

Luck Women's Boutique opens in Lafayette

By Jenn Freedman

Lafayette gained a new luxury women's (and girls) clothing boutique Jan. 8 when local mom Lorin Platto opened Luck. A recent East Bay transplant from San Francisco, Lorin was inspired to bring some of the city's boutique culture to Lamorinda. "I have loved fashion all my life and have always wanted to open a boutique ... and I am not getting any younger!"

The store is a high-end clothing and lifestyle retailer with a curated collection of unique brands. "Luck is a women's version of a candy store. Lots of bright colors, beautiful fabrics, and surprises ... and when you walk in, you get excited about all of

the fun that awaits you in the store," explains Platto.

Current brands include Sundry, Terez, Velvet, Bella Dahl, IRO, 360 Cashmere and more. Inventory is constantly updated, with additional brands coming in this spring/summer like Current Elliott, LNA, Sea, Warm, Poupette St. Barth and Rachel Comey.

In addition, Luck has a limited collection of girls' casual wear, primarily in sizes 4-10. The store has several mother/daughter brands that share similar fabrics and styles. It will also carry girls' Ancient Greek sandals for the summer and accessories like unicorn rings and hair bows.

The boutique also focuses on customer service: Luck offers ultimate shopping flexi-

bility by allowing Lamorinda customers to pre-shop online, and Luck will deliver the clothing to your doorstep to try on in the comfort of your own home before you commit to buy. Luck will even pick up unpurchased items within

three days! To take advantage of this free service, go to lucklafayette.com and fill out the request form or call the store at (925) 385-0732, and the items will be delivered to you within 24 hours.

Currently Luck is open

Tuesday through Thursday from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. and Fridays and Saturdays from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. Hours may vary in the future, so be sure to check at lucklafayette.com.

Happy shopping!



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The Peter Pan Foundation moves into new Lafayette Location



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Community members gathered Jan. 10 to celebrate the grand opening of the new Peter Pan Foundation location on Mt. Diablo Boulevard in Lafayette.

Submitted by Gina Campo

The Peter Pan Foundation – a 12-year-old Lafayette non-profit organization that inspires children of all ages to reach their full potential by encouraging confidence, character, and creativity through music and theater, while instilling the value and benefits of community outreach – celebrated its grand opening and ribbon cutting with the Lafayette Chamber of Commerce at its new location, 3355 Mt. Diablo Blvd. in Lafayette on Jan. 10. It was a longtime dream come true for founder Leslie Noel.

"Helping young hearts to fly is so much more than just our slogan at the Peter Pan Foundation," explained Noel. "It represents our mission to provide the young – and the young at heart – an enthusiastic environment in which participants are inspired to discover and develop their creative talents, while also teaching them important lessons about their responsibility to take care of themselves and others."

The new location will provide a more nurturing and inspiring environment for the organization to expand their mission to spread love and light to those who

need them most.

"We are thrilled to welcome the Peter Pan Foundation to our Lafayette Chamber," said Barbara Gilmore, the Lafayette Chamber member services director. "The ribbon cutting that was held at their new location was filled with excitement and energy beyond belief. What a pleasure to get to know how impactful this foundation is for our community and other communities," she continued. "The kids not only learn to give back but to believe in themselves and to build their confidence. We love Leslie Noel and the kids!"

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Trotter concluded, "It's a chance for this council to leave a lasting and visible legacy that will benefit Moraga's children, families and everybody here for generations to come."

Mayor Roger Wykle cited many of the immediate needs of the town by naming storm drain maintenance costs, asset replacement, unfunded pension liability, and as Moraga grows, more legal fund issues. However, he said, "We

also need to do some nice things for Moraga."

Vice Mayor Kymberleigh Korpus and council members Mike McCluer and Steve Woehleke all agreed that infrastructure needs come first and that it is crucial for the town to build up its General Fund reserves in the event of another unforeseen calamity.

Council Member Renata Sos summarized, "Given that the timing and the potential inflow of additional funds is uncertain, I would love to be optimistic, but I believe we

need to be conservative, and I think the conservative view would be to take this a step at a time." She concluded, "In my view, it would be premature for us at this juncture, before we know about the timing and certainty of any additional funds, to make any hard and fast rules or set any hard and fast policies about how we're going to use the money."

With that, Wykle advised Battenberg to "stay the course."