

## Published October 25th, 2023 Halloween spirit alive and well in Lamorinda By Jennifer Wake



This Moraga home lights up with a spooky landscape to scare even the most hardened trick-or-treaters. Photo Sora O'Doherty The holiday season is upon us with creative, spooky Halloween decorations dotting front yards along sleepy Lamorinda streets. Whether cute or downright scary, the festive message of this fun, fall celebration will not go unnoticed by costume clad trick-or-treaters come Halloween night: Boo!

Lafayette has several pre-Halloween events planned for those who can't get enough Halloween. This year, the Lafayette Community Center's Haunted House, renamed the "Spooky Walk," will be held outdoors on the Bellenger Trail. It will feature a quarter-mile stretch of "bone-chilling encounters" - with offerings of "Not too Scary" versions from 5 to 6:30 p.m. on Oct. 28 and 29, and "Very Scary" versions from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Oct. 28 and 7 to 9 p.m. Oct. 29. Pre-registration required, get your tickets now! https://tinyurl.com/3jwwhj6x

For the younger set, ages 9 and under, a stroll with parents/caregivers in Lafayette's downtown offers access

to free candy at more than 50 participating businesses as part of the annual Trick-or-Treat Street event, sponsored by the Lafayette Chamber of Commerce. Costumed trick-or-treaters can visit businesses displaying participation posters to fill bags from home with candy on Mt. Diablo Boulevard from Plaza Way to Dewing Avenue, Lafayette Circle and in La Fiesta Square from 4 to 6 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 27. For a list of participants, visit https://lafayettechamber.org/trick-or-treat.

And the Lafayette United Methodist Church (955 Moraga Road, Lafayette) will be hosting a Halloween Festival in the Fellowship Hall with food, games, face painting, free pumpkin patch, crafts and more from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Oct. 29.

Whatever you decide to do to get your scare on, Lamorinda Weekly wishes you all a happy Halloween!

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