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PENDING!

6 Baltusrol St, Moraga
 Great value in Moraga Country Club. 1743 sq ft 2 bed 2.5 bath w/ loft. Open floor plan with vaulted ceiling. Private back yard and deck. Quite cul-de-sac location and soon to be new club house. \$479,000.



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FESTIVALS

Oktoberfest at the Hacienda de Las Flores, Sunday, October 16, from 2-6pm. Big Lou and her German band will offer live music, the Golden Gate Bavarian Dancers will entertain with authentic Oktoberfest dances. Draught beer, bratwurst, weisswurst, strudel and pretzels are available for a nominal charge. Jumpy houses, pumpkin painting, and other activities will be available to entertain children. All proceeds used for improvements to the Hacienda de Las Flores.

OTHER

Donate Your Old Furniture to Hospice of the East Bay. Are you planning to update the look of your home and looking for a charitable organization that will accept your old furniture? Hospice of the East Bay thrift stores need your contributions and will come to your home to pick them up! For store locations and hours visit www.hospiceeastbay.org. Pick-up service for large items is available by calling (925) 674-9072.

Music, Dance, Conversation at Seniors Social. Music lovers, social fans, all-level dancers, couples and singles invited to join the fun Wednesdays 12:30-2:50pm, Live Oak Room, Lafayette Community Center, 500 St. Mary's Road. Large dance space, sociable table set-up, smooth new floor. Ballroom lessons first Wednesday of each month. \$2 for Lafayette Senior Center members, \$4 for non-members. Additional details and map: sites.google.com/site/lafayetteteadance.

Widowed Persons Support Group sessions are on-going at 10 am Saturday mornings at Saint Stephen's Church, 66 St. Stephen's Drive, Orinda. For more detailed information, please call Janice With at (925) 210-0333.

Blood Drive – Drop by and share a pint! Saturday, October 1, 9am-3pm, at MVPC, 10 Moraga Valley Lane, Moraga. It's a chance to be a hero, and to give someone another birthday. Sign up online at helpsavealife.org (Sponsor Code: Moraga925) or call Les Deane at 283-5648.

At 10:45 am on October 2, Our Savior's Lutheran Church will have a special service of appreciation and blessing for our pets (an acknowledgement of the Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi two days later). Fresh water and animal snacks available around the room on an easily-cleaned floor surface! 1035 Carol Lane in Lafayette. 283-3722, www.oslc.net.

Blessing of the Animals - 3pm Saturday, October 8. Join Orinda Community Church friends -- furry and feathery-- to celebrate the blessing of the animals. 10 Irwin Way, Orinda. All animals invited. We've blessed lizards, pictures of animals, stuffed animals. Bring dog/cat food and blankets to benefit local animal shelters.

Stanley Middle School Book Fair: October 3-7. Monday - Thursday: 7:50am-4pm, Tuesday: 6pm-8pm, and Friday: 7:50am-8:30am. Monday at lunchtime: Canine Companions for Independence. Tuesday at lunchtime: Author Talk with Bruce Cameron, author of A Dog's Purpose. Tuesday at 6 pm: Author Talk with Bruce Cameron and Top Dog Hot Dogs to be served for dinner. Wednesday at lunchtime: Local veterinarian, Dr. Pam Wittenberg, will answer questions about pets.

The Orinda Library invites everyone to help celebrate the 10th Anniversary with music by Orinda's own The Real Placebos on Wednesday, October 5 at

6:30 pm. The popular group plays American Roots Music which includes everything from Mississippi blues to traditional bluegrass and is perfect for the entire family. This program will take place inside the Orinda Library which is at 26 Orinda Way in Orinda. For more information, please visit the library website at ccclib.org or telephone (925) 254-2184.

5th Annual Martinez Home Tour on Saturday, October 8 from 10am-4pm. The Tour begins at the Shell Clubhouse, 1635 Pacheco Blvd, with displays of vintage clothing, antique cars, refreshments and music by "The Spinning Wheel." The tour includes the 1890 Borland House (home of the Martinez Museum), John Muir's 1882 Italianate Victorian Home, the Martinez Adobe and seven private historical homes circa 1880-1930. Tickets are tax deductible and are \$20 in advance or \$25 at the Shell Club House on the day of the event or on www.MartinezHomeTour.com.

Moraga Mover's October program will feature John Muir Laws, a direct descendant of John Muir, as the guest speaker. Naturalist, educator and artist John (Jack) Muir Laws delights in exploring the natural world and sharing this love with others. Guests are welcome for this dinner/program at the Soda Center, St. Mary's College on Oct 10. The cost is \$15 per person and reservations can be made online by visiting www.moragamovers.org or by calling (925) 376-6622. Social hour begins at 5pm with dinner to follow at 6pm.

On October 12th at 7 pm in the Orinda Library Auditorium the Lamorinda Wildfire Forum will present a program remembering the 1991 Oakland Firestorm. If you plan to attend, please contact Jonathan Goodwin, CanyonFire@VFEmail.net. See article page A8.

Be Prepared: Top 8 Remedies for Emergencies. Dr. Golovanov & Myra Nissen, CCH discuss remedies that can keep you safe: Ease injuries, calm the shell-shocked, or save a life. Thursday October 13 6-7pm, Quail Court Office Park, 43 Quail Court, Suite 215, Conference Room, Floor 2, Walnut Creek. (925) 826-3858, register www.HomeopathyEveryDay.com.

The Moraga-Orinda Fire District is hosting their Fall Open House and Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, October 15th, from 8am-12pm (breakfast begins at 9am), at Station 41 - 1280 Moraga Way, Moraga. Bring the family to meet your local firefighters, representatives from local community groups, Smokey the Bear and take a tour of the fire engines and trucks. Come learn about fire prevention and emergency/disaster preparedness, Firewise and the CPR Anytime programs. Schedule a car seat check-up appointment, learn how to use a fire extinguisher and how to perform animal CPR. There will be a fire truck bounce house/slide, free popcorn, raffles and prizes for the kids!

On Friday, October 21 Gary Gragg, who is the President of Golden Gate Palms and Exotics in Richmond, California, will discuss subtropical gardening for Northern California. The lecture is at 10:30 am. A plant sale and refreshments are at 9am. The event is free and the public is cordially invited to attend. The event is held at the Orinda Community Church, 10 Irwin Way, Orinda.

Dark Dreams Haunted house returns to the Rheem Theater raising money for the California Independent Film Festival. Creepy movie sets and live monsters leave you shaking. Open 4-6pm Halloween with lights on, no monsters for curious little kids. Scary October 21&23, 28-31, 7-11pm 'til

midnight on Halloween. \$8.00 admission (sold at door) www.Hauntworld.com.

Do you like working with people? Are you good with numbers? Contra Costa County AARP Tax-Aide is looking for volunteers to become members of a team providing free tax preparation for individuals of all ages. Volunteers are trained by Tax-Aide and become IRS Certified tax counselors. Other volunteer positions are available. If interested, call LaVerne Gordon, District Coordinator, at (925) 726-3199 for information and to apply. Orientation is in November 2011 and classes for tax counselors start in January 2012.

Step into the world of amateur radio! Communicate wirelessly across town, across country, internationally or out into space. Learn about Amateur (ham) Radio and earn a Technician Class license through classes taught by Lamorinda area ham radio operators. Classes start, November 2, at 7 pm in the Sarge Littlehale Room of Orinda City Hall and run for two hours each Wednesday night through the month. The class is free, but participants will use Gordon West's book Technician Class 2010-2014. The book, normally \$20, will be available at a reduced price at the first meeting.

Virtually anyone can become a licensed operator. Learning Morse Code is no longer a requirement for obtaining any amateur radio license. A federal license exam will be administered at the completion of the class. For details, call Keith at 925.376.3269 or Leasa at 925.631.6650, or e-mail K6KWR@arrl.ORG.

Please submit:
 calendar@lamorindaweekly.com

Opening Day Preview
The NEW Saint Mary's College Museum of Art
Sunday, October 2



In the Hearst, Walker & Keith Galleries

The Comprehensive Keith: A Centennial Tribute

130 paintings by California's 19th c. landscape master artist



In the Studio Gallery

Masks and Costumes: Ethnographic Art from the Permanent Collection



In the John and Julia Armistead Gallery

Reflections in Time: Photographs by Stanley Truman from the Permanent Collection

Kevin Starr, Ph.D.

Thinking About William Keith: Some Centennial Considerations

Sunday, October 2, 2 pm, LeFevre Theatre
 \$5 admission

Discounted tickets and museum fee available online: stmarys-ca.edu/museum

Kevin Starr is University Professor and Professor of History at the University of Southern California and California State Librarian emeritus. Considered the nation's leading expert on California history, he was honored by the White House with the 2006 Humanities Medal and inducted into the California Hall of Fame in 2010. Professor Starr graduated from the University of San Francisco with a B.A. in English, earned an M.A. and a Ph.D. in English and American literature at Harvard University and his master of library science at the University of California at Berkeley.

For information on October 18 Hetch-Hetchy Forum and November 9 Recital or to preview new William Keith book, visit the museum website at stmarys-ca.edu/museum or call 925.631.4379.

Museum Hours: Wednesdays - Sundays, 11 AM - 4:30 PM
 Admission: \$5 adults; K - 12 graders and members free



10 YEARS OLD AND UP \$8.00
5TH ANNUAL DARK DREAMS HAUNTED HOUSE
OCT. 21 & 23, OCT. 28-31 2011 - 7-11PM
RHEEM THEATRE 350 PARK ST. MORAGA

BIG BAND BALL ROOM DANCE

Veterans Memorial Building

3780 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Lafayette

Come swing with your friends and neighbors-or just listen!

There will be a no-host bar open throughout the evening.



Now offering: FREE Dance Lessons

Friday, October 14th

Doors Open at 7PM for Dance Lessons by Doris Burgman
 Dance begins at 8PM through 10PM

Tickets **\$10** per person

available at the Lafayette Chamber of Commerce

Call 284-7404 for reservations

www.lafayettechamber.org

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