome!

The chamber is forming new committees for the new season. Those who want to play a more active role in the chamber can reach Candy Kattenberg at (925) 254-3909, or email info@orindachamber.org.



Three generations of Stokes', from left: Dan Stokes, Betty Stokes, Ed Stokes, Connie Stokes-Collier, Daniel Collier. Photo Sophie Braccini

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