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The Peripheral Neuropathy Support Group will meet on Friday June 26 from 10:00 am to 11:30 AM in the Las Trampus Room of the Hillside Clubhouse in Rossmoor. Suzette Lake, Bowenwork Therapist, will be a guest speaker and will give a presentation on Bowenwork Therapy and how this work has helped people suffering from Peripheral Neuropathy. Bowenwork is a powerful and innovative form of healthcare. It has applications for pain relief, injury recovery, stress reduction, enhanced performance for sports and work, as well as for the maintenance of health and wellness. Meeting is open to persons who reside outside

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dents. For more information call Carolyn Cash 925) 254-8195.

The California Writers Club offers writers to learn about their craft and share their work. The next meeting is on Saturday, June 20 from 11:30 am to 2:00 pm at Oasis Grille, 780 Main Street, Pleasanton. Local author Mark Curtis, who recently published his book "Age of Obama: A Reporter's Journey with Clinton, McCain and Obama in the Making of the President 2008." He will share the inside scoop on the historic election and an insider's perspective on the rapidly changing world of journalism today. The meeting cost is \$21 for members and \$27 for nonmembers, including lunch. Anyone curious about the group is invited to attend with no obligation to join. Reservations are required. To make a reservation contact Fred Norman at Fnorman300@aol.com or 925-462-7495 by Wednesday, June 17.

Orinda Juniors, a local non-profit **group** of women, supporting STAND! Against Domestic Violence, the Orinda Convalescent Home, the Oakland Children's Hospital, Haley's Run for a Reason, Youth Ink and other East Bay causes, meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m. (September -June). We always welcome new members. If you are interested in joining our group, please contact Diane Petek Sullivan Ann orinda.juniors@yahoo..com for the meeting location.

Stanley Middle School Music Department

10th annual Jazz Cafe was held last Friday at Stanley Middle School, Lafayette



Cal Shakes Kicks off the Summer Season





OIS students win a speed performance contest against Chamber of Commerce and City Council Members

ith the launch of California Shakespeare Theater's 35th season last week, summer has officially begun in Orinda. Over 100 people gathered in Theater Square for the 3rd annual Orinda

Salutes Cal Shakes event that included food, music, and performances by Orinda Intermediate students who study Shakespeare under the direction of Cal Shakes Teaching Theater Artist Clive

Photo Andy Scheck Worsley. Also on hand was Cal Shakes actor L. Peter Callender who served as emcee for part of the evening, and Susie Falk, Cal Shakes new Managing Director. A. Firth

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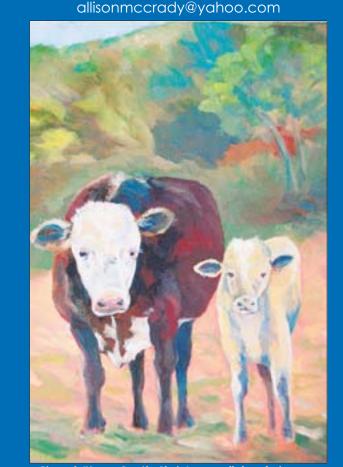
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Meet Cal Shakes Managing Director—Susie Falk



Susie Falk at the event on May 28 Photo Andy Scheck

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Bruns Memorial Amphitheater makes it home. Named Managing Director in February, the Lamorinda weekly spoke with Falk then about her new role within the organization. "Everyone in the arts is daunted by this economy," acknowledged Falk, but as a veteran of the San Francisco and Bay Area arts communities, she seemed confidently optimistic about what lay ahead. "We have a hugely loyal audience and a very support-

Growing in up in a family of theater lovers, as a teenager Falk was both a patron and student of Cal Shakes when the productions were staged at Berkeley's John Hinkel Park. "Participating in theater helped me to navigate those difficult adolescent years," she says. Her self-described linear side led Falk to choose to major in psychology over theater in college. A

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Falk with the revelation that she could combine her practical nature and love of theater into a job in theater administration.

Falk had served as Cal Shakes Marketing Director for four years prior to taking on her new role. Prior to that she had worked in public relations at both San Francisco's American Conservatory Theater and the Berkeley Repertory Theater. These days Falk keeps busy with overseeing the business matters of Cal Shakes as Artistic Director Jonathon Moscone's vision permeates the theater, "I enjoy the dynamic partnership [with Moscone] that provides each of us a voice in how things are done," she says.

Early reviews give Cal Shakes opening production of Romeo and Juliet two thumbs up—a nice start to Falk's first seaby Noel Coward and Samuel Beckett's Happy Days. "We have never done Beckett of Coward before," says Falk. "We are always looking for playwrights that can stand up to Shakespeare." The season will return with Shakespeare's fantastical comedy A Midsummer Night's Dream.

Falk is looking forward to Cal Shakes subscribers and newcomers enjoying the variety of theater to be presented in the 2009 season. "One of the things that I love most about the Cal Shakes experience is seeing multiple generations who come to share a picnic and enjoy the play together." A. Firth

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