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**Walk n' Roll. Join us for a fun one mile or 5K Walk n' Roll** event to support people with developmental disabilities Saturday, September 22 from 9am to noon, starting at Las Trampas, 3460 Lana Lane, Lafayette, continuing towards Olympic Blvd and ending at Las Trampas. The trail is wheelchair-friendly. Registration: \$25 per person and includes: the event, T-shirt, gift, refreshments, prizes, music, and more. For more info, visit [www.active.com/running/lafayette-ca/walk-n-roll-for-las-trampas-2012](http://www.active.com/running/lafayette-ca/walk-n-roll-for-las-trampas-2012). Free memory screening by Caring Solutions September 28 in the Cedar Room at the Lafayette Community Center, 500 St. Mary's Road, Lafayette. An appointment is required. Appointments are at 12:30, 12:50, or 1:10 pm. For more info or to sign up, call (925) 284-5050.

**The 14th Annual Moraga Pear & Wine Festival.** A family-friendly event celebrating Moraga's Pear history from 10am to 4pm Saturday, September 29 at the Moraga Commons Park, 1425 St. Mary's Road, Moraga. Entertainment and activities at the bandshell include DJ RyanO, Town Hall Theatre performers, an afternoon concert by littledog2, Arbor Day tree planting, wine tasting with Lamorinda Winegrowers Association, grape stomping, pear pies, jumpies, pie eating contest, food, local artist booths, community and business booths, and the ARF Mobile Adop-

tion Van. For more info, call the Parks and Recreation Department (925) 888-7045 or visit [www.moraga.ca.us](http://www.moraga.ca.us).

**20th Annual Reservoir Run. The Lafayette Reservoir Run** is the city's most popular "family affair," involving kids, parents, grandparents, and hundreds of serious runners from throughout the Bay Area. The event will be on Sunday, October 28 beginning at 6:30am in Downtown Lafayette starting at Mt. Diablo Blvd. between First St. and Moraga Road. The adult registration: \$30; race day fee \$35; elementary school fee \$22. For more info, visit [www.lafayettechamber.org/events/reservoir-run/](http://www.lafayettechamber.org/events/reservoir-run/).

**Hearing Screening by Audiologists from Hearing Science/Diablo Valley Ear, Nose, and Throat** October 3, November 7, and December 5 in the Cedar Room at the Lafayette Community Center, 500 St. Mary's Road. An appointment is required and a minimum of two sign ups are required in order for screenings to take place. Please call Lafayette Senior Services at (925) 284-5050 to sign up for one of the following appointment times: 1, 1:20, 1:40, or 2pm. Cost: \$1 for members; \$3 for non-members.

**Nature Walk and Bird-Watching led by Ben Pettersson.** Experience nature at its finest along our local trails. Delight in the beauty that unfolds around each bend, all the while learning to identify a variety of birds. Bring a water bottle; binoculars will be helpful if you have them. The walks are every Wednesday from 9 to 11am. Please call (925) 284-5050 to find out the weekly meeting place.

**Celebrating the 75th anniversary of the TAO House.** The Tao House was built by Eugene O'Neill and his wife, Carlotta, in Las Trampas Hills, just outside of the town in 1937 shortly after his reception of the Nobel Prize for Literature. The 13th annual Eugene O'Neill Festival in Danville runs from September 7-30 at the Tao House which is now a National Park site. You must take a shuttle from The Museum of the San Ramon Valley, 205 Railroad Avenue, Danville. For more info, contact Dan Cawthon at (925) 946-0108.

**The Lafayette Library and Learning Center Board of Trustees,** which manages Foundation assets, implements major fundraising plans, oversees non-county library budget operations and staff, and coordinates activities of the Glenn Seaborg Learning Consortium, is seeking new members. Applications, which are available at [LLLCF.org](http://LLLCF.org) or available in the LLLCF office on the mezzanine floor of the library, will be accepted until September 30.

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MOVIE REVIEW

The Words

By Derek Zemrak



Photo Jonathan Wenk

Don't miss this amazing film! *The Words* is the best film I have seen this year. The film premiered at the Sundance Film Festival this past January where it was purchased by CBS films for a reported \$2 million and a guarantee of \$1.5 million in print and advertising. This independent film is about author Rory Jansen, played by Bradley Cooper (*The Hangover*; *Limitless*), whose latest novel is a literary success. Rory is riding the wave of success. The problem is – Rory did not write it. Now amongst all the accolades he has to deal with his secret.

The cast is amazing and includes Oscar Winner Jeremy Irons (*Reversal of Fortune*), Dennis Quaid (*Far From Heaven*), Zoe Saldana (*Avatar*) and Olivia Wilde (*People Like Us*). All the performances are solid but it is the quality of the screenplay by Brian Klugman and Lee Stemthal that shines on the screen. When Rory, as a struggling writer, once again needs to borrow money from his dad, Rory says, "I need to pay my dues," and his dad responds, "No, I need

to pay your dues." Another memorable line: "We all make choices in life but the hardest part is to live with them." Dialogue from this film stays with you; the words have meaning and impact.

As an independent film, *The Words* was shot on location in Montreal but was used to depict both New York and Paris, which greatly reduced production cost. Often times these little gems of movies do not see enormous box office results because of a lack of marketing funds; they rely on word of mouth. *The Words* is a film that will make you think of your own life. People will be talking about the movie for days after seeing it, as they reflect on their own lives and the paths that were chosen along the way.

*The Words* is a must see – take my "Words" for it!

Derek Zemrak is a Film Critic, Film Producer and Founder of the California Independent Film Festival. You can follow Derek on Twitter @zemrak for the latest Hollywood news.

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Dance Lessons - optional from 7PM to 8PM  
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