

Lamorinda Community, Calendar, Agendas, Notes, News

Orinda

| Calendar | |
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| City Council | 7pm |
| Auditorium, Orinda Library 26 Orinda Way Wednesday, June 19 | |
| Planning Comm. | 7pm |
| Please refer to the June 26 Planning Commission Agenda for meeting location | |
| Tuesday, June 26 (rescheduled from June 12) | |
| Public Safety | 7pm |
| Library May Room 26 Orinda Way Thursday, June 14 | |
| Historic Landmarks | 3pm |
| Garden Room, Orinda Library 26 Orinda Way Tuesday, June 26 | |
| Liaison | 8:30am |
| Room 7, Community Center 26 Orinda Way Monday, July 2 | |
| check online: Town of Orinda: http://www.ci.orinda.ca.us/ for: • all meeting notes • calendar updates | |



Burglary at Beverages and More, 6/1/07 Two males wearing all black clothing entered the store at approximately 7:30 p.m., one asked to use the restroom. They allegedly stole 3 bottles of Dom Perignon, 2 bottles of Remy Martin and 1 bottle of Roederer Cristal, total value estimated at \$1014. Bev Mo employee ran into parking lot and flagged down a police car when he realized what happened. The suspects fled on foot. The store does not have a surveillance camera.

Young teen caught with marijuana for sale, 5/31/07 A 13-year old male student was caught selling marijuana at Orinda Intermediate School. He had 4 grams of marijuana and \$84 on him. He was released to the custody of his mother prior to police arriving at the school. The teen and his mother voluntarily made a statement admitting to selling \$40 worth of pot. A juvenile citation was issued.

Booze Burglary, 6/1/07 A 16 year old Miramonte student entered the Orinda Safeway and attempted to steal 2 bottles of Captain Morgan rum valued at \$34.00. He was released to the custody of his parents.

Measure E. Goes Down to Defeat

By Chris Lavin
Orinda voters said "No" once again June 5 when the city asked them to approve a bond to fix the roads, drainage ditches and water pipes along much of the city's 92 miles of collapsing infrastructure. The measure failed 4,031 to 2,323, a majority of 63.44 percent. It needed 66 percent to pass. The special election for Measure E had proved contentious, with those against approving \$59 million in bonds saying that city officials had made poor fiscal decisions in recent years - including building

Walk. Run. Laugh. Remember.

Submitted by Suzanne Tom

Haley's 4th of July Run for a Reason is in its 3rd year and boy is it taking off! This year there are twice as many local sponsors who joined the commitment to raising awareness and money for the Sudden Unexplained Death in Childhood (SUDC) program.

Haley's 4th of July Run for a Reason is a 5-mile Run or 2-mile Family Walk that kicks off Orinda's 4th of July festivities. Hundreds of participants come early to support the SUDC program and walk in memory of Haley Tom, one of Orinda's own toddlers who died 7 years ago in her sleep at the age of 21 months. Since Haley was over 1 year, her death could not be considered SIDS. She belongs to a lesser known category SUDC that is a newly formed category for children over the age of 12 months.

In addition to the Haley's Run and Walk, there will also be

a Haley's 4th of July Run for a Reason Event Area by the Orinda Community Park tennis courts. There you will find Haley's 2nd Annual Silent Auction. Last year's Silent Auction raised almost \$3,300 in just a few hours! Home Depot will also be hosting their Kids' Workshop in honor of Haley. Kids can make their own wooden craft to take home - for free! Quenchers Smoothies will be selling yummy and refreshing smoothies and donating their proceeds to the SUDC program.

New this year will be a Memory Board located in Haley's event area. All bereaved parents and families are encouraged to bring a picture or write a message in memory of their child. Any loss of a child is tragic. Haley's 4th of July Run for a Reason would like to celebrate their lives along with Haley's short but amazing life. You can also pre-order a special

colored t-shirt in memory of your child. It will be waiting for you on the day of the event.

For the last two years, Haley's 4th of July Run for a Reason has raised more than \$40,000. Her event was one out of seven Run for a Reason events that took place across the country. But much more lies ahead. Haley's parents still do not know the cause of her death. Countless other parents share a similar struggle. We're asking everyone to come out and support this year's Haley's 4th of July Run for a Reason. You'll have fun, get some exercise, and take home a great t-shirt. You'll also personally contribute to a worthy and urgent cause.

For more information, please call Suzanne Tom at (925) 258-9097 or visit www.angelhaley.org. To find out more about the SUDC program, please visit www.sudc.org.



Haley's 4th of July Run for Reason 2006

Free Popcorn At the Orinda Theater

By Cathy Tyson



The Orinda Theater has free popcorn available Monday through Thursday as a way to entice moviegoers into the theater. Because of the historic artwork on the ceiling, they can't pop it in Orinda, however it's popped fresh daily and brought over from the Grand Lake Theater.

Owner Allen Michaan of Renaissance Rialto Theaters says, "The addition of 16 screens in Walnut Creek and 16 screens in Pleasant Hill has diluted the market place. This is the last old movie theater in the county, if it's not supported it can't survive."

To that end, Randy Holleschau, formerly of the Orinda Film Festival, is in the middle of negotiations regarding additional live entertainment events at the Theater. An agreement has not been finalized as yet.

residential roads, and some areas - including along Moraga Way and Glorietta - are facing eroding substructure that, unless repaired soon, will cost many times what it would to repair now, Glazer said.

It appears that supporters of a bond measure, who responded so quickly to the bond's failure in November by immediately mounting a campaign for a special election, will take a break from a new attempt, for now.

"Maybe someday," Glazer said.

a deluxe new City Hall - and failing to require the fire district to pony up more funds. A similar measure also failed last November.

"I'm very disappointed in the outcome," said Mayor Steve Glazer.

The failure at the ballot box leaves the city in a conundrum; less than \$1 million is allocated each year to road repairs, and a Citizen's Infrastructure Committee assigned with the task estimated Orinda needed as much as \$95 million to bring roads and pipes up to standard. Potholes proliferate throughout

A New Home for Orinda City Offices

By Cathy Tyson



22 Irwin Way, New Orinda City Offices

Photo Tod Fierner

Good-bye trailers, hello 13,900 square feet of stunning, sustainably designed office space. "We are really excited. We haven't been able to provide the kind of services the public deserves in the trailers," says Kathy Polkinghorne, who has been working as Assistant City Manager since the project began back in 2005. For Lamorinda residents who needed their construction plans checked or to visit the Police department, for the last seven years, that meant a trip up Altarinda Road, duking it out for parking next to a number of police cars, then searching for the correct, dirt colored aging, cluttered trailer.

The City Manager compared construction costs to lease payments, and in the end, starting from scratch with construction of an efficient, functional building was preferred because the City would have an asset at the end of the day, rather than lease payments with nothing to show for it. The building will cost ten million dollars, financed by offering Certificates of Participation (COP) to investors who can buy COP in return for earned interest on the debt.

The building is tentatively scheduled to open to the public in mid-June. The new City Administrative Building will be an impressive, green landmark chock full of the latest innovations in construction, ventilation, and site planning. Allsteel ergonomic chairs and shiny new desks await the many city employees who have been very patiently waiting for this upgrade. The building will house the City's Administrative, Planning, Building and Police Departments, and Emergency Operations Center. Located at 22 Irwin Way, behind the Library, the steep hillside and creek presented many challenges. "We're pleased that our solution not only saved

the creek and many trees, but also will leave a light ecological footprint," notes Henry Siegel of Siegel & Strain Architects.

The light-filled open loft-style building is very welcoming, and visually striking. Special care was taken to fit the building to the site. "The building's envelope design, shape, and shading strategy take advantage of natural ventilation to eliminate energy intensive compressor cooling," continues Siegel.

From the two-tone cork flooring to the corrugated, angled metal ceiling, to the wheatboard, presto-log like desks you don't have to look far to see how the building was designed to be environmentally friendly. Nancy Malone, LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) certification specialist at Siegel and Strain, explains that the firm worked hard to make the building formaldehyde free. In addition, materials with no volatile organic compounds were used in the interior materials like paints, sealants and wood products. Because LEED certification cannot be awarded until the building is completely finished, and there are some minor touch-ups at the moment, certification has not yet been awarded. However they expect to have score in the gold level.

Taylor engineering was responsible for the unique mixed-mode ventilation system that allows integration of natural ventilation and forced air when needed. This system not only takes advantage of the relatively mild climate here, but also saves money and energy, two important concerns for the City in the long run. Designers are pleased to report that the building will be in the 94th percentile of energy efficient buildings across the country, and significantly reduce carbon emissions.

Concerts-in-the-Park

Tuesdays, 6:30-8:30 pm (except for Wed., July 4, 11:30am), at the Orinda Community Center Park. Bring a picnic and enjoy the free music in the park!

- June 19 Spirit of 29 (Dixieland Jazz)
- June 26 Stone Soup (Oldies Rock)
- July 4 (Wed., 11:30am-1:30pm) Silver Spurs (Country)
- July 10 Spazmatics (80s Rock)
- July 17 Pladdohg (Celtic Rock)
- July 24 Lady Kaye & the Kings of Swing (Swing & Jazz)
- July 31 Cal Alumni Big Band (Big Band Jazz)
- Aug. 7 Mixed Nuts (Oldies Rock, Disco, Blues)

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