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Reader Connections to The Squire

By Cathy Tyson



call went out with the story, "Blast from the Past: The Squire" in the August 4 edition of this paper looking for more information about the independent newspaper, The Squire, published approximately forty years ago. This reporter was hoping someone had the inside scoop on publisher John Mustard. Unfortunately although 24,000 copies of the Lamorinda Weekly went out asking for input, only three responses were received; from a sportswriter, a graphic artist and a delivery boy. Here are excerpts from those responses.

Jim Colhoun of Prudential California Realty recalls his contribution to The Squire, "I was a budding sports writer and editor of the Campolindo paper La Puma in 1969 and I earned extra money by writing for The Squire. I was paid at a rate of 25 cents per inch so you can't believe how long some of my articles were. I mean we are talking about 20-30 inches for a local Campo basketball game. They were starved for content and I needed the dough to go the Fillmore West on weekends. Anyway, every time I drive down Golden Gate Way in Lafayette, I have a fond memory of that little paper."

"What a blast from the past! I worked a couple of years for John Mustard, from issue one until he gave in," said Dian Overly who now lives in Rossmoor. "I was the graphic artist except for a short period when I cut off part of my thumb and he had to hire someone else for a time. Anyhow, I have a couple of copies of The Squire someplace, my son was on the cover for one issue, with some friends up at the reservoir." She adds that she went on to work for the Sun for twelve years, and retired in 1992.

"I read your story on The Squire, and wow, did it bring back memories," said John Coleman who is now on the Board of Directors of EBMUD. "I delivered the paper once a week, I believe on Tuesdays, some 200 houses in Burton Valley. I started in 6th grade and did it through 8th grade (1972). If I recall correctly, I was paid either 1 or 2 cents per paper, not a whole lot of money. I delivered my street - Sweetbrier Circle and Sandalwood Court before school, then carried the remaining papers from Silverado to Reed Drive. The job was horrible, yet a great training experience for future endeavors.'

Outdoor Movie Night at Lafayette - Orinda Presbyterian Church



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Community Service

Moraga Rotary Installs New Officers

Submitted by Gary Irwin



We are pleased to make space available whenever possible for some of Lamorinda's dedicated community service organizations to submit news and information about their activities. Submissions can be sent to **storydesk@lamorindaweekly.com** with the subject header In Service to the Community.

Hospice Horseplay





Tony Schoemehl and Vickie Devlin

Rotary Club of Moraga has installed Tony Schoemehl as its President for the year beginning July 1, 2010. Tony is a long time resident of Moraga, and is a retired Delta Airlines captain and a former Navy instructor pilot. He takes the gavel from Immediate Past President Vickie Devlin. Other officers include Nora Avelar as President-Elect, Louise Schopke as Treasurer, and David Kruegel as Secretary. In addition, Debbie Roessler is serving as Assistant District Governor, helping the five Rotary Clubs in Lamorinda and Rossmoor.

At the District Installation dinner, Moraga Rotary received awards for Vocational Service, New Generations, Literacy Projects, Community Service, Disaster Relief, and International Service.

Under Schoemehl's leader-

Photo provided ship since July 1st, Moraga Rotary has completed several sucservice/fundraiser cessful projects-the 4th of July refreshment booth at the Moraga Country Club for the evening fireworks, and the food service booth at the 2 1/2 day OMPA Swim Meet in early August. In late August, the Club provided food service for the LMYA soccer signups at the Moraga Commons. In the fall, the Club will conduct its third e-waste collection on Sept 25 at the Moraga Shopping Center and will donate a dictionary to every third grade student in Moraga schools.

Moraga Rotary is a local service club within Rotary International that meets for lunch Tuesday noon at the Soda Center at St. Mary's College. For information, please call Gary Irwin of Moraga Rotary at 925-376-7688.



Photo by Alana Koski

afayette teen Mikey Teare recently enjoyed a day with Blackie, a horse who came to visit through the efforts of SonRise Equestrian Foundation. Mikey is a patient with the Comfort for Care, a program of the Hospice of the East Bay that provides in-home medical care and support for children and teens that have life-limiting illnesses or conditions along with support for family and friends. Begun in 1995, Comfort for Kids works to keep families together and kids at home during the course of their illnesses. For more information go to www.hospicecc.org.

Meet Your Orinda Idols of 2010!

(Results provided by Britta Glade)



The 2010 Orinda Idols were crowned on Sunday, September 12th after months of hard work by dozens of outstanding competitors. The winners of the Orinda Arts Council's 2010 Orinda Idol competition are:

Grades K-2 Soloist Category: Alex Meckes (Wagner Ranch)

Grades 3-5 Soloist Category: Ryan Ford (Sleepy Hollow)

Middle School Soloist Category: Madison Wheeler (OIS)

High School Soloist Category: Steven Patton (Miramonte)

K-5 Group Category: Jackie Patton (Glorietta) and Samantha Martin (Happy Valley)

Middle and High School Group Category: Jacqueline Garrell (Miramonte), Katie Marino (Campolindo), Amrita Newton (Miramonte), Neris Newton (Miramonte), Paige Powell (Miramonte), and Sophie Woodlee (Miramonte).

At left: Alex Meckles is awarded the K-2 winner's check (\$200) by OAC president Susan Garrell. The other K-2 finalists are (L-R) Hanna Biles, Lillian Storrs, Kiera Glenn, and Malin Glade. Photo Ohlen Alexander

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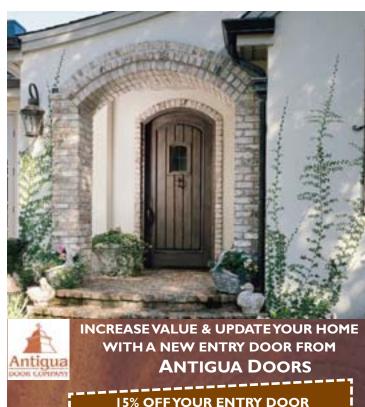
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