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Lamorinda's Religious Services





The Orinda **Community Church**

An Open and Affirming Congregation of the United Church of Christ

10 Irwin Way, Orinda | 925.254.4906 | www.orindachurch.org "No matter who you are, wherever you are on life's

journey, you are welcome here!"

Join us Sundays at 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:00 a.m

Lafayette United Methodist Church



955 Moraga Rd., Lafayette 284-4765, office@thelumc.org, thelumc.org

Children & Teen Faith Formation Teen Fellowship

Sunday 10 am Sunday 10 am Sunday 6 pm

Opportunities for Worship, Love, Service



St Stephen's Episcopal Church

66 St. Stephen's Drive, Orinda 254-3770. www.ststephensorinda.org Sunday 8am, 10am

St. Anselm's Episcopal Church A Loving Community

Sunday Services: 8 and 10 AM

In-church Youth Zone, 10 AM Nursery Childcare 682 Michael Lane, Lafayette, 284-7420, www.stanselms.ws



► SUNDAY Worship, 8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 AM, with programs for all ages.

- ► SEEDLINGS Preschool, M-F.
- ► LOPC: Where everyone is welcome, nobody is perfect & anything is possible with God.

LAFAYETTE-ORINDA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 925-283-8722 LOPC.org



Sundays, 9 & 10:30am

10 Moraga Valley Lane | www.mvpctoday.org | 925.376.4800

ORINDA CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH

24 Orinda Way (next to the Library) - 254-4212

Sunday Service and Sunday School 10 - 11 am 7:30 - 8:30 pm Informal Wednesday Meeting Reading Room/Bookstore M - F 11 - 4; Sat 11 - 2

www.christianscienceorinda.org

Willow Spring Community Church **Loving God Loving People**

Come and Meet our New Pastor Sundays: 9:15am Adult Sunday School Classes 10:15am Pre-Service Fellowship (Free Coffee & Bagels) 10:45am Contemporary Worship Service

Wednesdays: 10:00am Community Bible Study 1689 School Street, Moraga (925) 376-3550 www.willowspringchurch.net

Holy Shepherd Lutheran Church 433 Moraga Way, Orinda, 254-3422 www.holyshepherd.org



8:30 a.m. Traditions Worship Service 9:45 a.m. Education for all ages 10:45 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service Coffee Fellowship at 9:30 and 11:45 a.m. Childcare available for ages 5 and younger

SAINT GILES' EPISCOPAL CHURCH

9am Sunday School & 🎉 Communion Service in the SMC Chapel



stgiles-moraga.org (925) 376-5770 traditional liturgy + inclusive theology

ART

Columbus Day Weekend LAA Art **Show and Sale** from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10 at the Lafayette Christian Church, just off St. Mary's Road at 584 Glenside Drive. Eighteen LAA members will display recently completed works, including ceramics, jewelry, glass art and photography.

About Face - The Arts and Culture Commission of Contra Costa County is offering two-day self-portrait painting workshops at no cost to all Contra Costa County veterans. Workshops will take place in Martinez at ARTU4iA, a working art studio led by noted artist John Kleber. No art experience required. All painting materials will be provided. Workshops are form 6 to 9 p.m. on Oct. 20, 22, 27 and 29 and November 3, 5, 17 and 19. Free food and beverages will be provided. Class size will be held up to 15 partic-Register online AC5.org/ABOUTFACE.

Saint Mary's College Museum of **Art presents "A Fine** Line - The Dr. Maurice Alberti Print Collection of European and American Masters." The show opens Sunday, Oct. 4. The collection consists of master works on paper by leading Impressionists, Expressionists, Fauvists and Cubists in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. For info, call (925) 631-4363 or visit stmarys-ca.edu/museum.

Jennifer Perlmutter Gallery presents "Through the Eyes of Masters: Artist Julie Cohn Lectures on Matisse, the artist and his life" from 7 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 8. Free.

Valley Art Gallery's "Colorfall" exhibit runs through Nov. 7. Fall is the most colorful time of the year, with russets and siennas joining the greens and golds of summer. Valley Art Gallery celebrates this expanded palette with its new show, and a juried selection of new work from a talented group of local members.

MUSIC

The Piano Composers of The Contra Costa Performing Arts Society is presenting its first musical event of the new season at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 9 at the Lafayette Library and Learning Center Community Hall, 3491 Mt. Diablo Blvd., Lafayette. Family and friends of all ages can enjoy the variety of musical styles each musician/composer brings to the performance, eliciting the full breadth of sounds from the excellent Steinway grand. Free. For info, visit www.ccpas.org.

The OSLC Concert Series presents organist David Auerbach in "At the Round Earth's Imagined Corners," a recital contrasting music of England, France, Germany and the United States at 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 18 at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 1035 Carol Lane in Lafayette. Free; freewill offering. For info, visit www.oslc.net.

The Gold Coast Chamber Players perform the music of Mozart and Mendelssohn in Prodigies. The concert will be held at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 30 at the Lafayette Library Community Hall, 3491 Mt. Diablo Blvd., Lafayette. Ticket price includes complimentary champagne, a pre-concert talk at 7 p.m., and a reception with the musicians following the performance. Tickets are available at www.gcplayers.org and by phone at (925) 283-3728. Limited seating, please reserve

THEATER

Cal Shakes presents "King Lear," which runs through Oct. 11 at Bruns Amphitheater, 100 California Shakespeare Theater Way (formerly 100 Gateway Blvd.) in Orinda. For more information, visit calshakes.org. (See story page B4)

Town Hall Theatre presents "The Mystery of Edwin Drood" by Rupert Holmes through Oct. 24. Taking place at the turn of the century in a bawdy music hall, a group of actors decide to attempt the unthinkable – to solve, resolve and conclude Charles Dickens' unfinished masterpiece, "The Mystery of Edwin Drood." With the audience deciding several outcomes every

evening (resulting in over 200 different combinations of endings), "Drood" is fast, incredibly funny ... and never the same show twice. Rated PG-13 for bawdy humor and adult situations. Contact the Town Hall Theatre Box Office at (925) 283-1557 or check the

www.TownHallTheatre.com for show times and tickets. (See story page B5)

LECTURE & LITERATURE

Lafayette Physical Therapy Lecture Series will feature Michele Duffy BTB, M.F.S., who will discuss Feng Shui and Wellness from 7 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 29 at 3468 Mt. Diablo Blvd. Suite B110 in Lafayette. For info, http://lafayettept.com/events/.

"The Gift of Failure - Fostering Intrinsic Motivation and Resilience in Kids" at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 8 at the Acalanes Performing Arts Center. Jessica Lahey writes for the New York Times and the Atlantic about parent and student issues. She shares the message that failure is vital to success, and shows parents how to offer support even as they encourage autonomy. For tickets, go jessicalahey.eventbrite.com.

The Elfenworks Center for Responsible Business at Saint Mary's College invites the public to hear the perspectives of Dr. Carolyn Y. Woo, president and CEO of Catholic Relief Services. Dr. Woo will offer insights into Pope Francis' encyclical and the role of business in advancing the common good at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 14 in Hagerty Lounge, De La Salle Hall, at Saint Mary's College. Free and open to the public (RSVP required, register online at http://www.stmarysca.edu/business-and-the-commongood-featuring-carolyn-woo-president -ceo-of-catholic-relief-services). For info, contact professor Tomas Gomez Arias, 631-4928, (925)tgomez@stmarys-ca.edu.

Trust in Education will sponsor a presentation by Royal Marine Sergeant Pen Farthing, founder of Nowzad Dogs (nowzad.org) from 7 to 9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 16 at the Lafayette Library and Community Center, 3491 Mt. Diablo Blvd. Farthing, the author of "One Dog at a Time," "Wiley," and "No Place Like Home," will speak at the Lafayette Library about the difficulties and rewards of rescuing animals in Afghanistan, a country where dogs are not considered "man's best friend," and the Taliban remains a serious threat.

Ensuring Quality Higher Education for our Children: The Impact of Funding Cuts - A presentation and discussion with Joan Buchanan about funding for higher education in California sponsored by the League of Women Voters of Diablo Valley from 3 to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 17 in the Meeting Room at Pleasant Hill Co-Housing 2200 Lisa Lane, Pleasant Hill. Free.

Lecture at the Orinda Library by Dora Sorell, author of "Tell the Children, Letters to Miriam," at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 22 in the auditorium. Free. For info, visit http://www.letterstomygrandchildren.com/ or contact the library at (925) 254-2184. (See story page B3)

Berkeley Repertory Theatre docent lecture at the Moraga Library at 1 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 22. Enjoy an entertaining afternoon with a Berkeley Repertory Theatre docent who will discuss The Hypocrites' Pirates of Penzance.

Rising Above - Overcoming Obstacles In Spite of Adversity from 7 to 8 p.m. Monday, Oct. 26 at Stanley Middle School in the Multi-Purpose Room. Stephen Wampler grew up in Lafayette with his four siblings. This longtime resident of Lafayette, and graduate of Acalanes High School, returns to the Lamorinda community to tell his amazing story of grit, steel will and sheer guts as he climbed the face of El Capitan in Yosemite with the use of only one limb, his right arm. To reserve your seat to this event, please go to: signupgenius.com/go/30E0F4CA5A8 238-district.

KIDS, PARENTS & TEENS

Ponies and Pumpkins in the Pasture 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 18 at 423 Canyon Rd., Moraga. Join the Moraga Horsemen's Association to purchase a pumpkin, then decorate it in the craft booth. Or decorate a horseshoe. Then participate in a costume contest (for kids, dogs and horses) and have some delicious Tri Tip sandwiches for lunch and help taste-test the club's pumpkin dessert contestants. For more information and a schedule of events visit www.moragahorsemen.org.

4th Annual Fall Harvest Celebration **11 a.m. to** 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 18 at the Lafayette Community Garden and Outdoor Learning located at 3932 Mt. Diablo Blvd. There will be garden tours, games, displays, refreshments, music, raffle, Native American dwelling and artifacts, scarecrow and apple doll making. Free. For more info, visit www.lafayettecommunitygarden.org.

Join the Lafayette Library and Learning Center for its Children's Book Festival, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24 at the Lafayette Library Community Hall when five well known, award-winning authors and illustrators will sign books and demonstrate illustration techniques: Gennifer Choldenko, Thacher Hurd, Jordan Jacobs, Elisa Kleven and Michael Slack.

Lafayette Reservoir Run from 6:30 to 11 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 25 in downtown Lafayette. In addition to the 5k, 10k and 2-mile run, there will be a family bike ride and Healthy Lifestyles Fair. For more info and to register visit www.lafayettechamber.org/events/rese rvoir-run/.

Trick or Treat Street: For a fun, safe Halloween event, children and their parents are invited to trick-or-treat on Mt. Diablo Boulevard from Oak Hill Road to Dewing Avenue and in La Fiesta Square from 4 to 6 p.m. Friday, Oct. 30. All participating businesses will display a "Trick-or-Treat Poster" and balloons. Please come in costume to receive a special treat. Don't forget to bring a trick-or-treat bag.

This fall Lindsay Wildlife Experience will be leading hikes in Mount Diablo State Park to explore the natural habitat of tarantulas. Discover these eight-legged creatures on a local twomile hike recommended for nature lovers ages 6 and up. Tarantula Hikes take place from 4 to 6 p.m. every Sunday through Oct. 25. The hike costs \$10 for Lindsay members and \$15 for all non-members. Pre-registration is re-

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Women Unleashed from 5 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 8 at Tony La Russa's Animal Rescue Foundation (ARF) 2890 Mitchell Drive, Walnut Creek. You deserve a Girls Night at ARF surrounded by precious pups and cute cats. Enjoy complimentary soda, wine, martinis and appetizers while you shop for clothing, accessories, beauty products, and more. Relax with a mini massage, watch demonstrations, and tour ARF. Cost: \$25 per person. Must be 16 years or older. For info, visit https://www.arflife.org/arfevents/439/women-unleashed.

Burton Valley Elementary School PTA Sponsored Blood and Bone Marrow Drive from 8:15 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. Friday, Oct. 9 in the Multi-Purpose Room, 561 Merriewood Dr., Lafayette. If you have questions regarding your eligibility to donate blood, please call 1-866-236-3276.

"East Side Sushi" director Anthony Lucero, producer Julie Rubio (J Colleen Boutique in Lafayette), and few cast and crew, will be participating in a Q&A at the Orinda Theatre Oct. 9 directly after the 7 p.m. screening of the movie. This special screening will begin at least a week-long run of this independent film at the Orinda Theatre. "East Side Sushi" tells the story of a young Oakland Latina chef who dreams of becoming a sushi chef. For info, visit lamorindatheatres.com.

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