

Lamorinda Community, Calendar, Agendas, Notes, News

Orinda

Calendar	
City Council	7pm
Auditorium, Orinda Library 26 Orinda Way Tuesday, Nov 6	
Planning Comm.	7pm
Auditorium, Orinda Library 26 Orinda Way Tuesday, Nov 13	
Park & Rec	7pm
Community Center Room 7 28 Orinda Way Wednesday, Nov 14	
Hist. Landmark Comm.	3pm
Gallery Room, Upper Level 26 Orinda Way Tuesday, Nov 27	
Liaison	8:30am
Community Room at City Hall 22 Orinda Way Monday, Nov 5	
check online: Town of Orinda: http://www.ci.orinda.ca.us/ for: • all meeting notes • calendar updates	

Chamber of Commerce:
<http://www.orinda-chamber.org/>
• local businesses
• upcoming events



Driving With Pot, 10/25/07 A police officer conducted a traffic stop on Highway 24 near Fish Ranch Road. Oddly enough the person driving the car had no Driver's License. The non-licensed driver consented to a search of the car. The 24-year old had a small bag of marijuana in his underwear. Driver was cited and released at the scene.

Stuff Gone, 10/22/07 Two leather jackets, sunglasses, tennis shoes and a gym bag were taken from a BMW parked and left unlocked in a Don Gabriel Way driveway.

Credit Card Fraud, 10/20/07 An older Overhill Road man checked his on line bank statements and found a charge he didn't make. A total of \$644.94 was charged to his card by DHL for shipping and delivery of 22 - 24 small packages. Will the customer service people of Citibank MasterCard make it right?

Getting Schooled, 10/15/07 A teacher at Glorietta Elementary School called to report that an unknown female stole her Bank of America credit card, a debit card and her Macy's card from her purse in her unlocked classroom.

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<http://www.lamorindaweekly.com/html/read.html>
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Big Smiles Abound at Orinda Halloween Parade

By Jennifer Wake
Approximately 75 preschoolers and toddlers, parents, grandparents and caregivers showed off their spooky (and some not so spooky) costumes last Thursday at the annual Halloween Parade, sponsored by the Orinda Community Center Auxiliary (OCCA). The children followed Glenda the Good Witch twice around the Orinda Community Park before enjoying juice and cookies, coloring Halloween pictures, and making Cheerio bracelets and necklaces at the park.

In addition to this free event, the Auxiliary also sponsors and produces the summer

concerts in the park, the spring egg hunt, and this weekend's Holiday Bazaar (Nov. 3 and 4). "We are always looking for more folks who are interested in being a part of the OCCA," said OCCA president Shannon Fuller. "We meet once a month (with no meetings in June, July, August and December) and provide free childcare during our meetings and for most of our events for those that need it."



Photos Tod Fierner



Bullet Proof Vest Optional

By Cathy Tyson



From left, Cadet Nicholle Miller, Officer Kevin Mooney, and Anna Mahoney
Photo Cathy Tyson

That isn't the usual description for Orinda Police officers, but it is true for cadets that are interning with an Orinda Police officer. Cadet Anna Mahoney, a Miramonte senior, was lucky, her uncle, a police officer, gave her one. Although the chances of getting shot in Orinda on a Sunday afternoon are slim, no one wants to find out the hard way.

Mahoney's not getting paid for her many hours of service, but its worth it to her because she wants to

pursue a career in law enforcement. The Cadet Program definitely gives her a leg up.

As part of the program Mahoney and fellow cadet Nicholle Miller have learned CPR, radio codes, handcuffing and traffic direction. Officer Kevin Mooney, the Police Explorer Advisor who supervises the cadets said Anna was a huge help on a 211 - home invasion/robbery in progress call. "Someone had burglarized a home and attacked a woman at the residence. She got to see how police respond to an emergency situation with dogs and helicopters. Anna was there as we cleared the house, searched the area, and conducted interviews."

According to Mooney the cadets learn to take instruction, to respect authority, to be assertive not aggressive, to understand and execute what they are told to do and they help out with things real officers do, like arrange the evidence locker.

"Not only were they a great

help during 4th of July events, but Anna and Nichol were instrumental in the department's move from the old office to the new office. They were essential, working countless hours, day after day, boxing and moving things," explains Chief Bill French. "We are always actively looking for cadets." At the moment, the Orinda Police Department has room for up to six more.

For Mahoney and Miller it's more than just the minimum of eight hours a month. For Anna, it's a chance to explore the family business, both her dad and uncle and a number of other relatives are in law enforcement. "I just love the program and without a doubt, I want to pursue a career in law enforcement." In addition the program has given her a chance to hone communication skills. "I feel much more confident now."

"The cadet program has given me an inside look at how the justice systems works. I would recommend it to other kids," explains Miller. "Putting on the uniform can be transformative. When I'm there with the officers I tend to be more alert, I learn by example." For inquiries regarding the cadet program, call the Orinda Police non-emergency number (925) 254-6820.

Orinda Police Officer Takes 6 Medals at State Games

By Jennifer Wake



Dean Kimball
Photo Tod Fierner

If Orinda Police Officer Dean Kimball, 54, tells you he works out, you had better take him seriously.

Kimball was one of 3,000 police officers and fire fighters from 10 U.S. states who competed in the 2007 Western States Police and Fire Games on Oct. 6-14 in Mesa, Ariz. He won six medals, including a silver medal for the "Toughest Competitor Alive (TCA)" event.

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Shop Orinda!

By Sophie Braccini



Mayor Steve Glazer and Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Candy Kattenburg
Photo Sophie Braccini



The new Shop Orinda Logo

Posters for the new "Shop Orinda" campaign were prominently displayed at the last Orinda Chamber of Commerce mixer on October 23rd. Keith Miller, the Chamber's President, Executive Director Candy Kattenburg, Mayor Steve Glazer and Mayor Pro Tem Victoria Smith attended the event as co-sponsors of the program to mingle with the Orinda business community.

The Council and the Chamber both contributed to the \$13,000 budget of the campaign, which aims to remind residents how important it is to shop locally, to maintain and increase the vibrancy of the city.

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