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Lamorinda Moms Club to Hold 11th Annual Preschool Fair

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The Lamorinda Moms Club (LMC) will hold its 11th Annual Preschool Fair on November 13 from 6:30 to 9:00 pm at the Oakwood Athletic Club. In a recent press release, LMC said it has organized the annual preschool fair designed to help local parents find the perfect preschool for their child. The event is open to LMC members as well as the general community." Over 30 Lamorinda preschools will be available to discuss their programs and answer questions. The event is free and children are welcome. The event is a great timesaving tool for parents. LMC will provide a comparison of each of the participating preschools in addition to offer the chance to meet the director and parents from each school. "I think it's a great opportunity for parents. They get a chance to speak with all of us at the different preschools and learn our philosophies," said Joyful Beginnings Preschool Director Dot Feist. Feist said the Preschool Fair has helped her school gain greater exposure and increase the enrollment.

"In one evening you can see more than 35 preschools. This year we've been getting inquiries from preschool in other communities (outside Lamorinda)," said Preschool Fair co-chair Larisa Genin. Dr. Genin said the LMC Preschool Fair has a very good word-of-mouth reputation and that explains the participation requests from other communities.

In conjunction with the annual LMC Preschool Fair, the Community Outreach Committee will gather donations for the Bay Area Crisis Nursery (BACN). The purpose of the Bay Area Crisis Nursery is to prevent abuse and neglect of children by providing support to families who are in crisis. The primary service is providing a warm, loving, homelike environment for children birth through five years of age by offering 24-hour residential care. Services are free, confidential and voluntary. "They're always looking for donations. Some specific donation requests are Enfamil Lipil w/ iron formula and winter clothes. They only accept new clothes after November 15 during the holiday season. They also need tooth brushes, toothpaste, basic toiletry needs and cash for office supplies," said Amy McDonough, LMC Preschool Fair Community Outreach Chair. The BACN web address is www.bacn.jkmas.com.

The LMC is a social and support club for parents with children under five years of age in the greater Lamorinda area, including the cities of Lafayette, Moraga and Orinda.

LMC strives to help members enrich their lives through cultivating new friendships, personal and professional growth, and community involvement. Since its origin in 1995, the LMC has evolved to become one of the largest parenting organizations in the San Francisco Bay Area, with approximately 570 members. The club hosts dozens of activities and special events each month, and provides valuable resources to parents in the Lamorinda area. Learn more about the Lamorinda Moms Club including how to join at www.lamorindamomsclub.org or by calling (925) 941-4714.

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