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Crab Feed & Dance

Saturday, February 5, 6:00 – 11:00 p.m.
Bring your appetites & dancing shoes.
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Dinner & Dance \$37.50; Dance only \$10.



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Crab and More Crab!

By Susie Iventosch



Photo Susie Iventosch

Dianna Davis-Condon has been a staple on the local foodie scene, providing gourmet meal delivery service and teaching cooking classes to kids and adults alike. The former Viking Home Chef instructor has a growing contingent of protégées from budding junior chefs at the Del Rey School to adults who have discovered a love of cooking. In October, she branched out with her own catering and event planning business, to add to her list of offerings.

sun, but Mediterranean and Latin are her favorite cuisines. She has a 19-page menu from which to choose and she says that people seem to love her “Mexican-influenced Spanish Paella”, chicken enchilada casserole and her three lasagna options—beef, grilled veggie or turkey sausage.

My favorite so far is her crab cake recipe, which she has gladly shared with readers along with the Crab and Brie Phyllo Turnovers. But, from perusing her amazing menu, I am anxious to try the Parmesan Polenta Rounds, Greek Pastisio (lamb, beef, penne pasta and Béchamel sauce), Slow Braised BBQ Pork Pull, Five-Cheese Potatoes Gratin, and her Italian Chocolate Pudding Cakes!

Dianna Condon Cuisine is a full-service catering and event planning company that will continue to offer culinary instruction to all ages. In late January, after the flour has settled from a busy holiday schedule, Condon hopes to resume her “Gourmet Meal Delivery Service” where she will offer low-fat and low-sodium menus, in addition to regular fare. These meals will be available at Living Lean in Orinda’s Theater Square.



To learn more about Dianna Condon Cuisine, or to order a meal for home delivery service, please call or visit her website. For meal delivery, 24-28 hours notice is requested. Phone: (925) 255-5104
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“My goal is for people to be as fit and healthy as they possibly can in order to fully enjoy the gifts that each day brings,” said Condon, who not only cooks for a living, but also teaches “The Bar Method” workout.

“Cooking food, entertaining and making life’s small pleasures look as beautiful as possible are my passions,” she added. “I am excited to begin this new adventure of full service catering and event planning while maintaining my commitment to teaching culinary skills and fitness.”

Condon says she cooks just about everything under the

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Crab Cakes Dianna

INGREDIENTS

- 2 cups fresh, coarse bread crumbs from French bread (process to the size of a pea)
- 4 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil
- 1 pound fresh Dungeness crabmeat, picked over to remove bits of cartilage/shell
- 2/3 cup finely chopped celery
- 1/2 cup finely chopped red onion
- 1 1/2 teaspoons Worcestershire sauce
- 1/2 cup mayonnaise
- 1/4 cup finely chopped parsley
- 2 tablespoons Dijon mustard
- 1/2 teaspoon Tabasco sauce
- 1/2 teaspoon crushed red pepper flakes
- Kosher salt
- Freshly ground black pepper
- 2 eggs, separated



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DIRECTIONS

1. In a large mixing bowl, toss bread crumbs with 2 tablespoons olive oil.
2. Add all ingredients except eggs and mix well. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Add egg yolks and stir to combine.
3. In bowl of stand mixer whip egg whites until they hold stiff peaks. Gently fold into crab mixture.
4. Form into balls approximately 3 inches in diameter (1 inch if making appetizers), and then slightly flatten tops and bottoms.
5. *Heat remaining 2 tablespoons olive oil in a large ovenproof skillet or sauté pan over medium-high heat. Add crab cakes, cook until golden, and turn over. Transfer to oven to finish cooking, about 8 minutes more. Makes 8 large or 24 minis.
6. Serve with a Remoulade Sauce or Spicy Yogurt Sauce
*To save one step, you can simply brush crab cakes with olive oil and bake at 424° for 5-7 minutes per side, skipping the sauté step.

Crab and Brie Phyllo Turnovers

Melt 1 stick of butter and cool slightly. Lay out 1 piece of Phyllo dough with the long side perpendicular to you. Brush some melted butter on the short ends (parallel to you) at the top and bottom - about 2 inches. Cut the dough in half, the long way, and then each of the halves in half. You should have four strips. At the base closest to you, place 1 teaspoon of brie and one teaspoon of fresh crab. Begin folding each piece like a flag. Place each triangle on a parchment lined baking sheet. Repeat to make as many as you like. Brush each triangle with melted butter. Bake at 400 for 20 minutes or until golden brown. Serve with your favorite Remoulade or Susie's Spicy Yogurt Sauce!

Remoulade Sauce

INGREDIENTS

- 1/2 roasted red pepper (fresh or 2 pieces from a jar)
- 1/2 cup mayonnaise
- 1/4 sour cream
- 1/4 cup celery, rough chopped
- 1/2 cup green onion, finely sliced
- 1/4 cup Italian flat leaf parsley, rough chopped
- 1/4 cup horseradish
- 1/2 lemon, zested and juiced
- 2 tablespoons ketchup
- 1 tablespoon Worcestershire Sauce
- 1 tablespoon Dijon
- 1 tablespoon Tabasco
- 1 tablespoon fresh garlic, minced
- 1 teaspoon paprika
- 1/2 teaspoon chili powder
- 1 teaspoon salt

DIRECTIONS

Add all ingredients to a food processor and blend until fairly smooth Chill until ready to serve (at least one hour).

Spicy Yogurt Sauce

INGREDIENTS

- 1/2 cup plain yogurt
- 2 teaspoons prepared horseradish (more or less as you like)
- 2 teaspoons Louisiana Hot Sauce (more or less as you like)
- 1/4 cup crumbled blue cheese (or 1/4 cup prepared blue cheese dressing)

DIRECTIONS

Place crumbled blue cheese in a medium bowl. Mash with fork until almost a paste. Stir in horseradish, hot sauce and yogurt. Mix well. Chill until ready to use.

LAMORINDA's Restaurants

... updated January 5, 2011 ...

American	French	Hawaiian Grill	Italian	Japanese	Mexican	Seafood	Steak	Tea	Thai	Vietnamese
Bistro, 3287 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 283-7108	Chevalier Restaurant, 960 Moraga Road, Laf, 385-0793	Lava Pit Hawaiian Grill, 2 Theatre Square, St. 142, Ori, 253-1338	Giardino, 3406 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 283-3869	Asia Palace Sushi Bar, 1460 B Moraga Rd, Mor, 376-0809	360 Gourmet Burrito, 3655 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 299-1270	Yankee Pier, 3593 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 283-4100	Casa Orinda, 20 Bryant Way, Ori, 254-2981	Amirin Thai Cuisine, 3555 Mt. Diablo Blvd #B, Laf, 283-8883	Little Hearty Noodle, Pho & Pasta, 578 Center St., Mor, 376-7600	
Bistro, 3287 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 283-7108	Fuz, 3707 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 299-9930	La Pit Fire Grill, 3647 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 385-0658	La Finestra Ristorante, 100 Lafayette Cir, #101, Laf, 284-5282	Blue Ginko, 3518-A Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 962-9020	Casa Gourmet Burrito, 3322 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 284-4415	Patesserie Lafayette, 71 Lafayette Cir, Laf, 283-2226	Royal Siam, 512 Center Street, Mor, 377-0420	Baan Thai, 99 Orinda Way, Ori, 253-0989		
Chow Restaurant, 53 Lafayette Cir, Laf, 962-2469	Hawaiian Grill, 15 Moraga Way, Ori, 253-9191	La Piazza, 15 Moraga Way, Ori, 284-3081	La Piazza, 15 Moraga Way, Ori, 253-9191	Fuz, 3707 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 299-9930	El Charro Mexican Dining, 3339 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 283-2345	Tea Party by Appointment, 107 Orinda Way, Ori, 254-2206	Siam Orchid, 23 Orinda Way # F, Ori, 253-1975			
Ranch House, 1012 School St, Mor, 376-5127	Italian, 3602 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 962-9575	Mangia Ristorante Pizzeria, 975 Moraga Rd, Laf, 284-3081	La Piazza, 15 Moraga Way, Ori, 253-9191	Michael's, 1375 Moraga Way, Mor, 376-4300	El Jaro Mexican Cafe, 3563 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 283-6639					
Terzetto Cuisine, 1419 Moraga Way, Mor, 376-3832	Indian, 3602 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 962-9575	Michael's, 1375 Moraga Way, Mor, 376-4300	La Piazza, 15 Moraga Way, Ori, 253-9191	Petra Cafe, 2 Theatre Sq # 105, Ori, 254-5290						
The Cheese Steak Shop, 3455 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 283-1234	Swad Indian Cuisine, 3602 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 962-9575	Trattoria Lupetti, 65 Moraga Way, Ori, 253-7662	La Piazza, 15 Moraga Way, Ori, 253-9191	Oasis Cafe, 3594 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 299-8822						
BBQ	Italian, 3602 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 962-9575	Postino, 3565 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 299-8700	La Piazza, 15 Moraga Way, Ori, 253-9191	Turquoise Mediterranean Grill, 70 Moraga Way, Ori, 253-2004						
Bo's Barbecue, 3422 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 283-7133	Italian, 3602 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 962-9575	Ristorante Amorama, 360 Park St, Mor, 377-7662	La Piazza, 15 Moraga Way, Ori, 253-9191							
Burger Joint	Italian, 3602 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 962-9575	Ristorante Amorama, 360 Park St, Mor, 377-7662	La Piazza, 15 Moraga Way, Ori, 253-9191							
Flippers, 960 Moraga Rd, Laf, 284-1567	Italian, 3602 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 962-9575	Ristorante Amorama, 360 Park St, Mor, 377-7662	La Piazza, 15 Moraga Way, Ori, 253-9191							
Nation's Giant Hamburgers, 400 Park, Mor, 376-8888	Italian, 3602 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 962-9575	Ristorante Amorama, 360 Park St, Mor, 377-7662	La Piazza, 15 Moraga Way, Ori, 253-9191							
Nation's Giant Hamburgers, 76 Moraga Way, Ori, 254-8888	Italian, 3602 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 962-9575	Ristorante Amorama, 360 Park St, Mor, 377-7662	La Piazza, 15 Moraga Way, Ori, 253-9191							
Cafe	Italian, 3602 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 962-9575	Ristorante Amorama, 360 Park St, Mor, 377-7662	La Piazza, 15 Moraga Way, Ori, 253-9191							
Ferrari- Lucca Delicatessens, 23 Lafayette Cir, Laf, 299-8040	Italian, 3602 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 962-9575	Ristorante Amorama, 360 Park St, Mor, 377-7662	La Piazza, 15 Moraga Way, Ori, 253-9191							
Geppetto's cafe, 87 Orinda Way, Ori, 253-9894	Italian, 3602 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 962-9575	Ristorante Amorama, 360 Park St, Mor, 377-7662	La Piazza, 15 Moraga Way, Ori, 253-9191							
La Boulange, 3597 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 284-1001	Italian, 3602 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 962-9575	Ristorante Amorama, 360 Park St, Mor, 377-7662	La Piazza, 15 Moraga Way, Ori, 253-9191							
Rising Loafers, 3643 Mt. Diablo Blvd Ste B, Laf, 284-8816	Italian, 3602 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 962-9575	Ristorante Amorama, 360 Park St, Mor, 377-7662	La Piazza, 15 Moraga Way, Ori, 253-9191							
Susan Food Catering & Cafe, 965 Mt. View Dr., Laf, 299-2469	Italian, 3602 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 962-9575	Ristorante Amorama, 360 Park St, Mor, 377-7662	La Piazza, 15 Moraga Way, Ori, 253-9191							
California Cuisine	Italian, 3602 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 962-9575	Ristorante Amorama, 360 Park St, Mor, 377-7662	La Piazza, 15 Moraga Way, Ori, 253-9191							
Artisan Bistro, 1005 Brown St., Laf, 962-0882	Italian, 3602 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 962-9575	Ristorante Amorama, 360 Park St, Mor, 377-7662	La Piazza, 15 Moraga Way, Ori, 253-9191							
Metro Lafayette, 3524 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 284-4422	Italian, 3602 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 962-9575	Ristorante Amorama, 360 Park St, Mor, 377-7662	La Piazza, 15 Moraga Way, Ori, 253-9191							
Shelby's, 2 Theatre Sq, Ori, 254-9687	Italian, 3602 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 962-9575	Ristorante Amorama, 360 Park St, Mor, 377-7662	La Piazza, 15 Moraga Way, Ori, 253-9191							
Table 24, Theatre Sq, Ori, 254-0124	Italian, 3602 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 962-9575	Ristorante Amorama, 360 Park St, Mor, 377-7662	La Piazza, 15 Moraga Way, Ori, 253-9191							
Chinese	Italian, 3602 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 962-9575	Ristorante Amorama, 360 Park St, Mor, 377-7662	La Piazza, 15 Moraga Way, Ori, 253-9191							
Asia Palace Restaurant, 1460 B Moraga Rd, Mor, 376-0809	Italian, 3602 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 962-9575	Ristorante Amorama, 360 Park St, Mor, 377-7662	La Piazza, 15 Moraga Way, Ori, 253-9191							
Chef Chao Restaurant, 343 Rheem Blvd, Mor, 376-1740	Italian, 3602 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 962-9575	Ristorante Amorama, 360 Park St, Mor, 377-7662	La Piazza, 15 Moraga Way, Ori, 253-9191							
China Moon Restaurant, 380 Park St, Mor, 376-1828	Italian, 3602 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 962-9575	Ristorante Amorama, 360 Park St, Mor, 377-7662	La Piazza, 15 Moraga Way, Ori, 253-9191							
The Great Wall Rest., 3500 Golden Gate Way, 284-3500	Italian, 3602 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 962-9575	Ristorante Amorama, 360 Park St, Mor, 377-7662	La Piazza, 15 Moraga Way, Ori, 253-9191							
Hsiangs Mandarin Cuisine, 1 Orinda Way # 1, Ori, 253-9852	Italian, 3602 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 962-9575	Ristorante Amorama, 360 Park St, Mor, 377-7662	La Piazza, 15 Moraga Way, Ori, 253-9191							
Lily's House, 3555 Mt. Diablo Blvd #A, Laf, 284-7569	Italian, 3602 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 962-9575	Ristorante Amorama, 360 Park St, Mor, 377-7662	La Piazza, 15 Moraga Way, Ori, 253-9191							
Mandarin Flower, 581 Moraga Rd, Mor, 376-7839	Italian, 3602 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 962-9575	Ristorante Amorama, 360 Park St, Mor, 377-7662	La Piazza, 15 Moraga Way, Ori, 253-9191							
Panda Express, 3608 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 962-0288	Italian, 3602 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 962-9575	Ristorante Amorama, 360 Park St, Mor, 377-7662	La Piazza, 15 Moraga Way, Ori, 253-9191							
Szechwan Chinese Restaurant, 79 Orinda Way, Ori, 254-2020	Italian, 3602 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 962-9575	Ristorante Amorama, 360 Park St, Mor, 377-7662	La Piazza, 15 Moraga Way, Ori, 253-9191							
Uncle Yu's Szechuan, 999 Oak Hill Rd, Laf, 283-1688	Italian, 3602 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 962-9575	Ristorante Amorama, 360 Park St, Mor, 377-7662	La Piazza, 15 Moraga Way, Ori, 253-9191							
Yan's Restaurant, 3444 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 284-2228	Italian, 3602 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 962-9575	Ristorante Amorama, 360 Park St, Mor, 377-7662	La Piazza, 15 Moraga Way, Ori, 253-9191							
Coffee Shop	Italian, 3602 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 962-9575	Ristorante Amorama, 360 Park St, Mor, 377-7662	La Piazza, 15 Moraga Way, Ori, 253-9191							
Millie's Kitchen, 1018 Oak Hill Rd #A, Laf, 283-2397	Italian, 3602 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 962-9575	Ristorante Amorama, 360 Park St, Mor, 377-7662	La Piazza, 15 Moraga Way, Ori, 253-9191							
Squillirel's Coffee Shop, 998 Moraga Rd, Laf, 284-7830	Italian, 3602 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 962-9575	Ristorante Amorama, 360 Park St, Mor, 377-7662	La Piazza, 15 Moraga Way, Ori, 253-9191							
Village Inn Cafe, 204 Village Square, Ori, 254-6080	Italian, 3602 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Laf, 962-9575	Ristorante Amorama, 360 Park St, Mor, 377-7662	La Piazza, 15 Moraga Way, Ori, 253-9191							

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