

Celebrate spring in Lamorinda

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Some lucky youngsters in Moraga find eggs with the help of a Bunny friend.

Photo Andy Scheck

When the calendar says spring there comes a chance for celebrations both religious and secular in Lamorinda.

The moveable feasts of Passover and Easter both fall mid-April this year. Passover begins April 10 and runs through April 18; both Latin and Orthodox Easter celebrations coincide on April 16 in 2017. By the time you read this the Moraga Junior Women's Club Spring Egg Hunt on the Commons will have come and gone (it was March 25; see photo) but if the young 'uns are still twitching for some seasonal fun, more events "hopen" soon.

The Rotary Club of Orinda hosts its Spring Egg Hunt at 11 a.m. sharp April 15 at the Orinda Community Center Park. Between 1 and 4 p.m. April 15, Orinda Theatre Square offers rock climbing, a petting zoo, pony rides, face painting and live entertainment.

The Lafayette Community Center Foundation's Bunny Brunch begins at 10:30 a.m. April 15 at the Lafayette Community Center in the Live Oak Room. Tickets are \$10 per person and include brunch, a live show, an egg hunt and Mr. Bunny; the event sells out so plan to pre-register at https://apm.activecommunities.com/lafayetterec/Activity_Search/1314.

In addition, the Lafayette Rotary invites children second grade and younger to their free Community Egg Scramble starting at 10 a.m. April 15 at the Lafayette Plaza Park near the Park Theater.

Moraga's Rheem Valley Shopping Center offers Easter clowns, an Easter Fairy, balloon art and pictures with the Easter Bunny from

noon to 3 p.m. April 15. Find a free photo coupon on the Rheem Valley website at www.rheemvalley.net.

Moraga Farmers' Market is hiding Easter eggs full of toys, candy and "Bunny Money" coupons during market hours April 16. The day also includes live music and activities for children. Feel the need to shop for fresh local produce outside? Orinda's seasonal Farmer's Market opened April 1 (no fooling!). Moraga Farmers' Market runs 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. year 'round on Sundays in Moraga Center.

In other spring news, the Orinda Community Foundation will host Orinda Action Day April 22; for details go online to www.orindafoundation.org. Sustainable Lafayette hosts an Earth Day celebration at the Lafayette Library and Learning Center plaza April 23



(visit <http://www.sustainablelafayette.org/earth-day-2017>). Contra Costa County Libraries are closed Easter Sunday, April 16, so check out your copies of "Happy Easter, Mouse," or "P is for Passover" early.

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