By Staff

s the adage goes, "Time flies when you're having fun!" It's hard for us to believe that the first issue of *Lamorinda* Weekly was published on March 14, 2007. Scattered throughout today's paper you will find some of the highlights of the past five years in Lamorinda.

Our front page photo this week features publishers Andy and Wendy Scheck at the Orinda Farmers' Market last weekend along with our 100th advertising customer, who has also contributed to several articles, Orinda's Garden Lights. It is our advertisers who make this publication free to you.

We've featured the Schecks in past articles, most notably www.lamorindaweekly.com/archive/issue0401/The-Lamorinda-Weekly-Looking-Back-and-Forward.html), but what we haven't told you is that this newspaper is strictly a labor of love.

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"Poetry is art from the world around us...it's a place where there's room for feeling." Read Resident Poet Elicits Reflective Prose from Springhill Students,

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Advertising Thinking of Selling Your Home in 2012?



At Saturday's Orinda Farmers' Market, from left: Andy and Wendy Scheck; Garden Lights' Steve, Cathy and Audrey Lambert.

The Fifth Anniversary Issue

Lamorinda Market Update On February 8, 2012 there were only 44 accepted purchase contracts in Lamorinda e January 1st. As of March 8, 2012, there are 94 sold and pending sales for single family homes ranging in price from \$365,000 to \$3,690,000.

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Contact Maureen Wilbur for a market analysis and professional recommendations for selling in 2012.

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### Saint Mary's Dances Friday as No. 7 Seed By Alex Kozela

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Saint Mary's wins WCC Tournament and earns automatic berth to the NCAA tournament Photo Tod Fierner

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fter an historic season, the Saint Mary's men's basketball team marches on to Omaha to face Purdue in the first round of the NCAA Tournament this Friday at 4:30 p.m.

The Gaels won both the WCC regular season title outright and the tournament championship for the first time in program history, and found out their fate on Selection Sunday. They were given a No. 7 seed in the Midwest Bracket. The winner of Friday's game will go on to play either Kansas or Detroit.

"We're excited," Saint Mary's head coach Randy Bennett said. "We're in the competition. This is what you play all year for, to get in this tournament."

Because they won the WCC Tournament by defeating rivals Gonzaga last week, the Gaels had an automatic bid to the tournament. That doesn't mean it wasn't tense for the coaches and players as they waited to hear their team called because Saint Mary's was one of the last teams announced.

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Andrea Firth talks to Richard Westin. B5



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Sophie Braccini meets the Moraga Garden Farm and SMC's Legacy Vegetable Garden. D1

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