

Not to be missed

LITERATURE

Orinda Theology Group. A new theology discussion group has been formed by members of the Orinda Community Church. We select books of interest to the group members and meet once a month to share insights from our reading. We wish to invite anyone interested to join us every third Tuesday of the month, at 7p in the library of the church hall at 10 Irwin Way. We have taken the summer off but will reconvene Tuesday, Sept 15 at 7pm. The book currently under study is Deepak Chopra's "The Third Jesus" which may be purchased at Orinda Theologians" to get a discount there. If you have any questions, contact Orinda Community Church office at (925) 254-4906.

Come experience storytelling with the Contra Costa Tale Spinners keeping the oral storytelling tradition alive! The swap meets the Fourth Thursday of every month at the Orinda Library, 26 Orinda Way in the Gallery Room from 7:00 - 9:00 PM. This THURSDAY August 27 2009, Bobbie Kinkead tells an epic story from the Celtic Mabinogion, 'Geraint and Ebin' from Lady Ebin's point of view about her husband's quests as a knight. We welcome listeners and provide 70 minutes of open mike for all who wish to share a story, be it funny or sad, true or not. Contact Sally at (925) 372-7036 or Bobbie at (510) 655-5608.

BOOK SALE - Friends of the Orinda Library - Thursday, Sept. 3 - 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sorting Room and Bookshop (Bookshop will remain open until 6 p.m.) This monthly sale offers quality books for all interests and all ages. Funds raised are used for new books, computers and other library materials and library programs. Orinda Library, 26 Orinda Way, Orinda. (925) 254-1358.

Friends of the Moraga Library present their annual sale of (sorted) books, CDs, videos etc. Saturday, September 12, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.—Book Sale and bag sale from 1:30 to 2:00 p.m. Moraga Library, 1500 Saint Marys Rd, (925) 376-6852.

Celebrate Lafayette's Local Authors! Thursday September 3 at 7:30 pm. The Friends of the Lafayette Library invites you to honor our local literati—from the nature-inspired poems of David Seaborg to the gut-wrenching, real-life stories of Marie Estorge; from Hugh Winig's fasci-

ating stories of a career spent listening to his patients to Maria Espinosa's novel of a troubled mother-daughter relationship to Pamela Prime's book about spiritual awakenings. Here, in our very own town, we find great talent and inspiration. Come hear these authors read and discuss the writing (and publishing) process.

KIDS

Back-to-School Shoe Sale to benefit kids in Africa, Saturday, Aug. 29 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The J.F. Kapnek Trust, which works with orphans and vulnerable children in Zimbabwe, has partnered with The Nurture Center in Lafayette to sell hundreds of pairs of brand new children's shoes to support preschool and pediatric HIV/AIDS prevention programs in Zimbabwe. Brands include Keen, Stride-Rite, Primigi and many more in sizes toddler to children's 4. Each pair is only \$15. All proceeds support Kapnek programs. Come early for the best selection. 3399 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Lafayette. Details: info@JFKapnekTrust.org or www.JFKapnekTrust.org.

Orinda Idol 2009 Finalists Sing! Orinda Farmer's Market August 29th 10:15am-12:15pm, Orinda Idol 2009 FINALS! Orinda Theatre September 13th 11am-7:30pm It's Free! Come Early! Competition Schedule: 11:00-12:30 Elementary Gr. K-2 & 3-5; 1:00-2:15 Middle School; 2:45-4:00 High School; 4:30-5:45 Groups Gr. K-5 & 6-12; 6:15-7:30 Announcement of Winners.

Get your party shoes on and celebrate the 10th anniversary of the literacy charity, Be the Star You Are! at our mega BOOKS AND BANDS BASH BENEFIT on September 13 from 4-9pm in Moraga. New York Times best selling author, Cynthia Brian, and contributors launch the new book, Be the Star You Are! for TEENS and you and your family can come dance under the stars with music from live bands. For tickets and information go to bethestaryouare.org. Place: Holy Trinity Cultural Center, 1700 School Street, Moraga. For ticket info call (925) 377-7827. Event is sponsored by Be the Star You Are!®, a local literacy charity, celebrating its 10th anniversary and is all organized by local high school teens. Tickets: \$13.

Follow the Yellow Brick Road to Moraga Royale for a fun time celebrating Grandparent's Day! Enjoy a Jazz Band, Pony Rides, Local Wiz-

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Children's Events at the Moraga Library: Wednesdays, Sept. 16, 23 and 30—Lapsit Storytime—10am - for babies 6 to 24 months and their caregivers. Wednesdays, Sept. 16, 23 and 30—Toddler Time—10:45am - stories, rhymes and fun for ages 2 to 3-1/2 with adult participation. Tuesdays, Sept. 15, 22 & 29—Crafty Storytime—4 pm - stories and crafts for ages 4-7. 1500 Saint Mary's Rd, Moraga, (925) 376-6852.

OTHER

2009 Rides to Defeat ALS with Matt Chaney-Central Coast Century (July 18, 2009) and the Napa Ride to Defeat ALS (September 19, 2009). You are cordially invited to join us at either ride for a fun filled day of cycling, scenery, food and drink and an overall "Feel Good" day! To become a Hot Dawg team member or to just donate please email mdchaney2@comcast.net. ALSA is the only national organization that devotes 100% of its effort and resources to ALS research AND patient and family services.

"It's a Luau! Join Beachcomber Singles for a Fundraiser for Juvenile Hall Kids. Saturday, August 22 in Hercules in the afternoon through to the night. Authentic Polynesian food including a Kaluha Pig and over 30 authentic Polynesian dancers. Many door prizes to win, drawing starting at 7:30 p.m. Music for dancing by "Now Playing" from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. Reservations are \$30; call Jerry at (510) 799-2207 EARLY for a space. Bring your favorite beverage and a gift for the girls suitable for ages 10 to 18. Dress Hawaiian and bring your swim suit.

On Saturday, September 19th from 10am - 2pm the town of Orinda will host the 5th Annual Classic Car Show. This free event, presented by Orinda Motors, continues to benefit the Seniors Around Town transportation service, an Orinda Association program. In addition to American and European classic and modern exotic cars, this year's event will feature special exhibits of classic and custom motorcycles as well as vintage race cars. The event is free, but if you make a donation of \$25 you will have an opportunity to ride in one of the cars during the parade at the close of the show. Last year's event had more than 125 car entries and raised \$16,000 for the Seniors Around Town program. The Show will be held in Orinda Village at Orinda Motors, located at 63 Orinda Way.

Join more than 500 Bay Area residents as we participate in The Food Allergy & Anaphylaxis Network's (FAAN's) Walk for Food Allergy: Moving Toward a Cure. It will take place in San Francisco, at the Music Concourse in Golden Gate Park, by the De Young Museum and California Academy of Sciences on Sat, Sept 12: Check-in 8:30 AM, Start 9:30 AM, Entertainment/Children's Activities until 12:00 PM. FAAN

(www.foodallergy.org) is a nonprofit organization dedicated to increasing public awareness of food allergy and its consequences, to providing advocacy and education, and to advancing research on behalf of all those affected by it. Volunteer to help organize the Walk or to help on Walk Day. For more information, please visit www.foodallergywalk.org.

Country Western BBQ & Dance, Sept. 19, 6:00 - 11:00 p.m., music provided by The California Cowboys, Holy Trinity Cultural Center, 1700 School St., Moraga, for info. (925) 376-6850.

Fall's 12-week series of Awareness Through Movement® classes starts Sept. 8th at Lafayette Community Center. Based on the Feldenkrais Method® of Somatic Education, lessons consist of following gentle and enjoyable movement instructions focusing on flexibility, balance and coordination. These classes can compliment any wellness program and no prior experience is necessary. Call (925) 284-2232 or go to www.LafayetteRec.org. for registration details. Contact instructor directly for further information about class content: Peterboffey1@gmail.com or (925) 395-1240.

GARDEN

Montelindo Club general meeting and speakers, third Friday of the month, September through May. Friday, September 18, Orinda Community Church, #10 Irwin Way, Orinda. Refreshments and plant sale at 9 a.m., meeting at 9:30, speaker at 10:30. The meeting is free and welcomes guests and new members. Web site: http://www.montelindogarden.com. email contact: montelindogarden@aol.com. The September speaker will be Napa Valley native, Cynthia Brian, author of "Chicken Soup for the Gardener's Soul." Her topic will be "Digging Deep- Gardening With Cynthia."

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The BOOKS and BANDS BASH BENEFIT!

Dancing Under the

Sunday, September 13th
4:00-9:00pm

Celebrating Moraga's own **Be The Star You Are!**® literacy charity's 10th anniversary and the launch of the new book, Be The Star You Are!® for TEENS featuring many teen writers from our community.

Place: Holy Trinity Cultural Center, 1700 School Street, Moraga, Ca. 94556
Price: \$13.00 in advance. Tickets are limited!
Date/Time: Sunday, September 13th, 4:00pm- 9:00pm

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